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'I filled out my application to join the Country Liberals about two weeks ago'

Anderson's bombshell



STRAP yourself in Northern Territory voters! Early campaigning for the 2012 Territory election just got a lot more interesting.

Former Labor Indigenous Affairs Minister turned Independent, Alison Anderson, has dropped a political bombshell, declaring she's seeking to join the Country Liberals.

The renegade Aboriginal politician confirmed to the *Koori Mail* on Friday that she'll attend a meeting of the Country Liberals' Alice Springs branch tonight to see if they'll accept her application for membership, lodged a fortnight ago. And the word from within Country Liberal circles is that endorsement of the popular Member for MacDonnell is a dead cert. It's unsettling news for the Territory Labor Government, which

has clung to power only with the help of another Independent, Gerry Wood, since Anderson moved to the cross benches in August 2009.

But it's a coup for the Country Liberals. Despite lambasting them over Indigenous Affairs when she was a Labor Minister, Anderson now says the party has the policy chops – especially around education and economic development – to move Aboriginal

Territorians out of welfare dependency.

And she insists she's not angling for a ministry in any future Country Liberal Government.

"I've been there and done that. I just want to be in the Country Liberals and give them ideas about how to move everyone forward together and for my people to enjoy the same benefits as everyone else," Anderson said.

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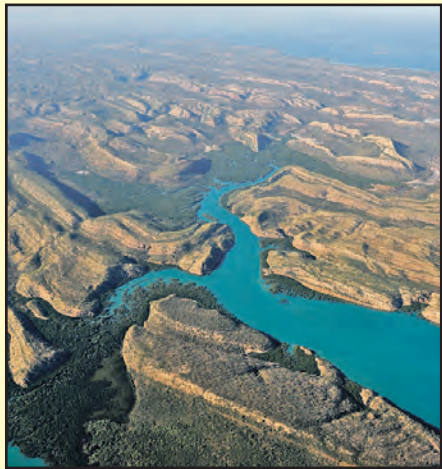


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My FAMILY LEA STEVENS – Cooktown, Qld



MY name is Lea Stevens and I was born in Atherton, north Queensland, in 1965. I'm one of nine children and a mother of five, with one granddaughter.

I live in Cooktown now with my family and we're all very close.

I'm a self-taught artist, and this photo was taken with my sister Yvonne and mum and my children at the Laura Dance Festival where we had a market stall of my paintings.

I remember as a teenager helping my uncle paint boomerangs and clap sticks, but I didn't pick a brush again until 2007 when I started painting on canvas.

My dad was born on Palm Island and mum in Cairns, but I grew up in Innisfail. Dad is of the Barbarum and Yediji nations and mum's from the Kuku Yalanji

and Guugu Yimidjirr nations.

Culture has always been a big part of our family life, keeping us strong. Even though we all live in different parts of the country, we're close and try to get together as often as we can.

The last time was in April for dad's 80th birthday and that was special because the whole family was able to come together and celebrate. Those times are special.

My art is influenced by culture but also from life experience. It's taught me that whatever happens, good or bad, it teaches you who you are.

You have to be strong to survive this life and that's where art has helped me.

● **Pictured:** Lea Stevens, far right, with Yvonne Stevens, Angeline Stevens (Auntie Lina), Sabrina, Luke and Kathleen.

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OUR CHILDREN



Dancers from St Michael's School perform during this month's inaugural Spring Fest on Palm Island in north Queensland. Report pages 46-47. Photo: Alf Wilson

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Farewell Preston



OUTSTANDING Aboriginal rugby league champion Preston Campbell leads the Gold Coast Titans on to the field last Saturday night for his final match in the NRL. It wasn't to be the farewell he was hoping for, with the Titans going down 12-32 to Parramatta. But the crowd gave him generous applause for a glittering career which included establishing the All Stars concept. See Page 90 for a report on the 14-year NRL veteran, as well as his regular *Koori Mail* column on Page 87. AAP image

'Free' NITV link to SBS

By KIRSTIE PARKER



HOPES for a third national broadcaster to screen Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander content appear to have been dashed.

But National Indigenous Television (NITV) says Federal backing for such content to instead be delivered via a free-to-air channel – hosted by ethnic broadcaster Special Broadcasting Service (SBS) but under Indigenous creative control – is still a breakthrough.

Communications Minister Stephen Conroy announced last Thursday that he'd asked the powers that be at SBS and NITV to put their heads together on the possible format and structure of an Indigenous free-to-air TV service.

"I look forward to hearing from NITV and SBS as to how such a service might best be delivered," he said.

If agreement can be reached, NITV would relocate its existing programming to one of SBS's allotted digital channels, extending its reach to all Australians.

NITV, which first went to air in

July 2007, is currently broadcast on Foxtel, Austar and other subscription TV networks, with free-to-air coverage limited to remote regions of Australia.

Senator Conroy said the Government acknowledged there was strong support for a national Indigenous TV service amongst the Indigenous and wider community.

"The Government is determined to ensure the resources allocated to Indigenous broadcasting are delivering the best outcomes for Indigenous people," he said, just not through a third national broadcaster.

Content

A review of the Government's investment in the Indigenous broadcasting and media sector recommended in January that a more sustainable structural model be established to achieve more original Indigenous content on free-to-air TV.

NITV chairman Ken Reys said his board saw an SBS Indigenous channel as a potential opportunity to achieve a long-awaited ambition of securing national free-to-air transmission for Indigenous TV.

"There are many Aboriginal

and Torres Strait Islander Australians and millions of other Australians who currently don't have access to NITV," he said.

But Mr Reys warned that the NITV board would need some assurances before signing up.

Issues included ensuring any SBS Indigenous channel was dedicated to Indigenous programming and under Indigenous editorial control, with secure funding, he said.

The board would also want NITV's daily news service to continue and for the new carrier 'always to acknowledge the special place of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia's national story'.

NITV chief executive Michael McMichael said agreement with SBS would make a distinctive new entertainment choice available to all Australians.

He said additional investment in Indigenous content, which would be part of the NITV-SBS discussions, would bolster the Indigenous media production sector and provide better careers and training.

The Federal Government is committed to funding NITV's existing structure until 30 June next year.



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Palm Island springs into first fest



A section of the 1000-strong crowd looks on as Torres Strait Islander dancers perform during the inaugural Palm Island Spring Fest, held last week on the north Queensland centre. Organisers were delighted with the turn-out. Turn to pages 46 and 47 for a report and more photos. Photo: Alf Wilson

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TSI control on agenda



TORRES Strait leaders have ramped up their push for self-government but insist their calls for territory status don't amount to independence and they want to continue being Australian.

Torres Strait Island Regional Council (TSIRC) Mayor Fred Gela and Deputy Mayor Kenny Bedford and Torres Shire Council (TSC) Mayor Pedro Stephen together confronted Premier Anna Bligh and her Cabinet on the issue at a community forum Thursday Island on 28 August.

"We have asked for the ability to make decisions for ourselves – we are not calling for independence," Mayor Gela said afterwards.

"We are calling for territory status, so that we can govern our own affairs while continuing to be Australian."

Mayor Stephen said the community preferred a model in which an Indigenous regional government made its own decisions in a partnership with the State and Federal Governments.

"So you're not talking about seceding away from the state or the Commonwealth but you have a territory such as Cocos Keeling, Norfolk," he said.

Torres Strait councils have been pursuing the issue for years, believing they're not served well by the Federal and State governments. The group sought 'appropriate resources' for the development of legislation to enable a shift to territory status, capacity building of territory government staff including police and health workers, and continuation of all services.

Proposal

Premier Bligh said outside the meeting at Tagai State College that the discussions had gone well and she would now take the Torres Strait leaders' proposal to the Federal Government.

She said she would not stand in the way if the Torres Strait wanted to become a self-governing territory, but questioned whether its services would be maintained without state funding.

A consensus from the State and Federal governments was needed, she said.

"We need to know what the Federal Government's views are and bring them to the table," she said. "... So I've undertaken to have discussions with the Federal Government on these issues to determine those views."

The mayors want a working group with state and regional representatives to chart the best course forward.

But Ms Bligh said that could not happen until the Federal Government was sought out.

Mayor Gela said 'token gestures' by the State Government – such as the so-called 'New Deal' it commissioned in 1997 and the resulting 'Bamaga Accord' in 2001 – had given the impression something was happening 'when, in fact, it was not'.

And he accused some of his fellow Torres Strait Islanders of failing the region by 'acting in their own interests and not of the will of the people'.

"They designed structures that created more bureaucracy feathering their own nests while on the inside, but once on the outside complained how everything they set up is now wrong," he said.

Anderson in move to NT Country Libs

By KIRSTIE PARKER



IN August 2009, Aboriginal MP and then Indigenous Affairs Minister Alison Anderson turned Northern Territory politics on its head by resigning in hostile circumstances from the Labor Party.

Now, after two years in the political wilderness as an Independent, she's set to do it all again. Except that this time, the popular Member for Macdonnell will head in an entirely different direction – straight towards Labor's nemesis.

Tonight, Anderson is expected to attend a meeting of the Alice Springs branch of the Country Liberals and wait while its members decide if they'll agree to her application for membership.

And the word from within Country Liberal circles is that endorsement of the renegade politician is a dead cert.

Anderson's possible move – which will put the conservatives within a single seat of government – has been subject to speculation in the Territory for some time.

She's been seen having coffee with Country Liberals contacts. And she's been saying things not out of place in those circles, on issues such as the anti-social behaviour currently bedevilling Alice Springs.

But she's refused to confirm her intentions, until now.

On Friday, sitting with Elders under a tree at the remote community of Docker River, Anderson did just that – as well as an extraordinary hatchet job on her old party.

With kangaroo tails for residents at the local aged-care facility cooking under coals nearby, she told the *Koori Mail* of plans likely to send a shiver up the spines of her former Labor colleagues as they prepare to fight the next election in less than 12 months.

"These are exciting times," the multi-lingual grandmother and former ATSI Commission declared with a grin.

"I can confirm that I filled out my application to join the Country Liberals about two weeks ago and am just waiting for it to go through the administrative processes.

"While that's been happening, I've been consulting with people in my electorate (west of Alice Springs) and have got full endorsement from them. They're happy I'm making the move.

"People want people with language, law and culture to represent them; people who can speak their language.

"It's a new journey in my life to be engaged in positive change for Territorians – moving forward, giving them the opportunity for a good quality education, and health and housing."

Anderson, who was elected unopposed in the latest Territory election, said she made the first move, seeking out Country Liberals Member for the Alice Springs electorate of Braitling Adam Giles, as well as party leader Terry Mills. "They were absolutely rapt and



At Docker River last Friday, Alison Anderson (second from left) with, from left, Bevan Young, Kunpri Pepai, Rosalind Yibardi and Tjugaparti James.

thrilled and that gave me positive attitude then to take the next step," she said.

A well-placed source within the party told the *Koori Mail* on Sunday there was no doubt in his mind that Anderson's application would be endorsed by the Alice Springs branch.

"This is a landmark, mutual decision – one that evolved over time. It seemed to be a natural development that she headed our way," the source said.

"Alison is well respected politically down here and it's of joint benefit. She's extremely aware of local politics, grassroots Aboriginal issues, and has some very good perspectives in how she feels these issues should be resolved.

"...As an independent, she's been looking to further her policies and they're consistent with current Country Liberal policies... It can be cold out there (as an Independent) and the voice of many is better than the one."

Anderson said she expected Labor to 'come out with all guns blazing' in the face of her announcement.

"They'll come out like they normally do, pulling out all the rubbish they did when I walked out two years ago," she predicted.

"But I classify the Labor Party as little fluffy white terriers – what are they? Jack Russells? Big talk, no action, no bite."

It's this kind of feisty attitude that no doubt speaks to Adam Giles, who is becoming increasingly known as a formidable opponent in parliamentary debates.

But it brings some risk, as Giles concedes.

"I welcome Alison's application to the Country Liberals," he told the *Koori Mail*. "I encourage her participation in the policy debate and I look forward to working with



MP ADAM GILES

her in the future, should the branch deem her to be a successful member of the party.

"There are many people within the Country Liberals who are supportive of Alison's move. Sure, there are questions about trusting her loyalty, but Alison has always seen Indigenous Affairs through an economic rather than social prism.

Merits

"I think she sees the merits of an economic approach – such as that taken by the Country Liberals – which will deliver business development and jobs rather than continual social programs that deliver bloated bureaucracies. Labor might have twigged to that, but they don't know how to do it."

Anderson's turnaround is startling. Back when she was Indigenous Affairs Minister, she accused the Country Liberals of eternal scare tactics on Indigenous Affairs.

But she told the *Koori Mail* she'd been uncomfortable doing so and had, in fact, always admired Opposition Leader Mills, especially his passion for education.

from a good education, and that's through jobs. Through jobs you get an income and with that income you can purchase a lot of things and you have much better choices. It's not rocket science."

With Territorians due to head to the polls in August next year, many are predicting a change of government. As the 2008 election showed, every seat counts.

Led by Chief Minister Paul Henderson, the NT Labor Party won 13 of the Territory Parliament's 25 seats. The Liberals won 11 and Independent Gerry Wood won the other.

Things were tight for Labor and intra-party relations needed careful management, as made painfully obvious two years earlier when three Aboriginal Labor MPs – including Anderson – crossed the floor over a contentious Government amendment in relation to the McArthur River mine.

But the ground really shifted for the party in June 2009 when former Deputy Chief Minister and, by then, backbencher Marion Scrymgour resigned from the party over its stance on remote communities to become an Independent.

Two months later, on 4 August, then Minister Anderson – already bitterly unhappy with the Government's performance on the \$670 million Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) – went to the cross-benches too, after a vitriolic fallout with the Chief Minister. Henderson, she claimed, had not done enough to defend her in the face of a critical and, she insists, racist local newspaper article.

"Mr Henderson has the dirt of racial politics on his hands," her resignation statement read. "...He stands now for division, spin and manipulation along with his media mates."

Anderson described Henderson as 'a dead man walking' and, for a few hours, it looked as if she was right. Labor looked certain to lose government until Tiwi Islander Scrymgour announced the same day that she was rejoining the party.

Since then, Labor has relied on the goodwill of Gerry Wood in order to govern. In exchange for dozens of concessions from Labor, Wood – often described as an eccentric UFO-spotting chicken farmer – has continued to support the Government, citing a need for political stability.

In the face of such a slim margin, Alison Anderson knows that her latest manoeuvre will likely have those in Labor ranks sweating, and plotting her downfall.

"Gerry Wood will continue to support the Labor Party and he won't do anything until the next election. He has quite openly put that on public record," she said.

"But I think we have to be careful that no-one carks it in the process, Labor better hope for that. This next year will be a time for everybody to be in good health and check their blood pressure."

The Country Liberals Alice Springs Branch will meet tonight at the Alice Springs Memorial (Memo) Club.

Heritage listing

Outstanding values...

The west Kimberley region has outstanding sites and reasons for inclusion on the National Heritage List. These include:

- Ongoing Aboriginal traditions associated with Wandjina and the Rainbow Serpent and spectacular rock formations.

- Sites which tell a more recent history including Jandamarra, the dispute at Noonkanbah Station and the drive to Fossil Downs which became the longest overlanding cattle drive in Australia's history.

- Evidence of early contact with Indonesia as well as early European exploration of the Australian continent.

- The natural beauty of the coast from the Buccaneer Archipelago to the King George River, the Mitchell Plateau, King George Falls, Geikie Gorge, Windjana Gorge and King Leopold Ranges.

- Rich biodiversity, including many plants, mammals, reptiles, frogs and invertebrates that are found only in this part of Australia.

- Remnants of a vast coral reef, similar in scale to the Great Barrier Reef, that existed nearly 400 million years ago.

- Dinosaur footprints on the west coast of the Dampier Peninsula which are a remarkable remnant of past life in the region.

Gas hub site not included

By DARREN COYNE with AAP



TRADITIONAL owners have welcomed a decision to grant national heritage listing to more than 19 million hectares of the west Kimberley region in Western Australia.

But the decision by Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke to exclude the site of a proposed \$30 billion gas hub at James Price Point has outraged environmentalists and other opponents of the development.

Mr Burke joined TOs at Gambanan near One Arm Point on 31 August to make the widely anticipated announcement.

He said the area to be placed on the National Heritage List included the spectacular Kimberley coast from Cape Leveque in the west to Cambridge Gulf in the east, the Kimberley plateau and country south to the Oscar and Napier Ranges, and the Fitzroy River.

He said the listing would protect the region's unique Aboriginal cultural traditions, the pastoral and pearling industries, wildlife, stunning coastline, gorges and waterfalls.

Kimberley Land Council CEO Nolan Hunter welcomed the announcement, saying Kimberley Aboriginal people had been the driving force behind national heritage listing and had been involved in the process for more than two years.

"The Kimberley is a place that is rich in Indigenous culture and heritage," he said.

"The inclusion of a large part of the west Kimberley on the National Heritage List cements the region as a strong and significant Aboriginal place.

"Never before, have Indigenous cultural



One Arm Point traditional owner and Bardi dancer Frank Davey Jr, Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke, Kimberley Land Council CEO Nolan Hunter and Australian Conservation Foundation CEO Don Henry at One Arm Point, on the Dampier Peninsula, for the National Heritage Listing announcement. AAP image

values of an area been so widely included and recognised as part of national heritage listing.

"This shows the strength and determination of Kimberley Aboriginal people to continue to practice their law and culture despite much political upheaval.

"They have resisted, survived and adapted.

"Kimberley Aboriginal people have driven this process from the beginning and have

been involved in assessing the Indigenous cultural values across an area that is more than 50 per cent Indigenous-owned or controlled and almost 100 per cent covered by native title claims or determinations.

"We praise the Federal Government for doing business the right way."

Not everyone was happy, though, with

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Early victory for new KLC CEO

NEW chief executive officer of the Kimberley Land Council (KLC) Nolan Hunter has had a very early win in the demanding job.

After his appointment was announced on 26 August, Mr Hunter declared that his first task would be to ensure national heritage listing for the region.

"Traditional owners see national heritage listing as a way to not only protect their cultural heritage but as an opportunity to showcase the Kimberley to the nation and the world, as an Aboriginal place," he said.

That aspiration was fulfilled within days, with Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke's announcement last

Wednesday (see story above).

Mr Hunter succeeded Wayne Bergmann who held the post for more than 10 years and has moved to head a new KLC venture KRED Enterprises, to develop business and job opportunities for Aboriginal people in the Kimberley.

Mr Hunter has worked at the KLC for more than four years as deputy CEO.

Born in Broome, the Bardi Jawi man has strong connections to his country and people and an impressive portfolio, having worked overseas in various foreign posts in immigration and humanitarian programs.

"I travelled overseas to gain experience of other cultures and



NOLAN HUNTER

to understand their political, social and economic situations so I could come home and use

that knowledge to help my own mob here in the Kimberley," he said.

Mr Hunter said there were many challenges ahead for Kimberley Aboriginal people, and the strength of the KLC had been in its ability to bring the people together to improve lives.

His big-picture vision for the KLC is to work with traditional owners to ensure they were 'in the driver's seat, carving out their own futures'.

"My focus as CEO is to put traditional owners in a strong position by creating benefits out of native title rights," he said.

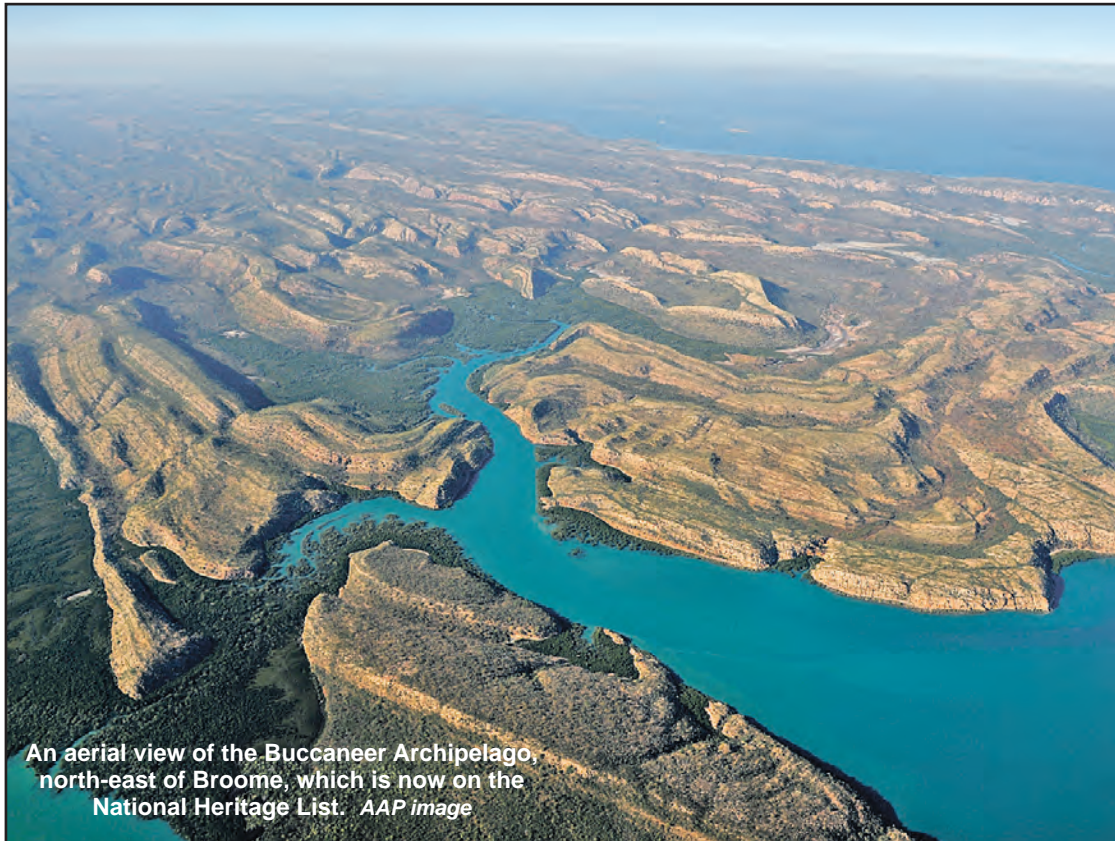
"We want to build on our conservation and land management practices and

utilise our knowledge of country to create new opportunities for communities."

A strong advocate of native title rights, Mr Hunter said he would work to lobby State and Federal governments on the issues of Indigenous water rights and the impacts of climate change on Aboriginal communities while pursuing Indigenous carbon opportunities.

"The vision of the KLC is to set up a regional trust, which pools together funds dedicated to achieving environmental and cultural outcomes, with a focus on investment into programs deemed as priorities by Kimberley Aboriginal people," he said. — With AAP

in the Kimberley



An aerial view of the Buccaneer Archipelago, north-east of Broome, which is now on the National Heritage List. AAP image

Miners warn of problems

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some environmentalists, mining companies and WA Premier Colin Barnett all expressing disappointment.

Mr Barnett and miners criticised the listing, saying it would lock up the region in red tape and stifle development.

The Premier said the red tape would mean many smaller businesses, such as tourism ventures, could not afford the process of proving their projects would not harm heritage values.

He was disappointed the Federal Government had heritage listed the region but not put money towards protecting or preserving it.

"It actually needs to be protected and that means people, money and scientific programs, not just drawing lines on a map and saying, 'There, you've saved the Kimberley', because you haven't," Mr Barnett said.

Nicole Roocke, director of WA's Chamber of Minerals and Energy, said the extra level of red tape would increase project costs, cause delays and make financing projects harder.

Minister Burke denied that the area would be locked up.

"National heritage listing will not stop development, but it will provide an extra layer of protection to ensure the Indigenous cultural values of the

region are retained and enjoyed by future generations," he said.

"A heritage listing is not a lock-out, a heritage listing is a way of recognising particular values and making sure those values are respected."

Mr Burke said anyone wanting no mining in the Kimberley should lobby the West Australian Government for national parks status.

Environs Kimberley acting director Emma Belfield said the heritage listing didn't go far enough.

Values

"Where those natural values have been recognised, in large part they are in already protected areas, so in our assessment there isn't a step forward," she said.

Ms Belfield said she couldn't imagine how gas hub developer Woodside could satisfy the minister that its large precinct would not harm dinosaur tracks near the proposed site.

"I could only hope that this is a setback for Woodside in that regard," she said.

Woodside, which is behind the proposed gas hub, said however that it could 'co-exist' with the heritage listing, and downplayed the heritage value of the dinosaur footprints.

A spokesman said studies had found the footprints were 'not of museum grade' and prints

in other parts of the Dampier Peninsula were greater in number and of better quality.

Meanwhile, Mr Hunter from the KLC said the next step was to ensure proper management was undertaken to preserve and enhance Indigenous cultural values in the Kimberley.

"We need to ensure there is appropriate management of any listed values. This involves traditional owners setting the management arrangements and implementing on-ground actions," he said.

"The KLC and traditional owners call on Minister Burke to fund Indigenous management and on-country work, through management plans, ranger programs and carbon initiatives, to ensure the Kimberley retains its status as a living cultural landscape and national icon."

The National Heritage List was established to list places of outstanding heritage significance to Australia. It includes natural, historic and Indigenous places that are of outstanding national heritage.

The west Kimberley is the 96th place to be included on the National Heritage List.

For more information on the listing including a map of the west Kimberley National Heritage Place go to www.heritage.gov.au

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Protesters continue campaign

PROTESTERS have continued to stymie developer Woodside's efforts to undertake investigative works at the site of its planned multi-billion-dollar gas hub at James Price Point near Broome.

The number of arrests associated with the protest against the project crept towards 30 in the days before Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke's heritage listing announcement last Wednesday, when five people were arrested on a road about 10kms from the site.

They included one woman who locked herself onto a low-loader trailer, two more who chained themselves to a concreted 44-gallon drum, and another locked underneath a drill rig further up the road – all in a bid to block a large convoy of Woodside trucks entering the site.

Bushfires

The protesters began blocking the convoy in the early hours of Friday, 26 August, as trucks and vehicles began returning to the site after having been forced out earlier in the week by bushfires.

"Why are they coming in here at 2am in the morning if they've got all their permissions in place," Goolarabooloo Elder Joseph Roe asked in a statement.

Aboriginal traditional land owner

Neil McKenzie said the protesters were determined to stop the project.

"They're very determined people and they're going to hang in there til the bitter end," he said. "Nothing is going to stop ourselves until they leave."

One of those arrested, long-time Kimberley resident Marion Lester, said there were more options for processing the area's gas, other than building an enormous new industrial site on an unspoiled stretch of the Kimberley coastline.

"Woodside should pipe it to the Pilbara, or look to processing the gas on a floating platform offshore," she insisted.

A spokeswoman for the Broome Community No Gas Campaign, Nik Wevers said the 'vast majority' of the Broome community opposed the gas project.

"The Premier (Colin Barnett) has so far completely failed to understand the sentiments of the vast majority of the Broome community who are opposed to this proposal," she said.

"There has also been a failure to inform and consult the community and that will be its downfall."

Premier Barnett said he supported the right to protest but he warned against any violence at the site. – With AAP



Eddie Roe and other protesters at a pre-dawn blockade of the road into James Price Point on 26 August.

APY players mean business

By PETER ARGENT



INDIGENOUS footballers Amos Frank and Kieran Roberts created their own little pieces of history when they became

the first players from the Far North West Football League on the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands (APY Lands) to compete in the SANFL reserves competition.

They travelled from their remote region 1200kms north of Adelaide to don the Eagles jumper and display their talents for the Woodville-West Torrens Football Club in a clash against Glenelg at Unleash Solar (Woodville) Oval, on 20 August.

"There is a huge amount of untapped talent in regions like the APY Lands and we see this as just the first step in building a relationship with them and their community," Eagles Football Manager Trent Hentschel, said.

'Solid'

"Amos (Frank) started down back and was really solid, and then in the second half he was moved into attack, kicking his two goals and looking very dangerous.

"Kieran (Roberts) began in attack, but took a little time to adjust.

"He had more impact when Amos went forward and worked well in conjunction with his mate.

"Along with kicking a goal, he also dragged down a great mark in the final term.

"I believe that from the glimpses that they showed from limited preparation for this game, there were signs they are capable of playing league footy."

While the hosts went down to



They really love their football ... APY Lands players Kieran Roberts, left, and Amos Frank.

the ladder-leading Bays in this clash by 50 points, Frank and Roberts showed a little of their undoubted brilliance.

Both players recently excelled in a fitness testing session at the Crows Westpac Centre at AAMI Stadium, with Roberts,

20, running a 13.6 beep test with limited fitness training.

Frank's 20m sprint time of 2.82 seconds eclipsed the previous mark of 2.86 set by Crows star Patrick Dangerfield.

Amos and Roberts have worked closely with Adelaide

Crows champion Andrew McLeod and SANFL Aboriginal employment and participation manager James Moore as part of the AFL 'Footy Means Business' program.

This has given them a number of opportunities,

which included playing in the 'Dreamtime at the G' curtain-raiser, where they were among the best players.

The Eagles' intentions are to get this pair down to train for a time during their 2012 pre-season.

Congress priorities

Report from delegates' meeting is released



MOST National Congress of Australia's First Peoples delegates

want constitutional protection of Indigenous rights.

That's one of the main findings in the just-released Congress report from the inaugural delegates meeting in June.

Co-chairs Les Malezer and Jody Broun said the 'Building our Foundations: National Congress Report 2011' was a 'foundational

document' and the start of a conversation between Congress members, communities, organisations and governments.

The report contains details of the first structured meeting of delegates to the National Congress, along with photographs, speeches, a list of participants and a summary of policy discussions.

The report includes an overview of discussions and surveys regarding the proposed Constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

It also shows most delegates are in favour of inserting a prohibition on racial discrimination in the Constitution and a new preamble to acknowledge First Peoples.

The report also included the results of surveys



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conducted before the delegates meeting, which ranked the top policy issues to be pursued.

Members ranked in order of importance: health, sovereignty, education, country, criminal justice, economic development,



JODY BROUN

public policy, housing, employment and 'other' in their list of priorities.

Co-chairs Les Malezer and Jody Broun said the report provided a strong foundation for a new national voice.

"We know that from two

recent Government reports on Indigenous spending that the approaches that work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are ones that involve community and are developed from the ground up, not top down," they said in a statement.

"The experience and policy ideas from our delegates contained in this report embody that important principle and it is this kind of relationship with governments that Congress will pursue, as well as alliances across all sectors to help shape policies and decisions that affect our peoples.

"The report not only outlines the structure, purposes and principles of our organisation, but also the processes and outcomes of the historic meeting of our delegates in

June and their policy priorities as outlined for the board to take forward.

"Our overall objective is to provide empowerment to our peoples to create positive change.

"Taking a long-term view, we aim to build an organisation which has a powerful and influential role as a voice for First Nations peoples."

Other priorities are to form relationships with Federal, State and Territory governments, gather a large, active membership, put forward well-researched policies and become financially secure.

"We invite all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to be part of this future by joining Congress and being part of this vital work," the co-chairs said.

To see the report go to <http://nationalcongress.com.au/>

It's the Year of the Aboriginal Health Worker



NT OFFICIALS, guests and Indigenous health workers are pictured at the showground in the Northern Territory centre of Katherine for the official launch last week of the Year of the Aboriginal Health Worker. The year is designed to promote the value of their work, and build the dwindling ranks of Aboriginal clinicians. Turn to Page 29 for a report and more photos from the event.

Long way to go to end disadvantage

By DARREN COYNE



THE latest Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage report shows home ownership, education and employment prospects were improving but other social indicators such as health and criminal justice had either stayed the same, or had deteriorated.

The report is the latest in a series of reports commissioned by the Council of Australian Governments in 2002 to track the success – or otherwise – of government policies and programs.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the report highlighted some progress but also demonstrated that continued effort was required to close the gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

Ms Macklin said Indigenous outcomes had improved and gaps had narrowed in several key areas including mortality, infant mortality, education, and reliance on income support.

"For Indigenous people living in Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory, the mortality rate declined by 27 per cent from 1991 to 2009 and the Indigenous infant mortality rate declined by 48 per cent in these three jurisdictions over the same period," she said.

"The proportion of Indigenous people aged 18 to 64 whose main source of personal income was CDEP payments, government pensions and allowances fell from 60.9 per cent in 2002, to 45.5 per cent in 2008.

"The Indigenous unemployment rate has almost halved since the 1990s, down from 31 per cent in 1994 to 16.6 per cent in 2008.

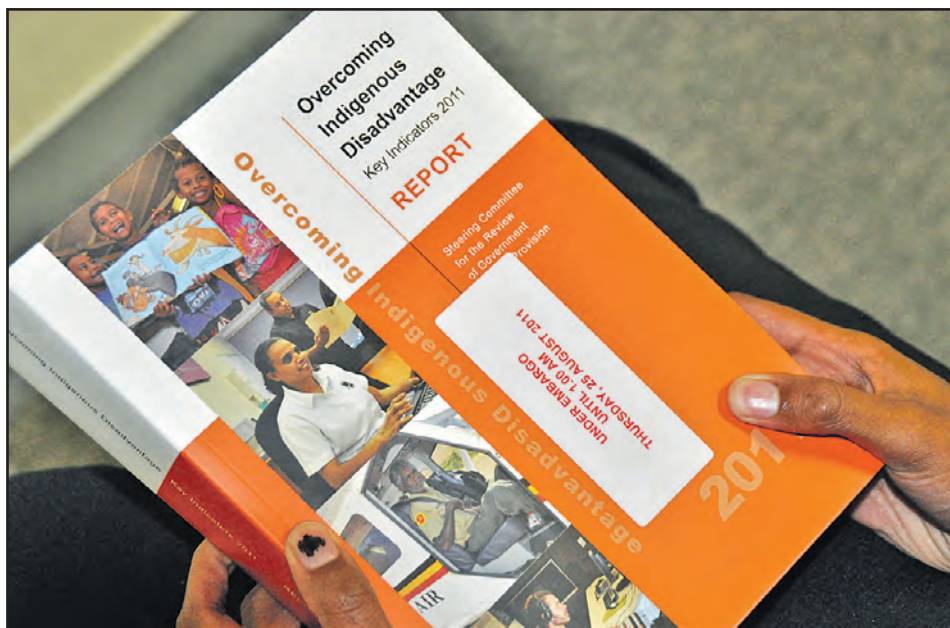
"Indigenous home ownership rates and median household incomes have also increased."

Of concern, however, the report states that child abuse had actually increased, along with the imprisonment rates of adults.

It found Aboriginal children were now seven times as likely to be abused as other kids, which was worse than a 2009 report, which showed they were six times more at risk.

The 2011 report also said substantiated abuse had increased in the past decade from 15 to 37 per 1000 Indigenous children, compared to other children at four to five per 1000. The report said this partly reflected increased reporting of child abuse.

In 2010, for example, 48.3 per 1000 Indigenous children aged to 17 were under care and protection orders



compared to five per 1000 other children.

The steering committee responsible for producing the report said overall progress to close the gap between Indigenous and other Australians on six key indicators had been mixed.

Committee chair Gary Banks said that while there had been some improvement in employment levels, post-high-school education and home ownership, there had been no significant improvement in health, school literacy and numeracy.

'Deteriorated'

Mr Banks also said outcomes in criminal justice had 'actually deteriorated'.

The report shows that Aboriginal people remain over-represented in Australian jails, with Indigenous adults imprisoned at 14 times the rate of other adults.

As well, the imprisonment rate for women had increased almost 60 per cent in the past decade and by 35 per cent for men in the past decade.

This was up from 10 times the rate of non-Indigenous adults in 2000.

However, Indigenous juvenile detention rates had improved.

The report said delays in data collection and time lags between policy implementations and social outcomes mean the report might not reflect 'recent government actions and changes in economic conditions'.

The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples responded to the report by saying that 'Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples must have a greater say over, and

involvement in, service delivery to our communities'.

"A common theme throughout the 'Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage: Key indicators 2011' report and the recent release of the Department of Finance spending report, is that where the small improvements have been made, they have been in programs that are innovative and developed from the ground up and/or involving community at all levels," Congress co-chair Les Malezer said.

Co-chair Jody Broun said that although there was not much good news in the health and justice areas, the small but significant achievements in education, home ownership and employment should not be downplayed.

"Education, home ownership and employment are long-term drivers leading to improvements in multiple other areas and the data in some areas in this report is lagging by a number of years," she said.

"We must not forget that behind these statistics are real people working hard to improve their lives."

'Challenges'

"It's also important to remember that three-quarters of our people are living in urban and regional areas, and while this report shows that remoteness creates extra problems, it also clearly outlines the challenges for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in more populated areas."

Reconciliation Australia's new Indigenous co-chair, Tom Calma, said that while the data showed mixed results, the report indicated that community-based programs and

activities were making a difference.

"Evidence shows that improved results for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples depend on mutually respectful relationships, long-term investment, and solutions that are developed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and tailored to the needs and aspirations of individual communities," he said.

"A 'bottom-up' rather than 'top-down' approach with ongoing government support is the best way to improve outcomes for Indigenous Australians."

Greens Senator Rachel Siewert said the mixed bag of outcomes should not be used to justify continued poor policy, such as a re-badged NT Intervention.

"While of course progress in some areas must be acknowledged, these results do not over-ride the ongoing key concerns about overall outcomes and the concerning aspects of child abuse and juvenile justice," she said.

"Key outcomes at the heart of the NT intervention, such as reducing family and community violence, have not improved, while others, such as the incidence of substantiated child abuse and neglect, have increased.

"How many more reports does the Government need to see before they change their approach? In the meantime, little is being done to work on pathways we know are effective, such as supporting Aboriginal people to stay on their land."

"Policies such as Remote Service Delivery concentrate resources into large 'hub towns' largely ignoring remote homeland communities."

"These agreements serving to force Aboriginal people away from their lands and communities fly in the face of clear evidence in the form of social research, medical studies and the opinion of UN experts, who have recognised the importance of Aboriginal connections to country and culture."

"As a result of current policy, Aboriginal people living on homelands are faced with a choice – suffer on their land with substandard health services, housing and infrastructure or leave their communities for the larger hub towns."

"Lasting outcomes can be better delivered through building up community controlled services such as health, education and justice reinvestment."

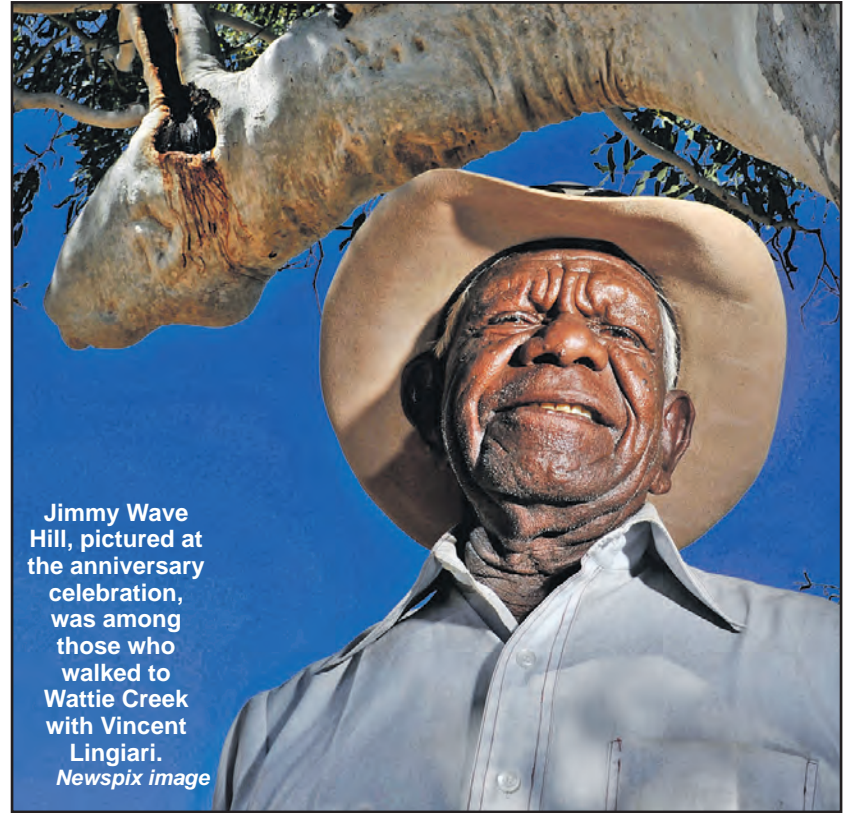
Dr Calma said employment played an important role in closing the life-expectancy gap and acknowledged the positive impact of the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) program. – With AAP

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45 years on, Wave Hill



Ronnie Wave Hill, centre, who was part of the 1966 walk off sings with other Elders during the 45th anniversary of the Wave Hill Walk-Off at Kalkarindji in Northern Territory. *Newspix image*



Jimmy Wave Hill, pictured at the anniversary celebration, was among those who walked to Wattie Creek with Vincent Lingiari. *Newspix image*



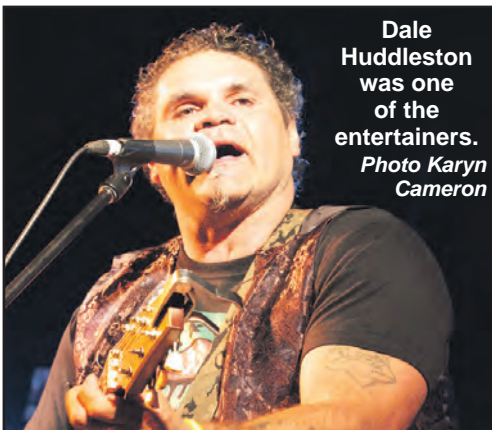
The crowd looks on during official proceedings to mark the anniversary.



There was plenty of interest from visitors after the opening of the Karungkarni art centre at Kalkarindji/Daguragu. *Photo Karyn Cameron*



Mary G and Shellie Morris joined the celebrations. *Photo Karyn Cameron*



Dale Huddleston was one of the entertainers. *Photo Karyn Cameron*



From Little Things Big Things Grow... Kev Carmody and Paul Kelly received a huge welcome when they took to the stage during the celebrations. *Photo Karyn Cameron*

Walk-off remembered



The march was part of activities to mark the 45th anniversary of the Wave Hill Walk-Off held at Kalkarindji in the Northern Territory. *Newspix photo*

Gurindji stand tall



FORTY-FIVE years ago – on 23 August 1966 – Gurindji stockmen walked off Wave Hill Station and sat down at nearby Daguragu so that they and other Aboriginal people could rise up.

Their nine-year strike for better conditions and equal pay also ignited the modern land rights movement in Australia, leading a decade later to the passage of the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act*.

Late last month, more than 2000 people – black and white – made their own pilgrimage to Daguragu and nearby Kalkarindji, about eight hours' drive south of Darwin, to join the Gurindji, Malgini, Warlpiri, Mudburra, Ngarinman and Bilinari people in remembering the Walk-Off and its heroes such as Vincent Lingiari.

Amongst the crowd at the Freedom Day commemoration were some of those who were part of the original event, people like Jimmy and Ronnie Wave Hill, old now but still dignified and fighting for justice.

Forming a protective phalanx around the '66ers' were family and friends including fellow activists, old unionists, musicians, poets and others.

And, beyond them, a host of policy makers and politicians eager to soak up a piece of history.

The Freedom Day official program began on 26 August with a re-enactment of the Walk-Off, along the route heritage listed by the NT Government in 2006.

But the event was about more than commemoration; morphing into a rallying call against ongoing injustice stemming from the NT Emergency Response (or NT Intervention), the establishment of Government-designated 'growth towns' at the expense of homelands/outstations, the transfer of community management from small local councils to super shires, and cuts to the Community Development Employment Program (CDEP).

Many speakers, including Brian Manning – a non-Aboriginal former wharfie who supported the Gurindji strikers back in 1966 by delivering supplies to them and helping to rally unions to their cause – urged



Speedy McGinness during the 45th anniversary of the Walk-Off. *Newspix image*

communities to stand strong against the Intervention.

"The wheel has turned full circle. No longer subjugated by the Vestey's empire, but now at the mercy of the Federal Government-imposed Intervention, and an NT Government decision to withdraw funding from outstations in favour of regional hub development," Mr Manning said.

"The dilemma facing Gurindji now, on the 45th anniversary of their freedom from Vestey's, is how to keep their freedom to make important decisions affecting their progress and way of life.

"And I would address to the Gurindji people that in the spirit of the old man's legacy, you can do it."

Federal Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin was a no-show, flying in to Kalkarindji instead to meet with the Central and Northern Land Councils. However, she did issue a statement saying that the efforts of the Wave Hill stockmen and their families 'changed the lives of all Australians forever'.

NT Chief Minister Paul Henderson came at short notice and spoke, insisting that he would not support any new program in the



The crowd watches traditional dancers. *Newspix image*

NT with the word 'Intervention' in its title.

However, the comment won little favour with those gathered, some of whom considered it a matter of style over substance.

NT Heritage Minister Karl Hampton announced heritage listing for Brian Manning's 1960s J Series Bedford truck used to provide assistance to the Gurindji, Malgini, Warlpiri, Mudburra, Ngarinman and Bilinari people during the Walk-Off.

From little things...

Also there were Aboriginal prominent activists such as the First Nations Political Party's Japarta Ryan, and Rosalie Kunoth-Monks, as well as singer/songwriters Paul Kelly and Kev Carmody, who immortalised the Wave Hill struggle in the land rights anthem *From Little Things, Big Things Grow*.

After the dust settled and the crowds dispersed, Freedom Day key organiser and Gurindji woman Brenda Croft described the event as 'profound'.

"The best thing for me – and the whole week was incredible – was that the local mob really loved it," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"People out there are just as political as they've ever been. This wasn't a festival, it was a commemoration and honouring of our Elders, some of whom are no longer with us but others who are.

"They're the most incredibly dignified people, despite having to live in the most undignified conditions, inflicted on them under the NT Intervention.

"All those senior people, the first thing they'll do is talk to you about the Walk-Off and what they had to endure. And then they'll talk about what they want now and that's opportunities for the kids living there now.

"There's no jobs. Kalkarindji has been designated a growth town, which no-one wanted, so people's desires are still just being dismissed. So nothing has changed."

However, Ms Croft said there was a large group of people determined to 'push through and make some changes'. She said that, while the Walk-Off was remembered every year, there were plans for it to have a major focus every five years with international speakers and a bush think tank to talk about 'really hard issues'.



Terry Irving ... "The thing that drives me is that I don't want this to happen to my children, my grandchildren, anyone."

Innocent man can sue state



A QUEENSLAND Aboriginal man who was jailed for five years for an armed robbery he did not commit has been given the green light to seek compensation from the State Government.

In May 1993, Terry Irving, then aged 37, was arrested for an armed robbery that took place two months earlier.

After a day-long trial, he was sentenced to seven years and five months in prison.

Mr Irving repeatedly protested his innocence.

In 1997, the High Court quashed his conviction for armed robbery and ordered a retrial. Mr Irving was released after almost five years behind bars, including seven months on remand. In January 1999, the Department of Public Prosecutions confirmed it was no longer pursuing a retrial.

Now aged 56, Mr Irving appeared in the Supreme Court in Brisbane on Monday and was given the go-ahead to pursue damages for pain and suffering associated with wrongful imprisonment.

Seeking investigation

He's also seeking an investigation into his conviction and an apology.

In a statement issued through his lawyers, Maurice Blackburn, Mr Irving said he had been determined not to give up his fight.

"The checks and balances did not protect me," he said. "This has affected my family, my friends."

"The thing that drives me is that I don't want this to happen to my children, my grandchildren, anyone."

Maurice Blackburn associate Trent Johnson said Mr Irving had struggled for years to represent himself in a complex legal case after he was refused legal aid, and the Supreme Court's decision was a welcome step towards some finality.

Over many years, Mr Irving has been assisted on a pro bono basis by Townsville Solicitor Michael O'Keeffe.

"This has been a long and painful ordeal for Mr Irving... (He) has endured a prolonged period of incarceration for a crime he did not commit and the compensation we will be seeking on his behalf will clearly reflect that," Mr Johnson said. - AAP

Taskforce on job in NSW



NOEL PEARSON, employment champion Danny Lester

and health academic Shane Houston are set to join the new Ministerial Taskforce for Aboriginal Affairs announced by the NSW Government.

The taskforce will focus on Aboriginal educational and economic opportunity.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said the committee would combine ministers, department heads, a representative from the Coalition of Aboriginal Peak Organisations (CAPO), and Aboriginal advisers.

"The taskforce embodies new leadership, new membership and new aspiration in Aboriginal related policy and program delivery," Mr Dominello said.

The independent Aboriginal advisers are Danny Lester, chief executive of the Aboriginal Employment Strategy, and Professor Shane Houston, deputy vice chancellor (Indigenous strategy and services) of the University of Sydney.

Assistance

"Noel Pearson, director of the Cape York Institute, will be invited to provide assistance as a special adviser on select matters," Mr Dominello said.

Mr Lester, Prof Houston and Stephen Ryan, chairman of the NSW Aboriginal Land Council, joined Mr Dominello at the announcement of the taskforce.

"This taskforce will ensure that future NSW Government investment is aligned towards economic independence for Aboriginal people in NSW," Mr Lester said.

"It will enable all Indigenous people living in NSW with options that will



NSWALC chief executive Geoff Scott, University of Sydney deputy vice-chancellor Prof Shane Houston, NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello, NSWALC chairman Stephen Ryan and employment specialist Danny Lester at the announcement of the Taskforce. Picture courtesy Chris Graham

enable individuals to reach their full potential.

"I am very proud and honoured as an Aboriginal man in NSW to be part of an historic taskforce that includes Aboriginal people as part of the decision making process."

Mr Ryan said he was confident progress would be achieved when Aboriginal people joined with the Government to identify issues and solutions.

"We look forward to working in true partnership with the O'Farrell Government to help tackle the entrenched disadvantage being experienced in our communities," Mr Ryan said.

Ministers on the taskforce include Mr Dominello, Health Minister Jillian Skinner, Education Minister Adrian Piccoli, Treasurer Mike Baird, Attorney-General Greg Smith, Community Services Minister Prue Goward and Mental Health Minister Kevin Humphries.

The CAPO representative would be drawn from its members: NSW Aboriginal Land Council, NSW Aboriginal Legal Service, NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc, NSW Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW, NSW Aboriginal Child, Family & Community Care Secretariat NSW and Link Up NSW.

Serious

Mr Dominello said the NSW Government was serious about genuine partnership with Aboriginal communities in NSW, and aimed to develop a draft policy strategy by mid 2012.

"The Auditor-General's report on Two Ways Together demonstrated the critical need for political leadership and a mutual willingness to deal with issues in an honest and constructive way," Mr Dominello said.

"The new ministerial

taskforce provides a unique opportunity to involve Aboriginal leaders in the development of policy that is specific to Aboriginal people in NSW.

"In particular, the taskforce will consider the recommendations of the Auditor-General and other key reports, and focus upon identifying opportunities for improving education and employment outcomes for Aboriginal people in NSW."

"These two areas have been identified as vital to achieving generational change and are based upon the principles of early intervention and prevention."

Mr Dominello said there would be substantial consultation public meetings in Aboriginal communities and an online submission process.

"The taskforce will actively be seeking the views of all Aboriginal leaders and communities and other stakeholders," he said.

Victorian organisations invited to seek infrastructure funding



ABORIGINAL organisations in Victoria have been invited to apply for community infrastructure funding.

State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell said the funding under the Indigenous Community Infrastructure Program would provide infrastructure upgrades for facilities that provide services and programs to Aboriginal Victorians.

Three categories of funding will be available - projects less than \$50,000, projects in excess of \$50,000 and emergency projects.

"The Victorian Coalition Government is committed to closing the gap on

Indigenous disadvantage and improving community assets is part of that process," Mrs Powell said.

"Access to appropriate infrastructure is fundamental to the effective operation of Aboriginal community organisations, which deliver key services and programs to the Aboriginal community."

"Aboriginal community organisations which deliver culturally-responsive and effective community-based services help build stronger, more resilient Aboriginal communities."

Ms Powell said priority would be given to applications that proposed matched or shared funding and demonstrated ongoing benefits to Aboriginal communities.

Last year's projects included upgrades to buildings used by the Koorie Heritage Trust in Melbourne, Mooji Aboriginal Council in Orbost, Ngwala Willumbong Cooperative in St Kilda, Mungabareena Aboriginal Corporation in Wodonga, and a feasibility study for the redevelopment of Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative in Warrnambool.

The program has helped fund works to more than 90 properties across Victoria for use by Aboriginal community organisations over the past 20 years.

Applications close on 30 September and assessment of applications will be done in late October. For more info about the Indigenous Community Infrastructure Program, visit www.dpcd.vic.gov

Historic anthem for Warumungu



A NEW moon over the desert greeted an historic moment for the Warumungu people of the Tennant Creek region in the Northern Territory last week with the launch of *Winanjara*, a collaboration between country singer Warren H Williams and the Warumungu Songmen.

The highlight for the 500 people gathered at the Nyinkka Nyunyu cultural centre was the premiere of *Jurnkurakurr*, a song that celebrates the heart of Warumungu land and culture. It was the birth of a national anthem for the Warumungu people.

Warren H Williams was surprisingly nervous for such an experienced performer but, as he said on the night: "I'm here with my family, and these old people, that's why I am nervous."

It was a night of magic and emotion, with Williams joined on stage by gospel singers, the local footy team, and the Warumungu Songmen. The performance, and resulting music release, has been dedicated to Mr Day Day Frank, who passed away during the course of the project.

The performance, part of the Desert Harmony Festival Anyinginyi Manu 2011, was the culmination of many months of work – out bush and in Tennant Creek's Winanjikari studios.

Known as 'The song peoples sessions', the Warumungu songs have paralleled a sister project with Shellie Morris and Yanyuwa women from



The launch of the *Winanjara* collaboration last week in Tennant Creek. Photo: Sandy Edwards

Borroloola in the NT Gulf country.

The collected music covers traditional songs from spinifex and saltwater country, as well as tracks melding contemporary

musical forms with traditional song cycles.

Williams has released a double CD of the Warumungu collaboration.

Shellie Morris and the Yanyuwa

women also performed at the Desert Harmony Festival, and will officially launch her work with her people next month.

Beefed up CMC power welcomed



QUEENSLAND'S Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) has welcomed State Government

moves to strengthen its powers in relation to police misconduct matters.

Late last year the CMC identified a number of failings in the current system and through its report – 'Setting the standard' – made a series of recommendations designed to strengthen the police disciplinary process.

The commission was miffed when the Qld Police Service (QPS) ignored its recommendation of disciplinary action against officers involved in the botched investigation into the November 2004 death in custody of Mulrunji Doomadgee on Palm Island, and a subsequent internal police review.

Now, following a government-initiated independent review, the CMC



MARTIN MOYNIHAN

will be empowered to apply to the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT) for an independent review of QPS decisions in the future, and to substitute a different disciplinary decision where it's dissatisfied with such decisions.

"The CMC remains committed to working with the Government and the police service to implement these much needed reforms. The disciplinary system must be fair

and robust if community confidence in the QPS is to be maintained," said CMC chairperson Martin Moynihan.

Also under the changes, the CMC will be required to progressively remove all seconded serving and former Queensland police officers from its police-related misconduct work.

"This will have major workforce and resourcing implications for the CMC. However, we will work with the State Government and the QPS to ensure this transition is carried out smoothly and with as little impact as possible on our operations," Mr Moynihan said.

"However, the police officer involved will have the right to apply to the QCAT for an independent review.

"The CMC will now carefully consider how best to implement the Government's recommendations so as to ensure the police disciplinary system becomes more transparent and effective."



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Whitehouse no fan of intervention

THEIR stomping ground may be a world away from Aboriginal communities prescribed under the Northern Territory Intervention, but that hasn't stopped funk and hip-hop group Whitehouse speaking out – or singing out – against it.

The western Sydney crew recently released *PM Gonna Save Us*, the first song from their forthcoming album *A Funk Intervention*, with a plea for listeners to 'look at the bigger picture' to really understand the plight of Aboriginal people in Australia.

Hailing from the inner west and western suburbs of Sydney, Whitehouse formed in 2006, released their first EP in 2009 and have a string of festival appearances under their belts including Fest Napuan in Port Vila (Vanuatu), Yabun Festival, The Dreaming Festival and Saltwater/Freshwater.

Grant

Last year the group won an Indigenous Emerging Artists grant under the Federal Government's Breakthrough initiative and headed back to Gadigal Music Studio to record their new album.

The album is described as 'a mix of funk styles and old skool hip hop, peppered with controversial social, political and personal messages'.

The single *PM Gonna Save Us* was originally written during 2007, the same year the NT Intervention was implemented.

It rails about the stereotyping of Aboriginal Territorians as



Speaking out ... funk and hip-hop group Whitehouse.

'dysfunctional' and communities as rampant with sexual and physical abuse and alcoholism.

"Four years on and this song still has relevance," the band says.

"Even though the Intervention has faded out of the media spotlight and consequently out of the consciousness of most Australians, all Aboriginal

communities in the NT are still under income management and a scrapped permit system that used to protect communities from mining companies and tourists.

"This is a direct result of policies born out of the military intervention."

The album *A Funk Intervention* is due for release early next year.

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But nothing in place to address
the pain Caused by years of
government abuse and neglect
And what the heck they now
coming to break our necks
And yeah something needs to be
done
For the innocence of the children
But the answer's not with a gun*

*or military intervention
Or a government desperate for
re-election
It's the sum of us big picture stuff*

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*The PM Gonna Save us
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Report raises income management doubt



A NEW report has cast doubt on Federal Government claims of broad support amongst Aboriginal women for income management under the Northern Territory Intervention.

The policy has been expanded to non-Indigenous welfare recipients elsewhere in the Territory and in other trial sites around the country but critics still argue it impacts disproportionately on Aboriginal people.

The report by the Equality Rights Alliance collated the views and perceptions of more than 180 Aboriginal and African refugee women in Alice Springs and Darwin of how income management and the BasicsCard affected their daily lives.

And the results, writ large in direct quotes from those interviewed, weren't especially encouraging.

Most of those interviewed said income management had had little or no effect on what they bought, and many said the card added to the difficulties and costs of paying for goods and services.

There was an apparent lack of understanding of most participants as to the purpose of the program or why

Key findings of the report

Key findings in the ERA report included:

- 85 per cent of women said they had not changed what they bought because of the BasicsCard.
- 22 per cent said they saved money with a BasicsCard, 75 per cent said it made no

difference to their spending, and two per cent said it cost them more to use a BasicsCard.

● 74 per cent said it did not make it easier to look after their family.

● 85 per cent said they did not feel respected when they

talked to Centrelink.

● 74 per cent said they felt people weren't as nice to them when they saw that they used a BasicsCard.

● 70 per cent of women said they did not feel safer since the introduction of income management.

they were on it.

"Some found benefits, such as saving and budgeting, and less humbugging, but they were very much the minority," the report said.

"Women raised concerns about not asking for Centrelink help to exit abusive relationships because they don't want to be referred for income management.

"Most women say they do not want to tell Centrelink if they have problems.

"This lack of trust among some of the most marginalised women in our community indicates potential problems,

should these women need support to resolve serious and complex issues."

The report said the discomfort many respondents reported about being seen to use the card was also a matter of concern.

"The loss of a sense of respect and dignity is damaging to women, and can impact on their capacity to care for others," it said. "Nearly three-quarters of women said they do not feel safer. While some women report seeing less fighting since the introduction of income management, others report seeing more petty crime to obtain cash."

Women from different backgrounds expressed concern that the use of BasicsCards was teaching their children to rely on government welfare.

"One mother talked about her teenage sons calling the BasicsCard balance number up to three times a day on payday, so they could go buy games and clothes at Target as soon as the money was on the card," the report said.

"Another mother said that her teenage son said he didn't have to do maths if he had a BasicsCard, because 'it's all done for you'."

And some women on the age pension said they didn't know how to use balance checking machines or make phone calls to check their balance or use their card, particularly if they also had English language, literacy, or health issues.

The Stop The Intervention Collective Sydney (STICS) said the report 'demolished the key myths that Ministers (Tanya) Plibersek and (Jenny) Macklin rely on to sell income management'

"It has not changed spending patterns and women do not feel safer," said STICS spokesman David Suttle.

"This report captures the feelings of shame and indignation that exist across the NT."

Deadly inspiration



THE Deadly Awards recognise the national achievements of Indigenous people across many fields including sport, the arts and community. And, as in previous years, this year's nominees say the awards hold a special place in their hearts because of the pride that comes from being recognised by their people.

Singer-songwriter Benny Walker, from Echuca in northern Victoria, has been nominated for a Deadly in the Most Promising New Talent in Music category.

Benny cut his teeth on classic blues, surf and folk music before finding his own voice in the raw honesty of acoustic roots music and said he was excited and proud to be nominated for a Deadly.

"It's a real honour," Benny said. "The Deadlys are great exposure for up-and-coming artists and also great recognition for those who are making an impact. "It is a great boost for my career, great exposure and also gives me confidence in what I'm doing – to see that other people are recognising this."

Benny is about to embark on a tour that will take in Tasmania in October and South Australia in November. He's playing at the Australian World Music Expo in Melbourne in November and is also supporting Christine Anu in shows later in the year.

"I am very excited about getting my stuff out in front of the wider public," he said.

Meanwhile, actress Shai Pittman has been nominated in the Female Actor of the Year category.

Shai starred in the film *Here I Am* that



Here I Am's Shai Pittman has been nominated in the Female Actor of the Year category.

premiered in May this year and said she was 'over the moon' to be nominated.

"It's like another door is opening for me and Indigenous women," Shai said. "If I get

this award, hopefully I can be a voice for Indigenous women from where I come from and from all over Australia. I feel like a winner just by being nominated."

Motocross champion Meghan Rutledge has been nominated in the category of Female Sportsperson of the Year, something the 16-year-old said made her feel 'pretty good'.

"I feel like I am representing women in motocross because there are not many women in the sport in Australia," she said.

Meghan began racing at the age of seven, quickly winning several titles. In 2004, she became the first female to win a NSW State Title competing against boys. She is also the first female to win the Oakdale Motorcycle Club junior club championship – her home club where she got her start in racing.

In the past year, Meghan has won Australasian, Australian and State titles. In August last year, she won the NSW 12 to Under-16 years 85cc all-female championship and 13 to Under-16 250cc all-female little class. She was also the runner-up in the boys 13 to Under-15 year's lites.

Meghan, a Year 11 student at Picton High School, balances her riding commitments with schoolwork.

"School is really flexible, they don't mind if I miss out on a bit of school to compete in events," she said.

The Deadly Awards are on at the Sydney Opera on 27 September this year. Tickets for the 2011 Deadlys (\$45 or \$30 concession) are available from the Sydney Opera House. For more information, visit www.sydneysoperahouse.com

Voting in Australia's largest Indigenous awards night is now open at www.vibe.com.au/deadlys. Voting closes this Saturday, 10 September, so get in and have your say on who's Deadly. – By David Cole

Deadly talent part of the line-up

WE know the performers, writers, sport stars, health workers, 'legends' and others stepping up to receive 2011 Deadly Awards on 27 September will be pretty damn fine, and the same can be said for those who'll grace the stage looking out.

The Sydney Opera House will resonate with the sound of traditional language at the spectacular cultural opening to this year's awards ceremony.

Acclaimed Northern Territory singer/songwriter Shellie Morris and the Yanyuwa Singers will perform two songs in language from Shellie's new album, *Together We Are Strong* – or *Ngambala wiji Li-Wunungu* in Yanyuwa language.

"They're traditional songs that have been passed down from generation to generation in Borroloola (NT), through women being strong and holding onto their

culture," Shellie said.

Shellie and the Yanyuwa women will perform with the nationally and internationally renowned Gondwana National Indigenous Children's Choir, making the opening of the Deadlys something special.

Western Australia's Pigram Brothers also headline the list of talent lined up for the Deadly Awards, performing an acoustic piece.

The brothers are no strangers to the Deadly Awards, having opened them in September 2006 and brought home the Deadly Award that year for Album Release of the Year.

Up-and-coming talent Naomi Pigram, Stephen Pigram's daughter, will make it a night for Pigram performances by performing at the Sunset Ceremony, which kicks off the Deadlys at 5pm in the Opera

House Northern Foyer. Naomi will be joined by singer/songwriter Nathan Foley.

In the Deadlys Concert Hall, things will take on both a country and a 60s feel, with Troy Cassar-Daley performing, as well as Casey Donovan singing a song from her current Australian musical show 'Flower Children', about the turbulent private lives of the American vocal group The Mamas and The Papas.

Indigenous hip-hop sensations Last Kinection are also included in the talent line-up for the Deadlys show, and dynamic duo Aaron Pedersen and Casey Donovan will host the awards, capping off a night to witness major Indigenous Australian talent.

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Kokatha story wins Unaipon Award

By RACHEL SCOLLAY

DYLAN COLEMAN has delved into the traumatic personal histories of her Kokatha mother and Greek father, and come up with two very different stories. She said it's been a healing process all round, and yesterday the manuscript based on her mother's story *'Mazin' Grace* was announced the winner of the \$20,000 David Unaipon Award for an unpublished Indigenous writer. Her father's story, *Clear Water White Death: STORM ON THE HORIZON* also made it onto the shortlist for the award, which is part of the Queensland Premier's Literary Awards.

Coleman said *'Mazin' Grace* tells the story of her mother, Mercy Glastonbury (nee Coleman) who grew up on the Koonibba Aboriginal Mission on the far west coast of South Australia.

"The core of the story is my mum being born to an Aboriginal woman and a white father," she said. "And she doesn't know who her white father is and she gets called Aboriginal names that are quite insulting like 'whitefella's kid' or 'walaba goona murru' (white person with a black ass).

"For our family it's a very honest book. I said to Mum 'Do you really want to write it this way?'"

"But she was adamant she wanted people to be able to understand what it was like growing up the daughter of an Aboriginal

woman and a white father."

Told through the eyes of the central character Grace, from age four to 13, the story is written in Aboriginal English and Kokatha, with a glossary to assist readers.

It's the first in a proposed trilogy as Coleman said her mother would like to see three books written about her life.

Coleman said the title is not only Aboriginal English for 'Amazing Grace', but also refers to the maze that Grace has to navigate to find out who she is.

Coleman never set out to be a writer, but when she moved to Adelaide 10 years ago she brought with her 50 pages of transcribed notes she had compiled of her father's story, which he had told to her little by little over the years.

She asked two of her friends whether they knew anyone who could turn the oral transcript into a book, and she said they proceeded to 'march her off' to enroll at the University of Adelaide's

post-graduate course in creative writing.

Her father's story, now written as a novel, *Clear Water White Death*, became the thesis for her Masters, while *'Mazin' Grace* was the thesis for her PhD.

the ensuing altercation he suffered a blow to the head. Coleman said that was where everything started to go seriously wrong for her father, who began to suffer from hallucinations and delusions, and during one of these episodes he

caused a car accident that killed two people.

Tried for manslaughter, he spent 12 years in a secure mental facility, and Coleman said as he slowly stabilised he began to realise the implications of his actions.

Coleman said she had sat on her father's story for six years, before deciding to

because this is his way of explaining to people why all these tragedies happened.

"It's his way of trying to say 'sorry', although somehow 'sorry' falls so short."

Coleman said she always felt concerned about the trauma her father's story might bring up for people who had been affected by his actions when he was mentally ill, but what freed her to let the story go was the decision they made that any profits from the book (if published) would go towards mental health awareness.

Coleman said she saw a counsellor just before handing in her PhD (*'Mazin' Grace*) and bawled her eyes out.

"The thought of letting go of my mum's story represented letting go of all the trauma of both my parents' lives, our family's trauma that I'd carried with me for all those years... and all the healing that had come out of it," she said.

"And all the challenging and confronting things that come from speaking the truth."

Coleman said entering the stories in the David Unaipon Awards had not been an easy step to take, but it also meant she could breathe again – 'and that's an incredibly enormous relief'.

"For both my mum and dad it's about two separate journeys coming to an end and other journeys starting," she said.

"For me it's about being able to move on to other important things in life."

'For our family it's a very honest book'

– Dylan Coleman
winner of the 2011
David Unaipon
Award



Coleman said a key moment in her father's story was his unsuccessful attempt to save a boy who lost his whole leg in a shark attack while he was working as a fisherman at Thevenard, near Ceduna.

Wracked with guilt, he confronted the skipper who'd earlier refused his requests that they gut the fish further out to sea, and in

enter it into this year's David Unaipon Award, holding on to it until the very last minute so she could finish editing the final chapters

"My father, who's in his 70s, says he's staying alive until his book gets published, then he'll be free to die," she said.

"So I have felt a commitment to follow through with his wishes

Class action case starts

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



A CLASS action has been launched in the NSW Supreme Court on behalf

of young people – many of them Indigenous – detained under the state's controversial Bail Act.

The Public Interest Advocacy Centre and law firm Maurice Blackburn started the action on behalf of young people lawyers allege were unlawfully detained by NSW Police on the basis of out-of-date bail information.

Lead applicant Musa Konneh, 19, an Australian migrant originally from Sierra Leone, was arrested, strip searched, handcuffed and detained overnight in south-west Sydney in August last year. He was no longer on bail for the charge of riding a train without a ticket because it had been dismissed in the Children's Court four days earlier. The Children's Court had a record of the dismissal but the Justicelink computer system, to which police have access, allegedly had not been updated.

"Acting on the basis of incorrect bail information, police detained Musa overnight and

the next day the Children's Court corrected the police mistake and ordered Mr Konneh's immediate release," PIAC lawyer Vavaa Muwali said.

The lawyers behind the 'open' class action said all children and young people who were arrested by NSW police for breach of bail conditions, which were no longer current, may sign up an expression of interest in the class action.

Ms Muwali says many of the young people affected are

and unnecessary detention of young people in the criminal justice system'. "At this stage, we are calling on young people who have been wrongfully arrested for breach of bail to contact us on (02) 8898 6517 or visit our Facebook page using the search term 'false imprisonment of young people'," Ms Muwali said.

She said NSW Attorney-General Greg Smith made an election promise to review the communications systems

between courts and the police.

The wrongful detention of three young Aboriginal people from Kempspey was investigated by the Ombudsman last year, who found computer systems were not updated with new

information from the courts. "Further comments were made by the Police Commissioner and the Minister about the problems during an interview on ABC radio shortly after the class action was filed," Ms Muwali said.

A spokesperson for the NSW Police Service (last week) said that 'as legal proceedings are continuing, it would be inappropriate to comment at this time'.

'We estimate there could be up to 200 young people across NSW affected by this issue in the past three years' – Lawyer Vavaa Muwali

Indigenous.

"We estimate there could be up to 200 young people across NSW affected by this issue in the past three years," she said.

"We will be requesting that the Defendant assist in the identification of class members during the course of the proceedings."

PIAC and other advocacy groups created the 'Children in Detention Advocacy Project' in 2005, to challenge the 'unlawful

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Knowledge creates a future

Iama community councillor Walter Mackie prepares sandbags before king tides earlier this year.



New hope for sea walls in Torres Strait

By ALF WILSON



THE chances of urgently needed sea walls and protection works being built on outer Torres Strait islands are better after Federal Member for Leichhardt Warren Entsch successfully introduced a Private Member's motion in Parliament.

The work, costing at \$20 million, is needed to ensure that many islands are not flooded each year during king tides.

Low-lying Poruma, Warraber, Iama, Masig, Boigu and Saibai islands are the worst affected, and residents' properties are often inundated with sea water during annual king tides.

Mr Entsch introduced the

motion on 13 August and it was passed by the Lower House with the support of the Government and the independents.

"This motion called on the Government to commit to restore and rebuild the damaged sea walls on the outer island of the Torres Strait and this is a huge breakthrough that will encourage protection of the island communities from further devastation," the Cairns-based MP said.

Evidence

"There is substantial evidence of continued flooding on the outer islands due to king tides, and the success of having this motion accepted will ensure that we don't see this beautiful part of the Torres Strait devastated yet again."

Mr Entsch said current

infrastructure was deteriorating and needed to be replaced.

"The passage of my motion is an acceptance by this Government that this work needs to be done and is now a commitment that it will be done," he said.

"This motion gives a long-term future for residents living in these communities and removes the threat of future relocations.

"It is imperative that the Torres Strait community leaders encourage the Government to fulfill this commitment and that they get started right away."

Mr Entsch has since drafted a letter to Federal Regional Development and Local Government Minister Simon Crean asking when the protection work will start.

New manager for NTSCORP



NSW native title service provider NTSCORP has a new general manager.

Bundjalung woman Natalie Rotumah, who will be based in Coffs Harbour, has taken on the new role.

NTSCORP CEO Warren Mundine said Ms Rotumah's appointment to the newly

created position reflected her wealth of skill and experience and the company's commitment to developing and promoting Aboriginal managers.

"Natalie is a phenomenal advocate for native title who works tirelessly to promote the rights and interests of traditional owners in NSW and the ACT, and I am delighted that she will be taking on the

role of my second in charge," he said.

NTSCORP chairperson Michael Bell said the new role recognised Ms Rotumah's contribution to the company.

"Her leadership and guidance will help NTSCORP continue to work to provide the best possible support and representation for traditional owners," Mr Bell said.

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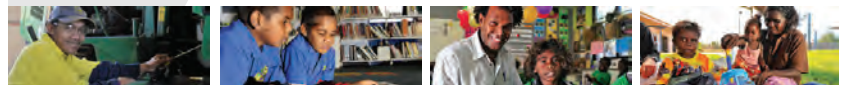


The 2011 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Conference (NATSIEC), Strong Start, Bright Future will be held in Darwin 17-20 October 2011. This is a uniquely significant conference in the Australian education calendar.

Building on the success of previous conferences, the 2011 conference theme – Strong Start, Bright Future – emphasises the importance of focusing on educational opportunities and outcomes from birth to employment.

Strong Start, Bright Future is a conference for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, students, carers and parents, as well as teachers, researchers, policy-makers and administrators.

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Ready for business

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



HAVING started her own business in 2009, Yuwaalaraay textile and graphic designer Lucy Simpson knows how valuable it can be to get a bit of extra help along the way.

That's why she'll be attending a free workshop this Friday, 9 September, for Aboriginal designers looking to enhance their business skills.

The workshop, in Parramatta, western Sydney, is part of Small Business September, and will explore critical elements of manufacturing, supply chain and small business financing.

Workshop presenter Sarah Gale, a fashion buyer for leading retailers with three decades of experience, says part of the workshop will give those attending an insight into how to create a functional supply chain.

Ms Gale has been mentoring Aboriginal designers over the past four months, helping to equip them for the commercial world, including presenting at trade shows.

Eloise Bishop, from Ethical Clothing Australia, will provide details of accredited ethical clothing manufacturers, saying 'it's imperative for emerging fashion and textile labels to be trailblazers in raising both industry and consumer awareness of the importance of the ethical production'.

Meanwhile, social entrepreneur Garry Harris will look at options for sourcing finance for small and micro business loans.

With 2000 Aboriginal companies doing business in



Left, Industry and Investment NSW provided assistance and funded Gaawaa Miyay's stall at Design:Made:Trade in Melbourne and, right, items from Lucy Simpson's new Burrul Warrambool (Milkyway) range.



NSW, Small Business September is hosting 15 events across the state for Aboriginal business people, to help them work on their business.

Ms Simpson said that while she had worked as a freelance graphic

designer for a number of years, her real passion lay in textiles, which led to her starting her business Gaawaa Miyay Designs in 2009.

Gaawaa Miyay translates as 'river daughter' and Ms Simpson

said while she was born and based in Sydney, her family connections to the freshwater country of Walgett and Angledool in north-west NSW meant the river was a strong part of her family identity.

"Freshwater country, my country is the source from which I draw pride, inspiration and story," she said.

"But also I'm the third generation of three daughters."

Ms Simpson initially approached Industry and Investment NSW with her range of textile prints and sample prototypes after a suggestion from a fellow Aboriginal textile designer she had been chatting to online through the Right Way blog – Craft Australia's Indigenous craft and design hub.

She said the assistance she received from Industry and Investment had been invaluable, including the funding of her stall at Design:Made:Trade (Australia's leading furniture, fashion and industrial design brands exhibition in Melbourne).

Ms Simpson has now licensed some of her prints to Cloth Fabric – a Sydney-based independent fabric company, which will see them used on tea towels, cushions, bags and fabrics, and her own range of products will be featured in the new ANTaR catalogue which is out next month.

"My vision has come to life," she said. "My stuff has even been in London... it's been a really lovely journey."

For more information or to register for this Friday's free seminar 'Your supply chain – from manufacturing to funding your business', or any other workshops go to www.smallbusinessmonth.nsw.gov.au

Right Way: Hub for Indigenous Craft and Design is at carightway.ning.com, while Lucy Simpson's designs can be seen at www.clothfabric.com and www.gaawaamiyay.com



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NATIONAL BINGE DRINKING STRATEGY COMMUNITY LEVEL INITIATIVE THIRD ROUND GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS TO PREVENT AND REDUCE BINGE DRINKING BY YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 12-24 YEARS

Binge drinking among young people is a community wide problem that demands a community wide response. This includes an emphasis on young people taking greater personal responsibility for their behaviour. As part of the Australian Government's Community Level Initiative of the National Binge Drinking Strategy, the Australian National Preventive Health Agency (ANPHA) is offering \$10 million over two years for a third round of grants.

ANPHA is seeking applications from incorporated community groups or local government organisations for project proposals that aim to prevent and reduce binge drinking by young people aged 12-24 years. Partnership and collaborative projects are strongly encouraged.

Grants of up to \$300,000 are available for individual projects. Grants of up to \$500,000 are available for partnerships and collaborations.

Organisations interested in applying must address the assessment criteria in the format outlined in the application form. The application form and Grant Guidelines can be obtained at ANPHA's Tenders and Grants page at www.anpha.gov.au or via GrantsLINK directory at www.grantslink.gov.au.

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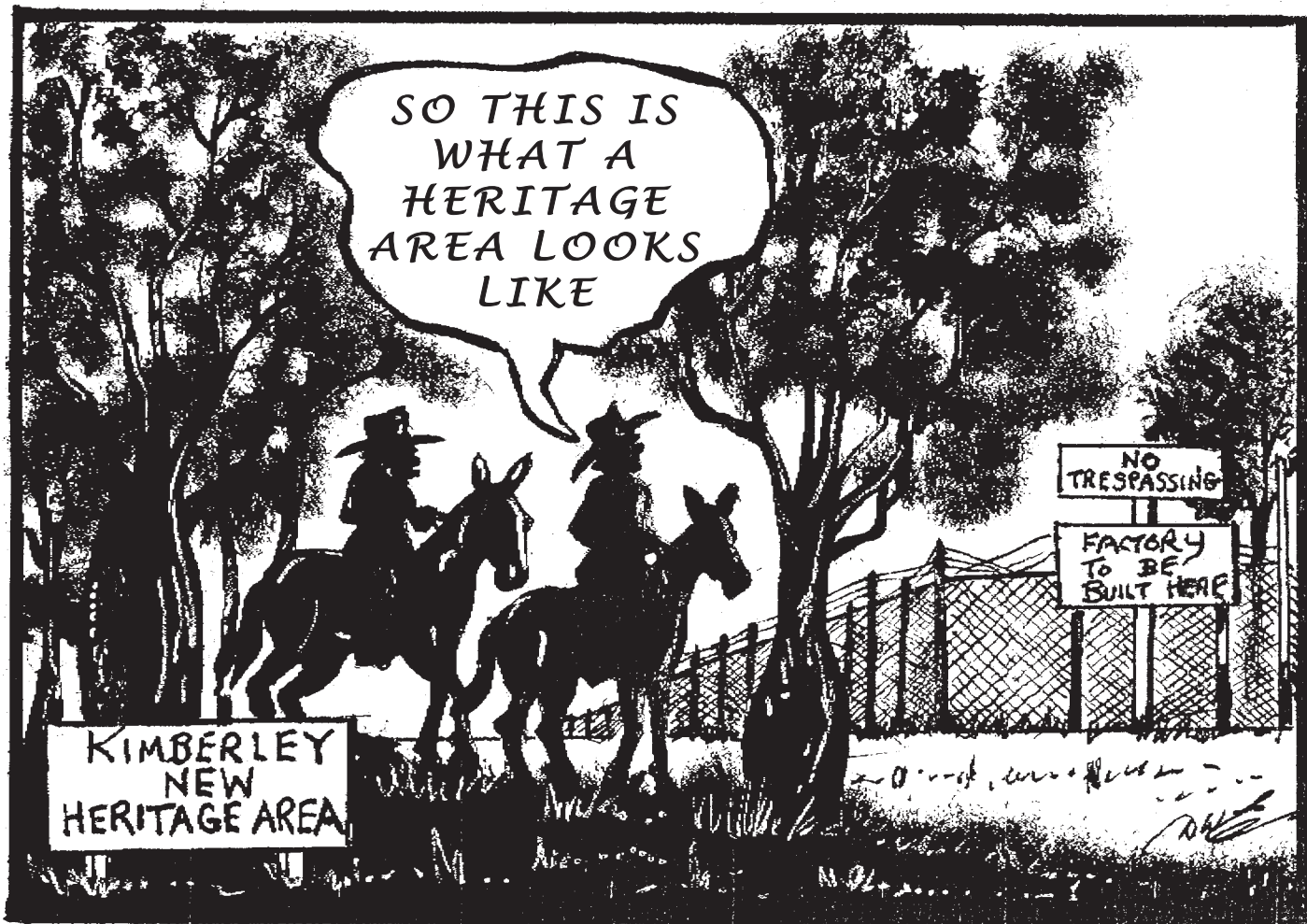
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My mum's baked dinner (Sunday meat and veg).

Favourite bushtucker?
Croc is all right, but I don't like kangaroo.

Favourite drink?
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Favourite music?
RnB and country. I really like Nelly, Randy Travis and Alan Jackson.

Favourite TV show?
Home and Away.

Favourite Movie?
Life, starring Eddie Murphy.

Favourite holiday destination?
Yulara. It's my first time here and my first time out of Sydney, actually.

What do you like in life?
Doing new things. I've come to Yulara to work and it's the most exciting thing that's happened to me for a while.

What do you dislike in life?
I'm scared of dogs.

Who would you choose to have around the campfire for a yarn and feed?
My mum Debbie, my dad Jeffrey Wayne Whitton (who passed away last year) and my baby nephew Ayle Jeffrey, who is a year old and was named after his pop.

Quote



'Imagine what the public response would be in the leafy suburbs of Canberra or Sydney or Melbourne if, over the last decade or so, the number of nurses or doctors working in the community dropped by 30 per cent'

– **AMSANT chief**
John Paterson

● See Page 29

Unquote

Good news, bad news in report

AS the Federal Government teeters from one crisis to another, it's no surprise the latest report into Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage has failed to deliver much in the way of successes.

Of course, some improvements in home ownership, education and employment prospects have to be applauded. But there are still far too many other social indicators either stuck in a rut, or getting worse.

The report indicates there has been no significant improvement in health, school literacy and numeracy, and that criminal justice outcomes had actually gotten worse! As well, a rise in the number of child abuse cases is of particular concern.

Surely it's time for the Federal Government to realise that its approach to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs needs a good, hard rethink.

And perhaps the most important food for thought are the comments from Indigenous people themselves.

How many times has the Government been told that a top-down approach just doesn't work?

Real gains can only be made by listening to Indigenous people and realising that they need a greater say in the formation and delivery of programs aimed at closing the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people.

That view was again put by the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, as well as Dr Tom Calma, the new Indigenous co-chair of



OUR SAY

Reconciliation Australia, upon the release of the report. Dr Calma's call for a mutually-respectful relationship, and long-term investment and solutions should not go unheeded, while Congress co-chair Jody Broun makes a good point when she says that there are 'real people' behind the statistics trying to improve their lives.

She is also right in pointing out that while those living in remote areas are often faced with extra challenges, three-quarters of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people live in urban and regional areas and they are also facing many issues.

Of course, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin is correct in saying that continued effort is required to close the gap, and that any strategy to tackle disadvantage takes a while to mature ... but it has been almost ten years already since the Council of Australian Governments first commissioned the reports.

Surely after ten years, and billions of dollars spent, this report should have at least shown better outcomes than these!

It's time for governments to finally heed the call ... and listen!

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

Racism storm in a Bledisloe Cup

By KIRSTIE PARKER, with AAP



WALLABIES player Radike Samo says he's not offended that two rugby union fans donned afro wigs and painted their faces black to impersonate him in order to win Bledisloe Cup tickets from Qantas Airways.

But Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aren't so sure the pair's actions were acceptable. A quick straw poll conducted by the *Koori Mail* (see right) drew widely varying opinions.

The 27 August incident forced an apology from Qantas, a major Wallabies sponsor, which gave the two rugby union fans their tickets for promising to dress-up as Fijian-born Samo, who they said was their favourite player.

The airline posted a photograph of the marketing stunt on micro-blogging site Twitter.

"Looks like our Twitter winners of the Bledisloe Cup tix lived up to their promise! Good work," it tweeted the next day.

But the airline changed its tune after an angry Twitter backlash, immediately removing the image and issuing an apology.

Amongst those unhappy about the incident was new NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) chairman Stephen Ryan, who said he was stunned Qantas had encouraged the men.

"It is simply unbelievable that they wouldn't have known such a stunt could backfire," Cr Ryan said.

"It's hard to believe that a company that has used Aboriginal iconography to try and improve its image didn't know that this could easily be construed as racist."

Also critical was Diversity Council Australia (DCA) chief executive officer Nareen Young, who said 'blackface' was never okay, especially given ongoing race-based discrimination and harassment experienced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"People who believe it was a harmless bit of fun fail to take into account the origins of the 'blackface' practice and the racist stereotypes it perpetuates," Ms Young said.

"Blackface began as a form of theatrical make-up in the 19th Century in which performers created caricatures of African American people.

"They often portrayed these people in a humiliating and degrading way for the entertainment of white people.



The offending photo.



The fans posing with Fijian-born Radike Samo say he's their favourite Wallabies player.

"Popular commentary suggests blackface doesn't have the same connotations in this country as in the US and UK, but we shouldn't forget it was also used in vaudeville and advertising in Australia in the 19th and 20th centuries.

"...the blackface image can evoke

"I didn't have an issue with it at all ... I don't know why anyone's getting worked up, that sort of reaction is just silly."

An Australian Rugby Union spokesman said the imposing loose forward was a 'cult figure' in Queensland, where he was recently part of the winning Super 15 Reds side.

"And after his performance in the Test (he) may well become a cult figure around the country during the World Cup in New Zealand," the spokesman said.

"These guys dressing up were Radike fans and Radike thought it was awesome. He felt neither offended nor insulted."

Laura Berry, manager of community partnerships and reconciliation for Qantas, said later the incident was 'in no way reflective' of a

culture at the airline but demonstrated it still had 'more work to do as we continue on the path of reconciliation'.

"We won't shy away from that, we are committed to having an open and honest conversation with our staff and the community, and take our responsibility to ensure our business reflects the values of inclusion and diversity seriously," she said.

One of the men who dressed up as Samo said their only intention was to 'show support for Radike Samo, our favourite player, and the Wallabies...'

"I would like to apologise for the incident, in no way was it my intention to offend anyone and I am deeply sorry," he said.

The incident came two years after the Nine Network's *Hey Hey, It's Saturday* sparked a worldwide outcry for depicting five men in blackface performing a Jackson Five number.

What people thought

Racism is too serious to be trivialised. It is not okay for Qantas to use images such as these regardless of whether it was for a competition or not... Black people are always placed in situations where they must appear gracious publicly rather than be angry and be accused of being thin-skinned when they are ridiculed.

— **Brian Wyatt, National Native Title Council CEO, Melbourne**

Blackface is racist and demeaning. It is a tool used to strip the humanity from blacks. Easier to rape, terrorise and brutalise cartoon clowns than real live people. Samo is just as much a part of the problem.

— **Sam Watson, Brisbane activist**

I don't believe it was racist... there was no intent to denigrate Radike and, hell, the Wallabies wouldn't have won without him. Go the bro.

— **Aden Ridgeway, Consultant and former senator, Sydney**

I can see why people could be offended. The fans' actions were not okay if it was just a cheap gimmick to get attention and, even if they really do love Samo, it was misguided.

— **Philippa McDermott, Sydney**

I believe the act was insensitive and inappropriate but would not go so far as to say it was racist. Due to the derogatory nature of blackface in our history, and because our country is still extremely racist, we're not at a stage to make jokes like that.

— **Shannon Dodson, Canberra**

It wasn't racist. Are we to say that the player who embraced them knows not what he does? I was listening to my kids' song *Baa baa, coloured sheep* yesterday and I was over all this PC crap. Stuff that's offensive is obviously offensive. These clowns were supporting their hero. May I add the Kiwis are called the 'All Blacks', not the 'Coloured folk'.

— **Lee Willis, Dubbo**

No problem with the wigs – people would still have been able to identify the player they were impersonating – but not the blackface, whether it's in good faith or not.

— **Donna from Canberra**

I thought it was funny and the player didn't care.

— **Anonymous from Sydney**

If Samo is happy, I'm happy. It was fun and people are becoming PC wowsers.

— **Warren Mundine, Chairman of the Australian Indigenous Chamber of Commerce, Sydney**

Of course it was racist.

— **Sol Bellear, Health and education advocate, activist and former ATSIC deputy chair, Sydney**

It's unfortunate but not racist. They admire a black man to the point of wanting to be like him.

— **Craig Greene, Sydney**

I didn't see Samo's try but I don't believe the fans were being racist or inciting racial hatred. Radike represented so many qualities that we should recognise: never give up, have a go, you're never too old, and be happy and smile. These guys had the guts to show who they supported when others might have written Radike off.

— **Tom Calma, Anti-smoking campaigner, Canberra**

Maybe not racist in intent but pretty bloody stupid. When will people get it?

— **Linda Burney, NSW Labor MP, Sydney**



'It is simply unbelievable that they wouldn't have known such a stunt could backfire'

— **NSWALC's Stephen Ryan**

'If Samo is happy, I'm happy. It was fun and people are becoming PC wowsers'

— **Warren Mundine**



feelings of humiliation and offence amongst Aboriginal Australians and a broad range of other cultural groups."

However, the man at the centre of the storm said he had gladly posed for photos with the pair and didn't understand 'what the fuss is all about'.

"These guys were actually paying me a tribute," Samo was reported as saying.

"It was a bit of fun and I think it's great that they regarded me as their favourite Wallaby.



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Aboriginal Heritage Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade

The RTA is planning for the remaining single carriageway sections of the Pacific Highway between Woolgoolga and Ballina. This includes the sections between **Woolgoolga to Wells Crossing, Wells Crossing to Iluka and Iluka Road and Woodburn.**

An Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment will be undertaken for this project and may result in the RTA:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW*, and/or
- Undertaking an environmental assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

The RTA invites Aboriginal people and/or Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) in the sections of Woolgoolga to Wells Crossing, Wells Crossing to Iluka Road and Iluka Road to Woodburn, to register with the RTA to be consulted.

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Friday 23 September 2011.

To register your interest, please contact:
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PO Box 164
St Leonards NSW 2065 Australia
Free call: 1800 778 900
Email: w2balliance@skm.com.au

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Wife Swap anyone?



CALLING Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, especially mums! Want to take a break from your life, or see how the other mob live?

Here's your chance but, be warned, you can't be shame.

The production company behind a new reality TV show are looking for an Indigenous Australian family, or a family with at least one Indigenous parent, to apply for what they say will be 'a once-in-a-lifetime experience'.

Wife Swap Australia, largely based on the *Wife Swap UK* format, will screen on The Lifestyle Channel.

"Basically, we're looking for wives and

husbands (married or de facto) with a sense of humour, who are comfortable and open to sharing their views and lives," said a spokesperson for the show's producers, Shine Australia.

"They must also have kids, preferably, but not exclusively, aged between four and 21, with at least one, still living at home.

"Rest assured that the show is not about sex, it's about relationships, family and lifestyle choices.

"For the duration of the wife's stay in the other home, she will be provided with her own bedroom. A chaperone producer will also stay in the home every night of the seven-day shoot."

The participating wife will be provided

with a participant's fee of \$2000.

Interested? Then have a chat with *Wife Swap* associate producer Angela Brown on (02) 8014 6401 or via email at angela.brown@shineaustralia.com

Or dive in and apply by completing a *Wife Swap Australia* casting application form on The Lifestyle Channel website at www.lifestyle.com.au or via the weblink <https://wifeswap.castasugar.com/>

● The production company for Channel Seven's hit adventure reality program *The Amazing Race Australia* is also hoping to attract Indigenous teams. For further information or to apply, visit www.yahoo7.com.au/amazingrace.



Cape York Land Council
co-founders Noel Pearson
and Frankie Deemal.

Celebration for Cape council

By CHRISTINE HOWES



CELEBRATIONS around the Cape York Land Council's recent 20th anniversary were centred on acknowledging two decades of

campaigning for land across the Queensland far north and the organisation's partnership with other key regional organisations.

Frankie Deemal, who co-founded CYLC with Noel Pearson, said the council had been instrumental in the formation of Apunipima Cape York Health Council and Balkanu Cape York Development Corporation and, later, Cape York Partnerships, the Cape York Institute for Policy & Leadership, and the Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy.

"The land council was the catalyst for all those," he said, speaking in Cairns.

"...A lot of these organisations were and are explicitly intertwined."

Mr Deemal, who is also the chair of his local Health Action Team in

Hopevale for Apunipima, said those who started CYLC knew it would not be like other land councils.

"They principally concentrated on land (but) we knew that a land council had to address the economic interests of our people," he said. "We had to address education, we had to address health.

"Care of our country is nothing without care for our people so we had to do all those things.

Advanced

"Today, 21 years later, we're very, very pleased that we've got those organisations in place, that our children's education is now being advanced.

"Our health is improving. We've got our own locally-based organisations about to take the delivery of primary health care so we're attempting to get on top of many of those issues that our old people foresaw 22 years ago."

CYLC chairman Richie Ah Mat paid tribute to the past Cape York crusaders who had 'courageously challenged governments for

recognition of traditional ownership of land'.

"They made history and shaped our futures," he said.

Mr Ah Mat said the day's celebration was not only about the land council's journey, but also recognising the 'extraordinary achievements' of all regional organisations promoting the health, education, housing and economic aspirations of Cape York Aboriginal people.

He also said the CYLC would continue to pursue the native title rights of Cape York people, and the sister organisations would never give up the fight for better lives and greater equality for all Aboriginal people.

Mr Deemal said, together, they'd made 'giant strides'.

"We've made giant strides but we're dealing with many new problems and we have to have the insight and the intellect and the intelligence to have insightful discourse into where we're going to end up in the next 20 years," he said.

"That's the challenge for us."



Concern over NSW Housing Office

LA PEROUSE Aboriginal Community recently had a tenants meeting with a representative from the NSW Government Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO).

The meeting was advising the community about changes to policies and rent increases that are to take

place in the near future.

I attended the meeting and afterwards I wanted to find out more, so I thought I would contact the Aboriginal Housing Office directly.

The so-called Aboriginal person I spoke with (after not being able to get any help from three others) informed

me that there was no-one who could help me.

I was offended by the way the young sounding officer spoke with me and she had the hide to say that I was being rude to her.

I am very disappointed at these Aboriginal people working in government and

especially the AHO. I am still unable to get answers from my own people who work for this government department.

I found much better help and people (white people at that) from the Federation of Housing (a non-government organisation).

What in the world is

happening to our mob?

I am so sad to say it, but I feel it's true. The AHO in NSW is another one of Uncle Tom's cabins and our mob who work there seem to have lost their way.

TREVOR WALKER
Via email

Time for review

NEXT year will mark the 40th year of Aboriginal affairs as a fully-fledged and government-funded entity. Aboriginal affairs evolved from such titanic events as the Gurindji walk-off for fair wages, the Charlie Perkins Freedom Rides of the 60s, the 1967 Referendum and the iconic Tent Embassy in 1972.

So 2012 needs to be a year of review. Government and Aboriginal nations need to take a look back at this 40-year journey and decide whether or not it has been successful.

The social and economic factors pertaining to Aboriginal life in Australia clearly indicates that it has not.

With tens of billions of dollars wasted, Australia needs to decide now whether or not to go on with this wasted experiment, which has caused more social division amongst Australians because of the perceived 'special treatment in the way of government handouts afforded to Aboriginal people' mentality of the wider society.

We must revisit the very reason why Aboriginal affairs came into being. It started with equal citizenship rights, then came the welfare-in-hand-with-the-blacks period. Then came the self-determination episode, which ended in the vehicle for self-determination being scuttled by the Howard Government.

Now, the larger part of the Aboriginal communities and peoples of Australia live in the neglect of government unaccountability at all levels, whilst once highly respected Aboriginal 'leaders' are sugar-coated and white-washed by



The iconic Tent Embassy in Canberra was established in 1972.

government and held in line to announce to the world that the government is doing a good job.

Government is not doing a good job. In fact in 40 years, it could easily be argued that every single Federal government from Whitlam to Gillard has done a terrible job!

Over this expensive period of time, one thing remains the same – there has been absolutely no transferral of power to the Aboriginal people to go from extreme social disadvantage in 1972 to that of a better quality of life and one that is off government funding and dependability, to

a place in life whereby we have become completely self-sufficient and independent to tend to our affairs ourselves and to exist in a manner that is productive to Australia's well-being.

That has not happened.

Aboriginal affairs will celebrate its 40th year of existence next year as a complete and utter failed concept.

In 2012, racism will still exist, power will remain with ill-managed and ill-advised government departments, Indigenous incarceration rates will remain higher than ever, deaths in custody will continue, health rates will still deteriorate, homes will be filled to overcapacity and the large majority of the Aboriginal people will still be neglected by all who hold power. The gap will never be closed in our lifetimes.

We cannot continue to go down this well-trodden road to nowhere. We must all take a deep breath and look back at where we have come.

The past will certainly provide enough evidence of failure to be an impetus for change.

Change needs to come like yesterday. But who is there to lead change?

Governments have proven they can't, and the true Aboriginal leaders are held at arms length by governments unwilling to engage with speakers of the truth.

We have become locked into a status quo of nothingness, and democratic debate to see us out of it seems as far distant as that innocent year of good intentions, 1972.

PHILL MONCRIEFF
Via email

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– EDITOR

The way to go

MY contribution to Aboriginal first nation and Torres Strait Islander peoples' advancement is simple: We write our own constitution and strive for free Territorial status within the British commonwealth of Australia.

Indigenous self-government is the way to go. That way, the Australian colonial state of England will recognise Indigenous rights are retained and black fellows make their own law to govern themselves and live under their cultural lore.

To me, coming under the Australian Constitution from 1901 is not the way to go because I have a human right. As Nelson Mandela says, the key is in your hands.

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Appalling treatment of a truly great man

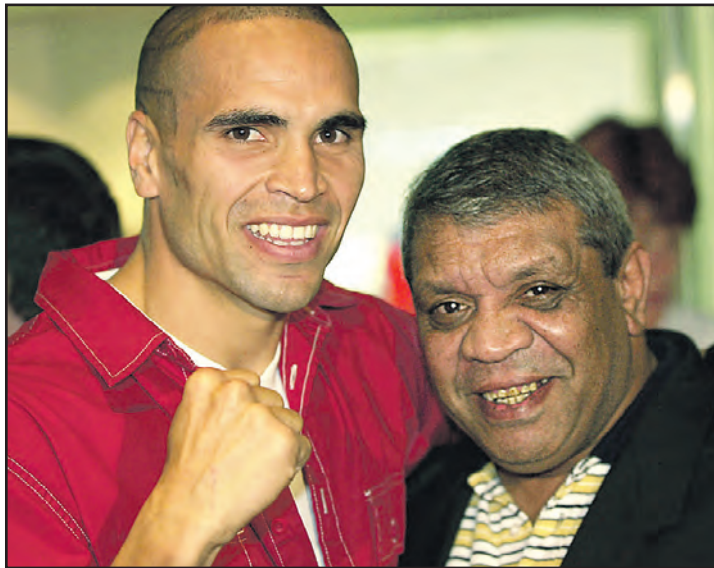
AFTER months of viewing negative media reports and hearing unfavourable comments from fellow Australians (and surprisingly, Aboriginal Australians) I felt compelled to state my views about the flamboyant, yet on occasions deadly serious, Anthony Mundine.

Perhaps despicable and appalling would be appropriate to describe the treatment that this fine young specimen of humanity has had to endure.

As an Aboriginal person myself (and proud of it) I can expect this kind of behaviour from most non-Aboriginal people. However, I find it difficult to understand and accept that this kind of atrocity is being committed by other Aboriginal people.

A report in the *Koori Mail* (24 August) said 'While many believed Mundine's knockout by Wood, his only defeat in the past six years, signalled the possible end to his boxing career'.

While there is no denying it



Champions ... Anthony Mundine with the late Lionel Rose.

happened, perhaps your report should have elaborated and reported that there was something in the vicinity of 60 illegal blows that obviously contributed to the 'knockout'.

This valuable piece of information was reported by 'the Man' in a post-fight

interview. Every time Mundine fights, he fights for all Aboriginal people – whether they like him or not.

Boxing is not only Mundine's primary employment – it is also an avenue to promote his beliefs in terms of religion, political and Aboriginality.

I believe that his democratic rights have started a wheel in motion that houses only negative media reports, has-beens, never-weres, sore losers, whingeing and people who are motivated by the evil forces of jealousy, hatred and envy.

I have read reports that Mundine hasn't fought any worthwhile opponents. Are they saying the likes of Danny Green, Sam Soliman and Shannon Taylor are not worthwhile?

When are the people including the media going to give credit where it is due?

In conclusion, how can we the Aboriginal people progress in this society when we see our national sporting icon being treated this way?

Anthony Mundine is a role model for us and every fair and decent non-Aboriginal person, not only in this country but internationally.

NEVILLE JOHNSON
Boyne Island, Qld

Concern at language

AN article in a recent *Sydney Morning Herald* came to my notice where Federal Independent MP Tony Windsor claimed that Federal Opposition Leader Tony Abbott told him that to become Prime Minister the only thing he would not do would be to sell his arse, but he may even consider it.

I have no reason to doubt Mr Windsor's integrity, and I don't believe that he would or could conjure up such filth.

I have been in shearing sheds and stock camps across Australia, I have spent a lot of time in some of the lowest pubs in the country also, and even in those places such a comment would rate as the lowest of the low.

How can someone who is continually flaunting his Christian beliefs and with that kind of filth in his head expect people to respect him let alone have him lead the country?

If Tony Abbott expects respect at any level, he needs to drag his filthy mind out of the gutter.

HAROLD J HUNT
St Mary's, NSW

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mr Abbott has denied using the words attributed to him by Mr Windsor.

SMALL BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 2011

SEE YOUR BUSINESS FROM A NEW PERSPECTIVE

Want to grow your business? Then step back, take a good look, and come along to Small Business September – a must for people who want the best advice on how to take their business to the next step.

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KEEPING YOUR WEBSITE CURRENT

19 September 2011, 10.00am – 2.00pm, Ngurrula Aboriginal Corporation, 7 Wirrimbi Rd, Macksville

This workshop is for Aboriginal owned businesses once you have a website it is important to make sure that it is kept up to date, maintained and linked in with social networking sites. This practical workshop will help participants achieve a more effective web presence for their business.

THE "CENTS" OF RISK

12 September 2011, 10am – 2pm, ACE Training, 59 Magellan St, Lismore

Good business sense keeps business on track. This workshop will enhance financial management within a business operation, plus provide details on accessing business finance and funding.

TALKING ON THE BREEZE – BUSINESS MARKETING

14 September 2011, 9.05am – 10.00am – Tune in to Dubbo Aboriginal radio Station 2 CU-FM 106.5

Interactive radio program to answer questions from listeners on all aspects of starting, running and marketing a business.

INDIGENOUS SMALL BUSINESS HEALTH CHECK WEEK

26 – 30 September 9am – 5pm NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce Head Office, 5/34 Racecourse Road, Rutherford

If you are an Indigenous small business owner/operator and would like to sit and discuss your business and how you can expand, you can receive free, obligation-free advice and assistance. Limited places – Book now to secure your appointment.

SMALL BUSINESS AND WORKCOVER

22 September 2011, 10am – 12pm Griffith Aboriginal Community Centre, 5 Wiradjuri Place Griffith

Understanding occupational health and safety are an important part of achieving a safe workplace. Gain information to help your business be a healthy work environment.

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Your business can also feature in the online NSW Aboriginal Business Directory, giving potential clients easy access and details of a range of Aboriginal enterprises. To register go to www.aboriginalbiz.nsw.gov.au

For more information on phone 1300 134 359 or Email first@business.nsw.gov.au

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Queries on child abuse statistics

THE Productivity Commission's recent 'Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage' report is of great concern to all Australians whether they want to positively address our parlous state of quality of life or not. It is, after all, their taxes that are being misused by governments in their feeble and wrong-headed attempts to resolve the issues of 'closing the gap'.

But I also have some problems in the way these statistics are gathered and reported, especially in the area of child abuse and/or sexual abuse of Aboriginal children.

The articles following report on the findings of the Productivity Commission and they highlight the doubling of child abuse cases for Aboriginal children, but only by 25 per cent for other children.

In coming to their conclusions, they use the normal statistical tool of stating cases per 1000 children in the Aboriginal population and cases per 1000 children in the non-Aboriginal population. That procedure would be okay if our two populations were compatible, but of course they are not.

We have something between 400,000 and 500,000 whilst the non-Aboriginal population has some 23 million citizens. It is my understanding that Aboriginal children number some 40 per cent (birth to 18 years) which equates, at the 500,000 level to some 200,000.

For non-Aboriginal children, stated to be roughly 20 per cent, that gives us some 4.6 million children. Our numbers are about 11 per cent of the non-Aboriginal total. In my non-statistical mind, I believe that trying to compare such numbers is akin to counting 10 apples and 90 oranges and calling them fruit to hide the numerical discrepancy. Yes, they are fruit, but they are not the same kind of fruit. Therefore they have no real statistical relevancy.

Because our numbers are smaller, the case per 1000 must become higher because the numbers are more arithmetically compacted whilst the cases per 1000 for non-Aboriginal children would become greatly diluted because the numbers are so far apart. There are many more 1000s in 4.6 million than in our 500,000. Our numbers become increased whilst the other becomes decreased.

This hardly seems a fair way of attempting to come up with real and sensible numbers and we are set up as being in a worse state than we truly are.

In another life, I was studying



RAY JACKSON

at Ballarat CAE and one of the subjects I needed to do was statistics. It was told to us, by the instructor, that you can 'prove' anything you want to by using statistics. And of course you can.

I have not read the Productivity Commission report, but I accept the reports to be a fair representation of what was found, and that leads me to another problem.

Perhaps I am being over-sensitive but the reports below, and I presume the Productivity Commission report, all speak of 'child abuse and sexual assault of children'.

It can easily be interpreted that the majority, if not all, of these cases are sexual abuse. I am sure that that is how it will be interpreted by the majority of racist Australia.

Concern

My concern with the way these events are being reported is brought about by the complete falsity of the charges made by the Howard Government, and in its essence also by the Rudd and Gillard governments, that there were paedophile rings in Northern Territory communities and many, many Aboriginal children were being abused.

The paedophile rings proved to be totally false and I have yet to read a report on the sexual abuse of a child perpetrated by an adult arising from the NT Intervention.

What was occurring was consensual teenage sex and 15-year-old brides with their promised husbands. Aboriginal culture in practice.

The police, including the AFP, saw such marriages as breaking the law and arrested the husbands in these marriages. In one case at least, this led to a death in custody when the husband of a 15-year-old bride was arrested but he escaped and

was subsequently found hung. This marriage, under Aboriginal custom and law, was fully endorsed by both families and should have been left alone. The bride is now a widow thanks to the strict attitude of the AFP. They were supposed to be chasing paedophiles, not married couples.

Children as young as 12 were engaging in sexual acts, but with other children. Now, some may huff and puff over these events, but it is just as prevalent amongst non-Aboriginal kids as well. In the Kimberley region in Western Australia, it became known that paedophiles were operating in some communities and the WA Government acted and arrested and jailed those adults involved in this most vile of practices. Nothing, however, arising from the NT Intervention, at least that I am aware of.

Child abuse and sexual abuse have different meanings, and one is not reliant on the other, I would argue. Child abuse can be equated to a lack of duty of care from one or both parents. No schooling, a lack of food, allowing the child to run wild, mental and physical abuse and so on. Such a lack of familial love and welfare is indeed a tragedy for all concerned and cannot be tolerated at an extreme level. I am sure I do not need to define sexual abuse, so I won't.

I am unaware of how these roving welfare mobs judge when a child needs to be taken from their parent/s. Do they use the same standards they would use for a non-Aboriginal family? We all have some idea of the poverty of Aboriginal families in the NT and the standards of living in Aboriginal communities is far, far lower than that of the non-Aboriginal communities.

Basically, do white standards apply to black families and communities? I would think the answer is yes. Drugs and alcohol have helped to destroy our communities and the impact is far greater than in the white communities because our NT communities are small and family structured.

Another problem is why the Productivity Commission report could not have differentiated between the two abuses. Surely that could easily have been done, yet both terms appear to be irrevocably united. One begets the other and that is just not right. It begs the question, was it deliberately done?

Ray Jackson is President of the Indigenous Social Justice Association

Pre-Primary Bursary 2012

Northside Montessori School in Turramurra would like to invite applications from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community to apply for a Pre-Primary Bursary for 2012.

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Registrations are now open for the 2011 AIATSIS National Indigenous Studies Conference.

The Conference will consider key issues for the younger and older generations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, whether living in urban, regional or remote areas of Australia.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population is relatively young. In 2008, almost half (49%) of the Indigenous population was aged under 20 years and a further 16% were aged between 20 and 30 years. Just 3% of the Indigenous population were aged 65 years and over in 2008. What are the key issues for the younger and older generations today and in the future? As well as research and projects associated specifically with the young or older generations, the conference will also focus on the relationship between the two.

The conference brings together multi-disciplinary expertise from across the Indigenous Studies sector, including researchers, policy makers, community members, academics, representative organisations, consultants, traditional owners and service providers. It is a key event for discussion, information sharing, to consolidate networks and to learn about new research and programs.

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- Language.
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Workshops include:

- Analysing and producing content for media.
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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 being held in all capital cities.

Meetings are yet to be held in:

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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Passing of Nukunu Elder 'a huge loss'

ABORIGINAL communities in the south-east of South Australia have farewelled Nukunu Elder Malcolm Anderson. SA Commissioners for Aboriginal Engagement Klynton Wanganeen and Khatija Thomas said his passing was a huge loss to the community.

"Mr Anderson was committed to helping the South East community in so many ways and for the past 20 years he has been a highly respected, positive role model for the Aboriginal youth in the region," Mr Wanganeen said.

He was past chairperson and a regular visitor of Pangula Mannamurna, an Aboriginal community controlled health organisation in Mount Gambier.

Chief executive officer Karen Glover said Mr Anderson had a sense of humour, was loved by all and would be sadly missed.

Mr Anderson was also past chairperson of the South East Nungas Club and taught and worked with the Aboriginal Dance Group.

He would regularly visit local schools and do storytelling and was chairperson of the South Australian Aboriginal Education Consultative Board, Department of Education and

"He was a political activist and had concerns about the quality of life for Aboriginal people and just before his death he was planning a visit to meet with the Prime Minister to discuss closing the gap."

Affectionately known in the south east as 'Wombat', it was his role as a radio announcer

and DJ on 5GRT Radio, 'Deadly Sound', Mount Gambier, that gave him his nickname. "He even had his own fan club," Mr Wanganeen said.

Mr Anderson was a man of many talents. He was a football

umpire and coach, he was in a three-piece band and he would often entertain aged-care groups and people with disabilities.

He was actively involved in reconciliation and received numerous awards in recognition of his contribution in Aboriginal affairs.

'He was a political activist and had concerns about the quality of life for Aboriginal people...'

Children's Services.

"Mr Anderson believed that everyone deserved a second chance and he worked with young offenders and prisoners and was well known by the local council and government agencies in South East," Ms Thomas said.

'Icon' fought for justice

**By NEIL E GILLESPIE
CEO, Aboriginal Legal
Rights Movement, Adelaide**

THE board, management and staff of the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) have united in expressing deep sorrow over the passing of Elliott Johnston AO QC. Mr Johnston died on the night of 25 August. He was 93.

There is real sadness throughout the Aboriginal community, not just in South Australia but the nation.

Elliott Johnston was in the forefront of efforts to set up the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement and was a senior member of its committee of management in the 1970s. His role was to advise and to assist. Of the first annual general meeting of ALRM he said: "As far as White

Australian members were concerned, they were there in an advisory capacity and decisions were made wholly and solely by the Black leaders."

Elliott's influence within, and support for, ALRM continued for the rest of his life.

He attended a workshop at ALRM to discuss a proposed Justice Agreement for the State of South Australia only one month before he died.

He made a significant

contribution to discussions which were well received and will be long remembered by the participants.

Elliott Johnston QC had a distinguished legal career. He was a justice of the Supreme Court of South Australia from 1983 to 1988. He headed the National Commission of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody that reported in April 1991.

The influence of that royal commission is still being felt

Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people is a national project of long duration.

It received a powerful impetus of support from the National Report of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Elliott Johnston was, until his death, a patron for Reconciliation South Australia and worked tirelessly to realise reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians.

He is widely celebrated because he pursued justice for all and because he strived to achieve equality for all before the law.

Aboriginal people are particularly conscious of his efforts to use the legal system to achieve equality for Aboriginal people.

The example he set in his manner of life and his determination to achieve justice and equality will remain an inspiration for generations of Aboriginal people to come.

He will be sadly missed and fulsomely mourned by all the board members, management and staff of the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement, and the wider Aboriginal community.

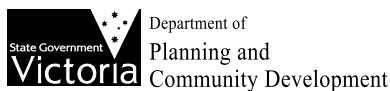
It is a very sad day for Aboriginal people to have lost an icon for justice.

Elliott Johnston ... worked tirelessly to realise reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians

within society and particularly within the Aboriginal community and has had wide-ranging effects in improving policing, access to legal aid, the coronial system and the standard of care and custody for prisoners throughout Australia.

It also had a significant effect in improving relationships between Aboriginal people and major public institutions like police and the judiciary.

Reconciliation between



Aboriginal Affairs Victoria invites you to make a submission to the Review of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006

Aboriginal Affairs Victoria is reviewing the operation of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* on behalf of the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.

The Aboriginal Heritage Act is about protecting Aboriginal places, objects and human remains.

Aboriginal Affairs Victoria invites you to make a submission on any aspect of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* or Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2007.

You will find a discussion paper and further information about the review on the Aboriginal Affairs Victoria website:

www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/indigenous/heritageactsubmissions

Please forward your submission to the review team no later than 25 November 2011:

Post

Review of the Aboriginal Heritage Act
Aboriginal Affairs Victoria
Department of Planning and Community Development
Level 9

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Melbourne 3000

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Please contact the review team on (03) 9208 3247 or (03) 9208 3016 for more information.

Submissions will be posted on the Aboriginal Affairs Victoria website unless otherwise requested.

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CLASSIFICATION REVIEW CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR FOCUS GROUPS

Volunteers will be shown a range of content (including film, computer games, print publications and online content) and asked to discuss them in relation to community standards. The material will include explicit adult content and depictions of other material that some people may find confronting, upsetting and disturbing.

The ALRC invites applications from community members (18 years and over) to participate in one focus group, held in Sydney on either Saturday October 22, Tuesday 1 November, or Wednesday 2 November. Volunteers from all parts of Australia are encouraged to apply. The ALRC will cover reasonable costs to attend but no participation fee will be provided.

Submit applications online at <http://www.alrc.gov.au/focusgroups> or contact the ALRC for a hard-copy application form. Online applications are preferred.

Applications must reach the ALRC by **19 September 2011**.

For further information about this process please contact the ALRC (02) 8238 6312 / info@alrc.gov.au or visit the website www.alrc.gov.au

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Leader of the Ngarrindjeri

Kimberley loses a 'great character'

ABORIGINAL Elder and chair of the Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority Inc, Matthew Rigney, has been farewelled in Adelaide.

Mr Rigney, who was raised at Raukkan (formerly Point McLeay mission), passed away on 18 August at Meningie, on the shores of Lake Albert, South Australia.

After completing a degree in Social Sciences from the South Australian Institute of Technology and a Management Certificate at the Australian Institute of Management, Mr Rigney had a varied professional career.

He worked in Aboriginal community welfare, education, youth affairs, sport, employment and training, natural resource management, community development and native title.

For over a decade Mr Rigney worked at Camp Coorong: Race Relations and Cultural Education Centre as a cultural and political educator.

SA Commissioner for Aboriginal Engagement Klynton Wanganeen

said the passing of Mr Rigney was a huge loss to the Aboriginal community.

"Mr Rigney took up every opportunity to fight for the rights of Aboriginal people. He was a true leader and was heavily involved in numerous advocacy groups," Mr Wanganeen said.

His passion for politics and the rights of the Aboriginal community saw him chair the Patpa Warra Yunti Regional Council of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission. He was also a member of the Ngarrindjeri nation leadership group who met directly with State and Federal ministers to advocate for rights, justice, fairness and equality for Ngarrindjeri and Aboriginal people in general.

"He will be greatly missed for his membership on numerous committees and his enormous contribution to Indigenous affairs locally, nationally and internationally," Mr Wanganeen said.

He was chairman of

Ngarrindjeri Native Title Management Committee, Member of the Tendi – Ngarrindjeri Governing Body and Murray Lower Darling Rivers Indigenous Nations Representative on The Living Murray's Community Reference Group.

In recent years he has been an advocate for Indigenous rights to water.

Mr Rigney also coached Raukkan to a number of championships in the Aboriginal football carnivals during the 1980s and 90s.

Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Grace Portolesi said Mr Rigney was an important leader in the Ngarrindjeri community who held strong values about Aboriginal culture and heritage.

"He worked tirelessly towards protecting the Coorong in particular, and sharing cultural knowledge with others to help improve land management practices in this fragile eco-environment. Mr Rigney will be sadly missed," said the Minister.

LONG-SERVING WA MP Tom Stephens says Kimberley people have lost one of the region's great characters with the death of Peter Ross, of Fitzroy Crossing.

Mr Stephens paid tribute to Mr Ross, who died in Fitzroy Crossing, aged 86, following a long illness.

"Peter died after an extraordinary lifetime of dedicated service to the people of the Fitzroy Valley and of the wider community" Mr Stephens said.

Peter was a former councillor with the Shire of Derby-West Kimberley, representing the Fitzroy Crossing ward. He was also a long term Justice of the Peace.

"Peter was a proud family man, having arrived in the Kimberley in the early 1950s as a young man not long out of the Christian Brothers orphanages of Clontarf and Bindoon where, as an orphaned child migrant, he had learned the handy skills he put to use on various pastoral stations around the Kimberley and later in Fitzroy Crossing where he came to live with his late wife, Casey Ross, of the

Bunupa people.

"As a devoted couple, Peter and Casey Ross raised a very large extended family, as well as their sons Joe and Cameron.

"Peter Ross took on all the necessary tasks that no one else would willingly do, including the role of working for many years as the only undertaker for the Fitzroy Valley communities and areas well beyond.

"Peter championed the causes of the Aboriginal people of the Kimberley and was a man well ahead of his time in demanding what was right for the original peoples of the region.

"He vigorously took up the cause of supporting Aboriginal voting rights and supporting the early election campaigns for his life-long family friend, Ernie Bridge, who went on to become Member for the Kimberley and the first Aboriginal Government Cabinet Minister in Australia.

"Peter was passionate about his politics and was a long-time Labor Party supporter and activist, a founding member of the Fitzroy Crossing Branch of the ALP and a 'True Believer' in the rights of battlers everywhere for a better life."



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7th September to 20th September

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Wednesday 7th September

- 1.00 Crossing The Line PG (News & Doc)
- 2.00 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 3.00 On The Up and Up G (News & Doc)
- 4.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
- 4.30 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
- 5.00 Sacred Ground PG (News & Doc)
- 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 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 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
- 10.30 Up In The Sky PG (News & Doc)
- 11.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
- 11.30 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
- 12.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Surfing the Healing Wave G (Doc)
- 2.00 The Aboriginal Bible G (News & Doc)
- 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 G (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 Surfing the Healing Wave G (Doc)
- 8.30 The Human Race PG (News & Doc)
- 9.30 Constitutional Reform NC (News & Doc)
- 10.30 Jumba Jimba G (News & Doc)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 The Aboriginal Bible G (News & Doc)

Thursday 8th September

- 12.00 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
- 1.00 2008 Aboriginal RL Knockout G (Sport)
- 2.00 2008 Aboriginal RL Knockout G (Sport)
- 3.00 2008 Aboriginal RL Knockout G (Sport)
- 4.00 2008 Aboriginal RL Knockout G (Sport)
- 5.00 2008 Aboriginal RL Knockout G (Sport)
- 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 Up In The Sky 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 Constitutional Reform NC (News & Doc)
- 11.00 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Doc)
- 11.30 The Aboriginal Bible G (News & Doc)
- 12.00 Living Strong AU (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Up In The Sky PG (News & Doc)
- 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 PG (Entertainment)
- 6.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 7.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 7.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
- 9.30 Ella 7'S 2009 NC (News & Documentaries)
- 10.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 September M (Movies)

Friday 9th September

- 1.00 Gulpilil: One Red Blood M (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 Jane Elliot's Australian Eye MA (Documentaries)
- 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 G (Kids & Family)
- 7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 7.30 Yaarnz 3 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 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
- 12.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
- 2.00 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Palm Island G (News & Documentaries)
- 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 Life of the Town PG (News & Doc)
- 8.30 Life of the Town PG (News & Doc)
- 9.00 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
- 9.00 Bran Nue Dae M (News & Documentaries)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Palm Island G (News & Documentaries)

Saturday 10th September

- 12.00 Volumz PG (Music & Radio)
- 4.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
- 6.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
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- 9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 9.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
- 10.00 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
- 10.30 Yaarnz 3 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 Sixty Thousand Barrels PG (News & Documentaries)
- 3.30 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
- 4.30 Yaarnz 4 G (Entertainment)
- 5.00 Tales of Oceania G (Documentaries)
- 5.30 NITV News in Reivew NC (News & Documentaries)
- 6.00 Surfing the Healing Wave G (Documentaries)
- 7.00 Urban Clan G (News & Documentaries)
- 8.00 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
- 8.30 Going Bush Series 2 (Documentaries)
- 9.00 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
- 9.30 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
- 10.30 Ten Canoes M (Movies)



NITV News

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Sunday 11th September

- 12.00 Wrong Side of the Road MA (Movies)
- 1.30 On The Up and Up G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Cold Turkey MA (Entertainment)
- 3.30 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
- 4.00 Jane Elliot's Australian Eye MA (Documentaries)
- 5.00 Gulpilil: One Red Blood M (News & Documentaries)
- 6.00 From Dreamtime To Now G (Entertainment)
- 7.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
- 8.00 Volumz PG (Music & Radio)
- 12.00 NITV News in Reivew NC (News & Documentaries)
- 1.30 2011 Island of Origin NC (Sport)
- 2.30 2011 Island of Origin G (Sport)
- 3.30 2011 Island of Origin G (Sport)
- 4.30 2011 Island of Origin G (Sport)
- 5.30 NITV News in Reivew NC (News & Documentaries)
- 6.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
- 6.30 Milli Milli Nganka Series Two G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 7.00 Yaarnz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
- 8.00 Dreamtime to Dance PG (Documentaries)
- 8.30 Rose Against the Odds PG (Movies)
- 9.30 Rasta In Aotearoa PG (News & Documentaries)
- 10.00 The Fringe Dwellers M (Movies)

Monday 12th September

- 12.00 Mob Daughters MA (News & Doc)
- 12.30 Yalukit Wilam Ngargee M (Entertainment)
- 1.30 Apekathe G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 As The Crow Flies G (News & Doc)
- 3.00 Gang Girl - Tamz Story MA (News & Doc)
- 3.30 Rasta In Aotearoa PG (News & Doc)
- 4.00 Nukkan Ya Ruby G (Music & Radio)
- 5.30 Behind Deadly G (Entertainment)
- 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 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 The Aboriginal Bible G (News & Doc)
- 10.30 Sixty Thousand Barrels PG (News & Doc)
- 11.30 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
- 12.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Five Seasons PG (News & Doc)
- 2.00 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
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- 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 G (People & Culture)
- 8.30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 9.00 Taa Moko PG (News & Documentaries)
- 9.30 The Golden Cord G (News & Doc)
- 10.30 In The Shed G (News & Documentaries)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Black Tracks Imaginative G (News & Doc)

Tuesday 13th September

- 12.00 Urban Clan G (News & Documentaries)
- 1.00 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Doc)
- 2.00 Beyond The Dreamtime G (News & Documentaries)
- 3.00 Kulka PG (Documentaries)
- 4.00 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 4.30 Behind Deadly G (Entertainment)
- 5.00 Stolen Sisters M (News & Doc)
- 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 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 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Doc)
- 10.30 Strong Men, Deadly Groups PG (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Ella 7'S 2009 NC (Ella 7'S The Doco)
- 1.30 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
- 4.00 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
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- 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 Behind Deadly G (Entertainment)
- 8.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Doc)
- 9.00 Living Black Series 14 NC (News & Doc)
- 9.30 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
- 10.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)

Wednesday 14th September

- 12.00 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
- 1.00 Vis a Vis Techno Tribal M (News & Doc)
- 2.00 Talking Broken PG (News & Doc)
- 3.30 Stolen Sisters M (News & Doc)
- 4.30 100 Days Of Freedom M (Doc)
- 5.15 POI G (News & Documentaries)
- 5.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 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 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 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 10.30 Yaarnz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
- 11.00 On The Up and Up G (News & Doc)
- 12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 1.30 Kulka PG (Documentaries)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 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 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 8.00 Ella 7'S 2009 G (News & Doc)
- 8.30 In a League of Their Own G (Sport)
- 9.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
- 9.30 Ella 7'S 2009 G (News & Doc)
- 10.00 Footy: The La Perouse Way MA (Documentaries)
- 10.30 Behind Deadly G (Entertainment)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Ella 7'S 2009 G (Ella 7'S The Doco)

Thursday 15th September

- 12.00 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
- 1.00 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
- 2.00 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
- 3.00 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
- 4.00 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
- 5.00 2011 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
- 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 Yaarnz 3 PG (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 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Documentaries)
- 10.30 Yaarnz 3 C. (News & Documentaries)
- 11.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Yaarnz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
- 12.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
- 1.30 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 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 Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
- 9.30 Up In The Sky PG (News & Doc)
- 10.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Black Tracks Imaginative G (News & Documentaries)

Friday 16th September

- 12.00 Stolen Sisters M (News & Doc)
- 1.00 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Documentaries)
- 1.30 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
- 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 G (Kids & Family)
- 7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 7.30 Up In The Sky 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 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
- 12.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
- 2.00 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (News & Documentaries)
- 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 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 G (News & Doc)
- 9.00 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
- 9.30 Wrong Side of the Road MA (Movies)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)

Saturday 17th September

- 12.00 Volumz PG (Music & Radio)
- 4.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
- 6.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 6.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 7.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 7.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 8.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 8.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
- 9.00 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
- 9.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
- 10.00 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
- 10.30 Grounded Series 2 G (Entertainment)
- 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 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Documentaries)
- 3.00 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
- 3.30 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
- 4.30 Finding Our Talk G (News & Doc)
- 5.00 Tales of Oceania G (Documentaries)
- 5.30 NITV News in Reivew NC (News & Doc)
- 6.00 Buffalo Legends PG (News & Doc)
- 7.00 Beyond The Dreamtime G (News & Documentaries)
- 8.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
- 8.30 Going Bush Series 2 (Documentaries)
- 9.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Doc)
- 9.30 Five Seasons PG (News & Doc)
- 10.30 Australian Rules MA (Movies)

Sunday 18th September

- 12.10 Ear Health G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Diabetes And Indigenous Australians G (News & Documentaries)
- 1.30 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Documentaries)
- 3.00 Cold Turkey MA (Entertainment)
- 4.00 Sacred Ground PG (News & Documentaries)
- 5.00 Sixty Thousand Barrels PG (News & Documentaries)
- 6.00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (News & Documentaries)
- 7.30 Yaarnz 4 PG (Entertainment)
- 8.00 Volumz AU (Music & Radio)
- 12.00 NITV News in Reivew NC (News & Documentaries)
- 12.30 2011 Island of Origin G (Sport)
- 1.30 2011 Island of Origin G (Sport)
- 2.30 2011 Island of Origin G (Sport)
- 3.30 2011 Island of Origin Doc G (Sport)
- 4.30 2011 Island of Origin NC (Sport)
- 5.30 NITV News in Reivew NC (News & Documentaries)
- 6.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
- 6.30 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
- 7.00 Milli Milli Nganka Series Two G (Entertainment)
- 7.30 Yaarnz 3 PG (News & Documentaries)
- 8.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
- 8.30 Rose Against the Odds PG (Movies)
- 9.30 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
- 10.30 Talking Broken PG (News & Documentaries)

OPINION PIECE CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM



A discussion, led by former journalist Jeff McMullen, on constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples with panel members, the Hon. Fred Chaney and Professor Megan Davis. Hosted by NITV's Angela Bates.

Wed Sep 7 at 9:30pm | Thurs Sep 8 at 10:00am

Monday 19th September

- 12.00 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
- 12.30 Little Caughnawa G (News & Doc)
- 1.30 In The Shed G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.00 Apekathe G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Rasta In Aotearoa PG (News & Doc)
- 3.00 Crossing The Line PG (News & Doc)
- 4.00 As The Crow Flies G (News & Doc)
- 5.00 Nesian Mystik For The People PG (News & Documentaries)
- 5.45 Poi 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 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
- 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 Kulka PG (Documentaries)
- 11.00 Poi G (News & Documentaries)
- 11.15 Nesian Mystik For The People PG (News & Documentaries)
- 12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 Strong Men of Nguiu 60 (Doc)
- 2.00 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Mer Rrkwer-akert PG (Specials)
- 4.00 Waabiny Time G (Kids & Family)
- 4.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
- 5.00 Grounded Series 1 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 G (People & Culture)
- 8.30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 9.00 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
- 9.30 Talking Broken PG (News & Doc)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Black Tracks Imaginative G (News & Documentaries)

Tuesday 20th September

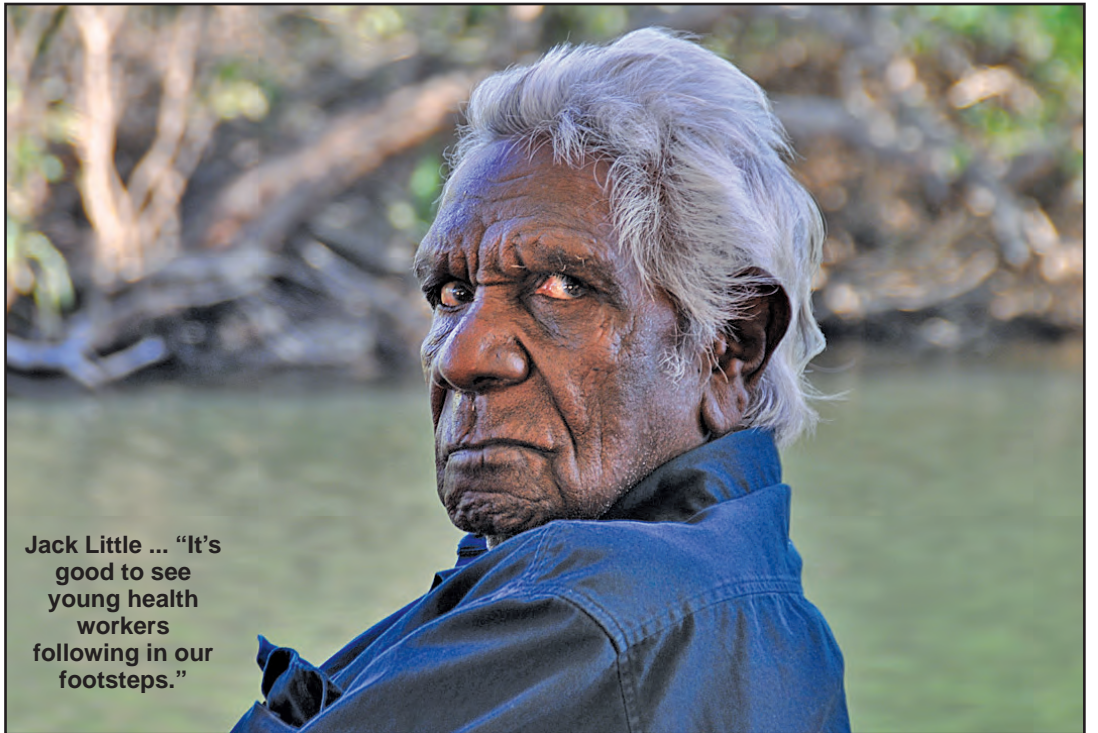
- 12.00 Gang Girls MA (News & Documentaries)
- 1.00 Wrong Side of the Road MA (Movies)
- 2.30 Stolen Sisters M (News & Doc)
- 3.30 Up In The Sky PG (News & Doc)
- 4.00 Opinion Piece AU (News & Doc)
- 5.00 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
- 5.30 On The Up and Up G (News & Doc)
- 6.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
- 6.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
- 7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 7.30 Yaarnz 3 PG (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 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
- 10.30 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Doc)
- 12.00 Living Strong G (Entertainment)
- 12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
- 1.00 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
- 1.30 Black Pearls PG (News & Documentaries)
- 2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
- 3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
- 3.30 Up In The Sky PG (News & Doc)
- 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 PG (Entertainment)
- 6.30 The Outback Cafe G (Entertainment)
- 7.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 7.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
- 8.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
- 9.00 Living Black Series 14 NC (News & Doc)
- 10.30 Yaarnz 3 PG (News & Documentaries)
- 11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
- 11.30 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)



Year of the Aboriginal Health Worker



Leitisha Jackson ...
"Being an Aboriginal health worker has given me so many opportunities that I wish other young people my age can have."



Jack Little ... "It's good to see young health workers following in our footsteps."

Vital profession is facing major threat



RECRUITED to the profession nearly 50 years apart, two of the Northern Territory's Aboriginal health workers launched celebrations in Katherine last week for the Year of the Aboriginal Health Worker (AHW).

The year is designed to promote the value of their work, and build the dwindling ranks of Aboriginal clinicians.

Back in 1959, Jack Little was a ringer (stockman) working on Waterloo, Kildirk and Limbunya stations in the Victoria River region, and went to the old East Point Leprosarium where he met up with the legendary Dr John Hargreaves.

"He asked me, 'You wanna be a health worker?'," Mr Little said.

"I said 'I didn't go to school, I'm only a ringer. So I became a health worker anyway.'"

Fifty years on, Leitisha Jackson was a CDEP worker at Kalano community in Katherine.

"I remember when I just turned 18, I was always very negative about things and wasn't interested in nothing," she said at the launch.

"There was this lady there who helped workers get full-time jobs. She came to me one morning saying she had a traineeship for Aboriginal health workers that I could apply for, but I said no.

"She still dragged me along and helped me fill out the forms and got me clothes for the interview. When she dropped me off I remember giggling the whole way.

**Closing the Gap through caring for our people
Year of the Aboriginal Health Worker
2011-2012**



These are the logos developed for the Year of the Aboriginal Health Worker campaign.

"Two weeks later a man from Wurli called me and said I got the job.

"I remember my whole family coming and congratulating me on my job. I could see they were proud so I thought I would give it a shot."

These were just two of the stories that were told at the launch, an initiative of the Senior AHW Network and the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance Northern Territory (AMSANT). It is the first of a series of events in schools, communities and regional centres, culminating in a major conference next May.

The celebratory year is being held at a critical time for health workers. At the same time the profession is to achieve a national accreditation system, it is under serious threat in the NT, with 76 per cent of AHWs over the age of 40 and expected to

retire over the next two decades. This is on top of a loss of 30 per cent of the workforce in the past ten years.

Speaking at the Launch, AMSANT CEO John Paterson summed it up.

"Imagine what the public response would be in the leafy suburbs of Canberra or Sydney or Melbourne if, over the last decade or so, the number of nurses or doctors working in the community dropped by 30 per cent," he said.

'Hell to pay'

"There would, quite rightly, be an uproar. There'd be hell to pay in the media. It would be seen as a major threat to the health and well-being of those communities. It would be seen as a major failure in the health system.

"Yet, in the Northern Territory,

that is exactly what we are facing with the Aboriginal health worker profession."

But it was a day marked by optimism and determination, with calls for action from AMSANT board member and Darwin-based Danila Dilba Health Service CEO Paula Arnol.

"We have the most skilled Aboriginal primary health care practitioners in the nation, but at the rate things are going they will become historical artifacts rather than key players in the struggle to close the gap," she said.

Ms Arnol called for the immediate adoption of AMSANT's Aboriginal Health Worker Training Reform Plan to boost the effectiveness of training and the number of graduates coming into the profession.

"The decline in graduates is a continuing tragedy, both for the health of our people, and for the possibilities of Aboriginal employment in sustainable jobs in the health and caring sector," she said.

"The resources committed to Aboriginal health should be going into the front end of primary health and preventive care, not languishing in tertiary hospital care where it is often too little, too late."

The launch featured the Strongbala Dancers from Gapuwiyak, and speeches from health workers past and present. Of the 150 people there, 50 were past and present health workers.

Kathy Abbott, a senior AHW from Wallace Rockhole in Central Australia, and Jack Little, were honoured as co-patrons of the year.

Mr Little, remembering his past, told the launch celebration that the struggle was worth it, and he looked forward to a reinvigorated profession.

"It's a hard road we were travelling, it was so hard. It wasn't easy for us to learn about health and medications, but I got there," he said.

"I'm happy with who I am, what I am. It's good to see young health workers following in our footsteps."

Leitisha Jackson had the last word: "Being an Aboriginal health worker has given me so many opportunities that I wish other young people my age can have. I had the best senior Aboriginal health workers as mentors. I feel so privileged to have worked with them," she said.



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Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, Salvage of Sites on the Proposed Alignment of the Pacific Highway From Warrell Creek to Urunga.

Contract No: II.2544.1659

The RTA is seeking professional services to implement the recommendations from the Warrell Creek to Urunga cultural heritage assessment report and RTA statement of commitments.

Tenders are sought to assist the RTA in the salvage of Aboriginal objects, in line with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW*.

Tender documents are available for \$55 per set (including GST) from www.tenders.nsw.gov.au/rta, or for inspection at the RTA Pacific Highway Office, 21 Prince Street, Grafton.

Tenders are to be lodged in the tender box at the RTA Pacific Highway Office, 21 Prince Street, Grafton.

For further information contact Brett Hoffman: 02 6640 1308 or Brett_Hoffman@rta.nsw.gov.au.

Tenders close 2.30pm Wednesday 21 September 2011.

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**Resources
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MINING LEASE APPLICATION

MINING LEASE APPLICATION 404 (ACT 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th).

Description of area that may be affected by the grant of a mining lease.

An area of 407 hectares situated approximately 19 kilometres north northeast of Boggabri, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

Aston Coal 2 Pty Ltd (ACN 139472567) is the applicant of Mining Lease Application 404 (Act 1992), for a mining lease for the purpose of the removal, stockpiling, management or depositing of overburden, ore or tailings associated with Maules Creek Colliery and be granted for a term of 21 years.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

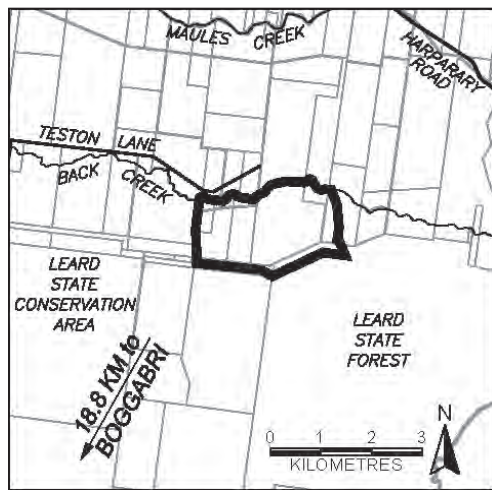
Chris Hartcher, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Peta Johannessen; Titles Program, Department of Trade & Investment, Regional Infrastructure & Services, (02) 4931 6512.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th) the notification day is 22 Sept 2011 Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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Helen Milroy, left, and Auntie Lorraine Peeters receiving their awards at the conference.



Mental health work awarded



LEADING Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mental health professionals have been recognised with a major international award.

They were Kamilaroi Elder Lorraine Peeters, representatives of the Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council Project and Professor Helen Milroy.

They received the World Council for Psychotherapy's Sigmund Freud Award at the 6th World Congress for Psychotherapy, 'World Dreaming', held in Sydney from 24-28 August.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation chief executive Richard Weston congratulated the award recipients.

"The acknowledgement of the traditional healers and the significant contributions they make to our spiritual, emotional and social well-being is an important step towards Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander healing being recognised as a major contributor to addressing trauma related issues in our communities and creating a hopeful future for our children," Mr Weston said.

Lorraine Peeters, the NSW Senior Australian of the Year in 2009, has developed the Marumali Healing Program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people suffering the effects of trauma, specifically in relation to the Stolen Generations.

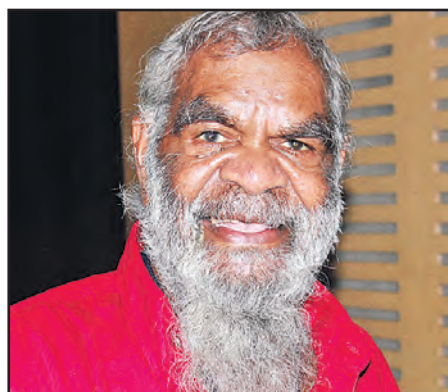
Healers

The Ngangkari, or traditional healers, working in association with the Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council Project included Toby Ginger, Rupert Peters and Andy Tijilari, as well as Naomi Kantjurinyi and Iluwanti Ken.

The final recipient, Professor Helen Milroy, is the first Indigenous psychiatrist in Australia and recipient of many Australian awards including the Limelight Award for National Leadership in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Medical Education (2009) and the Suicide Prevention Australia Award, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Category (2008).

Meanwhile, Professor Judy Atkinson, who spoke at the World Dreaming conference, has been invited to Italy in November to receive an award.

Prof Atkinson, a Jiman/Bundjalung woman, developed a Masters in Indigenous Studies (wellbeing), in response to the violence trauma



Above: Ladies Naomi Kantjurinyi and Iluwanti Ken (top), traditional healer Toby Ginger, left, and Andy Tijilari who all work in association with the Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council Project.



'...healing can be achieved through a shifting paradigm referred to as Edu-caring'
— Professor Judy Atkinson

healing needs of her people.

She is a member of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation Board.

In Italy she will be presented with the Professor Fritz Redlich Human Rights and Mental Health Award.

Prof Redlich was a Dean of American Psychiatry who was a pioneer in community mental health, psychiatric ethics and human rights.

Prof Atkinson told the World Dreaming conference that stories of pain and distress could be turned into 'powerful action of healing'.

"This healing can be achieved through a shifting paradigm referred to as Edu-caring," she said.

"This is an integrated education and healing model showing that those who come together have much to teach each other."

Focus on Constitution

By DARREN COYNE



A MEETING in Lismore, northern New South Wales, last week passed a resolution calling for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to be recognised in both the preamble and body of the Australian Constitution.

The meeting, hosted by members of a panel appointed by the Federal government to determine the best way to recognise Indigenous Australians in the Constitution, also called for the removal of article 25 of the Constitution, a provision that allows states to exclude people from voting based on race, and either the removal or amendment of section 51, the 'race power'.

If section 51 were retained, the meeting wanted to ensure that any laws passed on the basis of race really were 'for the betterment and enhancement, and not to the detriment, of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people'.

The motion was passed unanimously after a two-hour meeting in the Lismore City Council chambers which brought together about 60 Indigenous and other people from around the region.

Unanimous

Uncle Des Williams moved the motion, with Jimmy Budd as seconder, after participants urged meeting organisers Page MP Janelle Saffin and Independent MP Rob Oakeshott for something tangible to emerge to ensure it was not just a talkfest.

Mr Oakeshott and Ms Saffin believed it was the first time in more than 200 consultations across Australia that a resolution had been put forward and carried.

The meeting had begun with a welcome to country by Aunty Hazel Rhodes, followed by an address by Lismore Mayor Jenny Dowell who said it was 'exciting for Lismore to be part of this conversation'.

Ms Saffin, who along with Mr Oakeshott is on the expert panel appointed by the government to drive the process, said it was imperative not to fail when the question was finally put to a referendum.

"It must be of benefit to Aboriginal and



A section of the audience that turned out in Lismore, northern NSW, to discuss the proposed constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Torres Strait Islander peoples, and it must stand a chance of a 'yes' vote in the referendum," he said.

Local Marshall Fittler was the first to speak, saying as a non-Indigenous man he was ashamed that it had taken this long for Constitutional recognition.

"It is a blight on Australia's history that this has not taken place before," he said.

Ballina councillor Keith Johnson said if he had learnt anything from his many years in local government it was the KIS principle ... keep it simple.

Bundjalung woman Dianne Harrington set the tone early in the meeting by saying: "You

have no bloody idea what it's like to be black. Non-Aboriginal people can be sympathetic but no white person knows more about being black than I do."

Another local woman, Thelma Roberts, was wary that a referendum could potentially set Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples back.

"Aboriginal people had jobs before the 1967 referendum but afterwards some things got worse," she said.

Ms Roberts acknowledged, however, that the current proposal to alter the Constitution had widespread support, with some polls indicating that 75 per cent of Australians

believed the current Constitution needed revision. "This is a human rights issue and a crying shame. We should be in the preamble as the first people of this nation. The Constitution should acknowledge the people whose land was taken," she said.

"We were never given a bill of sale."

After numerous other views were put, and explanations of the various alternatives available outlined, Uncle Des Williams proposed his motion and it was carried unanimously.

The Expert Committee is expected to report back to the Federal Government by the end of the year.

Workforce move for south-west



TRAINING and workforce opportunities for Aboriginal people throughout Western Australia's

south-west will be highlighted through a new centre to increase workforce participation.

The South West Aboriginal Workforce Development Centre is the fifth such site to be opened in Western Australia, as part of the State Government's response to the Aboriginal workforce development strategy, 'Training Together-Working Together'.

Launching the centre in Bunbury, Training and Workforce Development Minister Peter Collier said it would help ensure Aboriginal people were connected with training opportunities that would lead to long-term jobs.

"The centre will play a major

role in helping Aboriginal job-seekers gain meaningful employment," he said. "It will work in partnership with other government, private and not-for-profit organisations in the south-west that provide employment, career, training and mentoring services."

There are at least 12,300

'What we want to do now is convert that training effort into employment'

Aboriginal people in the WA south-west, more than half of whom are 15 and over.

"We also have a good number of Aboriginal people in training – the participation rate for Aboriginal people in training in WA is about seven per cent," Mr Collier said.

"What we want to do now is convert that training effort into employment.

"The State Government also wants to engage with businesses to look for occasions to train and employ Aboriginal people, and to look for better ways to link them to those opportunities."

Mr Collier says 'Training Together-Working Together' is the centrepiece of the Government's commitment to removing barriers to employment for Aboriginal people.

"The Aboriginal workforce development centres are the cornerstones of the Government's commitment to provide training and employment opportunities for Aboriginal people in WA," he said.

Other centres have been opened this year in Geraldton, Broome and Kalgoorlie-Boulder. A centre in the Perth metropolitan area has been operating since March 2010.



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Stan's perfecting the art of a beautiful life

By JILLIAN MUNDY



STAN DRYDEN JNR is happy with his lot in life. Spending five days a week painting and Saturday selling his wares, it's a lifestyle he simply describes as beautiful.

Since moving from Victoria to Tasmania with his girlfriend early last year, Stan Jnr has established the only stall currently selling authentic Aboriginal art and souvenirs at Hobart's famous Salamanca market.

The son of an artist, Stan Jnr started painting when he was 12.

"This is the only (career) I know, it's what I grew up with, I've always been an artist," he explained.

His older sisters Kylie and Tamara both paint, as does his Uncle David Dryden; all contributing to a family business which had its humble beginnings 20 years ago at St Kilda market in Victoria.

Stan Snr now has a gallery in Collins Street, Melbourne.

Stan Jnr is also proud to share stories of his culture and heritage, both Tasmanian Aboriginal and Yorta Yorta, with punters at Salamanca's weekly market.

"The best thing about being an artist is teaching people about my culture," Stan says.

"And I can work from anywhere, I'm my own boss."

Surrounded by canvases, didgeridoos, boomerangs, clap sticks and an assortment of wooden trinkets and souvenirs, all painted in vibrant colours, Stan looks right at home.

He is kept busy answering queries about his work and culture, and giving impromptu didg demos.

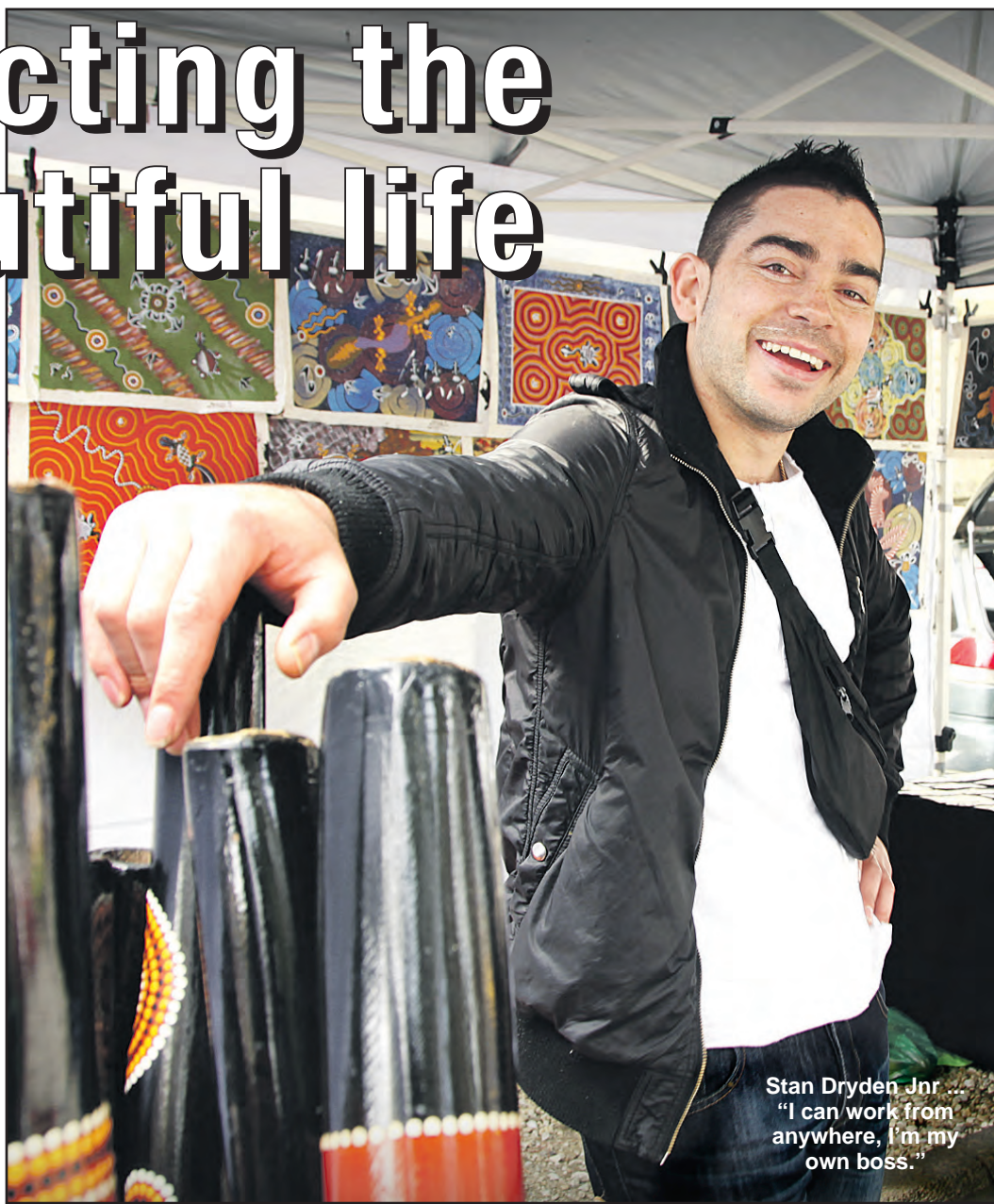
Crowds

First picking up a didg at four, he has played with his father to crowds of over 10,000 and as far away as Italy for the World Music Festival.

At times his demos attract more of a crowd than the buskers scattered about the market, but he doesn't bother throwing his hat down.

He is making a comfortable living from his market sales and larger canvases he sends over to his father's gallery.

Another skill Stan is honing is boxing. Jumping in the ring last year for some exercise, he is now looking forward to his first amateur fight later this month in the 81kg division.



Stan Dryden Jnr ...
"I can work from anywhere, I'm my own boss."

Action is urged over planned curriculum



THE National Sorry Day Committee says Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history will be heavily sidelined

if a new national history curriculum proposed for all schools gets up.

The Stolen Generations advocacy body has issued an urgent plea for people to attend the last sessions of national consultations on the draft and raise the alarm about what it says is a lack of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) only began face-to-face consultations on 26 August but will wrap them up less than a month later, on 21 September.

ACARA insists that Indigenous people and perspectives are recognised and respected in the proposed curriculum, but NSDC Indigenous co-chair Helen Moran begs to differ.

She says Aboriginal history post-1788 isn't largely covered until Grade 10, when it is squeezed together in one module.

'What our children learn about our past is critical to our future as an inclusive, reconciled and healed nation'

— National Sorry Day Committee co-chair Helen Moran



"This will be too little, too late. Our children deserve better," Ms Moran said.

"Aboriginal history should be evenly spread from early primary onwards, with age-appropriate resources that inspire and challenge all children.

"In the current draft, Stolen Generations' history is an

optional and quick element — this is not good enough. It needs to be properly covered and explored by all Australian children.

"What our children learn about our past is critical to our future as an inclusive, reconciled and healed nation."

Consultations have already been held in Adelaide, Thursday

Island, Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney. The Canberra consultation will be held today, 7 September, from 9.30am to 3pm at the Centre for Teaching and Learning, 51 Fremantle Drive, Stirling, ACT. The last sessions will be:

● Perth: Thursday, 8 September, from 1:30 to 3:30pm

at the WA Curriculum Council, 27 Walters Drive, Osborne Park, WA.

● Alice Springs: Next Tuesday, 13 September, from 6pm to 8pm at the Centre for Appropriate Technology, CAT Services Conference Room via Heath Road, Alice Springs, NT.

● Hobart: Wednesday, 21 September, at a venue to be confirmed (Contact Renee at ACARA on (02) 8098 3212 for more details).

Online submissions to ACARA closed yesterday, but the NSDC is also running an online petition at www.nsd.org.au, which it will present to ACARA.

Ms Moran urged concerned parties to print out the petition, 'get everyone they know to sign it', and post it back to the NSDC at 134 Bunda Street, Canberra City ACT 2601, by 17 September.

"This is our last chance to influence the national curriculum for years to come," she said.

"Your vote, your voice, five minutes of your time will make the difference," she said.

Ms Moran can be contacted on 0413 467 961.

Aboriginal campaigner keen to share what she learnt at the United Nations

From Geneva to Tasmania



Nala Mansell-McKenna at the Fourth Session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People.

By JILLIAN MUNDY

HAVING arrived back home from the United Nations Indigenous Fellowship Program in Geneva, Switzerland, late last month, pakana woman Nala Mansell-McKenna is keen to share with her people what she has learnt.

The youth worker from Launceston in Tasmania was one of 25 indigenous people from around the globe selected for the six-week program held at the European headquarters of the United Nations (UN).

"While it's easy to see how marching the streets and writing letters to the local newspapers and lobbying government can benefit your community, it has been good to see there are international laws there to help," Ms Mansell-McKenna told the *Koori Mail*.

"But the most important thing is people know they are there and how to use them."

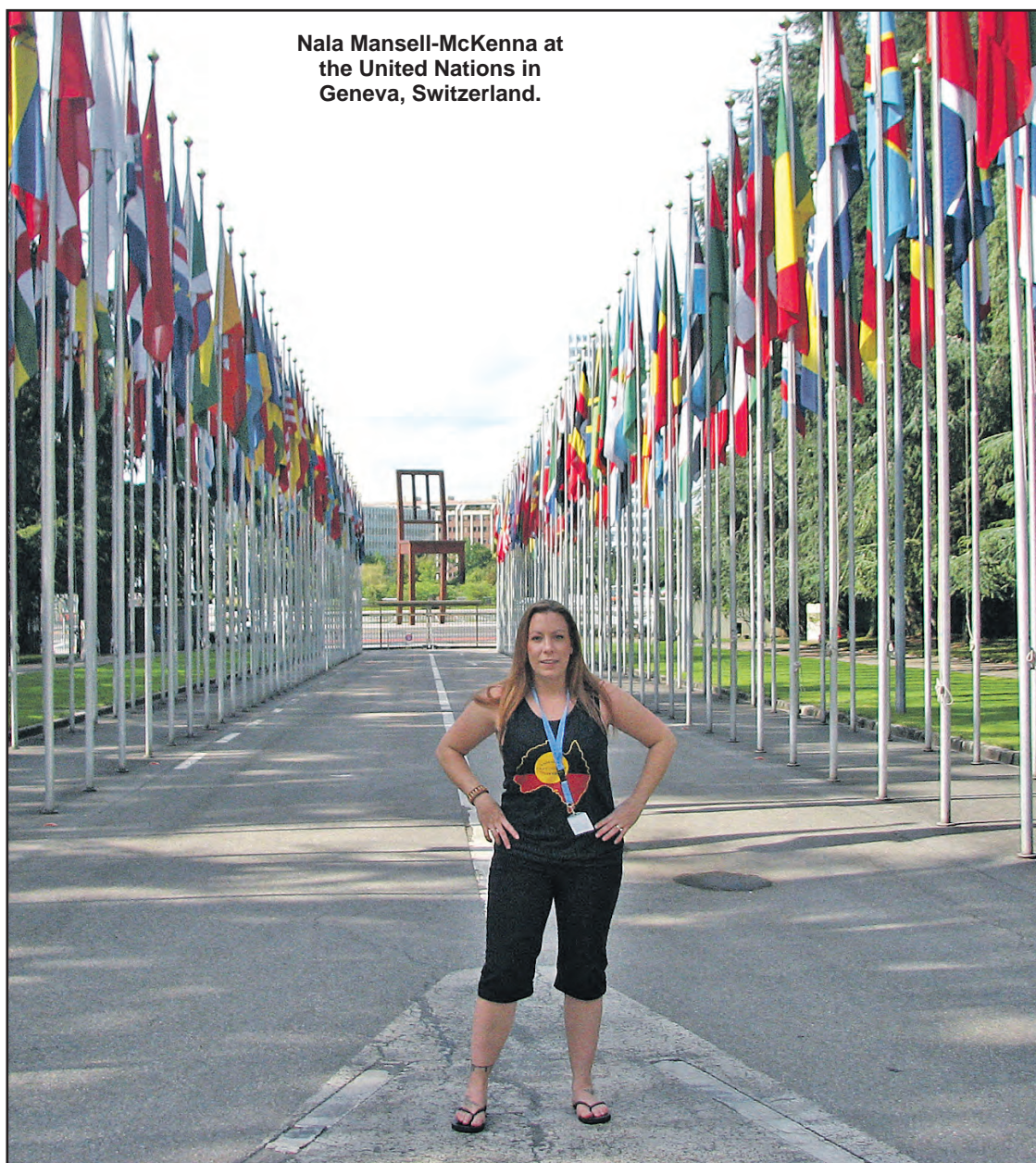
Ms Mansell-McKenna wants to share her new-found knowledge on systems and mechanisms such as the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Universal Periodic Review and the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

Having learnt about his role and briefly meeting with Rapporteur James Anaya, who is appointed to examine ways of overcoming obstacles in the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people and identify, exchange and promote best practices, Ms Mansell-McKenna is keen to seek his assistance.

"I raised the issue of the Brighton Bypass and the destruction of Aboriginal heritage in Tasmania and he said he was very interested and he encouraged us to write to him, so he could follow that up with the Australian government," Ms Mansell-McKenna said.

"And the Universal Periodic Review is where each country has their human rights record reviewed once every four years. Six countries are randomly selected to review the human rights record of that country."

"We learnt that we could lobby



Nala Mansell-McKenna at the United Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.

those countries to raise different human rights issues.

"So Australia is there saying we are doing great things for human rights and we look after the Indigenous people of our country, then all these other countries say, well what about

be aware of the human rights violations of the Government.

"To have other countries raising human rights issues and speaking up against the discrimination of Aborigines in Australia I think is great."

However, Ms Mansell-

"I got a bit excited before I left when I read about the committee on decolonisation and it said they helped all these countries to become independent, and when I got there I found they only meet once a year now, I learnt it was

session about the right to self-determination.

"It was a great opportunity, but it was bit a scary. The chairman made sure you stayed on topic, some people were given the hammer," explained the confident and experienced activist who has addressed many rallies.

Ms Mansell-McKenna greeted the session in palawa kani (Tasmanian Aboriginal language), the first time the language had been spoken at the UN. It's something she's very proud of.

However, it's not the first time Ms Mansell-McKenna has visited Geneva.

The daughter of Tasmania's best-known Aboriginal activist Michael Mansell and Aboriginal lawyer and activist Heather Sculthorpe, Nala grew up with the Aboriginal movement and the struggle of her people as part of everyday life.

Ms Mansell-McKenna accompanied her father to the UN in Geneva when she was 13, preferring to sit on the steps outside practising speaking French while he addressed the United Nations.

"I mustn't have been interested at all, Dad was just off at one of his meetings again, I rang Dad recently and asked what we were there for," she said.

For a 28-year-old that was a long time ago, and things have since changed.

Ms Mansell-McKenna is now planning to spread her knowledge of United Nations systems and mechanisms through a newsletter and presentations around Tasmania, and on mainland Australia if the opportunity arises.

The Indigenous Fellowship Program began in 1997 as an Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights initiative to implement the goals of the International Decade of the

World's Indigenous People (1995–2004), with the primary objective of empowering indigenous

representatives and their communities by strengthening their knowledge of and capacity to access the United Nations human rights system.

Ms Mansell-McKenna is the third Aboriginal person from Australia to be selected for the fellowship program.

'To have other countries raising human rights issues and speaking up against the discrimination of Aborigines in Australia I think is great'

this and what about that and they make all these recommendations and then afterwards the government has to show what they've done in relation to those recommendations.

"I thought some other countries wouldn't even know who Aborigines were, let alone

McKenna was disheartened at the lack of international legal obligations when it came to recommendations on the treatment of indigenous people.

"And when it comes to self-determination and sovereignty I don't think the United Nations is much help," she said.

something that faded out over the years."

The Fourth Session of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous People was held while Ms Mansell-McKenna was in Geneva. She seized the chance to address the

Models of success

Jake in New York to take on the world

JAKE GORDON is not only a model, but also a great role model for other young Aboriginal people with their sights set on a career in the fashion industry.

The 21-year-old recently arrived in New York where he hopes to crack the international fashion industry, starting with the New York Fashion Week, which begins this week.

Previously Jake had worked with the Federal Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, and has worked as a model in Australia.

He is believed to be the first Aboriginal male model to head overseas, and is being touted in various fashion magazines as the next supermodel.

"The move to NY was the next step in my career, it's important for me to grasp this opportunity with both hands and enjoy every minute," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"I'm lucky enough to have a job that lets me experience the world. New York is an awesome place ... it's a bit like a wonderland, with so many exciting things to do and see.

"It's has been quite confronting having to be the first (Aboriginal male model) to go down this path."

Mr Gordon said he and fellow Indigenous model Samantha Harris had become friends, and were both ambassadors for the One Laptop Per Child charity.

"Knowing Sam is dealing with the same things, it's nice to speak with her about this when we meet up for our charity work," he said.

Born in Southport, Queensland, to an Aboriginal



Model Jake Gordon is now in New York.

mother and Italian-Australian father, his parents split when he was young and he moved with his mother Nerida to Newcastle and then Canberra.

He says he endured years of abuse from his new stepfather, before leaving home and living with relatives around the state before dropping out of school in Year 11. After a year in Sydney he moved back with his mother and completed his Year 12 and then gained an internship with the Federal Government.

But that all changed when he met some Chic modelling agency people while out on the town in Sydney in 2010 and was signed up as a model.

"Being Aboriginal has helped supply me with an amazing group of very passionate and helpful Indigenous people but the majority of the fashion industry remained unaware of my

heritage until I began my works with One Laptop Per Child," Mr Gordon said.

"It wasn't that I didn't want to share my heritage, it was just something that I didn't think people cared to know. Most casting directors booked me purely because I seemed to be of something special, that's when I would explain my story."

Now, though, he is hoping that other Aboriginal young people might be inspired by his successes.

"It's really easy to lose your head in this game so I am doing my best to be the best," he said. "I'd really like to sign with one of the larger department stores as an ambassador and I am also really looking forward to getting out into the communities with the charity work."

"There is so much of Australia I need to see."

Student on her way

ABORIGINAL student Kiesha Sutherland appears well on her way to a career on the catwalk.

Aged just 15, Keisha recently won the 14-28 years section in the preliminary round of regional model search competition Miss Country Girl Australia on 21 August.

She will now attend the national finals in Sydney in November.

Miss Country Girl Australia is the only national model search competition specialising in contestants from rural and regional areas.

Kiesha is hoping the competition will be a step in the right direction to building up her portfolio.

The Orange High School student is in Year 9 and told the local newspaper she was nervous when announced the winner of the heats at Woy Woy.

"I was anxious because it's a big thing - I'm hoping it will start my career and be a head start in life," she said.

"It's really hard for country



KIESHA SUTHERLAND

girls to get into the modelling industry, so I'm grateful I even got the opportunity," she said.

Kiesha is also hoping that her success might give other girls in country areas the inspiration to follow their dreams.

Miss Country Girl founder

Katie-Ann Jones said the modelling industry was restricted in country areas, so many of the contestants had little experience.

"Our competition is a platform for creating potential career opportunities for girls as young as 10," she said.

Contestants travel from across Australia, with more than 3000 girls entering in the months leading up to this year's finals.

"By November we will have around 30 finalists from all over regional Australia where they will compete in four sections - themed, swimwear, evening gowns and answering questions," Miss Jones said.

Listing Indigenous model Samantha Harris and Gunnedah's Miranda Kerr as her inspirations, Kiesha is interested in all areas of the modelling industry.

Her mother, Carol, told the *Koori Mail* she was excited about her daughter's future, and said she was proud of Kiesha, who is the youngest of eight children.

NT backs away on school language



THE Northern Territory Government is seeking school and community input into a new draft framework on literacy, which relaxes its controversial former

policy that the first four hours of the school day had to be taught in English.

The framework follows a review of the earlier policy, which the Government introduced in an effort to improve English literacy and numeracy.

The move angered bilingual education advocates, some of whom argued it was discriminatory and would spell the death of Aboriginal languages, but the Government has insisted the original policy was misunderstood.

Education and Training Minister Chris Burns released the draft framework last Wednesday, saying it provided practical guidelines for all schools that catered for students - Indigenous and non-Indigenous - who had English as a second or additional language.

"The Territory Government is committed to giving every child the best opportunity for a good education," Dr Burns said.

"For children to have the best chance in life, they need to go to school every day and be able to read and write in English so they can get jobs, learn a trade or go on to tertiary education."

Under the new 'revised and expanded' policy, while the first four hours of each day - considered 'prime teaching time' - will be taught 'predominantly' in English, bilingual schools will be able to continue teaching in Indigenous languages during those hours.

"Home language may be used to support quality teaching, including introducing concepts, across all year levels, particularly in the early years," the framework reads.

It says the right balance is not an 'either/or situation'.

"Young people can be taught and learn through English while at the same time being supported to develop their culture and language. Both outcomes are valued and recognised," the policy says.

"Community leaders and parents will continue to be primary agents for teaching culture and language to their children. Schools and communities will work in partnership to perpetuate, grow and celebrate

culture and language."

Dr Burns said the Government would continue to support the use of home language and culture as a crucial framework to support teaching and learning programs.

Under the framework, all very remote schools must adopt and plan English as an Additional Language (EAL) approaches to their learning programs and recruit and develop staff with appropriate language and cultural backgrounds.

The Minister said the new policy had been informed by work undertaken by the Menzies School of Health Research on Aboriginal students with home languages other than English.

Implementation issues would differ from school to school and the two-month consultation period would allow for constructive feedback and discussion, he said.

The Menzies research highlighted the importance of additional language support in the early years to enable success in the school learning of Aboriginal children.

Menzies Professor Sven Silburn said there was evidence that both bilingual and English as a Second Language (ESL) instructional approaches could be effective, but the most effective approach for a specific community depended on the availability of local language speakers, community preferences and the availability of suitably trained staff and other school resources.

"There's also a growing body of evidence suggesting that there are cognitive,

social and educational benefits for children exposed to two languages from early in life," Prof Silburn said.

"The commonly held belief that children will become confused if they are exposed to more than one language in their initial years of schooling is challenged by recent evidence showing that the optimum time for children to commence second language learning is at the same time they begin learning their first language."

The Australian Education Union told the ABC it was good the Territory Government had backflipped on its bilingual education policy because many schools were ignoring it anyway.

But Labor backbencher Marion Scrymgour, who introduced the original policy when she was Education Minister, told media the release of the framework was a 'clarification', not a backflip.

'Home language may be used to support quality teaching, including introducing concepts, across all year levels, particularly in the early years'

Cairns Indigenous Art Fair 2011



Artist Ricardo Idagi, Seaman Dan and David Bridie caught up during the opening night party.



Mornington Island Dancers perform in Cairns.

By MAHALA STROHFELDT in Cairns



LONG gone are the days when Queensland's Aboriginal artists were viewed as the poor cousins of the Northern Territory. According to Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF) artistic director Avril Quail,

this is thanks to an integrated push to recognise the value of the state's thriving contemporary Indigenous arts industry.

She credits Backing Indigenous Arts (BIA) – a \$13.2 million program initially funded for four years and now extended for another four – for putting much-needed dollars into the sector but also providing the nous needed for Indigenous art from the region to become a serious contender in the international market.

At a time when many are still talking about the effects of the global financial crisis, investment in Indigenous art in north Queensland has been bucking the trend, slowly but surely.

And you only needed to take a look around at the recent CIAF 2011 to understand why.

"Queensland Indigenous art used to be recognised as B-grade derivative art, stealing the dots of the Northern Territory," Ms Quail said.

"Now with BIA and especially the Queensland Indigenous Arts, Marketing and Export Agency in play, our Indigenous art is most definitely on the map.

"We are all very passionate about

The poor cousins no more

contemporary Indigenous art."

And it shows. This year's art fair and other satellite events were estimated to have attracted more than 10,000 local and international visitors. With its picturesque

new site at the Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal and a strong showing of urban and Torres Strait Islander artists, there is no doubt CIAF is going from strength to strength.

"It's been overwhelmingly positive, the

new site was fantastic and the stall holders and artists were just beaming," Ms Quail said.

"To bring them here and watch the interactions with other artists has been amazing, they are looking at each other's works and it's kind of re-invigorating the cultural practices."

Ms Quail said one of CIAF's biggest strengths was its ability to act as a beacon for emerging Indigenous artists.

"The great thing about having so many established artists here is that the emerging artists get to see what is required to be a successful contemporary artist, innovating and creating artworks that reflect what is happening in their world today," she said.

A lot of this year's buzz was about the Pormpuraaw artists of the Western Cape York Peninsula region as well as the urban Indigenous art collective, proppaNOW, whose collection of works, *The Black See* touched on themes of racism in sport and how language and name calling can create profound and lasting impacts on the Indigenous psyche.

"My vision for the art fair is that I wanted to let the themes suggest themselves, to allow artists to be unafraid to experiment with their art," Ms Quail said.

"There's a view that there's a world art movement happening in Indigenous arts across and world and we are definitely a part of that global movement."

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CIAF artistic director Avril Quail.



A member of the Arpaka Dance Company on stage.



Pormpuraaw Art and Cultural Centre artist Sid Bruce Shortjoe with one of his artworks.

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Cairns Indigenous Art Fair 2011



UMI Arts board members Leo B Akee and Priscilla Major.



Torres Strait Islander arts worker Diat Alferink with Adelaide's Jo Leonello.



Kenisha Matthew making masks.



Artist Maryann Bourne puts the finishing touches on this ghost net crocodile.



Former NAISDA dancers Monica Stevens and Dennis Newie had a reunion at CIAF.



Wilma Reading and her band, from left, Nigel Pegrum, Will Kepa, Mark Mannock, Warren Wheeler and Darren Blackman.



Glen Williams, Keysha Sykes and mum Betty Sykes from Wujal Wujal.



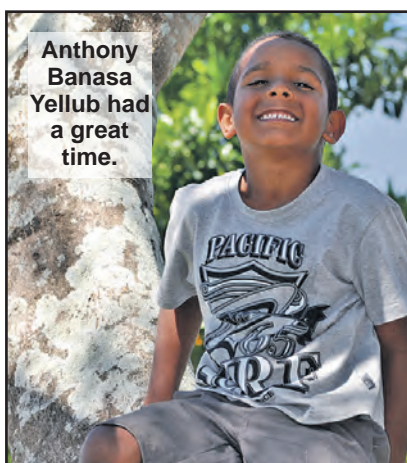
Seith Fourmile performed a smoking ceremony and invited Queensland Arts Minister Rachel Nolan and Queensland Governor Penelope Wensley up along with other guests at the opening ceremony.



Sarah, Trey and mum Kaylene Butler enjoyed the art fair.



Kuku Yalanji artist Loretta Spratt shows some of her work.



Anthony Banasa Yellub had a great time.



Thursday Island grandmother Alice Pearson with granddaughters Trish, Mercedes and Sienna.



Aurukun artist Jean Walembeng showed her ghost net designs in her first year at the art fair.

Cairns Indigenous Art Fair 2011



Torres Strait Islander artist and carver Michael Nona in front of some of his lino print work.



Ella Rose Savage gave ghost net weaving demonstrations.



A Mornington Island dancer.



Two-year-old Althea Koomeeta drew camp dogs, or 'ku' with her grandfather, Craig Koomeeta, artist and creator of the Aurukun camp dog collection.



Lockhart River artist Patrick Butcher shows one of his many bold artworks on offer during CIAF.



Qld Tourism ambassador Ben Southall checks out his new wetsuit designed by local Indigenous artists to celebrate the start of CIAF. The artists are Billy Missi, Glen Mackie, Brooke Foster and Justin Majid.



Carbon Media attended the fair this year and brought their children's show *Go Lingo*, being filmed live with local children throughout the three days. Presenter Alannah Ahmat leads sister and brother Sarah and Trey through the next challenge.



Mornington Island artist Mirdidingkingathi Juwarnda Sally Gabori and her daughters Elsie and Amanda in front of her piece 'Pat and Sally's Country'. She is represented by Alcaston Gallery in Melbourne.



Bumma Bipperra Media Cairns crew crossed live from the art fair, including interviewing Cameron Costello from *Backing Indigenous Art* (third from left in blue shirt). Crew member Jordan Wymarra (in red) is a trainee broadcaster and is with fellow broadcaster Jackie Tim.



Torres Strait Islander artist Alick Tipoti with one of his fibreglass creations, a part of the Badu Island Art Centre's first exhibition at CIAF.

Cairns Indigenous Art Fair 2011



The Gimuy Dancers performed at the opening party.



Barbara Drummond and bub Jarvis, four months, at the opening night party.



Indigenous Knowledge Centre Co-ordinators Tamaio Anau (Boigu), Annie Min (Mabuiag) and Louisa Anson (Darnley).



Mornington Island Mayor Cecil Goodman and Arts Queensland project worker Peter Cleary.



Sharni Harris, from Yarrabah, and her mum Clarissa took part in Gordon Hockey's flag-making art station.



Eight-year-old Zachariah Saunders enjoyed the mask-making after a day of performances with the Arpaka dance company.



The Mornington Island Dancers invited audience members up to an impromptu dance lesson, something that obviously appealed to this young fella.



Dad Opeti showed his little girl Manuesina around the fair.

Program features some deadly blokes and kids



Having a deadly time ... Program participants, back from left, Bill Baker, Edwina Andrew, Abraham Saylor and Jaydon Close and, front from left, Daniel Baker, Victor Courtney and John Owens.

By ALF WILSON



DEADLY Blokes and Kids is a program in Townsville which focuses on building strong relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander male caregivers and children.

The *Koori Mail* met up with some participants during the Tree of Life Community Fair at the Garbutt State School in Townsville last month.

Garbutt is a suburb which has a large percentage of

Indigenous residents.

In many sections of the Indigenous community, there is an opinion that a lot of youths have lost respect for Elders.

Bill Baker, Edwina Andrew, Abraham Saylor and Jaydon Close, Daniel Baker, Victor Courtney and John Owens were singing for the crowd as part of the project.

Interact

Save the Children Australia Group runs the program, and Edwina Andrew, who is the regional manager for northern Queensland, said it uses

music, storytelling, songwriting and performance to engage participants and create a place for men to interact with children in a positive, safe and creative environment.

"Local musicians and respected family men act as mentors and role models as they guide the groups' activities – which include discussions about family and social issues, learning music skills and producing songs around themes such as country, family and relationships," Ms Andrew said.

Deadly Blokes and Kids

aims to strengthen family relationships, especially between men and children; support men to be strong and caring fathers and role models; promote the importance of men in children's lives; give men the opportunity to yarn, explore and give expression to issues of culture, identity, family and belonging in a culturally appropriate way; and provide opportunities for men and children to interact in a safe and positive environment.

Hundreds of Indigenous and other men, women and children attended the recreational day.

New sentencing council for NT



A REPRESENTATIVE from an Indigenous body will serve on the new Sentencing Advisory Council in the Northern Territory.

NT Attorney-General Delia Lawrie said the council would provide advice to the Government on

sentencing trends in criminal matters.

"The Territory Government regularly reviews laws and has toughened sentencing provisions, particularly for violent and sex offenders," she said. "While Territory courts are the toughest in the nation, with people convicted four times more likely to go to jail than elsewhere in Australia, we understand the community has concerns about sentencing."

"This is why we are establishing a Sentencing Council, as an advisory body, to better inform Government about sentencing trends."

"The council will be charged with researching sentencing data, trends and community perceptions."

"The council will provide an important link between the courts, legislature and the community on areas of potential sentencing reform."

The sentencing council will consist of a range of experience and perspectives, including residents, current or former judicial officers, a prosecutor, a representative of a victims of crime organisation, a representative of correctional services and a person with experience of juvenile justice issues

Nominations will be called for members through newspaper advertising. For more information visit www.nt.gov.au/justice

Tranby warning over raffle ticket fraud



TRANBY Aboriginal College in the Sydney suburb of Glebe has issued a warning about a woman fraudulently selling raffle tickets in its name.

Tranby says the woman, described as slim, in her early 40s and with missing teeth, has been running the scam for many years, and has been seen again recently.

The woman reportedly says she is collecting money to help send a Tranby dance group overseas.

Tranby program manager Darryl French says police have been notified and he urged anyone approached to contact the police.

"The staff and large community associated with Tranby Aboriginal College, Australia's oldest Indigenous culturally relevant education provider, are distressed and dismayed by this fraud and want it stopped immediately," Mr French said.

Committee holding fly-in, fly-out inquiry



A FEDERAL Government committee has launched an inquiry into the experience of fly-in, fly-out and drive-in, drive-out workers in regional Australia.

Submissions to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Regional Australia close on 7 October.

The committee will also travel throughout regional Australia to hold public hearings.

For more information go to www.apf.gov.au/ra or contact the committee secretariat on (02) 6277 4162.

Angkerle corporation is back in business



AN organisation that manages a tourism business at Standley Chasm, west of Alice Springs, is back under Aboriginal control.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven says the Angkerle Aboriginal Corporation

is now in a good position to make a full recovery following a period of special administration.

The registrar stepped in during February after a request from directors of the corporation.

Mr Beven said Angkerle had experienced financial difficulties caused by poor financial management and a slowdown in tourism.

Report's focus on child deaths



MORE than half the NSW children who died because of abuse or neglect in a recent two-year period were known to the Department of Family and Community Services, an Ombudsman's report says.

And the Ombudsman has found that a quarter of 'reviewable' child deaths were Aboriginal.

The previous Labor Government stripped NSW Ombudsman Bruce Barbour of the power to compile direct statistics on dead children who had been the subject of a risk-of-harm report.

But in releasing a report on reviewable child deaths between January 2008 and December 2009, Mr Barbour did his own breakdown.

He found that of the 57 children who

died as a result of abuse, neglect or suspected abuse or neglect, 30 had a profile with the department during the preceding three years.

Mr Barbour's report said that of the 1181 children's deaths in NSW in the two-year period, 77 were reviewable.

The majority of those cases involved very young children, with 46 of them under five.

Aboriginal kids

Aboriginal children accounted for a quarter of the reviewable deaths.

Mr Barbour said children who died from abuse were likely to have been related to the person responsible for their death.

"It is sobering to observe that most of the children who died in abuse-related circumstances died within the family, as a

result of the actions of a parent, relative or carer," he said.

The report said that in 2008 and 2009, 20 children died as a result of abuse, another 23 died because of neglect, while 14 died in circumstances leading to suspicion of abuse or neglect. Another 20 children died in care.

Most of the children who died of neglect were aged under two, including toddlers who drowned in pools, during sleep or because of the actions of drug- or alcohol-affected parents.

This Ombudsman's report on child deaths is the first since the former Labor Government passed legislation in April 2009 removing his powers to compile statistics on dead children who were the subject of a risk-of-harm report.

Those powers were transferred to other state government agencies. – AAP

Call for more jobs



NSW Greens MP David Shoebridge has called for local council workforces to better reflect the diversity of the communities they serve.

He said the 2010 Census of Local Government Employees, released last month, revealed areas of particular concern, including the fact that in regional areas, the proportion of Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander people in the general population was three-times that in the local government workforce.

Mr Shoebridge said a very small number of councils set targets for increasing workplace diversity, and the NSW Government should investigate whether this was effective.

He said some councils were offering traineeships and/or apprenticeships and gender equity.



Hawkesbury-Nepean
Catchment Management Authority

Aboriginal Small Projects Funding 2011

The Hawkesbury-Nepean Catchment Management Authority is offering grants to Aboriginal community groups within the Hawkesbury Nepean catchment to:

- Develop Plans of Management.
- Restore land which is culturally significant to Aboriginal people.
- Carry out training for site/cultural awareness or environmental skills for Aboriginal people.

Expressions of Interest close on the **30th September 2011**. For more information and conditions call 4725 3049 or visit <http://www.hn.cma.nsw.gov.au/infopages/5667.html>

Larger scale projects can be funded through regular funding applications within the HNCMA.

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Proposed Development 14-28 Ultimo Road, Ultimo, NSW Public Notice and Registration of Interest

NSW National Parks & Wildlife Act 1974 Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 Development Application (MP09_0153)

A development proposal has been lodged by the University of Technology, Sydney, with the NSW Department of Planning for the future redevelopment of a vacant city block at 14-28 Ultimo Road, Ultimo (Lot 1 in DP76938) under Part 4 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979.

In accordance with the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010, individuals or groups are invited to register their interest in writing to participate in the Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment and consultation process for the proposal.

Contact details are as follows:

Mr Dominic Steele
c/- The University of Technology, Sydney
21 Macgregor Street, Croydon, NSW, 2132
Phone Contact: (Office) 02 9715 1169 (M) 0411 88 4232

The registration period closes on: 21 Sept 2011
The consultation period closes on: 5 Oct 2011

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:

Bomaderry Aboriginal Children's Home,
59 Beinda Street, Bomaderry

Cootamundra Aboriginal Girls' Training Home,
39 Rinkin Street, Cootamundra

Kinchela Aboriginal Boys' Training Home,
2054 South West Rocks Road, Kinchela

on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of their 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 21 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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Bligh backs funds push



QUEENSLAND Premier Anna Bligh says she will push the Federal Government harder to continue funding tuberculosis (TB) clinics in the Torres Strait.

Earlier this year, Queensland Health announced it would close TB clinics that opened fortnightly on two islands from July 1, after losing Federal funding.

The Commonwealth would instead send \$43 million in AusAid funding to Papua New Guinea-based health services, including the improvement of TB treatment at Daru hospital.

Transitional arrangements are now in place at the clinics, which have drawn the concern of the World

Health Organisation.

Torres Strait leaders argue it wouldn't be the subject of buck passing if the disease were threatening the mainland, and they have met with the Premier.

Ms Bligh said she understood the community's concerns.

"What I want to see is that the TB clinics don't close until there's alternative services in place, but I do think we need to push the Feds a bit," she said before a Cabinet meeting on Thursday Island.

"I mean this is a national responsibility.

"The State can't keep picking this up on behalf of the Federal Government."

Ms Bligh said discussions between the Federal and State Health ministers regarding transition arrangements

were continuing.

But Torres Shire Mayor Pedro Stephen said the Federal Government had a responsibility to fund PNG infrastructure and services to address a lack of quality health in that country.

If not, TB could threaten Australian lives, he said.

"If there's a threat to Cairns by TB, there is no debate," he said.

"You would put up infrastructure to ensure that the security of the constituents around Cairns region are protected.

"But in the Torres Strait, there is a debate about 'is it justifiable (to fund)'

"It is justifiable, because you have Queenslanders' and Australians' lives at risk." – AAP

Rowdie keen for career in film, TV

By DARREN COYNE



WATCH out for Rowdie Walden's name in the future when the credits

start to roll.

That's because the 19-year-old has his sights set firmly on a career in film and television.

But that was not always the case.

Until he was 17, living in Narromine, in western New South Wales, Rowdie had dreamed of being a teacher.

That was until a film crew came to nearby Dubbo, and Rowdie's whole world changed.

"The film, *Prime Mover*, by David Caesar, was being shot in Dubbo and they were asking for interns," he told the *Koori Mail*.

Changed thinking

"I went along and fell in love... it totally changed my career path."

After finishing his final year of schooling at Narromine High in 2009 as school captain, along with junior Citizen of the Year at the local Australia Day Awards, Rowdie made his move.

He signed up for the Hunter School of Creative Industries in Newcastle and will complete his diploma in Screen and Media in December.

As part of the course, he



Rowdie Walden receives an award from the acting director of the Hunter Institute of TAFE Christine Warrington.

has worked on various productions, and more recently produced a television commercial for a local fashion event being aired throughout the Hunter Valley.

"I recently made the commercial for Frock On, which raises money for autism research, and I've been working on side projects with friends, and also co-writing my first short film," he said.

"Hopefully, I'll have it made by the end of the year and then secure an internship with a television station or production house."

Rowdie's mother Kerrie

Walden is understandably proud of her boy.

That pride grew a little more when his good work was recognised recently with an award for being the Indigenous Student of the Year for the Hunter region at the NSW Training Awards.

Challenges

"He has had many barriers to overcome to get where he is today, he has a hearing loss and a sub mucous cleft, but these impairments have never stopped him in striving to do his best," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"He comes from a small

town with a population of 3500, so leaving the security of home and family has been a big step.

"When he first went to live in Newcastle, he was part of the Indigenous Youth Mobility program, but has been living and studying independently now for over a year."

Ms Walden, who works as an Aboriginal education officer, is also hoping that Rowdie's dream for an internship within the industry could soon come true.

If the script of his life so far is any indication, those credits should soon be rolling.

Moving words at book launch

By GREG BURCHALL



THE spoken words weren't the only

things that were moving at the Melbourne launch of *Walk With Us*, the latest volume of Indigenous issue commentary from 'concerned Australians'.

From behind the lectern, Melissa Brickell looked over her shoulder and through the ceiling-to-floor window at the pile-drivers, cranes and bulldozers doing their work on a fenced-off block of ground.

"It's a bit hard to respect the land when you look out there and see it all being dug up," the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ecumenical Commissioner said.

But this latest development on Wurundjeri land was not the main issue for the gathering last week.

Minds and hearts were focused on issues far away on the fourth anniversary of the intervention in the Northern Territory and changes to the Racial Discrimination



At the launch, from left, Michele Harris, Elder Aunty Betty Pike, Sally Brown and Melissa Brickell.

Act. *Walk With Us* is a sequel to last year's *This is What We Said* and follows the visit by seven NT Elders to Melbourne in February. Their voices were heard at a meeting of 400 people at Melbourne University.

Book editor Michele Harris said the Elders, from such areas as Utopia, Wallaby Beach and Daly River, not only felt helpless after the intervention but increasingly furious about what has been taken from their communities.

"It's not just about loss

of control, frozen bank accounts and removal of equipment, it's about a threat to language, culture and heritage," she said.

The intervention, by the then Coalition Federal Government, is seen by many as 'knee-jerk madness', coming as it did six days after the *Little Children Are Sacred* report was tabled in June 2007.

"Nothing appears to be sacred, let alone the children," said Ms Brickell.

"It's colonial government thinking – power and greed over land and people."

Former Family Court judge and Chief Magistrate of Victoria Sally Brown launched the book.

"Few Indigenous people have any reason to love the judiciary, where I spent 25 years," she said.

"A lot of justice is about abstraction, but we need to move away from 'nice ideas' and get back to real people."

Part of the statement by the seven Elders included in *Walk With Us* says: "So extreme have been the action against our people that we must appeal to all

people of Australia to walk with us in true equality. Speak out and put an end to the nightmare that Northern Territory Aboriginal people are experiencing on a daily basis."

One Elder, Rosalie Kunoth-Monks, goes so far as to call the intervention a 'second invasion'.

"It is the land that holds us together," she says. "We are hurting, we are suffering."

The 'emergency response' by the Government in remote

communities saw the dismantling of community councils and the compulsory acquisition of land on five-year leases. Access to alcohol, pornography and computers was restricted and income management enforced.

"There was limited consultation," says Maya Healing Centre CEO Reg Blow.

"I couldn't see Aboriginal people saying 'we're gunna handball youse the power to lord it over us'. We're not silly, you know. We had systems in place for tens of thousands of years before this mob came along."

And as the machines pounded the ground outside the book launch, those words came through loud and clear.

As did the sentiment of the Reverend Dr Djinyini Gondarra: "Only through respectful dialogue and working together can we call Australia a nation based on the principles of democracy."

Copies of *Walk With Us* can be bought through www.concernedaustralians.com.au

Government accused over healthy stores



THE Federal Government has been accused of 'making things up' following the release of a report

into community-owned stores.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said recently that reforms to stores in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities had resulted in increased sales of healthy food.

The report, 'Strong corporations, strong stores, strong communities', investigated the financial performance of community stores owned by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations that are registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (CATSI Act).

The report found there had been significant overall growth in average income and gross profit, along with an increase in the percentage of community stores trading profitably.

"These findings demonstrate the strength of community stores operating under the Northern Territory community stores licensing program," Ms Macklin said.

"Store licensing in the Northern Territory has led to

'These findings demonstrate the strength of community stores operating under the Northern Territory community stores licensing program'

– Minister Jenny Macklin



'Unfortunately for the Minister, the ORIC report contained not a single reference to the amount of healthy food being sold in community stores'

– Shadow Minister Nigel Scullion

better store management and governance with fewer stores now trading at a loss and more stores performing on a

stronger financial basis. "Better managed stores with stronger governance means improved food security for

communities in the Northern Territory.

"Community stores are often the only providers of essential

goods and services in remote locations.

"They provide fresh, healthy food in line with the Australian Government's initiatives to promote better nutrition in remote locations."

But Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs Nigel Scullion said that 'desperate Labor had resorted to making things up in search of good news'.

"Unfortunately for the Minister, the ORIC report contained not a single reference to the amount of healthy food being sold in community stores," Senator Scullion said.

"The ORIC report was a financial analysis of stores registered under the Act.

"It looked at the reporting compliance, profitability, growth, and liquidity of the stores. In fact the entire report was about financial and compliance issues.

"I had to read the minister's media release twice just to make sure that it was about the same ORIC report and not some other review that really was about the amount of healthy food being bought and consumed in Indigenous communities.

The 'Strong corporations, strong stores, strong communities' report can be downloaded from the Registrar's website at www.oric.gov.au

Heritage listing plan for places



THREE places of importance to members of the Stolen Generations are in line to be heritage listed by the New South

Wales Government.

The Bomaderry Aboriginal Children's Home, Kinchela Aboriginal Boys' Training Home and Cootamundra Aboriginal Girls' Training Home will be advertised over the next four weeks for listing under the Heritage Act.

State heritage listing aims to protect sites for future generations and would mean that any major works would be subject to decisions or advice from the Heritage Council of NSW.

NSW Heritage Council chair Gabrielle Kibble said the buildings at Bomaderry, Kinchela and Cootamundra provided tangible evidence of the assimilation policy of 20th century Australia.

"Each of these homes has strong social significance for former residents and for the families and communities the children were taken from," she said.

Recognition

"The heritage listing of these properties is recognition of the memories, whether painful or not, associated with Bomaderry, Kinchela and Cootamundra.

"Conservation of these sites will provide opportunities for greater

awareness and education about the history of Aboriginal control by the Government and churches.

"Conserving and experiencing heritage items connects our community and future communities to our history – and we are culturally and educationally richer for it."

After the period of advertisement, the Heritage Council will consider the nomination and any community comments before making a listing recommendation to the NSW Heritage Minister Robyn Parker.

Ms Kibble said people could have their say on the proposed heritage listing by going to the Heritage Branch website.

Department is now a member of council



THE Department of Health and Ageing (DoHA) is the latest Commonwealth department to become a member of the Australian Indigenous Minority Supplier Council (AIMSC).

Health and Ageing Minister Nicola Roxon said the Government was committed to supporting Indigenous economic development.

"Providing access to Government procurement is one way we can do that," she said.

"As one of the largest government departments, DoHA is well placed to provide opportunities to Indigenous suppliers and is looking forward to working with AIMSC and supporting the development of Indigenous businesses around Australia."

DoHA has joined the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Department of Defence, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Finance and Deregulation as members of AIMSC.

AIMSC, a not-for-profit company, provides a business-to-business purchasing link between corporate Australia, government agencies and Indigenous-owned businesses.

WA advisory council gets new members



FIVE new members have been appointed to the Western Australian Aboriginal Advisory Council (WAAAC), the statutory body that provides a line of communication between the state's Indigenous

Indigenous communities.

The new members, Gail Allison, Geoff King, Gordon Gray, Harry Graham and Josey Hanse, have been appointed for three-year terms. Four existing members continue their term through until 2012, while another two members, Michael Hayden and Rhonda Murphy, were re-appointed for three-year terms.

Mr Collier paid tribute to the five outgoing WAAAC members – Leslie-Ann Conway, Glenda Humes, Bill Stephen, Vanessa Kickett and Wayne Bergmann.

He said the WAAAC and its members provided a committed, strong and independent voice on issues of importance to Indigenous West Australians, with particular regard to economic, social and cultural advancement.

The WAAAC meets every two months, with the new members attending their first meeting this month.

Anthropologist wins role at UK museum



NORTHERN Land Council (NLC) anthropologist Carol Christophersen is in England as part of the repatriation process of human remains currently held at the National History Museum (NHM) in London.

The 43-year-old mother-of-three was awarded a fellowship by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet through the Office for the Arts to spend six months working in the Human Remains Unit at the NHM.

Ms Christophersen put on hold her plans of completing her honours in anthropology next year to take up the position.

"I had four separate relatives send me the advertisement for the fellowship so I thought I had better apply," she said.

"It's a fantastic opportunity and I knew that if I didn't apply, I'd always think that I could have done it... and that I should have done it."

Ms Christophersen believes the fellowship will provide her with the opportunity to build on her skill base, particularly in the area of high-level facilitation and diplomatic negotiations between institutions on issues as sensitive as repatriation or remains.

NLC chairman Wali Wunungmurra said Ms Christophersen's fellowship was thoroughly deserved.

"Carol beat a strong field of hopefuls to win the coveted prize – and this is testament to the quality of work she has performed," he said.

Good vibe in Port Augusta



THE Port Augusta Vibe Alive Festival attracted a large crowd from a wide area of South

Australia. Event producer Mayrah Sonter said the Port Augusta Vibe Alive was one of the best in the event's four-year history.

"This is the fourth year that the Vibe Alive team have been to Port Augusta and it was a great success," she said.

"We had a huge turnout and great local support from the local committee and police, who volunteered their time for both days of the festival."

Ms Sonter said a few new elements were incorporated into the event.

"This year we introduced dance routines from the impending *Move It Mobstyle* television show as one of the rounds the children went through," she said.

"They had an absolute ball and learnt some great dance moves and routines from the amazing dance team of Ghenoa Gella, Sam Carroll and Deadly nominee Medika Thorpe."

Ms Sonter said the Port Augusta event also included a Health Expo on day one as well as a community concert featuring hip hop stars The Street Warriors.

"You can tell the kids



The overall winning team at the Port Augusta Vibe Alive were the Crazy Shufflers, from the Two Wells and Evanston Schools. They were presented with their award by Aunty Elsie Jackson, Kerrie Hayes and SA Premier Mike Rann. Photo: KELLY CONNOR

are starting to get to know how Vibe Alive works because of the level of performance and preparation they put into it this year," she said.

"The routines were more rehearsed and they had

great costumes and props. They were competitive and understood what Vibe Alive is all about and turned up ready to compete."

The event had an opening ceremony featuring a welcome to country by

local Elders as well as performances by role models including comedian Kevin Kropinyeri, and MC, television star Nathan Foley. South Australian Premier Mike Rann attended day two of the event.

Music feature for *Living Black*



A MUSICAL performance each episode will be a feature of the new series of Indigenous current affairs TV program *Living Black*, which returns to

SBS One on 4 September at 4.30pm.

SBS says the musical performance will highlight Indigenous talent and will include a mix of new faces and established performers.

Already programmed are Microwave Jenny, newcomer Nellie Dargan, Col Hardy, Nangral, P J Gordon, Daniel Stockley, Marcus Corowa, Yung Nooky and new faces Ngaratya. Ngaratya is a Redfern-based sister act that is said to be Missy Higgins meets Aretha Franklin.

Led again by anchor Karla Grant, the *Living Black* team includes video

journalists Allan Clarke, Josh Ridgeway and recently appointed Daniel Conifer, as well as other SBS news reporting specialists including Richard Davis, Bill Code and Larteasha Smith.

SBS says *Living Black* will continue to provide comprehensive and insightful coverage of Indigenous issues that are relevant for all Australians.

NAAJA's Darwin office officially opened



THE new head office of the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) has been officially opened in Darwin.

Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland and NAAJA Chairperson Dorothy Fox did the honours on 1 September.

NAAJA says it has grown significantly over the past four years, and welcomed the new offices, at 61 Smith Street in the city.

NAAJA is a non-profit private company established on 1 February 2006. It involved the merger of three existing Aboriginal legal services in Darwin, Nhulunbuy and Katherine from community council-based organisations into a single entity company.

NAAJA, previously known in the Darwin region as the North Australian Aboriginal Legal Aid Service (NAALAS), has operated in the Darwin region for more than 30 years.

NAAJA says it will continue to



Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland, NAAJA chairperson Dorothy Fox and NAAJA director Norman George with dancers at the opening of the justice agency's Darwin office.

provide high quality and culturally appropriate legal aid services for Aboriginal people in the northern region of the NT in criminal, civil and family law. It

will also continue to provide services in community legal education, prisoner throughput, advocacy and welfare rights. NAAJA chairperson Dorothy

Fox said: "We are extremely pleased to officially open our new NAAJA Darwin office. NAAJA has a dynamic and talented team of lawyers and

staff who continue to work towards gaining justice for Aboriginal people and keeping their culture, tradition and law strong.

AIATSIS hosts conference



THEY say the future belongs to the young. And with those aged 20 years or below making

up around half of the overall Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population, that's truer for our mob than other Australians.

But what of other generations and the relationships between all of them across urban, regional and remote Australia?

These are some of the questions to be discussed by more than 500 Indigenous and other researchers, policy makers, service providers, government agencies, consultants, academics and community representatives at arguably Australia's premier Indigenous studies conference in Canberra later this month.

The 2011 AIATSIS National Indigenous Studies

'Young and old: Connecting Generations' is the theme

Conference, from 19-22 September, will explore the theme 'Young and old: Connecting Generations' from the perspectives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education, health, cultural heritage, arts, policy, sport, economics, language, anthropology, archives, IT and more.

As well as research, projects and programs associated specifically with the young or older generations, the conference will also focus on the relationship between the two.

Lowitja Institute chairperson Pat Anderson will give the keynote address on Monday, 19 September. Later that day, the main plenary will

see representatives from the Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (CAEPR), the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), and the Productivity Commission explore 'The Big Picture'.

Days two to four (20-22 September) will comprise presentations and workshops across a very wide range of topics including: Age demography and its implications – What the surveys say; Connecting Generations – Cultural transmission, history, storytelling and memory; Information technology for young and old; and Housing and homelessness.

The Inaugural National

Indigenous Interpreting Meeting: Getting the Conversation Started will be held over two days of the conference.

There'll also be trade and market stalls and a social program including a welcoming reception, a screening of Beck Cole's new film *Here I Am* at the National Film and Sound Archive, an exclusive tour of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Galleries at the National Gallery of Australia, and an exhibition by Wiradjuri photographer Kerstin Styche.

The 2011 AIATSIS National Indigenous Studies Conference will be held in the Manning Clark Lecture Theatre Complex at the Australian National University, Canberra.

For the full conference program, go online at www.aiatsis.gov.au.

● The *Koori Mail* is a supporter of the conference.

Flying Doctor NBN concern



THE Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) says health services in the largely Aboriginal town of Wilcannia in western NSW could suffer if the national broadband network (NBN) fibre rollout bypasses the area.

RFDS south-eastern section executive director Clyde Thompson says rural and remote areas needed far better internet services than they now had.

"If we are going to have an NBN ... please make sure that the capacity of the NBN in remote areas, particularly in the satellite uplinks, meets the requirements of remote communities," he told ABC Television on Friday.

"There is no point in rolling out an NBN if there is no difference or measurable increase in what we have now.

Captain Thompson said the Flying Doctor supported the NBN, but poorer communities such as Wilcannia would struggle to meet demand for medical services unless the rollout was revised. These services included medical imaging, tele-medicine and electronic medical records.

"It doesn't make a lot of sense to me for the NBN to go past a remote Aboriginal community that has significant health problems and not have a node," he said.

NBN Co said Wilcannia was earmarked to have a satellite service due to its isolation, and the service would be a big improvement on what was now available.

Services to remote communities would receive a boost when two long-term satellites were launched in 2015, NBN Co said.

These satellites would provide download speeds of up to 12 megabits a second, faster than many ADSL2+ services. – AAP

WA students set to benefit



AT least 70 Indigenous secondary students from Western Australia will receive scholarships over the next 10 years under a new \$8.55 million partnership hailed as 'truly historic'.

BHP Billiton and the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF) have teamed up to ensure the students receive access to a quality education at some of Perth's leading secondary schools.

AIEF has already provided scholarships to more than 200 Indigenous students since 2007 but those placements have been in New South Wales and Queensland.

Founder Andrew Penfold said he was excited to expand the foundation's work to the west coast.

Under the partnership, BHP Billiton has committed \$4.275 million, which AIEF will match with support from the Federal Government.

He said BHP Billiton was highly committed to making a difference to Indigenous kids' futures.

"We are extremely proud to be partnering with one of our country's most iconic and respected companies, which sets the hurdle for corporate Australia so high,"

Mr Penfold said.

"Through our partnership with BHP Billiton, we're growing the AIEF education network and helping to increase Year 12 attainment for Indigenous students across Australia, with proven and unparalleled results this is a truly historic partnership."

BHP Billiton Iron Ore president Ian Ashby said the partnership would deliver real results.

"We're committed to reducing disadvantage among Indigenous members of our communities," he said of the company.

Access

"Alongside improved access to health services, training and employment, ensuring access to quality education is a significant part of our overall sustainable development strategy."

"This ground-breaking partnership with AIEF will assist many Indigenous students to unlock their individual potential and reach their goals."

Of the 70 students to be offered scholarships, 35 of those will be from the Pilbara region.

The new partnership will see AIEF working directly with participating schools, enabling scholarships to be managed more efficiently.



Some current Australian Indigenous Education Foundation scholarship holders were at the West Australian scheme launch. Current AIEF partner schools in Perth include, Trinity College, St Brigid's College, Aquinas College, La Salle College, Presbyterian Ladies' College and Scotch College.

Campaigner claims a miscarriage of justice

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



FIVE years after reaching his parole date, Aboriginal man Derek Bromley still refuses to plead guilty to murder, even if it means he cannot get released.

The case of Mr Bromley has been highlighted by legal expert and law reform campaigner Bob Moles, who runs the 'Networked Knowledge Project' which investigates alleged miscarriages of justice in South Australia over the past 30 years.

Dr Moles feels so strongly about the Bromley case that he has hosted a petition on his website and the matter has featured on Networked Knowledge for several years.

Mr Bromley was convicted of the murder of Stephen Docoza in 1984. Dr Moles calls the case a 'serious miscarriage of justice', and says there are likely to be 'considerable numbers' of Aboriginal people who have suffered injustices due to shortfalls in legal representation

in the state. He said the type of 'eye-witness' identification used at Mr Bromley's trial would be inadmissible by current standards.

"Lawyers in his case have claimed the scientific evidence at the trial was also seriously flawed, and not in accordance with the scientific standards of the time," he said.

Dr Moles maintains that if an appeal court reviewed the case there was a strong chance the conviction could be set aside, but a referral was required by the Attorney-General and that had not happened.

Mr Bromley's sister-in-law Robyn Milera said he had already served five years beyond his eligibility for parole, but even though he had served his time and more, she deeply hoped alleged flaws in the case could be considered.

"We are hoping that the Criminal Cases Review Commission Bill, presently going through SA Parliament, may be a step in the right direction," she said.

Dr Moles said it was important that South Australia got a review



BOB MOLES

committee, like they have in Britain, 'to refer deserving cases back to the Court of Appeal'.

"In the last 12 years, some 320 cases have been overturned in the UK," he said, adding that the Bill was supported by the Law Society and the Australian Lawyers Alliance.

Put forward by Independent

MLC Ann Bressington and supported by other Independents, the Greens and the Liberals, Dr Moles said the referral of the bill to the Legislative Review Committee even went unopposed by the Government.

However, a spokesperson for Attorney-General John Rau said he 'has no present plans to introduce a sentencing review committee'.

The Attorney-General is at present seeking members for the planned Sentencing Advisory Council that aims to improve available information and research on sentencing, raise public awareness, and create a dialogue about sentencing.

Robyn Milera also indicated there was a need for greater legal support for the Aboriginal community in South Australia, and her brother-in-law had pleaded with lawyers to take an interest in his case, 'but so far without success'.

She said Mr Bromley was a keen social justice activist before his conviction, and even afterwards he was instrumental in organising inmates to assist the

Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Ms Milera does not hold too much hope of change for Mr Bromley.

"The Parole Board's recommendations are continually over-ruled at the government level," she said.

Ms Milera said that her brother-in-law blamed it on being 'lost somewhere in the politics', but that he 'doesn't want to be seen as a murderer and is even prepared to remain in prison'.

Dr Moles said that as Mr Bromley still asserted his innocence he was unable to express remorse for what he was alleged to have done, which meant he could not be enrolled for pre-release courses which were an essential condition for granting him parole.

Dr Moles said his website and books could provide information about legal problems, but people who were experiencing difficulties with the justice system should seek practical legal help from the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement.

Gathering to call for uranium inquiry



A GATHERING in Alice Springs this weekend (10-11 September) will call for a national health inquiry into the uranium industry.

The gathering of Aboriginal people, doctors, scientists, environmentalists and public health experts will also call on Australian politicians to avoid breaching human rights obligations when considering any expansion of the industry.

Organisers said the Australian Nuclear Free Alliance (ANFA) meeting would hear how Australian people and the environment were being

threatened by uranium mining, milling, exposure to radiation and corporate greed.

ANFA co-chair Rebecca Bear-Wingfield said a national inquiry was well overdue.

"The collusion of our political leaders is not acceptable; our old people and our parents were bombed in South Australia, yet we are still waiting to be heard about the long-term health effects from these bombs," she said.

Ms Bear-Wingfield said the ANFA gathering would call for a national health inquiry into the health impacts of uranium mining, milling, tailings, and bombings.

"We urge all Australian voters to demand from their local

politicians a firm commitment to industry, academic and political accountability," she said.

The gathering also wants an independent inquiry into Australia's use of nuclear medicine, including the contested claim that the country needs a nuclear waste dump to dispose of used medical isotopes.

Presenter

Ms Bear-Wingfield travelled as an invited guest and presenter to the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW) 19th World Congress in Basel, Switzerland, last August.

"I was deeply moved by this opportunity to present a paper to

the 1985 Nobel Peace Prize recipients and meet with both Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples from around the group who professionally understand and advocate for nuclear abolition and an end to all forms of nuclear threat," she said.

"Communities surrounding nuclear mines and bombs sites have noticed cancer clusters, increased health problems such as diabetes, kidney failure and ill health that warrant further research to determine exactly how individuals and communities have been affected by exposure to radiation and uranium.

"ANFA delegates urge all Australians to ensure that their

local candidates are held accountable for human rights and long-term environmental protection.

"The nuclear emergency at Fukushima (Japan) has again shown the dangers of the global nuclear trade. Chernobyl, Hiroshima, Nagasaki and the legacy of uranium mining and nuclear weapons tests have further demonstrated the dangers of uranium in the nuclear fuel chain."

For information on ANFA or the gathering in Alice Springs (September 10-11) see www.anfa.org.au or contact the Arid Lands Environment Centre on (08) 8952 2497.



Stan Walker on stage at the 2010 Deadly Days Festival.

Deadly Days at Coffs Harbour



NORTH Coast TAFE NSW will host the 2011 Deadly Days Dreaming My Future Festival at the Coffs Harbour

Education Campus from 20-22 September.

The three-day program includes entertainment, workshops and cultural activities.

The line-up of talent includes one of Australia's top ten hip-hop artists, Konect-A-Dot, and performers Nathan Foley, Lucas Proudfoot and Matty Devitt.

Joining them will be sporting heroes and other high-profile Aboriginal role models.

The Deadly Days Festival encourages young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to take part in fun, hands-on educational and cultural experiences that encourages them to explore opportunities for education, training and employment.

The festival is organised and hosted by North Coast TAFE and funded by the Federal Government Department of Education, Employment, and Workplace Relations as part of the Community

Festivals for Education Engagement program.

North Coast TAFE director of community development and Aboriginal engagement Heather McGregor says this year's festival will be held at the Coffs Harbour Education Campus and more than 2000 students from 42 high schools from the Tweed to Forster are expected to attend.

Positive message

"The festival not only encourages young people to stay on and do well at school but it also sends a positive message about living a positive and healthy lifestyle," says Ms McGregor.

"We have Indigenous role models that range from doctors, dentists, business leaders and sporting heroes that will be on hand to talk to these young people to encourage them to do well and to be proud of their Aboriginal heritage."

For more details on the program call Deadly Days Festival co-ordinator Andrew Saunders on (02) 6591 3699 or log on to deadlydays.com

\$180m for contracts in Pilbara



TWO Indigenous joint venture contracts worth \$180 million have been signed in

Western Australia's Pilbara region. Rio Tinto awarded one of the contracts at the Hope Downs 4 mine site to Leighton Contractors Pty Ltd and the WA Indigenous contractor Ngarda Civil and Mining Pty Ltd for \$104 million in earthworks.

That signing followed a contract between Aboriginal contractor Pilbara Logistics Pty Ltd and Cimeco for construction of the mine building and support facilities, valued at more than \$80 million.

Rio Tinto chief executive, Iron Ore and Australia Sam Walsh said the awards demonstrated the high priority Rio Tinto placed on developing sustainable Indigenous business

capacity and long-term employment and training opportunities in the region.

"These latest two contracts are another step towards the successful implementation of our goal to achieve 333 million tonnes a year capacity in the Pilbara in 2015," he said.

"They also highlight our commitment to building Aboriginal business capacity in doing so. It is imperative that we maintain this momentum."

Opportunities

Mr Walsh said the opportunities for Indigenous business had not been confined to Hope Downs.

In May, Rio Tinto awarded the NRW/Eastern Guruma \$160 million earthworks contract for the Brockman 4 and Western Turner Syncline mines. More than \$700 million has been awarded to Aboriginal contractors under the 333 million

tonnes a year expansion program.

Mr Walsh said the Hope Downs 4 mine site is situated about 200kms east of Tom Price.

"These latest contracts support the construction of the US\$1.2 billion mine, which will have an annual capacity of 15 million tonnes.

He said the Leighton/Ngarda joint venture was based on a 75/25 ownership, and was in line with Rio Tinto's commitment to favour contracts comprising a strong Indigenous component wherever possible and appropriate.

The Cimeco/Pilbara Logistics, also a 75/25 joint venture, will provide career opportunities for local Indigenous people, provide business opportunities while minimising risk to the Indigenous contractor and support business growth over a wide range of services.

Jobs program expanded



THE Federal Government says more organisations will be able to access funding to provide job and training opportunities for Indigenous Australians under expansion of its

Indigenous Employment Program (IEP).

Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib announced last month that the IEP panel membership would be expanded from 1 July next year.

"There are currently 450 members on the Employment and Economic Development and Business Panels who can access funding under the IEP to deliver business and job projects to Indigenous Australians," he said.

"By reopening the panels, we will enable

more eligible organisations which are working in the field to access IEP support."

Senator Arbib said IEP projects had delivered more than 31,000 job and training starts for Indigenous people during the 2010-11 financial year.

New and existing panel members will have the opportunity to deliver IEP projects from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2015.

Tender documentation is now available through the AusTender website at www.tenders.gov.au. Organisations must register on AusTender for access. Submissions close at 4pm on 19 September.

Information sessions for interested parties were scheduled to be held this week.

For more information, call 1300 733 514.

Palm Island celebrates

Crowd enjoys event



Youngsters in the sand entertain the Spring Fest crowd.



Great Northern Dancers with organiser Owen Marpoondin.



● ABOVE: There was no shortage of tucker to feed the festive crowds on Palm Island.

● RIGHT: Fest co-ordinator Jenny Prior with young volunteers who gave flower leis to guests.



By ALF WILSON



THE inaugural Palm Island Spring Fest was described as a 'celebration of life' on the North Queensland Aboriginal community.

Held from 1-3 September, the special guest was independent Federal MP Bob Katter. Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey told a crowd of about 1000 on day one that Mr Katter was a great friend of Aboriginal people.

"This is a great festival and we have a zero tolerance to alcohol and drugs," Mayor Lacey said.

The launch on the first official day of Spring (1 September) featured MC Sean Choolburra, a prayer by Father Paul Hanna, a welcome to country by Elder Allan Palm Island, of the Manbarra Tribe, and a speech by Advisory Committee chairperson Iris White.

There were performances by the Great Northern Dancers, St Michael's School dancers, Murray and Darnley Island dancers, Chookie Dancers and singers Selina Shepherd, Gerti Richardson, Maggie Walsh, Milton Thaiday and Mary G.

There also were community stalls and rides, and on day two a breakfast for all at the Old Clock Tower near the Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council building.

An Elders dinner-dance at the PCYC was popular, and there was plenty of other entertainment.

A business delegation was there to check out potential opportunities on the island.

Member for Townsville Mandy Johnstone said a chartered flight packed with business and industry leaders from across North Queensland made the trip to scope future investment opportunities.

She said the visit was a continuation of the Palm Island Economic Forum held in early

August. "The discussion generated during that meeting was very promising so the key now is to ensure we don't let that go to waste," she said.

"These business leaders have displayed a keen interest in Palm Island as an investment opportunity and this visit is about giving them a first-hand look at what the community has to offer.

"We said the forum would provide the catalyst for economic growth and greater job opportunities for Palm Island people and this trip is the next step forward in that process."

Ms Johnstone said there was a lot of demand for a spot on the flight, which was a promising sign.

"The fact that everyone is so eager to get on the ground and see Palm Island for themselves is proof

that there is a lot of business interest out there and hopefully that is a big confidence boost for the community," she said.

"There are a lot of innovative ideas floating about to stimulate the Palm Island economy, so hopefully this helps to make

those potential initiatives a reality."

Mayor Lacey welcomed the interest in Palm Island and hoped it would translate to a brighter future for the local economy.

"The Spring Festival is about showcasing to north Queensland and the rest of Australia what Palm Island has to offer, so this delegation is visiting at exactly the right time.

"Situated right on the Great Barrier Reef, Palm Island is such a unique environmental, cultural and economic asset to the north Queensland region.

"So working on turning Palm Island into a popular attraction in the north really makes sense and would provide a wonderful opportunity to create and sustain employment.

"We need to continue to capitalise on all the positive attention and exposure we're receiving right now."



MP Bob Katter lends his trademark hat to Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey during the fest.

at inaugural Spring Fest



Dancers performing for the Spring Fest crowd on Palm Island in north Queensland.



Young Murray Island dancer Leonte Gizar wearing her dari.



Dancers from St Michael's School on Palm Island ready for action.



A Palm Islander ... and proud of it!



Lex Wotton, Gracelyn Smallwood and Elizabeth Doomadgee were there.



Dexter Pompey and Simeon Blackman went to the Fest on the back of pet horse Bena.



Jennifer Cannon, third from right, with members of her family at the Palm Island Fest.

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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 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

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



Bathurst prepares for big Knockout

THE 41st NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout will be held at Bathurst from Friday 30 September to Monday 3 October.

The 2010 Knockout winners, Walgett Aboriginal Connection, have been working closely with the key stakeholders in Bathurst to host the event.

Carrington Park will be the venue for all games as well as a large gathering of stalls.

Nominations are being sought from clubs wishing to enter a team in the men's, women's under 17s or under 15s competitions. The entry fee for the men's competition is \$1500, while for the women it is \$800; youth competitions are free.

Nominations close on Friday 23 September. The Draw will be held at the Bathurst Panthers Leagues Club, Piper St Bathurst on Wednesday 28 September at 6pm.

Photographic exhibition explores Tiwi footy

AUSTRALIAN football in the Tiwis is the centrepiece of an art exhibition now on at Tandanya, in Adelaide.

Yiloga! opened at Tandanya's National Aboriginal Cultural Institute on 2 August and will end on 25 September.

It is an exploration of football and the importance of football in the life of an Indigenous community.

It is a series of documentary style photographs and deals with the place of footy in Tiwi culture and explores not only the Tiwi community's passion for the game, but its positive influence on life in the community.

The calibre of the footballers who have originated from the Tiwi Islands is remarkable; they have thrilled crowds with their sporting prowess, athleticism and style.

This exhibition explores the links between sport, culture and art resonating deeply within the collective Australian psyche.

Photographers Peter Eve and Monica Napper have worked with the community to produce a work that endeavours to break down barriers and redress stereotypes.

Artback NT: Arts Development and Touring is presenting this touring exhibition with works on loan from Peter Eve and Monica Napper.

Focus on Fitzroy Crossing

A COLLECTION of paintings and artefacts from Mangkaja Arts, in the West Kimberley town of Fitzroy Crossing, is on show in Adelaide.

The National Aboriginal Cultural Institute will present 'We Came From the Desert'.

Mangkaja is a Walmajarri word meaning 'wet weather shelter'. The art centre brings together artists from four main language groups, including Wangkatjungka and Walmajarri, from the Great Sandy Desert, and Bunuba and Gooniyandi, from the river country around the Fitzroy Crossing Valley.

The meeting of desert and river cultures has produced a range of strengths in their fine art and cultural artefacts.

Mangkaja artists paint iconic singular images of country that tell essential stories of heritage and identity. Their paintings are characterised by a colourful, contemporary style featuring an

uninhibited immediacy and large brush strokes.

Mangkaja has produced a number of important international artists in the modern phase of Indigenous Australian art. Many of the artists are represented in State galleries and the National Gallery of Australia and significant private and public collections around the world.

Two generations

Included in the Mangkaja Arts 'We Came From the Desert' exhibition are male and female artists from two generations whose lineage can be traced back to the Great Sandy Desert.

'We Came from the Desert' is on display and available for purchase until Sunday 25 September.

Details: Tandanya – National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, 253 Grenfell Street, Adelaide. Tel (08) 8224 3200, email visualarts@tandanya.com.au or visit www.tandanya.com.au

8203 or (08) 8999 8264 or visit www.magnt.nt.gov.au/natsiaa

NSW-ACT

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 kills 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

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.

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. All welcome. Held at AIATSIS, Canberra. Details: (02) 6261 4221 or visit www.aiatsis.gov.au

28-29 October: Ladies of Jazz 2011. Three of Australia's most celebrated female artists – Christine Anu, Grace Knight and Paulini – come together for the love of Jazz music and to pay homage to legendary greats in one show. Includes a great dinner. All welcome, cost involved. Held at The Basement, Sydney; Roths Wine Bar, Mudgee. Details: (03) 9014 1096 or email publicity@hottoffthepress.com.au

Victoria

Until 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 Cherel. Free and all welcome. Held at Brigitte Braun Gallery, 4 White St, Windsor. Details: (03) 9521 2324 or email artplace@iinet.net.au or visit www.artplace.com.au

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. All welcome. Held at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum. Details: 13 11 02 or visit www.museumvictoria.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 an extensive line-up of artists, bands and DJs. 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

Western Australia

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

Students in Great Debate



Great Debate participants at Parliament House, Sydney.



ABORIGINAL students from high schools across Sydney have gathered at NSW Parliament House to discuss and debate challenges that Indigenous people face.

Students from 16 NSW high schools participated in the fifth Aboriginal Secondary Students Great Debate, which opened with

Aunty Fay Carroll providing the acknowledgement of country.

NSW Education Department acting director-general Pam Christie welcomed the participants and praised the Great Debate as a 'fantastic initiative'.

Debate topics included:

- Has the National Apology to the Stolen Generations increased awareness of the impact of past government policies on Aboriginal

people and communities?

- Do Aboriginal education officers in all schools improve engagement and outcomes for Aboriginal students and, if so, how?

- Are there enough Indigenous leaders for this generation?

- How best to promote changes to the stereotypical image of Aboriginal people and culture?

- Is Sydney the only city to develop acceptance for Aboriginal communities across Australia?

Newtown High School of Performing Arts student Benjamin Dennison said the debate gave him confidence as well as new presentation skills.

"Most people won't get the chance to... sit in Parliament House rooms, but we get to go in and debate each other on topics

that are relevant to our culture and to our race," he said.

Education Department regional director for Sydney Phil Lambert praised the students for their participation in the forum and gave each a certificate recognising their involvement in the annual event.

"All of you should be proud of what you have achieved here," he said.



FROM THE ANDES TO THE OUTBACK: ONE WOMAN'S JOURNEY

For one Wiradjuri woman, a recent trip to Peru is something she'll never forget.

It's not everyday that a young Wiradjuri woman gets to visit Peru, so when Krystal Ronning heard about the World Indigenous Peoples Conference on Education (WIPCE) in Cuzco, the historical capital of the Inca Empire, she jumped at the chance.

Krystal, who grew up on Darkinjung land on the Central Coast and is studying for a Bachelor of Midwifery at the University of Newcastle, said her experience in South America was life changing.

"It was great to experience other Indigenous cultures. Language barriers at the Opening Ceremony weren't an issue. The unspoken connection between everyone was amazing - something I'll never forget."

Krystal was one of nine from the University to attend WIPCE, sharing her perspective of student life and the support she gets from Wollotuka, who funded her trip.

"I've been pursuing midwifery for a few years and started a Bachelor of Nursing last year. But when the University offered a new course in midwifery, I transferred across. It was so daunting having to change campuses and

Wollotuka were just like a family, helping me to adjust. They're so supportive and encouraging, and even helped me apply for my scholarship.

"I want to travel around Australia with my midwifery qualifications, helping communities. There's a lot of misinformation in the outback and not enough education. I want to go where no one else will go."

Applications for enrolment at the University of Newcastle for 2012 are now open through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC).

When applying, make sure you indicate that you are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander to be eligible for the University of Newcastle's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Alternative Entry Program.

If you are looking for advice on career and UAC choices please contact Stuart McMinn on 02 4349 4503 or email stuart.mcminn@newcastle.edu.au



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Students honoured in annual awards



ABORIGINAL students in the New England region of northern NSW have been

recognised in the annual Giyanha Dirrabuu Murri Awards.

The awards were presented at Moree Secondary College Albert Street Campus.

Giyanha Dirrabuu Murri is a Gamilaraay word meaning 'future outstanding Aboriginal'.

Those recognised were:

● Drummond Memorial Public School – Frederick Riley, Student Encouragement (Stage 1)

● Manilla Central School – Reece Blinman, Student Encouragement (Stage 2)

● Oxley Vale Public School – Mackenzie Browning, Student Encouragement (Stage 3)

● Inverell High – Ebony Adams, Student Encouragement (Stage 4)

● Collarenebri Central School – Kylie Murray, Student Encouragement (Stage 5)

● Oxley High School – Gabriel Clark, Student Encouragement (Stage 6)

● Kootingal Public School – Georgia Taggart, Student Leadership Award (Primary)

● Guyra Central School – Tyrone Clough, Student Leadership Award (Secondary)

● Inverell High – Shareen Griffiths, Award for Outstanding Achievement in Creative and



Frederick Riley, from Drummond Memorial Public School in Armidale, won the Stage 1 Encouragement Award. He is with his parents Leeitisha and Neville Riley.

Performing Arts (Secondary)

● Moree Secondary College Carol Avenue Campus – Caleb Briggs, Award for Outstanding Achievement in Creative and Performing Arts (Secondary)

● Inverell High – Mathew Jerrard, Vocational Education Training Award

● Guyra Central School – Tanieka Landsborough, Award for Outstanding Achievement in Sport (Primary)

● Wee Waa High School – Kyle Trindall, Award for Outstanding Achievement in Sport (Primary)

● Manilla Central School – Bianca Freestone, Academic Excellence in the School Certificate

● Manilla Central School – Chloe Miller, Academic

Excellence in the Higher School Certificate.

Roslyn McGregor, of Collarenebri Central, took out the award for outstanding contribution by an Aboriginal staff member.

Ross Hill Public School was named the Outstanding School for 2011, with Westdale Public School gaining the award for the Community and School Partnership.

The Award for Recognition of Contribution to Aboriginal Education and Lifelong Learning by an Aboriginal Elder went to Janice McCallum, of Manilla Central School.

Hughie Berry, of Gunnedah High, won the Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Award.

Founder will give lecture



THE Oorala Aboriginal Centre at the University of New England is celebrating

its 25th anniversary with a lecture by the centre's founder, Lynette Riley.

The event, at 7.30pm on 16 September in the Oorala Centre, will also be the 25th in the centre's series of annual Frank Archibald Memorial Lectures.

Ms Riley established the centre, and the lecture series, in 1986. Her lecture at UNE will be titled 'Influences on Aboriginal lives – a personal reflection. What affects Aboriginal community engagement?'

Ms Riley, a Wiradjuri and Gamilaroi woman from Dubbo and Moree, is now a senior lecturer and academic co-ordinator of the Koori Centre at the University of Sydney. UNE says that during her career of more than 30 years in Aboriginal education she has been actively involved in finding solutions and bringing about lasting change in the community.

These initiatives include the development of an Aboriginal



LYNETTE RILEY

adult literacy course and an Aboriginal resource library at Tranby Aboriginal College in Sydney, where she worked from 1982 to 1985 as head teacher (skills education). At TAFE she undertook a research project that resulted in an Aboriginal arts and cultural practices course.

As the founding director of the Oorala Aboriginal Centre (1986-1992), Ms Riley developed an Aboriginal Studies program with an Aboriginal Studies major in UNE's Bachelor of Arts degree

program, and introduced Aboriginal perspectives into study programs in each of the university faculties.

UNE says her involvement in research projects has led to the development of long-term programs and capital development including the mobile library for western NSW in partnership with the Dubbo City Library, and an Aboriginal resource centre attached to the library on the Dubbo TAFE campus.

Ms Riley was also instrumental in the development of new approaches to working with Aboriginal people, resulting in initiatives including the Western Institute of TAFE's Aboriginal Education Strategic Plan (1994), the Aboriginal Education Review (NSW Department of Education and Training, 2004) and the Aboriginal Student Gifted and Talented Program (NSW Department of Education and Training, 2005).

People intending to attend the lecture can let organisers know by phoning (02) 6773 3909 or by e-mail to events.pr@une.edu.au

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The class of 2011 Certificate IV in Business (Governance) before the awards ceremony in Port Macquarie. Standing, from left, Registrar Anthony Beven, Alison Williams, Karyn Sam, Linda Wapau, Rosemary Norman-Hill, Deborah Foley, Christian Lugnan, Lee Chilman, Larry Foley, Glen Crump and facilitator Cathrena McRae. Seated, from left, Mabel Quakawoot, Peter White and Denyse Potts. (Absent: Anne Towney). Photo courtesy of The Learning Workshop

Graduates attain governance skills



WORKERS from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations in Queensland and New South Wales have completed a course in governance.

The graduates celebrated the finish of their Certificate IV in Business (Governance) at a function in Port Macquarie on 25 August.

The nine women and four men completed four weeks of training over six months, taking time out from their jobs for the course, conducted by the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC).

The Certificate IV in Business (Governance) is amongst nationally accredited training courses offered by ORIC to support corporations.

Indigenous Corporations Registrar Anthony Beven congratulated the graduates, telling them governance was important to developing strong corporations, strong people and

strong communities. "Good governance is the cornerstone of every successful corporation," Mr Beven said.

"I am proud that my office has been part of the learning journey taken by these leaders of their communities."

The course was divided into four one-week blocks and consisted of 13 practical units ranging from monitoring financial budgets and managing a board meeting to planning for organisational needs.

Workshops

Students were required to take part in group workshops and also to complete assignments either at home or in evening classes.

Graduate Glen Crump, a Kamilaroi man and a director of Pius X Aboriginal Corporation in Moree, said the training was tough but rewarding.

"I now feel I have the knowledge, skills and confidence to maintain high governance standards," he said.

Course facilitator Cathrena McRae said the graduates were a lively group to work with.

"We did lots of learning and lots of laughing," she said.

"It was great to see the development of governance skills in the students from beginning to end and I know that they will take these skills back to their corporations and communities."

The Certificate in Business (Governance) is funded by the Australian Government through the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC).

For more details about the course and others go to www.oric.gov.au or call ORIC's freecall number 1800 622 431 (not free from mobiles).

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Spectacular comes alive



THE newly-formed Schools Spectacular Aboriginal

Dance Company has been in Moree for the 2011 Vibe Alive festival and to make their debut with a new work.

The group comprises 15 students from 14 schools across NSW.

The students have been working with Bangarra Dance Theatre artist in residence Frances Rings to prepare for upcoming events.

The students, who will be part of a larger Indigenous ensemble at the Schools Spectacular, have recreated

the Bangarra repertoire piece 'Lead', which they premiered at Vibe Alive in Moree last week.

The students will join with other Indigenous youngsters from around the state for the annual Schools Spectacular, on 25-26 November this year at the Sydney Entertainment Centre.

Schools Spectacular official Peter Cook said the ensemble initiative was part of a broader strategy to support students as part of the new school leaving age policy.

Apart from dancing at Vibe Alive, the group will play a major role in other staged

events held across NSW, including the State Dance Festival.

Singer Nathan Foley and hip hop artists The Street Warriors offered students advice and inspiration at last week's Vibe Alive.

High schools represented in the Schools Spectacular Aboriginal Dance group are Banora Point, Blacktown Girls, Cessnock, Cowra, Gorokan, Hunter School of the Performing Arts, Inverell, Irrawang, Kingscliff, Newtown High School of the Performing Arts, Northlakes, Sir Joseph Banks, Wellington and Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts.



Dancers in last year's Schools Spectacular perform *The Light of the Dark*. The song was written by Tweed River High School Indigenous student Zane Kingi. He has just graduated from NSW public education's Talent Development Project.

Competition victory to St Finbarr's School



ST FINBARR'S School at Byron Bay has won the 2011 Cape Byron – Arakwal Corporation – National Parks and Wildlife T-shirt design competition.

Year Five/Six students from the school proudly wore their NAIDOC shirts, printed with winner Rose O'Neill's design, when they received their award from members of the Arakwal community at Byron Bay in northern NSW.

The theme chosen by the class was Hands Across Byron Bay, inspired by the Generation One school project called Hands Across Australia.

"The connection between St Finbarr's and the Arakwal community has been important to the education of students and teachers in local Aboriginal culture and Australia's Indigenous cultures in general," said class teacher Greg Flint.

"The complex thinking and concepts expressed in the posters were a culmination of all



St Finbarr's Year Five/Six students and teacher Greg Flint with Arakwal representatives Tellara Kay-Thorpe and Delta Kay who helped judge the shire-wide Byron NAIDOC T-shirt competition and presented the winning class with their shirts.

the great learning done during Reconciliation Week this year and the fantastic ongoing support of the Arakwal community over many years."

St Finbarr's recently celebrated ten years of

NAIDOC at the school with a cultural learning and activities day. Mr Flint said NAIDOC was a special day on the school calendar which all the children looked forward to and talked about long after.

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Award for Wyong centre



THE Eleanor Duncan Aboriginal Health Centre on the NSW Central Coast has received an accreditation award. The practice, based in Wyong, received the top honour from Australian General Practice Accreditation Ltd (AGPAL), a leading provider in accreditation services.

AGPAL Chair Dr Richard Choong said the accreditation award showed the Eleanor Duncan practice made a significant investment in quality.

"Achieving accreditation is a major achievement for any practice and it is a clear demonstration that Eleanor Duncan Aboriginal Health Centre is seeking to improve their level of service to both patients and the community," he said.

"Practices seek accreditation because they want to be the best and view this as another step toward excellence."

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Staff at the Eleanor Duncan Aboriginal Health Centre, from left, Tamara Sutherland, Karen Thew, Jason Head, Jenny Dinham, Dr Greg Lawford, Michael Higgins, Michelle Byrne, Hannah Trindall and Darren Barton. Absent: CEO Cathie Sinclair and Glynis Byers.

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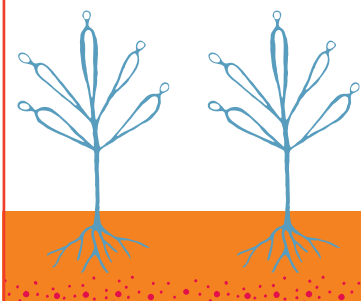
The standards train staff in areas such as ensuring vaccines are within their use-by-date and are stored in the

correct temperatures; that the practice equipment is clean and sterile and the practice has emergency care available.

Dr Choong said accreditation was attainable only through co-operation and communication between staff members.

"Everyone at the practice plays a role in working to meet the standards. It gives staff a real sense of pride to work in an accredited practice," Dr Choong said.

For further information on AGPAL, visit www.agpal.com.au



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- Aboriginal Post enrolment Scholarships are open all year
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Scholarship application forms can be downloaded from <http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing/scholarships.asp>

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Quit programs gain support



Maari Ma chief executive officer Bob Davis ... "One of the barriers to improved health among Aboriginal communities is access to mainstream health services and the delivery of culturally appropriate health services."



THE Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation, based in Broken Hill, has joined health worker Ian Lacey's defence of Indigenous smoking cessation programs, which recently copped criticism from Federal Shadow Treasurer Joe Hockey. Mr Hockey declared last month that such programs were 'an outrageous waste of money' and called for them to be scrapped.

His comments followed the release of a Finance Department report that found dismal outcomes in Indigenous programs, despite Commonwealth expenditure of up to \$3.5 billion annually.

However, Maari Ma chief executive officer Bob Davis says the health service is proud of its smoking cessation program, which had been operating since 2005, and which he said had a 24 per cent success rate.

Mr Hockey criticised the Federal Government's three-year \$100 million program, placing Indigenous tobacco workers in 57 regions to help Indigenous smokers quit and to educate others not to take up the habit, saying the initiative duplicated existing health programs, and was 'a classic example of the sort of waste that Australians would be outraged about'.

But former NRL player-turned-health worker Ian Lacey challenged the Shadow Treasurer to visit Brisbane to see his team's work in encouraging key lifestyle changes amongst Indigenous people in their area.

"We are sorely disappointed that Mr Hockey would bag our work," Mr Lacey said.

'Ill-informed'

Mr Davis agreed, labeling Mr Hockey's comments 'ill-informed'.

"We have been working closely with our communities in far west NSW for many years now developing specific programs for Aboriginal people which target chronic disease," he said last week.

"Chronic conditions such as cardiovascular disease and kidney disease share common risk factors, one of which is tobacco smoking."

"We have a specific Smokers Cessation Program implemented in 2005 which has been evaluated and shows 24 per cent of people involved in that program are now

recorded as 'ex-smokers' in their medical records.

"We are very proud of this result and in no way does this show that these types of programs are a waste of money."

Mr Davis said staff were trained to deliver the program effectively and were accepted by communities.

"One of the barriers to improved health among Aboriginal communities is access to mainstream health services and the delivery of culturally appropriate health services," he said.

"We have a primary health care service with doctors, nurses and health workers delivering quality, effective programs, and we have a health worker trainee program which recognises that qualified and professional Aboriginal health workers are a significant step along a path towards reducing chronic illness in Aboriginal communities and reducing premature mortality."

Mr Davis said Maari Ma had a practical focus on programs, working in partnership with mainstream health service providers.

"We don't duplicate existing health department programs," he said. "We have a commitment as a nation to bring about change to the abhorrent gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal life expectancy and we need both the financial and social investments of government to do it."

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Alzheimer's Australia Vic education services general manager Dr David Sykes, Alzheimer's Australia Vic education officer John Price, graduates Pam Brown, Rhonda Watson and Rachel Drewitt and Alzheimer's Australia Vic program co-ordinator – traineeships Erica Ryan.

Health workers get dementia training



ABORIGINAL health care workers in Victoria have received specialised training to help people with dementia.

Alzheimer's Australia Vic awarded Aboriginal Community Elders Service (ACES) trainees with their Certificate III in Home and Community Care at a graduation ceremony.

Alzheimer's Australia Vic education services general manager Dr David Sykes presented the graduates with the nationally-recognised certificate acknowledging the dedication and continued service shown by the women, as well as the importance of continuing to educate workers in the care of people with dementia.

"Alzheimer's Australia Vic is proud to have been part of the further development of these health care workers," he said.

"The care of older people in the community is vital, and we need to continue providing great educational opportunities that will help support the elderly and those impacted by dementia.

"This course allows workers to better understand dementia, the people that live with dementia and the appropriate response for behaviours that may cause concern."

Completed course

Pam Brown, Rachel Drewitt, Rhonda Watson, Annabelle Jayasekera and May Andy completed their Alzheimer's Australia Vic course at the ACES centre Brunswick, where all five work in Aboriginal health.

The certificate course provides participants with knowledge and skills to help the elderly, and those with dementia, in their everyday life.

The accreditation of Aboriginal health workers is of particular importance, with the Aboriginal communities in Victoria showing a steady increase in the number of people with dementia.

Although total figures for Victoria are unknown, findings from Alzheimer's Australia's Paper No 12 (August 2007) focused within the Kimberley Region show one in eight Aboriginal people are affected by dementia – which is

almost five times the rate of other Australians.

Alzheimer's Australia Vic continues to promote the education of health care workers within the field of dementia by providing training to people with

dementia, carers, health professionals and the community.

For more information about dementia in Indigenous communities visit the website http://www.alzheimers.org.au/common/files/NAT/20070800_Nat_

NP_12DemMajHlthProbIndig.pdf

For more information about dementia in Victoria's Indigenous communities visit http://www.alzheimers.org.au/common/files/NAT/20100100_Nat_NSL_ATSIDemNewsJan10.pdf

Mobile and Relocatable Schedule September to October

Cairns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dimbulah and Chillagoe, mid September - Kowanyama, end of September - Wujal Wujal and Hopevale, early October - Cooktown, mid to end October 	Townsville <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pentland, mid September - Charters Towers, October to mid Nov
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Wide Bay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agnes Water and Miriam Vale, end October - Maryborough, mid October to mid December 	Sunshine Coast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Buderim, end Sept to end October
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On line applications for the Undergraduate Allied Health Stream of the NAHSSS are anticipated to open on Monday 12 September 2011 and close on 17 October 2011.

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www.sarrah.org.au

The NAHSSS is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing.

Producers set to emerge

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THE Australia Council for the Arts' Emerging Indigenous Producers Mentorship (EIPM) started its inaugural 18-month program at the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF)

amidst a buzz of excitement.

While you may not recognise their names just yet, up-and-coming Indigenous producers Joshua Bond, Lara Croydon, Alison Murphy-Oates and Rosealee Pearson are about to embark on a the opportunity of a lifetime, and are bringing along plenty of zest for Indigenous performing arts.

The four have teamed up with some of Australia's leading arts organisations to enhance their skills, knowledge and expertise and have been supported by Indigenous art industry veterans including Rhoda Roberts and Rachel Maza Long.

Indigenous program officer Merindah Donnelly is not only passionate about Indigenous producers creating Indigenous work, but has been pivotal in getting the message out there.

While 'Bums on Seats' – an Australia Council research initiative – recognised the growing demand for Indigenous arts, Ms Donnelly took the research one step further and identified how the industry could best utilise the Indigenous sector.

The result has been a first-of-its-kind mentorship that aims to have four industry-ready Indigenous producers by the beginning of 2013.

"The best way that I can describe it is at



The recipients of the Emerging Indigenous Producers mentorships Rosealee Pearson (Belvoir and Urban Theatre Projects), Lara Croydon (Queensland Theatre Company), Alison Murphy-Oates (Performance Space in conjunction with producer Marguerite Pepper) and Josh Bond (Queensland Performing Arts Centre).

the end of the 18 months we hope to have four more Rhoda Roberts who will acquire the skills that will enable them to do whatever they want to do in their careers," Ms Donnelly said.

"This is a really long-term strategic investment and something we believe will

change the way the industry operates.

"I think the program is the key to self-determination in the arts and the reason why I say that is a lot of organisations want to put on shows by black artists, performed by black performers that have black producers and black technicians working on them. To

empower mainstream organisations, these producers really are the key to all that.

"If it's going to be done properly, it's vital to have an Indigenous person producing Indigenous work."

Ms Donnelly believes one of the most fundamental elements of the mentorship is that the organisations exist to meet the needs of the producers, not the other way around.

"We know there are plenty of incredible stories from our mob and plenty of talent and skill but the gap is finding the people and organisations to allow that talent to be seen," she said.

"The most important thing for our mob is to have Indigenous producers producing Indigenous work, the need to invest in skills that will enable our work to be produced by our mob, that was the vision behind setting up the program."

The program was well received at the 2nd National Indigenous Theatre Forum during CIAF and created interest in the long-term potential for the Indigenous performing arts industry.

"There is such an overwhelming groundswell of support that it feels like we're at the start of something really big. What it means is that more and more Indigenous stories and works and dance will reach more audiences across Australia," Ms Donnelly said.

"Indigenous theatre practitioners want to produce and deliver our stories nationally and internationally and this program is a significant step in that direction. I think the future's going to be so bright for these four producers."



WAAP 2011

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The Wollotuka Institute invites traditional and contemporary **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists** to submit paintings, photographs, pottery/ceramics or sculptures for their annual Indigenous art exhibition.

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The Wollotuka Acquisitive Art Prize of \$5,000 will be awarded to the entry that best reflects the stories and experiences of the artist. **The Interrelate Family Services Aquisitive Prize of \$1,000** will be awarded to the entry that best depicts Indigenous family and community connections. A **People's Choice Award** will also be given.

The winning entry of this prize may be used by Interrelate in its marketing efforts to support the wellbeing of Indigenous families in NSW.

For further information contact: Kelly Staines at The Wollotuka Institute, phone 02 4921 8898, email kelly.staines@newcastle.edu.au or download an entry form at: <http://www.newcastle.edu.au/Resources/Institutes/Wollotuka/WAAP-2011-entry.pdf>

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IMAGE: Winner of the People's Choice Award 2010 *The Journey* by Casey Lee Wright



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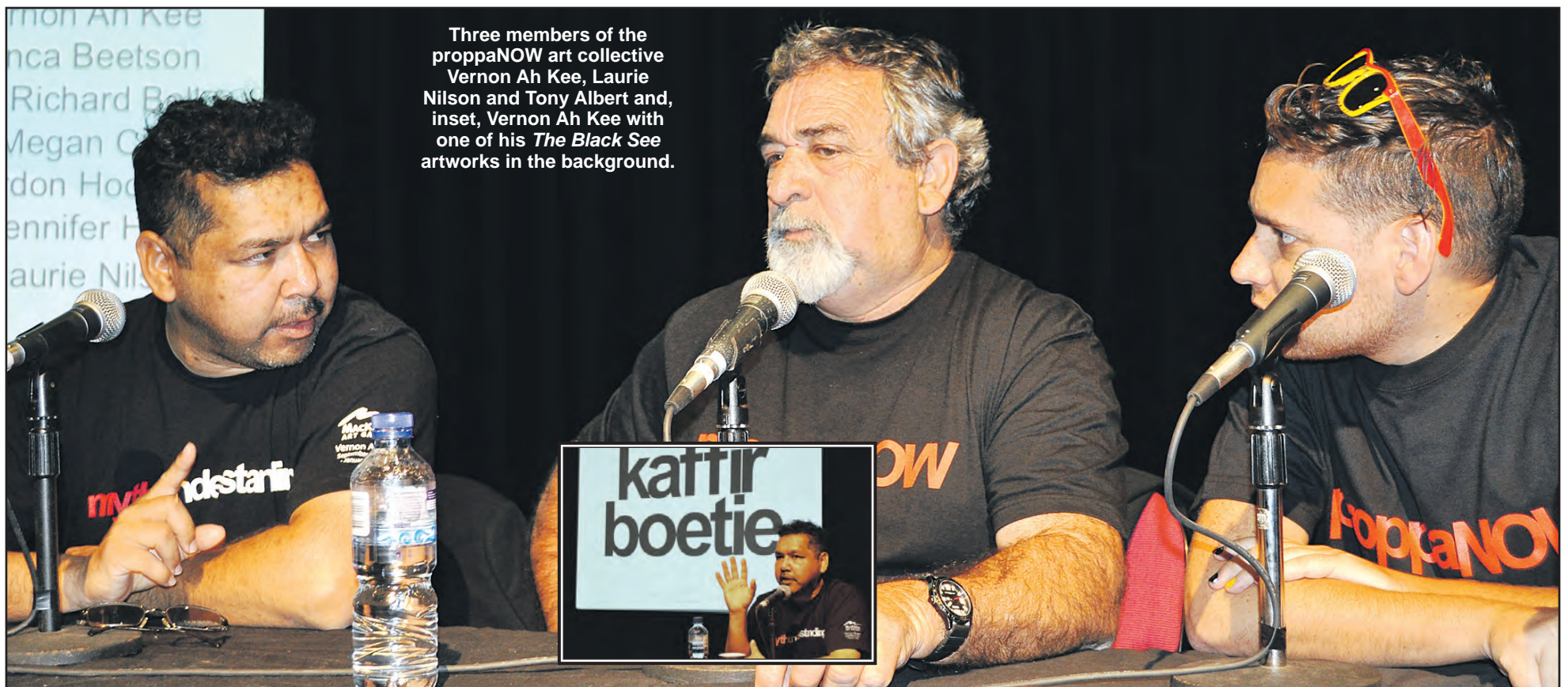


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Three members of the proppaNOW art collective Vernon Ah Kee, Laurie Nilson and Tony Albert and, inset, Vernon Ah Kee with one of his *The Black See* artworks in the background.

Telling it like it is

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



VERNON Ah Kee's ability to 'tell it like it is' is an art in itself. He has been perfecting the nuances of political agitation since his early days as a young artist, and when he tells you his job is to make you feel uncomfortable, he means it.

Ah Kee appeared alongside his fellow urban artists known as proppaNOW for their *The Black See* exhibition commissioned for the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF). The Qld artist warns early on not to go looking for any soft edges in the group's work. And, in fact, there are none.

The symposium at the Centre of Contemporary Arts played to a packed audience expecting some robust discussions on day two of CIAF.

"This country is so white and it really does detest the Aboriginal presence. There's a psychosis in this country, I think they probably wish we'd died out a long time ago," Ah Kee said.

He was referring to the many conversations *The Black See* exhibition has stirred up. It is a provocative and challenging commentary on the Aboriginal experience of race and racism in Australian sport driven by a series of incidents including former NRL star Andrew Johns' comments on Greg Inglis.

The works encompass media including paint, photography, paper and sculpture by Tony Albert, Richard Bell, Bianca Beetsen, Jennifer Herd, Gordon Hookey and Laurie Nilson, including its newest and youngest member Megan Cope.

The work can be confronting.

The group's members all come from varied backgrounds and artistic leanings but share the same ideals – to continue to challenge and push the boundaries just that little bit farther. And while their in-your-face style is not for everyone – already having challenged a couple of audience critics throughout the symposium – they don't back down from a fight.

"We're not pretend artists, we encourage each other to go hard, but critique each other too, sometimes very harshly. We keep each other honest. We're dealing with content that's oppositional and say the things that need to be said," Ah Kee said.

It is perhaps what has set this Aboriginal collective apart from the rest.

"A lot of what we do is based on this underlying anger," Ah Kee said. "Every Aboriginal person in this country is very angry, day after day, year after year, they keep it at a simmer. If I find a blackfella that's not angry then I'm suspicious."

"The treatment of Aboriginal people in this country should disgust you, it should sicken you to the point that you should want to leave."



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Novel way to raise money



A MAJOR new Indigenous work directed by Wesley Enoch and

premiering next January as part of the Sydney Festival has used an innovative way of raising the \$300,000 needed for the development and staging of the theatre/music/film event.

I am Eora will feature 30 Aboriginal creative artists and performers from around Sydney and Australia and tells the story of Sydney's Aboriginal cultural continuity, and is inspired by three real people who have taken on mythical status – Pemulwuy, Barangaroo and Bennelong.

In June, the call-out was made for 60 associate producers to contribute \$5000 each, with funding also coming from the Sydney Festival general programming budget.

It is believed to be first time the Sydney Festival has sourced money for a work in this way.

The 60 associate producers (whether they be individuals, a family, a business or a circle of friends) will become part of *I am Eora*'s team of producers, with behind-the-scenes insights and select opportunities as the production comes to fruition.

The first gathering of the associate producers is scheduled for next Wednesday.

Fellowship is available



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The selected Fellow will be expected to complete the project within six months, producing an article of between 6000 to 10,000 words for publication in the Australian Book Review.

For more information go to www.australianbookreview.com.au

Nambucca art a hit in Sydney



KOORI artists from the Nambucca Valley, in northern NSW, have been working with Swiss artist Margrit Rickenbach learning felting as a new art medium.

The resulting work is on show at Boomalli Aboriginal Art Gallery in Sydney's Leichhardt in an exhibition called *Gumbainggir Artists from Nambucca Valley, Northern NSW*.

Just a week and a half into the exhibition, which runs until 18 September, and already nine pieces had been sold.

The official opening of the exhibition on 20 August coincided with a celebration to mark the Flood Street premises being legally transferred over to Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative.

Director Bronwyn Bancroft said they had invited all of their volunteers and supporters who had been with them 'in the war zone' when Boomalli came close to being evicted from the premises in 2009 and closing its doors for good.

"We just got the deeds and we just wanted to mark it with a celebration," Bancroft said.

"It's about having that ownership, that self-determination thing," she said.

"Wow, we've actually achieved something. It's real, not some illusory dream."



● ABOVE LEFT: Auntie Phillipa Whatti at the official opening of the *Gumbainggir Artists* exhibition with her felt artwork *Tree Story*. She said the inspiration came from a time when some of the trees on the mission were being cut down. "I didn't like it, it was sad to see them cut down so this is about them, my beautiful trees," she said.

● ABOVE: Donna Brown with her untitled work.

● LEFT: From left, Jenny Fraser, Ronsie Chan, Sheryl Connors-Young, Wilson Miller, Bronwyn Bancroft and Craig Collie at the celebration last month to mark the official transfer of the land title deeds of the Boomalli premises to the artists co-operative.



Photos by SHARON HICKEY PHOTOGRAPHY

Deborah Cheetham takes up posting



INTERNATIONALLY acclaimed Australian Indigenous soprano Deborah Cheetham (pictured) has been appointed head of

the Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts, which supports Indigenous students at the Victorian College of the Arts (VCA) and the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music.

Ms Cheetham has forged an international career as an operatic singer, actor and author of the acclaimed play *White Baptist Abba Fan*, and more recently as the composer and director of Australia's first Indigenous opera –

Pecan Summer.

Faculty dean of the VCA and Music, Professor Barry Conyngham, welcomed Ms Cheetham's appointment.

"She will be an inspirational role model to aspiring Indigenous performers," he said.

"Ms Cheetham has the depth and breadth of experience to help set new policy and program benchmarks. We are excited by the range of artistic prospects for Indigenous students that we believe will transpire through Ms Cheetham's leadership of the Wilin Centre."

Ms Cheetham said she was thrilled to accept the position of head

of the Wilin Centre.

"The Wilin Centre has been a vibrant hub for Indigenous arts practice," she said.

"The focus at the Wilin Centre will continue to shine a light on Indigenous achievement and to assist Indigenous men and women to find a pathway to their chosen field of artistic expression achievement."

She said her *Pecan Summer* opera, which will be presented at Melbourne's Arts Centre Playhouse on 28, 29 and 30 September, features a cast of current students and alumni from the Faculty of the VCA and the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music.



DEBORAH CHEETHAM



Artetyerre, by Billy Benn, one of more than 20 artists featured in the *Ways of Seeing* exhibition.

'Outside' art comes together for Bondi exhibition



COO-EE Aboriginal Art Gallery in Sydney's Bondi Beach is hosting an exhibition

called *Ways of Seeing*, which explores outsider, or 'naïve' Indigenous art.

The artists featured in the exhibition come from a wide

variety of regions, use varied mediums and paint different stories, yet all present different ways of seeing the Australian landscape and its Aboriginal history.

The exhibition brings together more than 20 artists from the Kimberley to Alice Springs and back to Sydney.

Organisers say the term

'outsider art' is used to describe art created outside the boundaries of 'official culture', by self-taught or 'naïve' art makers.

Featured artists include Billy Benn, who was named one of 50 most collectable artists in Australia by Art Collector magazine.

With little structured training,

Benn was discovered by the mainstream market at the 2000 Desert Mob exhibition and has since had his works acquired by the National Gallery of Australia, the Art Gallery of New South Wales and the National Gallery of Victoria.

Other featured artists include Patsy Lulpunda, Gordon Syron, Kukula McDonald and Lily

Morton, as well as artists from Bindi (or Mwerre Anthurre) Artists, Tangentyere Artists from Alice Springs and Sydney's Weave Art Centre.

The exhibition runs until 17 September at Coo-ee Aboriginal Art Gallery, 31 Lamrock Ave, Bondi Beach, Sydney. For more info, go to www.cooeeart.com.au

'Vitality' on show

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



THE finalists for this year's \$20,000 Blake Prize awarded for religious or spiritual art, include a strong contingent of Indigenous works which

Blake Society chair Rod Pattenden described as 'a great representation of the vitality coming out of Indigenous practice'.

Mr Pattenden said there were at least seven Indigenous finalists this year, with works ranging from a burial pole by Irenie Ngalinba, abstract paintings and works from urban artists like Danie Mellor, Brian Robinson and Jonathon Jones, whose untitled finalist work is made out of 16 fluorescent tubes, steel and electrical cable.

Mr Pattenden said the Blake Prize provided a different context for work to be viewed in.

"It's quite interesting to see Indigenous art in that context," he said. "Rather than being tagged as Aboriginal art, the work is

being looked at through the lense of spirituality and religious practice, which gives a strength to the core content of a lot of Indigenous artwork."

Mr Pattenden said Brian Robinson's linocut print *As the Rains Fell and the Seas Rose* referenced traditional stories from the Torres Strait, but also included pop-culture icons Batman and Astro Boy and a reference to Christian mythology in the form of Noah's Ark.

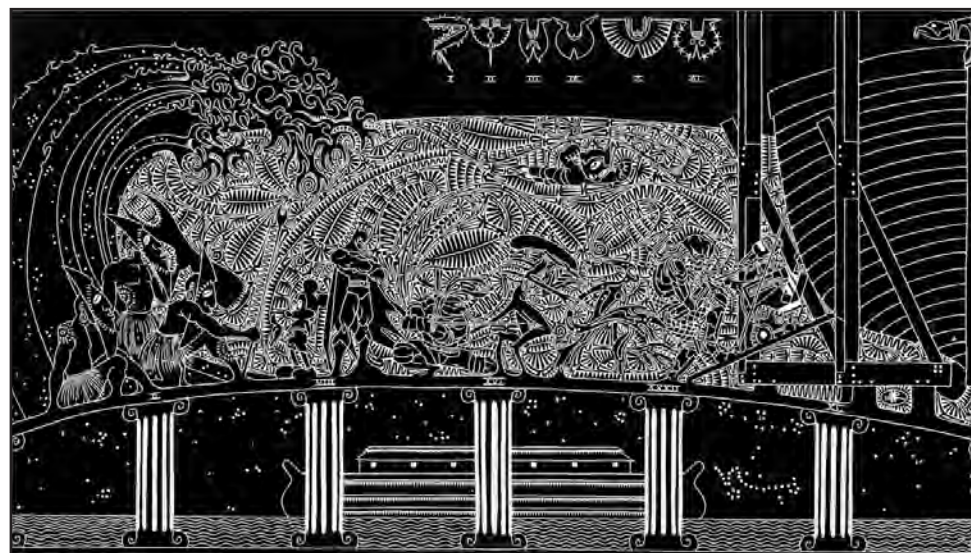
"He creates a visual space and leaves us with the question: How do you live today in your tradition, in a contemporary world dominated by TV and pop culture?" he said. "What do you hold on to?"

"Spirituality is a lived tradition.

"It's dynamic and creative, it's not just about tradition, it's about the issues of today. How do you make sense of your life today?"

"I think all viewers would understand the insights of this work."

The 2011 winner of the Blake Prize will be announced next Thursday 15 September 2011 at the National Art School



As the Rains Fell and the Seas Rose, 2011, linocut print by Brian Robinson.

Gallery, in Sydney's Darlinghurst, where the 60th Blake Prize Exhibition will run from Friday 16 September until

Saturday 15 October.

● For more info go to www.blakeprize.com.au

Impressive line-up at EARTH STATION



EMMA DONOVAN



ABORIGINAL acts Emma Donovan, Frank Yamma and APY Lands band Iwantja will join a global line-up of performers at the

inaugural Womad EARTH STATION festival to be held next month in Belair National Park, near Adelaide.

The new arts and sustainability event, being staged from 21-23 October, will balance discussions and forums presented by respected scientists, thinkers, broadcasters and activists on a variety of environmental concerns with a performance program on two stages.

With her music blending genres from roots, reggae and gospel to soul, Donovan sings as a solo artist and as part of the Black Arm Band and is committed to educating the global community to understand more about Aboriginal culture and spirituality.

Yamma recorded his latest album *Countryman* in an isolated, run-down house near Goulburn, in southern NSW. Singing about the importance of country and respect for the old law, his songbook also tells the harsh truths of alcohol abuse, cultural degradation and imprisonment, juxtaposing the contradictions within his life as a respected initiated Pitjantjatjara

man who has suffered as a disrespected outsider in the cities.

Yamma will perform with piano accompaniment from *Countryman's* producer, David Bridie.

Iwantja comes out of Indulkana community and has developed a sound described as a fusion of Aboriginal rock with desert reggae, heavy metal, sweet ballads and blues, fuelled by the guitar of Jeremy Whiskey and Top End vocalist Stuart Gaykamangu.

The group's first album, *Palya*, has blazed Iwantja's trail out of the APY Lands and onto music stages across Australia during the past 18 months.

Music NT labelled Iwantja as 'The Band of 2010' as they travelled and performed more than any other remote Indigenous group from central Australia.

Womad EARTH STATION will include visual displays, organic and sustainable food and stalls and a market.

Event director Ian Scobie said the event would enable patrons to contemplate and discuss some of the biggest environmental issues of the 21st Century and be entertained by a range of extraordinarily eclectic musicians from around the planet.

For more information about the festival go to www.earthstationfestival.com.au

Art gives residents hope for the future



ART is proving a valuable tool in a New South Wales diversionary program aimed at reducing re-offending by

recognising the talents of participants and using vocational education and training to build their skills.

The Balund-a facility in Tabulam in the Northern Rivers region has both male and female residents who've run foul of the law. It supports them by providing a cultural environment as they reflect upon their attitudes towards their lives and families.

The facility takes its name from 'Bugilmah Burube Wullinje Balund-a' which roughly translates to 'be good now you have a second chance down by the river'.

ACE North Coast Community Colleges (ACENC) teaches the residents cultural arts and work readiness skills in literacy, numeracy, communication and driver education. The registered training organisation also works closely with Job Services Agencies to secure employment outcomes.

For the cultural component of the program, ACENC has enlisted the help of some talented local Indigenous artists who work closely with Balund-a's residents. They include Lismore visual artist Penny Evans, who creates contemporary ceramics and mixed media art, and Casino painter Charlie Caldwell.

Luke Close is another practising artist working with the residents and speaks from experience about the difference art can make.



Phillip Moylan with his artwork.



Art teacher Luke Close with his artwork entitled *Family*. Photo by Kimberly Morgan-Smith

He credits art with helping him find his way after losing direction as a young man.

"I know where they've been because I've been there too," Luke said. "I remember being a young boy sitting with my Elders. They showed me symbols and told me 'this is your story, this is your dreaming, it belongs to you'."

"Some of these young people have lost their way and forgotten their story. When I speak with them I can see a light come on, like they are remembering their story. I tell them 'It's in your DNA!'" he said.

One person not shy about the opportunities presented through his time at Balund-a is 29-year-old Phillip Moylan, who was made a ward of the state while a young boy in Kempsey. Expelled from school at 13, he spent the majority of his teenage years in and out of boys' homes.

When he first arrived at Balund-a, Phillip knew next to nothing about painting. Now, he considers art a way to express himself, has produced more 40 pieces of artwork and recently sold one in an art exhibition at nearby Drake.

"It meant a lot to me because it was one I put a lot of work into," he said.

Before his time at Balund-a, Phillip couldn't cook either but he's now thinking of continuing his hospitality studies with a view to becoming a qualified chef.

"I'm really inspired by this place (Balund-a), it's provided me with opportunities I could never have had otherwise," Phillip said.

He said the program boosted his confidence too and he was looking forward to being reunited with his family and being a good role model in his community.

The change in Phillip hasn't gone

unnoticed, including by his literacy teacher Natalie Hannah.

Like many fellow residents, Phillip arrived at Balund-a quite withdrawn, she said.

"(But) it's truly amazing to watch the turnaround in these young people. Six months on, he is looking forward to returning home to his wife and children a different person, I'm really proud of him."

ACENC has colleges in Lismore, Tweed Heads, Casino and the Gold Coast and operates outreach programs in local communities.



Art teacher Penny Evans



Art teacher Charlie Caldwell has been painting since he was 15.

Online exhibition showcases Torres Strait collection



QUEENSLAND Museum in Brisbane's South Bank has created a new online version of its current exhibition

Awakening: Stories from the Torres Strait which showcases objects from the museum's extensive Torres Strait collection.

Museum director Graeme Potter said using new

technologies, the online exhibition includes facilities for zooming in on selected objects from the collection, bringing to life exquisite detail and remarkable skill.

Dr Potter said the technology offers amazing potential for future exhibitions.

"This is a new format for us and I think visitors to the website will be pleased to find features such as detailed object images and location maps," he said.

"Visitors can zoom in on some of the objects to see them in incredible detail, getting much closer to them than would be possible even at the museum.

Getting closer

"Visitors to the website will also have the opportunity to ask questions of our curators about objects in the exhibition and our curators can respond online so other users will benefit.

"We hope to offer online versions of other major exhibitions coming soon to the Museum."

Among the objects featured in *Awakening* are striking ceremonial masks, hand-crafted tools of daily life, internationally significant archaeological findings and objects collected by pioneering anthropologist A.C. Haddon reaching as far back as 1898.

Iconic objects from the collections of New Zealand's

national museum Te Papa Tongarewa, and 23 objects from Cambridge University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology are also featured.

Visit the online exhibition at www.awakening.qm.qld.gov.au.

Awakening: Stories from the Torres Strait is on at Queensland Museum South Bank until 2 October. Admission is free. For info visit www.southbank.qm.qld.gov.au

Bancroft's latest work is launched

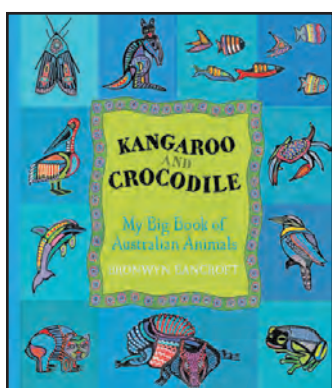
By MARGARET SMITH

SYDNEY'S Gleebooks was full to overflowing as Governor-General Quentin Bryce launched Bronwyn Bancroft's latest children's picture book, *Kangaroo and Crocodile*.

The evening started with a welcome to country by Euphemia Bostock.

The Governor-General spoke of her valued friendships with Aboriginal people and said she had learned so much from 'Aboriginal women who have educated me over the decades'.

She said Bronwyn



Bancroft's children's books had made a special impression on her, and commended her *Why I Love Australia* for gaining an honour at the recent Children's Book

Council's Awards.

Bancroft's new book is a companion volume to *Possum and Wattle*, with colourful artwork depicting animals and birds in their natural habitats such as eagles, echidnas, geckos and crocodiles.

The Governor-General said the book was full of vitality and imagination.

"They are all delightfully painted with vigour, elegance and confidence... It means so much to me to be included in this very special occasion," she said.

Kangaroo and Crocodile can be purchased from Little Hare Books and bookshops for \$24.95.



Author Bronwyn Bancroft, left, with the Governor-General Quentin Bryce, who launched *Kangaroo and Crocodile* at Gleebooks in Sydney last Monday.

HERE are some of the latest books that have come across our desks at the *Koori Mail*. Some of them are written, illustrated or published by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and publishers. Others are about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, cultures and history but come from non-Indigenous writers or mainstream

publishers. The *Koori Mail* features information about both, in the interests of promoting greater awareness and understanding about our people. While we publish book reviews from time to time, the information shown here also draws upon material provided by publishers and should not be taken to be the *Koori Mail's* opinion.

Decade-old book gets a makeover

COUNTRY of the Heart: An Indigenous Australian Homeland was first published almost a decade ago but its story is eternal.

Updated and re-issued last month, the book provides an introduction to the connections between Aboriginal people and the land that has sustained and nurtured them for generations.

That story is told through the voices of Indigenous academic Linda Ford and her family, the traditional custodians of Wagait country. It canvases the challenges that Ford's people continue to meet to maintain the health of 'country'. As Ford says: "Country gives us our identity."

Born in Mak Mak country and educated in the bush as well as in Anglo-Australian schools, Ford divides her time between her homeland and her position as senior lecturer with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit at the University of Queensland



Country of the Heart: An Indigenous Australian Homeland
By Deborah Bird Rose with Linda Ford, Nancy Daiyi, Kathy Deveraux, Margaret Daiyi, and April Bright.
Photographs by Sharon D'Amico
Published August 2011
176 pages
RRP \$44.95
ISBN 9780855757762

in Brisbane.

She holds a PhD in education from Deakin University and her research covers childhood and higher education. Her last book was *Aboriginal knowledge, narratives and country: Marri kunkimba putj putj marrideyan*.

Dr Deborah Bird Rose is a much-published author, known for her scholarship and lyrical writing.

Her strong relationship with the Mak Mak women pours from the pages. She writes across several disciplines, including anthropology, history, philosophy, cultural studies and religious studies, and has worked with Aboriginal people in

their claims to land.

Previous publications include: *Hidden Histories*, *Dingo Makes Us Human*; *Wild Dog Dreaming*.

Deborah Bird Rose teaches at Macquarie University (Centre for Research on Social Inclusion).

Publisher's praise

"Once there was a boy who lived on an island. He lived there all by himself. Spreading the seeds of our culture..."

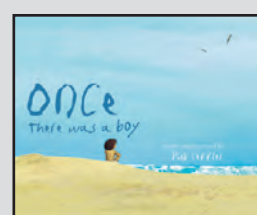
IT'S a big rap coming from Magabala Books, but the Broome-based Aboriginal publishing house says Dub Leffler's new book is amongst the most beautiful it has released.

Readers can see for themselves, with *Once there was a boy* – 'a universal story of friendship, temptation and reconciliation' – being released this month.

The picture book tells the story of a little boy with a broken heart who meets a young girl who shares his secret.

Author and illustrator Dub (David) Leffler is one of 13 children and grew up in the small town of Quirindi, south of Tamworth, in New South Wales.

Descended from the Bigambul and Mandandanji people of south-west Queensland, Dub began



Once there was a boy
Written and illustrated by Dub (David) Leffler
Published by Magabala Books
September 2011

his visual arts career as an animator and has worked as a muralist and art teacher.

He has illustrated several children's books and has collaborated with internationally recognised illustrators such as Colin Thompson, Shaun Tan and Banksy. *Once there was a boy* is the first book that Dub has written and illustrated.

"I wrote once there was a boy to show kids that boys have feelings too (just like girls) and that sometimes those feelings can get hurt and that's okay; especially when you're willing to let your friends help when you're feeling sad," Dub said.

Says the publisher Magabala: "With disarmingly innocent language, *Once there was a boy* belies an emotional depth that allows the author to reach out to both the young, and the young at heart."

Once there was a boy will be available this month in bookshops and online at www.magabala.com



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Intract on track

INDIGENOUS man John Briggs is at the helm of a new business launched in Adelaide last week developed to train, employ and open long-term career pathways for Indigenous people in the mining and civil construction industries.

As general manager of Intract – Indigenous Contractors, Mr Briggs said mentoring, teaching and employing trainees was just one part of what his company does.

“We also want to forge meaningful and mutually beneficial relationships with local Aboriginal people and involve them in culturally sensitive training, employment and community relations programs,” he said.

“Our broader vision is for Intract to help Aboriginal people further develop their communities and create their own opportunities for wealth generation.”

Intract provides contracting services to the mining and civil construction industry and is a joint initiative of the Aboriginal Foundation of South Australia and construction, industrial and environmental services provider McMahon Services. Intract’s services include road building and maintenance, large scale earthworks, land rehabilitation, roofing, plumbing and demolition.

In partnership with the Federal Government, Intract will initially recruit 40 Indigenous people over two years and provide them with skills training and mentoring to help them gain sustainable employment in the construction industry, and deliver benefits to their communities.

The Federal Government has contributed \$260,000 from its Indigenous Employment Program towards the creation and development of Intract’s



Intract – Indigenous Contractors general manager John Briggs with Intract participants and McMahon Services’ Indigenous ambassador Michael Long at the official launch of the business last week in Adelaide and, inset, Michael Long and Federal Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib with Intract graduates at the launch in Adelaide.

Indigenous Employment Project.

Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib said the project was bringing new opportunities and hope to Indigenous South Australians.

“This project is providing job-readiness training, employment, cultural awareness and mentoring services to the Indigenous South Australians participating in the program,” Senator Arbib said.

“I know that this project

is making a huge difference to the lives of Indigenous people in South Australian communities, by giving them the opportunity to earn economic independence for themselves and their families.”

Network

Intract’s Indigenous labour force is supported by McMahon Services’ construction services staff and the company’s \$40 million network of plant and equipment throughout SA, WA, Queensland and the Northern Territory.

McMahon Services managing director David McMahon said Intract built on the organisation’s commitment to working with Indigenous Australians.

“McMahon Services has been exposed to the rich culture of Australia’s Indigenous people through our work in South Australia’s APY Lands and in more than 100 Aboriginal communities stretching from Alice Springs to the Tiwi Islands,” Mr McMahon said.

“These projects have allowed us to see first-hand the benefits and enthusiasm

generated by providing Indigenous communities with new opportunities.”

Aboriginal Foundation of South Australia chief executive officer Grahame Tonkin said support from key stakeholders including the Government and the Bedford Group had already resulted in Intract’s first graduates working across South Australia.

“It is fantastic that this business is now seeing people take part in projects around Adelaide, Milang and Woomera,” Mr Tonkin said.

“Not only are the Intract participants learning new skills such as heavy machinery operation, they also have ongoing access to mentoring and can further build their careers as they work on different projects and gain professional experience.

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The Centre for Appropriate Technology (CAT) works with communities of Indigenous people to secure sustainable livelihoods through appropriate technology.

Regional Operations Manager (Based in Alice Springs)

CAT is searching for a dynamic leader to translate CAT's overarching vision and provide strategic direction to achieve community engagement and services.

The successful candidate will have:

- Ability to engage with stakeholders and Indigenous communities and funding agencies
- A broad understanding of the challenges relevant to remote community housing and infrastructure
- A high level of leadership, strategic planning and organisational skills
- Sound understanding of issues relating to indigenous culture and remote communities
- Organisational change management skills
- A formal qualification and a minimum of five years experience in either a scientific, engineering, building/architecture design discipline.

Please forward all applications consisting of a Resume, responses to the selection criteria and a covering letter to; Human Resources, PO Box 8044, Alice Springs NT 0871 by **COB 16th September 2011.**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Application packages can be obtained from: www.icat.org.au

For more information contact, Peter Taylor, CAT CEO on 08 8959 6138 or email; vacancies@icat.org.au



Housing Manager

- Award winning Community Housing Provider
- Permanent position- 35 hours per week
- SACS Grade 4 Above Award

Bridge Housing Limited (BHL) is committed to building sustainable communities and to providing a high quality and responsive housing service to its tenants. The role of Housing Manager is central to this as they are responsible for providing BHL's housing management service.

Based in Redfern, this is a varied and dynamic position which requires a background in housing management. The successful applicant will manage a portfolio of properties and be responsible for key housing management functions such as rent arrears recovery and debt prevention, reletting our homes with minimum delay, responding to neighbour complaints and tenancy breaches, and, working with other support providers and government agencies to ensure tenancies are successfully maintained.

The successful applicant will have a strong commitment to providing excellent customer service, demonstrated organisational skills which show their ability to balance competing demands and deadlines, and a practical knowledge of tenancy law and good practice, including the Residential Tenancies Act 2010.

To apply for this position you will be required to submit an up to date resume and no more than four sides of A4 addressing the essential and desirable criteria. To apply or find out more about this opportunity, contact Dan Evans at BRC Recruitment on 02 9299 2399 or send your CV to dan@brcrecruitment.com.au.

Closing date for applications is Monday 19th Sep 2011 at 1000hrs. Interviews will be held on 22nd September.



Education & Communities

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.

Local Facilitator, Schools as Community Centres Program

Clerk Grade 7

**Temporary Full-time position – Position No: 138695
North Coast Region – Kempsey West Public School**

Total remuneration package valued up to \$88,809 pa (salary \$78,142 to \$80,479 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Implementing and facilitating a Schools as Community Centres project based in a public school.

Selection Criteria: Demonstrated ability working with vulnerable families using a strengths based and community development approach. Proven capacity to engage stakeholders and to build and maintain key relationships and interagency partnerships in delivering initiatives for families with children birth to eight years. Demonstrated experience in project management including consultation, evaluation and resource coordination, with financial skills and an ability to meet deadlines and balance competing priorities. Knowledge of current government priorities for the early years, early years brain research and early intervention and prevention services for children and families. Sound oral and written communication skills and competency in using computer software applications such as Microsoft word, email and internet. Demonstrated capacity to work effectively with one or more of the following priority groups – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Current NSW Drivers licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies.

Notes: This is a temporary appointment available up to 30 June 2014. 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.

Inquiries Officer: Julie Killiby (02) 9266 8728; Mobile No: 0421 617 652

Email: julie.killiby@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Ava Shrestha (02) 9244 5660

Email: ava.shrestha@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Ms Ava Shrestha, Student Achievement and Community Partnerships Directorate, Department of Education and Communities, Level 13, 1 Oxford St, Darlinghurst, NSW 2010 or email applications to: ava.shrestha@det.nsw.edu.au

You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to advertisement number 138695.

Closing Date: 23 September 2011

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Northern Territory Government

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Environmental Operations Support Officer

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ENVIRONMENT THE ARTS AND SPORT

Administrative Officer 4 Remuneration Package Range \$63 996 – \$73 399

(Comprising salary \$55 556 – \$63 777, super, leave loading and the value of 2 weeks extra recreation leave.)

The Department of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sports (NRETAS) as an equal opportunity employer, treats all people on their merits at every stage of the employment relationship. This includes: selection and recruitment, promotion and transfer, training and development opportunities. NRETAS would like to attract people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent to work with us.

NRETAS currently has a vacancy within its Environmental Operations Unit. The position will support the Unit in the administration of the Waste Management and Pollution Control Act and the Water Act.

This is a great opportunity to be part of a dynamic team, protecting our Northern Territory environment.

Applications should address the Selection Criteria. Please refer to the contact details below for a copy of the Selection Criteria and Job Description.

For further information please contact Ewan Gunn on 08 8924 4137 or email ewan.gunn@nt.gov.au.

Quote vacancy number: 30586

Closing date: 23 September 2011

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Community Services

Office for Children, Youth and Family Services Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Integrated Services Delivery

Manager

Senior Officer Grade B

Salary Range: \$99,033 - \$111,485 (PN: 04834)

The position has a high level written and verbal strategic advice role in relation to services for vulnerable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, young people and their families and responsibility for management of a range of operational service delivery areas that may include: The effective delivery of coordinated family support services for vulnerable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people and their families; the provision of specific out of home care services including services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander foster care services; the management of other discrete services provided by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services. The position will provide leadership and high-level representation and liaison across the Community Services Directorate, ACT Government, Community Partners and the ACT community, particularly the ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Tertiary qualifications in a human services discipline are desirable and relevant experience is essential.

Note: This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identified position.

Contact Officer: Brian Wilson (02) 6205 4798 brian.wilson@act.gov.au

Applications Close: 19 September 2011

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**Academic and Global Relations Division
The Wollotuka Institute**

INDIGENOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Vacancy No. 1775

An Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person is required who will be responsible for the coordination of Indigenous support services, community engagement, educational relationships and activities within the Port Macquarie region, in contributing to the access, participation, retention and success of Indigenous students at the University of Newcastle.

The position is offered on a full-time, continuing basis and will be located at the Port Macquarie campus.

HEW Level 7 \$67,825 to \$76,303 per annum, plus a generous employer superannuation contribution of up to 17%.

Applications close: Wednesday 28 September 2011

All information about the position including selection criteria and application form can be found at **www.newcastle.edu.au/job-vacancies/**.

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DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE

SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER

Koori Justice Unit

\$76,424 - \$92,467 + super

Position No : DJ5357 Fixed term, 12 months

The Koori Justice Unit, within the Department of Justice's Community and Strategic Operations Branch, is primarily responsible for co-ordinating the development and delivery of Victoria's Koori justice policies and programs across the Victorian Government and justice system.

We are currently seeking a Senior Project Officer to undertake the development of the Department's Reconciliation and Inclusion Action Plan. This will include conducting the preliminary research, liaising with and promoting effective negotiation and communication with all stakeholders.

The successful applicant will have a demonstrated knowledge, understanding and an ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with the Victorian Koori community. Experience in managing and delivering of major projects would also be advantageous.

This 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. The successful applicant is required to have a demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Koori community as well as the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with the Koori community.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 21 September 2011

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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Domestic Violence Coordinator Walgett, NSW

- * Make a difference in this rewarding role!
- * Relocation Assistance + more provided!

The Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service has a rewarding opportunity for a **Domestic Violence Coordinator** to manage their **Staying Home Leaving Violence** program team, with a focus on **identifying the housing and support needs of women and children experiencing domestic/family violence**. Enjoy an **excellent remuneration package** plus super, **leave loading, salary sacrificing** and **negotiable relocation/accommodation support packages!**



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Team Leader Walgett, NSW

- * Make a difference in this leadership role!
- * Relocation Assistance + more provided!

The Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service has a fantastic opportunity for a Registered Nurse to join them as **Team Leader** of the **Family Centred Primary Health Care Outreach Team**. You'll be **leading & coordinating a multi-disciplinary team in providing high quality health services to outlying communities**. Enjoy an **excellent remuneration package** + super, **leave loading, salary sacrificing, relocation and accommodation support** and a **work vehicle!**



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Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation



Do you have a passion for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music, culture and current affairs?

Production Coordinator (Events)

Artist Development Program - \$56K basic salary
12 month contract

A fantastic opportunity exists to join Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation as Production Coordinator (Events). This position is responsible for preparation, planning and implementation of events with the Artist Development Team, to include: Gadigal Music, Young, Black & Deadly, Klub Koori and Yabun, reporting to the Artist Development Manager. This is a full time position, working Monday to Friday.

Essential Skills are:

- Aboriginality
- Demonstrated experience in major event production management and in the provision of high level operational support within a dynamic and challenging environment.
- Ability to read, interpret and cost technical drawings and designs.
- Well-developed written and oral communication skills, combined with proven ability to negotiate and interact on key activities and sensitive issues.
- Budget and contract management experience.
- Experience in dealing with a wide range of stakeholders including representatives of external organisations, contractors, suppliers, volunteers and staff.
- Maturity, discretion, sound judgement and the capacity to act autonomously in the execution of daily administration and co-ordination of multiple projects.
- Experience in using project management, scheduling, spread sheet and word processing software packages.
- Experience in management of staff, contractors and suppliers.
- Demonstrated commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity, Occupational Health and Safety, and Cultural Diversity principles.

DESIRABLE:

- Strong industry contacts • Current driver's license

Gadigal Music/Studio Coordinator

Artist Development Program - \$54K basic salary
12 month contract

A fantastic opportunity exists to join Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation as Gadigal Music/Studio Coordinator. This position is responsible for coordinating Gadigal Music Label, Kameyagal Recording Studio and implementing the Gadigal Music artist development program as directed by the Artist Development Manager & General Manager.

This is a full time position, working Monday to Friday.

Essential Skills are:

- Aboriginality
- Experience in project planning and implementation
- Working to multiple deadlines and managing budgets
- Time management and project management skills
- Coordinating all associated production requirements e.g. graphic design, liner notes, distribution timetable to budget and deadline
- Ability to make operational decisions and remain calm under pressure
- Highly developed oral and written communication, negotiation and presentation skills
- Understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures
- Experience of working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
- Knowledge and understanding of the Australian recording industry, with particular relevance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander musicians
- Microsoft Office 7 skills: word; outlook; spreadsheet
- NSW Driver's license
- Working with Children check

DESIRABLE:

- Strong industry contacts
- Understanding of marketing, branding and publicity

Volunteer Broadcasters

Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND broadcasts across metropolitan Sydney and has an estimated audience of 100,000 people a week.

We are currently seeking past and new Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander broadcasters to be trained as volunteer Broadcasters with our deadly organisation.

If you think you are deadly enough and want to volunteer for a community radio station like Koori Radio 93.7 FM 2LND, and you live in the Sydney metropolitan area, and then please email your details to: info@gadigal.org.au and we will send you a program proposal and membership form.

For further information, including position description, please contact Lily Shearer, General Manager on (02) 9384 4000 by COB on Friday, 23th September 2011.

Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation is home to Koori Radio 93.7FM 2LND, Gadigal Music and Recording Studio, Young Black and Deadly, Klub Koori and Yabun Festival.

GIS is a not-for-profit, Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander community media and arts organisation operating from state-of-the-art premises in Redfern, Sydney on the site of the Old Black Theatre.

Jobs that make a difference

Regional Aboriginal Health Officer VPSG-4

Health and Aged Care, Public Health Unit
Grampians Region

\$66,235 - \$75,151 + Super

The Regional Aboriginal Health Officer is responsible for coordinating and delivering a range of strategic projects to assist the region to develop and implement approaches to:

- Improve health outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities.
- Strengthen the provision of culturally appropriate health services to Aboriginal people in the Grampians Region.
- Improve the cultural competency of regional health staff and health service providers.
- Align regional activities to focus on achievement of State priorities for Aboriginal people.

This position will provide advice and support for the implementation of regional Aboriginal health initiatives; provide cultural advice to staff and management, and develop close working relationships with Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (ACCHOs).

Are you a team player?

Do you:

- Want to improve health outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities?
- Want to contribute to Closing The Health Gap?

This role has been exempted for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. VCAT exemption number: A067/A068/2010/0061

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: VG/DH/GRA/280013

For further information regarding this position please contact Julian Harvey on (03) 5333 6014

Applications close 26 September 2011

www.careers.vic.gov.au





Indigenous Client Support Officer

Legal Aid ACT is seeking a part time Indigenous Client Support Officer (ICS) to work 20hrs/week, Monday to Friday, as part of the Knowledge Services team. The ICS will work to the Legal Aid ACT's Indigenous Project Officer and the community legal education staff.

Salary range: \$54,956pa - \$59,668pa (pro rata for part time) plus 15.4% superannuation.

The ICS will assist Legal Aid ACT in identifying and delivering its services to meet the special needs of Indigenous people and assisting Indigenous people to access services provided by Legal Aid ACT and other legal assistance providers. The ICS will also assist in developing and delivering targeted and culturally sensitive legal support and education to Indigenous communities.

Please download and read the position description. This is located at <http://www.legalaidact.org.au/>

For further information on the position call Deborah Evans on (02) 6243 3446 (9:00am to 1:00pm, weekdays).

Note: This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified position. A new workplace agreement is currently being negotiated with salary increases anticipated.

Applications should be forwarded to hr@legalaidact.org.au or the HR Manager, GPO Box 512, Canberra, ACT 2601 by close of business **21 September 2011**.

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Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Outreach Officer, SWOP

The Sex Workers Outreach Project (SWOP) is a community-based not for profit organisation promoting the health, safety and well being of NSW sex workers while affirming their occupational and human rights. SWOP is co-located with and supported by ACON*.

SWOP is seeking an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community member to work as part of the SWOP outreach team. The position provides outreach to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people engaged in sex work across NSW, with the aim of encouraging and supporting safe behaviours and empowering these community members to protect themselves and improve their health and wellbeing. This position will also work with and be supported by ACON's Aboriginal Project staff in joint activities such as outreach at Aboriginal community events.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine requirement of this position as per Section 14 of the NSW *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Previous experience in and or knowledge of the NSW sex industry is essential, as is a NSW driver's licence and some outdoor and evening work. All information provided by applicants is kept confidential and only viewed by the interview panel.

This is a part-time position three days per week (21 hours/week) and is based in Surry Hills. Applications from those seeking job share placements will also be considered.

Applications for this position close 5pm Friday Septemeber 16, 2011.

For all the details, download a job pack from the SWOP website (<http://www.swop.org.au/about-us/work-at-swop>) or contact ACON reception after 11am Monday – Friday on 02 9206 2000. All applications must include a completed application form (from job pack), a document addressing the Selection Criteria (from job pack) and a copy of your resume.

*ACON is Australia's largest community-based Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender health and HIV/AIDS organisation.

www.swop.org.au

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Education &
Communities

Local Facilitator, Schools as Community Centres Program

Clerk Grade 7

Temporary Part-time position – Position No: 138680

South Western Sydney Region – Curran Public School

Total remuneration package valued up to \$88,809 pro-rata pa (salary \$78,142 to \$80,479 pro-rata pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Implementing and facilitating a Schools as Community Centres project based in a public school.

Selection Criteria: Demonstrated ability working with vulnerable families using a strengths based and community development approach. Proven capacity to engage stakeholders and to build and maintain key relationships and interagency partnerships in delivering initiatives for families with children birth to eight years. Demonstrated experience in project management including consultation, evaluation and resource coordination, with financial skills and an ability to meet deadlines and balance competing priorities. Knowledge of current government priorities for the early years, early years brain research and early intervention and prevention services for children and families. Sound oral and written communication skills and competency in using computer software applications such as Microsoft word, email and internet. Demonstrated capacity to work effectively with one or more of the following priority groups – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Current NSW Drivers licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies.

Notes: This is a temporary part-time (28 hpw – 0.8 FTE) appointment available up to 30 June 2014. 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.

Inquiries Officer: Julie Killiby (02) 9266 8728; Mobile No: 0421 617 652

Email: julie.killiby@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Ava Shrestha (02) 9244 5660

Email: ava.shrestha@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Ms Kathy Strong, Principal, Curran Public School, Melaleuca Drive, MACQUARIE FILEDS NSW 2564 or email applications to: Kathleen.Strong@det.nsw.edu.au

You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to advertisement number 138680.

Closing Date: 23 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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Education &
Communities

Local Facilitator, Schools as Community Centres Program

Clerk Grade 7

Temporary Full-time position – Position No: 138709

Sydney Region – Alexandria Park Community School

Total remuneration package valued up to \$88,809 pa (salary \$78,142 to \$80,479 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Implementing and facilitating a Schools as Community Centres project based in a public school.

Selection Criteria: Demonstrated ability working with vulnerable families using a strengths based and community development approach. Proven capacity to engage stakeholders and to build and maintain key relationships and interagency partnerships in delivering initiatives for families with children birth to eight years. Demonstrated experience in project management including consultation, evaluation and resource coordination, with financial skills and an ability to meet deadlines and balance competing priorities. Knowledge of current government priorities for the early years, early years brain research and early intervention and prevention services for children and families. Sound oral and written communication skills and competency in using computer software applications such as Microsoft word, email and internet. Demonstrated capacity to work effectively with one or more of the following priority groups – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Current NSW Drivers licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies.

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You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to advertisement number 138709.

Closing Date: 23 September 2011

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Human Resources Advisor: Get a career that matters.

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We currently have a vacancy for an experienced HR Advisor to join our Business Services team based in North Parramatta. Working in a business partner capacity for a specific portfolio of clients, the HR Advisor will provide advice and support to their client group on all facets of generalist HR such as performance management and grievances, end to end recruitment, HR Reporting, developing and delivering training and will act as a Return to Work Coordinator for Workers Compensation claims.

Applicants will require:

- Professional qualifications of degree standard in an appropriate HR related discipline and / or 3 + years experience in a generalist HR position.
- Effective communication, negotiation and project management skills.
- Working knowledge and experience in performance counselling.

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16 September 2011

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- Certificate IV in Training & Assessment (TAA40104)
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- Minimum 3 years' industry experience
- Demonstrated experience teaching adults
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- A strong work ethic
- Inter-cultural awareness
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Trainers will be responsible for the overall delivery and supervision of the training programs and will work closely with Training Coordinators to develop, implement and review the training programs in order to meet program goals.

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Mary Regan, National Training Manager
PO Box 568, Pyrmont NSW 2009
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Knowledge creates a future



The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council is the peak Aboriginal health organisation in NSW representing Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services. The AH&MRC are currently seeking applications for the following positions which are located at Surry Hills, Sydney.

Media & Communications Coordinator

Fixed term, full or part time for 2 years

The position will manage AH&MRC media relations and communications that contribute to achieving the AH&MRCs objectives in political advocacy.

Project Officer (Chronic Disease)

Fixed term, full time for 12 months

The position will work as a member of the AH&MRC Chronic Disease program team and contribute to the development and implementation of all program activities and projects related to Chronic Disease.

Project Officer (Mens Sexual Health – HIV focus)

Fixed term, full time for 3 years

The position is responsible for activities and programs that increase awareness and improve understanding about HIV in the NSW priority populations of gay men, men who have sex with men and sister girls.

Administration Officer

Permanent, full time

This position is responsible for providing administrative and clerical support to the Secretariat which provides support to the Board of Directors and the AH&MRC Ethics Committee.

* Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply. The AH&MRC has a preference for employing suitably qualified Aboriginal people.

Applications close on Friday, 16 September 2011

For further information on these positions or other positions within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health sector in NSW, ring 02 9212 4777 or visit: www.ahmrc.org.au

Jobs that make a difference

Senior Aboriginal Employment Project Officer VPSG 5

Six months fixed term, full-time

Aboriginal Employment Unit

\$76,424 to \$84,445 + Super

The Aboriginal Employment Senior Project Officer will support the implementation of the *Department of Human Services and Department of Health Aboriginal Recruitment and Retention Strategy 2010-2013*.

This is an exciting opportunity to support the departments to improve employment outcomes for Aboriginal people across the state of Victoria.

Are you :

- An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person with skills and experience building workforce capacity?
- Passionate about improving outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities?
- Action-oriented, keen on getting the job done?
- Have contemporary knowledge of human resource practices?
- A good communicator, able to talk and negotiate with different types of people?
- Flexible, open to new ideas and different ways of doing things?

This role has been exempted for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. VCAT exemption number: A067/A068/2010/0056

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for this role please contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on: 1300 092 406 or 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: VG/DHS/IWS/52404

For further information regarding this position please contact Mette Jorgensen on (03) 9096 2841

Applications close 11 September 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

ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER ALCOHOL REFORM PROJECT WITHDRAWAL

Aboriginal Health Worker 4 - Remuneration Package Range \$74 084 - \$77 969

(Comprising salary \$64 382 - \$67 815, superannuation, leave loading and the value of 2 weeks extra recreation leave) – In addition an enhanced relocation allowance may apply

Alcohol and Other Drugs Services – Alice Springs

Temporary vacancy available to 30/06/2014

Alcohol and Other Drugs Services Central Australia (ADSCA) is seeking an enthusiastic person to join its clinical team.

As an Aboriginal Health Worker Alcohol Reform Project Withdrawal you will provide Alcohol and Other Drugs clinical expertise to the Alice Springs Hospital Emergency Department, Police Watch house, and ADSCA to enhance assessment, brief intervention, withdrawal and treatment pathways for clients.

Quote vacancy number: 211955

For further information please contact John Gaynor on (08) 8951 7580 or email john.gaynor@nt.gov.au

Closing date: 16 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@nt.gov.au

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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 Health Worker

Building Strong Foundations for Aboriginal Children and Families
(Identified position)

This is a designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act. Confirmation of Aboriginality Status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions may be requested. Applicants must be female – exemption is claimed under the Section 31(2)(h) of the Anti Discrimination Act.

Our well respected Albury client, a successful Aboriginal health service is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Aboriginal Health Worker.

The purpose of this position is to provide culturally sensitive, comprehensive and integrated community based child and family health services to Aboriginal children 0-5 years and families within the Albury Wodonga area.

Responsibilities for the role will include;

- Actively promoting the Building Stronger Foundations program within the Aboriginal Community
- Participate in the delivery of high quality, culturally appropriate education, care and support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women and their families
- Assist in providing Universal Health Home Visiting to families with a new baby in Albury Wodonga
- Liaise with key stakeholders of the health service to promote and deliver good health to children and families

The successful applicant will have; a Certificate III in Aboriginal Health or willingness to complete, an active involvement in the local Aboriginal Community, a strong understanding of the issues impacting Aboriginal Children and their families and a commitment to improving their health. Self motivation, excellent written & verbal communication skills and a driver's licence will also be required.

If you think you possess the skills and qualities to be successful in this role then please contact:

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Cairns, Queensland State Office

The Australian Government is implementing the National Indigenous Reform Agreement created to progress the reforms required to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. This agreement draws together a range of national partnerships that supports the achievement of six targets in the areas of life expectancy, child mortality, education and employment.

Information about the Section/Branch

Regional Operations Centre's (ROC) have been established to offer a whole-of-government response to issues identified by Indigenous communities. Working constructively with the Australian, Queensland and local governments the ROCs act as a single government interface to help achieve progress on reforms to close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

Description of the role

Supporting the overall functions and performance of the Program Office, and working closely with Government Coordination Officers, the Support Officer will assist to achieve whole-of-government outcomes by harnessing programs and services and improving the coordination of their delivery to Indigenous people.

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Closing Date: 18 September 2011

How to apply

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Wednesday 7 September 2011 from 6.00–8.00 pm

Saturday 10 September 2011 from 1.00–3.00 pm

For further details and to register your attendance, phone Luke Tarttelin on 4729 9102. A position description for the role of Youth Worker is available at www.jobs.qld.gov.au

The Department of Communities actively encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Applications close 5 pm Friday 16 September 2011

Enquiries: Ken Andrew (07) 4729 9103

Reference: QLD/DOC29338/11

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An exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 (A64/2001).

Our client is a not-for-profit, vibrant Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation located in Wodonga and established in 1994. Due to their rapid expansion and continued success, they are now seeking to fill a number of important and varied roles within the organisation.

Aboriginal Housing Officer

(0.3 FTE – 9 month contract)

This position is responsible for the management of a community housing portfolio, ensuring all assets are well maintained and the asset management system is monitored and reviewed, ensuring that accounts payable and income received are processed and keeping abreast of housing information and trends.

The successful candidate will have good communication skills and a strong work ethic. The position also requires the successful candidate to have empathy and an understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, whilst ensuring that the requirements of the Rural Housing Network and MAC are met, in a timely manner. The successful candidate will also need a current VIC drivers licence.

Aboriginal Disability Support Worker

(0.6 FTE – Ongoing)

This position is primarily responsible for providing best practice and specialist case management support services to Aboriginal people with a disability, their families and carers, and assist staff to develop and enhance quality and culturally appropriate case management standards.

This position works with individual people with a disability and their family and/or carers, to identify their strengths/needs and to design a plan of support. The Aboriginal Disability Support Worker will 'package together' different types of support to meet the needs of the person. This will draw together support from different sources – including services from the mainstream human service system, the specialist and Non Government Organisation (NGO), disability supports and informal social supports.

To be successful in this role, candidates will need to have; relevant tertiary qualifications and or experience, a sound knowledge of the issues associated with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with disabilities, experience in developing personalised plans and a current VIC drivers' licence.

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker

(0.5 FTE – Ongoing)

This position will promote the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal people by ensuring that programs and services are delivered from a culturally sensitive holistic perspective, within the principles and goals of Primary Health care.

The position will also be responsible for promoting and encouraging the local Aboriginal community to take responsibility for their own health, the health of their families and the health of the broader Aboriginal community. The position will build productive and meaningful relationships with mainstream health providers who deliver Mental Health Programs and Services.

To be considered for this role, candidates should have; tertiary qualifications and/or relevant experience, demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, a strong understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural/historical issues and a current VIC drivers licence.

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To be successful you will have high level management & communication skills, demonstrated knowledge and experience of corporate governance, corruption prevention & risk management practices together with experience in dispute resolution and complaints handling.

A knowledge and understanding of issues that affect Aboriginal societies and cultures in NSW and experience in working in a strong regulatory environment would also be required.

For detailed information about the position please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria by contacting the Manager Human Resources, Geoff Binns by email: geoff.binns@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4406.

Applications can be forwarded to geoff.binns@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:
Manager Human Resources
NSW Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1125
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The successful applicants will have the capacity to manage a small office environment, competency with a range of computer software applications, the ability to work independently and prioritise work to meet competing deadlines. The ability to communicate effectively and a sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues is essential.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Coordinator Human Resources, Diane Lee by email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4499.

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For more information and details on how to apply, please contact Karina Radowski on 02 9310 3188. Applications must be received by close of business on the 14th of September 2011.

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Essential Qualifications: registration as Nurse in New South Wales; at least 5 years post-graduate experience; a demonstrated understanding of cardiovascular disease/diabetes prevention and treatment strategies particularly in relation to Aboriginal populations; an understanding of Aboriginal cultural principles and a capacity to relate sensitively and effectively to Aboriginal women and men.

Desirable Qualifications: post graduate qualifications in a health related or social science discipline; training as a diabetes educator.

Salary and Conditions: an attractive salary package will be negotiated with the successful applicant who will be appointed under an employment agreement; hours of work: business hours Monday-Friday; contributory superannuation available; other conditions in accordance with the NSW Nurses Award.

Further Information: Additional Information about the position can be obtained by contacting Mr Martin Royce, Medical Clinic Coordinator. All applications should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Aboriginal Medical Service, 36 Turner St, Redfern, NSW 2016 or to amsredfern@amsredfern.org.au. The contact phone number for the Aboriginal Medical Service is 02 9319 5823.

The closing date for applications is 23th September 2011

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Applications Close: 16 September 2011

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We are looking for applicants who possess research and developmental abilities, contractual composition skills and have a demonstrated understanding of the Australian Indigenous population, their culture, lifestyle, barriers to education, training and employment. As an integral part of our Indigenous Employment Unit, you will be responsible for:

- **Developing and implementing Indigenous Employment Programs**
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The Indigenous Employment Programs (IEPs) operate under the Max Indigenous Employment Strategy and are funded by the Australian Government's Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations. It is a genuine occupational requirement that this position be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person as permitted by, and arguable under, Section 25 of the Anti Discrimination Act 1991.

Please call Vicki Varthas in our National Support Centre on (07) 3809 5176 to discuss these opportunities further. Please send your resume to VVRecruit@maxnetwork.com.au quoting IEP Coordinator Brisbane in the subject line. www.maxemployment.com.au



Family & Community Services Aboriginal Housing Office

Analyst - Identified Clerk Grade 7/8 Department of Family & Community Services Aboriginal Housing Office Temporary Full-Time Requisition No: 00000K4Y

Total remuneration package valued up to \$95,451 per annum (Salary: \$78,142 pa - \$86,498 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Do you want to be part of the Build and Grow Strategy to give Aboriginal communities confidence in the providers managing their housing?

Your role will be working with a team in the office of the Registrar of Community Housing in Burwood, to help implement the Aboriginal Housing Office's (AHO) Provider Assessment and Registration System (PARS). PARS is a core part of the AHO's Build and Grow Strategy being implemented over the next few years. As a valued member of the PARS team you will have an opportunity to work in a supportive and collaborative environment, assisting in the development and implementation of the new registration system. You will be working to ensure that the Aboriginal community housing sector is supported to become a strong and successful sector.

As Analyst, you will engage with Aboriginal community housing providers about all aspects of the registration process. You will manage a caseload of Aboriginal community housing providers, undertake registration assessments, draft registration reports and be involved in ongoing performance monitoring. This role involves both desktop review and site visits, and working closely with other team members.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginality.
2. Experience in assessment of organisations against set requirements including assessment of quality outcomes, governance and financial performance or similar experience in overseeing or managing organisational performance.
3. Experience in working with new policy or systems.
4. Effective interpersonal, oral and written communication skills; and proven ability to contribute to a team in a change environment.
5. Knowledge of or ability to quickly acquire knowledge of the Aboriginal community housing sector, operations and best practice.
6. Knowledge of the historical, cultural, social and economic factors impacting on Aboriginal people; and experience or knowledge in building relationships with Aboriginal stakeholders.
7. Strong analytical and judgement skills.
8. A demonstrated commitment to the ethos of public service and accountability for the effective and efficient use of government resources to deliver services to the community.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is an essential requirement for this position. This position has been identified as an Aboriginal position in accordance with the provisions of Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

This is a temporary full-time position for a period of up to March 2015 under the terms of the *Public Sector Employment and Management Act 2002*. Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full Selection Criteria.

There will be travel throughout NSW at times.

Enquiries: Elizabeth Higgins (02) 8741 2517 or Sophie Holloway (02) 8741 2510 or 0427 660 940

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Requisition Number: 00000K4Y

Closing Date: Friday 23 September 2011

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Reference: I111/081

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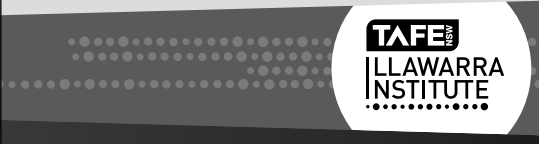
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email illawarrarecruitment@det.nsw.edu.au or contact (02) 4221 8946.

Closing date: 21st September 2011

Child protection legislation requires preferred applicants to be subject to employment screening.

Equality of Employment Opportunity and appointment on merit are TAFE NSW Policy. Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply for this position.



Opportunities for Gunaikurnai people to Care for Country

Parks Victoria is committed to developing partnerships based on mutual respect and trust with Traditional Owners and other Aboriginal Communities that aspire to equally manage their culture and speak and care for their Country.

The Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation (GL&WAC) entered into a joint management arrangement with the State of Victoria as part of the Native Determination and Recognition and Settlement Agreement granted in October 2010. The following two positions are advertised with Parks Victoria and will be focused on delivering programs and outcomes in the 10 joint managed parks and reserves in Gippsland. These positions represent stage one of Gunaikurnai joint management employment within Parks Victoria, and further employment opportunities will be phased in over the next 2 years.

Project Officer

- **Bairnsdale**
- **Full time fixed term position until 30 June 2014**
- **Salary - \$63,494pa plus 9% super**

The Project Officer is to provide Gunaikurnai people, educational institutions, job agencies and regional staff with advice on employment readiness, job applications and opportunities within the Gunaikurnai Recognition and Settlement Agreement area. The position is to help build effective working relationships between key employment stakeholders, Gunaikurnai people and Parks Victoria staff.

Women's Cultural Heritage Officer

- **Bairnsdale**
- **Full time ongoing position**
- **Salary \$57,220pa plus 9% super**

The Women's Cultural Heritage Officer is to provide regional staff with advice on Gunaikurnai cultural heritage issues and values particularly with respect to 'women's business' in relation to projects, works and activities within the Gunaikurnai Recognition and Settlement Agreement area. The position is to help build effective working relationships between key Aboriginal stakeholders and Parks Victoria staff.

To find out more about these positions, please obtain a copy of the position descriptions by visiting www.parks.vic.gov.au under 'employment'.

Parks Victoria and GL&WAC are committed to providing family friendly and flexible employment conditions, and supportive work environments.

For further information please contact Penny Middleton, Regional Business Manager or Wendy Berick, Indigenous HR Project Officer by calling **Parks Victoria** on **13 1963**.

To apply, please e-mail your application, addressing the selection criteria of the position description and a resume to applications@parks.vic.gov.au or send your application to Human Resources, Parks Victoria, Level 10, 535 Bourke Street, Melbourne VIC 3000.

An information session for interested applicants will be held on **Wednesday 14 September** at **10.00am** and **12.00pm** at Gunaikurnai Land & Waters Aboriginal Corporation, 197 Macleod Street, Bairnsdale VIC 3875.

Applications close Friday 7 October 2011

Parks Victoria has been granted two exemptions under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995. Nos: A159 / 2011 and A171 / 2011. Only Gunaikurnai people are eligible to apply for these positions. Parks Victoria is an Equal Opportunity Employer with a commitment to merit, equity and diversity in the workplace.



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Application Kit: (07) 4965 9468 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 12 September 2011.

Advanced Health Workers

Maternal and Infant Care, Child and Family Health Services, Ipswich, West Moreton Health Services District. Remuneration value up to \$2568 p.m., comprising salary rates: \$24.76 - \$27.24 p.h., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Two temporary part time positions for eight months or until incumbent returns to duty, 38 hrs p.f. Applications will remain current for duration of the vacancy.)

Duties/Abilities: Assist in providing community based and comprehensive, culturally appropriate, antenatal postnatal and infant care services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families living in rural and urban environments in conjunction with a Midwife / Child Health Nurse. Support the continuity of care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their partner/family between the hospital maternity service and community-based health care providers. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Annette O'Donoghue (07) 3810 1201.

Job Ad Reference: H11WM08580.

Application Kit: (07) 3136 5616 or (07) 3121 1411 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 19 September 2011.

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Play a pivotal role in the planning and delivering of City of Melbourne's Indigenous programs and events. Utilise your astute communication skills and a detailed understanding of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community to promote productive dialogue across indigenous and non-indigenous communities.

This is a great opportunity for a highly organised individual, passionate about raising cultural awareness as well as a proven ability to deliver appropriate and impactful programs to the indigenous community.

Applicants of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are highly encouraged to apply.

Applications close:

5pm Wednesday 28 September 2011

For further information about the position and to apply, please visit our website www.employment.melbourne.vic.gov.au



**Central Coast
Division of
General Practice**



ABORIGINAL OUTREACH WORKER

Full Time Position (until end June 2012)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

The Central Coast Division of General Practice is a not-for-profit organisation based at Erina which provides services to General Practitioners and their practices in order to assist them to better deliver quality health care to the community.

We are seeking a highly motivated and enthusiastic person to assist in delivering local quality chronic disease management interventions and support, such as accessing primary health care services in a culturally safe environment, to the local Aboriginal community of the NSW Central Coast as part of the Australian Government's Close the Gap initiatives.

The successful applicant will have Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent, knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander societies and cultures, and well developed communication and time management skills.

Enquiries: Di O'Brien, Ph: 02 4365 2294

Information Package: CCDGP Reception, Ph: 02 4365 2294

Closing Date: COB Wednesday 14th September 2011

All applicants **must** obtain an information package and address the essential and desirable criteria.

Applications should be posted to:

Executive Assistant, Central Coast Division of General Practice, Suite 4 Erina Plaza, 210 The Entrance Rd, Erina NSW 2250 or emailed to: kerrie@ccdgp.com.au

Only short listed candidates will be contacted.

Criminal record and Working With Children checks will be completed for the successful applicant.

Bankstown Community Resource Group Inc.



Aboriginal Community Worker (Children and Families) (9 hours per week)

Are you an Aboriginal person looking to work with children and families?

This is a good opportunity for a resourceful and committed community minded person to join our team.

Bankstown Community Resource Group Inc. is a community based organisation that provides services to the residents of Bankstown. We develop and implement practical capacity building programs which seek to empower families through early intervention support and community development.

This position will run culturally relevant playgroup activities for Aboriginal children and their parents and implement short term community projects.

This is a contracted position (2011 - 2014), as per the SCHCADS Award, with pay of \$22.12 - \$25.53 per hour, depending on experience.

Essential: 1. Aboriginality; 2. Relevant Qualifications in child care or community work/or in the process of completing, 3. Experience in working with children and their families, 4. Experience in developing and implementing programs, 5. An understanding of Aboriginal culture and sensitivity to issues faced by Aboriginal families;

Desirable: 1. Experience in facilitating play group type activities; 2. Experience interacting with parents/families and role modeling play; 3. Flexibility to work additional hours pending additional funding. Please ensure application **addresses all selection criteria** and includes details of two referees.

Application must be marked "confidential" and posted to:

BCRG Management Committee
Bankstown Community Resource Group Inc.
PO Box 260
Bankstown 1885
or email eo@bcrg.org.au

For more information and an information package please ring and talk with Stella Hristias on 9796 2931.

Closing date is Monday 19th September 2011, 4pm.

Successful applicants will be subject to a Working with Children Check.



**Justice &
Attorney General**

COURT SERVICES ABORIGINAL CLIENT SERVICE SPECIALIST (ABORIGINAL IDENTIFIED)

JAG11/0996

Clerk Grade 3-4

Nowra Local Court, Temporary Full Time

Salary range: \$59,705 - \$65,375

Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$72,141

The Aboriginal Client Service Specialists Programme (ACSSP) seeks to provide targeted and responsive service delivery to Aboriginal clients in order to improve access and equity, and enhance the ability of Aboriginal people to effectively participate in the justice system.

An Aboriginal person (as defined by the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*) means a person who:

- (a) is a member of the Aboriginal race of Australia, and
- (b) identifies as an Aboriginal person, and
- (c) is accepted by the Aboriginal community as an Aboriginal person

This is a temporary full time position for a period up to 12 months.

Applicants must obtain an information package and address all selection criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries:

James Mulholland (02) 4223 3773

james_mulholland@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 16 September 2011

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Riverina Medical & Dental Aboriginal Corporation is currently establishing Ngangaagi Intensive Family Based Service (IFBS) Program and has the following positions available:

Manager Caseworker Caseworker x 2 Step Down Worker and Receptionist

INFORMATION

- Information about the position and the appointment process including how to apply is included in an Employment Package. To obtain a package, please call Riverina Medical & Dental Aboriginal Corporation, HR Manager - Karen Smith on 02 69235200.
- For further information or to discuss the position, please call Riverina Medical & Dental Aboriginal Corporation, CEO - Selena Lyons on 02 69235200.

CLOSING DATE: Friday 16th September 2011

NOTE: *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*

Applications marked "Confidential" and addressed to:

Attention: Selena Lyons
Chief Executive Officer
Riverina Medical & Dental Aboriginal Corporation
PO Box 458 Wagga Wagga NSW 2650

POSITION VACANT

Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd



Aboriginal Best Start Project Officer

The Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Limited (VACSAL) a community based, community controlled organisation, comprising representatives from Koorie organisations across the State and considered as a Peak Advisory body on Aboriginal Community issues. The Aboriginal Best Start Program is one of a number of critical community services that VACSAL manages and delivers across Victoria.

If you want to make a difference by giving our kids the best start in life then this position is for you.

The Aboriginal Best Start Project Officer will provide advocacy & support to the six Aboriginal Best Start sites and assist the current Best Start sites to develop a more inclusive and responsive universal service platform that can address the needs of all children but particularly those at greater risk and not currently accessing services.

Overall, the intention of this project is to ensure that Aboriginal children benefit equally from the Best Start endeavour that will result in;

- Better access to child and family support, health services and early education.
- Improvements in parents' capacity, confidence and enjoyment of family life.
- Communities, which are more child and family friendly.

This is a fulltime position, travel and after hours work will be a requirement.

If you are interested in this applying for this position, please contact Linda Bamblett for a position description at VACSAL on (03) 9416 4266.

VACSAL encourages Koorie people to apply for this position.

Applications close – on the COB Friday 23rd September 3011

Careers @ Justice

DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE



MANAGER KOORI EMPLOYMENT TEAM

VPS Grade 6: \$93,740 - \$125,443 plus superannuation

Position No DJ8446 Ongoing, Full-Time

Karreeta Yirramboi is the Victorian Government's plan to improve public sector employment outcomes for Aboriginal Victorians. The Department of Justice is proud to acknowledge that our Koori population already exceeds the Victorian Government target and in response to *Karreeta Yirramboi* we have committed to increasing our Koori staff population to 2.5 percent by November 2015.

Part of our journey includes the creation of a dedicated Koori Employment Team of five staff, led by the Manager, Koori Employment Team.

Reporting to the Deputy Director of People and Culture, the Manager will assist the Department in achieving the 2.5 percent employment target and will be responsible for the central coordination, monitoring and successful implementation of the Koori Employment Strategy and driving other relevant employment initiatives. Through building strong internal and external relationships, the role aims to enhance and strengthen the cultural competence of the Department by creating and implementing strategies to ensure policies and programs are culturally inclusive.

To be considered for this role, you will possess demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Koori community and be experienced in communicating sensitively and effectively. Demonstrated experience in the development and implementation of employment strategies, as well as knowledge of the labour market, including the complexity of competing for talent is also critical.

This is an Identified position in accordance with the Department's Identified Positions Policy. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is Sunday 18th September 2011

www.justice.vic.gov.au

Our Values: Community - Together - Integrity - Respect - Happen @ One Justice

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Indigenous Journalism Cadet



1-year fixed-term contract

Salary \$45,578 pa + shift penalties + super

Our highly regarded News and Current Affairs team is offering a Journalism Cadetship for 2012 to a person of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background who wants a career as a broadcast journalist.

Ideally, you will have had training in television and/or radio journalism, or be able to demonstrate a strong interest in broadcast journalism. Completion or substantial completion of Tertiary, trade or similar qualifications is desirable but not a necessity.

You must understand the social, political and cultural issues affecting Indigenous Australians. And have a good general knowledge of local and international news and current affairs and are familiar with SBS's News and Current Affairs offerings. You display a good news sense and be able to use your determination, initiative and curiosity and effective verbal and written communication skills to develop compelling, interesting and relevant story ideas and packages for our audiences.

The successful applicant will join SBS in early 2012, based in our Sydney Newsroom, working on our television, radio and online news desks. During the cadetship, you'll also undertake placements in our Canberra and Melbourne bureaux and our current affairs programs. As part of a team and under direction, you will contribute to SBS News and Current Affairs programs in a variety of ways, including researching, reporting and producing news and current affairs. This position involves rostered shift work and the successful candidate must be able to undertake shift work involving evening and weekend work.

The Cadetship is offered for one year with no guarantee of ongoing employment. However, a Cadet who successfully completes the one-year program will be considered for a position within SBS's national Indigenous Current Affairs program Living Black at the end of the Cadetship program.

You'll find the details about this opportunity and how to apply as well as the selection criteria and duty statement for this position, at **www.sbs.com.au/jobs** if you have no online access, please contact Susan Harvey on (02) 9430 3174

Your application must include:

- Letter of application (attention to the Recruitment Officer)
- Personal and employment resume outlining journalism experience and qualifications (if any)
- Your statement addressing the selection criteria
- Examples of your television or radio reporting, or your efforts to be broadcast, to be provided in the following format: vision – MPEG 4 or audio –MP3. Note: There is a file size limit on each attachment of 4MB and you can attach up to three files. Please compress any file before attaching.

Please note that material provided as part of your application cannot be returned to you. Shortlisted candidates will be required to submit two employment and/or academic referees.

Applications must be received by 5pm on Friday 30 September 2011. Late applications will not be accepted.

Our story: At SBS, our purpose is to lead Australia in its exploration of the real, multicultural Australia and our diverse worlds: independently, distinctively and courageously

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Senior Operations Coordinator

\$75,835 p.a. plus Superannuation

Are you our new centre Manager for Redfern Community Centre?

Positioned in the heart of Redfern, an area that will see fundamental re-development and ongoing change in the future, the Redfern Community Centre is an important facility for local people and organisations.

With an exciting future ahead we are seeking a community focused leader to manage this unique community facility as you will work in partnership with the local community to plan and deliver effective and relevant social, educational, cultural and recreational programs.

To be successful in this exciting role you must have:

- Relevant tertiary qualifications and extensive knowledge and experience in working in community services;
- The ability to apply a community development framework and experience in program planning and delivery;
- Excellent customer service focus and coordination of community events to individuals and groups;
- Experience working with multi cultural communities and in particular with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities

For full details see our website below. Applications close Sunday 25 September 2011.

cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/jobs



city of villages

KOORI GRADUATE RECRUITMENT & DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

MAKE A DIFFERENCE...



Are you a University graduate or completing a degree this year?
The Department of Justice has many diverse careers to choose from and we pride ourselves on working together to make a difference in the community.
Our 12 month graduate scheme offers professional development and training, rotations with other departments and permanent employment upon completion.
We are currently recruiting for our Koori graduate scheme which will start in January 2012. If you are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person and wish to find out more or how to apply, please contact the Koori Employment Team on (03) 8684 1753 or email koori.employment@justice.vic.gov.au
Applications close on Friday 28 October 2011.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT, PLEASE VISIT:
WWW.JUSTICE.VIC.GOV.AU

VCAT HAS RULED THAT THESE POSITIONS BE FILLED BY ABORIGINAL AND/OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE ONLY (VCAT EXEMPTION NUMBER: A293/2010)

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE



Executive Director Integrated Child and Family Centres

Brewarrina and Lightning Ridge NSW

Brewarrina Business Centre (BBC) is pleased to offer this unique opportunity, overseeing the development and management of these two new Centres in western NSW.

Our communities are looking for an exceptional individual who is motivated, creative and seeking a career enhancement opportunity!

The Position: Establishing two new family and children's centres in, not one, but two remote localities, working with two distinct indigenous communities. The Centres will provide support services to local people to enable positive changes to be made at individual, family and community levels. Previous experience in setting up or managing community based Centres is essential as is an understanding of good governance, financial management and staff management.

Your Support: Across the two Centres there will be approximately 28 staff members, including 3 senior management positions, reporting to and working with, you. In addition, the Board and staff of the Brewarrina Business Centre will provide local knowledge, support structures and expertise to assist the development of the Centres at all times.

Your Location: Outback NSW, warm climate, great communities, stunning views and different, very different lifestyles from urban or regional living. Regional centres are Dubbo and Narrabri, Bourke is one hour west of Brewarrina where this position will be located. Regular trips to the opal mining centre of Lightning Ridge will need to be undertaken, especially in the early stages of the project.

The Package: This is a 3 year Contract position with a Year 1 Salary of up to \$102,000 depending on experience and qualifications. In addition there is a 30% housing subsidy and a fully maintained vehicle with 5 weeks Annual Leave.

For further information please obtain an information pack from bill.palmer@brebc.com.au. and applicants must address all the selection criteria in their applications.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are especially encouraged to apply.

Closing date 16 September 2011



Health
Illawarra Shoalhaven
Local Health District

Closing Date: 18 September 2011

Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Worker (AIMHS)

Temporary Full Time (up to 30/06/2014)

Shellharbour Drug & Alcohol Services

Enquiries: David Reid, 02 4223 8341

Ref No: 44104

Apply online at:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

or email application quoting Ref. No. to:
jobs@hss.health.nsw.gov.au or
send application to:

**Recruitment Unit, Locked Bag 6004,
HRMC NSW 2310.**

**NSW Health Service:
employer of choice**

ICLC INNER CITY LEGAL CENTRE

Aboriginal Outreach Project Officer

The Inner City Legal Centre is looking to fill the position of Aboriginal Outreach Project Officer. The successful applicant will contribute to the development and implementation of all program activities and projects related to the legal needs of Aboriginal, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex communities. This is a part time, fixed term position for six (6) months.

The successful applicant will:

- Identify as Aboriginal
- Have experience in the community sector with a committed interest in working with the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Intersex communities.

Please visit www.iclc.org.au for a full position description and selection criteria.

For further information please contact Amy McGowan on 02 9332 1966 or by email amy@iclc.org.au

Applicants are encouraged to address the selection criteria and include a copy of work experience plus the names and contact details of two referees. Please submit your application via email iclc@iclc.org.au

Applications close: 5pm Friday 23 September 2011

Recruitment

Child and Family Health Nurse

**Building Strong Foundations for
Aboriginal Children and Families**

Our well respected Albury client, a successful Aboriginal health service is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Child and Family Health Nurse.

The purpose of this position is to provide culturally sensitive, comprehensive and integrated community based child and family health nursing services to Aboriginal children 0-5 years and families within the Albury Wodonga area.

The Child and Family Health Nurse working in the Building Strong Foundations program will focus on;

- Universal Health Home Visiting to families with a new baby in Albury Wodonga
- Child health surveillance and screening for children aged between 0-5 years
- Health promotion, early detection and intervention for health problems and risks
- The establishment of a culturally appropriate service to specifically target Aboriginal children and their parents
- Liaise with key stakeholders of the health service to promote and deliver good health to children and families

The successful applicant will be a NSW Registered Nurse with a Graduate Certificate or equivalent qualifications in Child and Family Health Nursing as well as demonstrated experience in Child and Family Health Nursing and competence in assessing children 0-5 years and their families. An understanding of and commitment to Families NSW principles is essential.

Experience in working with Aboriginal families and an understanding of primary health care, community development and health promotion and the ability to communicate effectively with the local Aboriginal community will also be required.

Accreditation as an authorised immunisation nurse or willingness to undertake immunisation accreditation within six months of commencing employment is a requirement of the position. Computer literacy, a strong team focus and a driver's licence will also be required.

Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged to apply
If you think you possess the skills and qualities to be successful in this role then please contact:

mp personnel and training

Phone: 02 6041 6286 Fax: 02 6041 6285
517 Spencer St, Albury NSW 2640

Or apply online at www.mppersonnel.com.au

mp personnel and training

Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

- Temporary 12 months
- Package to \$70,382

Please go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au for details on how to apply.

Closing date: 29 September 2011

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LINK-UP (NSW)
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

Case Worker
Full Time - Dean Park

Link-Up Family Services provides the best outcomes for Aboriginal children & young people in our care & for their families. This Caseworker's position ensures that the social, cultural, emotional & developmental needs of Aboriginal children & young people are best met through a stable placement within a safe, nurturing Aboriginal family environment.

This position is covered by the Social, Community, Home Care & Disability Services Industry Award 2010 & salary will be based on Social & Community Services Employee Level 6.

For further details visit: www.linkupnsw.org.au, applications close 5pm 16 Sept 11

Senior Operations Manager

Full Time (37.5 hours per week)

Dean Park or Lawson Base

Link-Up (NSW) Aboriginal Corporation have recently undergone a period of significant growth & are looking for a Senior Operations Manager to provide a strategic & management focus as part of the Senior Management Team. This role will be responsible for mentoring, guiding and supporting the operations managers of the respective arms of Link-Up. The Senior Operations Manager will manage the operational & strategic functions of staff & identify further professional development opportunities.

For more information visit www.linkupnsw.org.au/positions-vacant/ for the full advertisement & Job Description. Applications must address the selection criteria can be sent to employment@nsw.link-up.org.au before 5pm 18 September 2011.

Aboriginality is a genuine qualification for both roles & is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act, 1977.



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.

Counsellor

Violence Prevention, Tamworth

Enquiries: Anne-Marie Wilson, 02 4915 1763

Reference ID: 44942

Operating Theatre Receptionist

John Hunter Hospital, New Lambton

Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin, 02 4921 4266

Reference ID: 43230

Ward Clerk - Division of Medicine

John Hunter Hospital, New Lambton

Enquiries: Nicole Pettiford, 02 4921 3554

Reference ID: 43264

Clinical Administration Assistant

John Hunter Hospital, New Lambton

Enquiries: Nicole Pettiford, 02 4921 3554

Reference ID: 40763

For last three positions:

These are targeted Aboriginal Positions. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti Discrimination Act.

Closing Date for all positions: 18 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

PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NON-TEACHING STAFF IN NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

We invite applications from people who are interested in working in a non-teaching role in NSW public schools. These positions are available only to Aboriginal people.

Vacancies currently exist at the following schools. Contact the Principal for further information:

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION OFFICER

- Bermagui Public School - 02 6493 4271
- Windsor South Public School - 02 4577 3559

For full position criteria and to apply for these positions go to www.jobs.det.nsw.edu.au.

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

Please note that it is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for these positions. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.



PUBLIC EDUCATION

Sydney Aboriginal Services Ltd (SASL)

Accountant

Sydney Aboriginal Services Ltd (SASL) is an Aboriginal joint venture, not-for-profit Company created by Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council in Liverpool, servicing Australia from Sydney's South West. SASL currently services the operational needs of no less than four Local Aboriginal Land Councils and is rapidly growing into one of the largest Aboriginal management company's and service providers in Australia. An opportunity has opened up for an Accountant to join their finance and accounting team and help contribute to further expansion through providing additional expertise and knowledge.

Job Description

Reporting directly to the Finance Manager this is a pivotal role which will be responsible for the complete accounting day to day functions. Specific duties include but are not limited to:

- Monthly, quarterly, yearly reporting
- Budgeting and forecasting
- Asset Register maintenance including additions, depreciation, write offs, forecasts, stocktakes
- Calculate GST/BAS statements.
- Expense accruals
- Reconcile all balance sheet accounts
- Accounts payable & receivable
- Payroll
- Day to day supervision of Finance Officer

The Successful Applicant

Ideally you will be an ambitious accountant who is qualified and may have previous experience with a willingness to learn within a fast paced environment. You must have excellent communication skills that will allow you to liaise effectively with all levels of the business.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are enthusiastically encouraged to apply.

If you would like to know more about this position please contact Jennifer Weatherstone, HR Manager on ph: 9602 9677 or via email on jweatherstone@sasl.org.au.

Applications close at COB 23rd September 2011



Education & Communities

Local Facilitator, Schools as Community Centres Program

Clerk Grade 7

Temporary Full-time position – Position No: 138709

Sydney Region – Alexandria Park Community School

Total remuneration package valued up to \$88,809 pa (salary \$78,142 to \$80,479 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Implementing and facilitating a Schools as Community Centres project based in a public school.

Selection Criteria: Demonstrated ability working with vulnerable families using a strengths based and community development approach. Proven capacity to engage stakeholders and to build and maintain key relationships and interagency partnerships in delivering initiatives for families with children birth to eight years. Demonstrated experience in project management including consultation, evaluation and resource coordination, with financial skills and an ability to meet deadlines and balance competing priorities. Knowledge of current government priorities for the early years, early years brain research and early intervention and prevention services for children and families. Sound oral and written communication skills and competency in using computer software applications such as Microsoft word, email and internet. Demonstrated capacity to work effectively with one or more of the following priority groups – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and/or culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Current NSW Drivers licence or willingness to obtain one. Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies.

Notes: This is a temporary appointment available up to 30 June 2014. 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.

Inquiries Officer: Julie Killiby (02) 9266 8728; Mobile No: 0421 617 652

Email: julie.killiby@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Ava Shrestha (02) 9244 5660

Email: ava.shrestha@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications Marked 'Confidential' to: Ms Ava Shrestha, Student Achievement and Community Partnerships Directorate, Department of Education and Communities, Level 13, 1 Oxford St, Darlinghurst, NSW 2010 or email applications to: ava.shrestha@det.nsw.edu.au You may also apply for this position online. To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs and refer to advertisement number 138709.

Closing Date: 23 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.



NOTICE TO GRANT MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following miscellaneous licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO & PURPOSE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
63/66 Search for groundwater	Meteore Metals Pty Ltd Barra Resources Ltd	1349.89ha	38km W'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°11' Long 121°22'	Dundas
63/67 Search for groundwater	Meteore Metals Pty Ltd Barra Resources Ltd	1459.88ha	43km NW'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°01' Long 121°22'	Dundas

Nature of act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 7 September 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 **7 December 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. 7 January 2012**), 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
04/2090	JML Resources Pty Ltd	214.69km²	44km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 18°26' Long 125°54'	Derby-West Kimberley/Halls Creek
08/2283	Syndicated Metals Limited	3.15km²	43km E'ly of Coral Bay	Lat 23°03' Long 114°10'	Carnarvon
15/1297	Gascoyne Resources (WA) Pty Ltd	40.88km²	23km SE'ly of Widgeemooltha	Lat 31°38' Long 121°45'	Coolgardie
15/1300	Quadrio Resources Pty Ltd	172.18km²	62km E'ly of Widgeemooltha	Lat 31°41' Long 122°11'	Coolgardie
15/1301	Quadrio Resources Pty Ltd	32.16km²	49km E'ly of Widgeemooltha	Lat 31°29' Long 122°05'	Coolgardie
15/1302	Quadrio Resources Pty Ltd	20.48km²	45km SE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°25' Long 122°03'	Coolgardie
20/763	Simon Neil David Jones	113km²	70km NW'ly of Cue	Lat 26°56' Long 117°25'	Cue
28/2106	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd Independence Group NL	17.56km²	139km NW'ly of Balladonia	Lat 31°23' Long 123°07';	Dundas/Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2136	Ausrich Resources Pty Ltd	207.23km²	72km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°20' Long 122°02'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2153	Carrick Gold Ltd	2.95km²	70km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°32' Long 122°09'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
28/2154	Pioneer Resources Limited	29.5km²	70km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°36' Long 122°10'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
29/787	Sand Queen Gold Mines NL	59.49km²	23km S'ly of Menzies	Lat 29°53' Long 121°06'	Menzies
31/964	Rubicon Resources Ltd	20.82km²	132km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°47' Long 122°37'	Menzies
31/979	St Barbara Ltd	17.87km²	115km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°39' Long 122°16'	Menzies
38/2487	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd	21.01km²	36km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°49' Long 122°41'	Laverton
38/2558	Mt Weld Mining Pty Ltd	3km²	30km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°52' Long 122°31'	Laverton
38/2578	Yellow Resources Pty Ltd	21.89km²	87km NW'ly of Laverton	Lat 27°59' Long 121°52'	Laverton/Leonora
38/2584	State Resources Pty Ltd	24.01km²	30km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°50' Long 122°35'	Laverton
38/2589	Yellow Resources Pty Ltd	211.88km²	91km NW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°00' Long 121°47'	Leonora
38/2590	Black Peak WA Pty Ltd	6.01km²	16km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°44' Long 122°30'	Laverton
38/2624	Phosphate Australia Limited	73.88km²	169km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°02' Long 122°25'	Wiluna
38/2635	Shine International Resources Ltd	9.03km²	17km N'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°28' Long 122°22'	Laverton
38/2638	Gold Road Resources Limited	211.07km²	73km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°22' Long 123°30'	Laverton
38/2639-40	Resource Assets Pty Ltd Redfeather Holdings Pty Ltd	93.48km²	35km NE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°22' Long 122°37'	Laverton
38/2641	Resource Assets Pty Ltd Redfeather Holdings Pty Ltd	195.74km²	55km E'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°30' Long 122°57'	Laverton
38/2642	BHP Billiton Minerals Pty Ltd	318.87km²	126km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 27°37' Long 124°06'	Laverton
38/2643	Golden Pig Enterprises Pty Ltd	58.01km²	123km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 26°59' Long 122°22'	Laverton
38/2644	Venture Exploration Pty Ltd	12.02km²	7km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°40' Long 122°26'	Laverton
38/2645	Northern Drilling Pty Ltd	123.37km²	34km E'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°35' Long 122°45'	Laverton
38/2646	Petrus Resources Pty Ltd	135.21km²	114km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat 28°45' Long 123°40'	Laverton
39/1453-4	Anglogold Ashanti Australia Ltd Independence Group NL	915.71km²	155km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat 29°43' Long 124°40'	Menzies
39/1598	White Cliff Nickel Limited	42.2km²	55km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°03' Long 122°08'	Laverton/Leonora
39/1630	Central Australian Rare Earths Pty Ltd	41.58km²	171km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°56' Long 123°18'	Menzies
39/1639	Glenn Neil Biggs	65.93km²	45km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°03' Long 121°45'	Leonora
39/1646	Midas Resources Ltd	56.74km²	84km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°22' Long 122°32'	Menzies
39/1647	Midas Resources Ltd	53.82km²	74km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°15' Long 122°37'	Menzies
39/1649	Camuco Pty Ltd	443.08km²	117km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°07' Long 123°28'	Laverton/Menzies
40/310	White Cliff Nickel Limited	23.97km²	27km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat 29°05' Long 121°29'	Leonora
45/3790	BC Iron Nullagine Pty Ltd	9.54km²	92km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat 22°07' Long 119°14'	East Pilbara
45/3833	Rubicon Resources Ltd	9.59km²	79km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat 20°57' Long 118°54'	East Pilbara
45/3882-3	Newsearch Pty Ltd	1243.69km²	124km SW'ly of Telfer	Lat 22°37' Long 121°31'	East Pilbara
45/3891	Great Sandy Pty Ltd	192.39km²	50km E'ly of Shay Gap	Lat 20°41' Long 120°35'	East Pilbara
45/3904	Laconia Resources Limited	54.67km²	18km NW'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat 20°13' Long 119°24'	Port Hedland Town
45/3905	Tamile Pty Ltd	51.2km²	13km N'ly of Marble Bar	Lat 21°03' Long 119°46'	East Pilbara
47/1607	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	186.94km²	67km NE'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°17' Long 118°16'	Ashburton
47/1608	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	47.5km²	108km E'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°26' Long 118°48'	Ashburton/East Pilbara
47/2117	Hancock Prospecting Pty Ltd	161.73km²	90km NE'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°11' Long 118°28'	Ashburton
47/2536	Croydon Gold Pty Ltd	12.78km²	37km S'ly of Dampier	Lat 20°59' Long 116°36'	Roebourne
47/2547	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	6.3km²	15km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°16' Long 119°37'	East Pilbara
51/1489	Formula Resources Pty Ltd	55.31km²	62km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°14' Long 118°01'	Meekatharra
51/1490	Joachim Joseph Kubler	55.15km²	39km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°35' Long 118°06'	Meekatharra
51/1497	Duketon Consolidated Pty Ltd	146.86km²	58km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°51' Long 119°00'	Meekatharra
52/2688	Laconia Resources Limited	43.91km²	72km SE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 23°54' Long 120°06'	Meekatharra
53/1623-4	Kingsx Pty Ltd	430.2km²	92km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°17' Long 121°42'	Wiluna
53/1633	TE & CG McMahon Nominees Pty Ltd	24.57km²	69km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat 26°33' Long 120°09'	Wiluna
57/888	Gateway Mining Limited	6.09km²	70km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat 27°24' Long 119°32'	Sandstone
59/1773	Extension Hill Pty Ltd	8.94km²	66km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat 29°36' Long 117°07'	Perenjori/Yalgoo
63/1489	Central Norseman Gold Corporation Ltd	5.81km²	26km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat 32°03' Long 122°00'	Dundas
63/1491	Central Norseman Gold Corporation Ltd	5.81km²	25km N'ly of Norseman	Lat 31°58' Long 121°52'	Dundas
69/2881	Cazaly Iron Pty Ltd	102.16km²	180km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°21' Long 122°00'	Wiluna
69/2939-42	Louise Minerals Pty Ltd	1713.93km²	223km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°31' Long 122°44'	Wiluna
69/2957	Carnegie Mining Pty Ltd	342.82km²	95km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat 25°44' Long 120°58'	Wiluna
70/3539	GTI Resources Ltd Darling Range Pty Ltd	134.24km²	32km S'ly of Collie	Lat 33°38' Long 116°08'	Boyup Brook/ Donnybrook-Balingup
70/3540	Darling Range Pty Ltd	199.71km²	22km N'ly of Bridgetown	Lat 33°45' Long 116°09'	Boyup Brook/ Bridgetown-Greenbushes/ Donnybrook-Balingup
70/4063	NBX Pty Ltd	565.97 ha	33km NE'ly of Albany	Lat 34°50' Long 118°10'	Albany
70/4069	NBX Pty Ltd	566.64km²	29km E'ly of Walpole	Lat 34°57' Long 117°03'	Denmark
70/4076	David Reed	22.95km²	26km SW'ly of Lake Grace	Lat 33°15' Long 118°14'	Dumblayingung
70/4086	Australia Minerals & Mining Group Limited	202.26km²	23km S'ly of Hyden	Lat 32°39' Long 118°48'	Kulin
70/4108	Great Western Exploration Limited	201.92km²	83km NW'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°53' Long 119°42'	Lake Grace
74/499	Western Areas NL	66.46km²	91km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°46' Long 119°59'	Dundas/Kondinin/Lake Grace
74/500	FMG Resources Pty Ltd	201.29km²	64km N'ly of Munglinup	Lat 33°08' Long 120°51'	Esperance
74/504	FMG Resources Pty Ltd	161.02km²	36km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat 33°05' Long 121°16'	Esperance
74/506	FMG Resources Pty Ltd	37.46km²	74km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat 32°58' Long 120°21'	Esperance
77/1842	FE Ltd	2.98km²	130km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°38' Long 119°35'	Menzies
77/1843	FE Ltd	2.98km²	135km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat 29°36' Long 119°38'	Menzies
80/4602	Phosphate Australia Limited	660.26km²	172km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat 19°35' Long 126°16'	Derby-West Kimberley/East Pilbara/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: 7 September 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 **7 December 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. 7 January 2012**), 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 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
38/3959-65	Lyndon Scott Mahoney	73.33ha	16km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°41' Long 122°15'	Laverton
38/3966-7	Peter John Williamson	19.82ha	16km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°40' Long 122°14'	Laverton
38/3968-9	Peter John Williamson	21.62ha	16km W'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°40' Long 122°14'	Laverton

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 24 months from date of grant.

Notification day: 7 September 2011

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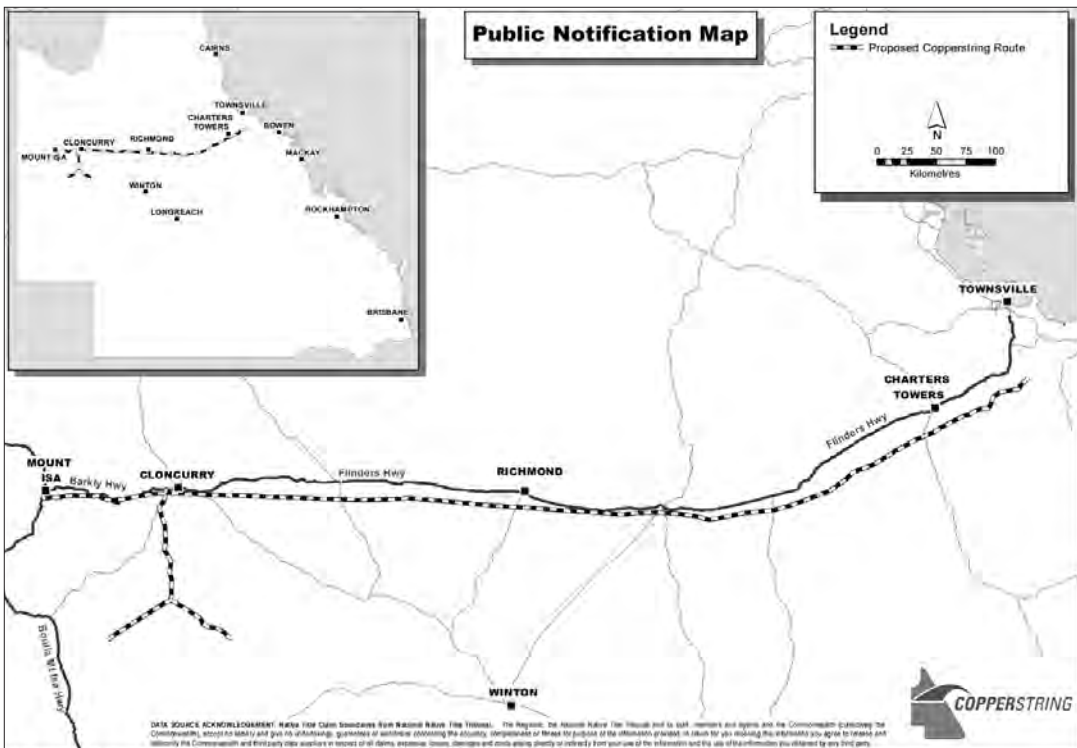
Notice of infrastructure project approved as an Infrastructure Facility of Significance (IFS) and commencement of ILUA negotiation process

The Governor in Council has approved by Gazette Notice elements of the proposed Copperstring Project (the **Facility**), in accordance with section 125(1)(f) of the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (Qld) (**SDPWO Act**), to be an infrastructure facility having the significance mentioned in section 125(1)(f)(i) of the SDPWO Act. The decision was published in the Queensland Government Extraordinary Gazette on Friday, 19th of August 2011.

This notice about the Facility is given in accordance with the requirements of the Guidelines made pursuant to section 174 of the SDPWO Act.

Copperstring Pty Ltd Limited (**CopperString**) is the proponent of the Facility. The Facility comprises the construction and operation of the Facility, a dual high voltage electricity transmission line running from Woodstock to Mt Isa via Cloncurry for an approximate total distance of 1100km.

The land and waters affected by the Facility (**Affected Areas**, listed below) are shown on the map in this notice.



CopperString is committed to holding good faith negotiations with Native Title Parties (that is, registered native title claimants and other persons who claim to hold native title in relation to the Affected Areas) about the impact of the Facility on their claimed native title rights and interests.

In this regard, CopperString proposes to commence consultation and negotiation with the relevant Native Title Parties in relation to the Affected Area with a view to entering into a series of registered indigenous land use agreements (**ILUAs**), pursuant to **Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2** (Area Agreement) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), that incorporate the non-extinguishment principle.

It is proposed that the ILUAs will provide for the consent of the Native Title Parties to certain Agreed Acts (future acts) to be set out in the ILUAs, including the grant of all approvals and land tenure for the Facility.

It is the intention of CopperString to reach agreement and obtain registration for the series of ILUAs through consultation and negotiation with relevant Native Title Parties. However, if CopperString is unable, despite taking reasonable steps, to secure the agreement or registration of any of the proposed ILUAs, CopperString may apply to the Coordinator-General for the compulsory acquisition of any of the native title rights and interests in relation to the **Affected Area** in accordance with the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), the *Native Title (Queensland) Act 1993* the SDPWO Act and the Acquisition of Land Act 1967.

Native Title Parties affected by the Facility may:

- be consulted about the proposed infrastructure development;
- (to the extent that they are registered native title claimants) object to a compulsory acquisition process; and
- negotiate with a view to reaching agreement about the proposed infrastructure development.

The consultation and negotiation period for the proposed ILUAs will start on 08 October 2011 and end

on 08 February 2012. CopperString may apply to the Coordinator-General to exercise compulsory acquisition powers after 2 months of the consultation and negotiation period.

In order to provide all native title interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to be given a presentation about the Facility, initial consultation meetings will be held. The presentations will be directed at providing the Native Title Parties with an understanding of the anticipated nature, extent and impact of the Facility, and will give CopperString an opportunity to discuss the commencement of the consultation and negotiation for the proposed ILUAs dealing with native title rights and interest in relation to the Facility.

For further information about the Facility, please use the contact details listed at the bottom of this Notice.

Registration of interest

Persons who claim to hold native title in relation to land or waters within the Affected Areas, including members of the native title claim groups referred to above, are invited for the purposes of section 24CG(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 to register their interest in being part of the negotiations for the ILUAs with CopperString in respect of any of the above areas by contacting Visionstream Pty Ltd on the contact details provided at the bottom of this Notice.

Responses must be received by 08 October 2011 and should clearly set out the following information:

- your name and details of how you can be contacted;
- the basis upon which you claim to hold native title rights and interests in the Affected Area; and
- who you claim to be your apical ancestor.

Responses should be sent to:

Visionstream Pty Ltd on behalf of CopperString Pty Ltd
Locked Bag 3
Bentleigh East VIC 3165

FAX: 03 9563 7481 **Phone:** 1800 660 493

E-mail: enquiries@copperstring.com.au

Department of Transport

Project Consultant

- \$76,424 - \$92,467 pa + superannuation
- 6 month part time fixed-term opportunity
- Be part of a high performing team

People & Organisational Development (P&OD) provides specialist advice and delivers a range of services and programs developed to maximise the potential of our people and at the same time ensure that organisational needs and objectives are met. P&OD has adopted a 'business partnering' approach to deliver a more customer focussed service.

Working as part of the People Policies & Relations Team the Project Consultant is responsible for leading coordination, development, implementation, and ongoing maintenance of DOT wide people friendly and values based policies and processes. In addition, the Project Consultant participates in project delivery associated with industrial relations, and research of innovative and creative people friendly solutions that motivate and engage people at work.

To be successful in this role you will have highly established interpersonal and communication skills and the ability to work collaboratively in a team environment. An innovative thinker, you will be self motivated and have a demonstrated proficiency in building strong business partnerships with key stakeholders. You will have exceptional research proficiency and problem solving skills and a proven ability to develop and implement a diverse range of processes, projects and initiatives on a timely basis. Specialist knowledge and practical working experience in contemporary HR/IR, particularly in the context of the Victorian Public will be highly advantageous.

For further information, please contact Trevor Parsons on (03) 9655 6242

Reference: 350177637

Applications close: Wednesday 14 September 2011

Send applications to: eleni.grigoris@transport.vic.gov.au



Department of Transport

Manager, Learning and Development

- \$93,740 - \$125,443 pa + superannuation
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The Manager, Learning and Development will manage a small team of learning & development specialists responsible for program design and training development that are aligned to people management strategies and business needs across DOT. Reporting directly to the Executive Director, People and Organisational Development this role's key focus is to design, develop and manage a range of Learning and Development programs and initiatives as well as provide high-level facilitation services to the department.

To be successful in this role you will have highly established interpersonal and communication skills and the ability to work collaboratively and operate efficiently on complex and sensitive tasks. You will be well organised, overseeing numerous projects and have the ability to meet tight deadlines, with previous experience in designing and developing training programs and have a commitment to delivering high quality outcomes for clients. A strong understanding of the VPS and the workings of Public Service coupled with an understanding of Aboriginal employment affairs will be highly advantageous.

For further information please contact Robyn Clark on (03) 9655 6105

Reference: 350228206

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Operations Career Advancement Program Officer

APS1 – Parramatta (several ongoing positions)

\$24,689 – \$45,476 (plus superannuation)

Working in the Operations Career Advancement Program (OCAP), you'll work in a client-centric environment, actioning a variety of work types, including inbound and outbound calls. You will also complete a professional development program and attain a Certificate III in Customer Service.

We're looking for professional, reliable and flexible people who are computer literate and have the ability to build and sustain positive relationships while communicating effectively. Ideally, you'll have inbound and outbound telephone experience and be able to acquire, understand and apply knowledge, policy and procedures.

The filling of some of the position(s) is intended to constitute a Special Measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975, please refer to our information kit for further details.

To apply

The information you need to apply for this position is contained in the candidate information kit. You can get a copy by visiting www.ato.gov.au/careers You must submit your application by 15 September 2011.

More information

If you have read the candidate kit and need more information about this position, please contact Karen Ahern on 1300 559 236.



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Family & Community Services Housing NSW

Coordinator Access and Demand

Clerk, Grade 7/8
Southern and Western NSW Housing Services Division
Dubbo
Temporary Full-Time
Job Reference No: 00000KD2

Total remuneration package valued up to \$95,450 per annum (Salary: \$78,142 pa - \$86,498 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Access and Demand Coordinator manages a team which is responsible for the provision of services to clients with a housing need. The role also undertakes partnership and strategy development and the monitoring of allocation functions.

Selection Criteria:

- Ability to manage a team which can deliver quality client service in a challenging high volume environment whilst ensuring delivery is consistent with the objectives of social housing.
- Experience in delivering services to diverse communities, specifically Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people who are Culturally and Linguistically Diverse, and people with mental, developmental or physical disabilities.
- Well developed understanding of and commitment to implementing relevant policies, and appropriate legislation and related issues.
- Highly developed communication skills, both written and oral, with an ability to prepare written reports, correspondence and/or submissions to a high standard.
- Proven ability to build and maintain partnerships and networks with internal and external stakeholders.
- Capacity to embrace change in a rapidly evolving sustainable business environment.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position available until 30 June 2012, with possibility of extension. Applicants MUST address the full selection criteria in their application. The Department is keen to receive job applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This is a people orientated job that plays a critical role in assisting our clients.

Enquiries: Kerry McDermott (02) 6885 7111

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 00000KD2

Closing Date: 23 September 2011

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of New South Wales



National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 21 September 2011

This application is a 'non-claimant application', an application made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves but, rather, they are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area. The applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the notice below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in the area may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 20 December 2011. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before **20 December 2011**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA 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.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to this non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to this non-claimant application must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000**, on or before **20 December 2011**. After **20 December 2011**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Lightning Ridge Local Aboriginal Land Council

Federal Court File No: NSD1186/11

Non-native title interest*: Freehold title in certificate of title folios 87/822053, 95/47951, 2/12/758612 and 8/15/758612

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination of no native title.

Description: The area subject to this application covers about 4 hectares over Lot 87 DP822053, Lot 95 DP47951, Lot 2 Section 12 DP758612 and Lot 8 Section 15 DP758612 in the township of Lightning Ridge as shown on the locality diagram.

The application falls within the Local Government Authority of the Walgett Shire Council

Data statement: Non-claimant application boundary compiled by NNTT based on data sourced from and used with permission of the LPM Authority, Land and Property Information Division, NSW.

For assistance or further information contact Kimberley Wilson on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Applicant's name: John George Jirgens

Federal Court File No: NSD1308/11

Non-native title interest*: Licence 483993 for site investigation

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination of no native title.

Description: The area subject to this application is located approximately 7 kilometres west of Nowra, covering about 48 hectares over part of Lot 7307 DP1151719 as shown on the locality diagram.

The application falls within the Local Government Authority of the Shoalhaven City Council.

[*The applicant has indicated that if the non-claimant application is unopposed by a native title claimant application they intend to seek the protection of section 24FA of the Act to validly undertake the proposed act and then withdraw the non-claimant application.]

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For assistance or further information contact Nakari Thorpe on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Juvenile Justice Attorney General & Justice

Aboriginal Team Advisor

Clerk Grade 7/8
Operations
Werrington
Permanent Full-Time
Job Reference No: 00000K82

Total remuneration package valued up to \$95,451 per annum (Salary: \$78,142 pa - \$86,498 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Provide high level, specialist consultation, support and intervention advice on Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST) delivery issues to Indigenous juvenile offenders and their families/care giver. To encourage acceptance of the Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) and teams, and positively engage Aboriginal communities and families in intensive supervision programs.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginality.
2. Demonstrated ability to explain and report on complex cultural issues as they impact on program delivery and development with individuals, their families within social/community networks.
3. Demonstrated ability to maintain clear and concise documentation of interactions and recommendations made to ISP staff related to cultural sensitivity, with good problem solving and analytical skills and also be responsive to supervision and constructive feedback.
4. Ability to engage, effectively challenge and work with families of Indigenous juvenile offenders.
5. Demonstrated strong oral and written communication skills and interpersonal skills including the ability to establish and maintain relationships with stakeholders and promote and present the principles and process of ISP.
6. Demonstrated ability to provide training to other ISP team members regarding culturally appropriate interventions with Indigenous clients.
7. Ability to be an effective team member and provide and accept peer guidance and support and also possess sound computer and keyboard skills.
8. Current minimum Class C NSW Driver's licence.

Job Notes: This is a Permanent Full-Time position. Prior interviewees for the position need not apply.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Successful applicants will be required to demonstrate proof of Aboriginality.

It is an offence under the *NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks.

Further information about this position is available on-line and applicants must address the full selection criteria.

Enquiries: Michael Szyjan (02) 0408 644 227

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 00000K82

Closing Date: Friday 23 September 2011

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING LEASES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following mining lease applications under the *Mining Act 1978* (WA):

LEASE	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
15/1802	St Ives Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd	223.91ha	20km NE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°23' Long 121°45'	Coolgardie
25/349	Alan Paul Rudd	599.61ha	40km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat 31°03' Long 122°03'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City

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: 7 September 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 **7 December 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. 7 January 2012**), 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 PROSPECTING LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following prospecting licence applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

NO	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
08/628	Brockman Exploration Pty Ltd	22.88ha	73km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°08' Long 115°52'	Ashburton
08/629	Brockman Exploration Pty Ltd	22.88ha	76km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat 22°09' Long 115°51'	Ashburton
15/5645	Mincor Resources NL	0.06ha	12km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat 31°35' Long 121°38'	Coolgardie
16/2690	Hannans Reward Ltd	163.77ha	70km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat 30°28' Long 120°40'	Coolgardie
16/2720-1	Ilmenite Resources Pty Ltd	366.14ha	52km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°27' Long 121°01'	Coolgardie
24/4544	William James Donkin	10.12ha	27km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°30' Long 121°23'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
27/2094	Carrick Gold Ltd	62.68ha	51km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°19' Long 121°40'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City
31/2006	Stan Harry Frederick Strindberg	125.8ha	133km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat 29°52' Long 122°24'	Menzies
38/3929 & 38/3931-2	Glenn William Baker	511.91ha	24km S'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°49' Long 122°29'	Laverton
39/5176-9	Robert Lee Griffiths	458.33ha	49km E'ly of Leonora	Lat 28°55' Long 121°50'	Leonora
39/5210	Oro Del Sur Pty Ltd	198.73ha	58km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°59' Long 121°58'	Laverton
39/5213	Ross Frederick Crew	14.87ha	61km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat 29°10' Long 121°56'	Laverton
39/5215	Russell Geoffrey McKnight				
	Robert Lee Griffiths	38.35ha	53km W'ly of Laverton	Lat 28°41' Long 121°52'	Laverton
	Dale Cameron Nowland				
	Sydney George Stewart				
47/1612	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	5.85ha	121km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°27' Long 119°03'	East Pilbara
47/1613	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	7.09ha	126km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°25' Long 119°02'	East Pilbara
47/1614	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	6.27ha	125km E'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°24' Long 118°58'	East Pilbara
47/1615	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	5.06ha	117km E'ly of Tom Price	Lat 22°31' Long 118°54'	Ashburton
47/1616	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	3.73ha	110km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°34' Long 119°03'	Ashburton
47/1618	FMG Pilbara Pty Ltd	9.67ha	112km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat 22°32' Long 119°05'	East Pilbara
51/2729	Sharon Way	176.34ha	22km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat 26°45' Long 118°37'	Meekatharra
	John Royden Hudson				

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: 7 September 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 **7 December 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. 7 January 2012**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 21 September 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30 Perth WA 6837 on or before **20 December 2011**. After 20 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 this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Fabian Tucker & Others v State of Western Australia (Kurrku)

Federal Court File No: WAD385/2010

Date filed: 9 December 2010

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description:

The area subjection to this application covers about 11,580 square kilometres and is located east of Leonora as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within the Local Government Authorities of the Shires of Laverton, Leonora and Menzies.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate (WA).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ashleigh Freeman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Administration Support Officer - Aboriginal targeted position Operational Skills, Education and Training, Corporate Services

Clerk Grade 1/2
Permanent Full-Time
Wetherill Park
NSWPF 11/244

Salary Package: \$62,507. **Salary:** \$52,104 - \$56,644. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Administrative Support Officer provides administrative and clerical support to the Commander, and staff within the Operational Skills and Safety Command.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with *Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.
- 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.
- * Proven knowledge of systems and administrative practices/procedures.

Enquiries/Information Pack: Inspector Peter Forbutt on (02) 8788 5157 or forb1pet@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: Human Resource Manager, Education and Training Command, NSW Police Force, Level 5, 20 Charles Street, Parramatta NSW 2150

CLOSING DATE: Monday 26 September 2011



NSW Police Force
www.police.nsw.gov.au

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - Aboriginal targeted position Office of the Commissioner

Clerk Grade 3/4
Permanent Full-Time
SYDNEY
NSWPF 11/265

Salary Package: \$70,382. **Salary:** \$58,249 - \$63,781. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

This position provides a wide range of executive, administrative and clerical functions across the Office of the Commissioner. The nature of the duties will vary and will depend upon the nature, volume, period and workloads across the office and will support the various stakeholders serviced by the small administrative team.

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*.
- Applicants must obtain an information package for full job details. If you have any further queries, after reading the information package, please contact the Enquiries Officer.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria in writing, as outlined in the advertisement. If not, the application may be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

Selection Criteria:

- * A record of success in implementing and maintaining sound and effective administrative systems and procedures.
- * Sound oral and written communication skills.
- * Proven ability to work successfully in a team environment with excellent customer service skills.
- * Capacity to negotiate and resolve issues with a range of people that may be more senior and more experienced.
- * Sound computer skills and demonstrated proficiency in word processing and other commercial software systems.
- * Knowledge of records management processes using a corporate records system.
- * Sound knowledge of the operations of NSWPF and governance procedures.
- * Demonstrated ability to identify and act on issues that affect the implications of OH&S, EEO and ethical practices.

Enquiries: Adam James on (02) 8835 9057 or jame1ada@police.nsw.gov.au

Information Pack: Michael Morris on (02) 8835 9552 or morr5mic@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications marked "Confidential" to: The HR Manager, Business Service Centre, NSWPF Shared Services, Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2124.

CLOSING DATE: Monday 26 September 2011



Aboriginal Student Support Advisor

Rockingham (12mths FTC, possibility of extension) 50 (d) Appt

Web Search No: 002886

Level/Salary: L4, \$65,320 - \$69,033 pa, PSGOGA

In this position you will be responsible for providing support and appropriate referral services to Aboriginal students across the Institute campuses. The role includes the coordination and monitoring of Aboriginal Student Support Services and liaison with government agencies and other state training providers where necessary, with respect to service provision. Aboriginality is essential under Section 50 (d) of the Equal Opportunity Act.

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Sue Forjaz, Manager Student Support Services on Ph: (08) 9239 8509.

Closing Date: Monday, 19 September 2011 at 4.00pm (WST).

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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
37/848	Navigator (Bronzewing) Pty Ltd	371657	2.04ha	73km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat 27°27' Long 121°05'	Leonora
53/1496	Linger and Die Pty Ltd	377537	387.36ha	73km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat 27°17' Long 120°59'	Leonora/ Wiluna

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 7 September 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 **7 December 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. 7 January 2012**), 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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Australian Government



The Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) is a Commonwealth statutory body located on Thursday Island. The TSRA is engaged in a wide range of service delivery functions to Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal people living in the Torres Strait region.

The TSRA is seeking suitably qualified people to fill the following 4 positions:

2 X SENIOR PROJECT OFFICERS - Business Development & Sustainability

Economic Development Program

(Non-ongoing for up to 18 months)

APS6 (P/N T01803 & T01769)

*SALARY RANGE \$65,124 - \$74,809 P/A

* Generous allowance are paid on top of the salary listed above. Allowances include district allowance, leave fare allowance (payable after 12 months of service) and housing subsidy. Superannuation is paid at 15.4%

The Senior Project Officer-Business Development and Sustainability (SPO-BDS) within the Economic Development Program identifies and assesses economic development opportunities using a place-based approach across a cluster of communities in the Torres Strait region. You will work with the Project Manager to identify and implement strategies for capacity building within the Torres Strait communities to make best use of existing resources. The SPO-BDS is the first point of contact for new clients interested in developing business ideas and for existing clients seeking support to improve or grow their business. The SPO-BDS actively nurtures and manages relationships and networks with all stakeholders and local communities. The SPO-BDS works under limited direction as an integral member of a small dynamic team working closely with all Programs across the TSRA, particularly the Fisheries Program.

TSRA ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE FOR THESE POSITIONS WITH RENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS CALCULATED ACCORDING TO SALARY RANGE.

2 X PROJECT OFFICERS - Business Development & Sustainability

Economic Development Program

(Non-ongoing for up to 18 months with the possibility of becoming Ongoing)

APS 5 (P/N T01758 & T01759)

*SALARY RANGE \$60,298 - \$63,938 P/A

* Generous allowance are paid on top of the salary listed above. Allowances include district allowance, leave fare allowance (payable after 12 months of service) and housing subsidy. Superannuation is paid at 15.4%

The Project Officer - Business Development and Sustainability (PO-BDS) within the Economic Development Program works under the direction of the Senior Project Officer Business Development and Sustainability to identify and assess economic development opportunities across the Torres Strait region. You will work with the Senior Project Officer to identify and implement strategies for capacity building within the Torres Strait communities to make best use of existing resources. The PO-BDS works with new clients interested in developing business ideas and with existing clients seeking support to improve or grow their business. The PO-BDS actively nurtures and manages relationships and networks with all stakeholders and local communities. The PO-BDS works as an integral member of a small dynamic team working closely with all Programs across the TSRA, particularly the Fisheries Program.

TSRA ACCOMMODATION IS NOT AVAILABLE FOR THIS POSITION, APPLICANTS SHOULD FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES WITH THE THURSDAY ISLAND HOUSING MARKET PRIOR TO APPLYING FOR THIS POSITION.

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply.
A merit list may be created.**

You are required to include 4 documents:

- (1) General Application Form
- (2) A covering letter not exceeding 1 page
- (3) Selection Criteria outlining your skills and experience not exceeding 350 words per criteria and
- (4) "Resume or CV" detailing full qualifications and experience including the names of at least two referees.

Closing date for applications is COB 23 September, 2011.

For further information relating to this position please contact Mark Anderson on: (07) 4069 0700

To obtain a copy of the selection criteria for this position, visit the TSRA website <http://www.tsra.gov.au> and click on the Employment link on our homepage. Applications should be forwarded via email to recruitment@tsra.gov.au or mailed to Recruitment, Torres Strait Regional Authority PO Box 261 Thursday Island Qld 4875.

Note: Applications which do not address the selection criteria will not be considered.

*The TSRA is an equal opportunity employer.
Enjoy the benefits of a career in the Australian Public Service.*

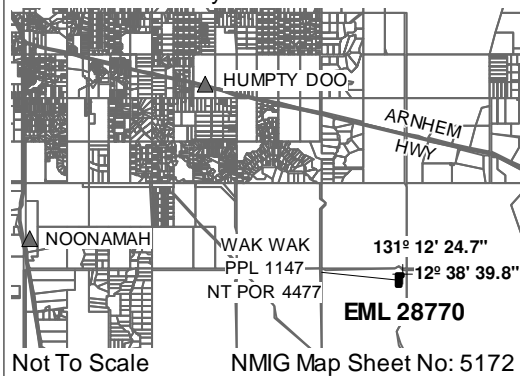
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXTRACTIVE MINERAL LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, C/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act(s) namely to grant the following extractive mineral lease application(s).

The application to which this notice applies:

Extractive Mineral Lease 28770 sought by DALE NEVETTE PAGE, over an area of 9.5 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the NOONAMAH locality.



steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973 Adelaide SA 5001, or telephone (08) 8306 1230.

Notification Day: 7 September 2011

Nature of act(s): The grant of an extractive mineral lease under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to extract or remove (whether by quarrying or other means) from, on or below the natural surface of the land, extractive mineral(s), clay or stone for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the extractive mineral lease/s referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000, Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 89 995213.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 21 September 2011

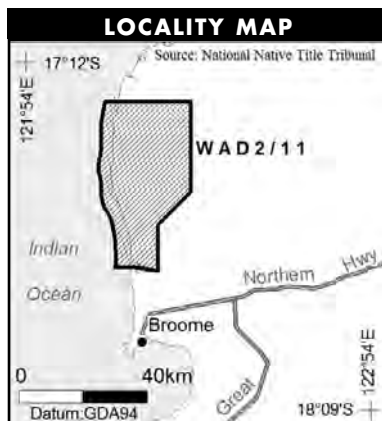


National
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Tribunal

This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30 Perth WA 6837 **on or before 20 December 2011**. After 20 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 this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Joseph Roe and Ors v State of Western Australia (Goolarabooloo Families)

Federal Court File No: WAD2/2011

Date filed: 5 January 2011

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application to the Tribunal or another body or person for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The area subject to this application covers about 1,142 square kilometres and is located approximately 20 kilometres north of Broome as shown on the locality map.

The application covers the Local Government Authority of the Shire of Broome.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate (WA).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ARROW LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT

Proposed Indigenous Land Use Agreement under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd ACN 078 521 936 (**Arrow**) proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (**LNG**) project involving the development of gas fields and the construction and operation of a pipeline and associated infrastructure for Arrow to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone (**Arrow LNG Project**).

Arrow proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (**ILUA**) pursuant to Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision C of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**NTA**) with persons who hold or may hold native title in relation to land or waters that are subject to the Arrow LNG Project shown on the map below (**ILUA Area**).

A search of the Register of Native Title Claims maintained by the National Native Title Tribunal indicates that there are no current registered Native Title Determination Applications covering the proposed **ILUA Area**.

A Preliminary Meeting regarding the **Arrow LNG Project** and proposed **ILUA** will be held at the following location:

Date and Time: Saturday, 8 October 2011
10.00am

Place: Toowoomba Motel & Events Centre
2 Burnage Street
Toowoomba Qld 4350

The purpose of the Preliminary Meeting is to provide information on the proposed **ILUA** and **Arrow LNG Project**.

Persons who consider they hold or may hold native title in the **ILUA Area** and are interested in participating in the **ILUA** proposal are invited to attend the Preliminary Meeting.

No sitting fees will be paid for the Preliminary Meeting. Fuel expenses, to a maximum of \$200, will be reimbursed, where **receipts** are provided after the meeting. Other travel expenses may be considered, **but only on prior approval**.

Attendees must register their intention to attend with **Leanne Hintz** on **(07) 3012 4578**. If you would like to make an enquiry regarding the Preliminary Meeting please contact **Leanne**.



Public Notice

Pursuant to Part 5 of the Native Title (South Australia) Act 1994 and Section 63M of the South Australian Mining Act 1971.

Development and operation of a hard rock quarry, Calperum Station (Miners Right 9048).

James and Sheree Chappel of Stoney Pinch Pty Ltd advise people who hold, or may hold, native title in the land described as a proposed mining tenement located on Calperum pastoral lease, west of the Cooltong Irrigation Area in the Riverland district of South Australia. The 2.5 ha site is approximately 9 kms along the Old Coach Road west of the Renmark Paringa Council Boundary and about 500 metres south west of the existing Extractive Mineral Lease 5522.

PIRSA Form 27 "Notice Initiating Negotiations with Native Title Parties" (Section 63m Mining act 1971) has been provided to the First Peoples of the River Murray and Mallee Region as claimants to native title in the land, through their legal representative – South Australian

Native Title Services Level 4, 345 King William Street, Adelaide SA.

Prescribed information required under this Public Notice:

- a) the name and address for service of the person giving notice:
John Chappel PO Box 692 Renmark SA 5341
- b) the right to negotiate by or under which Act under which the notice is given:
Section 63M - South Australian Mining Act 1971
- c) a clear description of the nature and effect of the right to negotiate:
Extraction of silicified ferruginised rock principally required for environmental works associated with the River Murray and environs.
- d) a statement of how further information can be obtained:
Contact: John Chappel
Mobile: 0407 010 363
Email: hchappel@ozemail.com.au
Post: PO Box 692 Renmark SA 5341

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINERAL LEASE

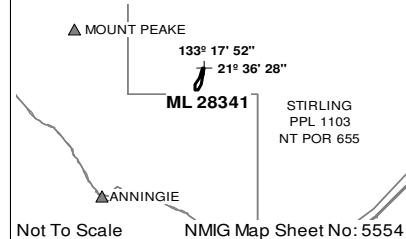
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

A Notice of Proposed Grant of Mineral Lease the subject of this Notice was published in this publication on 20 April 2011. That Notice for ML 28341 is hereby withdrawn and this Notice is published in its stead.

The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources C/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do acts namely to grant the following mineral lease applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Mineral Lease 28341 sought by ENIGMA MINING LIMITED, ACN 009 225 558 over an area of 358 Hectares depicted below for a term of 24 years, within the ANNINGIE locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a mineral lease under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals including (but not limited to) the processing and the removal of minerals from the lease area and the treatment of tailings or other mining material the property of the Crown on the lease area, including any extractive minerals for or in connection with any of the purposes specified in the lease document for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewals. The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral leases commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building

48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973 Adelaide, SA 5001, telephone (08) 8205 2000.

Notification Day: 07 September 2011

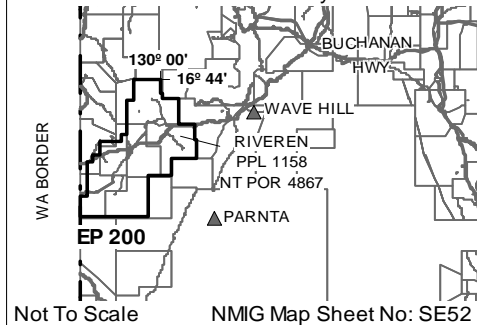
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS (PETROLEUM)

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

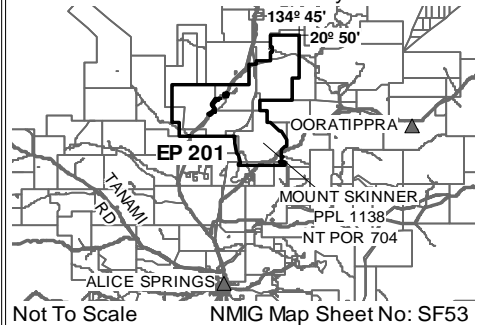
The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, c/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN, NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) that application/s has/have been made for, and the Minister intends to grant, an Exploration Permit/s (Petroleum) ("Permit") under Division 2 of Part II of the *Petroleum Act* (NT) as follows.

Application(s) to which this notice applies:

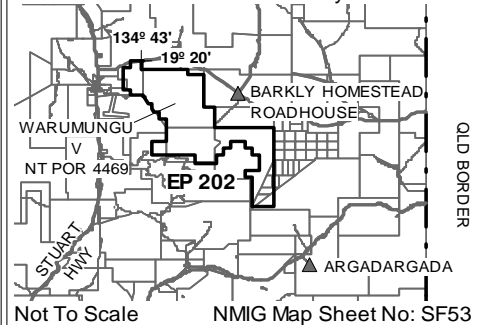
Exploration Permit 200 sought by WISO OIL PTY LTD, ACN 147 564 529 over an area of 200 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the HALLS CREEK locality.



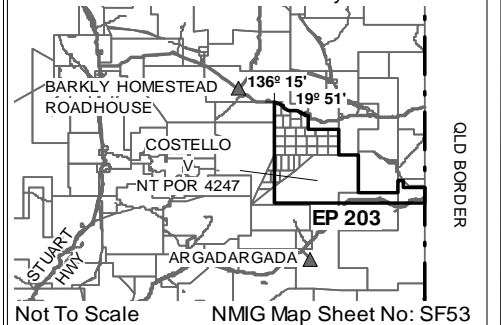
Exploration Permit 201 sought by WISO OIL PTY LTD, ACN 147 564 529 over an area of 176 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the ALICE SPRINGS locality.



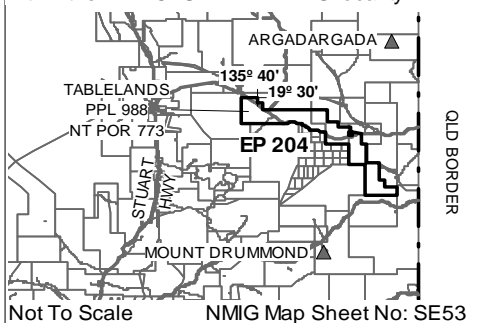
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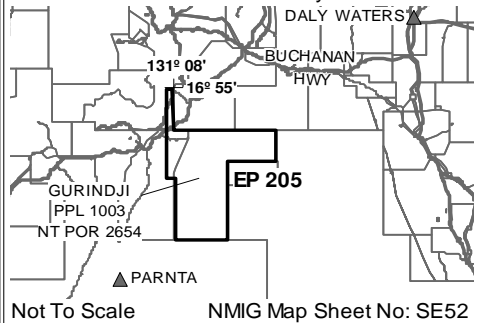
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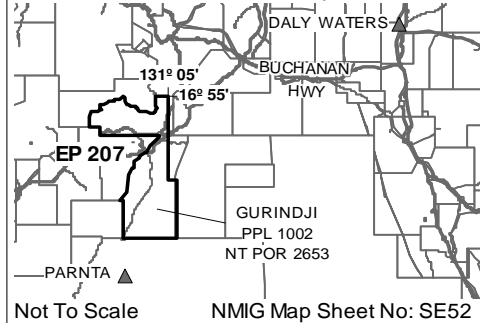
Exploration Permit 204 sought by WISO OIL PTY LTD, ACN 147 564 529 over an area of 118 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the NEWCASTLE WATERS locality.



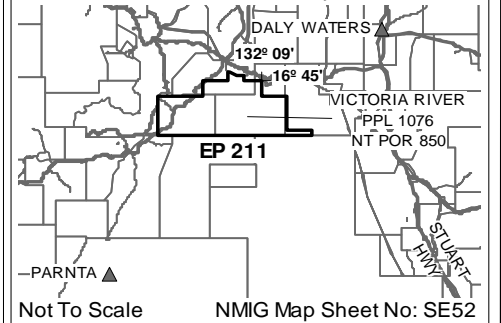
Exploration Permit 205 sought by WISO OIL PTY LTD, ACN 147 564 529 over an area of 118 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the HALLS CREEK locality.



Exploration Permit 207 sought by WISO OIL PTY LTD, ACN 147 564 529 over an area of 112 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the HALLS CREEK locality.



Exploration Permit 211 sought by WISO OIL PTY LTD, ACN 147 564 529 over an area of 99 Blocks depicted below for a term of 5 years, within the HALLS CREEK locality.




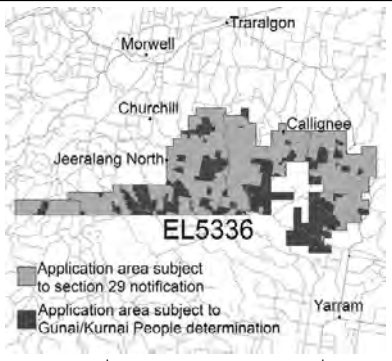

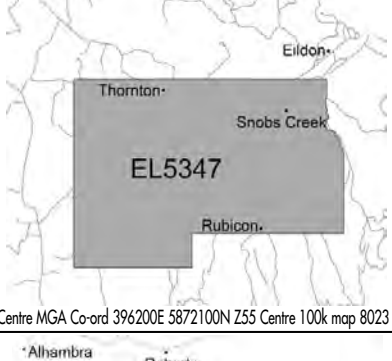
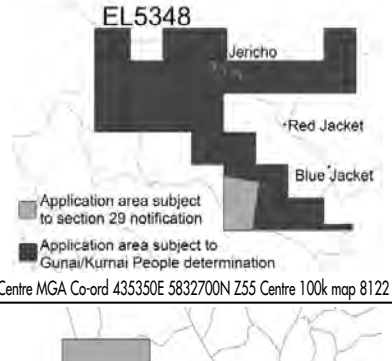
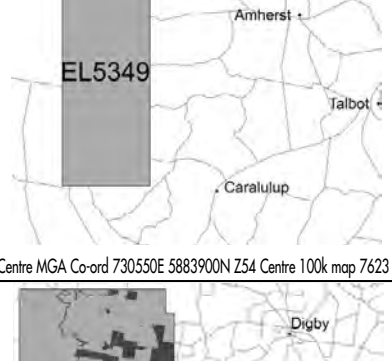

Nature of act(s): The grant of a permit under the *Petroleum Act*, gives the person to whom it is granted the exclusive right, for a term of up to 5 years, to explore for petroleum and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the area covered by the Permit including (but not limited to) use of machinery and equipment for carrying out works, removal of material for testing, use of water resources for domestic use and to seek renewals. A permit may be renewed no more than twice. If petroleum is discovered in the permit area, production licences and/or retention licences may subsequently be granted. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000, DARWIN NT 0801, or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith St Mall, DARWIN NT 0800.


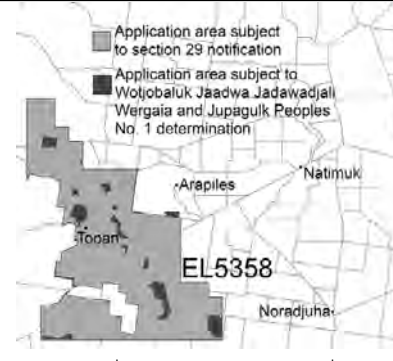
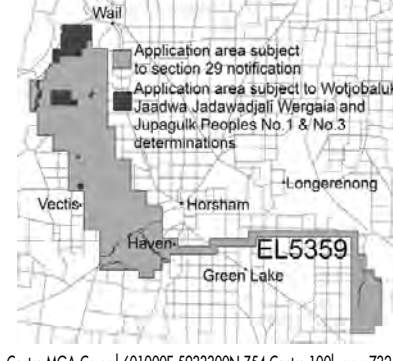
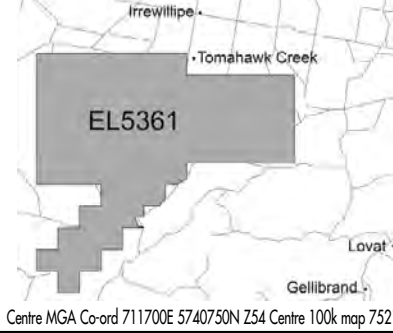
Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, ADELAIDE SA 5001, telephone (08) 8205 2000.

Notification Day: For the purposes of section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act*, the notification day is 7 September 2011.

Notice under Section 29(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration licences under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:


TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL4981	NAME: Oroya Mining Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Yalmy as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 67: G9, H8-H9, J7-J9; Map 68: A7-A9; Map 85: G2-G4, H2-H4, J2-J4; Map 86: A2-A4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 308km ² MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 626850E 5845300N Z55 Centre 100k map 8522
EL5336	NAME: Mantle Mining Corporation Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Callignee and Jeeralang North as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 97: E8, F8, G8, H8, J6-J8; Map 98: A6-A8, B6-B9, C7-C9, D7-D9, E7-E8 TERM: 5 years AREA: 368km ² MUNICIPALITY: Latrobe City, South Gippsland Shire & Wellington Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 461150E 5752700N Z55 Centre 100k map 8221
EL5339	NAME: Turntide Gold Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Bendoc as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 68: F3-F5, G3-G5, H5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 108km ² MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 668000E 5884200N Z55 Centre 100k map 8623
EL5347	NAME: GBM Resources Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Thornton, Snobs Creek and Rubicon as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 62: D5-D7, E5-E7, F5-F7, G5-G7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 157km ² MUNICIPALITY: Murrindindi Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 396200E 5872100N Z55 Centre 100k map 8023
EL5348	NAME: Orion Gold NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Jericho as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 81: E4, F4, G4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 37km ² MUNICIPALITY: Baw Baw Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 435350E 5832700N Z55 Centre 100k map 8122
EL5349	NAME: Westrock Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 5.1 km west of Amherst. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 58: B4-B5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 24km ² MUNICIPALITY: Central Goldfields Shire & Pyrenees Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 730550E 5883900N Z54 Centre 100k map 7623
EL5350	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Dartmoor & other towns as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 71: D6-D9, E6-E9, F6-F9, G6-G9, H7-H8; Map 87: D2, E2, F2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 477km ² MUNICIPALITY: Glenelg Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 523400E 5809000N Z54 Centre 100k map 7122

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL5351	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Ardno & Puralka as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 71: A6-A9, B6-B9, C6-C9, D6-D9; Map 87: C2, D2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 466km ² MUNICIPALITY: Glenelg Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 506000E 5808000N Z54 Centre 100k map 7122
EL5358	NAME: Rovatec Resources Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Tooran as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 39: D5-D7, E5-E7, F6-F7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 128km ² MUNICIPALITY: Horsham Rural City & West Wimmera Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 570850E 5927250N Z54 Centre 100k map 7224
EL5359	NAME: Rovatec Resources Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Haven as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 39: H3-H4; Map 40: B2-B5, C2-C6, D4-D6, E6, F5-F6, G5-G6, H5, J5-J7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 318km ² MUNICIPALITY: Horsham Rural City, Hindmarsh Shire & Northern Grampians Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 601000E 5933300N Z54 Centre 100k map 7324
EL5361	NAME: Iluka Resources Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 2km south of Irrewillipe. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 91: G8-G9, H8-H9, J8-J9; Map 100: G2, H2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 75km ² MUNICIPALITY: Colac Otway Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 711700E 5740750N Z54 Centre 100k map 7521

Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration licence, which authorises the holder to explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to five years.

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The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following mining licence under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN5460	NAME: Armstrong Constructions (Vic) Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 1.3 km south east of Spargo. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 59: D9 TERM: 5 years AREA: 37.4 ha MUNICIPALITY: Moorabool Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 249150E 5847900N Z55 Centre 100k map 7723

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a mining licence, which authorises the holder to mine for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 20 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

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Notification Day: 7 September 2011

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 persons have until three months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the potential grant of the licences. The three month period closes on **7 December 2011**. Enquiries about becoming a native title party may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, telephone 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further information about the potential grant of the licences, including identification maps, may be obtained from the Earth Resources Business Centre at Level 16, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000, telephone (03) 9658 4454.

For further information about native title and the right to negotiate process, contact Zuzanna Lelito, Native Title Coordinator, Department of Primary Industries, telephone (03) 5160 9013.

Notice of Infrastructure Project Approved as an Infrastructure Facility of Significance

The Governor in Council approved by Gazette Notice elements of CopperString Pty Ltd's (**CopperString's**) proposed CopperString Project (**Facility**), under section 125(1)(f) of the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971 (SDPWO Act) to be an infrastructure facility of significance mentioned in section 125(1)(f)(ii) of the SDPWO Act. This approval was published in the Queensland Government Gazette on 19 August 2011.

This notice about the Facility is given in accordance with the requirements of the Guidelines made pursuant to section 174 of the SDPWO Act.

CopperString is the proponent of the Facility. The Facility comprises the construction and operation of:

- A 330kV electricity transmission line from near Woodstock south of Townsville to the proposed Dajarra Road substation on the Cloncurry-Dajarra Road near Cloncurry (approximately 723km in length)
- A 220kV electricity transmission line from
 - the Dajarra Road substation to the existing transmission network 10km south west of Mount Isa (approximately 100km in length)
 - the Dajarra Road substation through Common South Point (approximately 95km in length) to Cannington Mine (an additional approximately 58km) and to Phosphate Hill Mine (an additional approximately 61km in length)
 - the Dajarra Road substation to Chumvale (approximately 4km in length)
- four electricity substations:
 - Woodstock substation extracting 275kV from the Ross-Strathmore transmission line and increasing the voltage to 330kV;
 - Hughenden substation which will regulate the stability of the main line and also provide a connection point for the Charters Towers, Hughenden, Richmond and Julia Creek communities using a 66kV Ergon Energy system and for the connection of future renewable generation projects;

- Dajarra Road substation where the voltage is reduced to 220kV for contracted electricity users and including the community of Cloncurry and its surrounds. It also provides a connection point for future renewable generation projects;
- Mt Isa substation where voltage will be further reduced for distribution to users;
- twelve controlled environment vault huts; and
- permanent access tracks for construction, maintenance and operations purposes.

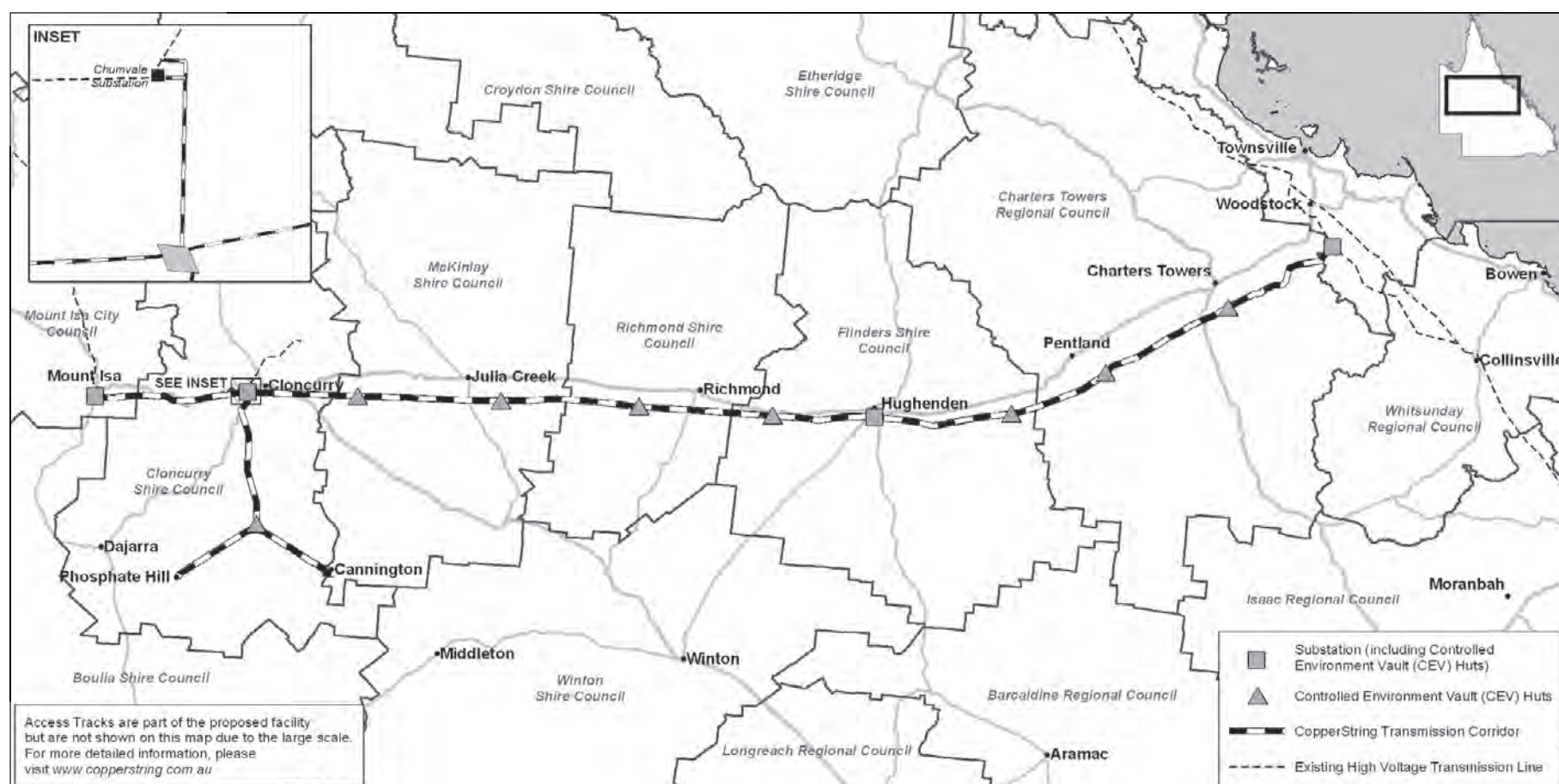
The land affected by the Facility (**Affected Land**) is shown on the map. More detailed maps are available at CopperString's website, the address of which is given below.

CopperString intends to reach, through consultation and negotiation, a commercial agreement with each of the owners of the Affected Land about the acquisition of the land interests required for the Facility. However, as the Facility has been approved by the Governor in Council, by Gazette Notice, as an infrastructure facility of significance under section 125(1)(f) of the SDPWO Act, CopperString may apply to the Coordinator

interests in the Affected Land if CopperString has been unable, despite having taken reasonable steps to do so, to acquire the relevant interests by agreement.

The consultation and negotiation period for the proposed acquisition of the required land interests in the Affected Land will start on 8 October 2011 and end on 9 February 2012. During the consultation and negotiation period, CopperString will make a genuine attempt to consult and negotiate with each of the owners of the Affected Land with a view to obtaining their agreement about the acquisition of the required land interests in the Affected Land. If the parties agree, consultation and negotiation may occur during the 1 month notice period.

After 2 months of the consultation and negotiation period has passed, CopperString may apply to the Coordinator-General to acquire any of the required land interests in the Affected Land compulsorily. If the Coordinator-General does exercise his power to acquire any of these interests compulsorily, the acquisition process set out in the Acquisition of Land Act 1967 (Qld) will apply.



Further information about the Facility can be obtained by contacting:
The CopperString Project phone 1800 660 493* or visit: www.copperstring.com.au
 email: enquiries@copperstring.com.au write: PO Box 1077, Fortitude Valley QLD 4006

*Higher rates apply from mobile phones and pay phones.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR MINERALS FOR MINERALS

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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)*.

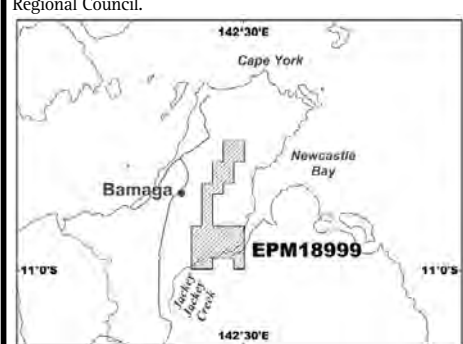
Exploration Permit 19017 sought by Ismins Pty Ltd, ACN 141 217 343, over an area of 3 sub-blocks (10 km²), centred approximately 17km WSW of Georgetown, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council



Exploration Permit 19001 sought by Oresome Australia Pty Ltd, ACN 071 762 484, over an area of 28 sub-blocks (94 km²), centred approximately 38km NE of Mapoon, in the locality of Cook Shire Council.



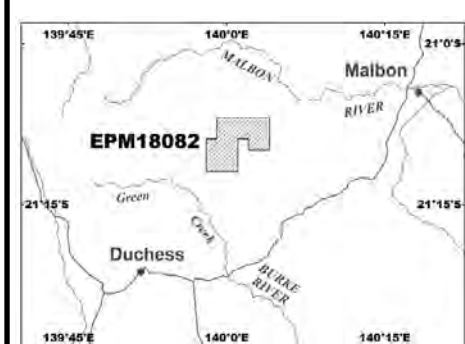
Exploration Permit 18999 sought by Oresome Australia Pty Ltd, ACN 071 762 484, over an area of 31 sub-blocks (104 km²), centred approximately 7km East of Bamaga, in the locality of Torres Shire Council and Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 18998 sought by Oresome Australia Pty Ltd, ACN 071 762 484, over an area of 31 sub-blocks (104 km²), centred approximately 35km SW of Bamaga, in the locality of Cook Shire Council and Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council.



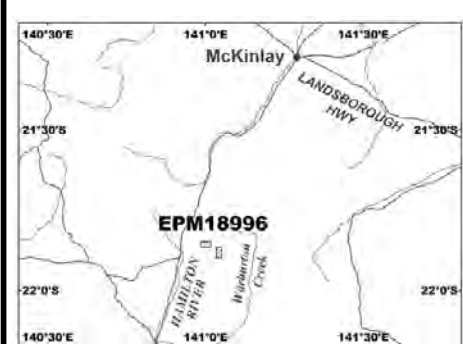
Exploration Permit 18082 sought by Syndicated Metals Limited, ACN 115 768 986, over an area of 21 sub-blocks (67km²), centred approximately 27km NE of Duchess, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 19021 sought by Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines Pty Limited, ACN 106 255 261, over an area of 94 sub-blocks (300 km²), centred approximately 48km SW of McKinlay, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



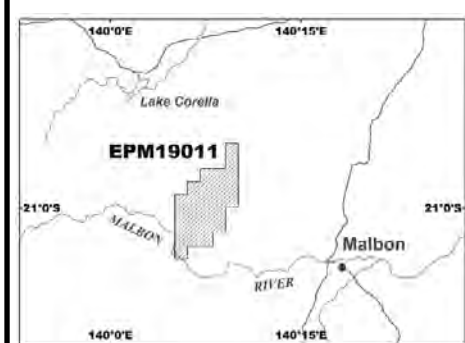
Exploration Permit 18996 sought by Ivanhoe Cloncurry Mines Pty Limited, ACN 106 255 216, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13 km²), centred approximately 72km SW of McKinlay, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



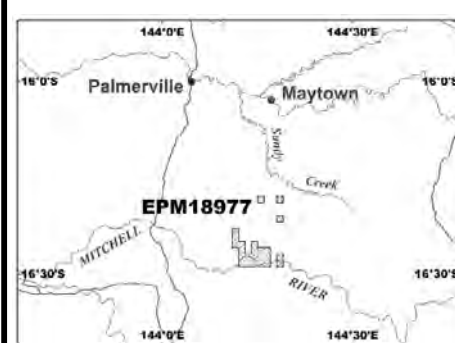
Exploration Permit 19048 sought by Australian Asiatic Gems Pty Ltd, ACN 067 386 323, (50%) and Nedex Pty Ltd, ACN 064 889 827, over an area of 19 sub-blocks (57km²), centred approximately 32km SW of Stanthorpe, in the locality of Southern Downs Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 19011 sought by Broughton Minerals Pty Ltd, ACN 134 372 615, over an area of 26 sub-blocks (83 km²), centred approximately 19km NW of Malbon, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



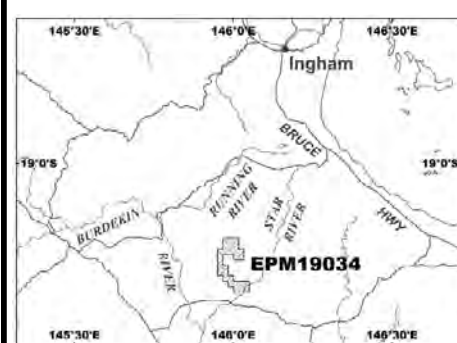
Exploration Permit 18977, sought by Colleen Ann Donovan, over an area of 24 sub-blocks (78 km²), centred approximately 41km South of Maytown, in the locality of Tablelands Regional Council and Cook Shire Council.



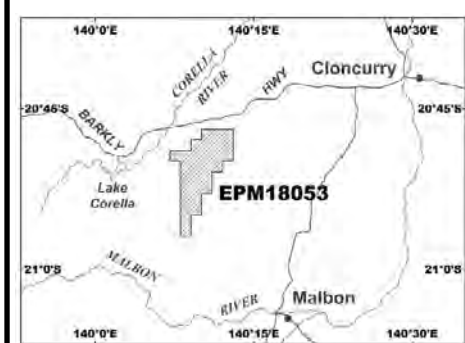
Exploration Permit 19028 sought by Krucible Metals Ltd, ACN 118 788 846, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (319 km²), centred approximately 47km SW of Ingham, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



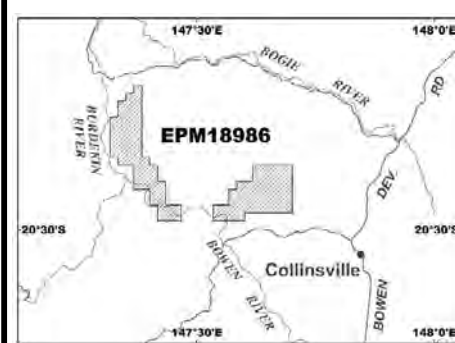
Exploration Permit 19034 sought by Michael Curtain, over an area of 28 sub-blocks (90 km²), centred approximately 76km SSW of Ingham, in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 18053 sought by Activex Limited, ACN 113 452 896, over an area of 29 sub-blocks (93km²), centred approximately 39km SW of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18986, sought by Australasia Consolidated Limited, ACN 104 757 904, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (321km²), centred approximately 49km NW of Collinsville, in the locality of Whitsunday Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 18988, sought by Red Metal Limited, ACN 103 367 684, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13km²), centred approximately 24km SW of Mount Isa, in the locality of Mount Isa City and Boulia Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 18909 sought by Walsh River Mining Pty Ltd, ACN 124 164 147, over an area of 10 sub-blocks (32 km²), centred approximately 27km North of Mingela, in the locality of Townsville City Council and Charters Towers Regional 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: 28 September 2011

They're already legends!



ONE of three Indigenous finalists will win the inaugural National Rugby League (NRL) Learn Earn Legend! Award in Sydney on 26 September.

The finalists are Phillip Hunter, 17, from Wilcannia, NSW, and Queenslanders Holly Wilson, 17, of

Bundamba, near Ipswich, and Zhane Saylor, 17, of Condon, a suburb of Townsville.

The winner of the award will be announced at the NRL's One Community Awards that will kick off grand final week celebrations.

The Learn Earn Legend! award will be presented to an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander young person who has demonstrated the aspirations of the Learn Earn Legend! concept by making a commitment to further their education, improve their career options and is a role model for other young Indigenous Australians.

The winner will be announced at the 2011 NRL One Community Awards, on 26 September at Sydney Town Hall.

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) will provide the winner with a \$5000 educational scholarship.

Phillip Hunter is in Year 11 at Wilcannia Central School.

He represented Wilcannia at the Learn Earn Legend! State of Origin work experience program in Sydney earlier this year, where he visited News Ltd as part of his dream to one day become a newsreader. He


regularly participates in community programs and is a member of his local Aboriginal Educational Consultative Group (AECG).

Holly Wilson is school captain at Bundamba State Secondary College, and is part of the Broncos Mentoring Program among a host of local academic and indigenous activities.

Holly's goal is to attend university to complete a degree in International Business and Art in order to one day open her own art business.

Zhane Saylor is in Year 12 at Shalom Christian College, Townsville, and regularly completes more than 50 hours of work a week with her combined school and work attendance at the Shalom Sports Academy. She has completed a Certificate 3 in Fitness and a Certificate 2 in Community Recreation – the youngest student in Queensland to have done so.

She will attend James Cook University part-time in 2012.



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
27/2064-6	Elizabeth Dobaj	25.38ha	38km N'y of Kalgoorlie	Lat 30°24' Long 121°34'	Kalgoorlie-Boulder City

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 6 months from date of grant.

Notification day: 7 September 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 **7 December 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. 7 January 2012**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

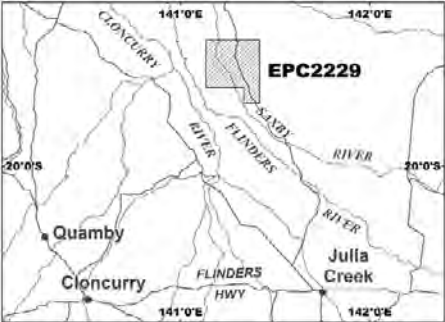
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR MINERALS

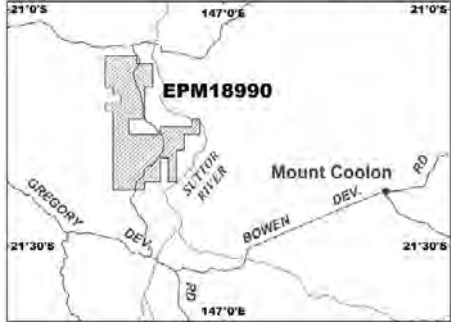
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

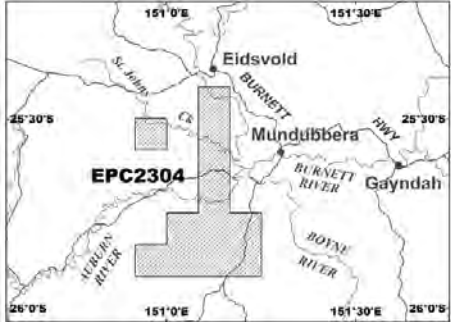
Exploration Permit 2229 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 280 sub-blocks (904km2) centred approximately 137km NNW of Julia Creek, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.




Exploration Permit 18990, sought by Sumitomo Metal Mining Oceania Pty Ltd, ACN 059 761 125, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (317 km2), centred approximately 55km NW of Mount Coolon, in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



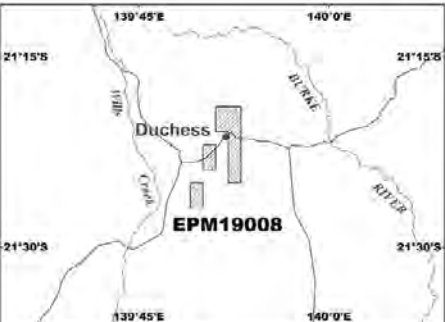
Exploration Permit 2304 sought by Subiaco Capital Pty Ltd, ACN 129 705 308, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (928km2) centred approximately 24km SW of Mundubbera in the locality of North Burnett Regional Council.




Exploration Permit 2303 sought by Subiaco Capital Pty Ltd, ACN 129 705 308, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (924km2) centred approximately 64km SW of Mundubbera in the locality of North Burnett Regional Council, Western Downs Regional Council and South Burnett Regional Council.




Exploration Permit 19008 sought by Syndicated Metals Limited, ACN 115 768 986, over an area of 12 sub-blocks (38 km2), centred approximately 3km SW of Duchess, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



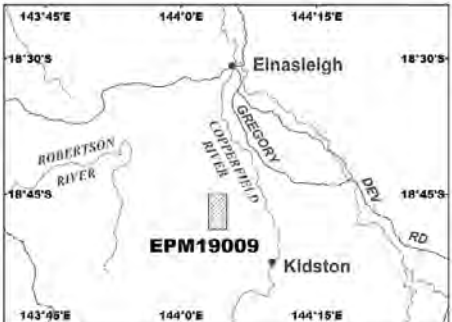
Exploration Permit 18960 sought by Planet Metals Limited, ACN 108 146 694, over an area of 45 sub-blocks (146 km2), centred approximately 22km South of Einasleigh, in the locality of Etheridge Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 19015 sought by Planet Metals Limited, ACN 108 146 694, over an area of 17 sub-blocks (55km2), centred approximately 19km SSW of Einasleigh, in the locality of Etheridge Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 19009 sought by Planet Metals Limited, ACN 108 146 694, over an area of 8 sub-blocks (26km2), centred approximately 30km South of Einasleigh, 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 or 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.

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: 28 September 2011



AFLNT to take over AFLCA



AUSTRALIAN football in central Australia is to come under the control of the Australian Football League Northern Territory (AFLNT). This follows a decision by the board of the Australian Football League Central Australia (AFLCA) to hand over its governance to AFLNT.

"This is a major step forward for football right across the Northern Territory," said AFLNT Chief Executive Tony Frawley.

"Operations on the ground will see minimal changes effected, but in essence it will mean that the strategic direction of Centralian football will be managed by AFLNT to ensure the growth of the game in the region continues."

AFLNT said benefits would include increased investment in the region and a focus on financial security and governance via management of financial affairs by the AFL Financial Services department in Melbourne.

"Financial security is something that we want to achieve for our Central Australian operation," Frawley said.

"A lot of what we do comes down to funding, and more importantly how we spend that funding, which has been an ongoing issue over the years."

On top of the financial security benefits, all AFLCA staff will now be directly employed by AFLNT and receive that same benefits and career pathways afforded to other AFL staff across the country.

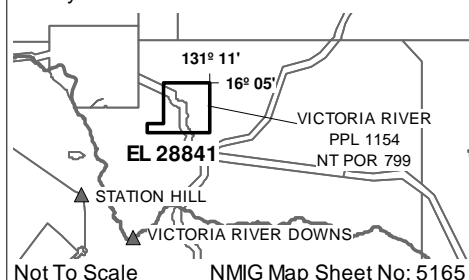
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

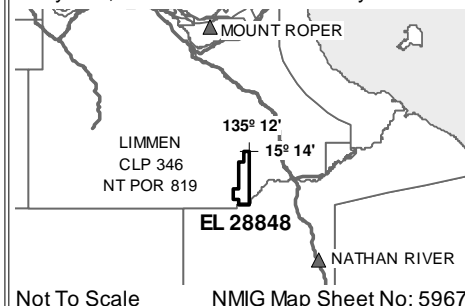
The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, C/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

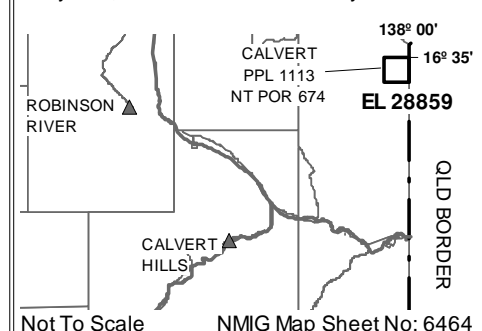
Exploration Licence 28841 sought by AUSTRALIA MINING AND GEMSTONE CO., PTY LTD, ACN 114 395 247 over an area of 38 Blocks (125 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VICTORIA RIVER DOWNS locality.



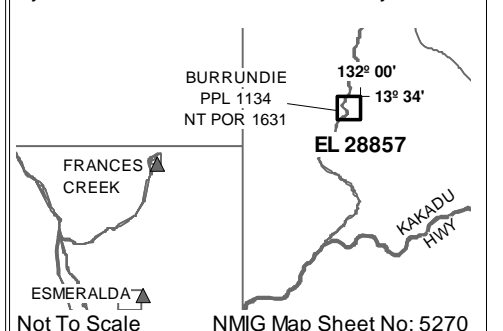
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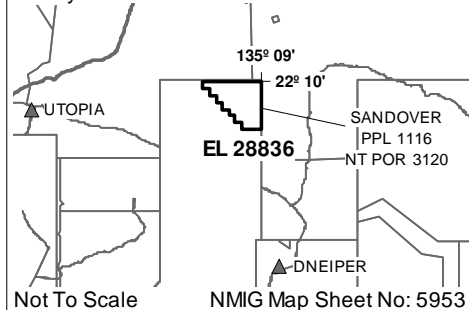
Exploration Licence 28859 sought by DELGARE PTY LTD, ACN 137 981 081 over an area of 30 Blocks (94 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SELBY locality.



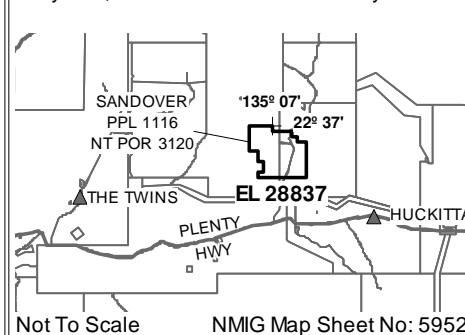
Exploration Licence 28857 sought by ELEMENT 92 PTY LTD, ACN 119 094 423 over an area of 1 Block (3 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



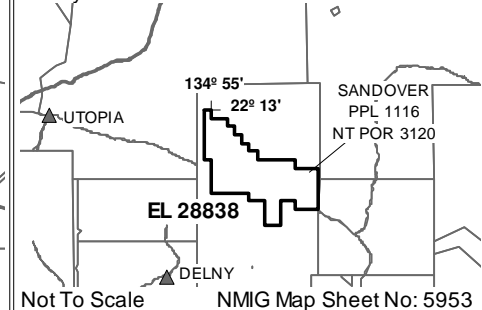
Exploration Licence 28836 sought by GEMPART PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 42 Blocks (134 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MACDONALD DOWNS locality.



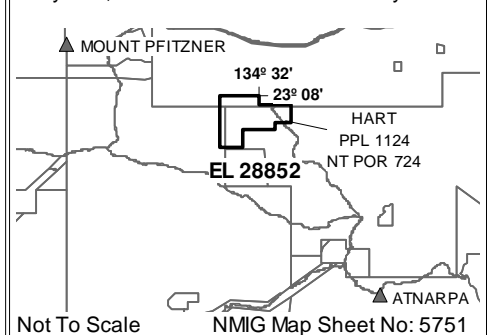
Exploration Licence 28837 sought by GEMPART PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 96 Blocks (304 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



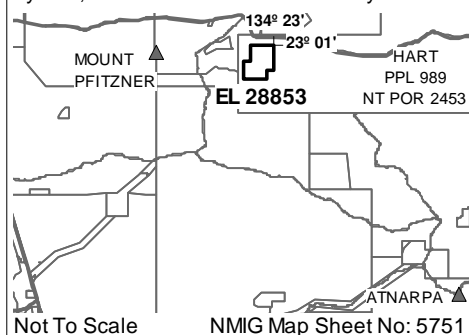
Exploration Licence 28838 sought by GEMPART PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 97 Blocks (308 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MACDONALD DOWNS locality.



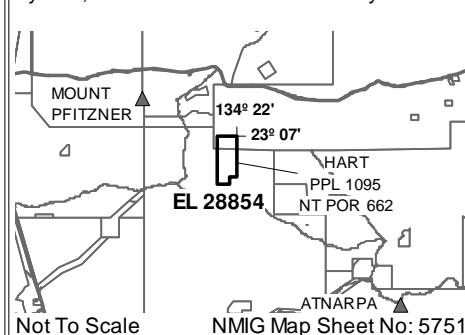
Exploration Licence 28852 sought by GEMPART PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 36 Blocks (114 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LAUGHLEN locality.



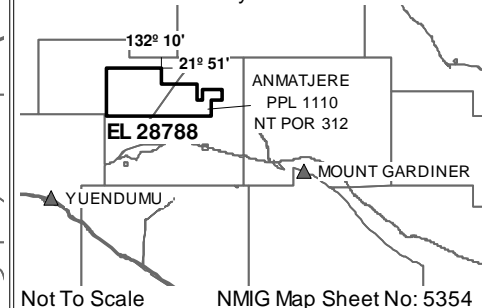
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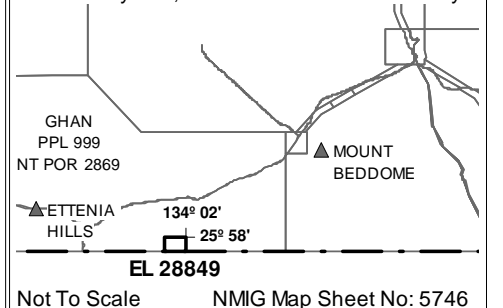
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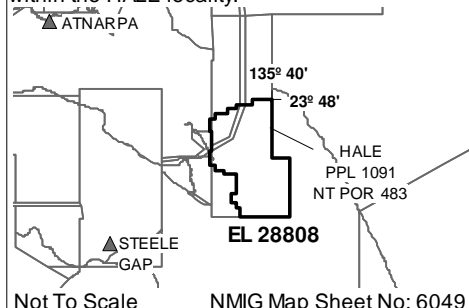
Exploration Licence 28788 sought by GOODRICH RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 737 563 over an area of 158 Blocks (504 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the GILES locality.



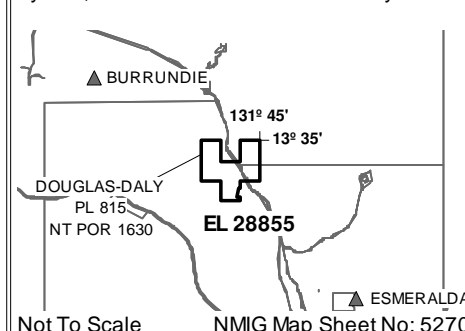
Exploration Licence 28849 sought by IMPERIAL GRANITE & MINERALS PTY LTD, ACN 080 314 012 AND ROBERT CLEAVER over an area of 6 Blocks (19 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BEDDOME locality.



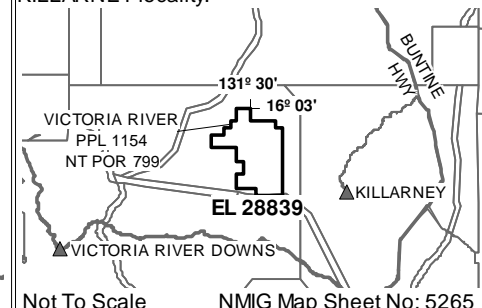
Exploration Licence 28808 sought by RARA TERRA RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 149 109 393 over an area of 360 Blocks (1050 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HALE locality.



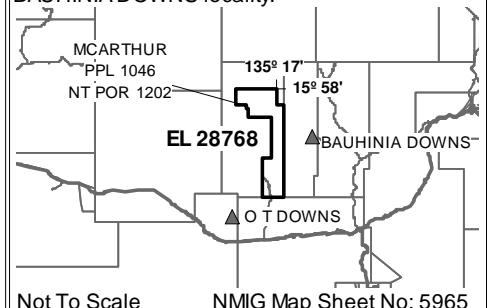
Exploration Licence 28855 sought by TM GOLD PTY LTD, ACN 143 126 710 over an area of 6 Blocks (20 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



Exploration Licence 28839 sought by TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 465 259 over an area of 86 Blocks (284 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the KILLARNEY locality.



Exploration Licence 28768 sought by VALE AUSTRALIA EAPTY LTD, ACN 081 724 101 over an area of 242 Blocks (781 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BAUHINIA DOWNS locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mining Act* authorises the holder to explore for minerals and such operations and works as are necessary for that purpose including (but not limited to) geological survey, rock sampling, drilling, removal and testing of ore material for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the exploration licences referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973 Adelaide SA 5001, or telephone (08) 8306 1230.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 7 September 2011

Blood, sweat and cheers

By ALF WILSON



BLOOD, sweat and more than a liberal sprinkling of tears and cheers were highlights of Palm Island's first boxing tournament in two years held on 27 August at the local PCYC.

Visiting boxers came from the central Queensland Aboriginal community of Woorabinda, Rockhampton, Emerald, Charters Towers and Townsville and competed in a new ring.

The Rockhampton, Emerald, Charters Towers and Townsville boxers came after Palm fighters had competed at their tournaments.

The Woorabinda and Palm boxers had met while attending tournaments at Emerald and Mount Isa, and have struck up great friendships out of the ring.

A crowd of more than 500 watched the action at Palm Island.

Some shed tears of joy as the Palm Island

boxers dominated the card, which featured 12 fights and four exhibition bouts.

In all, 17 Palm boxers competed and they won seven of the ten bouts they contested.

Eight Palm boxers fought the four exhibition bouts against each other.

Before the bouts, guests were welcomed to country by Elder and traditional owner Allan Palm Island.

MC for the night was former Newcastle Knights rugby league and Waratahs rugby union player Milton Thaiday.

Greven Breadsell, from Pioneer Valley, who has had 35 years' experience, was in control of most of the bouts.

"I have been here before and the hospitality is second to none. They really look after us," he said.

Palm Island trainer Ray Dennis said he was confident the crowd got their money's worth.

"Many tournaments on the mainland have half as many bouts," he said.



Hazim Huskic, from Woorabinda, with his trophy after his win.



The Woorabinda contingent, from left, Gary Huskic, Hazim Huskic, Nathan Murgha, Charlie Huskic and William Gulf.



Reggie Palm Island with partner Sharna and baby Kayden.



Dennis Haines Jnr, from Palm (in green) during his win over Harley Broome, from Rockhampton.



Patrick Clarke straps the fist of Josh Dorrick.

Jamal's double stands out on Palm Island

By ALF WILSON



PALM Islander Douglas Miller is called 'Jamal Idris' after the Bulldogs' National Rugby League (NRL) player who is bound for the Gold Coast Titans next year.

Utility player Miller has a similar hairstyle to Idris and was a standout for the Jets in their 66-34 qualifying semi-final win over Brothers on 27 August in the Palm Island domestic competition. Jets supporters were yelling out 'Jamal' from the sideline every time Miller touched the ball.

Courtesy of the win, Jets advanced to the Palm Island grand final on 11 September.

Their opponent was to be the winner of the 4 September preliminary final between Skipjacks and Brothers.

Skipjacks won the elimination semi-final on 27 August, defeating last year's premiers Butler Bay Bulls 36-26.



Douglas Miller tackled by opponents in the Palm Island semi-final.

'Warrior' is back!

By ALF WILSON



LEX Wotton, one of Australia's most high-profile Aboriginal people, has made a comeback to rugby league at the age of 44. Mr Wotton is

known as 'the Warrior' on his beloved North Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island.

That's where the *Koori Mail* saw him on 27 August, as he played for the Butler Bay Bulls in their 36-26 elimination semi-final loss to Skipjacks at the local oval.

Six clubs contest the Palm Island domestic rugby league competition and Mr Wotton is by far the oldest player. He last played competition footy a decade ago.

With his wife Cecilia, daughter Nazine and grandchildren Kyzearne, Billo Jnr, and Temera watching from the sideline, he lined up in the centres alongside his son Billo.

Mr Wotton was jailed in 2008 for inciting a riot on the island after the death of 36-year-old Mulrunji Doomadgee while in police custody

during November 2004.

He was sentenced to six years in jail after being found guilty by an all-white jury but was released on parole after two years and now works on the island as a plumber.

As part of his initial parole conditions, Mr Wotton was prevented from speaking to the media and had to get approval from his Corrective Services officer to attend public meetings on Palm Island. He was granted such approval to attend a meeting on Palm Island last month.

However, he has appealed to the High Court over his right to freedom of speech, arguing his parole conditions were unconstitutional. The judges have yet to make a decision but, a week before the matter went to court, Queensland Corrective Services revoked the parole condition preventing Mr Wotton from speaking to the media.

The move was of little practical consequence, however, given that the State's Corrective Services Act makes it illegal for anyone to interview or obtain a statement from a prisoner or parolee – a situation Mr Wotton's lawyer Stuart Levitt

described last week as 'bloody ridiculous'.

The meeting on Palm last month was part of a process to settle with the Queensland Government a claim by locals for compensation. Mr Wotton has lodged a discrimination claim with the Human Rights Commission over the handling of the riots by police and the death of Mulrunji.

In his heyday, Mr Wotton was one of the best footballers on the island, playing for the Palm Island Barracudas.

Former top player and now local official Algon Walsh Jnr described him as a quality player.

"Lex was very fast and enjoys playing next to his son Billo," Mr Walsh said.

Young rising footballer and star Palm Island boxer Selwyn Seaton said that Wotton earned his place in the Bulls' side.

"Lexy is tough and still has a lot of pace for his age," Seaton said.

Son Billo Wotton is a leading try-scorer in the competition and scored 12 four-pointers in the last four club matches, including three in the semi-final.



● ABOVE: Lex Wotton in the colours of Palm Island's Butler Bay Bulls.

● RIGHT: Lex Wotton after the game with wife Cecilia and daughter Nazine, 16, and grandchildren Kyzearne, 2, Billo junior, 2, and Temera, 3.



New community coaches at Toomelah



From left, Ashleigh McGrady, Deidre McGrady, Lynette (Mary) McGrady, Janice McGrady and Sharon Duncan with their certificates. Absent are Regina McGrady, Melinda Jarrett and Elise Dennison.



EIGHT people from the small Aboriginal community of Toomelah, near Boggabilla, on the NSW-Qld border, have become sports coaches in a national program aimed at

getting kids more active.

The new coaches, including parents of children at Toomelah Public School and other community members, have completed the training requirements to become community coaches with the Australian Government's Active After-school Communities (AASC) program.

They received their coaching certificates at an assembly at Toomelah Public School and will now step on to the school's sports field to take AASC sessions in a range of sports and activities including netball, basketball, touch football, rugby league, soccer, cricket and dance.

"For all eight community members, this is the first time they have coached sports programs and they are looking forward to contributing to the school's future sporting success," said AASC program regional co-ordinator Kate Dubois.

"The initiative provides an excellent opportunity for the community members to get involved and encourage children from the school to develop a life-long love of sport and physical activity through positive role models."

The new coaches completed the Community Coach Training Program as a joint initiative of

the Australian Government's AASC program, run by the Australian Sports Commission, and the Parent and Community Engagement program run by the Department of Education, Employment and Work Place Relations (DEEWR).

DEEWR community development officer Amy Makim, who has been working at Toomelah Public School since the beginning of the year, attended the course and also encouraged the community members to attend the training.

Range of skills

"The course was fantastic as it was very practical and taught a range of skills to the new coaches to help them implement quality sports programs for the children in the school's AASC program," she said.

The eight new coaches will begin coaching in the AASC program in the next few weeks and will also take over most of the co-ordination of the AASC program next term with assistance from the school staff and continued support from Amy Makim and Kate Dubois.

The AASC program is a Commonwealth Government initiative delivered by the Australian Sports Commission in up to 3270 schools and out-of-school care centres across Australia. Each term, up to 190,000 children participate in up to 70 different sports and 20 structured physical activities after school.

Zenadth Kes returns

By ALF WILSON



TEN men's and six women's sides have nominated for the Zenadth Kes rugby league carnival, making it one of the biggest in history.

It will be held at Thursday Island's Ken Brown Memorial Oval from 7-9 October. The event was formerly known as the Torres Cup.

It is one of the two premier sporting events in the Torres Strait, along with the recent Island of Origin carnival on Badu Island.

L J Shibasaki, the secretary of the Kaiwalagal Rugby League which organises the Thursday Island carnival, is enthusiastic about this year.

"The name of the carnival is now Zenadth Kes Cup, which means Torres Strait. We've taken its traditional name," Shibasaki told the *Koori Mail*.

The men's teams are Goemu Bau Raiders, Ngurupai Brothers, Wugga Boars (St Pauls), Arkai Brothers (Kubin), Badu (yet to nominate a name), Wagadagam Storms (Mabuiag), Malu Kiai (Boigu which last entered in 2007), Oped Makrem (Mer), Tudi Warriors (Warraber) and TI United, with players from Thursday Island clubs.

The women's teams are Sundown Sirens, Kanaras (Badu), Bau Au Stingers (Mabuiag), Dideyal Gammas (St Pauls), Masig and NPA.

Sundown Sirens scored a 20-14 win over Bau Au Stingers in the women's section of the June Island of Origin.

"At this carnival, we will be honouring our Elders who have played football in the Torres Strait in the past – people such as Uncle Seaman Dan. We will also be promoting 'Helping Kids Get to School' through Centrelink, boating safety through AMSA, Weed it Out Program through Qld Police, domestic violence awareness through Lena Passi Women's Shelter, and border security through Customs," Shibasaki said.

She said she expected a number of NRL



Sundown Sirens players and supporters celebrate on Thursday Island after their triumph in the 2011 Island of Origin, left to right, back row, Natasha Fujii, Elsie Seriat, Betty Namok and Neru Charlie; front row, Sasah Busch, Xanthika Busch, Etta Charlie, Philomina Fujii and Josephine Sagigi.

players to assist in these promotions.

"I have the likes of Artie Beetson and Sam Backo who will help out with this and our Northern Division QRL team," she said.

Beetson and Backo were popular guests at the last Island of Origin. There will also

be many Torres Strait Islander footballers who now live in Townsville and Cairns travelling to Thursday Island for the Zenadth Kes, even though it clashes with the Bindal All Blacks carnival in Townsville. One top forward is Townsville police

liaison officer Patrick Whap, who told the *Koori Mail* that he would be a certain starter.

"I will be playing for one of the Mabuiag sides – Wagadagam Storm or Goemu Bau Raiders," he said.

Thank you

Thank you: These are the two simple words that am using as my motivation as I prepare for my last game.

No matter what the result of the game against Parramatta, I know I can look back on my career in the National Rugby League (NRL) and be satisfied with what I have achieved.

But I don't know whether I can thank the people who have supported me along the way enough.

My first thanks must go to my family.

My wife Lee and my kids – Tayla, Jayden and Jake – are the centre of my world and the reason I get up every day.

Lee has supported me when my career was at a low point and her faith has given me the strength to succeed.

My kids are my inspiration to do my best every day so I can provide them with the best future possible.

I hope I am a role model for them in the same way my parents – Zandra and Thomas – provided me with the values that I attempt to live by.

And my Nan and Pop – Earl and Betty Munro – have always been there to support me.

My connection to my home town of Tingha is strong because of my family, but the whole community has always been special to me.

Growing up and playing with special mates like my cousin Nathan Blacklock, Owen Craigie and PJ Ellis always made my path to the NRL easier.

The teachers and other staff at Tingha Public School and McIntyre High all contributed to my success by making sure I valued my education.

I also have to make mention of my coaches at the Inverell Hawks who gave a little bloke a chance to play the game that became a career.

The disciplines of life that the whole community taught me helped me to make the decision to take up the offer to trial with the Gold Coast Chargers.

This was also my introduction to the Searle family through Tom and Carmel, who took me into their house and made me feel at home.

At the time I had no idea that their son would be my boss when he established the Titans, but it was his mum and dad who made the Gold Coast my

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

second home.

That is not to say that I was not made welcome at the Sharks and the Panthers.

Johnny Lang was another mentor in my life who I cannot thank enough.

He was not only my coach when I won the Dally M and a premiership, but he showed faith in me when I was battling with depression and helped get me back on the road.

David Peachey will always be a mate for life.

He was the person who taught me through example of the importance of giving back to the community.

Scott Sattler was another great mate at the Panthers and he made my transition back to the Gold Coast easier.

But the decision to come back to the Gold Coast was a simple one when people like Michael Searle and John Cartwright were involved.

Both have become people who I would trust with my life because they have always looked after my best interests.

Indeed, all the Titans staff has become a second family to me and I cannot thank them enough.

Michael and 'Carty' supported my decision to play in the Dreamtime Team against the New Zealand Maori side in the World Cup, although that was my first game back after breaking my jaw.

That game was right up there with the All Stars.

In fact, the All Stars would never have occurred without that game and there were some special people who contributed to that and the All Stars who rarely get a mention.

For a start, Neil Henry gave the side credibility and brought the team together in a short time and was the unanimous choice as the first All Stars Coach.

I was personally disappointed when he was not there last year because I always believe you should be loyal to those who have helped establish success.

Two other blokes – Steve 'Bear' Hall and Ron 'Rambo' Gibbs – have been great servants of the game and worked for Indigenous kids without expecting anything in return.

These – and others like them – are the blokes who deserve the real credit.

All Stars was a great experience, but the real satisfaction comes from being involved in the programs that have resulted from the match.

The support of the NRL and the Federal Government has been crucial in this and I would particularly acknowledge Senator Mark Arbib for his personal support of these programs.

I don't know much about politics, but I do know a lot about passion and he is passionate about making a difference.

Speaking of passion, this brings me to the largest group of people who I need to thank – the fans.

Without your support for our great game, all of the above would never have been possible.

The fans are the ones who lift us to great heights and provide us with additional inspiration.

Working in the community has provided me with the opportunity to meet some great people and I have always tried to treat every person with respect.

To you all, I cannot express my appreciation enough.

I only have two simple words.

Thank You.

Good one, Jamie



The Dragons' Jamie Soward (left) celebrates his try with Nathan Fien during the round 26 National Rugby League (NRL) match against the Penrith Panthers at WIN stadium, Wollongong, on Friday night. The Dragons won 32-12. – AAP Image

Inglis injured



SOUTH Sydney's faint finals hopes were dealt a massive blow with superstar Greg Inglis out for the remainder of the National Rugby League (NRL) season.

Scans last week confirmed a grade two ankle injury for the Test and Queensland representative, who suffered the ligament damage in Souths' 22-10 loss to Brisbane. His absence was noticed last Friday night when Souths bowed out of the 2011 competition following a 40-24 loss to Newcastle.

Club officials had been hoping for better news after Inglis appeared better than expected at a recovery session after the Brisbane game, despite using crutches and wearing a 'moon boot'.

He will be immobilised for up to six weeks.

\$50,000 for winner of Qld's biggest rugby league event



A \$50,000 payout awaits the winners of the inaugural Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Rugby League carnival on the Gold Coast on 22-25

September.

The Queensland Rugby League-endorsed carnival is being organised by Queensland Murri Carnival (QMC) and will be held at Firth Park, Mudgeeraba.

The men's competition will be limited to 32 teams. They will play for the Lionel Morgan Cup, with the winning team collecting \$50,000, and the runners-up \$10,000.

It will cost the men's teams \$2750 to

enter the competition.

Sixteen under 15 teams will battle it out for the Arthur Beetson Shield.

The youngsters will be on trial for selection in the Queensland under 16 Murri team to play NSW in a curtain-raiser to the 2012 All Stars game on the Gold Coast next February.

Eight women's teams

The women's competition will be limited to eight teams. They will play for the Yvonne O'Neill Plate, with the winners collecting \$8000, and the runners-up \$3000.

The women could progress to the women's Indigenous All Stars team for the 2012 program.

Entry fees for the women's

competition is \$1650, while it will cost \$350 to enter an under 15 boys' team.

Teams can register at www.maxlea.net

Men's teams will play a minimum of two games. Teams unbeaten after two games and with the best for and against records will enter the final 16, followed by quarter-finals, semi-finals and the final.

Carnival spokesman Tony Currie the carnival would be a drug-and-alcohol-free event.

He said organisers were serious about promoting healthy living and active sport participation.

To reinforce this message, players would be subjected to mandatory health checks.

9am - 2pm

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Ball-up, and it's game on... action during the match between Victoria and South Australia on the Queensland Gold Coast.
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KickStart for the next generation

By AFL Community Engagement Manager JASON MIFSUD



THE Australian Football League (AFL) last week held the inaugural national under 15 Kickstart championships on the Gold Coast.

With six teams and 150 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young men participating, beyond the games the social and cultural benefits are significant.

As their first exposure point to the AFL talented player pathway, the players were selected through state-based trials.

About 600 participants were engaged throughout this process, providing a significant engagement point with Indigenous communities right across the country.

Each game in the championships was played in great competitive spirit and the natural talent that Indigenous players are renowned for was abundant.

We also witnessed the extraordinary resilience and discipline of the young men to step out of their community comfort zones and embrace the program.

Curtain-raiser

In what was to be a highlight, the two grand final sides were to play the curtain-raiser to the Gold Coast Suns and Hawthorn at Metricon Stadium last Saturday.

Equally important, throughout the trials leading up the championship as well as during the week, the players participated in healthy lifestyles, leadership, education and employment workshops.

We had Coles partnering with us over

the course of the week, providing nutritional lunches and promoting employment opportunities within their business.

We also had community barbecues with up to 1000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people attending.

Through the support of Coles, we had the Catherine Freeman attend and address the players and community on aspirations and leadership.

The other important aspect of the week was the promotion and influence of Indigenous people in off-field leadership roles such as coaching, umpiring and management.

Each team was coached by an outstanding Indigenous person, with Des Headland (WA), Daryl White (Qld), Aaron Clarke (Vic/Tas), Eddie Hocking (SA), Rod Craig (NSW/ACT) and John

Bonson (NT) all providing great leadership and role modelling for these young men.

At the end of the championships, national selectors Chris Johnson (coach) Andrew McLeod, Michael O'Loughlin and Luke Jeffery were to select the Flying Boomerangs team of 25 to play in the Oceania championships in December.

Pathways

Overall, this program is about providing our young Indigenous men with pathways – a pathway to an elite AFL career, a pathway to an off field leadership role or a pathway to further educational and employment opportunities.

Either way, our obligation is to provide the hope, they need to provide the hard work.



AFL Community Engagement Manager Jason Mifsud, centre, with from left, Jeffery Hudson (Qld), Tim Hartman (SA), Shane McAuliffe, Abaina Davis (NSW/ACT), Daniel Briggs (NSW/ACT), Bohdi Walker (Vic/Tas), and West Australians Jermaine Miller-Lewis and Jarrod Pickett.



Michael Long's son Jake, playing for the Northern Territory, is chased by Victorian Junga Ellis, from Melbourne.

Q'land Cricket scouting mission begins



QUEENSLAND Cricket (QC) has embarked on its latest scouting mission to uncover gifted Indigenous cricketers as part of its Eddie

Gilbert Talent Identification Program.

QC specialist development program co-ordinator Nev Paulsen is holding talent ID clinics in the south-west, far west and Darling Downs regions.

The talent-spotting roadshow started last Monday at Toowoomba, then Theodore yesterday and Emerald today (Wednesday).

Other clinics will be held at Barcaldine, Blackall, Charleville, Mitchell, Roma, St George and Warwick.

Coach education sessions will also take place in selected centres, including a level one course in Blackall.

The trials are open, with invitations also issued to those players already identified as prospective squad players or currently in the QC system.

Female and male Indigenous cricketers aged from ten to 30 are welcome to attend the trials.

The sessions are conducted to identify players to ensure the future of Indigenous cricket in Queensland and Australia.

Avenues opened

The younger players identified may be selected to attend the Queensland Cricket Eddie Gilbert Squad and Queensland Cricket Regional Coaching squad training sessions, while the senior players will be evaluated for inclusion in the 2011-12 Imparja Cup squad.

They will also be considered for coaching and umpiring programs.

The Imparja Cup is the national Indigenous cricket titles and will be held in Alice Springs early next year.

The Eddie Gilbert Program is named in honour of Queensland's Eddie Gilbert, the famous Indigenous fast bowler from the 1930s.

Dates for Nev Paulsen's tour:

- Barcaldine, cricket oval, Thursday 8 Sept, 3.30pm.
- Blackall Catholic School Oval, Friday 9 Sept, 3.30pm.
- Blackall, Level 1 (Coach Education), Saturday 10 Sept, 8.30am.
- Charleville High School, Sunday 11 Sept, 3.30pm.
- Mitchell State School, Monday 12 Sept, 3.30pm.
- Roma cricket oval, Tuesday 13 Sept, 3.30pm.
- St George State School, Wednesday 14 Sept, 3.30pm.
- Warwick Slade Park, Friday 16 Sept, 3.30pm.

Contact details: Nev Paulsen 0419 725 823.

Johnson joins AIS academy

By PETER ARGENT



CHRIS JOHNSON, one of the best Indigenous Australian football players

to come out of Melbourne over the past two decades, is to share his knowledge with aspiring young players.

He has joined the Australian Institute of Sport-Australian Football League (AIS-AFL) Academy as a level one coach.

This follows the announcement that the AFL will expand its commitment to the elite junior pathway of the AIS-AFL Academy.

"It was great to get the nod for this role," Johnson told the *Koori Mail*.

"To be a part of an elite high-performance program is exciting.

"I'm thrilled and am looking forward to getting involved with these teenagers.

"It is not only the footy I am looking to improve, I'm keen on developing these young men's strengths outside the playing arena."

Two-tier model

As the game and the recruiting for footballers has evolved, the AFL has pioneered a two-tier model for its 15th intake of the AIS Academy squad for next year.

Johnson, an acclaimed triple-premiership player with the Brisbane Lions, will head the level one program of the AIS-AFL Academy, which includes 30 players chosen from the recent AFL under-16 championships, with a clear directive to prepare players for the next stage of their junior career.

"The talent within the level one squad will be nurtured and developed under the guidance of Chris," AFL national talent manager Kevin Sheehan said.

"I'm delighted that Chris has agreed to expand his role within the AFL's Multicultural and



CHRIS JOHNSON

Indigenous Program to share his vast experience with our next generation of future stars."

Fellow Indigenous champion and Sydney Swans star Michael O'Loughlin will continue as AIS-AFL Academy head coach and he will be in charge of the level two program.

Johnson will first take charge when the inductees attend their initial camp in Melbourne during the 2011 AFL grand final week, with the second camp to be held at the Australian Institute of Sport in

Canberra in late November.

Johnson was originally from the Jacana Football Club, and then joined the Northern Knights in the TAC Cup under-18 pathway competition.

He was a first-round drafted selection (at number seven) to the now amalgamated Fitzroy Football Club in 1994, before joining the newly-merged Brisbane Lions in 1997.

Johnson was key member of the Lions' defence during their triple premierships success in 2001, 2002 and 2003 and

played 264 games. He was co-captain of the Lions and also led the Australia team in the International Rules series against Ireland.

"While I was playing, I never thought I'd move into coaching," Johnson said.

"Leigh (Matthews) gave me an opportunity at the Lions in a development role.

"This is an exciting challenge and because I've been exposed to the life of a footballer who was forced to move interstate to continue my football at a young age, I can pass on my experiences.

"For most of the lads in this program, they will move away from family and friends to continue their football, if they get drafted.

"I will be able to give them an insight into what I went through and the things I had to deal with. Things like personal development, keeping a diary and looking after the mundane duties of week-to-week living are important for these young men.

"Along with increasing the group's capacity as players, I am hoping to develop them as better people."

Accolades

Among Johnson's many accolades is also being a member of the AFL's Indigenous Team of the Century in the back six, and he has coached the Aboriginal All-stars team against the Adelaide Crows.

Upon retirement from the Lions, he has been a senior coach with Avondale Heights Football Club in the Essendon District Football League.

While working at the AFL in Indigenous and multi-cultural programs, Johnson also coached the World team in the NAB AFL U16 championships and in the process of completing his level 3 AFL coaching accreditation.

He and his wife Vanessa have four children – Lachlan, 10, Preston, 7, Aiden, 5, and Charlee, 4.

Tiwi sides possible for Imparja Cup



THERE could be two new teams in the lower divisions at next year's Imparja Cup cricket carnival in Alice Springs.

The sport has just been reintroduced into the Tiwi Islands, north of Darwin, and Northern Territory cricket officials are hopeful that as a result, a men's team and a women's team will play in the Imparja Cup community divisions next February.

A competition has been running on Bathurst and Melville islands for several weeks.

Such was the success of introductory days that Cricket Northern Territory hurriedly rearranged the format to embrace the unexpected number of people who turned up to play.

The Tiwis aren't set up too well for cricket, so for now, teams are playing on bare earth using softer compound balls.

But officials are keen to introduce regulation cricket balls and concrete and synthetic pitches to get their players acclimatised to Imparja Cup conditions.

Cricket NT development officer Mick Rees told the *Koori Mail* that accredited coaching now was in place on the Tiwis.

The Tiwi competition was organised by Cricket NT and the NT Sport and Recreation's Sport Demonstration Project.

Another painful ending for Northern United



OH, so close, but for the second year running, Northern United fell tantalising short of fulfilling their dreams.

The Aboriginal-dominated team plays in the Northern Rivers Regional Rugby League (NRRRL) competition, taking in clubs from Grafton to the Queensland border.

In their first year, the Lismore-based Northern United were edged out by the Lower Clarence Magpies in the NRRRL grand final.

This year, the Dirawongs failed to reach the grand final, but came perilously close when they led the Murwillumbah Mustangs with just minutes remaining in the preliminary final at Murwillumbah.

The Mustangs received just one penalty in the second half and it was the one thing that propelled them into last weekend's grand final against the Grafton Ghosts.

With the clock ticking down towards full-time, the free-wheeling United led the Mustangs 34-32 and had them pinned deep in Mustangs' territory.

The game looked over for the Mustangs, who didn't have the speed out wide to score a long-range try.

However, a rare indiscretion at the play-the-ball late in the tackle count prompted the referee to penalise United and Nathan Jordan's kick for touch resulted in play resuming 15 metres in United's half.

Four plays later, the Mustangs had scored and with the following conversion, the home side scraped home 38-34.

A fortnight earlier, the Dirawongs



Northern United players follow a kick-off in the elimination semi-final match against Evans Head at Crozier Field, Lismore. United won 38-20 to advance to the preliminary final, but lost 38-34 after leading with just minutes remaining.

appeared to be robbed in their qualifying semi-final match against the Ghosts at Grafton.

Well after the game, the debate continued over the referee and touch judge's decision to disallow a try to Northern United's Roy Bell.

Trailing 30-28 with ten minutes remaining, the Northern United fullback put up a towering bomb, chased his own kick, regathered and scored under

the posts. But after a discussion by the touch judges and referee, Northern United's celebrations were cut short, much to the anger of the Dirawong supporters.

The Grafton-based *Daily Examiner* newspaper said it had been inundated with phone calls and emails questioning the referee's decision, and had decided to review the video footage to clear up the matter.

It said it had contacted National Rugby League (NRL) match review committee chairman and former first grade referee Greg McCallum for the correct ruling.

After gathering all the evidence, the *Examiner* said the officials made a huge blunder, which in the end could have cost the Dirawongs a crack at Murwillumbah in the major-semi final.

Northern United is sponsored by the *Koori Mail*.

Campbell rules out All Stars farewell



PRESTON CAMPBELL



A LAST hurrah in the 2012 All Stars game has been ruled out by Preston Campbell –

although the Gold Coast National Rugby League (NRL) veteran admits he is still getting his head around saying goodbye.

The Titans had plenty to play for in last Saturday night's Skilled Park clash with Parramatta as they tried to stave off the wooden spoon.

But the stage was already set for a memorable clash, with favourite son Campbell using the regular season finale to draw the curtain on his remarkable 14-year career.

Campbell, 34, was prone to changing his mind about retirement before finally drawing a line in the sand recently.

And while Campbell was clearly coming to grips with bidding farewell last weekend, he dismissed the notion he could turn out for one final hit-out in an event he helped create – the All Stars weekend next February.

"No – the All Stars game for me personally was about giving new guys a run," he said of appearing in

the traditional NRL season opener.

"It was about giving guys a chance to play for their state or country by showing their wares against the best footballers in the world."

Campbell and Titans boss Michael Searle helped inspire the All Stars clash, an event that has taken on a life of its own since the 2010 debut. So much so that NRL boss David Gallop can't guarantee that it will stay at the Gold Coast after next year.

Stunning impact

Gallop recently attended a special media conference in Brisbane 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.

Campbell might have won a Dally M Medal and an NRL premiership (with Penrith in 2003), but the wily playmaker rated the All

Stars concept as his 'highest achievement'. "It is changing the way people are looking at each other – whether you are Indigenous or non-Indigenous," he said.

"It is changing lives – and I am very proud to be a part of that."

After starting his career for the now-defunct Gold Coast Chargers in 1998, Campbell took great satisfaction out of ending his career at the same place he began it.

Not that it made his retirement any easier to contemplate.

Even an off-field role as an Indigenous ambassador with the Titans next year could not soften the blow for the veteran.

"It hasn't hit me yet that I am finishing up this year," he said.

"I think once the game's finished, the emotions will start to hit."

"And when the guys come out for pre-season training, it will hit again because I will be around the club working."

"But I am looking forward to retirement."

"I feel satisfied with what I have achieved – that's all anyone can ask for when they are retiring." – AAP

3 in Team of Year



THREE Indigenous players, including David Peachey's cousin Tyrone Peachey, have been named in the National Rugby League's 2011 Toyota Cup Team of the Year.

Lock forward Tyrone Peachey is the first Cronulla player to be named in the team's four-year history.

The other Indigenous players in the 2011 team are wingers Dane Gagai (Brisbane Broncos) and James Roberts (South Sydney).

Gagai – one of eight members of the team to have played NRL this season – and Bulldogs prop Dale Finucane are just the second and Kempsey-born Roberts burst on to the Toyota Cup scene towards the end of the 2010 season, scoring a bag full of tries to help South Sydney to the under 20s grand final.

He is the nephew of Amos Roberts and made his first grade debut against the Bulldogs in March this year.

An Afghani refugee, the grandson of a former international, eight players with NRL experience and the cousins of three NRL stars are among the members of the 2011 Toyota Cup Team of the Year announced at the Sydney Football Stadium last week.

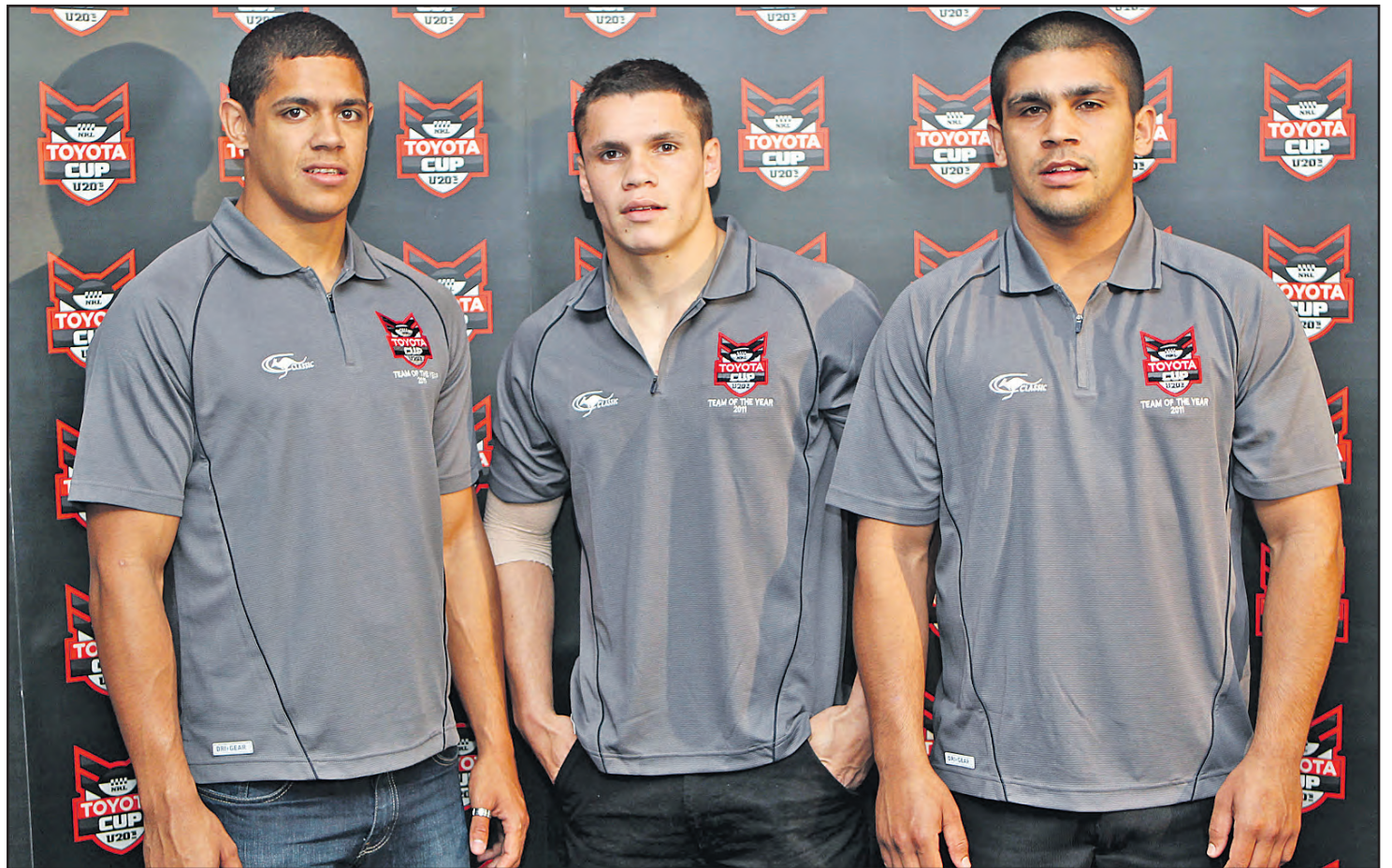
Warriors fullback Omar Slaimankhel, whose family fled war-torn Afghanistan to New Zealand, is in the team.

Slaimankhel has combined his Bachelor of Health Science (Podiatry) studies with an amazing strike-rate of 38 tries in just 35 Toyota Cup matches.

Family affair

Sharks forward Tyrone Peachey, Storm centre Mahe Fonau and Warriors five-eighth Carlos Tuimavave – the cousins of former NRL stars David Peachey, Taniela Tuiaki and current Knights forward Evann Tuimavave – also made the team, as did Dragons forward Jack De Belin, the grandson of Frederick De Belin who played in Balmain's 1946 grand final win and who played eight Tests for the Kangaroos.

Storm forward Kenneath Bromwich has mirrored the achievement of his brother Jesse, a member of the 2009 Team of the Year, the first brothers to achieve the feat.



Indigenous players in 2011 Toyota Cup Team of the Year, from left, Dane Gagai (Broncos), James Roberts (Rabbitohs), and Tyrone Peachey (Sharks). Picture: Action Photographics

They join a Toyota Cup honour roll that in four seasons has already produced nine internationals, five Origin representatives and a host of NRL stars, including Chris Sandow, Kieran Foran, Tariq Sims, Ryan James, Tim Mannah, Jamal Idris, Ben Barba, Gareth Widdop, Trent Merrin, Daly Cherry-Evans, Jharal Yow Yeh, Tim Mannah, Ben Matulino, Shaun Fensom and Dylan Farrell.

2011 Team of the Year

The 2011 Toyota Cup Team of the Year is:

Fullback, Omar Slaimankhel (Warriors).
Wingers, Dane Gagai (Brisbane

Broncos), James Roberts (South Sydney).

Centres, Konrad Hurrell (Warriors), Mahe Fonua (Melbourne Storm).

Five-eighth, Carlos Tuimavave (Warriors).

Halfback, Jacob Miller (Wests Tigers).

Props, Kane Evans (Sydney Roosters), Dale Finucane (Bulldogs).

Hooker, Kurt Baptiste (Brisbane Broncos).

Second row, Jason Taumalolo (North Queensland Cowboys), Alex McKinnon (St George Illawarra).

Lock, Tyrone Peachey (Cronulla Sharks).

Interchange, Kenneath Bromwich

(Melbourne Storm), Tim Lafai (Bulldogs), Jack De Belin (St George Illawarra), Kyle Feldt (North Queensland Cowboys).

Coach, John Ackland (Warriors).

Another 55 current and former Toyota Cup players have made their NRL debuts this season, taking to 217 the number that has reached the NRL in four years.

Each member of the 2011 Toyota Cup Team of the Year will receive a \$2000 education grant in addition to the grants clubs already receive for education and workplace training. They also receive a Toyota Cup Team of the Year plaque and polo shirt.

Harradine's fifth placing is the best yet



BENN Harradine led the Australian performances on day four of the IAAF world championships, with

his fifth place finish in the men's discus final the best result by an Australian in the event at any world championships or Olympic Games.

The Commonwealth champion and national record holder was the opening thrower in the final, and his first heave was an impressive 64.43m, which after round one had him lying in third.

While Harradine's second throw looked to have surpassed his previous effort, it fell short at 64.02m and his third landed at 62.08m.

However his first heave was enough to secure him a top eight spot and a further three throws. The same was not the case for world and Olympic silver medallist Piotr Malachowski (Poland), who was the highest profile scalp from the first three attempts.

Harradine then went on to

improve his best effort to 64.77m on his sixth and final throw, to cement his fifth-place finish.

Robert Harting (Germany) defended his world title with a winning throw of 68.97m.

Harradine said: "I'm really happy, it wasn't a bad performance at all but I just felt like there was a medal there for me and I let it go."

"I'm super happy with the consistency of the evening. My goal was to get out there and consolidate it in the first round, then try and rip it from there."

"It's a stepping stone for sure, my goal after the Commonwealth games was to finish in the final at world champs and then hopefully a podium finish for London (Olympics). I'm ticking those boxes."

Indigenous long jumper Robbie Crowther missed qualifying for a place in the final 12.

Queenslander Mitchell Watt qualified for the final, but Crowther's best leap of 7.74m was not enough to get him through to the finals.



All Stars players in Australian women's line-up



FIVE Indigenous players were in the Australian women's rugby league team that toured Samoa. They were 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' beat the Patron's XIII 20-16 on 30 August in their opening

encounter at Marist College Stadium, Lotopa.

They were to play Test match against Samoa last Saturday in Apia.

The Samoan tour was 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 was coached for the first time by former National Rugby League (NRL) and State of Origin coach Graham Murray.

Peachey, Blacklock to be guest players



RUGBY league legends David Peachey (pictured) and Nathan Blacklock will be guest players at the 2011 Koori Mail Aboriginal Rugby League Carnival at

Byron Bay on 10-11 September.

The knockout event will be restricted to 16 teams, with up to \$6000 prizemoney on offer. Teams will use the event in



preparation for two big approaching carnivals – the Queensland Aboriginal and Island Health Council Murri carnival on the Gold Coast on 22-25 September, and the NSW Aboriginal Knockout carnival at Bathurst from 30

September-3 October.

The Lismore-based Northern United Rugby League Club is organising the Byron Bay knockout, which will be held at Red Devil Park.

Organisers expect teams from across the Northern Rivers.

Peachey and Blacklock are likely to play in an Invitational team.

It will cost teams \$750 to enter.

For more information on the carnival, call organiser Grantley Creighton on 0402 309 582.

Garlett stays a Blue

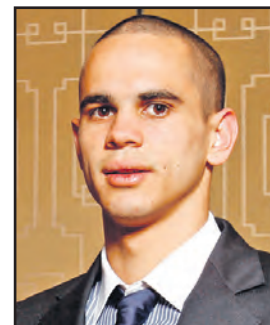


LIVEWIRE Carlton forward Jeff Garlett (pictured) has signed a new deal that ties him to the Australian Football League (AFL) club for the

next three seasons.

Before last weekend, the 22-year-old, 51-gamer had played all 21 matches for the Blues this season, booting 43 goals.

Garlett was elevated to the Blues' primary list last year after being recruited as a rookie in 2009. – AAP



Hayden calls it quits



FREMANTLE defender Roger Hayden has announced his retirement from Australian football after 128 games following the recurrence of a

long-term foot injury that will require surgery.

The playmaker played just three games this season after entering the year with a serious foot injury and breaking the fibula in his right leg against the Sydney Swans in round 17.

The 30-year-old, who earned a one-year contract for 2011 after playing all but one game last season, told his team-mates of his decision before training at Patersons Stadium last Wednesday.

Waiting to ambush?

It was almost a case of the Cats amongst the pigeons when Geelong re-asserted itself as a premiership threat with a stunning 96-point victory over Collingwood last Friday night.

In the final round of the premiership, it proved that the finals series is indeed the start of a new competition.

I certainly believe that the 2011 premiers will come from the top four.

That being said, last Friday's result certainly reinforced that any one of those sides could outperform the other on any given day.

Many critics saw the competition as Collingwood's alone when they were so dominant for most of the season.

This is not to deny the recent form of Carlton, St Kilda and the Swans, who recently broke Geelong's impressive run of victories at Skilled Stadium.

However, the top four have the credentials and the added advantage provided by their top four positions.

The Cats were highly impressive against Collingwood.

Second-term blitz

After spotting the ladder leaders a 19-point start during the first quarter, the Cats found their range after quarter-time and delivered a devastating ten-goals-to-one second-term blitz en route to a 22.17 (149) to 8.5 (53) victory.

Although neither side had anything other than bragging rights to play for with their week one finals opponents already decided, Chris Scott's men will now enter September full of confidence after beating the premiership

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



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favourites by their greatest ever margin.

The second-quarter stats told the story.

It was their best-ever quarter against the Magpies, and not for a long, long time has Mick Malthouse's super-organised team been so exposed.

Geelong had winners on every line.

Corey Enright and David Wojcinski were superb off half-back; Joel Selwood (21 possessions and 11 tackles) typically tough in the centre; and young forwards Daniel Menzel (five goals) and Allen Christensen (three goals) were electric up forward.

Menzel in particular was outstanding, equally damaging as a marking target and at ground level as he booted a career-best haul.

Geelong's key backs Harry Taylor and Matthew Scarlett were also big winners, with Cloke held goalless and Chris Dawes managing only two

goals, which was a team-high return.

Bright spots were harder to find for the minor premiers, who appeared to have their minds firmly fixed eight days ahead.

Scott Pendlebury and Dayne Beams put on a show in the first quarter, collecting 30 possessions between them, but their combined tally for the second term was just five touches as the Cats ran riot.

Pendlebury at least put his head down in the second half and finished as his team's best midfielder.

Key defender Ben Reid beat James Podsiadly, and Harry O'Brien was sometimes good, sometimes bad.

Should Collingwood fans be worried?

Probably not.

No loss of this magnitude can be entirely discounted, but Malthouse's men didn't appear completely switched on.

Nonetheless, a win would have meant they'd beaten every other team during the home and away season, and could enter September fearing no-one.

Mental hurdle

As it now stands, they could face a mental hurdle should they meet the Cats again some time in the next four weeks.

Geelong will approach next Friday night's clash with the rested and hungry Hawthorn absolutely flying.

Wobbles had been detected following last week's upset loss to the Sydney Swans, but Friday night was a reminder that Geelong's champion group can never be written off.

They're in this premiership race up to their whiskers.

Beale wins the John Eales Medal



KURTLEY Beale's growing importance to the Wallabies was emphasised on Thursday night, with the mercurial rugby union fullback

winning the John Eales Medal voted on by his team-mates.

Initially a five-eighth when he entered the Super Rugby ranks with the Waratahs in 2007, Beale has flourished since moving to fullback last year.

He polled 127 votes, five more than hooker Stephen Moore, with openside flanker and last year's winner David Pocock a further 22 back in third place.

Votes were cast on a 3-2-1 basis by all 22 members of each Australian match day squad over the past 12 months.

Beale 22, polled votes in all but two of the Tests over that period.

His elusive running set up numerous tries and scoring opportunities, while his goalkicking contribution was highlighted by a long-range last-gasp match-winning penalty against South Africa in Bloemfontein in 2010.

The medal win capped of a spectacular 12 months for Beale.

He won the Wallabies Rookie and Try of the Year awards in 2010, and was also one of the five nominees for the International

Rugby Board Player of the Year award.

Genia, who had already won the Queensland and Australian Super Player of the Year awards, was named the Australia's Choice Wallabies Player of the Year.

"It's still a bit surprising, but I guess I'm very very honoured to receive the award," Beale said.

"I couldn't have done it without all the boys in the squad, obviously it's a team sport."

Beale attributed his continued improvement over the past year to hard work.

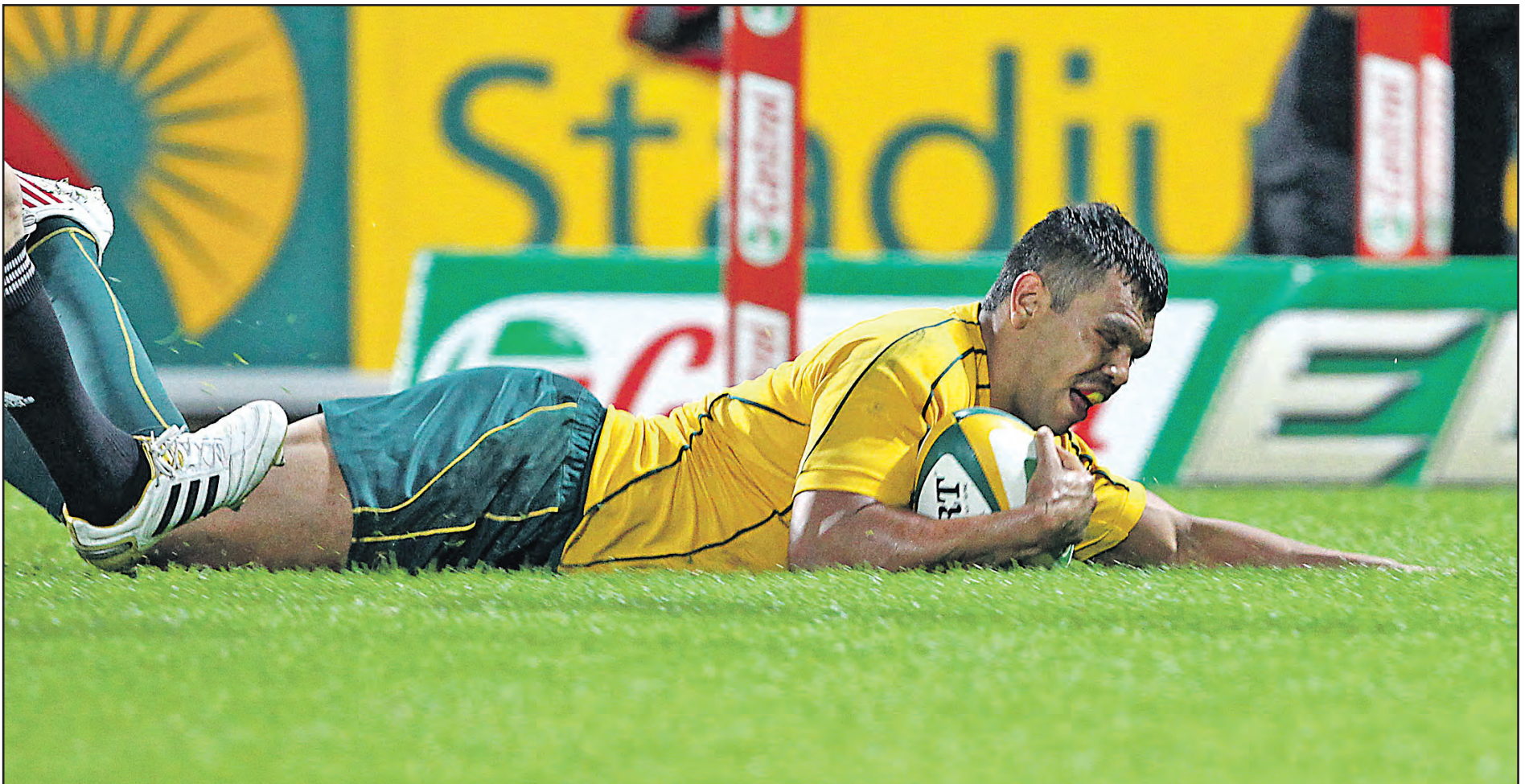
"Just a bit of hard work, sacrificing a bit

of time to go out of my way and put in the hard yards," Beale said.

"I think if you're going to approach something and strive to reach your goals, at the end of the day to make it as simple as possible, hard work gets you where you want to be."

Beale said he had struggled in his first couple of years of professional rugby following a much-lauded time at school level.

"Over the past couple of years I feel that I have been playing consistent rugby and I think that all goes down to the environment I'm in, being around positive people really helps," he said. —AAP



Australia's Kurtley Beale dives over to score the match-winning try during the Tri-Nations rugby union match against New Zealand at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, on Saturday 27 August. — AP Photo

Now the World Cup



WITH Wallabies' tails finally up, rugby union's World Cup couldn't be better timed for Australia.

After ten barren years dominated by inconsistency, near misses and abject failures, the Wallabies enter the 2011 tournament in New Zealand as newly-crowned Tri-Nations champions, with their confidence sky-high.

A thrilling last-start 25-20 triumph over the All Blacks, who are carrying a World Cup monkey and the weight of a nation on their back, showed coach Robbie Deans' men are credible challengers to the tournament hosts and favourites.

The momentum started by the Queensland Reds' breakthrough Super Rugby triumph at Suncorp Stadium in July, followed by ending a decade-long Tri-Nations title drought at the same Brisbane ground is priceless.

Deans has spent three years building a young and brazen team who have learned from their painful mistakes in ten straight trans-Tasman defeats from

2008-10 and no longer fear the mighty All Blacks.

The benefit of those lessons was brought to bear in the Tri Nations final when the Wallabies responded to New Zealand's second-half fightback to level from 20-3 down, to counter-punch for Kurtley Beale's match-winner.

Beale was one of three Indigenous players in the Wallaby team — the others being the Faingaa twins Saia and Anthony.

They have been retained in the 30-man squad named by Australia to tackle the World Cup.

Rain-sodden track

The Wallabies' Suncorp Stadium win on a rain-sodden field like those they will see in New Zealand.

Immediately after that win, new skipper James Horwill got his team in a huddle and laid down the law that their standard had been set.

"We said we don't want to go back where we were," defensive linchpin Anthony Faingaa said.

"We finished off the game really well and we want to take that momentum into the World Cup and that's a stepping stone to the World Cup.

"We've set a benchmark and we don't want to lower our standards from there."

Former All Black Deans knows the result will make his old team a tougher beast to bring down — especially on home soil — but he also believes his Australian team have the steel and edge to withstand the backlash.

The world's top-two ranked teams — who have never met in a World Cup decider — are fortunately drawn to meet in the 23 October Eden Park final. But they first have to get there.

There are no guarantees and, as Australia well knows, a few weeks is a long, long time in rugby. On 6 August, they were outmuscled and outclassed 30-14 at Eden Park.

So what will earn the Wallabies a third William Webb Ellis Cup?

Will they need another All Black meltdown? It wouldn't hurt.

What they definitely don't need is a pool stage slip-up against the likes of Ireland or Italy. It would force them into the more treacherous side of the knockout draw with Tri-Nations rivals South Africa and New Zealand.

As it stands, they have a dream draw where an expected unbeaten pool run would likely grant a quarter-final meeting with Wales.

The Wallabies' campaign should start with a comfortable win over Italy at North Harbour Stadium on 11 September, serving as a warm-up for their strongest pool rivals, Ireland, six days later.

A clean sweep of pool C, also including USA and Russia, will pit them against the runners-up from pool D — likely to be Wales, Samoa or Fiji — in a Wellington quarter-final.

It was at that stage the Wallabies were eliminated in France four years ago when monstered by the English forwards.

England, the 2003 final victors in Sydney, are expected to stand in their way again and their semi-final clash could well be their moment of truth. —AAP

League knockout returns to Brisbane



TEAMS from NSW are set to play in the Brisbane Indigenous Rugby League Carnival (BIRLC) on 15-16 October. Expressions of interest have come from as far away as Bowen, Palm Island, St George and NSW teams Green Hill Natives (Kempsey), Moree Mission Jets and Toomelah Tigers.

Carnival organisers Murri Vibrations said the carnival was more than a football tournament.

"The focus also will be on youth,

community and culture," it said.

"The carnival represents Indigenous people working collaboratively with community stakeholders for the benefit of all."

The inaugural tournament was held at Davies Park in September 2009. That was the first such event to be held in Brisbane for more than 15 years.

It was a great success, attracting nearly 4000 people over two days.

Ipswich team Purga Wagtails beat Bundjalung United (northern NSW) 26-24 in a thrilling final.

Purga won a scrum against the feed on the full-time bell and scored a try to snatch victory.

New venue

This year's football carnival will be held at the East Carina Junior Rugby League Football Club, Creek Road, Brisbane.

Registrations close on 7 October.

The knockout tournament will be capped at 16 teams.

If 16 teams enter, prizemoney will be \$11,000 for the winners and

\$5000 for the runners-up. It will cost teams \$1000 to nominate.

Murri Vibrations spokesman Paul Spearim was just 23 when he organised the inaugural BIRLC carnival in 2009.

Murri Vibrations is an event management company and also organises youth programs throughout Queensland, using hop-hop as its main vehicle to reach out to young Indigenous people.

Details on the BIRLC: info@murrivibrations.com.au or telephone 0412 459 027.

Footy set to take off in remote Wadeye



AUSTRALIAN football has taken a foothold in the remote Northern Territory community of Wadeye, with the Wadeye Magic set to enter the Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) division one competition in 2011-12.

The Australian Football League Northern Territory (AFLNT) quarterly edition said the Wadeye Magic had been the result of the hard work of the community and assisted by AFLNT remote development manager and 2011 Nichols Medallist James McNamee.

"The community has been doing all the right things, raising the money, taking ownership of the name and logo, jumper designs via community and school competitions, which has created a lot of positive community support," McNamee said.

"Providing the trial goes well, Wadeye will be in the 2012-13 competition on a full-time basis."

Wadeye is near the coast more than 200kms south-west of Darwin. It is on the western edge of the Daly River Reserve.



MEANWHILE, the AFLNT says the Elcho Island community of Galiwinku has been abuzz with the introduction of a women's competition.

The competition began with four teams, but there now are seven sides, making it the largest women's Australian football competition in the Northern Territory.

Teams are: Tigers, Kangaroos, Eagles, Bombers, Cats, St Marys and Thunder.

Elcho Island is off the northern tip of Arnhem Land.



Allistair Pickett in action.



Allistair Pickett and sons Tylier and Brody.



Team-mates Danny Hughes and Rob Forrest carry Allistair Pickett in triumph.

Pickett to bow out

By CHRIS PIKE



SUBIACO's West Australian Football League champion Allistair Pickett is most likely the greatest non-AFL player in modern history in WA football and after a remarkable career that basically started when he was almost 30,

he has decided that 2011 will be his swansong.

Pickett began his WAFL career with West Perth in 1995, but two serious knee injuries after only three league games meant that by 1997 he thought his career at that level was over.

He spent the next few years playing country football in the south-west of WA, but then the Mandurah-based Peel Thunder came calling late in 2001.

He went on to be the fledgling club's brightest spark by starring in 2002 and winning the Sandover Medal as the WAFL's fairest and best player.

However, greener pastures came calling when his coach Peter German went from Peel to Subiaco, and Pickett was only too happy to join him in 2003 and he became one of that club's all-time finest and most decorated players.

Pickett's achievements over his nine seasons are quite remarkable.

He won another Sandover Medal in 2004, represented Western Australia on three occasions and also won the club's fairest and best award in 2004. He was also named in Subiaco's Team of the Century and Team of the Decade.

Four premierships

Then there has been team successes that included premierships in 2004, 2006, 2007 and 2008, and losing grand finals of 2003 and 2009. All in all, Subiaco only missed the finals once in Pickett's career there and that came last year, but he is now gearing up to bid farewell in the finals again this season.

Despite just recently turning 38 years of age, the little maestro has had a terrific season, now largely playing as a small forward. He has kicked 21 goals in his 15 games for the season and put in some match-winning performances.

The accolades have kept coming and even though he had only played three games of WAFL football by the time of his 27th birthday, in round 20 of this season he reached his 200th appearance in the competition when Subiaco beat Perth at Leederville's Medibank Stadium.

Pickett was tremendously proud to reach that

200-game milestone and this season has also seen him inducted into the WA 200 Club.

"Considering what I've been through early with a couple of knee operations and to walk away from the game when I was young, but receive an opportunity again to play again at this level, and now to reach 200 games is a pretty special moment to me," Pickett said.

"It was only just mentioned that it was 16 years ago that I made my debut and that's a long time, but I've battled on and got to 200 now. Nobody would have thought ten years ago that I would even play 50 games, but I have pushed the old body through and managed to get to 200.

"One of the main things that I've pushed the body to achieve this year was to try and get to this milestone. I thought it was possible if I looked after myself and did the right things. To get here now, even if I just got here, it's a pretty special time of my life. It's something that I'll be proud of when I look back on it."

Pickett did decide to retire following the 2009 grand final defeat to South Fremantle, but then Chris Waterman took over as coach and the pair agreed on him playing on in a new role as a small forward – something he has since thrived upon.

Time to go

He always felt that while he still could play and was enjoying it that he should, but now he feels that at the end of Subiaco's finals campaign this season, that it's definitely time to bow out.

"If I'm still tackling, chasing and putting pressure on, then I think I'm still doing my part for the team. The goals are nice, but they aren't what I focus on doing," he said.

"Once I lose the desire to chase, tackle and do those one-percenters, then I know it will be time for me to hang the boots up. My body is telling me that it's time so it definitely will be my last year.

"When I made the decision to retire a couple of years ago, I think at the time it was the right decision, but then during the pre-season I was coming down to use the gym and Muddy said that by looking at the squad, there was a need there for a small forward type who could put on some pressure.

"He told me to think about if I was up to it and if I wanted to play that role, and it's something that I discussed with Muddy for probably four to six weeks. I thought that my body was up to it and we made the decision that we'd give it another crack. I'm truly grateful for it and the last two years have been pretty good."

NBL Tigers sign Patty Mills



FOR the National Basketball League (NBL), it's a fine coup with fine print.

Australian National Basketball Association (NBA) star Patty Mills has signed with the Melbourne Tigers for the coming season.

But he will only suit up for the Tigers if the current US-based NBA lockout continues and scuttles the start of the world's best basketball competition.

With the NBA on hold until players and team bosses come to an agreement over wages – and

there remains no sign of that – Mills needs to play somewhere. And the 23-year-old Portland Trail Blazers guard has chosen the NBL as his stand-by over lucrative European offers should the US season not start as scheduled on 1 November.

October start

The NBL season tips off on 7 October.

"I'm as happy as can be right now and I'm happy to get this great opportunity to play," Mills said last week.

"Obviously the goal is to continue my development and

make sure I'm in the best shape I can be when the NBA lockout finishes.

"The most important thing for me is to maintain that basketball shape and improve my game, and I believe I can improve my game by playing here."

Mills' contract has a clause releasing him when the NBA resumes.

Should the lockout remain, his Tigers debut will be against the Sydney Kings at Melbourne's State Netball Centre on 7 October.

If the lockout heavily delays the US season, as in 1998-99 when the NBA didn't start until February,

Mills will get plenty of game time with Melbourne.

He appears pessimistic the NBA will start as scheduled and is focused on suiting up with the Tigers following Australia's Olympic Games qualifying series against New Zealand in September.

"You never want anything like this... but one thing that I've learned since being in the NBA, it's all about business now," he said.

"It's out of my control to do anything about it. All I can do now is sign with the Tigers."

Basketball Australia chief

executive Larry Sengstock said the signing of Mills, who has played the past two seasons in the NBA, was a massive coup for the NBL.

"Patty Mills is an NBA player in the prime of his career, and one of Australia's best basketballers," Sengstock said.

"For fans to be able to watch a player of Mills' ilk at the peak of his powers is a rare opportunity."

Mills will get a taste of the Tigers' home court when the Boomers play New Zealand in the first of the best-of-three Olympic series in Melbourne tonight (7 September). – AAP

Geale keeps IBF belt



DANIEL Geale retained his International Boxing Federation (IBF) middleweight crown with a win against American Eromosele

Albert in Hobart last Wednesday night.

The 30-year-old Tasmanian outlasted Albert to claim a unanimous victory on points in front of more than 5000 people at the Derwent Entertainment Centre.

Geale looked too nimble for an opponent seven years his senior, and took everything Albert threw at him.

It was the first time Geale had defended the title he claimed from Germany's Sebastian Sylvester in May.

"I hope you guys like a war, because goddamn that was a war," Geale said.

"My right hand was bugged the whole way through, and he's a tough guy."

"I told everyone before that I'm not here to take easy fights. This guy was a tough guy – he gave me a real fight."

It was Geale's 25th win from his 26 bouts, and just his third professional fight in his home State.

Geale said he battled through the pain of an injury to his right hand.

"It's just a little thing that happened

in training... it's nothing too major, it just hurts every time I punch," he said.

"I caught him with a couple of good left hooks too."

Geale was pleased with the way he nullified Albert's big-hitting style.

"I made it hard for him and that was my plan," he said.

"I wasn't just going to sit there and let him tee off because that's what he wanted to do."

Frustrated

Albert said he was frustrated with Geale's evasive tactics.

"It's difficult to fight someone who doesn't want to fight," he said.

"Daniel Geale is a pretty good fighter, a different fighter from me. He's very technical and boxed very well."

"It's tough to trap him down sometimes. He'd switch to left, and then he'd switch to right."

Geale said the parochial crowd made a big difference.

"Five thousand screaming Tasmanians is so much better than 5000 screaming Germans, I can tell you," he said.

Geale said he would take some time off before making plans on his next fight. – AAP



Daniel Geale, right, on his way to beating American-based Nigerian Eromosele Albert during the IBF world middleweight title fight in Hobart. AAP image



Matthew Hayden with some of the young Tiwi locals.

Former Test stars at the 'Tiwi Ashes'



CRICKETING greats Matthew Hayden and Allan Border and former Wallaby Matthew Burke were on Melville Island last month for the annual 'Tiwi Ashes' cricket match.

'Hayden's Heroes' took on 'Allan's All Stars' in a fundraiser for the Tiwi College.

The game on 8 August was a highlight of the day, but other activities included traditional Tiwi food, dancing, art and performances.

It was the culmination of several days of activities aimed at raising awareness of and funds for Tiwi College.

It was the second time the 'Tiwi Ashes' had been played.

Macquarie Sports, The Hayden Way and Melville Island Lodge came together to stage the event.

The target was to raise more than \$100,000 to assist the Tiwi Education Board in providing an agricultural education program, with an emphasis on sustainability for students at Tiwi College. The program will help to further broaden the opportunities available in the college community.

"It has been an amazing 12 months since the inaugural Tiwi Ashes fundraiser," Hayden said.

"The sustainability program at Tiwi College is The Hayden Way's major philanthropic initiative, providing the college's Indigenous youth with the necessary skills to go on to further study or full-time employment and, ultimately, access greater career choices in the future."

"I couldn't be more proud of the direction the program is taking and am excited about the opportunities it presents for the students of the college and the wider local community."



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Feast of rugby league for fans



THE two biggest Indigenous rugby league carnivals in Australia – one in its infancy and the other long-established – are to be held one week apart.

The inaugural Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander carnival will be held at Mudgeeraba, on the Queensland Gold Coast, on 22-25 September.

Five days later, the long-established

NSW Aboriginal Knockout carnival will follow at Bathurst.

Organisers of the Queensland carnival say the open men's event will carry a whopping \$50,000 prizemoney for the winners, and \$10,000 for the runners-up.

The 41st NSW Knockout prizemoney will depend on the number of teams, but organisers say first prize will be \$1000 multiplied by the number of teams entered.

The runners-up will receive \$250 multiplied by the number of teams.

The Murri carnival will have two other divisions – women's and boys' under 15. There will be 16 teams in the boys' competition and eight women's teams.

The NSW carnival will have three other competitions – women and under 15 and under 17 boys.

The Murri carnival is being organised by Queensland Murri Carnival, a new organisation.

The NSW carnival is in the hands of the Barwon Aboriginal Corporation on behalf of the 2010 winning team – Walgett Aboriginal Connection.

That carnival will start on Friday 30 September and will be held at the Carrington Park Sporting Complex, Bathurst.

The Murri carnival will be at Firth Park, Mudgeeraba.

● See Page 87 for more on the Murri carnival



Walgett Aboriginal Connection after their victory in the final of the 2010 NSW Aboriginal Knockout at Woy Woy. They will defend their title at the 2010 Knockout at Bathurst starting at the end of this month.

'A huge weekend'



ORGANISERS of the NSW Rugby League Knockout carnival at Bathurst from 30 September-3 October say it will be a massive weekend.

Walgett Aboriginal Connection had been working closely with the key stakeholders in Bathurst to ensure a successful event, a spokesman said.

Nominations are being sought from clubs wanting to enter teams in the men's, women's under 17s or under 15s

competitions. The entry fee for the men's competition is \$1500, while for the women, it is \$800.

Youth competitions are free.

For the first time, the full women's entry fee will make up prizemoney paid to the winners and finalists.

Nominations close 23 Sept

All nominations close on Friday 23 September.

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council will reimburse \$1000 to men's teams and \$500

to women's teams on evidence of a receipt from the host club.

In the event that more than 64 teams nominate for the men's competition, a play-off of the last teams to nominate will be held on 30 September – the first day of the Knockout.

Further information on this can be found in the '2011 Knockout Rules and Regulations' on the WAC website.

The draw will be held at the Bathurst Panthers Leagues Club, Piper Street, at 6pm on Wednesday 28 September. Team

delegates are encouraged to attend.

A spokesman said all players registered with the Country Rugby League (CRL) and NSWRL would be insured to play in the Knockout, but clubs should buy their own insurance policy to cover all remaining players and staff.

The spokesman said a range of merchandise including t-shirts, hoodies, caps and beanies, would be available for purchase on the grounds.

For more information visit www.walgettaboriginalconnection.com.au

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