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Some legends in the making



PICTURED here are some of our future leaders, and a couple of the current ones – including Prime Minister Julia Gillard (centre) – at Parliament House, Canberra. These Indigenous secondary school students were taking part in the Australian Government's Learn. Earn. Legend! (LEL) Work Experience in Government program. Turn to Page 13 for a report and more pictures. Photo by OTIS WILLIAMS, courtesy of DEEWR

Higher education review head speaks out Unis urged to act

By KIRSTIE PARKER



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My FAMILY BILL LANDERS, Palm Island, Qld



● Above: Happy Palm Islander Bill Landers, in uniform at left, and members of his family.

I LIVE in paradise here on Palm Island where many members of my family are. When other family members visit me they are amazed at the beauty of my beloved Palm.

I was born at Cherbourg (Qld) and have other family spread around at different places. When I can I get back to Cherbourg for weddings and other major events.

My grandchildren from Cherbourg visit me on Palm and they call me pop and say I have the biggest swimming pool in the world out from my house on Clumpoint Road.

I am now aged 48 and have been on Palm for 35 years and have five children – one boy and four girls.

My son is Joshua who lives in Cairns, and daughters Charity (Townsville), Doretta (Ingham), Josephine and Zanthia (both Palm) and I also have six wonderful grandchildren.

I have had two very big family events this year. The first was in May when large numbers of my family and friends attended the baptism of my one-year-old grandchild Zebbia Landers at St Anthony's Church on Palm Island. Her mother, my daughter Charity, was surrounded by well wishers and it made me feel so good.

Just recently I went to Ingham for the wedding of my 23-year-old daughter Doretta to Justin Scott. It was a big event.

I love my job here on Palm as an ambulance officer and will have served for 10 years next June. Before that I was a volunteer for a year. I am also a member of the local SES and also on the Rural Fire Brigade and a fire warden.

When I arrived on Palm I hardly left for the first few years as I just enjoyed being here.

These days I visit Townsville when I can and go fishing around Palm when I can.

In addition to the Landers family, I have big mobs of relatives in the Castor and Daisy mobs here.

My other passion on Palm is rugby league football, and I founded the Hornets club in 2010 which competes in the local competition.

We missed out on the finals this year and the club I was part of for so long before, Jets, won the premiership.

To say I am a happy Palm Islander is an understatement. I have million-dollar views from my home and the best family in the world. – As told to Alf Wilson

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OUR CHILDREN



Enjoying the sunshine and interacting with one prickly character at the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education (BIITE) Central Australian Campus graduation in Alice Springs on 8 September were, from left, Hartley Pareroultja, Latifah Small and Kiaina Pareroultja. See Page 40 for more.

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Op shop and more at Karnte



Rosie Driffen, left, and Minnie Joseph are some of Karnte women driving a community initiative 'op shop'. Here they sort through donated items for gold coin sale to residents. Photo by CHLOE GERAGHTY



ALICE Springs town camps have received plenty of bad press of late.

Despite the ongoing roll-out of a \$150 million government plan to 'transform' housing, power, water, sewerage, drainage, street lighting and roads in the town camps,

progress is patchy and conditions in most of them still leave a lot to be desired.

But there are some bright spots.

Situated about 12kms outside town, Karnte is one of only three town camps out of 18 with its own community centre, an asset eyed enviously by others.

And the community's residents are taking full advantage of the facility, recently establishing sewing and cooking programs and a mobile pre-school there.

Participants in the cooking program are learning to whip up healthy versions of dishes like spag-bol, chicken curry and stews, which will in turn be offered for a gold coin donation to those unable to prepare their own meals.

Vegetable garden

Plans are also advancing for a communal vegetable garden, in which male residents will tend lettuces, cucumbers, onions, tomatoes and the like.

And yet another enterprise is now under way, with the mums and grandmothers of Karnte setting up their own 'Op Shop' to make donated recycled clothing and basic household items like baby furniture, bikes, footy boots and linen available to residents at low cost.

Along with community centre co-ordinator Catherine Albert, residents Rosie Driffen and Minnie Joseph feel things could finally be starting to move forward for Karnte.

"Everybody is happy," Minnie told the *Koori Mail*. "People love coming here. They can make themselves a cup of tea or coffee and talk. And we don't let anyone in with grog. It's good."

Watch this space.

New kidney illness fears



A NEW report shows Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have a much higher rate of chronic kidney disease than other Australians, and are four times more likely to die as a result. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare report, *Chronic kidney disease (CKD) in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 2011*, also showed Indigenous people have higher rates of end-stage kidney disease (ESKD), the most severe stage of CKD.

AIHW's Dr Lynelle Moon said almost 10 per cent of ESKD patients treated in the 2007-2008 period were Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people, despite them making up only 2.5 per cent of the Australian population.

People with ESKD required either dialysis or a transplant to survive.

The report also found that in 2008-09 the hospitalisation rate for dialysis treatment was 11 times higher among Indigenous Australians.

"If Indigenous Australians had the same incidence rate of treated ESKD as non-Indigenous Australians, nine out of ten cases would have been

avoided," Dr Moon said.

Just 12 per cent of Indigenous Australians with treated ESKD have a functioning kidney transplant, compared with 45 per cent of others.

Indigenous Australians with treated ESKD are therefore more likely to be on dialysis, even though kidney transplant is the preferred treatment option.

Compared with Indigenous Australians in other areas, those in remote and very remote areas were far more likely to have treated ESKD.

Hospitalisation

This is reflected in the higher hospitalisation rates for regular dialysis among Indigenous Australians, which ranged from 6 times as high as for other Australians in major cities, to 84 times as high for those living in remote areas. "Overall, 12 per cent of hospital admitted patient expenditure on CKD was for Indigenous Australians, with the majority of this being spent on dialysis treatment," Dr Moon said.

Federal Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon said the report highlighted why reducing kidney disease was critical in helping to close the gap in health between

Indigenous and other people.

"While state and territory governments are responsible for renal dialysis services, the current Australian Government has invested heavily in new health infrastructure, better services for chronic disease patients, and preventive health measures," he said.

Mr Snowdon said the Federal Government had allocated up to \$13 million to the Northern Territory Government for family accommodation in Alice Springs and Tennant Creek for Aboriginal patients receiving treatment away from their home communities.

He said the Federal Government had spent almost \$71 million in renal programs, and \$805 million through the Indigenous Chronic Diseases Package.

That package includes a number of programs to help stop conditions such as kidney disease from developing, by reducing risk factors such as smoking, poor nutrition and a lack of exercise.

The AIHW is a major national agency set up by the Australian Government to provide reliable, regular and relevant information and statistics on Australia's health and welfare.



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Low-salt tucker on palawa menu

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINAL teens in Hobart spent five days of their school holidays cooking up a storm in a program that has won praise from the Skills Institute's cookery and hospitality school.

The group of nine budding young chefs were part of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre's palawa chefs program aimed at fighting the evils of fast food and building confidence in the kitchen.

The menu and program of tasty and healthy meals was put together by David Hobba, a commercial cookery teacher at the Tasmanian Skills Institute, and Rose Romeo, community dietitian/nutritionalist at the Aboriginal Health Service.

One important element of the program was to learn how to emphasise flavour without the use of salt, or with very little salt. Excess salt is a contributing factor in high blood pressure, stroke, heart disease and kidney problems, all more prevalent in Aboriginal people.

Participant 15-year-old Rhett Goodwin said he enjoyed the program and learned a lot about herbs and spices and had since reduced his salt intake.

"The food we cooked was all really nice and it didn't barely have any salt in it," Rhett said.

"You don't really need it."

David Hobba told the *Koori Mail*: "It's a great program, there's so much scope for it on a social and community level and a health perspective.

"The workload (the young chefs) had to deal with as far as organisation and team work skills is a very realistic introduction into working in a commercial kitchen. All of



Palawa chefs (back) Jesse Bowden, Jordan Coad, Rhett Goodwin, Dylan Burgess, Alex Bowden and Tjumbu Hart and (front) Sarah Evans, Caitlin Smith and Kartanya Maynard learnt about kitchen skills and nutrition.

them showed initiative. It's a really wonderful seed planted for them to be more selective in what they eat."

As well as learning how to prepare a range of healthy dishes with affordable

and accessible ingredients, the teens were trained in knife skills, kitchen safety and hygienic food preparation.

They also visited a local meat wholesaler and manufacturer and fruit

and vegetable wholesalers.

The week culminated in a certificate presentation and celebratory end of week luncheon presented to their family with a buffet style three-course meal.

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Expenditure is detailed



AUSTRALIAN governments spent \$40,228 per head of population on Indigenous

people in 2008-09, compared with \$18,351 for other Australians.

A supplement to the 2010 Indigenous Expenditure Report by the Productivity Commission also reveals that 53 per cent of total Indigenous expenditure came from State and Territory governments.

The Commonwealth provided 47 per cent in direct expenditure on services and assistance to individuals, service providers and local governments.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin last week welcomed the supplement, saying it was a key part of the Australian Government's commitment to improve transparency on Indigenous spending.

"The supplement report splits Australian Government direct Indigenous expenditure across states and territories, and estimates total government Indigenous expenditure in each state and territory," she said.



JENNY MACKLIN

"The supplement also shows that the level of total government Indigenous expenditure varies across states and territories according to need.

"For example, the comparatively high government expenditure in the Northern Territory across the areas of health, housing, and safe communities reflects higher levels of Indigenous disadvantage, greater service use and the cost of service provision in remote areas across the Territory.

"Eighty per cent of

Indigenous Australians in the Northern Territory live in remote or very remote Australia compared with 30 per cent of non-Indigenous Australians."

Ms Macklin said the Federal Government was working with state and territory governments to close the gap on Indigenous disadvantage.

"The close the gap targets commit all governments to an overarching framework and hold them accountable to specific targets," she said.

"This, together with unprecedented investment, is beginning to make a difference, but the Government recognises that this work will take time and continued effort."

The Minister said the Government had committed to the targets because 'we knew that previous haphazard approaches had not been good enough'.

"The Australian Government recognises we cannot close the gap alone," Ms Macklin said.

"Closing the gap requires a genuine partnership with Indigenous Australians at all levels and the Government is committed to a relationship based on trust and mutual respect."

Koori Mail: The Facts

RECENTLY, another newspaper, the *National Indigenous Times* (NIT), published some information about the *Koori Mail*.

We'd like to clear up a few things for our many valued Indigenous and non-Indigenous readers.

We believe the consistent high quality of the *Koori Mail* – the Newspaper of the Year in its category at the prestigious 2011 PANPA Awards – speaks for itself.

The fact that we're the only regular national newspaper with real, genuine ownership and control by our own people is also a no-brainer. You've told us that yourselves, time and time again.

But there are also some publishing industry matters that our readers mightn't be aware of. So, for the record, here are the facts comparing the *Koori Mail* and the NIT:

● **Guaranteed sales:** The *Koori Mail* doesn't 'claim' its circulation. Rather, our figures are determined by the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC), the Australian publishing industry independent body that verifies media distribution. By contrast, the NIT is not audited



for circulation at all, and hasn't been for years. The latest full ABC audit shows the *Koori Mail* has sales of 9428 copies nationally each fortnight. Until the NIT is independently audited, it can claim anything, but guarantee nothing.

● **Guaranteed readership:** McNair Ingenuity research in 2011, which is used by Federal Government departments, found the *Koori Mail* has 78,000 more readers than the NIT. McNair found that, on average, each edition of the *Koori Mail* is read by 126,000 people (more than 2.5 times that of the NIT) and that, in an average fortnight, the *Koori Mail* attracts 84,000 exclusive readers who do not read the NIT. According to the same research, the NIT has an exclusive readership of just 6000.

● **Who owns what:** The *Koori Mail* is 100 per cent Aboriginal owned. Five grassroots Aboriginal organisations in Bundjalung country (far north coast of NSW) each own 20 per cent of the newspaper. An Australian

Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) search shows two non-Indigenous people – Beverley Wyner (also the NIT's sales manager) and John Rowsthorne – are the majority shareholders in the NIT.

● **Aboriginal controlled:** Five Bundjalung people make up the Board of Directors of the *Koori Mail*. The Managing Editor of the newspaper is an Aboriginal woman. The NIT is controlled by two non-Indigenous directors (the same people who hold the majority of the shares).

● **Community minded:** Every cent of profit made by the *Koori Mail* goes to Indigenous Australians, in the form of dividends, scholarships and sponsorships. As to where the NIT's profits go, you'd have to ask them.

● **Nothing to hide:** With the *Koori Mail*, what you see is what you get. All our directors and staff are shown on our website – www.koorimail.com – and we list our owners.

● **See Page 20 for Our Say**



Joshua Toomey with his NSW Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year Award.

Joshua wins yet another major honour



THIS year's NAIDOC Indigenous Apprentice of the Year has added yet another honour to what has been an outstanding year for him.

Joshua Toomey was last week named 2011 NSW Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year Award at the NSW Training Awards.

The honour caps a great year for the Ausgrid worker from the NSW Central Coast.

Along with several awards, Joshua is now a mentor for students undertaking the

Ausgrid TAFE NSW Sydney Institute Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pre-apprenticeship program, as well as Indigenous apprentices at Ausgrid.

He received his latest honour before 850 people at the NSW Training Awards presentation in the Sydney Convention Centre.

Joshua joined power company Ausgrid in 2006 as an apprentice and is now a qualified linesman – something he is particularly proud of.

At the awards, Joshua was praised for his work and his strong commitment to other Indigenous young people.



The *Koori Mail* Board of Directors, from left, Lawrence Roberts, Pam Roberts, Ron Randall, Russell Kapeen (Chair) and Trevor Kapeen.



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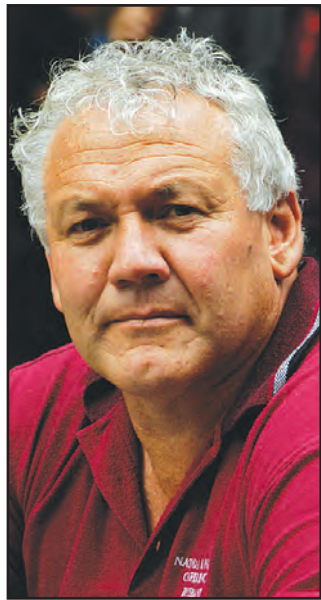
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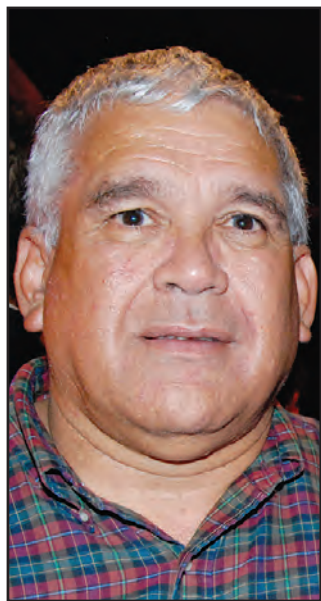
THE Australian Government has been accused of being too slow to implement the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP).

Both Amnesty International's Indigenous Rights Campaigner Rodney Dillon and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Mick Gooda, criticised the Federal Government's lack of action in regards to the rights of Indigenous people.

"As we move into the fourth year of the Declaration, we view this anniversary as an opportunity for the Government to demonstrate how it intends to support meaningful human rights improvements for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples," Mr Dillon said.



RODNEY DILLON



MICK GOODA

our governments and our legislators know how to use it in their everyday lives," Mr Gooda said.

"We've had some great successes over the last couple of years that are consistent with the spirit of the declaration, such as the establishment of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples and the current consultation towards recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution.

"However, I'd like to see a sustained commitment by the Australian Government to apply a holistic and coordinated approach to giving full effect to the Declaration.

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Shake-up call for education

By KIRSTIE PARKER



UNIVERSITIES should be doing more to help grow the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with the potential to walk through their doors, rather than simply waiting around to see who shows up.

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And she said the whole sector should be prepared to think creatively around the barriers currently preventing greater Indigenous involvement and success in higher education or, given the transformative nature of educational qualifications to a person's employment opportunities and socio-economic position, Australia generally would pay the price.

Interested parties will have eight weeks to lodge submissions to the review, a timeframe that Prof Behrendt conceded was less than ideal but hoped could be managed through a targeted process.

When it was announced in April, the review panel was expected to call for formal submissions in June.

Prof Behrendt said she personally would be visiting 'every uni in the sector as part of the process, meeting with vice chancellors, staff and students'. The review panel is also inviting written submissions.

"It's an onerous thing but one thing about consultation with our community is there are no shortcuts and every uni is different," she said.

"We get a lot of data from each uni but can't get a proper feeling without going there and talking to people, finding out why people walked in the door and why they kept going.

"One thing we do hear when we talk to people is they're there because they knew someone else who did it."

According to statistics contained in the discussion paper, the total number of Indigenous students participating in higher education has increased by 20.8 per cent since 2001.

But due to increasing rates of participation in higher education by non-Indigenous students, the Indigenous proportion of total students has remained relatively unchanged at approximately 1.3 per cent.

"Australia's prosperity into the future will depend on our ability to adapt to a competitive knowledge-based global economy," says a review panel letter contained in the discussion paper.

"In order to achieve this, we need to

encourage individuals to upgrade their skills and knowledge and ensure access to education and training opportunities for people from all backgrounds.

"Within the broad context, increasing the representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the higher education sector is critical.

"...There are a number of costs associated with the current situation including the direct costs to universities and government of relatively high attrition rates amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students across the higher education system; opportunity cost resulting from the failure to provide successful pathways for capable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people into higher education and through to graduation; personal costs to individual students and their families.

"...It is unlikely the review will find a one-size-fits-all answer. While there is clearly much activity across the sector and commitment to making a difference, there is



Review Panel chairperson, Professor Larissa Behrendt.

also an emerging consensus that it is timely to take stock and identify the strategies that are effective as well as the gaps in sector performances and consider fresh approaches to transforming overall performance."

The Government's 2009 Overcoming Indigenous Disadvantage (OID) Report highlighted that in 2006 Indigenous people aged 20-24 years attended university at about one-fifth the rate of non-Indigenous people (4.9 per cent and 23.9 per cent respectively).

"While both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student enrolments and commencements have increased since 2005, there has been a decline in award course completions from 2007 to 2008 among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students," the report said.

According to the same report, in 2009:

● There were 813,896 domestic students enrolled, of which 10,440 identified as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

● Indigenous students were more likely to be over 20 years of age than non-Indigenous domestic students.

● The largest single group of Indigenous students enrolled was women aged 25 and over (representing 39.8 per cent of Indigenous student enrolments).

● Indigenous students entered university in a variety of ways, whereas overall domestic students entered study based predominantly on their secondary or previous higher education attainment (46 per cent for Indigenous students compared to 82 per cent for all domestic students).

Prof Behrendt said the review panel would be asking what the higher education sector could be doing for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

"This isn't simply an exercise to try to improve students and staff numbers," she said. "We really want to be challenging the sector to be giving back and contributing as well.

"For example, I believe there's a role universities could be playing in going more deeply into schools at earlier years and building up capacity around literacy, numeracy and science.

"Our review is only about higher education but we're not taking a passive view of that. We're quite interested in ways to provoke the sector to be building better pathways for people, whether from school, TAFE or employment."

Prof Behrendt said that when universities set themselves a target of trying to get parity amongst their student population, it was currently an almost impossible task given the low numbers of Indigenous candidates.

"So there's this incredibly unhelpful environment of competition created amongst institutions in most instances, and I think a lot of people are thinking it'd be more conducive if the sector worked collaboratively to grow the pool rather than continue to work in competition for a very small pool," she said.

"In addition to that, certainly what we're hearing from the Indigenous academic leadership around the country, and I agree, is that the sector isn't looking enough at the pockets within the community where you can see a good pool of potential students.

"For example, think of all the people who run Aboriginal community organisations and all the work and knowledge involved in that.

"Most people who do that work are not targeted by unis to have their skills set complemented or take their work as part of a pathway.

"Also, we're seeing when we have a bright kid, people say 'Go for a traineeship' where they could say instead 'you're good at science, you could be an engineer'.

"So we're interested in every pathway but want to make sure our people get the pathway that's right for them and they don't go through unnecessary effort and years before they walk in the uni doors because someone assumed they weren't capable.

"So I think there's a broader question of how we can create incentives or accountabilities for that work to be done."

Prof Behrendt also said the review panel was interested in hearing about people's experience around curriculum content, good and bad.



Red Cross workers Gwen and Jack Crombie handing out food parcels at Fregon in South Australia's APY Lands on 8 September.

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Visit APY Lands, minister urged



SA

THE South Australian Opposition has called on Aboriginal Affairs Minister Grace Portolesi to cancel a trip to Europe and visit the state's troubled Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands instead.

After a sustained attack on Ms Portolesi in Parliament last week, Opposition backbencher Steven Marshall said it was time for the minister to take action to solve problems on the APY Lands, in SA's north.

Amid claims of widespread malnutrition among Indigenous children and calls for an income management scheme, Mr Marshall said it was time for the Minister to consult with all Indigenous group to find solutions.

"Every minister needs to prioritise the issues confronting their individual portfolios," he said on Friday.

"It's a very inopportune time at the moment to be heading to Europe. She needs to be getting on a plane and heading up to the APY lands."

Ms Portolesi was expected to fly out to Italy early this week for a trip related to her role as Multicultural Affairs Minister.

She took a host of questions in State Parliament on Wednesday and Thursday, including several related to more than \$4 million in unspent Federal funds for the APY Lands and the issue of an income management scheme to ensure some welfare payments were spent on food.

The Minister offered some support for a scheme and also pledged to continue to work

with all interested parties to improve conditions on the lands.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said a Centrelink team had been sent to the APY lands last week to help people better manage their money.

"I think it's important to acknowledge that a lot needs to be done in these Indigenous communities," Ms Macklin told ABC radio on Friday. "There is not one magic solution."

The Federal Government action followed the

Centrelink benefits on a regular basis."

The health service for the APY Lands, the Nganampa Health Council, also rejected claims of widespread and severe malnutrition among children.

Director John Singer said poverty remained an issue and that meant some parents had problems in consistently providing healthy food for their families.

"But our health service data shows that despite this poverty, there has been marked improvement in the growth and nutrition of children on the lands," he said.

Mr Singer said sustainable ways to reduce poverty were needed, not an emergency response.

Nganampa Health medical director Paul Torzillo said that in the 1980s and 1990s up to 30 per cent of all children under five on the APY lands had severe malnutrition. By 2005 that proportion was only six per cent, not much above the national average.

The Aboriginal Health Council of South Australia (AHCSA) supported Mr Singer's comments. "It is important to recognise that gains have been made in reducing childhood malnutrition on the APY Lands," said AHCSA CEO Mary Buckskin.

"The sustained primary health care approach adopted by Nganampa Health Council, a health organisation owned and operated by the local Anangu people, has seen significant reductions in the number of children with nutrition-related growth failure."

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

'It is important to recognise that gains have been made in reducing childhood malnutrition on the APY Lands' – AHCSA's Mary Buckskin

Red Cross sending emergency food aid to the APY community of Fregon last week after reports of families going without food for days at a time.

But Ms Macklin said the Red Cross and other agencies sending out food parcels was something that occurred in the most disadvantaged areas right across Australia.

"I have a food service for very disadvantaged people in the northern suburbs of Melbourne," she said. "So unfortunately we do have families who can't manage on their

Former SA judge, inquiry head Ted Mullighan passes on



SA

FORMER South Australian Supreme Court judge Ted Mullighan, best known for

leading an inquiry into the abuse of children in state care, has died aged 72.

The Courts

Administration Authority confirmed Mr Mullighan died on Friday morning and was survived by his wife Jan and five sons.

Acting Chief Justice Margaret Nyland said SA had lost a greatly respected and much-loved judge and an exceptional legal advocate.

"We will remember him as a good friend, a proud man, a distinguished humanitarian who was a compassionate and committed advocate for those whose voices struggled to be heard," Justice Nyland said.

"His service to the community was selfless."

Mr Mullighan was admitted as a solicitor in 1962 and was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1978.

He acted as counsel assisting the victims of the 1983 Ash Wednesday bushfires in South Australia before being appointed to the Supreme Court bench in 1989.

He retired from the bench in 2004 and immediately headed up the State Government inquiry into the treatment of children in state care and the similar inquiry into the treatment of Aboriginal children on SA's traditional lands.

His investigations uncovered extensive and long-running abuse and sparked a host of prosecutions, including many for sex offences.

Premier Mike Rann said the twin inquiries were the most difficult briefs of Mr Mullighan's professional life.

"Both inquiries dealt with the abuse of young children in South Australia and both were very well served by Ted Mullighan's qualities of clear-minded compassion and conscientious commitment to his difficult task," Mr Rann said.

"It has been noted by others that he managed to gain the confidence of a section of the community who had never before been able to speak about their experiences."

"For this and for his many other contributions, the community owes him a great debt." — AAP



Country Liberal MPs Adam Giles and Alison Anderson at the 7 September meeting of the party's Alice Springs branch. Seated next to them is Central Land Council (CLC) chairman Lindsay Bookie, who is also believed to have joined the branch the same night. Pictured at right is Territory Education and Training Minister Dr Chris Burns (AAP Image).

NT Labor dismisses education criticism

By KIRSTIE PARKER, with AAP



THE Northern Territory Labor Government has dismissed criticisms of its performance on Aboriginal education by the Country Liberal Opposition's newest recruit, former Labor Minister and Independent Alison Anderson.

The Central Australian Aboriginal MP revealed in an exclusive interview with the *Koori Mail* earlier this month that she was making the switch to the conservatives after two years on the cross benches.

The Member for MacDonnell, who was elected unopposed for Labor at the last Territory election in 2008 before becoming an Independent a year later, said the Country Liberals' performance on education and economic development – things that would help level the playing field for Aboriginal Territorians – was superior to Labor's.

"Understanding the fact that people want to move into mainstream society and be equal participants in economic opportunity... that's what I've heard from (the Country Liberals) in every debate over the past two years in the Parliament," Ms Anderson said.

"...Territorians need to share in the wealth and there's a lot of it and it can be accessed by anyone with a good education.

"...Labor's policies are about a black education for black children, which means there's a difference in quality of education in remote Aboriginal communities... The

Chief sends his 'regards'

IT appears Labor hasn't completely given up on renegade politician Alison Anderson rejoining them one day.

The *Koori Mail* has obtained a copy of an email believed to have been sent to Ms Anderson the day before the Country Liberals signed her up.

Titled 'From the Chief's Desk', the message from what appears to be the Chief Minister's email address reports on the preceding fortnight in Territory politics, detailing the Government's focus on live exports, the carbon tax, public sector employment, youth suicide, and the Commonwealth's plan

to wind down the diesel rebate.

Under the heading of 'Renewals', the email reminds recipients that the next Territory election is 12 months away.

"ALP membership renewals have been sent out to Party Members, and I urge you to renew your membership," it reads. "Renewals are payable by the 30th September.

"The success of the Labor Party has always relied on the help and support of branch members, and I would like to thank each and every ALP member for your ongoing support."

The email finishes with the words 'Regards, Paul Henderson'.

positive thing I get out of the Country Liberals is that there should be the same quality of education for a child at Docker or Papunya as at Alice Springs High School or Gillin Primary School in Alice or Casuarina in Darwin."

Ms Anderson insisted she wasn't seeking to become a minister in any future CLP government, declaring she'd 'been there, done that'.

Her political switch was dependent on her application for Country Liberal membership being accepted by the party's Alice Springs branch on 7 September – which it was, unanimously, taking the conservatives' parliamentary numbers to 12 – in line with those of Labor, which is now just hanging on to power with the support of sole Independent Gerry Wood.

The Government immediately went on the offensive, insisting that

Opposition Leader Terry Mills must have promised Ms Anderson a Cabinet position if his party won power at the next election, slated for August next year.

"I know Alison Anderson and what her motivations are in life," Chief Minister Paul Henderson told a media conference in Tennant Creek the next day.

"There is a deal and Terry Mills needs to come clean about it."

Ms Anderson, formerly the Indigenous Affairs Minister, quit the Labor Party in 2009 over its handling of remote Aboriginal housing. "There is no way in the world Alison Anderson has joined the CLP to see, if they are elected at the next election, her languishing in the backbench," Mr Henderson continued.

"She has spent too many years of her life absolutely lambasting the

CLP from pillar to post in terms of their commitments to Indigenous people, and there is no way she is going to sit around on the backbench twiddling her thumbs."

During the past fortnight, the Government has itself lambasted the Country Liberals on a wide range of subjects, from their less-than-enthusiastic appraisal of recent housing figures to their failure to back the Territory's new Cash for Containers Scheme.

Late last week, the *Koori Mail* sought an interview with Education and Training Minister Dr Chris Burns to discuss Ms Anderson's comments on Labor's policies, but received a statement instead.

"The Northern Territory Government is committed to providing quality education for all Territory students, regardless of

where they live in the Territory," Dr Burns said.

"It is this Government's number-one priority. It is the vehicle that will deliver social, cultural and economic development for all Territorians."

Dr Burns said that over the past decade, the Henderson Government had invested heavily in education, delivering eight new schools, 407 additional teaching staff, and specific programs to target school attendance, literacy and numeracy.

"Through a record budget of \$930 million in 2011-12 and with the support of the Australian Government's Building the Education Revolution, ALL schools in the Territory have upgraded facilities and resources to support and encourage learning," he said.

"If a child goes to school every day in the Territory, they will get a top-class education.

"This Government has established pre-schools in communities where previously there were none, and in some communities, Year 12 level education for the first time."

Dr Burns insisted that Labor understood 'the unique circumstances' of many students in remote communities and had put in place programs to address them – from shifting the time of school holidays to better work in with seasonal fluctuations, to extending the school year to allow maximum opportunity for children to access school and providing additional programs such as the 3pm to 9pm program to support community learning and engagement.

Govt accused over UN declaration

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"For example, I'd like to see an explicit acknowledgement in the National Human Rights Framework currently being developed by the government, that the framework will use the Declaration to guide its operation in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

"We would like to see the Government engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to negotiate and develop an action plan to give full effect to the declaration," he said.

Meanwhile, Northern Territory Aboriginal leader Barbara Shaw said the Government had continued with its Intervention in

the Northern Territory despite it being a 'flagrant breach' of the UN declaration.

"We live in a democracy," Ms Shaw said.

"We are not at war but our people are dying from the racist policies that the Government is putting on us.

"They just won't listen, they

think they know what's best for us.

"And they say they support the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples but they are not implementing any of the declaration's clauses.

"In fact, the Northern Territory Intervention breaches most of them."



BARBARA SHAW

Doctors out of their depth, inquest told



DOCTORS treating a schizophrenic Aboriginal man who died after being restrained and sedated on the floor of a Townsville

mental health unit were 'out of their depth' and 'didn't know what to do', an inquest has been told.

Lyji Vaggs, 27, died in Townsville Hospital on 15 April last year, two days after he stopped breathing while being restrained and sedated on the floor of the nearby mental health unit.

The inquest into his death has heard there were no psychiatrists or senior doctors on duty in the unit at the time, only an intern and junior doctors.

Counsel Assisting the Coroner Jennifer Rosengren last Wednesday told the Townsville inquest Dr David Hartman, a psychiatrist contacted on the phone by doctors at the unit, described the doctors as 'stressed' and 'out of their depth'.

Dr Mushtaq Mohiuddin, who, after having worked in the unit for about three months was the most experienced doctor on duty at the time, told the court he didn't know how to handle the situation.

"It was a situation far beyond my control and I wasn't really sure what to do," he said.

The inquest heard Mr Vaggs arrived at the unit with a nurse on 13 April but quickly became agitated.

More than six staff were involved in trying to restrain him, including at least one who sat on his back while he lay face down on the floor of the unit's foyer.

He was injected with the anti-psychotic drug Olanzapine twice within 17 minutes, contrary to hospital guidelines which said the second dose should not be administered within two hours of the first.

However, the inquest heard he continued to struggle and remained highly agitated and aggressive for some time after both doses.

Dr Rene Cescon told the



Lyji Vaggs' mother Debbie Lampton (second from right), stepfather Dwayne Williams and grandmother Lila Lampton (in yellow), supported by family members and Prof Gracelyn Smallwood (third from left) outside Townsville Court. Photo by ALF WILSON

inquest last Tuesday that he had directed nurses to administer both doses, but the second was given in consultation with Dr Mohiuddin.

However, the next day Dr Mohiuddin said he didn't even arrive in the foyer until both doses had been given, and he wouldn't have been comfortable giving directions on which drugs to administer to Mr Vaggs.

After arriving, he said he contacted Dr Hartman who advised Mr Vaggs should be given a sedative.

Dr Mohiuddin said Mr Vaggs collapsed a short time after being given the sedative.

He also admitted that 'in hindsight' staff should have taken the precaution of organising to have emergency equipment on hand to revive Mr Vaggs before administering the drugs.

The inquest also heard Mr

Vaggs and his stepfather Dwayne Williams attended the hospital's emergency unit two weeks earlier to seek help for his condition.

Dr Elizabeth Stalewski told the court she was 'very scared' of Mr Vaggs and believed he could 'snap at any time'.

Psychologist

She said she believed he needed to be admitted to the mental health unit and arranged for a bed to be prepared and for psychologist Dawie Scheepers to see him.

"It just seemed like the right thing to do. He voluntarily wanted to come in, his family supported it and there was a bed available," she told the inquest.

However, Mr Scheepers, who admitted to being overworked at the time, opted not to admit Mr Vaggs and decided instead that

he should be treated in the community.

On the opening day of the inquest, Mr Vaggs' mother Debbie Lampton said her son would not have died if there had been an Indigenous staff member or family representative at the unit when he was admitted.

She said her son 'didn't trust white people' and would have become paranoid when he found himself surrounded by staff at the unit. The presence of a familiar face or Aboriginal staffer would have calmed him, she said.

"I know he would still be here today if they had an Indigenous person there," she said.

The inquest also heard Mr Vaggs' partner Stacey Sommerville was at the hospital for an appointment for her children at the time the incident occurred.

In her opening remarks,

Counsel Assisting Ms Rosengren told the inquest an autopsy found the death was caused by a combination of factors, including asphyxiation, obesity and the drugs.

She said a pharmacology report found the combination of drugs 'significantly contributed' to his death, but that evidence was disputed in a report from an intensive care specialist.

Ms Rosengren said the inquest would look at issues including whether Mr Vaggs was given appropriate treatment in the weeks before his death, how he came to be restrained and the appropriateness of the medication he was given.

The two-week inquest before Coroner Michael Barnes continues.

— By AAP, with additional reporting by ALF WILSON

Women do some straight talking



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander women of all ages and backgrounds from across the country are at Parliament House in Canberra this week for

Oxfam's third annual Straight Talk Summit.

The women will meet with females from all sides of politics, including Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, Deputy Opposition Leader Julie Bishop and Greens spokesperson for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Issues Senator Rachel Siewert, to find ways of working together to improve the lives of Indigenous people.

The 62 participants aim to bring their commitment to stronger communities,

improvements in Indigenous health, and concerns for young people to politicians whom they hope will gain a deeper understanding of the challenges facing Indigenous people.

Oxfam Straight Talk co-ordinator Karrina Nolan said the participants were an inspiring group of women working across a diverse range of issues, using different ways to change their communities for the better.

"From hundreds of applicants we've selected an outstanding group of women who will sit down with the politicians whose decisions impact their lives," Ms Nolan said. "These women are already striving for and achieving change in their communities."

Participant Carla McGrath, 32, is a Torres Strait Islander living in Sydney's inner-west, whose work has included increasing the number of Indigenous students completing high school and entering university.

"For too long, the conversation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians has been dominated by the language of disadvantage and marginalisation," she said.

"We need to tell the stories of excellence, success and resilience that are prevalent within our communities."

Elaine Kropinyeri, 56, of Mount Gambier in South Australia, whose great-uncle, David Unaipon, appears on the Australian \$50 note, supports

Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system through her role as Elder in the local Nunga Court. She has broken down barriers between police and youths in her area. She now works with Aboriginal families in crisis, for Anglicare.

"I passionately feel that prejudice is only ignorance, and that by good information and education, barriers can be overcome and bridges built towards mutual respect and understanding," she said.

Ms Nolan said the women would undertake an intensive program in Canberra before their meetings with politicians, extending skills, knowledge and confidence to engage with the political system to bring about change.

Family meet their league hero



A CHANCE en-counter quickly

turned into a meeting of a whole new mutual admiration society at Redfern Oval last Thursday. Training for the Australian Rugby League's Prime Minister's XIII was rugby league star Ben Barba, who hung out with, from left, visiting Armidale youngsters Dion, Shenean and Shantie and their dad Ricky Quinlan. Photo by JOSEPH MAYERS



Leaders promise to resist Cape listing

By DARREN COYNE



CAPE York leaders have pledged to 'fiercely' resist any world heritage listing in their part of the world until the controversial Wild Rivers issue is resolved.

Their stance followed an announcement that the Federal and Queensland governments would spend \$23 million buying land and consulting with Indigenous communities about a future World Heritage nomination.

Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke said the funding would also support greater engagement and participation of Indigenous communities on the Cape in sustainable agricultural and natural resource management activities.

"We are working with the Queensland Government and Indigenous communities to identify and document the rich environmental and cultural values of Cape York Peninsula, while being mindful of the clear commitment that a World Heritage nomination would not proceed without the prior consent of traditional owners," Mr Burke said.

"Funding will be made available to support the voluntary acquisition

of land containing values of National Environmental Significance that contribute to the overall integrity of the Cape York protected area estate through improved consolidation, connectivity and buffering.

"The package includes funds to support traditional owners to reconnect with their country and for natural resource management activities on the lands acquired under the program."

Queensland Environment

conservation values are acquired, a portion is handed back to traditional owners as Aboriginal land in recognition of their desire to return to homelands.

"Traditional owners can decide to develop outstations for traditional owners, protect some areas as nature refuges and to pursue economic development in keeping with the environmental and cultural values of the land such as, carbon offset management or

heritage listing are false," they said.

"On behalf of and under instruction by our communities, who have presented their views to us and through Federal Parliamentary Inquiry Committee forums, there will be no world heritage listing until the Wild Rivers issue is resolved."

Mr Ahmat and Mr Pearson said any moves to impose any further conservation layers that stifled future economic development

moratorium on new developments until the conclusion of the World Heritage process.

Director Lyndon Schneiders said it was the biggest single investment in Cape York conservation in more than a decade. "It is important that while the World Heritage assessment proceeds, potentially destructive developments, including proposed coal mines, are put on the backburner," he said.

The Australian Conservation

Foundation also welcomed the funding, particularly \$17 million earmarked to acquire sites of natural and cultural significance.

"This funding will continue to provide a good foundation for better long-term opportunities for the people of Cape York

Peninsula," said chief executive Don Henry. "To do this we need extra support to establish ranger programs, research activities and to upgrade our existing conservation programs."

The Federal Government provides an annual allocation of \$1.5 million to Cape York as part of Caring for our Country regional funding and \$24.6 million for Working on Country, an Indigenous ranger program that employs about 100 Indigenous rangers across Cape York. - With AAP

'We will continue to represent our communities' interests by speaking out against those in the federal, state, media or non-stakeholder sector who seek to undermine our lives without our permission or by misrepresentation'

Minister Vicky Darling said it was crucial that Indigenous people were given the opportunity to manage their own country, both for conservation and appropriate economic development purposes.

"That is why Queensland has developed a special tenure type called National Park (Cape York Aboriginal Land) which is jointly owned and managed for conservation purposes by Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service and the traditional owners," she said.

"When properties with high

eco/cultural tourism."

Despite the ministers' upbeat comments, Cape York Land Council chairman Ritchie Ahmat and Balkanu Cape York Development Corporation chief executive Gerhardt Pearson later issued a statement denying traditional owners had agreed to a timetable for world heritage listing.

"Media reports that Cape York traditional owner representative regional organisations, on behalf of traditional owners, have agreed with Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke to a timetable for world

would be fiercely resisted.

"We will continue to represent our communities' interests by speaking out against those in the federal, state, media or non-stakeholder sector who seek to undermine our lives without our permission or by misrepresentation," they said.

The Wilderness Society welcomed the funding, but warned the money could be wasted unless the Cape was protected from coal mining and other threats.

The society called on governments to impose a

Aboriginal anger at report to State Govt

By DARREN COYNE



A REPORT to the Victorian Government into human rights legislation has angered Aboriginal groups and organisations by ruling out self-determination.

The Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee (SARC) last week presented its report to the Government after reviewing the *Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006*.

The committee recommended against repealing the Victorian Charter but recommended that courts have no further role, or a substantially reduced role, in enforcing human rights.

It also recommends that government departments and public services should not be required to act compatibly with human rights.

On the issue of self-determination, the committee said there was 'no agreement on the definition of the right to self-determination'.

"(The committee) subsequently does not recommend that the right to self-determination be added to the human rights in the charter, but recommends that the Victorian Government, in consultation with Victorian Indigenous communities, continue to develop specific programs that foster improved outcomes for Victoria's Indigenous peoples," it said.

Disappointment

The Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service and Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR) Victoria expressed disappointment at the recommendations.

VALS chief executive Wayne Muir also criticised the report finding that a case was not made for the inclusion of new categories of rights, reviews and proceedings.

"VALS provided very clear evidence to SARC on the critical importance of including additional rights for children and providing Victoria's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples with self-determination rights," Mr Muir said.

"SARC has missed a rare opportunity to advance human rights protections for the most vulnerable people in the Victorian community.

"We also reject SARC's recommendation that self-determination rights not be included in the Charter on the basis of there being no agreed definition within the community of this right.

"For years VALS has been talking with the Victorian community about how self-determination rights should be conceptualised and common themes continuously emerge. Chief among these is the right of people and communities to be involved in decisions that affect them."

'Colonial mindset'

ANTaR Victoria Chairperson Dr Peter Lewis said the rights of Indigenous peoples to self-determination were universally accepted 'but once again an Australian government has demonstrated our backward colonial mindset'.

"At the very least the principle of free, prior and informed consent in terms of government engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities should have been recommended," he said.

"Until there is real human rights protection for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, relationships between our peoples will remain subject to the injustices and unequal power dynamics of the past.

"ANTaR Victoria notes that the SARC has ruled against the inclusion of self-determination despite the many submissions from Aboriginal organisations and NGO bodies recommending its inclusion in the (Charter). We all need a solid human rights platform for the First Peoples of Victoria to demonstrate that we are an honorable people and not just the inheritors of stolen land."

The Victorian Government has six months to respond to the report.

The SARC report is available at www.parliament.vic.gov.au/sarc/article/1446

Keeping up with the latest



Pictured during the Obe Geia junior rugby league carnival on Palm Island last week are Councillor Ruth Gorrington (on far right) with youngsters, from left, Tallis Ross, Lee Ketchup, Delphine Robertson and Christine Cannon. Photo by ALF WILSON

Programs get Budget funds

By DARREN COYNE



THE New South Wales Government has earmarked \$21.9 million from the state's 2011-12 Budget for the Office of Aboriginal Affairs (AANSW). The Budget also provided continued funding of programs targeting Aboriginal business owners, young entrepreneurs and women in business, as well as health, housing and education.

But the NSW Opposition has accused the Government of short-changing AANSW to the tune of at least \$4 million, and expressed concern that Aboriginal programs could be cut as the Government tries to save \$800 million over four years.

Opposition Aboriginal Affairs spokesperson Barbara Perry said the Government was trying to hide funding cuts. "The O'Farrell Government will also begin charging fees for Government pre-schools, many of which serve disadvantaged Aboriginal communities who rely on the free service," she said.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said, however, the Budget would help support initiatives from the recently formed Ministerial Taskforce, which brings together ministers and Aboriginal leaders to develop a new strategy for Aboriginal Affairs in NSW, with a focus on jobs.

"As the Ministerial Taskforce progresses in the development of a new Aboriginal affairs strategy for NSW that is focussed on future opportunity, the NSW Government will continue to provide core services to Aboriginal people," Mr Dominello said.

"This Budget provides for an enhanced role for AANSW in co-ordinating and brokering relationships between Aboriginal communities, non-Government organisations (NGOs) and the NSW Government."



VICTOR DOMINELLO

A spokesperson from the Minister's office later denied AANSW's allocation had been cut, saying the Opposition was aware of the planned cessation of the Aboriginal Communities Development Program (ACDP), which had largely been replaced by Commonwealth programs.

Those programs included the Aboriginal Communities Water and Sewerage Program, a \$200 million joint venture with the NSW Aboriginal Land Council, and Remote Indigenous Housing National Partnership (RIHNP), under which NSW was receiving \$396 million over ten years.

Mr Dominello said the Government was prioritising community partnerships to develop job readiness and opportunities for Aboriginal-run businesses.

He maintained that regional Aboriginal people would benefit from additional employment opportunities and services through the \$9 million allocation for regional services and jobs.

"This funding is also part of assisting

AANSW meet its target of 55 per cent of regional positions being filled by Aboriginal people," he said. "Local partnerships have been identified as a key way to close the gap and \$2.9 million has also been allocated to assist project officers continue their work in building relationships with Aboriginal communities.

"To ensure outcomes are being achieved, an additional \$260,000 has been allocated to support the work of 10 specialist economic development officers throughout NSW."

Other allocations included \$1.5 million for the Safe Families program, with an additional \$352,000 to support focus communities, and \$787,000 for the Solutions Fund to support Aboriginal language projects, significant cultural events and NAIDOC celebrations.

The Budget also included almost \$900,000 to operate the Office of the Registrar of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, \$211,000 to fund the State Reconciliation Council, \$135,000 for Remote Indigenous Public Internet and \$144,000 to support the Closing the Gap Clearing House.

Mr Dominello said the Budget also provided funding in other portfolios, which would directly benefit Aboriginal people.

In the health portfolio, NSW Health would spend \$97 million on supplementary health services for Aboriginal people, especially in the areas of health promotion, education and disease prevention.

In the Family and Community Services portfolio, around \$65 million would target Aboriginal housing initiatives while more than \$25 million was set aside for ageing, disability and home care.

Another \$6.2 million would establish four new Intensive Family Based Services in areas where child protection was an issue, with \$21.4 million to be spent on Aboriginal child and family centres.

Muckaty dump claims rejected

By DARREN COYNE



A LEADING nuclear radiologist has dismissed Federal Government claims that a remote waste dump is needed to house radioactive medical waste. Speaking during a forum at Charles Darwin University last week, Dr Peter Karamoskos said it was misleading to link the need for a central radioactive waste storage facility with the production of isotopes for nuclear medicine.

Dr Karamoskos, a nuclear radiologist from Melbourne, made his comments ahead of the Senate debate on the National Radioactive Waste Management Bill, which earmarks Muckaty Station in the Northern Territory as the preferred site for a waste dump.

"The nuclear bill is a bad bill. It's a half-baked solution to a serious problem that doesn't meet international standards of best practice," he told the *Koori Mail*.

Dr Karamoskos said the Government was making policy on the run, as it had never properly planned for the disposal of waste generated by the production of nuclear material from the Lucas Heights reactor.

He said the proposed Muckaty dump would deal only with low-level radioactive waste, and could not cope with the more hazardous material being returned to Australia from overseas.



Australian Nuclear Free Alliance delegates at the 2011 national meeting.

The Muckaty site has been the subject of much debate and Australia-wide protests, with some Aboriginal groups from the area saying they have been left out of negotiations by the Northern Land Council (NLC).

Those traditional owners maintain the land is sacred to them and their Dreamings. They say a male initiation site sits on the proposed land, and they have now taken the Darwin-based land council to the Federal Court in Melbourne in their bid to be recognised and block the plans.

The NLC has denied that the recent death of the woman who nominated the site will affect proceedings, set to resume in the coming months.

Meanwhile, Federal Resources Minister Martin Ferguson said that, regardless of what happened in the Senate, he would respect the findings of the court in terms of ownership.

Australian Greens spokesperson for nuclear affairs Scott Ludlam said Dr Karamoskos' comments exposed the

dishonest campaign to impose a waste dump on Muckaty Station in the NT.

Another doctor speaking at the forum said that, even if a central waste facility was required, there was no reason to impose it on the NT.

The forum at CDU was organised by the Public Health Association of Australia and the Medical Association for the Prevention of War.

On another front, the Australian Nuclear Free Alliance, made up of traditional owners and various Aboriginal and other groups, met on the weekend of 9-11 September in Alice Springs, six months after the Fukushima nuclear disaster began in Japan.

Mirarr senior traditional owner Yvonne Margurula opened the meeting, expressing sadness that uranium mined from her country in Kakadu National Park was fuelling the radiation problems at Fukushima.

The meeting also received a message of solidarity from Djok senior traditional owner Jeffery Lee, who is fighting to see his country at Koongarra incorporated into Kakadu National Park to protect it from uranium mining.

The meeting issued a number of statements, including a warning to Aboriginal land councils that they were legally required to represent traditional owners, not mining companies, and that they would face legal action unless they did.

Gas hub protesters set up tent embassy



OPPONENTS of a proposed multi-billion-dollar gas hub project 60kms north of Broome have established a 'tent embassy' marking the first 100 days of their protest and blockade of the road into the proposed site.

Last Wednesday's opening of the Walmadanj Tent Embassy, near James Price Point, began with a sunrise breakfast at the Manari Road blockade after which supporters moved in convoy to the Walmadanj camp where senior Goolarabooloo Elder Teresa Roe cut the ribbon declaring the embassy open.

Protest leader and Goolarabooloo senior law man Joseph Roe lit a ceremonial fire with ash sent from the fire of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in Canberra.

Dr Anne Poelina read a statement sent by one of the founders of the Canberra embassy, Michael Anderson.

"It is imperative in your stand you have chosen to take that the commitment of the people must be enduring, no matter how hard or trying it may become," Mr Anderson's statement read.

Broome Community No Gas spokesperson Nik Wevers said the opening of the Walmadanj Tent Embassy celebrated 'the extraordinary spirit and resolve of the Broome community', despite police making 40 arrests and issuing many more move-on notices and traffic infringements on Manari Road.

A week earlier, police laid an assault charge against a 35-year-old Kimberley Land Council (KLC)



Senior Goolarabooloo Elder Teresa Roe cuts the ribbon at the opening of the Walmadanj Tent Embassy.

Photo by Steve Cutts

employee following a confrontation involving anti-gas hub protesters and Elders.

The charge followed an incident on the Manari Road when protesters stopped a KLC convoy carrying the Elders and the land council's environment and cultural heritage team on their way in to James Price Point.

The confrontation sparked accusations from both sides that their members had been threatened and abused.

A KLC spokeswoman said protesters constantly hurled racial slurs at Elders who supported the gas hub.

"The old people that were in that vehicle are some of the most senior Jabirr Jabirr traditional

owners," the spokeswoman said. "This ongoing threatening behaviour, especially towards the elderly, is just appalling."

"Protesters continually hurl racial slurs at us. This is shameful and the continued threats by protesters is disrespectful and inexcusable."

But the protesters insist it is they who've been abused.

Assault complaint

Aboriginal protester Janet Cox complained to police that she was assaulted after she stopped the KLC car carrying Elders to ask them what they were doing coming there to 'destroy and sell the land' to oil company Woodside.

She said her leg was caught



Aboriginal protester Janet Cox. Photo by Ingetje Tadors

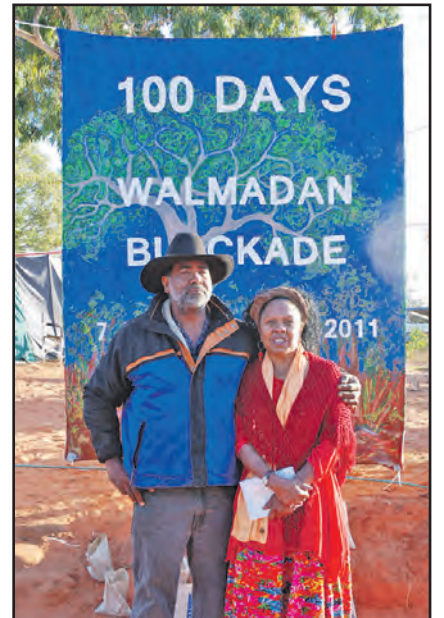
under the KLC vehicle when it moved forward and she would have been run over if there hadn't been other people there helping.

Ms Cox said she was one of many Aboriginal families who did not sign the gas hub agreement because she felt it wasn't right to sell.

"I have to leave the country as it is, for future generations," she said.

Meanwhile, dinosaur footprints near the site of the controversial proposed gas hub will be examined by Canadian and US experts flown in by the West Australian Government.

The two palaeontologists will conduct a fresh review of the footprints to determine their



Protest leader and Goolarabooloo senior law man Joseph Roe with Dr Anne Poelina. Photo by Steve Cutts

importance following a previous study that found they were not of 'museum quality'.

But Queensland palaeontologist Steve Salisbury, who recently examined the dinosaur prints, said he believed the new study would show the prints and the gas hub could not co-exist.

"I am pretty sure that if (the specialists) have seen what we've seen up in that area, then the Department of State Development and the WA Government are in for a bit of a surprise," he told ABC Radio.

A final investment decision by the proposed gas hub's joint venture partners is expected next year. — AAP, with additional reporting from the *Koori Mail*



The group in Parliament House with Gold Coast Titans co-captain Scott Prince, tennis legend Evonne Goolagong-Cawley, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Employment Minister Senator Mark Arbib.

Legends of the future

Photos by OTIS WILLIAMS, courtesy of DEEWR



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander secondary students

undertaking work experience with some of the nation's Federal parliamentarians in Canberra last week have passed their first test – diplomacy.

About 100 of our young people took part in the Australian Government's Learn. Earn. Legend! (LEL) Work Experience in Government program and one of their first experiences – after meeting their respective hosts – was watching the rough and tumble of Question Time.

With political temperatures running hot over asylum seekers, the carbon tax and more, the notorious daily parliamentary jousting session did not disappoint. But, pressed further, the kids mostly flashed wry grins and a few grimaces.

"Let's just say we wouldn't get away with that kind of behaviour in the classroom," was a popular response.

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) runs LEL in partnership with the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation, Dare to Lead, Stronger Smarter Learning Communities and The Sporting Chance Program.

Indigenous Employment Minister Mark Arbib said there'd been overwhelming support for the program from all sides of politics – more than 90 parliamentarians signed up as hosts – and he was very impressed with the calibre and



Zechariah Cassady Wacando, 17, from Ingham, Kelly Lorne, 17, from Geraldton, and Jake Gablonski, 16, from Katherine.



Learn.Earn.Legend! ambassadors Scott Prince and Evonne Goolagong-Cawley with AFL great Syd Jackson.

enthusiasm of the students.

"Learn. Earn. Legend! aims to encourage young Indigenous people to stay in school and training so they can gain great jobs and careers, and is part of the Australian Government's commitment to closing the gap on education and employment outcomes," he said.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said she hoped some of the students would decide to come back to Canberra to study and work and 'become the departmental secretaries and politicians of the future'.

As well as experiencing life

in political offices and working for several days in public service agencies and departments, the students spent some quality time with LEL ambassadors tennis legend Evonne Goolagong-Cawley and Gold Coast Titans co-captain Scott Prince, visited the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS), and met Indigenous public servants.

Ms Goolagong-Cawley predicted the week would be a fantastic experience for the students.

"It is young Indigenous Australians such as this who may decide their future is to work in Government to

improve the delivery of vital services to Indigenous people and communities," she said.

LEL participant Kaitlan Forbes, a student at Parawest Adult Campus in Adelaide's north and mentor of younger students, displayed a steely determination when asked what she intended to do after finishing school.

"I'm going to be a Family Court solicitor," the 17-year-old told the *Koori Mail*.

"...When I go to into town and see our people hanging around not doing much, I think 'I don't want to be in that position'. I want to show our people that we can be anything, we can go places."

Kaitlan, who was hosted in the office of former tennis pro and now Liberal MP John Alexander, hopes to study arts/law at Canberra's Australian National University.

Year 12 students at Marist College Ashgrove in Brisbane, Charlie Cameron and Benji Waters, were hosted by Labor senator Louise Pratt and Nationals senator Barnaby Joyce respectively.

After just one day, they said the LEL Work Experience in Government program had already surpassed their expectations.

Charlie said he wanted to follow in the footsteps of his dad and uncle and work in the mining industry, most likely in the north of Western Australia.

"I want to do a traineeship but want to finish school first," he said.

Benji intends to be a personal trainer, so is studying Exercise Sports Science at school and plans to follow that with a diploma and a degree.

● *Koori Mail* Managing Editor Kirstie Parker, who wrote this story, is also an LEL ambassador.



Shooting hoops were Naomi Nelson, 17, from Perth, Mathew Gray, 15, from Northam, and Ruby Williams, 17, from Perth.



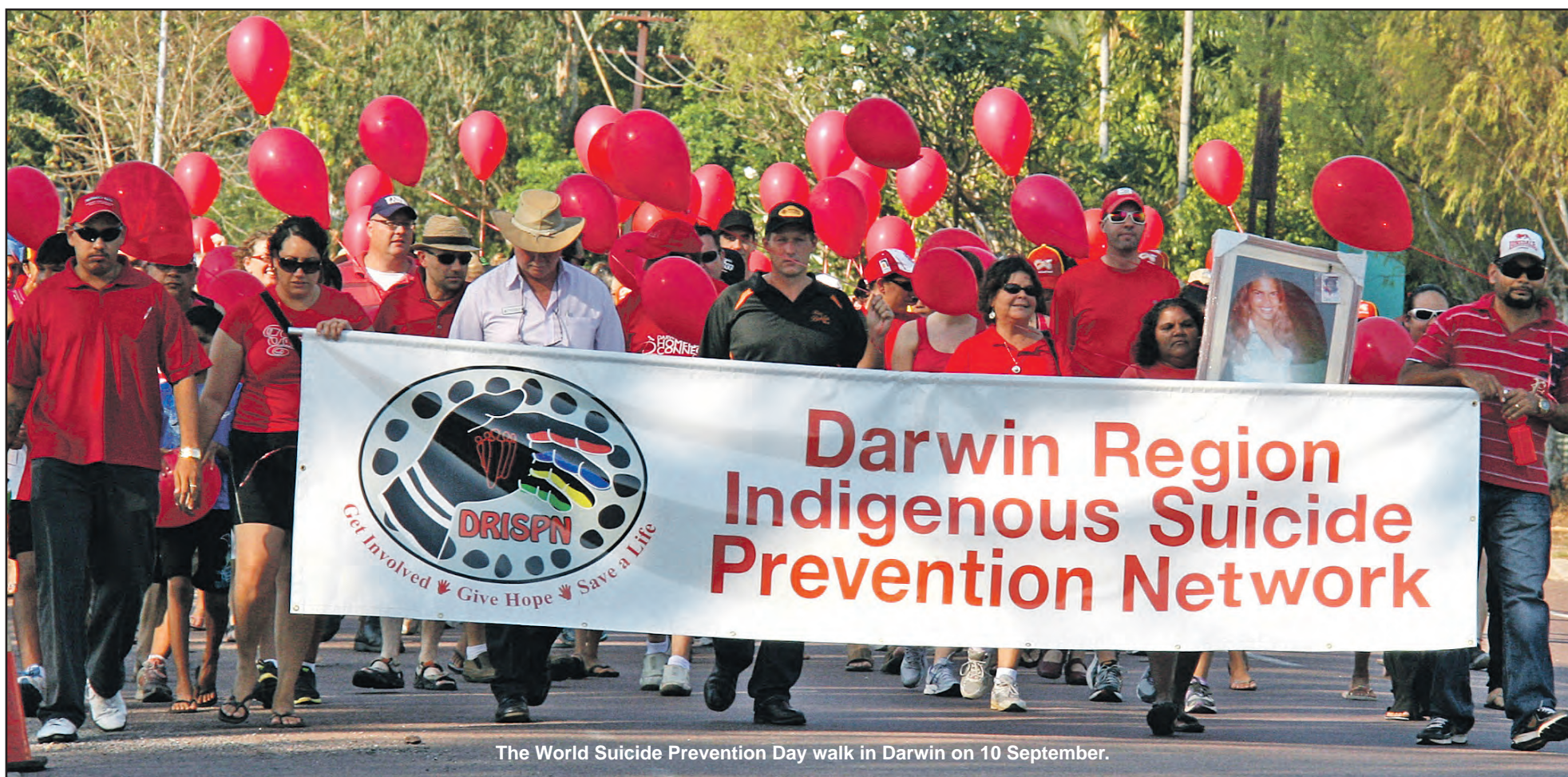
Mathew Govan, 16, from Katherine was too fast for Cathy Freeman.



And they're off...Josephine Zarka, 16, from Sir Joseph Banks High in Sydney and Allan Stream, 16, from Geraldton Senior High, WA.



Charlie Cameron and Benji Waters, both 17, are mates as well as fellow students at Marist College Ashgrove in Brisbane.



The World Suicide Prevention Day walk in Darwin on 10 September.

Tribute film at Sydney venue

WHEN the documentary *Wongee Our Bardip (To Tell our Story our Way)* premiered in Perth during NAIDOC Week this year, a palpable wave of emotion flowed over the audience.

Made as a tribute to those whose lives have been lost through youth suicide and to members of the Stolen Generations, the film explores a range of confronting issues including genocide, displacement, dispossession and the resulting ingrained trauma still experienced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The film's screening, attended by community, police, government and others including former Australian of the Year Professor Fiona Stanley, led to many requests for copies and its use as a cross-cultural training tool.

Now the makers of *Wongee Our Bardip*, the Perth-based

Dumbartung Aboriginal Corporation, plan to take it further afield, with its east coast premiere planned for Sydney on 6 October.

Dumbartung director and Nyoongah man Robert Eggington said the documentary provided much-needed insight into issues seldom taught in mainstream agencies or academic institutions.

He said the film was a crucial link in demonstrating how the past affects the present and the legacy of past laws and policies on Aboriginal people today.

"Not only is it powerful in its content, but it also evokes an emotional response as it brings people out of their complacency and comfort zone," Mr Eggington said.

"It's a conduit between the past atrocities we have faced as

Aboriginal peoples that leads on to where Australia stands today, in terms of the effect of industries such as mining, and their impact upon our culture and environment."

Mr Eggington said he believed that many of the challenges confronting Aboriginal young people today were external forces, "...issues of dispossession, racism and the human rights of Aboriginal people, or the lack thereof".

He said the film extended Dumbartung's long-running commitment to providing culturally secure environments and throws out a strong challenge to all who

have a commitment to healing.

The Sydney screening of *Wongee Our Bardip* will be followed by an open discussion group and panel presentation by senior Nyoongah and Koori representatives.

Mr Eggington said he hoped this would offer the

opportunity for younger Aboriginal people to make statements and comments about issues and challenges they faced in society.

"It is very much an opportunity for our Aboriginal people to have a forum where they are listened to and respected by older members of our community," he said.

Wongee Our Bardip will be screened at 6.45pm on Thursday, 6 October, at the University of Technology, Sydney (UTS). The venue will be the Wattle Room Aerial Conference Centre, Level 7, UTS Building 10, 235 Jones Street, Ultimo.

To register attendance, call Robert Eggington on (08) 9451 4977. Places are strictly limited.

● Watch this space for details of a Canberra screening of *Wongee Our Bardip*.



ROBERT EGGINGTON
File photo by KEN BOASE

Making a difference



WORLD Suicide Prevention Day on 10 September was marked in Darwin with an Aboriginal-organised walk to the Rapid Creek

water gardens.

About 200 people, many wearing the colour red to symbolise the urgency around the issue of suicide and the need for compassion, took part in the event organised by the Darwin Region Indigenous Suicide Prevention Network.

"We're a new organisation still finding our feet, so it was great to see so many people supporting us," network vice-chairperson Ngaree AhKit told the *Koori Mail*.

"There was a real mix – family and service providers – and it was so good to see some of the young fellas from (AFL) Territory Thunder there. I know they've been personally affected by suicide too."

Ms Ahkit said it was her own family tragedy that spurred her to help set up the network. Her younger brother committed suicide four years ago, at the age of 17 years.

"It was so terrible, you just don't know what to do or how to get help. I don't want anyone to go through what we did," she said.

With her family at her side, Ms Ahkit says she has a strong determination to bring about something positive from her brother's death.

"Our focus is on creating networks and setting up bereavement support," she said.



Walk participants release red balloons in Darwin as part of World Suicide Day commemorations.

"There is such a big need. Ultimately, we want to eliminate suicide in our community. That's a huge task, but we don't want to just lower the rate, we want to stop it – full stop."

"The network is focusing on our mob in the Darwin community but we're here to

help all who need it.

"I had some non-Indigenous people call me just before the walk asking if they could take part and my response was 'of course!' Suicide does not discriminate. It can have an impact on all of us. We need to support each other."

Spratt faces threat to kill charge



AN ABORIGINAL man who is the subject of a prisoner abuse inquiry was arrested late last month on charges relating to an incident at a petrol station in Perth's southern suburbs.

Kevin Spratt, who was refused bail at a hearing, faced a Perth magistrate on charges including threat to kill, assault with attempt to prevent arrest, criminal damage, disorderly behaviour in public and reckless driving after being arrested on 25 August. Prosecutors told the hearing

that after being approached by an off-duty police officer, Mr Spratt threatened to set fuel alight and tried to get away, crashing into two police cars, another car, and a petrol pump. No plea was entered and Mr Spratt has been remanded to appear in the District Court on 8 December over

the threat to kill charge. Mr Spratt's lawyer Hylton Quail said he could not file a plea until he had seen the CCTV footage. However, he said his client rejected some of the allegations. Mr Spratt was the subject of a WA Corruption and Crime Commission (CCC) inquiry after

being repeatedly tasered by police and prison authorities in August 2008. On 24 February 2011, he had a 2008 conviction for obstructing officers quashed in the WA Supreme Court, due to a police statement that was contradicted by CCTV footage released by the CCC.

Prison van driver fined over Mr Ward's death



Marc Newhouse and Seamus O'Doherty, of the Deaths In Custody Watch Committee of WA, at the Walking away from Uranium Mining event last month in Perth.



THE driver of the van in which Kalgoorlie Elder Mr Ward died from heatstroke has been fined, and his fellow officer will face court next month.

On 7 September, former G4S driver Graham Powell pleaded guilty in the Kalgoorlie Magistrates Court to failing to take reasonable care to avoid adversely affecting the safety or health of another person 'through an act or omission at work' and caused a third degree burn to Mr Ward and his death.

The maximum penalty for the offence to which Powell pleaded guilty was \$20,000, and the court found that as a driver of the van, he did not take reasonable care of the safety and health of the person in custody being transported.

Magistrate Greg Benn was damning of Powell's actions, and said that human decency and common sense could have prevented Mr Ward's death.

However, the driver was fined only \$9000, having lost his job and become unable to keep up payments on his home, suffering guilt and depression, and because he pleaded guilty and showed clear remorse.

In January 2008, Mr Ward, 46, died from heatstroke after being transferred from Laverton to Kalgoorlie in a prison transport van which had faulty air conditioning.

The temperature in the van's detention pod exceeded 55 degrees

during the three-and-a-half-hour trip. Marc Newhouse, the spokesperson for the Deaths In Custody Watch Committee of Western Australia, told media the fine, which was less than half the maximum, was a disappointment to Mr Ward's family and to the committee, which has run a concerted campaign for redress over the death.

Mr Newhouse said there were community expectations that criminal charges should have been laid over the terrible death of the Elder.

The Department and G4S were each fined \$285,000 over the incident, and the other transport guard, Nina

Stokoe, is scheduled to appear in the Kalgoorlie Magistrates Court next month.

Department of Commerce Director General Brian Bradley said the death was a tragic example of the potential consequences of employees failing to take reasonable care not to cause harm to others when at work.

"The state's occupational safety and health laws place a duty of care on a number of parties in a workplace, to ensure the safety of everyone who has a reason to be in that workplace, which includes individuals who are not themselves, at work," Mr Bradley said.

"Hopefully, the amount of exposure this case has had will ensure that a tragic event like this never takes place again, and that employees will be more aware of their duties to non-employees or bystanders under the *Occupational Safety and Health Act*."

'Hopefully, the amount of exposure this case has had will ensure that a tragic event like this never takes place again'

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Deakin Uni's Institute of Koorie Education celebrates 25 years

By GREG BURCHALL



THERE were tears and laughter. Elders and academics. Graduates and dancers. Party pies and marinated crocodile.

They all came to Wathaurong Land this month to celebrate 25 years of the Institute of Koorie Education at Deakin University's Waurin Ponds campus outside Geelong.

For Laura Thompson (Bachelor of Secondary Teaching 2004, Masters of Public Health 2011), study at IKE made her 'proud and strong and better able to cope with life'.

"And bringing a baby to class was never an issue – it's like one big family, full of love and support," she said.

For Professor Veronica Arbon (Doctor of Philosophy 2007): "It made real what I was trying to do, to interrogate the new knowledge you encounter."

For Keenan Madden (Bachelor of Arts in Education/Bachelor of Education 1997): "I felt proud of what I had achieved and set out to accomplish."

For Aunt Joan Vickery (Master of Public Health 2005): "This place shows that the culture of sharing is alive and well."

For Adam Muir (Bachelor of



Je Be Weng Dancers performing at the 25th anniversary of IKE and, right, IKE director Professor Wendy Brabham.

Arts 1996): "My first day was very daunting because I didn't know how much work was ahead of me, so when I graduated I felt relieved."

Elder Aunt Laura Bell, who presented IKE director Professor Wendy Brabham with a plaque from 'grateful Gunditjmarra people', said she remembered when the institute was 'just a

couple of humpies out the back (of Deakin)'.

"Now it's a home away from home for the students and they form a strong community of their own," she said.

Equity

IKE board member Alf Bamblett said there was still 'a long way to go' to establish

equity in education.

"We live under two systems – the Law and the Lore – and you can't have one in isolation to the other," Dr Bamblett said.

"Lore is about beliefs, values and knowledge and it needs to have an impact on the other – we're not there yet but we're getting there."

But everyone present agreed

that IKE played a big part in shaping that wider community.

As graduate Peter Anderson put it: "Throw a rock into any Aboriginal community across Australia and I reckon you'll hit someone with an IKE connection. We're spreading like rabbits."

● More photos, report – Pages 58-59



Hurley ordered to repay funds



THE police officer at the centre of the 2004 Palm Island uprising has been ordered to repay \$35,000 in taxpayer funds mistakenly paid to him in compensation.

Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley's home caught fire during riots that followed the November 2004 death in custody of Palm Island man Mulrunji Doomadgee.

Mr Doomadgee died on the floor of the island's watchhouse, and the ensuing bungled police investigation into the matter sparked rioting.

Snr Sgt Hurley, the arresting officer, was ultimately acquitted of Mulrunji's manslaughter.

In a report released on 7 September, the Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC) found the police service had mistakenly made an overpayment of \$34,980 to the officer for loss of property.

The CMC said the payment was poorly documented, failed to meet the requirements of the police service's financial practice manual and was approved by an unauthorised person.

The Queensland Police Service (QPS) agreed the money should be recouped, the watchdog said.

"The QPS has also agreed to review



SNR SGT CHRIS HURLEY
File photo by ALF WILSON

its policies, procedures and risk management treatments to ensure compliance with its legislative obligations under the *Financial Accountability Act 2009*," it said in a statement.

The CMC launched its investigations after media reports suggested Snr Sgt Hurley had twice been compensated for his property losses.

The QPS also made an ex-gratia payment of \$102,955 to the officer, but it did not take account of an insurance payout of almost \$35,000.

Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey said the police service should recover that sum, too. The \$35,000 insurance payment was

all Snr Sgt Hurley was entitled to, he argued.

"I think the Bligh Government now has an obligation to ask Chris Hurley to return Queensland taxpayers' money that was paid to him wrongfully, under an ex-gratia arrangement," Mr Lacey told ABC radio.

The CMC, on advice from the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), found criminal prosecution of Snr Sgt Hurley for fraud was not warranted.

It also found any disciplinary action for misconduct could not be supported.

In a statement, Queensland Police Union secretary Mick Barnes said Snr Sgt Hurley was willing to repay the money.

"Chris Hurley has always expressed a willingness to repay any reasonable amount that may have been paid to him in error, notwithstanding that he is under no obligation to do so and his losses have been assessed as far greater than the sum total of the amounts he has received," Mr Barnes said.

Premier Anna Bligh said the payment shouldn't have happened, but it was important to note there was no fraud.

"Clearly the findings of the CMC indicate that some things that occurred in this payment should not have happened," she said. "The police service will now have to look at those procedures."



Upgrading the Pacific Highway
Kempsey bypass

The NSW Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) has formed an alliance with Leighton Contractors, AECOM and Coffey Geotechnics to design and build the Kempsey bypass. The Macleay River and floodplain bridge is being delivered by Abigroup as a separate design and construct contract.

Construction activities between September 2011 and November 2011 include:

- Completion of controlled blasting activities between the Pacific Highway at South Kempsey and Crescent Head Road.
- Continuation of construction of the bridges over the North Coast railway line, Boat Harbour Creek, South Kempsey interchange, Pola Creek, Inches Road, Old Station Road and Frederickton interchange.
- Completion of flood mitigation works in the form of house raising and stock mound construction across the floodplain.
- Start of construction of the river spans on the Macleay River and floodplain bridge.
- Continuation of piling and commencement of pier and headstock construction for the floodplain section of the Macleay River and floodplain bridge south of South West Rocks Road.
- Continue construction of the Frederickton levee and commence construction of the new boat ramp.
- Continuation of earthworks and drainage between the south Kempsey interchange and the Macleay River and floodplain bridge.
- Continuation of earthworks between the Frederickton interchange and the northern side of the Macleay River.

For further information or to ask a question or raise a concern contact 1800 306 004 (toll free) or visit the website www.rta.nsw.gov.au/pacific

Brereton sorry for taunt in AFL final



Former West Coast Eagle Chris Lewis has accepted Dermott Brereton's apology, but former coach Mick Malthouse was less forgiving.



HAWTHORN AFL great Dermott Brereton apologised on national television last week for racially abusing West Coast's

Chris Lewis during the 1991 grand final. Brereton and Lewis appeared alongside each other on the Nine Network's *The Footy Show* program on Thursday, as Brereton claimed that 20 years ago players lacked the education of the modern-day footballers on issues such as racial vilification.

"We're much better educated now. I profusely apologise for what we did in those days," Brereton told the program.

"Back in those days, racial vilification, gee, I don't think those two words had been used together.

"So we went and gave it to Chris Lewis and I reckon it boiled over."

Lewis, who missed 23 matches through suspension in his 215-game career, said he was disappointed the Eagles didn't pursue the racial issue with the AFL at the time. But he admitted it was a prickly issue.

"After getting suspended and not being able to play because of retaliating and all that sort of stuff, you just sort of learn to put up with it," Lewis said.

"Black 'c' and all this sort of stuff. The crowd were quite vocal in that sort of area which was always a bit upsetting."

Collingwood coach Mick Malthouse, who was the Eagles mentor in the early 1990s, said the behaviour of AFL players at the time to racially taunt Indigenous opponents was 'absolutely disgraceful'.

"I don't think era has got anything to do with it," Malthouse said.

Brereton said he was now better-educated on the topic.

"Only now in this day and age do we understand what we've done," he said.

"I've apologised to Chris Lewis since. I have a pretty dark sort of memory of it and it's something I'm not proud of.

"Chris Lewis was our number one target. He was an extraordinary player.

"We got word from a team that 'Lewy' had been put off his game by taunts, racially based, so we thought 'anything to curb this bloke's brilliance'.

"When he crossed paths we'd say something to him. I'm more well-educated on it now.

'Didn't understand'

"I profusely apologise for what we did in those days. The extent that it hits home, we didn't understand."

Lewis said he accepted that Brereton's apology was fair dinkum and that Brereton was 'trying to right a wrong'.

Malthouse said he was concerned about how the Eagles had failed to do more to support Lewis at the time.

"We accepted it and we have to pay for that, as a nation, as a league and as individuals," the triple premiership coach said.

Racism remains a problem for the AFL, with Hawthorn's Lance Franklin and West Coast's Nic Naitanui both racially abused by fans during matches in 2011. — AAP

Rio Tinto

An expression of Interest for the Independent person on Rio Tinto's Kestrel Mines Agreement Implementation Group and the Aboriginal Community Development Fund.

Rio Tinto's Kestrel Mine is calling for Expressions of Interest for an Independent person to sit on the Kestrel Mine & Western Kangoulu Agreement Implementation Group (AIG). The AIG Committee oversees the implementation of the agreement brokered between Western Kangoulu Traditional Owners and Rio Tinto Coal Australia at two scheduled meetings each year and consists of seven members comprising:

- Three members appointed by the Western Kangoulu Traditional Owner Group
- Three members appointed to by Rio Tinto Coal Australia
- One Independent person

The Independent person will also fulfil a similar role on the Kestrel Aboriginal Community Development Fund (KACDF). The KACDF administers a fund to support community development projects; it meets four times a year and coincides with the AIG meetings. It consists of seven members comprising:

- Two Western Kangoulu Traditional Owners
- Two Rio Tinto Coal Australia members
- Two Indigenous members residing in the community of Emerald
- One Independent person

If interested could you please forward your expression of interest including your resume to jean.fenton@riotinto.com or if you have any questions or require more information please contact Jean on (07) 4984 7658.

Expressions of Interest close 7th October 2011



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The Conference will be held in Canberra 7-8 November and we are inviting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander PhD and Professional Doctorate graduates to attend.

If you wish to register for the conference please contact:
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YOU ME UNITY

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:

Canberra	21 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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New chairperson Iris White talks to honorary board member Steve O'Connor in an ALS (NSW/ACT) board meeting. In the foreground is outgoing ALS chair Gary Oliver.

New chief at Aboriginal legal service



IRIS WHITE, of Broulee in New South Wales, has been elected as the new chairperson of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT).

She was chosen at the quarterly board meeting in Broken Hill on 2 September.

Ms White has a long association with the Aboriginal Legal Service, having begun work as a receptionist for the South Coast Aboriginal Legal Service in 1978, and more recently as a board member since 2006.

"I see the opportunity of being chairperson as a way of giving some of my skills and experiences back to community in a constructive and meaningful way," she said.

Outgoing chairperson Gary Oliver said he was leaving the helm in capable hands.

"It has been a stimulating time for me as chair of the ALS and I congratulate Iris White on gaining the position," he said.

"There is much to be done, particularly as incarceration rates of Aboriginal juveniles and adults continue to rise while Aboriginal children are being taken away from their families at rates greater than during the Stolen Generation."

"I know Ms White will lead the charge on these issues to the benefit of the

insight into government priorities and has proved to be an intelligent orator and lobbyist on behalf of the ALS.

"We are now delighted to welcome Ms Iris White as our new chairperson."

"She has been a board member for many years now and her knowledge of ALS and our operating landscape

combined with her strong relationship with Aboriginal community and organisational members will provide an expert balance for the challenges facing the ALS Board over the next three years."

The chairperson of the ALS Board is elected on a rotational basis by a majority vote of board

members for a three-year period.

Along with her position with the ALS, Ms White has also represented the interests of Aboriginal people on a number of advisory committees, and has won a number of awards for her work in education and training, and her community work.

'There is much to be done, particularly as incarceration rates of Aboriginal juveniles and adults continue to rise while Aboriginal children are being taken away from their families at rates greater than during the Stolen Generation'

Aboriginal community."

ALS (NSW/ACT) chief executive Gerry Moore said he was pleased with results of the election.

"We have enjoyed the thoughtful leadership and guidance provided by Gary Oliver as the previous chair of the ALS," Mr Moore said.

"He has provided valuable



Honouring Albert

Photo by BRETT BOARDMAN



THE celebrated Big hART show about the life of Australia's most famous Indigenous watercolour artist, Albert Namatjira, is coming to Lismore, NSW, next week for three performances.

Associated events include a community barbecue on 30 September for the local Indigenous community to meet with the cast of the show – which includes renowned Pitjantjatjara actor Trevor Jamieson and young up-and-comer Derik Lynch.

Writer Scott Rankin describes the Namatjira story as 'iconic and important, yet a story that has only been told in bits and pieces, despite being extremely relevant to us all'.

At the height of his fame, Albert Namatjira's shows sold out within minutes. He supported more than 600 members of his community, lost two of his children to malnutrition, was forbidden to own land and was arrested for supplying alcohol to 'Indigenous people' who were in fact his relatives.

He met Queen Elizabeth after being awarded the Queen's Coronation Medal in Canberra in 1954 and was one of the first Indigenous people to become an Australian citizen at a time when Aboriginal people were still categorised as 'flora and fauna'. He died a broken man in 1959.

Yankunytjatjara and central Arrernte actor Derik Lynch, from Alice Springs, is the support to Trevor Jamieson's depiction of Namatjira. Lynch plays around 15 different characters, including Namatjira's mother, children and his wife Rubina, as well as the



Trevor Jamieson in the title role of Albert Namatjira during a performance of *Namatjira*.

Victorian Governor's wife Lady Huntingfield and other Melbourne society ladies.

Lynch, who is related to Namatjira through his great-grandmother, said some of his characters injected welcome light relief.

"Because Albert's story is so tragic, there has to be some humour in there as well to

balance the story," he said. "It's so full-on, it's so intense. It's a really big story. I bring in the humour."

Unique blend

The show has been described as a unique blend of theatre and art, as during each performance Namatjira's descendants

create a new chalk drawing depicting the landscape of western Arrernte country.

As part of the NORPA season, the Namatjira family artists will offer live watercolour master classes in both Byron Bay and Lismore where they will sit with participants and paint with them, talking and offering advice in an informal setting.

There will also be a movement workshop in Lismore on 27 September between 4-5.30pm, led by Jamieson, with support from Lynch, exploring the fusion of movement, storytelling and dance.

A corresponding art exhibition will display works by Namatjira's contemporaries who painted as part of the Hermannsburg school, early ceramic works by the Hermannsburg Potters and works arising from a partnership between Big hART and the Ngurratjuta Iltja Ntjarra Many Hands Art Centre in Alice Springs, which ran trips for the artists to paint 'on country' as Albert Namatjira did.

All works from the Ngurratjuta Iltja Ntjarra Many Hands Art Centre will be for sale.

Namatjira is on at Lismore City Hall, Friday, 30 September, at 1.30pm and 7.30pm and Saturday, 1 October, at 7.30pm. For bookings to the show, or any of the workshops visit www.norpa.org.au or call the box office Mon-Fri on 1300 066 772.

The exhibition *NAMATJIRA COUNTRY: The Magic Windows of Hermannsburg* is on at the Fountain Room at Lismore City Hall, 24-29 Sept, 10am-2pm, 30 Sept 3-7.30pm and 1-2 Oct 10am-2pm, with a special schools preview on 22 Sept and the official opening on 23 Sept at 5.30pm. Entry is free.

The Koori Mail is a supporter of the NORPA presentation of *Namatjira* and the associated events.

A REMINDER TO CLIP EVERY TRIP

In NSW, almost one in five road deaths involves someone not wearing a seatbelt. Wearing your seatbelt doubles your chance of surviving in a serious crash.

So however short the trip, however long you've been driving, however well you know the road, don't forget to Clip Every Trip.



Bring the mob home safely



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A Yarn With...



Peter Leo Kennedy

Girramay traditional owner and student

Favourite food?
Hot and spicy Indian,

Favourite bush tucker?
Porcupine.

Favourite drink?
Soy cappuccinos.

Favourite music?
Gospel and Country and Western.

Favourite musician?
Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu. I love hearing songs in language.

What are you watching on TV?
Letters and Numbers on SBS, and documentaries.

Favourite movie?
The Bourne Supremacy series.

Where do you like to go for holidays?
Canada. I've been once and want to go again.

If you could have any three people sitting around the campfire for a feed and a yarn, who would you choose?
Can I have four? The Lord Jesus Christ, the 20th Century prophet William Marrion Branham, Nelson Mandela and Mahatma Gandhi.

If there was one think you could do for our people, what would you do?
I would send the first boat people back and get them to come back the proper way.

Quote



'It is people like you who are lighting the way in Aboriginal affairs'

Central Land Council director David Ross addressing Batchelor Institute graduates in Alice Springs

● See Page 40

Unquote

True rivals will be welcomed

This has already been a very special year for the *Koori Mail*. As readers might recall, we recently picked up a prestigious newspaper industry award. Given the competition, this was quite a thrill for us all.

But in May this year the *Koori Mail* also celebrated 20 years and 500 editions. The road hasn't always been smooth, but it is these milestones that have been our real prize — a clear indication from our own mob that they like what we're doing.

It's probably not surprising that some recurring themes have emerged since our newspaper began in 1991. But none has had the staying power of this: That Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only truly advance when they're in control of their own destinies, whether it be in land, health, housing, media or any other area.

In our case, it means that our profits go solely into black hands and benefit black communities.

That the *Koori Mail* is 100 per cent Aboriginal owned and controlled is a fact not lost on our many loyal readers, both Indigenous and non-Indigenous. Nor is the fact that our proud Bundjalung owners have built a successful business, readily submitting to rigorous industry standards.

As we confirm on Page 5, we have received an independent newspaper circulation audit for years now and already take part in readership research.

This means we can generally leave the big-noting of the *Koori Mail* to others who have no personal interest in



OUR SAY

gilding the (bush) lily.

The bottom line is that *Koori Mail* sales are genuine sales, the great majority of them going to individuals. No-one can ever accuse us of sending out unsolicited or unwanted bundles of our newspaper to become dusty, unread doorstops. It is well-known in the publishing business that people place a higher value on things they've bought and paid for themselves.

Our editorial policy has remained the same from Day One: To give voice to the largest possible number and widest possible range of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander opinions, views, dreams and aspirations. We understand that others may choose to do things differently, but our way is to do so through good, old-fashioned, quality journalism applied to stacks of stories rather than the lengthy opinions of a handful of individuals, as respected and accomplished as they may be.

Really, the only true rival the *Koori Mail* could have would be another independently audited national Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community controlled regular newspaper. We look forward to that day.

Kirstie Parker — Managing Editor

Koori Mail — 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

The write stuff

By RACHEL SCOLLAY

VISUAL artist and emerging writer Sue McPherson says she only entered the inaugural kuril dhagun Indigenous Writing Fellowship competition last year because every entry was promised judges' feedback.

"So then I would know whether to continue writing or not," she said.

Her youth fiction manuscript *Grace Beside Me* was selected for one of the two fellowships on offer, which form part of the State Library of Queensland's (SLQ) black&write! Indigenous Writing and Editing Project.

As part of the fellowship, Sunshine Coast-based McPherson received \$10,000, and was also paired with an Indigenous trainee editor to develop her manuscript, under the supervision of veteran editor and publishing consultant Sue Abbey.

McPherson was born in Sydney to a Wiradjuri mother, but she grew up in the Batlow area of NSW after being adopted into the McPherson family when she was very young.

She has fond memories of her childhood with 'Mum and Dad McPherson' and her other siblings, going spotlighting for dog tucker, learning to trap and skin rabbits, being taught how to fish, and drive tractors and other farm vehicles while still in primary school.

However, as one of just four kids who identified as Koori at her school, McPherson also encountered racism.

"But thankfully I had inspirational teachers and many close friends who made school enjoyable," she said.

In 2007 she found her biological family who she says are very special to her.

"Without them, and the rest of my family, I don't know if this story would have happened," she says.

Grace Beside Me has autobiographical elements and is told through the eyes of 15-year-old Fuzzy, who lives with her grandparents in a small town. McPherson said she had been inspired to write by her two teenage sons, and learning the art of writing a good story had been healing for her on many levels.

"Even though Fuzzy is the main story teller, it was Nan who started talking first, and Pop wasn't far behind," McPherson says.



First-time writer Sue McPherson, left, and first-time editor Linda McBride-Yuke talked about their collaborative process at a Brisbane Writers Festival panel discussion earlier this month.

"From then on, words easily fell on to the page. At the risk of sounding crazy, these guys live with me 24/7. I enjoy their company, idiosyncrasies and humour – I often laugh out loud while writing."

Collaborative

Earlier this month, McPherson and her editor Linda McBride-Yuke were featured on a panel at the Brisbane Writers Festival talking about their collaborative relationship.

Brisbane-based Bundjalung/Butchella woman McBride-Yuke said she had spent 23 years in the public sector, at a federal and state level, but after feeling 'a bit jaded and

frustrated with the system' and with 'some family stuff' going on in the background, she decided to take voluntary early retirement.

It was then that she heard about the black&write! project which was looking for two Indigenous trainees to learn the editorial development process using a manuscript from the kuril dhagun fellowship competition as the training tool.

McBride-Yuke was paired with McPherson, while the other trainee editor, Ellen van Neerven-Currie, was paired with South Australia's Ali Cobby Eckermann, to develop her verse novel *Ruby Moonlight*.

McBride-Yuke said that so far the editing

mentorship, which she began in January, had met all her expectations – culturally, professionally and academically.

She said editing *Grace Beside Me* to a publishable standard had been 'fascinating, rewarding and challenging', and while there had been some major changes made to the manuscript, including deleting whole chapters, she was always mindful that it wasn't her book.

"Usually when I made suggestions Sue was really comfortable about making the changes, but there were times when she stuck to her guns and decided to keep it exactly as it was, and that's okay because it's not my book. That's the major thing I've learned in my training," she said.

McPherson said the editing process had been a big trust exercise.

"It was growth in so many areas of my life," she said.

Black&write! project director Sue Abbey said the rapport between the first-time writer and first-time editor had been 'a wonderful thing'.

"Both Sue and Linda share the same sense of humour, and both of them are mothers with that family sensibility. And Linda is very easy-going, not pushing the writer," she said. "When you get people who are new to writing they are often very anxious about what's going to become of their work, or worried that someone is going to argue them out of the ending that they want. It just takes confidence. You have to build the confidence of the writer."

SLQ Indigenous research and projects executive manager Tom Mosby said they were now looking for the next two manuscripts to be developed as part of the black&write! project, which aims to address the imbalance of Indigenous-authored novels published in Australia.

He encouraged Indigenous authors from all over the country – published and unpublished – to submit their entries to the 2012 kuril dhagun Indigenous Writing Fellowship competition before the closing date of 31 January 2012.

Works can be from a range of genres and the selected fellows will receive \$10,000 and have their work developed by one of the two Indigenous trainee editors.

All entries will receive judges' feedback.

For more information visit www.slq.qld.gov.au/comps

More prizes for *That Deadman Dance*

The phenomenal success of Aboriginal author Kim Scott's latest book prompted a somewhat contentious question at the Brisbane Writers Festival earlier this month: Has black writing gone mainstream?

Just days earlier Scott's 2010 work *That Deadman Dance*, which explores the early first contact between the Noongar people and European settlers, took out Australia's richest literary prize at the Victorian Premier's Literary Awards. The book claimed not only the \$25,000 fiction category, but went on to win the \$100,000 Victorian Prize for Literature.

The book has also been awarded the \$50,000 Miles Franklin Award, the \$25,000 Kate Challis RAKA Award (which this year was for creative prose), the Australian Literature Society Gold Medal and the 2011 Commonwealth Writers Prize for Best Book (south east Asia and Pacific).

The question of whether black writing had gone mainstream, was posed by University of Queensland Press publisher John Hunter, and put to past David Unaipon Award winners Yvette Holt, Nicole Watson and Jeanine Leane at a session marking 21 years of the Unaipon award for

unpublished Indigenous manuscripts, and also celebrating the official launch of Leane's book *Purple Threads* – the manuscript for which she won last year.

Watson, who won the award in 2009 for her crime book *The Boundary*, said it was a complicated question and that 'for certain Indigenous books there has been a lot of acclaim', noting that Scott's book was a historical novel, and that a number of historical novels about frontier conflicts written by non-Indigenous writers, such as *The Secret River* by Kate Grenville and *Wanting* by Richard Flanagan, had also 'swept up the awards'.

"But there have been very few books about Aboriginal people living in the cities that have enjoyed the same success," she said.

Leane, who was speaking via Skype from New York, said there was always a lot of talk about Aboriginal people shifting, such as closing the gap.

"It could also be about the mainstream, or non-Aboriginal people, shifting as well," she said.

"To at least try and encompass or understand a bit about Aboriginal history or presence in this country

which is long over-due. But... what is lacking is the contemporary urban thing, and that's actually my next project, to write something about urban Aboriginality."

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* on route from Albany where he'd been for the launch of two bi-lingual Noongar language books – part of a language re-generation project he's been heavily involved in – Scott said he wasn't sure of the reason for his book's traction. "I'd like to think it's signalling possibilities – what could have been, therefore what might still be possible," he said. "Then how it ends, I think the resolution of the story is part of what makes it resonate, or it provokes people to think about issues of history."

Scott said Indigenous literature didn't need to be a niche. "I'm not comfortable with it being a niche. I see a lot of potential for it being at the core of Australian literature and others being appendages," he said.

"What that implies about relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australia really interests me. It shifts people and it shifts questions of Australian identity. It gives a lot of power and authority back to First Nations regionally."



Author Kim Scott, who earlier this month took out Australia's richest literary prize for his book *That Deadman Dance*.



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Aboriginal Heritage The Northern Road Upgrade, Bringelly

The RTA is proposing to upgrade The Northern Road between The Old Northern Road, Narellan and Mersey Road, Bringelly.

An environmental assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* will be undertaken for this project.

An Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment will also be undertaken and may result in the RTA:

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

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) between Narellan and Bringelly for The Northern Road Upgrade project to register with the RTA to be consulted.

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing **by Thursday 13 October 2011**.

To register your interest, please contact Barry Gunther, RTA Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Team Leader:

PO Box 973 Parramatta CBD NSW 2124.

T (02) 8849 2006.

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My date and Me...

SO the other day I actually went out on a date. I was so excited. Not only was I doing something new, I got my body out of the house and into the world.

A few weeks ago I went out and met someone at an event. They are really nice, smart and independent – just my cuppa tea.

We got to talking about life and the universe and how much we love Harry Potter. This other one then said a throwaway comment 'we should hook up for a coffee and a movie sometime'.

I took this as an invitation to make a date. Quick off the mark, when I got home that nite I added them as a friend on Facebook and sent them a message saying how nice it was to meet them.



**Ms KOORI
LOVE**

mskoorilove@koorimail.com

I then popped in a suggestion that maybe we should hook up the following Saturday.

A million hours passed and then I finally got a message back – Saturday wasn't

good but the following Saturday was.

I was so nervous thinking they were just putting me off so I didn't reply right away. I left it for another 24 hours then sent back a message saying how much I would love to meet them.

I had confirmed the date!

I went out and got my hair done, splashed out on a new handbag and met them at the cinema.

The first hurdle was buying tickets. There was allocated seating so we had to buy our tickets together. Being the modern woman I am I handed over a 20 so to pay for my own ticket. They bought the snacks.

It was good to go on a date to the movies cos there was no pressure to yarn, just time sitting next to each other.

That's pressure enough!

We didn't catch up for coffee after the movie, but my date suggested we should hook up again and have some dinners. I quickly agreed.

Now we just gotta sort out when we are both free.

Exciting times!

It's so nice getting to know someone and seeing what you have in common.

I don't know what will happen or if we will even have anything to talk about! I wonder where we will go for dinner? As long as it involves chicken, rice and a laugh I will be content.

Imagine if this is the one!

After a few years being a single woman I could be married up and travelling along the road to coupledness.

Wish me luck!

Stay tuned for the Deadlys

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Download a brochure & 2012 application form at www.iprowd.tafensw.edu.au



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AARON FA'AOSO



CASEY DONOVAN



AARON PEDERSEN



Living Black host Karla Grant.



IF YOU don't get along to this year's Deadly Awards at the Opera House in Sydney on 27 September, just tune into SBS ONE at 9.30pm

on 2 October.

The station is once again the exclusive host broadcaster of the Deadlys, which are now in their 17th year.

Executive Producer Gavin Jones said he was still humbled by the support given to the awards

"We've got a story to tell to wider Australia, and we tell it loud and proud on Deadlys night," Mr Jones said.

"We started out as a small awards ceremony at Boomali Art Cooperative in Redfern in 1995 and have grown into a huge showcase of Indigenous talent at the Opera House.

"And even after 16 years of organising this event, I am still humbled by the support we get from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the wider Australian community for the Deadlys."

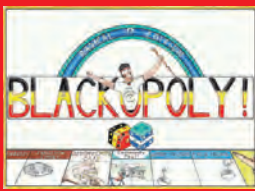
Night of nights

Mr Jones said the annual celebration was black Australia's night of nights, dedicated to recognising and showcasing Indigenous excellence in fields such as the arts, sport, fashion, education, health, employment, cultural advancement and leadership.

Actor Aaron Pedersen and singer Casey Donovan will host the awards, and there will be performances from Casey, Troy Cassar-Daley, the Last Kinection, the Pigram Brothers, and Shellie Morris and the Yanyuwa Singers.

Mr Jones said finalists included names like Aaron Fa'Aoso, who is nominated for Male Actor of the Year award for his performance in SBS's *East West 101* series three, and *Living Black*, up for Most Popular Television Show of the Year.

SBS will be repeating its coverage on 8 October at 7.30pm on SBS TWO.



Samo affair not to be taken lightly

TO me and, I believe, many other people, the racism storm around Bledisloe Cup/Wallabies player Radike Samo only highlights once again the questionable mentality of a minority of individuals who unfortunately influence most of the people to believe that this despicable act was done in goodwill and most people had a good laugh.

To the contrary, I say, because this kind of behaviour epitomises and portrays the regime that most black people have to live under in this country.

I would like to state that most of us, the Aboriginal people, absolutely abhor and reject any such behaviour because we have had to contend with these

despicable acts since colonisation.

Radike Samo is not in the Australian rugby union team because of his outward appearance. The national selectors chose him because of his naturally gifted playing skills that enable him to participate at the highest level.

The dark side is that he says it's all okay. In other words, he is adding more fuel to this open and condoned public display of – in my view – very ugly behaviour.

These pathetic individuals claim that they are fans of Samo, but at the same time are making fun of his outward appearance.

I'm shocked and appalled at comments made by prominent

Aboriginal Leader Warren Mundine, and I quote: "If Samo is happy, I'm happy. It was fun and people are becoming PC wowsers."

For Warren Mundine to make such a statement is ludicrous given the fact that, as an Aboriginal person himself, he is well aware of the struggles that we have had and still have to this very day.

He ought to take the same stance that his famous relative Anthony 'The Man' Mundine has displayed against this despicable act that reeks of racism in the first degree.

NEVILLE JOHNSON
Gooreng Gooreng, Boyne Island
Gladstone, Qld



Wallaby Radike Samo with the two spectators who impersonated the rugby union star during the Tri-Nations rugby union Test against NZ.

Service makes a difference

AN open letter to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of South East Queensland:

I want to thank the community for the deadly support you continue to give to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service, which I chair.

We have all have worked hard to build a professional, modern health service for our mob across Brisbane.

A health service can't progress without community support, and your support has seen this service improve in leaps and bounds since the 1970s when our community had the vision and strength to start the second Aboriginal community-controlled health service in Australia.

The Brisbane Murri community made history back then and the community continues to make

history today. When you hear about 'closing the gap', our community IS closing the gap by using the health service.

I want to tell you a bit about how things are changing – about how our health service is meeting the growing demands for health from our community:

- Patient visits to our doctors have doubled in the past three years, from around 9000 to more than 18,000 last year.
- This past year we did more than five times as many health checks as we did in 2008-09.
- Management plans for patients with a chronic disease increased nearly threefold in that same period.
- We saw more than 2000 new patients in the past 12 months, and dentist visits are up by 50 per cent.
- In the past year, we opened new clinics in Logan and in Caboolture and our income from

Medicare has more than doubled since 2009.

● We've seen 28 new health jobs for Murrins in our clinics, real jobs to help our mob.

These changes are not just statistics, they are real stories about our mob getting better health care; they are about changing the way we live, and how we are 'closing the gap'.

As Chair of Brisbane ATSICHS, I'm proud that my community is making decisions about being healthy; about seeing a health worker or a doctor or a dentist more often, about quitting the smokes, and overall about our people taking control of our own health.

ALF DAVIS
Chairperson
Aboriginal and Torres Strait
Islander Community Health
Service (ATSICHS)



ATSICHS Chairman
Alf Davis

POETRY

Aboriginal Thoughts

We gotta start ceasing the mess
Releasing the stress defeat all tests
Never rest until we give our best
faith
Will stay in place till the day I die
always
Guessing what may come next as
the stress builds
In my chest only to look up razor
wire and
Cement I've gotta rise above this
place of demons
To walk in a garden of sacred love
to take me
Place in Command of a life that
was given not
Stolen we will prevail once freed
from this
Furious passage and never be
derailed again for my
Future is full sacred love

A landscape in time stolen by
heathens
Mountains sacred by lore
Notions of an alien race versus a
mythical ancient
Race trying to convert my creed to
a passage of
Trust build on blood

They converted my creed with
notions
Of heaven and hell trust built on
bags
Of flour and blankets a passage
lost
To time long ago broken down by
an
Alien race born with so much
tension
And hate conning their way to
death
And destruction.

TROY MARK WILLIAMS
Wiradjuri
(Originally from Erambie 'Mish',
Cowra, NSW)

Keeping Your Say short and sweet

A BIG thanks to all of our readers for sending letters, poems and other feedback; we love hearing from you.

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

Even if sent via email, all letters and

poems must be accompanied by the author's full name, home town/city and State/Territory, and a contact number so we can verify content. After that, we're happy to withhold names and addresses upon request.

We will publish 'Looking For' letters as long as they do not breach the privacy of individuals mentioned.

And we're happy to consider photos alongside letters – as long as they're of a high enough resolution and standard, and as long as copyright requirements are met. We accept no responsibility for returning original photos, so please send copies instead.

– EDITOR



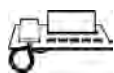
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Grants for Community Infrastructure

The NSW Government is conducting the Community Building Partnership program in 2011 to build or upgrade vital community infrastructure for the benefit of local communities throughout the State.

The NSW Government will contribute \$34.5 million for community projects by investing \$300,000 in each of the State's 93 electoral districts with an additional \$100,000 for those electorates with relatively higher unemployment.

Community organisations and local councils are encouraged to apply for funding to build and improve community facilities in their local area.

Applications for funding close on 31 October 2011.

Successful applications will be announced in March 2012.

For more information, and to apply, visit

www.communitybuildingpartnership.nsw.gov.au call

1300 707 155 or contact your State Member of Parliament

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Australian Government

Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

End of year checklist for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations

Now that the 2010–11 financial year has closed it's time to prepare your reports and hold your annual general meeting (AGM).

Do it now. Don't be late!

☒ Call and hold AGM

Due between 1 July and 30 November

☒ Lodge 2010–11 reports with the Registrar*

Due between 1 July and 31 December

*All corporations must lodge their 2010–11 reports with the Registrar according to their registered size and income.

Lodge your 2010–11 reports online!

It's easy and it will save you time.

Register at <https://online.oric.gov.au>.

The Registrar may take action against any corporation that does not report by 31 December 2011. Under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* the maximum penalties for each report not lodged are: corporations—\$13 750, secretaries—\$550.

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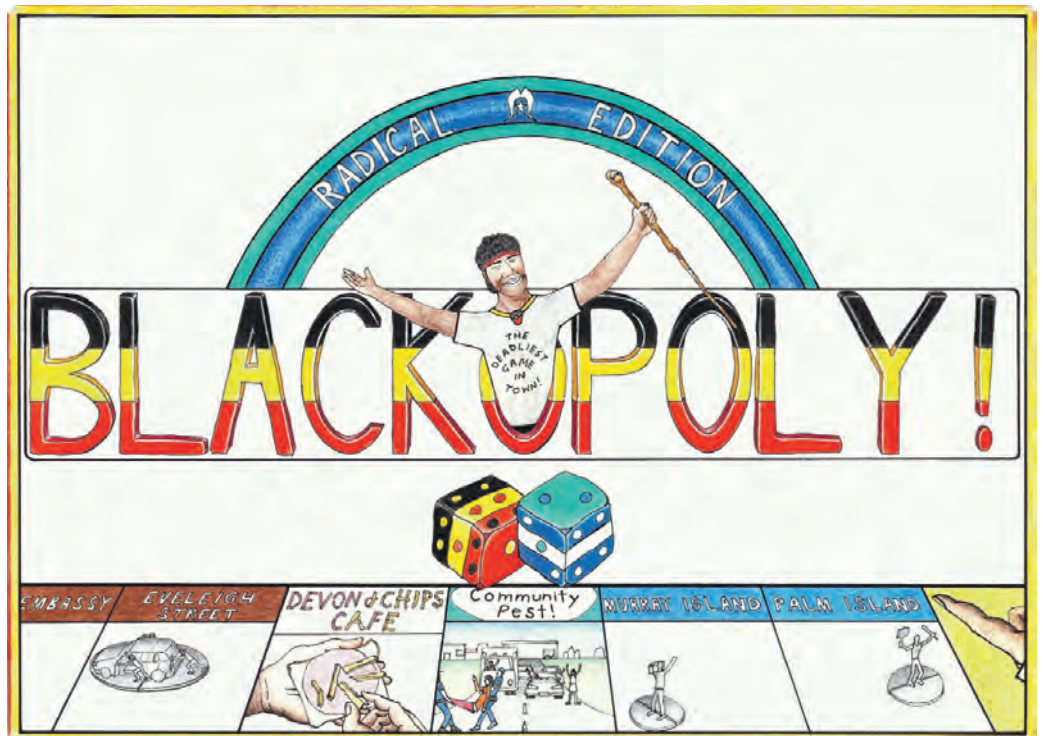
If you need help filling in your reports, are not sure what to lodge or you just need extra time, contact the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC).

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Your Say



The deadliest game in town

TIRED of the children playing with iPhones, iPods, iPads and iFads around the dinner table and not talking to each other any more?

Tired of your big-screen TV and all the nonsense they put on the idiot box anyway?

Tired of buying expensive games for the Xbox, PlayStation and Wii all the time?

Want to know how Nan and Pop and Mum and Dad spent their evenings in the past?

Then Blackopoly! The Deadliest Game in Town is for you!

'Just Gammin' Games' has almost finished making a version and we plan to give it away for free.

So if you want to know what it's like to hold

and roll old-fashioned dice – or to lift a 'Community Pest Card' off the board only to be told: 'Go to CentreLink, Go straight to CentreLink, Do not pass Go, Do not collect \$200!', watch this space.

Thank you for considering my letter. I think the *Koori Mail* is getting better and better, especially with its focus on people and pictures.

Aboriginal people get a thrill, I reckon, when they see themselves or family members in the paper.

BARRY COOPER
deadlycuz@gmail.com

Incident regretted

I REFER to your correspondent Trevor Walker's recent criticism of the New South Wales Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) over an encounter with staff of the office (7 September 2011).

The incident is regretted and my staff has since contacted Mr Walker to clarify his concerns and the information he needs.

The AHO strives to provide a high level of customer service and to answer any requests in a timely and informative manner. All staff, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal, are committed and passionate about helping our people to improve their housing circumstances and I can assure your correspondent that the staff have not 'lost their way'.

The AHO is leading a major program of reform of the Aboriginal community housing sector that will significantly improve the lives of Aboriginal people who would otherwise be in housing need.

It is a challenging role, but we are proud of our engagement with the community and our successes so far.

These include a large and

growing program of refurbishments to community-owned homes across NSW and new homes in regional centres for Aboriginal people from remote areas to live in while they pursue job or training opportunities.

I encourage your readers to contact us with any requests for

information about Aboriginal housing on free call number 1800 727 555 or to visit our website www.aho.nsw.gov.au.

IVAN SIMON
Deputy Chief Executive
Aboriginal Housing Office
(AHO)
Sydney, NSW

Please explain!

THANK you for publishing my letter (Your Say, *Koori Mail*, 7 September 2011). At recent forums with the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) and Housing NSW, their officers told us 'there will be no increase in rent'.

The following is an extract from a letter received by the Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless from Housing NSW: 'The NSW Government has now decided to include the 2009 one-off increase in the pension rate for single pensioners as assessable income for rent calculation purposes... It is recognised however that this change will

result in a reduction of disposable income for those community housing tenants in receipt of the \$30 pension increase by \$7.50 per week for those who received the full amount. The Government is therefore proposing that the increase in rent be implemented in two equal stages for public housing, in October 2011 and April 2012'.

Please explain!

TREVOR WALKER
Manager, Aboriginal
Corporation for Homeless
& La Perouse community
member, NSW

Moree comes alive from the positive vibes



Role model Nathan Foley with students from Nyngan High School at Vibe Alive in Moree. Photo by Andrew Rosenfeldt, courtesy of Vibe Australia

I WRITE this letter to thank everyone in making the 2011 Moree Vibe Alive festival a huge success for our town.

A big congratulations must go to Gavin Jones and the team at Vibe Australia for once again bringing this festival to Moree. Without their dedication and commitment to our town, a festival like this would not be possible.

I would also like to thank each and every one of the many local volunteers who gave up their time to welcome our visitors to Moree and help co-ordinate many aspects of the festival from showbag packing to assisting and directing the young people at the activities.

This festival attracted more than 1500 students from across NSW and from up to 600km away.

A huge congratulations must also go to all the students who attended the festival, for the way they conducted themselves during their performances and their behaviour during their time in Moree was fantastic.

Also, to the teachers who attended the festival with the students – congratulations to you and your schools, you should be very proud of each and every one of them.

To all our wonderful role models who attended this year's festival, thank you for giving up your time to visit Moree and share your experiences and expertise with the students who participated.

I know you all had travelled far and been on the road for quite some time, but for you to come to Moree and work at the festival was a great experience for many young people who would not normally get to meet you outside of seeing you on TV.

Also a big thank you and congratulations to the Moree community for turning out and supporting the next generation in our youth. There were more than 5000 people at the community concert, which was a great step forward in reconciliation for our town with people coming together to witness what I believe was one of the best public events this town has ever seen.

To all the sponsors and supporters thank you for making Vibe Alive Moree a success again.

Let's hope that our community can come together once again and hopefully see this festival return in 2012.

GLEN CRUMP
Via email

Can you help trace these people?

THE South Australian Link-Up Program is seeking to contact the following people with regards to a family matter:

Ralph Townsend (born 3 December 1957), Stephen Maher (born 1949), Cheryl Maher (born 1952), and Lester Maher (born 1954). Mother's name Mavis Ruth Maher (nee Ridgeway) and father's name Lester Kevin Maher.

If any readers know them or their whereabouts, please contact Bec Edser, Caseworker, SA Link-Up Program, Nunkunwarrin Yunti, of SA Inc, PO Box 7202 Hutt Street, Adelaide SA 5000. Phone (08) 8406 1600, fax (08) 8223 6086 or email rebecca@nunku.org.au

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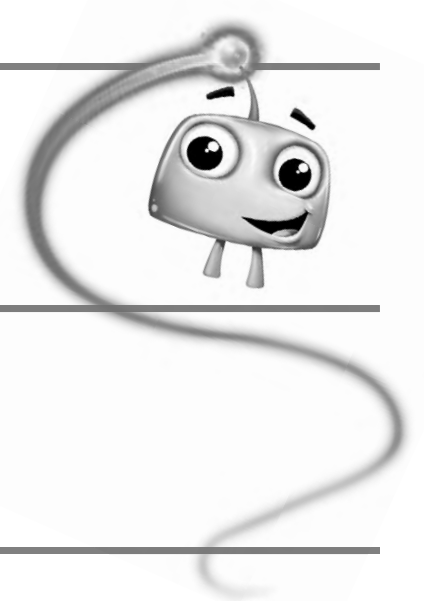


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When will the analog TV signals be switched off in my area?

Analog TV signals are being switched off around Australia, region by region, between 2010 and 2013*. After this date, all areas of Australia will receive digital signals only.

2010	Switched off	Mildura
	Switched off	Areas of regional SA & Broken Hill
2011	Switched off	Areas of regional Victoria
	6 December	Areas of regional Queensland
2012	1st half	Areas of southern NSW & ACT
	2nd half	Areas of northern NSW
2013	1st half	Perth, Brisbane & areas of Tasmania
	2nd half	Melbourne, Adelaide, Darwin & Sydney Remote central & eastern Australia Regional & remote WA & all other areas



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APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE NSW YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Applications are being sought from people interested in being appointed to the 2012 NSW Youth Advisory Council.

Applications are particularly being sought from young people with experience and a keen interest in youth affairs.

The NSW Youth Advisory Council provides a direct avenue of communication between the young people of NSW and the NSW Government.

The Council was established under the *Youth Advisory Council Act* (1989) and reports to the Minister responsible for Youth Affairs, The Hon. Victor Dominello.

Information and application forms for membership of the Youth Advisory Council are available on the NSW Government Youth website www.youth.nsw.gov.au/yac or from the Executive Officer, Youth Advisory Council, yac@yac.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9995 0532.

Closing date for submission of applications 5.00pm, Monday 24 October 2011.

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Youth Support Coordinator Initiative Funding

Organisations are invited to apply for funding of \$126,167 per annum for two years until 31 December 2013, to supply a Youth Support Coordinator Initiative – Torres Strait Service.

The funding is aimed at supporting young people to achieve educational attainment and transitions. This means attaining Year 12 or equivalent, or making a successful transition through the senior phase of their education and on to further education, training or a minimum of 20 hours per week of employment.

Information packages for organisations interested in applying for funding are available from www.communities.qld.gov.au or by phoning (07) 3008 8620.

Applications must be lodged by 4pm on Monday 17 October 2011.



Authorised by the Queensland Government, George St, Brisbane.

Agencies in bid for more youth funds



THE Federal Government has been urged to provide more funding for Indigenous youth services. In a joint statement, youth agencies said that while some Indigenous communities received adequate funding for youth services, others missed out completely.

They called on the Government to recognise youth services as essential, and 'for the funding gap to be closed'.

"Engaging and socialising young people through development programs which complement the formal education system is highly effective," Central Australia Youth Link-up Service (CAYLUS) co-ordinator Blair McFarland said.

"The Federal Government's own research bears out this fact.

"The \$30 million Youth in Communities (YIC) program has funded many remote communities for youth programs through the NT Emergency Response since 2009. However, funding for this program runs out at the end of 2012.

'Critical'

"It's critical that the YIC Program be re-funded and expanded to provide services to those communities that have so far missed out.

"It makes good economic sense to invest in young people so that they can realise their potential."

Australian Youth Affairs Coalition chief Andrew Cummings said there was a real need for expansion.

"Equitable resourcing is essential to recognise the needs of young people living in remote and regional communities, both in the NT and across Australia," he said.

Melbourne AFL player Liam Jurrah has thrown his support behind remote community youth programs. He was part of



Melbourne AFL player Liam Jurrah ... "Youth programs are one of the things that are really important in keeping our kids busy, happy, healthy and out of trouble."

the successful Mt Theo Youth Program at Yuendumu during his adolescence.

"Youth programs are one of the things that are really important in keeping our kids busy, happy, healthy and out of trouble," he said.

"It also helps them to grow

up strong and be role models for other young people. We have that in Yuendumu and it, and my family, helped me to become a young leader now.

"It's a real thing for me, and for the boys and girls who are coming up to be role models in the future."

Art print honours Lionel Rose



VICTORIAN Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell has

joined the late Lionel Rose's family and members of the boxing fraternity to unveil an art print of the boxing great produced by sports artist and former champion boxer Bryan Membrey. "Lionel Rose was an inspiration to his people, to the boxing fraternity and to the

Australian people at a time when Aboriginal people were often highly marginalised," Mrs Powell said.

"It is particularly fitting that the legendary Lionel Rose is the subject of the work of a lauded sports artist who is also an elder statesman of Australian boxing.

"Lionel Rose's pioneering achievements in the boxing ring made him a national icon and a hero for many Aboriginal people.

"As the first Aborigine to win a world title, Lionel Rose will be forever remembered as one of the true greats in Australia's sporting history.

"It's a tribute to his prodigious skill, determination and dedication that he became a world champion at just 19 years of age.

"It is important that the memory of Lionel Rose is properly honoured and this is an important part of that process."

New WA rehab service opened



EAST Kimberley residents with drug and alcohol problems can now get local help following completion of a

new rehabilitation service. Stage two of the Ngnewar Aerwah 7 Mile Residential Rehabilitation Facility service has been officially opened in Wyndham, Western Australia.

WA Regional Development and Lands Minister Brendon Grylls said the \$3.2 million facility provided culturally appropriate services and was already having a positive impact on the local community.

"Before this facility opened, people requiring treatment would have to travel interstate to Darwin or to the rehabilitation centre in Broome," he said.

"Indigenous Australians have identified the harmful use of alcohol as one of the most serious issues they face.

"Now, thanks to this new local facility, we have seen the number of referrals for treatment increase, which is a good sign that people are seeking out help in dealing with their drug and alcohol issues."

Operated by the Ngnewar Aerwah Aboriginal Corporation, the facility provides a 13-week residential rehabilitation program offering individual and group counselling sessions.

Capacity

The Minister said the greater capacity of the new facility enabled the service to work with families rather than just individuals.

"Family contribution is a key component of treatment and accommodation and crèche facilities are provided for up to 22 adults and 10 children," he said.

Mr Grylls said the facility was built in two stages, with stage one completed in June 2009. Stage two was funded under the \$195 million East Kimberley Development Package (EKDP) – a joint Commonwealth and State Government initiative.

"The EKDP is an infrastructure investment program across health; education and training; housing; transport; and community sectors in the East Kimberley region of WA," he said.

"It complements the \$220 million Royalties for Regions funding committed by the State Government to the agricultural component of the program.

"The Ord Irrigation Expansion Program and the EKDP will increase the size of the Ord agricultural area by 8000ha and provide much-needed health, social, economic and community infrastructure to the region.

"The Ngnewar Aerwah 7 Mile Residential Rehabilitation Facility is a prime example of how this investment is benefiting local communities and would like to congratulate everyone who has contributed to the success of this vital service."



Palm Island ambulance officer William Obah, left, with officer-in-charge Ian Day and Brances Millar.

Palm Ambulance Station the best

Award to officer on island

Story and photos by
ALF WILSON



PALM Island's Ambulance Station has taken out the top honour at the Queensland Northern Region Star Care Awards.

And on top of the Station of the Year award, Palm Island ambulance officer William Obah won the Patient Transport Officer of the Year title.

Palm Island station staff include officer-in-charge Ian Day, Greg Clark, William Landers, Robert Blackley, Mr Obah, and female officers Gemma Armit and Brances Millar.

The awards were made during Ambulance Week from 6-12 September. This is an annual event co-ordinated by the



Palm Island trainee paramedic Robert Blackley.

Queensland Ambulance Service and designed to celebrate and recognise the dedication and commitment of QAS members, paid and volunteer, operational and non-operational,

past and present.

Mr Day told the *Koori Mail* Palm Island had a dedicated team of QAS paramedics and Indigenous ambulance attendants who worked hard in

providing the community with an exceptional ambulance service.

"We strive to do our best in this community – long hours, some fatigue issues and an ever-increasing work load does make it a challenge at times, but we all work together to provide the service that we do," he said.

"I just want to thank my staff for their ongoing efforts and congratulate them all in achieving this award – I'm very proud of them all."

State Member for Townsville Mandy Johnstone congratulated workers at the station and thanked them for their contribution to the Palm Island community and the Queensland Ambulance Service.

"Residents in north Queensland, indeed all Queenslanders, have an ambulance service they can be truly proud of, and these awards recognise those who have gone above and beyond the call of duty," she said.

"The station staff were just some of a selection of Queensland Ambulance Service frontline personnel, volunteers and Triple Zero call-takers from across the Northern Region who were officially recognised."

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 listings of:

Government House, Macquarie Street, Sydney

Hyde Park

on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of their heritage significance.

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by 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 **October 18 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 Mary Ann Hamilton on (02) 9873 8565 and Nicole Secomb on (02) 9873 8576.

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The Board of SANTS has nominated a Board Selection Committee composed of two Board members and a nominee of Aboriginal Foundation of SA (AFSA) and Aboriginal Congress of SA (ACSA). The Board Selection Committee invites interested persons to make a written Expression of Interest.

Pursuant to the Constitution applicants must be "universally respected for their integrity in the Aboriginal community of South Australia." They should have a high degree of experience in public administration or corporate management. In addition applicants must be eligible for appointment in accordance with the requirements of the Commonwealth Corporations Act, 2001.

Aboriginal persons are encouraged to apply.

An information package is available from the office of SANTS. Please contact Aimee Kepa at SANTS on (08) 8110 2800 or Freecall 1800 010 360 or visit our website www.nativetitlesa.org

Written applications close on Monday 26 September 2011 at 5pm and must be posted or delivered to the SANTS office, L4, 345 King William Street, Adelaide SA 5000.

Emailed applications will not be accepted unless pre-arranged. Expressions of Interest lodged after the closing date will not be considered.

CITY of PERTH

CITY OF PERTH AUSTRALIA DAY SKYWORKS AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS THURSDAY 26 JANUARY 2012

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR PRESENTATION OF AN ABORIGINAL CULTURAL & COMMUNITY EVENT

Submissions are invited from organisations to present an Aboriginal Cultural and Community Event in Supreme Court Gardens on Thursday 26 January 2012 as part of the City of Perth Australia Day Skyworks and Community Celebrations.

Application Forms and Documents detailing requirements to be met are available for collection from the City of Perth Customer Service, Ground Floor, Council House, 27 St George's Terrace, Perth, or download from our web site at www.perth.wa.gov.au/tenders.

Submissions are to be lodged in the Tender Box at the above address by **2.00pm on Thursday 6 October 2011**.

Enquiries to Lee Cooper, Assistant Manager – Events, (08) 9461 3254.

Applicants must comply with the specifications detailed in the Application Form and Documents.

FRANK EDWARDS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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Wallaga Lake cemetery checks start

Story and photos by
LAURELLE PACEY



DETAILS about who is buried where in the cemetery at Wallaga Lake Koori Village on NSW's far south coast have largely been lost over time, so the community has called in the experts.

"It's all about respect," says Merrimans Local Aboriginal Land Council CEO Anne Greenaway.

"The community wanted to be sure where past burials were so we don't try to bury someone else in the same place, and there is also concern people may be driving over graves even though they're not obvious.

"We think any cemetery records were lost when the village's administration building burnt down in the 1952 bushfire."

Merrimans, through Eurobodalla Shire Council (ESC), commissioned archaeologist Sue Feary and anthropologist Susan Donaldson to help them. They brought in archaeological geophysicist David Hunter, of Hunter Geophysics. He organised the company MALA GPR to provide and operate sophisticated ground penetrating radar (GPR) machines.

"Wallaga Cemetery is a private cemetery, being on land council land, and officially probably dates back to when the land was first set aside as an Aboriginal Reserve in 1891," Ms Feary said.

"Many graves are unmarked and on the surface many are difficult to even identify as graves."

The project has several steps.

"First we've been trying to piece together who might be buried here using names given to us by the community and cross checking these with the official records in Births, Deaths and Marriages," Ms Donaldson said.

"So far we believe up to 100 people may be buried here. Other people around Australia may have more names, and we would love to hear from them."

Then work shifted to the cemetery itself.

"First the community cleared sticks and rubbish from the site to give the sophisticated ground penetrating radar machines clear access," Ms Feary said.



On site at Wallaga Lake ... Shane Patten of Wallaga Lake, ESC Aboriginal communities project officer Vikki Parsley and her daughter Nyarru Freeman, archaeologist Sue Feary, David Hunter of Hunter Geophysics, Mick Darcey of Wallaga Lake, Harry Bate of Tilba Tilba, Aunty Coupe Parsons, her niece Loretta Parsley, and anthropologist Susan Donaldson. MALA's GPR machine shown here was used in confined spaces.



This towed GPR machine was the main one used for mapping ground disturbance in Wallaga Cemetery which will be used by geophysicists to locate past burials.

"Then we walked through with community members to record where they thought various people were buried and fix those precisely with GPS, including what we think may be Queen Narelle's site.

"She was Merriman's wife and her burial was well documented by local photographer William Corkhill."

The next day, the geophysicists went over the site running their machines across the surface to detect past soil disturbance to a

depth of up to four metres.

Mr Hunter is now analysing the data collected from the GPR and will report back at the end of the month with a map of burial plots.

Information

"We will then take David's report and try to match it with information we have from the community," Ms Feary said.

Similar studies have been done in other cemeteries in NSW, including the cemetery at the Brungle Aboriginal Reserve near Tumut.

The Wallaga Lake cemetery project is part of a much larger Aboriginal heritage project sponsored by ESC which started in 2004 and is funded by grants from the Federal and NSW governments and from Merrimans council.

Once the names have been collected and verified as much as is possible, the names will be put on a memorial wall to be constructed at the cemetery with funding from NSW Corrective Services.

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WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

12.00 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
1.00 Beyond The Dreamtime G (News & Doc)
2.00 Vis A Vis Techno Tribal M (News & Doc)
3.00 Vis A Vis Techno Tribal M (News & Doc)
3.30 The Kimberley Mob PG (News & Doc)
4.30 Talking Broken PG (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 Yarning Up: Behind The Scenes G (News & Doc)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Opinion Piece 2011 - Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue NC (News & Documentaries)
10.30 On The Up And Up G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 Ella 7'S 2009 G (News & Documentaries)
12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
12.30 The Outback Cafe G (Entertainment)
2.00 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Doc)
2.30 Bizou Series 1 16:9 (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 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 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
8.30 In A League Of Their Own PG (Sport)
9.00 Up In The Sky PG (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Constitutional Reform NC (News & Doc)
10.30 Yaarmz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)

THURSDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

12.00 2010 Koori Knockout G (Sport)
5.00 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
5.30 Milli Milli Nganka Series Two 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 Yaarmz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
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2.00 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
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5.00 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News (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 Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
9.30 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Jumba Jimba G (News & Documentaries)



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FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER

12.00 100 Days Of Freedom M (Documentaries)
12.45 Working With Community G (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
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4.00 2010 NATSIBA Games NC (Sport)
5.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
6.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
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2.00 Opinion Piece 2011 NC (News & Doc)
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3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
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5.00 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
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7.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
8.00 Life of the Town PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Life of the Town PG (News & Documentaries)
9.00 More Than Legends PG (News & Doc)
10.00 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Doc)
10.30 Mer Rkrwer-akert PG (News & Doc)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Yaarmz 3 30 (News & Documentaries)

SATURDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

12.00 Volumz G (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 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Jumba Jimba G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
12.00 QAIHC Queensland Murri Carnival 2011 NC (Sport)
5.00 Tales of Oceania G (Documentaries)
5.30 NITV News In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)
6.30 Vote YES for Aborigines G (Documentaries)
7.30 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)
8.30 Going Bush Series 2 G (Documentary)
9.00 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Edge of America PG (Movies)
11.00 Aeroplane Dance PG (Movies)

SUNDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

12.00 Volumz G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Yaarmz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
5.30 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
6.00 Black Pearls PG (News & Documentaries)
7.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
9.00 QAIHC Queensland Murri Carnival 2011 NC (Sport)
3.30 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
5.30 NITV News In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
6.30 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
7.00 On The Up and Up 60 (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Rose Against the Odds PG (Drama)
9.30 Five Seasons PG (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Talking Broken PG (News & Documentaries)

MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER

12.00 In The Shed G (News & Documentaries)
12.30 As The Crow Flies G (News & Documentaries)
1.30 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Apekath G (News & Documentaries)
3.00 My Home, the Block M (News & Doc)
4.00 Rasta In Aotearoa PG (News & Doc)
4.30 Ella 7'S 2009 G (News & Documentaries)
5.00 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Doc)
5.30 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (Doc)
6.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.30 Like, Me Like You PG (Kids & Family)
7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
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10.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Black Tracks ImagiNative G (News & Doc)

TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER

12.00 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Talking Broken PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Doc)
3.00 Beyond The Dreamtime G (News & Doc)
4.00 Apekath G (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
5.00 Mer Rkrwer-akert PG (News & Doc)
5.30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe 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 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Doc)
10.30 Geoffrey Robertson's Hypothetical: Closing the Gap PG (News & Documentaries)
11.30 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Doc)
12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
12.30 The Outback Cafe G (Entertainment)
1.00 Talking Broken PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
4.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
5.00 Grounded PG (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
6.30 The Outback Cafe G (Entertainment)
7.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
8.00 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Doc)
8.30 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Living Black NC (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Buffalo Legends PG (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Wind M (Entertainment)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Yamaji Man PG (News & Documentaries)

WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

12.00 2010 Barefoot Summer Series PG (Sport)
1.00 Crossing The Line PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Talking Broken PG (News & Documentaries)
3.30 Stolen Sisters M (News & Documentaries)
4.30 Yaarmz 3 PG (News & Documentaries)
5.00 Sacred Ground PG (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 Yaarmz 3 G (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Kulka PG (Documentaries)
11.30 Up In The Sky PG (News & Documentaries)
12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
12.30 The Outback Cafe G (Entertainment)
1.00 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
1.30 Five Seasons PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 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 Buffalo Legends PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 In a League Of Their Own G (Sport)
9.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Constitutional Reform NC (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Documentaries)

THURSDAY 29TH 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 Buffalo Legends PG (News & Documentaries)
5.00 Urban Clan 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 Black Tracks G (News &)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Constitutional Reform NC (News & Documentaries)
11.00 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
1.00 Thanks For All The Fish G (News & Documentaries)
1.30 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (News & Documentaries)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 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 Black Tracks G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
11.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)

FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER

12.00 Stolen Sisters M (News & Documentaries)
1.00 Buffalo Legends PG (News & Documentaries)
2.00 NATSIBA 2008 G (Sport)
3.00 NATSIBA 2008 G (Sport)
4.00 NATSIBA 2008 G (Sport)
5.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
6.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Mer Rkrwer-akert PG (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
12.00 Living Strong PG (Entertainment)
12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
1.00 Marngrook AFL Footy Show PG (Sport)
2.30 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 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 & Documentaries)
8.30 Life of the Town PG (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Bran Nue Dae M (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 National Native Title 2011 NC (News & Documentaries)

SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER

12.00 Volumz G (Music & Radio)
4.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
6.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
6.30 Jumba Jimba G (News & Documentaries)
7.00 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
7.30 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Like, Me Like You G (Kids & Family)
10.00 Finding Our Talk G (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Desert Healing PG (News & Documentaries)
11.00 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Here's My Hand PG (News & Documentaries)
12.00 Ella 7'S 2009 G (News & Documentaries)
12.30 NSW Koori Knockout 2011 NC (Sport)
5.00 Tales of Oceania G (Documentaries)
5.30 NITV News In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (News & Documentaries)
6.30 The Golden Cord G (News & Documentaries)
7.30 Living In Two Worlds PG (News & Documentaries)
8.00 Up In The Sky PG (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Going Bush Series 2 G (Documentaries)
9.00 The Deadly's 2010 PG (Entertainment)
10.30 Beneath Clouds M (Movies)

SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER

12.00 The Chant of Jimmie Blacksmith M (Movies)
2.00 Red Rock Earth G (Music & Radio)
2.30 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
3.00 Songlines In The City G (Music & Radio)
4.00 Songlines In The City G (Music & Radio)
4.30 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
5.00 Yaarmz 4 G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
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 Letterbox Pro G (Entertainment)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yaarmz 4 PG (Lifestyle/Documentary)
9.00 The Barefoot Rugby League Show PG (Sport)
11.00 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
12.00 Milli Milli Nganka Series Two G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
12.30 NSW Koori Knockout 2011 NC (Sport)
5.00 No Wabu No Wujju No Gunduy PG (News & Documentaries)
5.30 NITV News In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Culture Warriors PG (News & Documentaries)
6.30 Milli Milli Nganka Series 1 G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.00 Yaarmz 4 G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.00 Yaarmz 4 PG (Lifestyle/Documentary)
8.30 We Shall Remain PG (Documentary)
10.00 Lore Poles G (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Yolngu Boy M (Movies)

MONDAY 3RD OCTOBER

12.00 Roots Music G (Music & Radio)
1.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
4.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
5.00 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.30 Lil Elvis G (Caught In A Trap)
7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Tales of Oceania G (Documentaries)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
10.30 Jumba Jimba G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NSW Koori Knockout 2011 nc (Sport)
5.00 Grounded G (Kids & Family)
5.30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
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 (News & Documentaries)
8.30 Global Voice NC (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Finding Our Talk G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 Finding Our Talk G (News & Documentaries)
10.30 Living In Two Worlds 30 (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)

TUESDAY 4TH OCTOBER

12.00 Roots Music G (Music & Radio)
1.00 Chocolate Martini 3 G (Music & Radio)
4.00 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
5.00 Yeyekerte G (News & Documentaries)
6.00 Letter Box G (Kids & Family)
6.30 Lil Elvis G (Kids & Family)
7.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
7.30 Tales of Oceania G (Documentaries)
8.00 Waabiny Time 2 G (Kids & Family)
8.30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids & Family)
9.00 Bizou Series 1 G (Kids & Family)
9.30 Go Lingo G (Kids & Family)
10.00 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
10.30 InTune 09 PG (Music & Radio)
11.30 Chocolate Martini G (Music & Radio)
12.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
1.00 Yarning Up: Behind the Scenes G (News & Documentaries)
1.30 Crossing The Line PG (News & Documentaries)
2.30 Bizou Series 1 16:9 (Kids & Family)
3.00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids & Family)
3.30 Lil Elvis G (Kids & Family)
4.00 Waabiny Time 2 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 Culture Warriors G (News & Documentaries)
6.30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle/Documentary)
7.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7.30 The Dreaming G (Kids & Family)
8.00 Cracks In The Mask G (News & Documentaries)
9.00 Living Black NC (News & Documentaries)
9.30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (News & Documentaries)
10.00 The Golden Cord G (News & Documentaries)
11.00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11.30 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)



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Wanyurr Majay people celebrate



Phil Griffin, Monica Willis, Patricia Griffin, Victor Willis, Paddy Bassani and Petrina Bassani in Babinda for the judgment.



Members of the Paban and Mow families were all smiles.

One down, two to go

By CHRISTINE HOWES



WANYURR MAJAY people have achieved the first of three native title wins they are determined to realise over their country, which includes Queensland's tallest mountain, Bartle-Frere.

Parts of the Wooroonooran National Park between Innisfail and Cairns are now in traditional owners' hands after an official Federal Court handover ruling at Babinda.

"We are celebrating the handing over of our land, back to us, which is good," Elder Allenby Ambrym said.

He said the national park area was covered by the claim for the western side of their country. Also to be claimed is the eastern side along the coastline, and then the islands and waters.

"We're all scattered out, but we know who we are and where we come from," he said.

"And every time we sent a message out to come in, everybody came in for this meeting.

"We'll probably get rangers in to monitor our coastline and our parks and everything."

Traditional owner Annie Wonga said it was a happy day.

"We thank you for your



Spokespeople for the Wanyurr Majay people who have achieved the first of three native title determinations they hope to realise – Gloria Sailor, Andrew Miller, Allenby Ambrym, Lilian Willis and Joey Mow.

acknowledgement that this earth (Juboo) and land is where our ancestors and Elders have lived and walked upon for thousands of years," she said.

"This is bulmba, our country and homeland."

Andrew Miller confirmed it was the first of three intended claims.

"Our ancestors were taken off land and put in different communities like Yarrabah and Palm Island," he said.

"Now we get to do our cultural

stuff with our younger kids, like all the stuff the old people used to do before, handed down to the younger generation.

"This is for them (the kids), you know, that's why we're getting our land back."

Spokesperson Lilian Willis said the day of celebration was part of honouring their people and their country.

"This is legal acknowledgement, we already knew we were from here," she said. "And now the work begins."

With tears in his eyes, Wanyurr Majay Elder Clive Murray turned to face the 300-strong crowd of family and supporters after the judge read his decision confirming native title rights.

Mr Murray worked on behalf of his people with the North Queensland Land Council to achieve the determination.

"I've enjoyed the day, especially when the judge handed down his decision there," he said.

"I got teary eyed.

"It's just a burden off us because we've been fighting so long for this."

NQLC CEO Dewayne Mundraby congratulated the group and said he wished the Wanyurr Majay people all the best.

The determination includes recognition of Wanyurr Majay people's rights to camp, hunt, fish, light fires, erect temporary shelter, conduct ceremony and maintain places of importance in the area, which extends primarily across the Wooroonooran National Park.

Claire Ambrym said to hear the judge read his decision out loud was 'just wonderful'.



Waiting to dance were Mavis Foster and Betty Sailor.



Palm Island and Yarrabah families celebrating the Wanyurr Majay native title determination in Babinda, south of Cairns.



A happy day ... traditional owner Annie Wonga.

-Native title success in north Qld-



The Kelly clan at the celebration.



The Savo family joined the celebrations.



TWO native title determinations in north Queensland have been celebrated by members of the first tribal group to be sent to Palm Island, the Djiru from the Mission Beach area.

The determination areas included part of the Tully Gorge, Clump Mountain and Hull River national parks.

Native Title Working Group member Leonard Andy said that when he started working towards the claims in 1997 he was the second youngest member of the group.

"Even though we didn't lodge the claim until 2002 it's been a long time," he said.

"I'm looking at it like creating options for our future, for the future generations because what we do today isn't really for us.

"It's for the future generations and, possibly, an economic future independent of the government.

"That's what I'm thinking about.

"I'm the one in our group that reads everything.

"I read a lot of legislation, policies, cross references with other acts and other legislation, and I've seen the native title legislation change over time.

"It wasn't what it started out to be.

"I've seen native title evolving to what we have now.

Djiru looking to the future



Members of families from Innisfail, Palm Island (Bwgcolman) and Mission Beach all smiles at the Djiru native title determinations.

"I don't know if it's better, it seems to be quicker cause people are getting their determination a lot quicker."

Lily Hart, a linguist and the youngest daughter of claimant Dawn Hart, said she had been able to contribute to the

decisions made on the day.

"The Djiru Elders have bestowed on me the privilege of being the holder of the language

and researching it," she said.

"I can speak the Warragamay language fluently, the Jurrbal language and Djiru language.

"It's a very emotional time for us, especially me and my cousins and siblings because we were always brought down here to Mission Beach."

Elder Rae Kelly said they had waited a long time, while Kathleen Edwards said it was something for the young ones.

"I reckon it's a good thing.

They've got something that they'll be glad they own later on in life," she said.

Djiru Corporation treasurer Arthur Clumpoint said it was a special day.

North Queensland Land Council CEO Dewayne Mundraby said the focus of the day was on what Djiru had achieved.

"I think the focus really is for the people themselves in terms of what they've accomplished and in memory of those that have passed on as well, certainly the Elders," he said.

"And the enthusiasm because all this takes a lot of dedication and commitment – without that we wouldn't be here today."

Mr Andy said he was glad the day had finally come.

"It's like the end of something and the start of another process," he said.

"I might be able to get a little bit of rest for a week or two."



At the celebration, seated from left, Lily Hart with Teneisha Ah Kee, Marjorie Kunjun and Dawn Hart and, standing, North Queensland Land Council solicitor Leah Brown and CEO Dewayne Mundraby.



Leonard Andy, standing, with David Andy, Jasmine Ford and Whitney Rassip.

Bagot community children are set to fly high thanks to \$1 million windfall



THE kids at Bagot community in the Northern Territory will soon be swinging about on circus equipment thanks to an anonymous benefactor.

A man has donated \$1 million to Australia's largest non-profit community organisations, Life Without Barriers, to be spent on programs

for Indigenous children in the Territory.

LWB chief executive Claire Robbs said the donation had been directed to the LWB Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Fund to ensure it was used effectively and benefited as many children as possible.

"One of the first programs to benefit from the new injection of funds is the

purchase of gym and circus equipment for children from the Bagot community, which will also be available to children from town camps in the Darwin area," Ms Robbs said.

Enhancing lives

"LWB is working with Bagot Community Council, Red Cross, Amity Community Service, Save The Children and

Corrugated Iron Youth Arts who are the circus trainers, to enhance the lives of Aboriginal communities in the region.

"Through the fund, we will provide \$8000 for the purchase of equipment that will assist the communities to become more active, enhance their physical well-being and help people in the camps build relationships and networks."



Australian Government

Review of Higher Education Access and Outcomes

for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

A review of higher education access and outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people was announced by the Australian Government in April 2011. The review is being led by an expert panel, chaired by Professor Larissa Behrendt, Professor of Law and Indigenous Studies at the University of Technology, Sydney.

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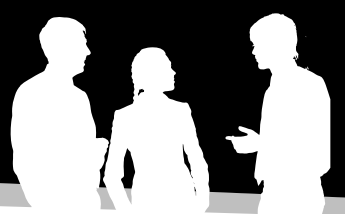
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NT moves to extend free ID deadline



'With demand still running high after three months, we have decided to extend the offer for a further month to ensure as many people as possible secure a valid ID' – Paul Henderson



THE Northern Territory Government is offering free identification for another month as part of its crackdown on problem drinking.

Chief Minister Paul Henderson said the free ID program complemented the Banned Drinkers Register, which was part of the Government's 'enough is enough' alcohol law reforms.

"More than 60 per cent of assaults are alcohol-related, and the Territory Government is tackling alcohol-related crime by turning problem drinkers off tap," Mr Henderson said.

"Since July 1 more than 1300 people have been put on the Banned Drinkers Register, and the register has enforced approximately 800 refusals of service for banned drinkers.

"To help with the smooth rollout of the Banned Drinkers Register across the Territory, the Territory Government has been offering free evidence of age cards to people who do not hold a valid NT driver's licence and free replacement licenses where they are damaged or faulty, as well as providing one free birth certificate or change of name service to ensure Territorians have the right ID.

As a result of the program, almost 20,000 birth certificates,

name changes and Evidence of ID cards have been issued.

Mr Henderson said extra resources had been provided to the motor vehicle registry and births, deaths and marriages to help Territorians obtain legal identification.

"With demand still running high after three months, we have decided to extend the offer for a further month to ensure as many people as possible secure a valid ID.

'Positive impact'

"As well as smoothing the transition to the Banned Drinkers Register, the scheme has had a positive impact in remote areas of the Territory, where many Territorians are now proudly sporting official ID for the first time in their lives.

"From online shopping to basic financial services, valid identification is crucial to so many aspects of modern life – it is great to see that as well as turning problem drinkers off tap, the alcohol reforms are turning Territorians online."

The offer will now end on 20 October.

Senior Territorians, Carers and Pensioners will continue to receive free Evidence of Age cards, and carers and pensioners free licences.



From the Mparntwe Academy of Clontarf are front, from left, the academy's associate director and IAD Board member Ian McAdam, Kyle Monkerud, Issaha Forbes, Karl Kopp. At the back, from left, are Zac Craig, Adrian McAdam, Kyle Summerfield and Damon Payne.



The talented Minority Sun relax after their set, from left, Galen Cole, Temo Ana, Kenni-Anne Iles and Shaun Angeles.



Kenny Laughton and Marie Munkara were amongst the guest authors taking part in a storytelling panel.



Illustrator Brenton McKenna kept a watchful eye over busy Alice Springs Steiner School students during one of his workshops, from left, Clara Yffer, Alice Mayfield and Gwenie Peachey.

Sharing stories

By KIRSTIE PARKER



INDIGENOUS storytellers from the heart of Australia shared their culture through spoken word, art and song as part of fifth Indigenous

Literacy Day celebrations in Alice Springs this month.

The IAD Press event 'Sharing Our Stories (Anwerne-Kenhe ayeye)' on 7 September attracted everyone from giggling youngsters to esteemed Elders who enjoyed live music, a panel discussion and presentations by local Aboriginal storytellers and authors, workshops, and an exhibition by Tangentyere Artists.

The event began with an Arrernte welcome to country. There were performances by youth group Drum Atweme, the Ntaria Ladies Choir, Warren H Williams, Catherine Satour, and band Minority Sun.

Other highlights were a storytelling panel comprised of authors including Marie Munkara (*Every Secret Thing*), Yami Lester (*Yami and Learning from the Land*) and Kenny Laughton (*Not Quite Men, No Longer Boys*), and a kids' workshop by illustrator Brenton McKenna, whose graphic novel *Ubby's Underdogs: The Legend of*

the Phoenix Dragon was published by Magabala Books earlier this year.

IAD chief executive officer Janice Harris spoke about the challenges ahead, for IAD Press and the rest of the publishing industry.

"As many people would be aware the publishing industry is in a totally evolutionary phase, given the development of Kindles and other forms of electronic books," Ms Harris said.

"This is really exciting for us because it means we can make available, virtually instantly, the fascinating, diverse materials we publish to anyone, anywhere in the world.

"In terms of spreading the knowledge of the depth and beauty of Indigenous culture, and quickly, there has never been such a time in history."

Five per cent of all IAD Press sales from the event was being donated to the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF), which started Indigenous Literacy Day and aims to address literacy levels in Indigenous communities – especially remote ones – through the provision of books.

By 2009-10, the ILF had distributed more than 60,000 books to 200 communities in WA, SA, Qld, NT and parts of NSW.



Catherine Satour on stage.



Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Educator (BIITE) head lecturer in Linguistics Jeannie Bell, centre, with students Judulu, over from Yarrabah near Cairns, and Gemma Cronin, from Fraser Island but living in Darwin.



Renowned Harts Range artist Billy Ben (right) with Gurpreet Singh, a support worker with CASA Inc.



Some of the team from IAD Press, from left, Janice Harris, Jacqueline Lahne, Gina Campbell, Margaret McDonnell, Raewyn Cavanagh and Tina Tilhard.



Happy to be in the sunshine were, from left, IAD students Gabrielle Curtis and Nikki Curtis, both 17, and Tangentyere arts worker Shauna Tilmouth.



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Community organisations are invited to apply for funding to support events and projects during Domestic and Family Violence Prevention Month in May 2012. A total of \$150,000 is available statewide and grants up to \$8,000 will be considered.

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NAAJA call on jail rates



THE North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) has called on the Northern Territory Government to

put more resources into rehabilitation services to stop its spiralling incarceration rate.

New figures reveal the NT continues to jail more people than anywhere else in Australia, with the majority being Aboriginal people.

NAAJA chairperson Dorothy Fox said putting people in jail was not making the community safer and was not addressing the real issues leading to people being incarcerated.

The just-released Australian Bureau of Statistics Corrective Services report for the June 2011 quarter show that over the past 12 months, the NT had an 11 per cent increase in imprisonment rates from the June quarter 2010.

"This is by far the largest proportional increase in Australia. Over the same period, Western Australia (6 per cent), New South Wales and Queensland (both 5 per cent) have decreased their imprisonment rate," Ms Fox said.

"It is also crucial that more resources be put into rehabilitative options to get to the causes and break the cycle of offending."

Ms Fox said many rehabilitative options such as community work, home



NAAJA chairperson Dorothy Fox.

detention, alcohol and drug counselling, anger management and family violence counselling were simply not available in many regional and remote parts of the NT.

"And more emphasis is needed to provide culturally relevant support to Aboriginal people at all stages of the criminal justice system," she said.

'Must explain'

"The NT Government must explain what steps it will take to reduce the incarceration rate within a specific time period."

Ms Fox said more investment was needed in community-driven initiatives like the Strong Bala men's program in Katherine, and there should be more culturally relevant sentencing options in

regional and remote areas.

She called for an increasing role for Elders and community leaders in the justice process, and a shift in focus of the role of Corrections officers, so that they could support and not just monitor people on orders.

She also wants increased resources for programs like NAAJA's Prison Support and Throughcare projects, which aim to break the cycle of offending by providing intensive pre- and post-release case management and support to offenders coming out of jail.

Meanwhile, Attorney-General Robert McClelland last week acknowledged that over-imprisonment caused more crime than it prevented.

Delivering the 25th Lionel Murphy lecture, Mr McClelland said governments needed to work together to address the social causes of crime.

Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR) national director Jacqueline Phillips welcomed his comments.

"The statistics are stark and the evidence about what works to break the cycle is compelling," she said.

"There is no excuse for governments to delay action to address the social causes of over-imprisonment in Aboriginal communities."

"ANTaR calls on Federal, state and territory leaders to ensure that Aboriginal over-imprisonment is a top priority at COAG's next meeting."

New book to score with soccer fans



The cover of John Maynard's new book.



RUGBY league and AFL may dominate in most of our lounge rooms, especially at this time of year, but there's no doubting a growing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander obsession with 'the world game' and the round ball. The launch in Sydney next month of *The Aboriginal Soccer Tribe* by Worimi author John Maynard and published by Aboriginal publishing house Magabala Books will be timely.

"The acceptance that Aboriginal players found within the post-World War II migrant communities had a profound impact on their lives," says Magabala of the new book.

"The multicultural environment of Australian soccer provided them with a haven from the prejudice and racism of wider Australian society."

"Interweaving personal stories and extensive research with links to the broader Indigenous world community, Maynard's book is a celebration of the extraordinary journey taken by Aboriginal sportsmen and women to forge the way ahead for the present crop of talented players."

John Maynard hails from the Port Stephens region of NSW and is Professor of Indigenous Studies and Director of the Wollotuka Institute of Aboriginal Studies at the University of Newcastle.

Also Deputy Chairperson of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) in Canberra, Prof Maynard's other books include *Aboriginal Stars of the Turf* and *Fight for Liberty and Freedom*.

Sacred Aboriginal tjuringas for sale



A HERITAGE expert says she is appalled that sacred Aboriginal tjuringa artefacts not supposed to be seen by women have been put up for sale. Amid controversy, an auction house in Britain reportedly withdrew from sale an etched rock known as a tjuringa stone which had fallen into the

hands of an English woman.

But several wooden tjuringas, including one in Britain and two in Australia, were still up for sale on the eBay auction website.

According to tradition, tjuringas should not be owned or even viewed by a woman, Museums Australia director Bernice Murphy said.

"Before European settlement for a woman to stumble upon one

and see a tjuringa would mean death," Ms Murphy said.

Ms Murphy, who also chairs the ethics committee of the Paris-based International Council of Museums, said she was appalled the items were for sale.

"There should be a debate about the sales," she said.

"I am amazed and appalled that they are on sale on eBay."

Ms Murphy said that while it

was difficult to tell from photographs alone, the items on eBay seemed authentic.

Such items should only be seen by initiated, long-term male members of a clan, she said.

Canterbury Auction Galleries, which had planned to sell the stone tjuringa, claimed on its website that it had once belonged to explorer and writer Archer Russell, who acquired it from

Central Australia. A Kent woman who met Russell in 1959 was given the tjuringa as a birthday gift. The item was expected to fetch \$6100 to \$9100, but it was reportedly withdrawn from sale due to the controversy surrounding the sale.

According to ABC Radio, the Australian High Commission in London approached the auction house regarding the sale. — AAP

As toilet blocks go, this one's a beauty



All smiles ... Marilyn and Peter Wallace at the ranger base.



The celebration party on country at the ranger base in north Queensland.

Ranger base opens



IT'S known as Cape York's most expensive 'loo' and jokingly referred to as the 'million-dollar ablutions block', but after at least four years of vision and just four weeks to finally build, the official opening of the Bana Yarralji Bubu Ranger Base at Shipton's Flat, near Cooktown, has gone ahead and been well celebrated.

The block contains composting toilets, showers, storage and laundry facilities on a site which was home to a handful of dedicated traditional owners trained as rangers.

The initial idea, with the help of the Centre for Appropriate Technology, Indigenous Community Volunteers, Engineers Without Borders and technical engineering firm Aurecon, grew into a full set of new facilities for local rangers which includes power, an environmentally appropriate water supply, an office and communication system.

Husband and wife team Peter and Marilyn Wallace led the charge.

"CAT, Aurecon and Engineers Without Borders' unwavering support has given us the opportunity to create a sustainable ranger service business," Mrs Wallace said.

"This has reshaped the lives of our rangers and other Nyungkal People.

"It came at the right time to give us the strength we needed."

Mrs Wallace said it was their honour and privilege to look after their land and take care of their cultural obligations.

"It is a privilege to come back to Mum and Dad's land and the ancestral land and look after the cultural heritage," she said.

"We have resources here now.

"And we hope everyone will help celebrate with us our ranger base for the benefit of all our younger people and younger rangers to come for the future."



Centre for Appropriate Technology's Andre Grant, Ranger Peter Henry, TAFE teacher Boyd Lenny and Aurecon's Trevor Sharrock on site.

Mr Wallace said they had decided to live on the site full-time three years ago.

"We decided to come and live here and carry out our duties of care, responsibility and obligation, and live here, create jobs and take care of the country while we're here," he said.

"It's good to be here. This is something we planned to do, to come down here, create a position here for ourselves, a future for ourselves, and follow our footprint of our ancestors.

"It's a really healthy place. We come here and we have health problems

ourselves, you know, physical, psychological, spiritual, social problems, but it's been much more quieter here.

"Mind, body and spirit a bit more calmer here.

"When you're in the community you're sort of, you're affected – your mind is eroding away by negativity and lack of jobs and things like that.

"Here, now, we've turned things around here.

"We come so healthy. Now I work with my family. My wife is my boss. And I work for many people, station owners and the

community. I've been a Mayor of Wujal over the years, but here is one of the greatest things of my life. I think this is the highlight of everything – to come and work for your family.

"It's a passion that I get a run out of me – I get a thrill out of these sorts of things and I get to pass down a lot of my knowledge to a lot of the younger ones.

"We have a lot of young people here, and they're doing really well."

Senior project manager and technical officer for the Centre for Appropriate Technology Andre Grant said they were approached three years ago by Mrs Wallace.

"Marilyn came to us for some technical support and advice, some of the services CAT provides, Indigenous Group, and had a grand vision for setting up land management practices, a healing centre, a whole bunch of great social enterprise ideas," he said.

"From there, we managed to get a little bit of funding from the Federal Government, \$50,000 just to improve ablutions on this site where they were living.

"They were living under tarps and using a pit toilet but very committed and dedicated to being out here on country.

"So we contacted and got a partnership with Engineer Without Borders.

"From there, we basically had a two-year process to get through planning, so luckily Aurecon was extremely supportive and said it was going to help us even though it was above and beyond the original idea, and so they threw a ton of resources to help us.

"And what an experience, we all had a ball.

"We had great times, cultural experiences, many laughs, and, at the end of it, we've got our toilet block.

"I think it's the most beautiful toilet block in Cape York."



Redfern IPROWD participants, back from left, Emma Johnson, Merinda Simpson, Elizabeth Slater, Melena Coppini, Daniel Harrison, Scott Farrand, Mitchell Chapman, Jamie Merz, Adam King and Michael Petri. Front, from left, Kurt Devatek, Elizabeth Van Amelsvoord, Kaitlyn Tunks, Kelly Rodgers, Ashlea Heard, Tiarne Northery and Robert Richards.

Police career beckons



FORTY-FIVE students in the Indigenous Police Recruiting Our Way Delivery (IPROWD) program have visited the Marine Area

Command to learn more about specialist areas in the NSW Police Force.

The students, who are at various stages throughout the 18-week course, also had the opportunity to

meet senior police officers.

Officers from the Police Mounted Unit, Police Dog Unit, Communications Unit and the Marine Area Command joined the IPROWD students for lunch and answered questions about their respective roles.

The students, 24 of them males, are participants in the IPROWD program at Macquarie Fields, Orange, Tamworth and Redfern TAFE.

The program has been designed to assist students gain entry to the NSW Police College at Goulburn, and is currently operating in 10 localities throughout the state.

Since the statewide rollout of IPROWD in 2010, more than 120 students have started the program.

To date, 68 students have graduated and about 60 students have progressed to lodge an application to join the NSW Police Force.

The IPROWD training program includes a Certificate III in Vocation and Study pathways to meet the entry requirements of the Associate Degree in Policing Practice offered by Charles Sturt University at the NSW Police College.

Confidence

The program is tailored to give Aboriginal people the confidence, skills and knowledge to apply to join the NSW Police Force. To achieve this, members from NSW Police Local Area Commands work with

TAFE teachers to provide assistance and mentoring to the students.

IPROWD is a joint project of TAFE NSW, NSW Police Force, Charles Sturt University and the Australian Government.

NSW Police Deputy Commissioner Catherine Burn, the executive director of corporate services, supports the initiative.

"IPROWD has proven highly successful for both the NSW Police Force and the students themselves," she said. "As an organisation, the police force aims to reflect the community we represent and IPROWD provides potential indigenous recruits with the skills needed to reach their goal of joining the force."

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Closing date: Thursday, 29 September 2011

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Orange IPROWD participants, back from left, Tarren Smith, Caleb Sullivan, Lachlan Sainsbury, Brent Hignett, Dakota Bradford, Gary Periera and Lachlan Wood. Front, from left, Jyie Chapman, Alice Beddoes, Ashley Murphy and Emily Ford.

Three teenagers charged over statue desecration



THREE teenagers have been charged over the desecration of a statue of a local Aboriginal identity at Crows Nest in Queensland's Darling Downs. Police say the

Aboriginal legend who helped early white settlers and drovers travelling through the area.

The statue was spray painted from head to toe and racist slogans were sprayed on cars and shops nearby in the early hours of 4 September.

The three boys, in their mid-teens, have been charged with numerous wilful damage and unlawful entry of motor vehicle offences.

Police say they will be dealt with under the Youth Justices Act. —AAP

trio spray painted the statue white, broke a street light, started a fire in the middle of a road and broke into several vehicles.

The two metre-high statue is of the town's namesake, Jimmy Crow, a local

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A critical function of the Deputy Director role is to assist the PVC (Indigenous Education) to bring about critical change in our activities in this important area. Additionally, the Deputy Director will be instrumental in developing, delivering, implementing and monitoring an operational plan for the Unit, observant of the recommendations of the Calma review and UQ's Indigenous strategy. The Deputy Director will provide day-to-day leadership, management and guidance within the Unit to ensure our Community engagement, teaching and research programs are of the highest standard.

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Applications close 10 October 2011

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Garma participants Barbara Inglis and Robyn Sloggett with NAQS Nhulunbuy community liaison officer Vern Patullo.

Interest in biosecurity



THE Federal Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry says there was plenty of interest in its

biosecurity work during the recent 2011 Garma Festival.

The department's Northern Australia Quarantine Strategy (NAQS) officers, in partnership with local Indigenous rangers from the Dhimurru and Yirralka communities, led biosecurity walks to the festival's outer grounds to demonstrate scientific sampling methods and quarantine monitoring activities delivered under the NAQS program.

Each walk included demonstrations of fruit fly trapping, pest identification and the use of i-trackers (handheld computers) to document potential threats to Australia's biosecurity.

NAQS officers led discussion on the challenges of pest and disease

surveillance in the Top End including the effects of natural pathways such as monsoonal wind patterns and human involvement such as the landing of foreign fishing vessels which can result in the arrival of exotic species from Australia's northern neighbours.

NAQS manager NT/WA Chris Dale said participation in events such as Garma played a pivotal role in the department's engagement with local Indigenous communities.

Initiative

"The initiative shown by NAQS Nhulunbuy community liaison officer Vern Patullo to incorporate interactive demonstrations with all groups was instrumental to the success of this engagement activity," Mr Dale said.

He said the collaboration between NAQS officers and Indigenous rangers at the festival reinforced the strong partnership approach to

Australia's efforts in biosecurity.

"Indigenous engagement now encompasses a huge responsibility in supporting scientific surveillance activities across much of the northern Australian coastline," he said. "Indigenous ranger groups operate along many areas of the coastline and are highly knowledgeable in caring for country."

The department says participation in NAQS surveillance activity by Indigenous communities has provided a key element in the program's success since its inception in 1989.

Since 2006, NAQS has increased its level of engagement with Indigenous communities in high-risk areas along Australia's northern coastline to assist with surveys and monitoring for various target organisms. The program continues to work closely with 46 ranger groups across northern Australia.



NAQS Manager NT/WA Chris Dale demonstrates to Garma participants how exotic mosquito larvae is collected.



At the National Servicemen's 60th anniversary celebrations in Townsville, from left, Aaron Daniel, Carl Wacando, Arthur Ahwang and Chris Townson.

By ALF WILSON



FOR former National Servicemen Arthur Ahwang and Carl Wacando, the 60th anniversary and reunion 'Nashos' celebrations held in Townsville from 8-12 September proved

emotional.

More than 1000 'Nashos' from around the country gathered, and Mackay-based Mr Ahwang and Mr Wacando, from Ingham, were amongst them.

Both of Torres Strait Islander descent, Mr Ahwang was born on Thursday Island while Mr Wacando's family hails from

'Nashos' catch up at Townsville reunion

Darnley and Stephen islands.

"It was great to see old mates we served with and we made lots of trips down memory lane," Mr Ahwang said.

More than 270,000 young men served their country as Nashos after being called up for compulsory service as 18-year-olds

in the army, navy or air force. They were called up in two separate schemes between 1951 and 1972, many served in overseas conflicts and 212 died.

The 73-year-old Mr Wacando was called up in the final intake of Nashos during 1959 as part of the first scheme.

The former member of the Torres Strait Islander Brass Band, who was also a good boxer in his heyday, joined Band Platoon, C Company, 11 Nasho Battalion at Wacol and was a drum major.

"Some of the fellows here we haven't seen for decades," Mr Wacando said.

Mr Ahwang, called up in 1952, said he was stationed at Wacol and never went overseas.

Nashos came from around the country and enjoyed events including an official welcome, dinner-dance, public concert, with former Nasho Normie Rowe performing along with singer Judy Stone and the National Servicemen's commemorative service.

The Block featured



A DISPLAY panel showing the history of the Block in Redfern was unveiled recently at

the Department of Family and Community Services office in Strawberry Hills, Sydney.

Community Services says it developed the panel in consultation with local Aboriginal people and plans to create other panels to depict significant sites.

As they are produced, the panels will be first placed in the main lift area on level four at Strawberry Hills before being moved around the office to provide staff with the opportunity to display the works in their own areas.

The first panel details the history of the Block, from when Aboriginal people first lived there until the present day. It includes photographs from sources including the Mitchell Library and the Aboriginal Housing Company.

The panel also features work by a Redfern artist Jenny Stokes.

A Community Services spokesperson said the Block was chosen because it stands as a great example of self-governance, spirit and pride.

"The area that surrounds the Block has been a meeting point for Aboriginal people for tens of



From left, Pam Kelly, Athena Hay, Mick Mundine, Lani Tuitavake, Samantha Gooch and Grahame Roth at the morning tea to celebrate the first display panel of the ongoing NSW Community Services Aboriginal history project. The tea was attended by about 25 people including executive staff and members of the local Aboriginal community.

thousands of years, and it has in more recent times been a focal point for the reconciliation movement,"

the spokesperson said.

"Because of its significance in this movement, today the Block is regarded as a modern-day

'sacred site' for Aboriginal people."

The spokesperson said the panel project aimed to provide

Community Services staff with an understanding and appreciation for the historical context of the traditional Aboriginal land on which they work.

Aboriginal Housing Company spokesperson Lani Tuitavake said the panel helped people understand the rich history of the Block.

"When Community Services first came to talk to us, they came with a different approach," Ms Tuitavake said.

"But they understood the importance and significance of the area and wanted to learn about that.

"They recognised the value and that is what we have been fighting for. This is our home and community. The panel makes people understand that."

Ms Tuitavake said she and CEO Mick Mundine were very impressed with the result.

"Mick and I were not expecting anything of that scale. If your heart is in something, it shows," she said.

"That's what I felt when I first saw the panel and I remember Mick's face... he was just so excited.

"I hope the panel will make people understand the struggle our community has been through."

I was safe, says siege girl




THE girl at the centre of an 11-hour siege at a western Sydney lawyer's office earlier this month says she chose to stay with her father and wasn't a hostage. "He didn't keep me hostage, I wanted to stay," the 12-year-old told Seven News. "He told me that I could go but I really wanted to stay with dad ... because I was scared that he would have got hurt." The girl said she was 'terrified' when police raided the legal office at Parramatta and she was overcome by fumes just after 8pm on Tuesday, 7 September.

"We could hear these walls ripping and then I see, like, a chainsaw going through the wall, and yeah they cut the wall open and they chucked the gas," she said. But, throughout the siege that had began at about 9am that day, the girl said she never felt like her dad would hurt her or that he had a bomb in his backpack, as he allegedly told he police. "I knew that he wouldn't have something like that ... otherwise he wouldn't take me in that room with him," she said. The girl said she's feeling okay, but was concerned about her father. "I'm really worried about him

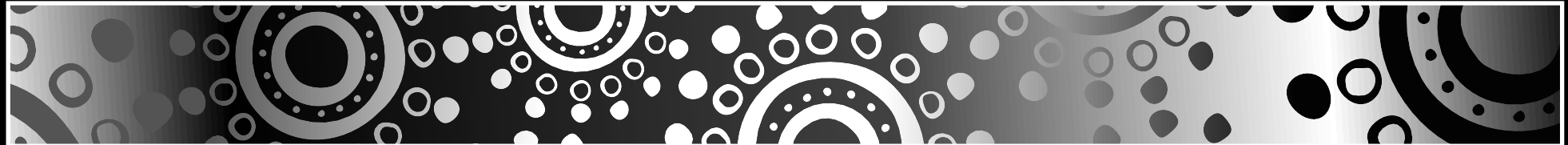
and want to see if he's okay," she said. The 52-year-old man, who cannot be named for legal reasons, has been charged with detaining his daughter at the Arthur Phillips Chambers on George Street. Police allege he falsely claimed he had a bomb and demanded \$4500 from an Aboriginal land council. **Activist** The man, a former Aboriginal activist from central-western NSW, was remanded in custody on Wednesday after his case was heard briefly at Parramatta Local Court.

When the girl was rescued from the office she said she screamed: "Don't hurt my dad, that's my dad." He now faces charges of detaining a person with intent to obtain advantage, giving false information to police, remaining in a building with intent to commit an indictable offence, common assault and three counts of damaging property. Police alleged the man poses a 'significant risk' to the community and that the alleged incident was a 'well-orchestrated plan'. He allegedly made three demands during the siege, including access to a barrister, Brian Hancock, and that legal

action be taken against a man named Matthew Turner. The man has also been charged with assaulting a woman during the alleged incident, breaking a window in the office and breaking two vases. Police say the man has a lengthy criminal history, including firearms offences, breaching bail and failing to appear in court. "Investigators fear that due to the strong prosecution case, there is a strong and real likelihood he will receive a lengthy custodial sentence," the police facts tendered to the court stated. The matter has been adjourned. – AAP



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Billy Bon and his niece Ruth Ghee, both originally from Murray (Mer) Island in the Torres Strait, and Joy Bonner from Brisbane. Ms Ghee gave the student response.



The Batchelor graduands' procession to receive their awards.

Batchelor graduates celebrate

By KIRSTIE PARKER



YOU know you're special when a drum roll announces your arrival.

And so it was for the latest batch of graduates from Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education (BIITE) Alice Springs Campus earlier this month.

Children from the local Yipirinya School's Drum Atweme led a procession into the ceremony for a campus record of 192 certificate, diploma and degree graduates across the research; education, arts and social science; and health, business and science faculties.

It was a fitting beginning to an inspiring and celebratory afternoon where Batchelor's 'both-ways' educational philosophy blended European tradition with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

While some graduates received their awards in absentia, many others received them in person and in the presence of their families – sons with uncles, grandmothers with grandchildren and so on.

Director of Batchelor's Alice Springs Campus, Adrian Mitchell, congratulated all graduates on their achievement.

"I know that many of you have had to overcome numerous obstacles during your learning journey, and receiving your formal

qualification today is testimony to your dedication and persistence and you should be very proud of your achievements," he said. "I know we are and I am sure your family, friends and community are as well."

Keynote speaker Central Land Council (CLC) director David Ross said education was a way for Indigenous people to overcome other people's control over their lives.

"You've taken a big step to improve your lives and influence a whole lot of other people," he

"When there's enough people who are thinking like you, life will start to improve for Aboriginal people. We have to keep making these steps, we can't afford to stop."

Mr Ross also paid tribute to Desert Peoples Centre chairman Harold Furber, a long-time advocate of Indigenous education.

Afterwards, language and linguistics degree graduate Ruth Ghee gave the student response, telling everyone present 'Whatever you do, do it well, walk

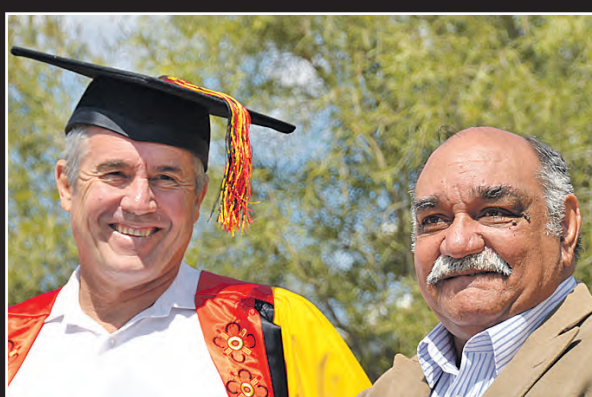
with integrity, follow the truth so you can hold your head up high and never stop learning'.

The Brisbane-based Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal singer, songwriter, actor, musician and storyteller ended her speech with the chorus of a song that included the words 'You are the glory and the lifter of my head'.

The graduation ceremony was held at the Desert Knowledge Precinct, on the outskirts of Alice Springs.

Next year, Batchelor will move into collaborative partnership with Charles Darwin University (CDU) for the delivery of undergraduate higher education programs through the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledge and Education (ACIKE).

Batchelor Council chair Prof Yvonne Cadet-James said the partnership would provide more opportunities for students across the country, as well as staff.



BIITE director Adrian Mitchell and chairman of the Desert Peoples Centre Harold Furber.

told the graduates.

"It is people like you who are lighting the way in Aboriginal affairs.

"When you do these things, it's not only for you but the kids who've been watching you and want to do the same things one day.

"Your friends and family are looking at you, seeing someone who is happy and healthy, and thinking 'Gee, I'd like to do something like that'. Hopefully, some day, they'll get the same feeling.



Kids from the local Yipirinya School's Drum Atweme led the procession. Back, from left, Sarah Palmer, Celeste Nandy and Cecily Rubuntje. Front, from left, Marsha Mokataratja, Fiona Dixon and Kira Watson.



The Ntaria School Choir performed.



● ABOVE: Mona Kantawarra (left) was one of seven Bachelor of Education graduates, and also won the award for Most Outstanding Graduate in Teacher Education for 2011. She is seen here with her granddaughter Latifah Small and the Chairperson of the Batchelor Council Yvonne Cadet-James.

● LEFT: CLC Director David Ross gave the keynote address.





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Scholarship applications close mid January 2012. Applications are to be made through the online form.



BATCHELOR Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education students celebrate at their recent graduation ceremony in Alice Springs. A record 192 students graduated at the Central Australian campus of the Institute. Central Land Council chief David Ross delivered an inspirational address as part of what was another colourful ceremony. *Photo: Kirstie Parker*

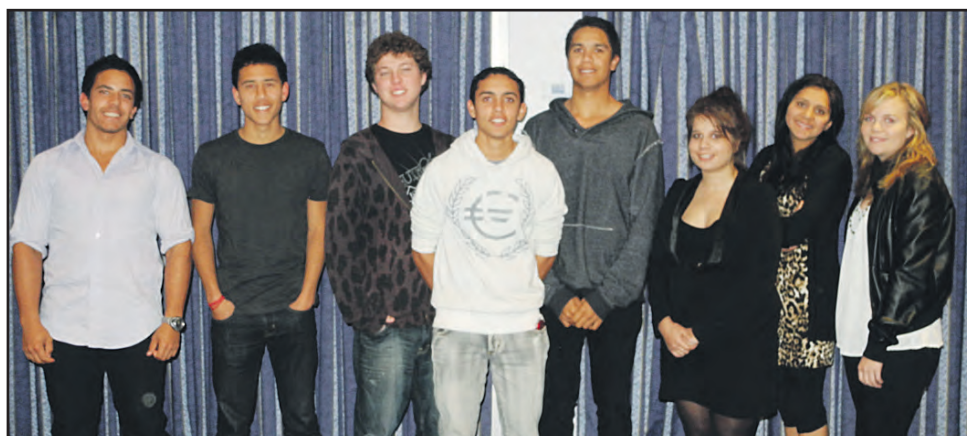
UWA helps students

THE School of Indigenous Studies at The University of Western Australia has sponsored 26 Indigenous students to attend recent revision classes. The students are all studying towards their WA Certificate of Education (WACE) to gain an Australian Tertiary Admission Rank for entry into university. Students came from across WA including Broome, Derby, Albany, Kalgoorlie, Busselton and the Perth metropolitan area.

During the week, students attended revision classes for their subjects and also enrolled in study skills sessions. All stayed on campus at Currie Hall Residential College, giving them the opportunity to experience the university environment and participate in activities during the evening. These included an information session on course requirements, scholarships and facilities and services offered by the UWA School of Indigenous Studies.

Students attended a leadership dinner where they met current UWA Indigenous students and heard about their pathways to university and career aspirations.

The university has now sponsored more



Some of the Year 12 students at the UWA revision classes, from left, Sebastian Robinson-Arrow (Hale School), Jeff Fong (Christchurch GS), Jacob Armstrong (Scotch College), Kanichi Shioji (Christchurch), Torey Rickerby (Hale), Teleisha Hill (Bunbury CC), Angel Hayward (St Brigid's College) and Kirra Hunter (Aranmore CC).

than 100 students since 2006, with 80 per cent completing Year 12 gaining entrance to university. Sponsorship has only previously been available to students in Year

12, but due to the success of the program, several Year 11 students were invited to attend this year.

The initiative came about due to the low

number of Indigenous students gaining direct entry into university or not getting their first preference to courses and university. Revision classes were seen as a way to assist students in specific subject areas and providing revision and exam preparation in their final year of secondary school.

Of the 74 students who graduated from Year 12, 62 have enrolled in or been accepted to a university. Thirty-six students (48 per cent) have enrolled in a course at UWA, with a further 26 (35 per cent) going to other universities in WA. The remaining students have taken a gap year or entered the workforce.

With this year's cohort, the university is looking forward to a high number of students gaining entry to a university and course of their choice. Several students will also be sponsored for the October holiday courses to increase their chances of gaining direct entry into their preferred course.

For more information on the WACE revision sponsorship, contact Ray Garrett at the School of Indigenous Studies, UWA, on (08) 6488 4603.

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Rebekah just can't wait to be a teacher

By JILLIAN MUNDY

REBEKAH SHURLEY, the recipient of a Governor-General's Indigenous Student Teacher Scholarship has been honing her teaching skills most of her life.

"Everyone always knew I was going to be a teacher," Rebekah, who lives in the Tasmanian city of Devonport, told the *Koori Mail*.

"I just love working with kids and teaching other people new stuff, I love to learn and inspiring a love of learning in other people."

Rebekah said that as a child she would set up a little black board and sit her brother, one year her junior, down and play class rooms after school and in the holidays.

"He hated it. He had to do spelling and homework, he was always the student. I would mark his homework and give him a sticker or a lolly," she said.

"He laughs about it now."

If her Mum had a meeting at the school, Rebekah would sit at her teacher's desk pretending she was the teacher.

The eldest of five children, Rebekah's three youngest siblings are now often her case studies.

"They do lots of box work and science projects at home," she said.

Now in her third year of a Bachelor of Education degree at the University of Tasmania's Cradle Coast Campus, Rebekah is looking forward to completing her degree and spending time in a classroom teaching primary school students.

"I loved prac, I can't really get enough of it. I'm getting impatient and pretty eager to get going," she explained.

Dedication

Rebekah's passion and dedication to learning and life is undeniable. She believes her choice to be a teacher is a life rather than just a career.

"There's always new and exciting things to learn and teach about," she says.

"I would like for all my students to be passionate about learning and life," she said.

"I value the uniqueness of individuals and embrace who they are and what they are interested in.

"I would like my students to not think of school as just something boring that they just had to do it, but something exciting and



Tasmania's Rebekah Shurley, who has received a Governor-General's Indigenous Student Teacher Scholarship.

that they would want to keep on continuing to learn for the rest of their life."

A descendant of the Wakka Wakka people of Queensland who has spent most of her life in Tasmanian, Rebekah was happy to discover that cultural awareness

and Aboriginal studies became a compulsory part of the teaching course this year.

"I know a lot of (other students) didn't have an understanding of things like that," she said. "If you're going to be a teacher in

Australia, it's fundamental that you have an understanding of Indigenous culture and heritage."

Rebekah says she believes that more Indigenous-related study in primary schools would be beneficial, and during her practical placement discovered that the students had a thirst for knowledge of all things Aboriginal.

The daughter of two pastors, Rebekah, turned 21 last week, said she had struggled financially with university costs until receiving the Governor-General's Indigenous Student Teacher Scholarship.

She said she felt disbelief and joy when she received a phone call in June advising her of the successful scholarship application.

"I lost my composure. I probably sounded like an idiot," Rebekah said.

"I got off the phone and danced and jumped around."

'Excited'

"I was excited that it would solve my financial problems, but also because they chose me. I'm proud because they have seen something in me and my passion."

"It reaffirmed that that this is where I'm meant to be and what I'm meant to do with my life."

The scholarship has meant Rebekah can stop stressing about work, buy up-to-date editions of text books and focus on her studies.

While she still does some work as a primary school teacher aide, dance teacher and volunteers teaching kids at the Life Christian Church, where she is a youth leader, it's no longer a necessity but rather a choice because she enjoys it.

Rebekah is also involved in local theatre productions, plays the flute and dabbles in the visual arts.

She believes teaching is about more than just education; it is about mentoring, being a positive role model for children, and encouraging students to use their education to pursue their dreams.

The Governor-General's Indigenous Student Teacher Scholarships are awarded to one teacher education student from each state and territory, to assist and support them in obtaining a teaching degree.

They are valued at \$25,000 a year, for up to four years, to assist with study costs. The first scholarships were awarded in 2010 and a further eight scholarships are expected to be awarded in 2012.

ANU offers support to Indigenous people

INDIGENOUS people from all walks of life will find the support they need for education and research at Australia's national university.

The Australian National University (ANU) is respected around the nation and the world for the quality of its academics and graduates. Yet behind its achievement is a community of scholars characterised by open doors, lively conversations and supportive networks.

Since it was founded in 1946, ANU has been a respected centre of study about the issues that are important to Australia's

First Peoples. The university's history of promoting Indigenous knowledge is being matched by its initiatives to advance Indigenous education, research, employment and culture.

ANU has developed its own Reconciliation Action Plan, which includes commitments to increase study places for, and support Indigenous students in, Bachelor, Master and PhD programs.

The Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre at ANU plays a major role in supporting Indigenous students. This meeting place for Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander people is home to a dedicated team who help students navigate university life, providing mentoring services in education and research as well as social support and career advice.

Tjabal Centre

Tjabal is an excellent first point of contact for Indigenous people who want to learn more about what ANU can offer.

The Tjabal team can advise on courses of study and research, specific scholarships and education support programs like the Indigenous Tutorial

Assistance Scheme.

A key focus for Indigenous research at ANU is the National Centre for Indigenous Studies (NCIS). Headed by respected legal scholar Professor Mick Dodson, NCIS is home to scholars doing cross-disciplinary research and teaching in a wide range of areas of relevance to Indigenous Australians.

NCIS also hosts many public outreach events connected with Indigenous issues, including the annual ANU reconciliation lecture.

Other ANU areas involved in Indigenous research and education include the Centre for

Aboriginal Economic Policy Research; the Australian Centre for Indigenous History; the Research School of the Humanities; the School of Language, Culture & History; and the Indigenous Health Interest Group.

● For more information on the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre, go to indigenous.anu.edu.au

● For more information on the National Centre for Indigenous Studies, see <http://www.anu.edu.au/ncis>

● See Page 57 for more on the Australian National University



“I’m Bianca and
this is my journey.”

I’ve come from a challenging background, leaving school at 14 and becoming a mother at 17. I know a lot of people who’ve been through the Criminal Justice System including family and friends and I’ve helped many of them get their life back on track. Because of this, I decided to study Criminology and Justice at uni. I was accepted through the Indigenous University Orientation Course. I want to encourage more Aboriginal people to study this area to stop the over representation of Aboriginal people in custody and make a positive change.

I’ve had to balance being a mother, work and full-time study. It’s been hard at times, but all I can see is the positive future for my daughter.

Bianca Phillips, ECU Bachelor of Criminology and Justice student

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Study a good move for Tess



Tess Ryan at the University of Canberra's Ngunnawal Centre.

TESS RYAN says studying at the University of Canberra has changed her life. Ms Ryan is a mature-age student who began her study undertaking the Foundation Program offered through the University of Canberra's Ngunnawal Centre.

"I'd had a couple of other careers before coming to university and I was a little bit nervous about coming. I didn't know if I was smart enough. So I came here and found out about the Foundation Program and I was able to get some foundation for my degree," Ms Ryan said.

The Foundation Program is a pathway program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student who have not passed Year 12 (or equivalent). It also provides entry to university for those students who have been away from study for many years and would like to develop the communication and study skills needed for success at university.

Ms Ryan is now studying a Bachelor of Communications and Media Studies at the University of Canberra.

The University of Canberra also supported Ms Ryan when

she travelled to China to participate in the International Scholar Laureate Program.

"We did lots of different things while we were over there, all of which focused around how we might work as future democrats and how we work with cultural diversity," she said.

Important

"For me it was really important to see that in terms of future diplomacy, change is possible. And that respecting of other cultures, especially being Indigenous, is just as important as respecting their own."

Ms Ryan believes the university has helped change her life. "I always joke and say uni is my new boyfriend because it's just what I live and breathe for. I really love study, I love seeing people learn and change and that's about myself as well and I believe I have changed immensely," she says.

Ms Ryan believes the Ngunnawal Centre is an important part of life for Indigenous students and all universities should have similar programs.

"I think it's really important that these centres are available

in every university. We have students that come here from really remote areas and I think that if the Ngunnawal Centre wasn't here they wouldn't have those opportunities," she said.

"I think it's also important to acknowledge the older students, me being one of them, because I think that often being older and having a bit of life experience you need to know that you can actually do this.

"And being Indigenous is all about self-belief. You need to know you can come here and that there's a place for you to belong."

UQ students help kids

STUDENTS from the University of Queensland's School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences have completed their first semester of an inter-professional service with Indigenous children.

Centre for Indigenous Health workforce development co-ordinator Dr Alison Nelson said that while she had been supervising occupational therapy students at the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Independent Community School (The Murri School) for 14 years, it was the first time speech pathology students were involved.

"It was wonderful to have the addition of speech pathology, both as an inter-professional learning experience for the students and

because it benefitted the school students by integrating so much of what was required for literacy development in the early years," she said.

The Queensland University (UQ) students worked in pairs to facilitate motor skills, writing skills and language and literacy skills for children in Prep and Year 1 and 2.

Techniques

Students Angela Darlow and Margo Blaylock said the program has equipped them with practical techniques to help when dealing with Indigenous children.

"It certainly showed me how occupational therapy and speech compliment each other and how to draw from the knowledge of other professions

for a more rounded approach to planning and the implementation of the plan," Ms Darlow said.

Ms Blaylock said the course had improved her understanding of Aboriginal cultures and how to then integrate this understanding into her therapy.

Occupational therapy, speech pathology and dental students were also involved in the annual Gundoo Mirra 'Murri Kids in the Park' Day at Acacia Ridge.

Students were part of a large team providing health education messages and fun activities for the children.

Dr Nelson said feedback from the organisers and the students has been very positive.

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League stars look to education



Rhys Wesser in action during his NRL rugby league playing days.

SOUTH Sydney Rabbitohs football players Ben Ross and Rhys Wesser have been contemplating life beyond rugby league with an eye to studying at the University of Sydney.

The two players checked out study options on campus recently following a presentation to the team by Sydney University Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services) Professor Shane Houston.

Ross deferred a health sciences degree while focusing on his game, but wants to take up studying again to prepare for life beyond his football career.

"A lot of footballers consider university a little bit too late in their career," he says.

"We always think we're going to play forever – it's in that last year we realise we've got to get into something else."

"I'm lucky enough to have been given

a few more years of football so that's why I thought I'd come back now and continue studying."

While a health sciences degree would keep him involved in the game, Ross also has a passion for animals: "Vet science may be something I want to do more."

With the season over for South Sydney, Wesser has hung up his boots and wants to take on a degree in Indigenous Australian Studies.

'Dream'

"Fifteen years ago when I came straight out of school the dream was pretty much to play rugby league," he said.

"Of course, that can't happen all your life. There's another 30 years of working, and finding other interests."

While players previously tended to 'get a trade' while playing, these days

more of them consider education as a pathway to a new career.

"My passion lies with Aboriginal studies, learning more about my culture and passing that down," Wesser said.

"A lot of the youth growing up today don't actually know where they're from."

"I'm happy to be gaining some of that knowledge and passing that down to the community, mainly the kids."

Wesser and Ross are among thousands contemplating university study in Australia ahead of the University Admission Centre's 30 September deadline for on-time applications.

The University of Sydney's Cadigal Special Entry Program and Elite Athletes and Performers Scheme are two programs available to help them transition to life at the university, and provide ongoing support while they study.



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CDU law graduate a winner

A CHARLES Darwin University law graduate has been recognised as Australia's pre-eminent Indigenous legal professional.

A 2001 graduate of CDU's predecessor institution, the Northern Territory University, Nigel Browne was honoured as the National Indigenous Legal Professional of 2011 by winning the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Award as part of the recent sixth National Indigenous Legal Conference.

The Commonwealth Attorney-General's Award recognises the exceptional commitment of Indigenous legal professionals, not only in the field of law but also as members of their community and as champions of the rights of Indigenous people.

Northern Territory Law Society President Matthew Storey said all NT legal professionals were honoured by this national award being presented to one of their colleagues and a member of the Law Society Northern Territory Council.

"Nigel is a worthy recipient of this award and it is wonderful to see his commitment to the community and the profession being recognised," he said.

"These awards are a beacon to Indigenous students, encouraging them to commence this long and sometimes difficult path and encouraging renewed dedication and commitment to completing their legal studies."



Leading Indigenous lawyer Nigel Browne.

"Nigel Browne is a shining light to all of us."

Mr Browne has made a significant contribution to the community through his work as a director on the board of the Larrakia Development Corporation, where he is the current chairperson. In this role he has harnessed the support of and championed the rights of the Larrakia people and has been instrumental in achieving resolutions to some of the many issues arising from the longest running land rights claim in Australia's history, the Kenbi decision.



QIECC members and secretariat staff during the gathering at Cooktown, north Queensland.

Cooktown hosts second meeting

THE Queensland Indigenous Education Consultative Committee travelled to Cooktown in the far north of the state for its second meeting, stakeholders' dinner and Community Forum event.

Aunty Carol Pierce gave a Welcome to Country and opened the Community Forum.

Participants came from the local community and nearby Hopevale to attend the dinner

and forum events. The forum was based on the theme of 'Responsibility, Respect and Resilience', which resulted in good discussion about particular local matters.

Common themes

QIECC says it valued the openness and willingness of participants to share their views and concerns.

Common themes and broad

issues across communities were also identified at the gathering.

The committee will take these matters to both the Queensland and Commonwealth Ministers for Education as well as the Far North Queensland Regional Office of Education Queensland.

QIECC members and secretariat thanked the local Elders and communities for making them feel very welcome.

— story by Sonja Carmichael

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About the QIECC

The Queensland Indigenous Education Consultative Committee (QIECC) enables governments to consult with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities on education and training views and issues in Queensland.

The QIECC provides advice to the State Minister for Education and Training on early childhood, schooling, and higher education and training matters. The QIECC also provides advice to the Commonwealth Minister for Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

This advice includes views and concerns on the effectiveness of Commonwealth and State Government education programs and strategies.

The overall goal of the QIECC is to contribute to the monitoring and improvement of educational outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders.

QIECC Vision

Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Queensland actively participate in education, training and higher education to provide a quality of life that they value.

QIECC Values

- Respect for community engagement, voice and standpoint;
- Growing knowledge -shared understanding and commitment between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and education, training and higher education providers to achieve genuine outcomes; and
- Seeking solutions through a holistic approach and genuine partnerships.

Priority Areas

1. Influence policy and strategy development;
2. Parent/community /school engagement and partnerships;
3. Effective communication;
4. Recognise and acknowledge success and achievement;
5. Monitor and provide advice on Council of Australian Government (COAG) targets related to:
 - Early childhood education
 - Schooling
 - Higher education
 - Vocational education and training
 - Transitions to employment
 - Workforce strategies (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education)

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QIECC
Queensland Indigenous Education Consultative Committee

UNSW all-rounder named Law Student of the Year

A UNIVERSITY of New South Wales all-rounder with a 'gift for the gab' has been named the inaugural Indigenous Law Student of the Year. The prize was presented to final-year combined Arts/Law student April Long by Federal Attorney-General Robert McClelland.

Mr McClelland described April as an all-rounder with excellent grades who demonstrates outstanding community participation and involvement.

"I am confident that she will become a leading lawyer and will make an outstanding contribution to her community," Mr McClelland said.

"I'm particularly pleased to support this prize as I believe that education is critical to the advancement of Indigenous

people. I hope that the academic achievements of Indigenous law student prize-winners will demonstrate to other young Indigenous people that they can also realise their ambitions and make a difference."

The award was judged by a

"It was really amazing to be recognised by the Indigenous legal community, very special, as there are so many other great students at UNSW and around the country," she said.

April describes herself as someone with 'the gift of the gab' and says she was

empowered by support from her family, school and community who impressed upon her the importance of education for Indigenous people.

At UNSW, April developed the Deadly Vibrations Festival, a space for young people to come on campus and

April recently took up the position of student editor of the *Indigenous Law Bulletin*, working closely with Professor Megan Davis, director of UNSW's Indigenous Law Centre and the first Aboriginal woman elected to a UN body.

April said she has already received work offers from a major law firm, but she is also interested in the field of academic research and policy development and says she will wait and see where things take her.

The award was presented at the

sixth National Indigenous Legal Conference in Sydney on 12 August, together with the Indigenous Legal Professional of the Year award, which was presented to Nigel Browne (see separate report – Page 46).

'It was really amazing to be recognised by the Indigenous legal community, very special, as there are so many other great students at UNSW and around the country' – April Long



panel of prominent Indigenous lawyers in association with The Law Council of Australia.

April said she was honoured to be chosen by those she admires and to have been nominated by the UNSW Law Faculty.

encouraged to study law through her active involvement with the Darkinjung community on the NSW Central Coast in activities such as debating and establishing support programs for young people.

She says she was

showcase their skills, as part of her role as Indigenous officer on UNSW's student representative council. "Music is a great way of engaging young people and making them aware of pathways to university," she said.



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UNSW INDIGENOUS PREPARATORY PROGRAMS

Nura Gili runs a four week intensive University preparatory program in November/December each year for entry into the areas of Business, Law, Medicine and Social Work. The program aims to prepare participants for a mainstream education in the selected discipline. Upon successful completion of the Pre-Program, participants may be offered a place into the UNSW degree program or a pathways program.

Applications are currently open and close on 30 September 2011.

<http://www.nuragili.unsw.edu.au/pre-programs.html>

NURA GILI ADMISSIONS SCHEME

The Nura Gili Admissions Scheme is an alternative entry program for entry into the areas of Arts and Social Sciences, Built Environment, Fine Arts, Engineering, Science and Enabling courses. It is designed to support Indigenous Peoples from many different academic and cultural backgrounds to gain entry to and succeed in university studies.

Applications are currently open and close on 30 September 2011.

<http://www.nuragili.unsw.edu.au/admissions.html>

Matt's healthy advice: Don't be shame!



Matt Shields ... "You have to take every opportunity that is offered to you, if you're interested. Don't be shame."

DURING the In-fusion Festival recently at University of Technology, Sydney, Matt Shields showed off his acrobatic talents for which he became famous Australia-wide on *Australia's Got Talent*. But Matt is at UTS for another reason. He's half-way through his first year of a Bachelor of Nursing.

"You have to take every opportunity that is offered to you, if you're interested. Don't be shame," he said.

Matt, a Kamilaroi man from Walgett, decided to become a

nurse for many reasons. He thought that not only was it a great career, but also the knowledge you could gain was invaluable.

"I chose to study nursing because of the high prevalence of health problems in the Aboriginal community," he said.

"I want to be a nurse to educate people, because that is one of a nurse's core roles. Care is core, but education is second."

Matt said that he decided to come to UTS because it was renowned for having one of the best nursing and midwifery

courses anywhere in the country. But it was his belief in science and medicine which gave him the final push to come to UTS.

"One of the reasons I like the course is the scientific approach to teaching students to care for the lives of others," he said.

'Wonderful'

"You can tell that they want us to get through and become great nurses. They care for us... their approach to detail and the way they take you step by step and lead you through, they are wonderful.

"Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning at UTS has a great relationship with the faculty, and that extra support really helps students.

"Jumbunna helps me holistically, they have made a plan for me which helps me have a balanced life between study and personal stuff.

"Through ITAS (the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme) I have been able to find a lot of great tutors. I have a nurse, a doctor and a teacher. They provide me with professional knowledge and

guidance which I couldn't get otherwise."

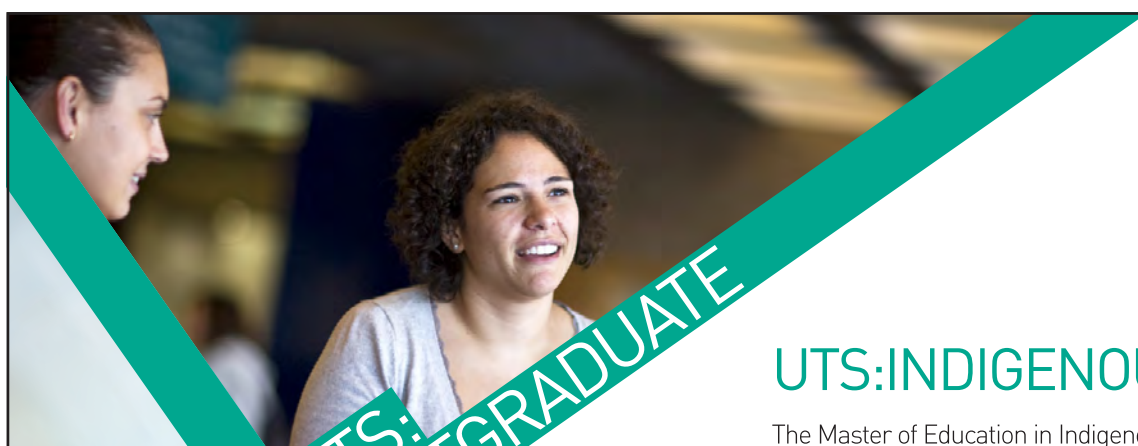
Matt says he has come full circle.

"I grew up thinking I wasn't as smart as the non-Aboriginal kids, but it's just the difference in how we learn," he said.

"I grew up shame because of that, but it's not true. To break that cycle we need education."

But for Matt it is more than that. "You have to work out the system," he said.

"We just have a different way of doing things – that's another thing Jumbunna helps me with."



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Better health care the goal

MONASH University says Australia needs to markedly improve health care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and to achieve this the nation will require a far better equipped health workforce.

So in a first for an Australian university, Monash has established a school dedicated to improving the health of Australia's Indigenous population.

Launched earlier this year, the Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health will accept its first intake of students in 2012.

Under the guidance of medical anthropologist and Acting Head of School Gregory Phillips, the school's activities have been developed in partnership with the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation and Aboriginal organisations.

The five key elements of the new school are leadership, education, Indigenous student services, community health promotion and research.

The school aims to improve the quality and consistency of the training

the health workforce receives and the structure of workforce roles, as well as the quality of care that Indigenous patients receive in hospitals and the public health system.

Through the school's teaching programs, all students undertaking studies in the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences will complete a core Indigenous health program to equip them with consistent and culturally appropriate training.

Training

Following on from the success of Monash's rural clinical schools, Harvest Alliance School is developing Koori Clinical Schools to allow students to gain hands-on training within Aboriginal health organisations.

These clinical training sites, supported by academic staff, will enable the school to produce more and better doctors, nurses and other health professionals to return to work in the Aboriginal health organisations.

Through pathway programs, Koori school leavers and mature-age students will have improved access to

health professional training. The service will also provide more accessible pathways for Aboriginal health workers who want to pursue such training to up-skill to medicine, nursing or nurse practitioner roles.

A further priority of the Harvest Alliance School is to develop a strategic research program, and priorities and protocols in collaboration with Indigenous community partners and stakeholders.

The school will actively support the health and community development goals of Koori communities via its community health education and promotion programs, its partnerships with Indigenous stakeholders and its Community Reference Group of Elders and community partners.

Monash says the Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health is an exciting initiative that reflects the university's aspirations to make a difference to the world.

For more information, visit the school's website: <http://www.med.monash.edu/indigenous/> or email Indigenoushealth@monash.edu or telephone (03) 9905 8026.



Gregory Phillips, the Acting Head of School, Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health at Monash University.

Create your own pathway at Monash



Emily Estcourt
Monash University Indigenous Scholarship for Achievement and Equity
Bachelor of Arts

Emily's scholarship paved the way to her future

Four days at the Monash Indigenous Summer Camp unveiled a new pathway for Emily Estcourt. With the Indigenous Scholarship for Achievement and Equity, she took a chance at university and now uses her knowledge to tutor and mentor other students.

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Words from Griffith University student, Edward Synot.

My name is Eddie Synot, I was born in Ipswich, Queensland, and spent most of my childhood growing up in Northern Victoria.

My people are the Wamba Wamba mob and still live in the areas around Deniliquin and Moama in New South Wales. I returned to Ipswich when I was 13 or 14 and completed my senior certificate. My grades were not the best and my options were pretty thin.

I can remember meeting with a GUMURRII staff member at Mt Gravatt Campus and having a chat about what I wanted to do, and the courses that would suit my strengths.

I completed a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Asian and International Studies, Politics and Government. I enjoyed my time at Griffith University and received much support, so I decided to apply for Graduate Entry to study a Bachelor of Laws.

I took a year off and worked as a Graduate Policy Officer for the Department of Environment and Resource Management before resuming my studies in 2010. At the moment, I am interested in pursuing a role in Legal Aid, where I can help those that can't afford legal advice or assistance.

Throughout my studies, the GUMURRII Student Support Unit has always remained in contact with information about opportunities, events and support. It is good to know there is support available and someone to talk to when needed.

I am currently involved in the Griffith University Reconciliation Action Plan Committee (RAP). It is important to me that Indigenous Culture, Heritage and History be recognised through all facets at Griffith University. Throughout my



Pictured: John Graham (Learning Assistance Officer) on the 'left', and Edward Synot (right).

time at Griffith, I have been involved in various employment events, study groups and social gatherings. I have recently been selected to represent Griffith University and GUMURRII Student Support Unit, as a participant in a cultural student exchange program in Canada.

What I would like to say to anyone considering studying, to consider Griffith University. I have enjoyed my learning experiences and University has provided me with many great opportunities. It is hard work, but you are not alone. There is much support especially from GUMURRII Student Support Unit.

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University of SA to offer new degree

THE University of South Australia will offer a new undergraduate degree in Indigenous Cultures and Australian Society next year.

Head of School: Unaipon School Professor Alan Mayne says the Bachelor of Arts in Indigenous Cultures and Australian Society will give students the opportunity to explore Australian history and cultures and their impact on contemporary Aboriginal issues.

"This new degree will suit students with a strong interest in culture and diversity, as well as an enquiring mind and a desire to explore the issues confronting Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians," he says.

"Potential students need to enjoy writing and researching using a variety of sources. Throughout the program they will have the opportunity to think critically about a range of past and contemporary Indigenous issues as they relate specifically to various aspects of Australian society."

The program has been designed for those who wish to, or already work in the public sector, in business, the

community or service organisations where an understanding of Indigenous Knowledges in the broader Australian and global setting is required.

It has also been designed to meet the needs of students who require an Indigenous Knowledges, Australian History or Australian Studies major as a foundation for further study or research.

Suitable

Prof Mayne says graduates of the new program will be suitable for employment as project officers, community services personnel, executive officers, customer services and team leaders across a range of industries and business areas in the public service and human and community service organisations, as well as in the private sector.

Further information about the new degree – which can be studied externally – is available at www.unisa.edu.au/unaipon or phone UniSA's Future Student Enquiries team on 1300 UNINOW or (08) 8302 2376.



On the right course ... University of South Australia students Jasmine Valadian and Ron Farr.



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UniSA's Bachelor of Arts (Indigenous Cultures and Australian Society) gives students the opportunity to study a professional major in Indigenous Knowledges, Australian Studies or Australian History. Subjects such as Pitjantjatjara and Kurna Language and Culture are also available.

This degree offers flexibility and caters for both internal and external learning needs.

For more information please visit unisa.edu.au/unaipon or call 8302 0802.



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Building foundations for a brilliant future



Nicholas Arundel ...
"It's amazing what opportunities arise when you start to make sacrifices and chase your dreams."



Bianca Chaptini ...
"University is a short sacrifice for a long-term gain."

UNIVERSITY of South Australia International Studies student Nicholas Arundel says going back to university as a mature-age student has been the most challenging time of his life – but also the most rewarding.

The 28-year-old Indigenous student is close to finishing his first year of a Bachelor of Arts (International Studies) after last year completing UniSA's Foundation Studies program. He says he is now looking to forge a career in foreign relations, possibly international diplomacy.

"Prior to enrolling in the

UniSA Foundation Studies program, I was working in telecommunications," he said.

"I wasn't satisfied with my lifestyle, felt the work was unrewarding and that I had more to offer.

"I was fairly apprehensive about going to uni, mostly because I didn't know if I would have what it takes to be successful in tertiary education. But then I learned that the Foundation Studies program at UniSA was free of charge and would allow me to spend a year on campus to see from there if I wanted to embark on an

undergraduate program.

"Being that the only investment was my time and there was potentially so much to be gained, I went for it."

Nicholas says he is now studying in a field that interests and stimulates him, and he also has a new job working as a mentor to at-risk Indigenous students.

Support

He was also awarded a 2011 Gavin Wanganeen Indigenous Scholarship which provides financial support for his study.

"It's amazing what

opportunities arise when you start to make sacrifices and chase your dreams," Nicholas said.

Meanwhile, 24-year-old Bianca Chaptini recently graduated from a Bachelor of Marketing and Communication and is now in a graduate role with UniSA.

The Indigenous graduate said university provided her with the opportunity to have a fulfilling career.

"Once you've got a degree, it opens up so many doors," Bianca said.

"It expands your opportunities enormously. And just because you study one field, it doesn't

mean you are stuck in that one industry.

"University is a short sacrifice for a long-term gain. And once you're at university, the student services available at UniSA for Indigenous students are really great.

"The Indigenous Student Service group provides textbook vouchers, free computer and study room use and a range of other support that I found very helpful."

Information about study at the University of South Australia is available at <http://www.unisa.edu.au/future/indigenous/>



Thomas Farren
Bachelor of Engineering (Civil)
UniSA, Mawson Lakes Campus

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'University is nothing like school, it takes learning and shows where those skills can be applied in real life, and it's a great place to meet new people and further your knowledge in areas that you enjoy. The teaching staff at UniSA are very approachable, friendly and the facilities are great too, there are many computers and resources around campus and the staff at Indigenous Student Services are always there to help.'

For more information visit unisa.edu.au/future/indigenous



University of
South Australia

Tough choice pays off

GEORGE DICKSON says the most difficult decision in his life was to leave his home in Bourke, north-western NSW, and attend St Joseph's College in Hunters Hill from Years 7 to 12.

But sometimes it's the tough decisions, like leaving home, that can create the best opportunities, and for George that initial tough decision led him to enroll as a full-time student at Sydney's Macquarie University.

"It was hard and has been the hardest thing I have done in my life, but I was given an opportunity and wanted to use it," George said.

He was part of the largest group of Indigenous students to complete the Higher School Certificate at St Joseph's in 2010.

When the opportunity came for an accommodation scholarship at one of Macquarie University's residential colleges and various other scholarships that helped with the cost of living and study expenses, George didn't hesitate.

He is now studying for a Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Education Primary degree, taking full advantage of the opportunity he has to study

at Macquarie and participate in university life.

With a passion for education, George says his goal after graduating is to return home to his community in Bourke and teach.

Living away from home George is no stranger to home sickness, but he says he finds the support offered by Warawara, Macquarie's Department of Indigenous Studies, a 'massive help'. "It's similar to the support I

received at St Joseph's," he said.

"Every day I drop in and say hello to everyone at Warawara and I've met other Aboriginal students who I've become close friends with."

George says he would like to see more Indigenous people go to university and in roles such a police officers, teachers and other jobs in the community.

"If we have more of our own people working in these positions, it would be much easier for Indigenous people," he said.

"My advice to other Indigenous students in high school or away at boarding school is 'stick by it and finish and you'll see the benefits at the end'."

'Every day I drop in and say hello to everyone at Warawara and I've met other Aboriginal students who I've become close friends with'



George Dickson at Macquarie University in Sydney's north.

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Indigenous students thrive at Macquarie University across all faculties studying law, science, psychology, Indigenous studies and a range of other courses that will enable them to make a real difference in their communities.

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The Bachelor of Community Management (BCM) and Bachelor of Teaching (Early Childhood Services)* are delivered in block mode, making them accessible for both local students and students from regional areas who aren't able to relocate to Sydney for study.

For further information on courses, the Alternative Entry Program and the BCM and BTeach(ECS) block mode courses contact:

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Happy campers at UWA

IN the July school holidays, 46 Indigenous high school students from across Western Australia participated in The University of Western Australia's School of Indigenous Studies' Science, Engineering and Health Camp.

The students experienced a range of hands-on activities across the university campus during the week-long camp which introduced them to study and career options.

They also met current Indigenous university students and graduates studying and working in science, engineering and health fields.

Major sponsor

Those students most interested in going into an engineering-related career visited Woodside, an independent Australian oil and gas company and a major sponsor of the 2011 camp, where they met Indigenous staff and participated in geology activities.

Woodside has a history of working with the School of Indigenous Studies through its cadetship and recruitment programs, and past UWA Indigenous students Jarrad Taylor and Adam Casley were on hand to tell students about their



Students at the The University of Western Australia's School of Indigenous Studies' Science, Engineering and Health Camp.

transition from university to working for the company.

Students said it was great to learn about the oil and gas

industry and were already thinking about job options.

Camps are run every year by the School of Indigenous Studies

whose Outreach Program supports Indigenous high school students aspiring to tertiary education in conjunction with

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students had to say about
their experiences at
university as an Indigenous
student...

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of age and with
an injury that would
eventually mean I could
no longer work in my
current job, I decided I
needed to further my
education.

“I had initially
applied to do an
undergraduate degree,
but with the prior
learning I had done
with the Navy and my
job as a paramedic,
Woolyungah got me on
track for my Masters
degree and now I am
close to finishing!

“The
professionalism and
the support the centre
gives make it easier for
people like me and
others realise that we
can achieve any goal
that we may set out to
do.”

MARK REES
Master of
Indigenous Health



“W OOLYUNGAH Indigenous Centre
has really been an amazing help
with my studies at university. I'm
originally from the NSW South Coast
down in Jervis Bay, where I completed
my first year of university doing a
Bachelor of Arts degree at Shoalhaven
Campus in West Nowra.

“I decided I needed a change and
transferred to Wollongong University to
complete a Bachelor of Primary
Education. I did not end up coming to
the centre until the second year of my
course as I was anxious about how I
would be accepted there as an
Indigenous student.

Honestly, after my first time visiting
the centre I haven't left. The atmosphere
is extremely comfortable and feels like a
home away from home, which is really
important as I come from a small town.

Coming to the centre and utilising its
facilities has made me excel in my
studies as well as making it a more
manageable and enjoyable experience.

I would highly recommend for anyone
to come and check out the centre and
see how you can personally gain from
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Robbie Williams

> passion for archaeology & cultural heritage

Robbie Williams is a Ngunnawal/ Nambiri man undertaking a Bachelor's Degree in Archaeological Practice at ANU. He never thought he would go to university, especially not to the national university.

Robbie graduated from St Edmund's College Canberra, in 2006, and then was employed at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal

and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), before returning to study. Through the Australian Public Service Indigenous Cadetships Program, Robbie has been able to continue to work at AIATSIS whilst he is studying, which has assisted him greatly in his endeavour to achieve a higher education qualification.

"Whilst I could have gone to another university, the strong relationship between AIATSIS and ANU means there is no better place for what I want to do, and there is always the option for exchange in later years," Robbie says.

"I really appreciate having the support of the Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre [at ANU]. It's nice to have somewhere that's always friendly and welcoming, and it's great to meet other Indigenous students. The staff and facilities there made a big difference to my induction into university".



Charlee-Sue Frail

> building a career within Indigenous affairs

Charlee-Sue Frail has already won accolades for her work with Indigenous youth. Now the experience has inspired her to work towards a research degree at ANU.

The 25-year-old Ngemba woman is enrolled in the first year of a Bachelor of Arts degree at ANU.

Although her country is the Ngemba Region, near Brewarrina in New South Wales, Charlee-Sue was raised in Wollongong and completed her HSC there.

Once she finished high school, Charlee-Sue worked as an Aboriginal Health Worker in both the Aboriginal Medical Service in Wollongong and Brewarrina. For five years, Charlee-Sue worked with Aboriginal youth in NSW. She was named the 2008 Shellharbour Indigenous Young Achiever of the Year for her outstanding work in this area.

In 2009-2010, Charlee-Sue worked with the Echidna Indigenous Research Consultancy Group looking at Indigenous health in NSW communities. It was this introduction to research that ignited her passion to build a career around working in Indigenous Affairs.

Charlee-Sue's other great love is travel and she hopes one day to use these passions for the betterment of Indigenous Australians, by working as an adviser to government and as a consultant and researcher.



Fleur Adcock

> influencing states to respect Indigenous rights

Fleur Adcock is from the iwi (tribe) Ngati Mutunga in Aotearoa New Zealand. Her PhD research explores how the international system can be mobilised to influence states to better respect Indigenous peoples' rights.

Fleur says she's glad to have chosen to do her postgraduate research at the ANU National Centre for

Indigenous Studies, which she describes as "intellectually stimulating and inspiring".

"Being a legal scholar, it is fantastic to get to study under the guidance of a leading legal expert in Indigenous rights like Professor Mick Dodson. As it is an inter-disciplinary centre I find I am constantly exposed to diverse ideas and projects, not to mention so many interesting people.

"The people, staff and students, are wonderful. Studying with the centre means being part of a tightly knit, friendly and supportive team, in addition to enjoying all of the broader benefits that studying at ANU has to offer."



Samuel Curkpatrick

> journey to discover Indigenous Australian musical traditions

Samuel Curkpatrick is doing postgraduate research at the ANU National Centre for Indigenous Studies (NCIS) to look at how traditional ceremony is transforming and being kept vital in new contexts and with new technologies.

"A few years ago, I decided that as an Australian musician I needed to know more about the great classical

music traditions of this land – traditions which encode ceremonial Law and underpin many Indigenous societies.

"NCIS has ... brought together specific expertise from musicology, linguistics and cultural studies.

"I am very happy with my choice to study as a part of NCIS ... because of the guidance that has shaped my thinking in ways that could only have come from a department of such diverse expertise and experience."

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A model of the proposed new \$12 million campus of the Institute of Koorie Education at Deakin University, scheduled to open later next year.



A sign at Deakin University's Institute of Koorie Education welcoming people to Wathaurong country.



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Education celebrates



There was no shortage of tucker as people from far and wide came to help celebrate IKE's 25th anniversary.



Former Victorian Premier 'Honorary Aunty' Joan Kirner, who was a key player in setting up the institute.

25 years and going strong

YOU'RE never too old to learn, not even if you are the Chair of the Board of Deakin University's Institute of Koorie Education (IKE).

"Something I just found out," said Geraldine Atkinson, "is that there is no Aboriginal family in Victoria that cannot be linked to a graduate of IKE."

"This proves what a far-reaching impact it has had and that, of course, was one of its major aims."

Ms Atkinson was speaking at the celebration, held on Wathaurong Land at Deakin University's Waurin Ponds campus outside Geelong, held to mark the 25th anniversary of IKE.

During the celebration, many thoughts went back to the original four students who graduated from the then-Koorie Teacher Education Program in 1987.

Since then, almost 600 Indigenous people have graduated at degree and masters level across education, health, business,

law, science and the arts.

The IKE staff now includes three of Victoria's six Aboriginal professors.

Institute Director Professor Wendy Brabham said IKE's strength lay in its community-based delivery model, which allowed students to leave their communities and attend

Deakin Vice-Chancellor Professor Jane den Hollander said IKE was 'not only about the transfer of knowledge, but the creation of knowledge'.

"With a current full-time student load of around 300, this means that Deakin's participation rate – the proportion of students who identify as Indigenous – is 1.76 per cent, way above the state rate of 0.64 per cent," she said.

"This is a remarkable achievement." Plans were also unveiled for a new \$12 million building, which will include a dedicated performance space.

While Prof Brabham says she has made a commitment to remain at IKE to see the building open in late 2012, it would then be time to 'pass on the message stick'.

"You are the makers of our program," she told the gathering of graduates from over the years," she said.

"You are our story."

– By Greg Burchall

'We are powerful when we have knowledge'

– Institute of Koorie Education Director Wendy Brabham

Deakin for intensive study, staying at the Kitjarra residences.

"It provides the opportunity to demystify this Western knowledge system and place it alongside our own cultural heritage," she said.

"We are powerful when we have knowledge."



Uncle Phillip Cooper, IKE Director Professor Wendy Brabham and Dr Alf Bamblett at the celebration.



Je Be Weng Dancers perform for Elders, graduates and guests at the institute celebrations this month.



The new Oorala building, opened in 2008

Oorala set to celebrate

FOUNDED in 1986, the Oorala Aboriginal Centre at the University of New England is preparing to celebrate its 25th anniversary.

As a precursor to the celebrations, centre founder Lynette Riley visited UNE earlier this month to deliver the 25th annual Frank Archibald Memorial Lecture.

Ms Riley established the lecture series in the year of the centre's foundation as a way of honouring Frank Archibald, a revered member of the Armidale community who was renowned for his knowledge of Aboriginal issues – particularly those relating to the education of his people.

Ms Riley is now academic co-ordinator of the Koori

Centre – and a senior lecturer – at the University of Sydney. During her career of more than 30 years in Aboriginal education she has been actively involved in finding new solutions and bringing about lasting change in the community. The Oorala Aboriginal Centre continues to contribute to that process of social change.

When she officially opened UNE's new, purpose-built Oorala building in 2008, Julia Gillard (who was then Deputy Prime Minister) referred to the centre's important work in helping to 'close the gap' in the representation of Indigenous Australians in the education system.

"This is a very special centre," she said, referring to



The old Oorala building at the University of New England in Armidale, northern NSW.

the work of Oorala as a study and educational advisory centre for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at UNE, and to the 'passion' of its staff.

That 'passion' is represented in the leadership of Oorala's current director, Debra Bennell, who came to UNE at the beginning of this

year from her previous position as a lecturer in social work at Edith Cowan University in Perth. At Edith Cowan she had won, in 2002, the university's Aboriginal Consultative Committee Prize for academic excellence and contribution to student life.

"As well as serving

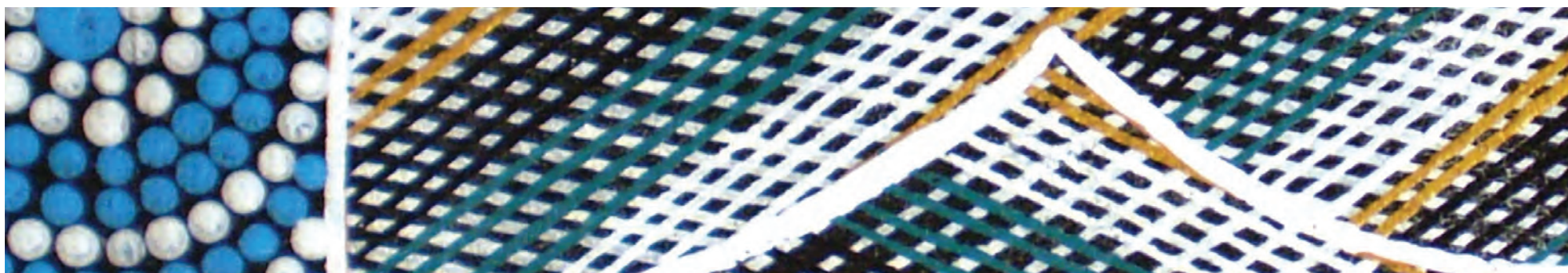
our Aboriginal students, the Oorala Centre is also about building partnerships within the university, and between the university and the community," Ms Bennell said.

As a public event, the annual Frank Archibald Memorial Lecture is an important component of that relationship with the wider community, having attracted to Armidale speakers such as the late Charles Perkins, Michael Dodson, Noel Pearson, Linda Burney, Jackie Huggins, Aden Ridgeway, Deborah Cheetham and Rachael Maza Long.

The anniversary of Oorala will commemorate its history and its 25 years of offering facilities, programs and

services of a nationally recognised standard to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students who have chosen to study at UNE. The number of Indigenous students enrolled at UNE has grown from 50 in 1989 to more than 475 in 2011, and since 1990 a total of 552 graduates have been supported in their success by the centre's ongoing commitment.

Former Oorala directors and staff members and former UNE students are welcome to submit stories, photographs and memorabilia for the centre's anniversary, and are asked to contact Oorala on (02) 6773 3034. More details about the event will be announced soon.



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OHS degree is opening doors

GRACEMERE resident Rachel Dunphy spent five years with the State Emergency Service so she would have the chance to excel, and now she's approaching her degree through CQUniversity with the same positive mindset.

"I chose Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) because it was a really great degree, and looked like it would be able to take me places and give me opportunities to excel myself," she says.

"I'm really enjoying the degree and the places it has taken me so far. I have also secured an Indigenous cadetship with Rio Tinto and did some vacation work over Christmas with them for 12 weeks in Nhulunbuy in the Northern Territory.

"It was fantastic to see what it was like in that part of the country, so it was really exciting and kind of daunting at the same time.

"But the experience I gained from being up there was invaluable."

Rachel says CQUniversity Australia proved a good choice for her tertiary studies because it was close to home and she was enjoying all of her subjects.

"The lecturers are great, the people in the subjects are great. Also because most of the students doing this course are already in OHS roles, they give really great advice," she said.

As a full-time student who visits CQUniversity Rockhampton campus most days, Rachel says she is able to access plenty of support, especially from staff at Nulloo Yumbah, CQUniversity's Indigenous Learning, Spirituality and Research Centre.

'Our place'

Nulloo Yumbah in the language of the Darumbal people means 'our home' or 'place'. It has been responsible for being the voice of Indigenous people in the university and the voice of the university to Indigenous communities for more than 25 years.

Rachel's OHS degree, the

Bachelor of Occupational Health and Safety, is designed to develop professional expertise in the identification and anticipation of occupational health and safety hazards in the workplace.

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The university says its strong relationships with industry bodies ensures the program is continually updated with the latest health and safety practices.

CQUniversity student Rachel Dunphy ... "I'm really enjoying the degree and the places it has taken me so far. I have also secured an Indigenous cadetship with Rio Tinto and did some vacation work over Christmas with them for 12 weeks in Nhulunbuy in the NT."



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Health by social media



Kayleen Wallace: "I work with young adults ... and I am really excited about the prospects of new health promotion campaigns that use social media like Twitter and Facebook to reach our Indigenous kids."

FACEBOOK, Twitter and YouTube are being used by a group of Indigenous health-care professionals to promote healthier outcomes in rural and regional Australia.

The students of the Graduate Diploma in Indigenous Health Promotion at the University of Sydney are applying the communications strategies they have learned in the lecture room to their local communities.

They have learned the best ways to integrate the social networking tools Twitter, Facebook and YouTube into their health promotion strategies to improve the health and well-being of rural and regional Australia.

The course, which is being offered for the first time this year, has provided Latoya Harbin, from Mount Archer State School in Rockhampton, with an ideal method of communicating with Indigenous families who do not respond to phone calls or letters sent from the school.

While working with the principal and teachers as an Indigenous teacher aide, Latoya's job is to make sure all Indigenous children at the school are coming to school every day, and on time.

She uses Facebook to notify

the parents of children who are not attending school regularly or who are constantly late to school. Latoya says that from making contact on the social networking site, parents are responding within a matter of minutes or hours, as they may not have any credit to phone the school or they just didn't see the absence as a matter of urgency.

So far Latoya has made contact with 15 families through Facebook.

"Before, if children were coming in late to school or missed two consecutive days or more I have been contacting the family by phone. It was hit and miss; people change their mobile phone numbers all the time," she said.

Challenge

"Learning to use social media to promote truancy issues is certainly a great challenge and a terrific first step in reaching out to our school community.

"It means I can be an advocate for my community and champion the government to address IT barriers in remote communities to ensure messages are received."

Kayleen Wallace, who works with youth at risk of type-2 diabetes in the Queensland

town of Warwick, is also applying social networking techniques learned during her studies.

"I work with young adults on a daily basis, and I am really excited about the prospects of new health promotion campaigns that use social media like Twitter and Facebook to reach our Indigenous kids," she said.

"I work in collaboration with a nutritionist at the local hospital and we have developed individual nutrition plans for the kids aged between 16 and 22. We are planning to hold a healthy eating expo in the very near future and social media will help us attract to the kids to the expo.

"I want to use social media because I know the kids are always using their mobile phones to SMS and contact each other so it's a great way for me to communicate with them."

Course senior lecturer Michelle Dickson says Indigenous health promotion aims to improve Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health at a community level. This means identifying community needs and strengths, developing a plan of action and putting it into practice.

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Partnerships in training

EMPLOYEES from the Northern Community Operations Branch, Office of Environment and Heritage, NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet, recently completed a qualification TAE40110 Certificate IV Training and Assessment at Booroongen Djugun College, Kempsey.

The training for the qualification is essential for conducting community education of regional staff involved in Aboriginal site awareness programs delivered to Aboriginal and other client groups.

The course was made possible with funding by the Northern Region State Training Services, NSW Department of Education and Training.

The staff said they selected Booroongen Djugun due to the college's course delivery style, which is flexible, culturally appropriate learning and conducive to the group's identified needs, whilst maintaining quality and meeting course requirements.

A three-way partnership has been formed with the NSW divisions, the community and Booroongen Djugun College. The success of this project has strengthened the partnership.

The TAE40110 Certificate IV in Training and Assessment is a

nationally recognised qualification. The TAE40110 is the upgraded qualification of the superseded TAA40104.

Hilton Naden, Manager of the Northern Community Operations Branch, Office of Environment and Heritage, said: "Part of the job that we do is delivering training in community, to organisations, and across government departments."

"The community education, a community capacity building activity, can now be matched to a qualification rather than people having skills that aren't recognised."

Sensitive


Participant Ashley Moran said: "The trainer has been excellent. He was sensitive to our cultural, personal and individual learning needs; regardless of gender, background or where we come from."

Another participant, Maxine Naden, said: "We are a part of the Country Cultural Heritage Division NSW. So we are one of five groups state wide, I come from the Parkes Division."

"After experiencing the quality of the training at Booroongen Djugun College, I would encourage other departmental staff to also get their qualification."



Graduates of the Training and Assessment qualification course with management of Booroongen Djugun College.



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'Proud Spirits' at CSU



Final-year student Sharn Bergen speaking at the 'Proud Spirits Keep On Burning' conference.

AS part of their final year in the Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health) at Charles Sturt University (CSU), 20 Indigenous students recently organised and hosted a conference 'Proud Spirits Keep On Burning', which was officially opened in Wagga Wagga by NSW Mental Health Minister Kevin Humphries.

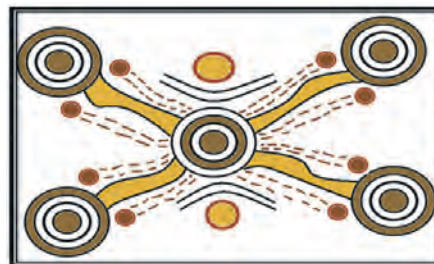
With a focus on improving Indigenous mental health, the tertiary level course, also known as the Djirruwang program, is offered by distance education through the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Indigenous Health at CSU in Wagga Wagga to Indigenous students who are working or will work to improve the health and well-being of their own communities across Australia.

The 20 final-year students, from the ACT, NSW and WA, delivered presentations on a range of mental health topics, including juvenile justice, mental health carers in remote communities, dementia, depression, domestic violence, sexual health, menopause and school bullying. This represents one of the largest student intakes since the program started, initially as a pilot in 1994. They are due to graduate from the university this December.

The new director of the Djirruwang program, Faye McMillan, praised the Indigenous students for their presentations.

"The third-year student conference is the culmination of all the hard work and dedication shown by the students," she said.

"They can be proud of their achievements as can Charles Sturt



The 'Proud Spirits Keep On Burning' conference logo, designed by Steven Stanton, a third-year CSU student from Gamilaraay country.

University in its contribution to Closing the Gap in Indigenous disadvantage."

One of the final year students, Sharn Bergen, a Dharruk/Kamilaroi Koori man raised in western Sydney, spoke of his passion to use his education at CSU to keep Indigenous youth out of the criminal justice system.

During his conference presentation, Mr Bergen told how education and 'teaching the young people to be black and proud' are the keys to breaking the cycle of incarceration.

Ahead of his new position as an Aboriginal youth health worker on the NSW Central Coast, Mr Bergen told the conference: "If not for this program (Djirruwang), I would not be where I am today. We have to support each other and our kids."

Djirruwang means 'light' in the NSW south coast Indigenous Tharawal language and pays respect to the many people who

contributed to this program's success including Aboriginal people from the area in which it originated. The success of the Djirruwang program has roots in vision, ownership, self-reflection, empowerment and interaction between teacher and student. It is a program that promotes reconciliation.

Graduates of the Djirruwang program have been employed in mainstream mental health, community mental health services, Aboriginal medical services, child protection agencies and Aboriginal community controlled health services at state, territory and Commonwealth levels. They may also work as healers and consultants with Justice Health and Correctional Services or in forensic psychiatry.

In 2008, the Djirruwang program was named a winner by the Australian Learning and Teaching Council (ALTC) for '14 years of successful education for Indigenous mental health students: respecting the integrity of Indigenous and mainstream cultures and building the Indigenous mental health workforce'. The 2008 Citation for Outstanding Contributions to Student Learning was awarded by the ALTC, an initiative of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

Further information about the Djirruwang program can be found at http://www.csu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/mental_health/course-overview

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Darryl French with Tranby Community Development graduates.

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Additionally, Tranby graduates over the past 50 years have been part of a movement that not only ensures the survival of our people, but raises that bar in unifying and engaging our mob in relevant culturally appropriate education that inevitably strengthens our communities.

Long-time Tranby Aboriginal College Program Manager, Darryl French, a proud Gamilaroi man from Moree, north-west NSW, has always believed what his late father once told him – 'to the non-Indigenous community there is something more threatening than a black man... an educated black man'.

As one of 11 siblings growing up on the mission in Moree, subject to the vile government policies where keeping the black man down was a staunch priority, Darryl knew the strongest and most powerful way to help his people was to get an education, and then to never stop learning thereafter.

"What I've found over my life time is that infiltrating the white man's education system has been a great survival tool for me. It allows me to challenge this system, and get real changes implemented for our people," Darryl said.

Moving from the rural

This article from Tranby Aboriginal College profiles Program Manager DARRYL FRENCH

regional town of Moree to the 'big smoke' of Sydney in 1993, Darryl became a graduate of the Australian Catholic University where he gained undergrad qualifications. This put him on a journey to begin addressing some of the many issues that have been disadvantaging his people in all aspects of Aboriginal education.

Years later, Darryl furthered his studies by completing a post graduate degree in the Masters of Commercial Law at Macquarie University, Sydney.

"I used to always feel intimidated by non-Indigenous academics, but when I got my qualifications it gave me the courage to believe in myself and to speak out and not be silent any more," he said.

Many roles

A fighter for his people, Darryl is unrelenting in his drive to see his people succeed, spending years working in education in many roles as an educator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

He has taught at different levels and also went on to become an academic at Macquarie University from 2000-2005 where he lectured in academic business and communication, and is now the program manager and lecturer of Tranby's Diploma of Community Development.

"I believe we have to be proactive within our fight for our

own education, we can't always be reactive when challenging the system," he said.

Proof that a boy from the 'mish' can achieve to the highest of standards in a predominantly white man's world, Darryl has a list of awards to his name including a Human Rights National Corporate Award, for being the co-author of the Whole Schools Anti-Racism Resource Package, a Director-General of Education and Training Award for Excellence for his contribution to public education in NSW, and a Gold Medal from the Department of Education and Training for his ongoing contribution and support to public and community education.

In January 2008, Darryl was invited to deliver a 12-day lecture series in Canada at the Indigenous Law School at York University, Toronto. As well as delivering a series of lectures on White Australia and associated policies, native title issues, Stolen Generations, NT Intervention and many other social issues that have impacted on the lives of his people, he was fortunate enough to be a guest and visit a Canadian First Nations reservation.

Darryl's other international ventures have been to attend the Healing the Spirit Conference in Alberta, Canada, and the World Indigenous Peoples Conference in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

● For further information on the staff and students of Tranby Aboriginal College or the courses offered, contact (02) 9660 3444 or admin@tranby.edu.au



ABORIGINAL COLLEGE

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- **Diploma of Business (Governance)**
- **Diploma of Community Development**
- **Advanced Diploma of Applied Aboriginal Studies**

All courses are VETAB accredited and ABSTUDY approved.

Diploma of National Indigenous Legal Advocacy (NILA)

This Diploma was developed as part of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission National Indigenous Legal Curriculum Development Project. This was in response to one of the recommendations of the Royal Commission Into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody. It is ideal for those currently working, or wanting to work, as legal field officers. However, it is also suitable for anyone seeking general legal knowledge for use in their communities; and those who would like to continue on with tertiary- level studies in law. The course is delivered in block release study periods over two years.

Diploma of Business (Governance)

Students who undertake the Diploma in Business (Governance) will learn a variety of skills, including the roles and responsibilities of board members, strategic planning, protecting culture, working with management, organisational finances, policy development and community leadership. A key component of the course is simulated board meetings, where students gain vocational experiences of working on a board. The course is delivered in block release study periods over 12 months.

Diploma of Community Development

This Diploma focuses on important areas such as economic development, self determination, politics of Aboriginal development and community planning, and will give students a better understanding of the functions and responsibilities of Indigenous-controlled community organisations. Course participants are encouraged to work on a community based project as part of the assessment for this course. The Diploma is undertaken on block release over a two year period.

Advanced Diploma of Applied Aboriginal Studies

This course is designed to provide participants with the knowledge, skills and understanding necessary to work with Indigenous people and organisations. Graduates of the Diploma are qualified to enter a range of positions within Aboriginal communities and organisations, as well as government and non-government agencies, engaged in work with Aboriginal peoples. Relevant positions include field workers, consultants, advocates, negotiators or educators. The Diploma is delivered by block release study periods over two years.

Funding received by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations enables Tranby to assist students with travel and accommodation to and from Sydney.

Testing and Assessment is a requirement of all Tranby Courses – Students must participate in a pre-enrolment interview. Enrolment Submissions are required by 31/10/2011.

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Allen on right course

ALLEN ROBERTS is a Yorta Yorta Man from Shepparton in Victoria's Goulburn Valley and went to Mooroopna Secondary College before completing his high school education in Melbourne.

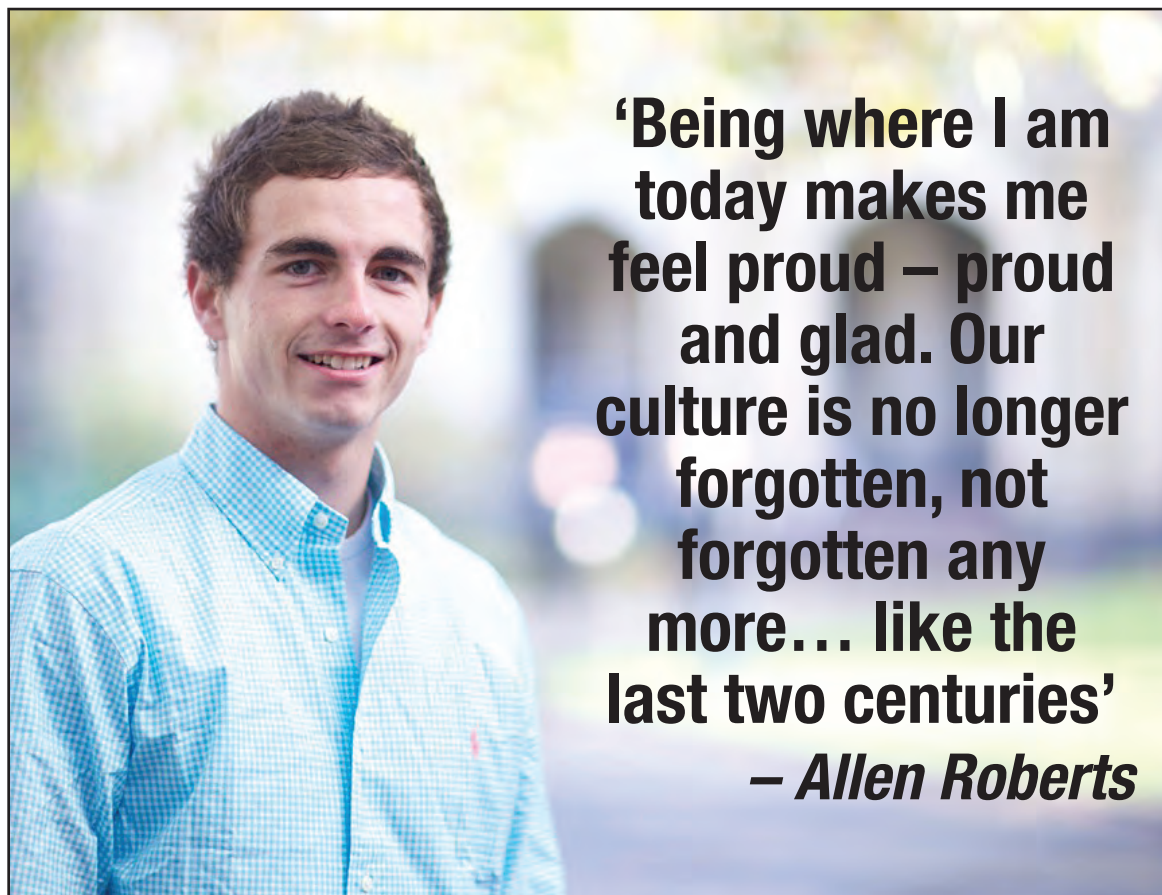
"I suppose Melbourne's not that far from Shepparton," says Allen.

"But in other ways it may as well be a life time away. At least in terms of my experience over the last few years."

Allen's now studying at the University of Melbourne in the second year of the Bachelor of Arts (Extended), a special entry program that provides alternative pathways for Indigenous students to enroll at the institution that has now been officially ranked as Australia's number-one university.

"The BArts Extended has given me an opportunity to go on to higher education," says Allen, "an opportunity that would otherwise not have existed for me."

In fact, at one time Allen did not even think he'd finish high school. Now, only a few years later, he is not only studying and excelling at university, but has secured an internship at the multi-national US investment banking and securities company Goldman Sachs. So one day a



'Being where I am today makes me feel proud – proud and glad. Our culture is no longer forgotten, not forgotten any more... like the last two centuries'
– Allen Roberts

week Allen dons a suit and holds down an asset management role in the company's Melbourne office in the city.

"One day I ran into some old friends from school," says Allen. "They couldn't believe their eyes to see me in a suit!"

The opportunity Allen refers to goes beyond those relating to education and work. As part of the BA Extended program, he

lives at the university's famous Trinity College, with all that offers in terms of academic support and mentoring, and social networking.

He is also a talented footballer and has recently been selected in the Melbourne University First XVIII for the Australian University Games to be held on the Gold Coast from 25-30 September.

Having mastered the move away from home and travel within Australia, Allen has now set his sights globally and is currently applying to do a semester overseas next year through the Melbourne University Global Mobility program which offers students the chance to study abroad as part of their course.

Two years into his tertiary studies, Allen is also tossing up whether to transfer to the Bachelor of Commerce Extended once he's successfully completed the prerequisite maths subject he's studying this year, or just apply for an MBA or other Masters program at the conclusion of his BA.

"The options seem endless," he says.

"Being where I am today makes me feel proud – proud and glad. Our culture is no longer forgotten, not forgotten any more... like the last two centuries."

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From left: Tiana Culbong (Noongar woman) Carla Scafi (Wiradjuri woman) and Thomas (Doodja) Kickett (Noongar man) are studying the BA Extended at the University of Melbourne

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*Melbourne is rated Australia's number one university by The Times' Higher Education World University Rankings 2010/11.



Simone Ulalka Tur and Assoc-Prof Daryle Rigney. They have strategic roles aimed at enhancing Flinders University's engagement with Indigenous communities, students and staff.

Two in key roles at uni

RECRUITING, supporting and retaining Indigenous students and staff in the higher education sector is top of the to-do list for Simone Ulalka Tur, the new director of Flinders University's Yunggorendi First Nations Centre for Higher Education and Research.

Ms Tur officially began her three-year term in the director's chair earlier this month, following more than 12 years in various teaching and mentoring roles at the centre.

Yunggorendi – a Kurna word meaning 'to impart knowledge, inform and communicate' – was established at Flinders in 1990 and plays a crucial role as the university's hub for Indigenous teaching, research and community engagement.

Ms Tur's appointment is one of two significant strategic appointments which is aimed at further enhancing Flinders University's engagement with Indigenous communities, students and staff.

Associate-Professor Daryle Rigney, Dean of Indigenous Strategy and Engagement – a newly-created position at Flinders – will work closely with Yunggorendi and faculty-based activities such as the university's two new Poche Centres for Indigenous Health, based in Adelaide and Alice Springs.

The key purpose of Assoc-Prof Rigney's position is to ensure a whole-of-university strategic focus in relation to its programs, the recognition of Indigenous knowledge and

perspectives, the promotion of teaching and research in Indigenous matters, the employment of Indigenous staff and engagement with Indigenous communities and issues.

"Flinders University, located on the lands of the Kaurna people, is an exciting and special place," Assoc-Prof Rigney said.

"The establishment of the dean's position is an important step which recognises the role of education in providing positive pathways for Indigenous development.

"I also recognise that our

is the reshaping of our teaching so that staff and students have the opportunity to become more involved in post-graduate courses," she said.

"We could explore more ways to bring expertise from across the university together to the centre to develop Indigenous-focused research and education programs – that may include things like shared research grants or cross-collaboration teaching."

Since she started working at Flinders in 1998, Ms Tur said she has been particularly impressed with the university's

'community practice approach' to supporting Indigenous students.

"We've developed a community within a community and our students are at the heart of that – they feel a sense of belonging not only here on campus but in the broader community and I think that has been a strength of Flinders University," Ms Tur said.

"One of the main

goals in the university's strategic plan is to enhance the student experience beyond their degree programs and I think we do that very well, particularly in terms of helping our students to gain scholarships or cadetships that complement their future careers."

The academic appointments coincide with the 21st anniversary of Yunggorendi, including a formal dinner in October to celebrate the achievements of alumni, current and former staff.

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institutional aspirations are expressed by and linked to other Indigenous people throughout the world, and so the internationalisation of the university's effort is an important element to our strategic engagement."

Ms Tur said she was 'very excited' to take on the new leadership role, which she regarded as a 'testament to Flinders University's commitment to Indigenous higher education'.

"A goal I'd like to achieve

Keeping pace with Heartbeat

INDIGENOUS students from Years 4 and 5 gathered at the University of Western Sydney's Campbelltown campus last week for the second consecutive year to explore health and medicine.

'Heartbeat: keeping pace' was part of a planned series that aimed to raise Indigenous students' awareness of health issues, and potentially inspire some of them to aspire to future careers in medicine and health-related fields.

Manager of Schools Engagement at UWS Anne McLean said for most of the students it was their second 'Heartbeat' experience.

"More than 100 students took part in the first event last year and they enjoyed learning and getting a taste of university life," she said.

Ms McLean said that under the program, UWS aimed to reconnect with students each year as they progress through primary school and into high school, and support them in their educational goals, with specific opportunities for those who do decide to pursue careers in medicine and health.

"Schools that haven't participated yet will be able to join the program from

November this year, starting with students in Year 3 and 4," she said.

"We are keen to contribute to better long-term health outcomes for Indigenous Australians, through increased knowledge and by encouraging young Indigenous students to see university as an option, particularly in medicine, health and related sciences."

Activities

Students were split into groups and take part in five different activities, run by UWS staff and students from Medicine, Nursing and Biomedical and Health Sciences, and staff from the Tharawal Aboriginal Medical Service, which is partnering with UWS in the event.

Indigenous undergraduates from medicine, nursing, exercise science and health science acted as guides.

Schools participating in 'Heartbeat: keeping pace' are Blairmount Public, Bradbury Public, Briar Road Public, John Warby Public, Leumeah Public, Minto Public, Narellan Public, Ruse Public, Thomas Acres Public and St John the Evangelist Primary School.



Yunggorendi First Nations Centre for Higher Education and Research

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Calling all Indigenous Alumni of Flinders University. Please contact us so we can invite you to our 21st dinner celebration and stay in touch.



inspiring achievement

Opera star in charge

INTERNATIONALLY acclaimed Australian Indigenous opera singer soprano Deborah Cheetham has been appointed Head of the Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts at the Faculty of the VCA and Music, University of Melbourne.

The Wilin Centre supports Australian Indigenous students at the Victorian College of the Arts and the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music. It educates and encourages students, staff and the public to recognise, celebrate and engage with diverse Indigenous arts, artists and communities.

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*.

Since her international debut in 1997, Ms Cheetham has performed in the theatres and concert halls of the United States, Europe, the United Kingdom, New Zealand and throughout Australia.

Dean of the Faculty of the VCA and Music, Professor Barry Conyngham, welcomed Ms Cheetham's appointment.



Deborah Cheetham, the New Head of the Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts with, from left, Tiriki Onus (current student, BMusPerf (Voice), Urairie Mastrovas (alumna, BDram 2010), Carly Sheppard (current student, BDance) and Léuli Eshraghi (Arts Programs Manager at Wilin Centre).

"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. 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."

Ms Cheetham said her *Pecan Summer* opera, which will be presented at Melbourne's Arts Centre Playhouse from September 28-30, features a cast of current students and alumni from the faculty of the VCA and the Melbourne Conservatorium of Music.

About the Wilin Centre

Wilin, 'fire' in the Eastern Kulin Nation language Woi Wurrung, represents the continuous spirit and living culture respected and shared by Elders, alumni, staff, students and supporters alike. Situated within the Faculty of the VCA and Music, Southbank, the Wilin Centre is dedicated to Indigenous arts, artists, communities and career development. The unique Southbank arts precinct is built on a historic meeting and celebration place of the Eastern Kulin Nation.

Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts.



Theatre graduate Maurial Spearim.
Courtesy Jorge de Araujo Photography.

Wominjeka - Welcome

Situated in the heart of the Melbourne Arts precinct, for almost 10 years the Wilin Centre has connected Indigenous artists with a pathway to their future in the visual and performing arts.

The Victorian College of the Arts and Melbourne Conservatorium of Music offer the highest quality undergraduate and postgraduate courses in the disciplines of Dance, Theatre, Music, Visual Arts, Production and Film and Television. Applications for 2012 close 30 September 2011.

For further information email: eugenia.flynn@unimelb.edu.au

(NB: applications for Film and Television are now closed)

Indigenous Arts Management

Australia's only graduate course in Indigenous Arts Management prepares artists, arts workers and managers for leadership roles in the professional world of the Indigenous Arts. The Graduate Certificate provides specialist knowledge and skills across a range of arts disciplines. The course takes place over a semester in 4 one-week intensives.

Applications for 2012 close 30 November 2011. www.unimelb.edu.au/gradcertiam

Winter and Spring Intensives

With a strong focus on developing new works and ideas the Winter and Spring Intensive programs are suited to a range of disciplines. The inaugural intensive programs lead to the creation of Australia's first Indigenous opera *Pecan Summer* by Yorta Yorta Soprano and Composer Deborah Cheetham.

For further information email: cheed@unimelb.edu.au

The Lin Onus Conversations

The Lin Onus Conversations connect leading Indigenous arts practitioners with the public to discuss Indigenous arts, histories and future directions. This series fosters collaboration and solidarity between Aboriginal and migrant peoples.

For further information email: leulie@unimelb.edu.au

The Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts acknowledges and respects the inherent rights of the Boon Wurrung and Woi Wurrung language groups of the Eastern Kulin Nation.

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Principles the key to success

SOUTHERN Cross University offers a range of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees through the Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples.

The courses are designed to explore Indigenous knowledge for Indigenous and other students by increasing their understanding about Indigenous cultures, worldviews and contemporary issues.

Professor Adrian Miller, the Head of Gnibi, said the teaching and learning process was founded on the principles of social justice, cultural integrity and social inclusion.

"The Bachelor of Indigenous Studies and Bachelor of Trauma and Healing are programs that have unique features not found in other universities in Australia," he said.

"We take a strong multi-disciplinary approach and provide a range of flexible delivery options."

In the *Good Universities*

Guide 2012, Southern Cross University received the maximum five stars for entry flexibility and Indigenous participation.

Post-graduate courses offered through Gnibi include the Master of Indigenous Studies.

One of the graduates of the Master of Indigenous Studies, Kathy Mokaraka, was this year named the Southern Cross University 2011 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year.

Therapies

Ms Mokaraka is working with the Ruah Community Services in Western Australia's Department of Health. She develops and facilitates healing therapies for Aboriginal women, both in prison and in the wider community.

She applied herself to studying Aboriginal mental health and welfare, while working in remote Aboriginal

communities over many years, and writing courses for Aboriginal health workers before undertaking her Master of Indigenous Studies at Southern Cross University.

Prof Miller said all Indigenous students at Southern Cross University were supported in their studies through the Indigenous Australian Student Services.

Courses are offered on campus at Lismore and by distance education. In 2012, select units will also be available at Coffs Harbour and SCU Lakeside, Caloola Drive, Tweed Heads.

Applications for study in 2012 can be made via UAC and QTAC. Applications for distance education can be made direct to the University. Direct entry applications will also be considered for on-campus study, subject to conditions.

For further information, visit scu.edu.au/gnibi or phone 1800 816 676.



Master of Indigenous Studies graduate Kathy Mokaraka, who was this year named the SCU 2011 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year.

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Teachers of tomorrow

If today's crop of current scholarship holders is anything to go by, the future of the next generation is looking bright.

Following are the stories of a few of the young people taking up a teacher education scholarship from the NSW Department of Education and Communities, and who will be graduating soon to join the ranks of NSW public school teachers.

Melissa Silva is aiming to graduate next year with a Bachelor of Health Science (PDHPE) degree from the University of Western Sydney. Melissa plans to teach in areas like Parramatta, Blacktown and Mount Druitt.

"These are close to home, and they also have a high proportion of Aboriginal students," she says.

For anyone considering a teaching career, Melissa advises: "Be pro-active and seek advice from your teacher or careers adviser. Actively seek scholarship programs like the DEC scholarships."

Melissa's inspiration: "Think about the difference you will be making in the lives of your student".

Bobby-Ann Trindall, who is



MELISSA SILVA

working to graduate from the Australian Catholic University in Strathfield in 2013 with a degree in Bachelor of Primary Teaching (Indigenous Studies), wants to provide inspiration for the Aboriginal youth in her



WESLEY SHAW

community at Campbelltown.

"My mother encouraged me to pursue teaching to better support my Aboriginal community," she says.

Bobby-Ann knows that as a teacher she will be able to give



BOBBY-ANN TRINDALL

back to her community and be a role model for young Aboriginal people.

Her motivation: "Teaching and making a difference in a child's life is hard work, but it's so rewarding".

Wesley Shaw, who is on course to graduate in 2014 with a Bachelor of Art Education degree from the College of Fine Arts, intends to pursue a teaching career in visual arts.

"My visual arts teacher at high school was a major influence on my career choices, and she was very supportive and encouraging," he says.

The biggest benefit of the teacher education scholarship, according to Wesley, is the assurance of a permanent job once he graduates – a guarantee not always offered in other scholarships.

Best of all, he adds, it gives him the opportunity to one day pass on the knowledge he's learnt to the next generation.

People interested in following in these students' footsteps may apply for a 2012 DEC teacher education scholarship.

Up to 80 scholarships are available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to train as teachers in primary or any secondary subject area.

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Wellness is the goal

A NURSE-LED research project undertaken by the Queensland University of Technology (QUT) has offered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women from Brisbane North and Cherbourg a rare opportunity to come together to discuss what is needed to overcome the horrific health statistics, life expectancy and chronic illness of Indigenous women, through the development of an Indigenous Women's Wellness Health Program.

"In a previous research project, I identified that Indigenous women were not being catered for within standard women's health prevention programs," Professor Debra Anderson, from QUT's School of Nursing and Midwifery, said. "So that was the basis for our current research project, which was supported through Diabetes Queensland and conducted with a team of QUT researchers, including Associate Professor Bronwyn Fredericks, and PhD student Melissa Walker."

Assoc-Prof Fredericks is an Indigenous health researcher at QUT with extensive experience working within and across Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the areas of health, well-being and human services.



From left, Debra Anderson, Bronwyn Fredericks and Melissa Walker discussing the research project.

Ms Walker is a Palawa woman who lives in North Brisbane Gubbi Gubbi country. She has more than 21 years' nursing and Indigenous health practice and is a PhD student on the project.

Stage one of the research is now complete.

"The research participants suggested that a health program be delivered through a not-for-profit organisation and advocated the formation of lasting Indigenous women support groups to represent, advise and advocate for this population in the area of

diabetes management," Prof Anderson said.

She said plans for the development of this not-for-profit organisation, and the support groups, were now under way.

"Typically, diabetes issues are handled through a process of

individual consultation with a health professional. However, the research participants have indicated that a more suitable way of educating Indigenous women about managing their diabetes issues would be through the process of yarning," Assoc-Prof Fredericks said.

Ms Walker said they also felt this group setting would provide the opportunity for women to discuss mental health issues and social and emotional wellness – which are all factors affecting diabetes.

Another outcome of the research project will be a two-day Brisbane North Indigenous Women's Health Summit, held around International Women's Day in March 2012, supported by Indigenous community organisation Bunyabilla Inc, Qld Health and Diabetes Queensland.

"The women participating in the research feel that the project could create lasting impacts on the Brisbane North Indigenous women's community and their health outcomes," Prof Anderson said.

The women in Brisbane North are now in the process of becoming a registered not-for-profit non-government organisation (NGO).



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ACU's five-star rating for Indigenous participation

AUSTRALIAN Catholic University (ACU) has received the maximum five-star rating for Indigenous participation in the 2012 *Good Universities Guide*. More than 370 Indigenous students are studying at ACU, across all five faculties.

ACU says many of the courses they are enrolled in have been developed specifically to meet the educational and career needs of Indigenous students – such as the Associate Degree in Indigenous Education, and the Bachelor of Midwifery (Indigenous).

The university says flexible courses are also available, allowing students to live and work in their own communities, and come to Sydney only four weeks a year for face-to-face lectures.

Last year, the university was one of the first in Australia to introduce Indigenous staff research scholarships in a bid to facilitate valued Indigenous

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contribution to learning, research and community engagement.

ACU said the *Good Universities Guide* rankings also demonstrated the satisfaction of graduates, with the university receiving four stars for student demand, domestic teaching quality, getting a full-time job and student-staff ratio.

Cultural diversity and access by equity groups were two other areas where ACU received high marks – with four and three stars respectively.

ACU Vice-Chancellor Professor Greg Craven said he was pleased to see the university perform so well in categories highlighted by the Bradley Review into Higher

Education, namely that 40 per cent of 25- to 34-year-olds be university-educated by 2025.

"A significant, if not the main factor towards achieving this goal will be ensuring that all students have equitable access to higher education, and several programs at ACU have been designed specifically with this in mind," he said.

"In light of our recent growth in student numbers, I am especially pleased that our significant investment has paid off, and the student-staff ratio has actually improved compared to last year's rating."

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University of Adelaide to give native title a boost

THE University of Adelaide has been recognised as a national leader in native title research after winning Commonwealth Government funding to address a major skills shortage in this area. Over the next 12 months the university's Anthropology discipline will use more than \$250,000 from the Attorney-General's Department to train more anthropologists in native title and look at developing a national curriculum dealing with this complex issue.

"There is a huge need for professional practice in this area and not enough anthropologists in Australia with expertise in native title claims," says Dr Deane Fergie, a senior lecturer in anthropology at the University of Adelaide.

The grant money will be used to establish a physical and virtual hub for native title anthropology at the University of Adelaide, with study leave fellowships awarded to anthropologists from around Australia to mentor, develop teaching materials, write papers and exchange knowledge on native title issues.

The group will develop specific research approaches to Indigenous communities and also look at processes to better inform the governance structures which are required to administer native title.

The remainder of the funds will be used



to instigate discussion on a national curriculum on native title anthropology in universities around the country.

"Native title anthropology is a relatively

new field as it only began after the Mabo judgment in 1992 and the subsequent establishment of the *Native Title Act*," says Dr Fergie.

"It is a very challenging area for anthropologists, partly because each State has its own native title regime and there are a variety of stakeholders. Indigenous societies are very complex and a one-size-fits-all approach doesn't work.

"That is why we welcome the opportunity to create an infrastructure for professional development at the University of Adelaide."

Dr Fergie says up to six short-term fellowships will be offered to native title anthropologists in the next year.

Additional expertise in this field is expected to reduce the backlog of native title claims across the country, although the Federal Court and Attorney-General's Department in South Australia has taken a lead in expediting cases before the courts.

Recently, the Australian Greens proposed changes to the *Native Title Act 1993* which would remove the onus on Aboriginal groups having to prove continual occupancy of the land when lodging native title claims.

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"The research, training and fellowship will benefit all native title practitioners and represents a major step forward in understanding and resolving these claims," says Dr Fergie.

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Southbank Institute wins Leesa's praise

LEESA EGGMOLESSE reflects back to when she worked casually at her local supermarket and how far she's come today. It was her mother's encouragement to study community services at South Brisbane's Southbank Institute of Technology that created a turning point in her life and now she has career choices she never thought possible.

In 2009, the 20-year-old researched programs in arts, justice, community services, education, business and training and assessment specifically aimed at Indigenous students which are offered through Southbank Institute's Indigenous Australian People (IAP) School.

Leesa enrolled as a full-time student in the Diploma of Family Intake and Support Work the following year.

"Course content included the support needed in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities for dealing with issues such as



'The teachers were beyond supportive and they gave up a lot of their time for students... who needed extra help' – Leesa Eggmolesse

drug and alcohol abuse, mental health and the services provided to Indigenous youth," she said.

"It also covered subjects on the Stolen Generation along with the impact it has on many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people today."

Leesa said she enjoyed the supportive learning environment at Southbank Institute.

"The teachers were beyond supportive and they gave up a lot of their time for students who were struggling or needed extra help," she said.

"We went on excursions and had access to resources which helped us understand the subject matter a lot better. As a group we

felt we could really make a difference."

After successfully graduating, Leesa underwent a training program called IWEPP (Indigenous Work Experience Program), an innovative model for work preparation designed to assist government departments meet their Indigenous employment targets.

The program was linked to a traineeship that was being offered through the Diversity Unit in the Department of Education and Training and in partnership with Southbank Institute of Technology's School of Indigenous Australian People.

"I spent five weeks in

administration training within Southbank Institute and a further five weeks within the Department of Education and Training," said Leesa.

"The work experience was great for learning diverse skills, meeting new people, and getting a taste of different work environments."

As part of the program articulation, Leesa was then offered a 12-month traineeship at the same department, which is where she works today.

"After the 12 months I hope to stay on here within the department, however with my qualifications and experience I could go on to uni and further my education and become a counsellor, youth worker, case

manager – anything regarding community services," she said.

"I would recommend Southbank Institute as a starting point for anyone interested in getting a kick-start in their career and doing so in a supportive and friendly environment."

In addition to a new skill set, Leesa said she had also learnt more about her own culture and family history.

"You don't have to know what you want to do with your life, just take opportunities and chances as they come, and if you put in the effort then you will get results," she said.

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THE recent inaugural Education toward Employment (E2E) Recruitment and Careers Expo co-ordinated by Qld Transport Main Roads and held in Brisbane has been hailed as a success.

A total of 67 current Year 12 Indigenous E2E students and parents attended, with students joining Queensland Government agency information sessions and participating in interviews for government employment opportunities.

The goal was to give all current Year 12 E2E scholarship holders the chance

to network with participating agencies, and for Queensland Government agencies to match students to employment opportunities available early next year.

This year's expo was co-ordinated by the Department of Transport Main Roads (Brisbane).

Agencies

Government agencies taking part in the expo included the Department of Communities, Employment Economic Development and Innovation, Qld Health, Justice and

Attorney-General and the Public Service Commission.

E2E scholarships are available each year, and Year 9 Indigenous students throughout Queensland may apply.

Successful applicants receive a \$5000 scholarship to assist them through Years 10, 11 and 12. There were more than 600 applications for the 2012 intake, the most applications received since E2E started in 1998.

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Jasper's future is set in stone

STONEMASONRY student Jasper Luckhurst, from TAFE NSW – South Western Sydney Institute's Miller College, has been named the Apprentice of the Year at the 2011 TAFE NSW Gili Awards.

Gili (pronounced Killi) is a word from the Eora language meaning to shine. The annual TAFE NSW Gili Awards celebrate and recognise the achievements of Aboriginal TAFE NSW students, staff and programs who have contributed to their communities through training and education.

Jasper completed his apprenticeship and Certificate III in Stonemasonry (Monumental/Installation) at Miller College in April and is now employed at the NSW Department of Public Works.

He has worked on the restoration of many of Sydney's historic

buildings, including the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, the State Library and Central Station.

Honoured to receive the award, Jasper said he hoped his achievements would inspire others to pursue their goals.

"I was very happy to receive the award," he said.

"It's not every day you receive this kind of recognition.

Achievement

"There are many people who do good things for the community, so to be considered amongst the very best is a great achievement.

"This award shows what is possible if you try your best, and hopefully it will inspire other students to achieve."

A talented craftsman, Jasper said stonemasonry was the perfect career choice.

"I had always been

interested in the old stone buildings in Sydney, so when I was looking to take up a trade, stonemasonry seemed like a great option," he said.

"Studying at Miller College prepared me well for the industry. The knowledge, history, techniques and skills I learnt at Miller College made me a lot more confident in my abilities."

Institute director Peter Roberts congratulated Jasper on his achievements.

"Jasper is an exceptionally skilled student who is well deserving of the Gili Apprentice of the Year Award," he said.

"An outstanding stonemason, Jasper has made a memorable and lasting contribution to his Sydney community. It's fantastic to see students such as Jasper excel in their chosen career paths and achieve great results."



NSW Apprentice of the Year Jasper Luckhurst ... "This award shows what is possible if you try your best, and hopefully it will inspire other students to achieve their goals."

Course is delivering

ONE-FIFTH of the students who started Griffith University's Bachelor of Midwifery program in 2011 were Indigenous.

Griffith says this group of 19 students, whose ages range from 19 to mid-50s, will bring a highly-valued and much-needed set of skills into their communities on completion of the three-year full-time course.

A key strand of the Federal Government's Close the Gap initiative, the collaboration also addresses disadvantage experienced by some Indigenous students in the university sector and ensures they are adequately equipped and supported to complete the course.

The link between Griffith University and Townsville District Health Service was officially launched in Townsville.

Griffith Professor of Midwifery Jenny Gamble said the university was engaging with a key global strategy to reduce maternal and new-born mortality and poor health.

"This can be achieved by providing birthing women with quality midwifery care," she said.

Indigenous communities throughout northern Queensland would gain from the key initiative, she said.



Participants in the Griffith University Bachelor of Midwifery program. One in five of the students who started this year's course are Indigenous.

Prof Gamble paid tribute to Townsville District Health Service Executive Director of Nursing and Midwifery Cathy Styles and Nursing Director for Indigenous Health Roianne West. The collaboration is the brainchild of Ms Styles and Ms West, and the

unique design of Griffith's Bachelor of Midwifery program made it feasible.

"The provision of a well-trained and culturally capable maternal and child health workforce is pivotal," Ms West said.

"Given that midwives make up

the greatest percentage of that workforce, an Indigenous midwifery workforce is paramount."

After two weeks of intense study at Griffith's Logan campus started their university year, 10 students from Townsville and

another from Charters Towers returned to the state's northern reaches to continue their studies. First-year midwifery students from Dalby, Cunnamulla, Beaudesert, Ipswich, Jimboomba and Lismore were also part of the group.

"I can see it going further, especially when word gets around that we are specifically encouraging Indigenous women to come to study midwifery here," Griffith University Indigenous support officer Cheryl Cannon said.

"It's a big step for Indigenous women to have that knowledge base. These students want to be at the forefront of Indigenous midwifery.

"Most of them are mothers already and they realise how important it is to have someone from their own community to deliver babies."

The students worked online for the remaining 12 weeks of the semester, with Griffith's GUMURRI Student Support Unit ensuring each had one-on-one technical support. They also had a full-time lecturer in Townsville to teach them.

The students returned to Griffith's Logan campus for another two-week stint at the start of the second semester.

The Pilbara gets some *Good Lovin'*

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



GOOD Lovin', a play about making positive sexual health choices, has hit the Pilbara this week, visiting schools and

communities in Karratha yesterday, Roebourne tomorrow (22 September) and Onslow on Friday (23 September).

Award-winning Indigenous playwright David Milroy said it was the third year the Yirra Yaakin production had toured the regions of Western Australia and for each tour he did a re-write, making sure some of the local language was used in the play.

He also checked the names of

the characters to make sure they didn't accidentally coincide with somebody who had passed away.

"I use some fairly obscure names (in the play), so there's less chance... but I always check anyway," he said. "Also there are different cultural sensitivities for different regions."

Milroy said that in its first year *Good Lovin'* toured the WA Goldfields region, and because there was such a strong hip hop youth culture there, they got Scott Griffiths (MC Optamus) from hip hop band Downslyde to compose some songs for it, and his music continues to be a feature.

"It was a path to make it engaging," Milroy said.

"We would leave CDs with the schools and community groups

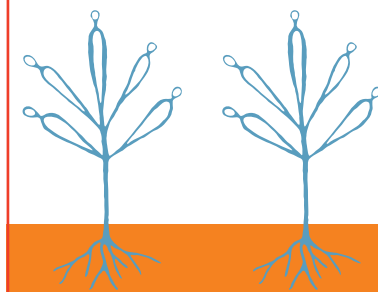
that we'd visited. A lot of the messages are conveyed through the songs. Teenagers are so good at learning the lyrics to songs, they can digest them really easily."

Milroy said theatre was a great vehicle for getting messages across to communities.

"It's entertaining and it's much more subtle than walking in with pamphlets and sitting people in front of a video," he said. "And you can sometimes deal with topics that might be hard to broach with just a health worker... the audience can sit back and watch it all being done in third person, and then they can reflect on that. There's a nice little buffer zone there. It's a very powerful tool."



Actors performing in this year's season of *Good Lovin'*, back from left, Alyssa Thompson, Zac James and Shakira Clanton with Ian Wilkes in front. Photo courtesy of Yirra Yaakin



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Winnunga CEO Julie Tongs with mental health nurse Kerin O'Brien.



Winnunga deputy chairperson Ethel Baxter and chairperson Judy Harris.



Darren Williams and David Towney joined in the open day at the Canberra health service.

Open day at Winnunga in Canberra

By DARREN COYNE



THE Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service in Canberra held an open day recently to proudly reveal its new facilities.

The service, which has operated for 23 years, used a \$1.3 million Federal Government grant to renovate its Narrabundah premises.

Winnunga chief executive officer Julie Tongs told the *Koori Mail* that it had been business as usual as the service closed for just a day and a half during its renovation.

She said the key to Winnunga's ongoing success was that the service provided a holistic approach to health ... not just doctors and nurses.

With a staff of 60, clients have access to healthy lifestyle programs, diabetes clinics, dentistry and a podiatrist. A psychiatrist, an acupuncturist and

a dietician are also available.

But the care doesn't stop there. Ms Tongs said some clients had revealed they were having issues at Centrelink offices. The solution? Bring Centrelink to Winnunga once a week.

Some clients had trouble getting their lawns cut or rubbish removed because of ill health or a partner in prison.

The solution? Send around the home maintenance team to do the job.

Easier for clients

"It's about making it easier for our clients," Ms Tongs explained.

And the care is not just for clients.

"When the Apology (to the Stolen Generations) was on in Canberra we set up a clinic at the Aboriginal Tent Embassy and also supplied meat and vegetables for many of the visitors who just jumped in their cars to be there on that day," Ms Tongs said.

"We're good at pulling things together. You've just got to get

out there and do that type of work."

Ms Tongs had special praise for Dr Peter Sharp, who has been with the service since the beginning but has recently been fighting his own health battles.

She told how 'Dr Pete' had spent 10 years looking after the inmates at Goulburn Prison, and proved so popular that when the jail at Cooma was opened, inmates wrote asking for Dr Pete to come look after them.

"We connect with our clients no matter who or where they are and that's what makes this service special," Ms Tongs said.

Winnunga chairperson Judy Harris said the service had provided comprehensive, high quality health care for many thousands of Aboriginal and other people from Canberra and surrounding districts.

Ms Harris gave the welcome to country at the open day and said it had been a pleasure to watch the service grow to what it now was.



Jane Bennett, Geoff Richardson and Rod Little at the open day.



Winnunga board member Lynette Goodwin and Beth Sturgess, the assistant to the CEO.



Pam Yealland is an access worker who organises appointments with midwives for expectant mothers.



Jay Morrissey looks after reception and the needle exchange at Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service.

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Matthew Simpson painting a pole.

Students set for festival

By MARGARET SMITH



ABORIGINAL students have taken part in an art and music workshop at Baradine, north-western NSW, to prepare for this week's Moorambilla Festival in Coonamble.

Festival artistic director Michelle Leonard said participants came from schools across the region, and she personally visited more than 20 schools to select students, some of whom had their workshop fees paid by scholarships.

This year's festival theme relates to carved trees, and a 180-strong student choir will perform music in part written by the students in workshops run by composers Luke Byrne and Dan Walker.

One of the keenest participants was 14-year-old Matthew Simpson, from Brewarrina.

In between rehearsals for the choir and a Japanese drumming group, Matthew designed and painted three colourful poles which will be displayed at the festival.

Matthew said he loved doing the painting. "At home I know two Aboriginal artists. One of them, Morris Sullivan, works at Brewarrina Aboriginal Cultural Museum," he said.

After the camp, Matthew's mother Linda said her son came home full of enthusiasm for the art he'd learnt.

"That's all he could talk about, even though he loved the choir. We thought he'd be a singer, but now he seems to have discovered another talent as well!" she said.

Workshops at the Moorambilla Festival will include emu carving with Jos Greenaway, and basket weaving with Louise Marne.

Artist features people of note

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



BRISBANE-based artist Ryan Presley has reinvented Australian dollar bills in a series of watercolours, using imagery of Aboriginal leaders and activists.

The works feature in his solo exhibition *Prosperity*, which opens today (21 September) at Jan Manton Art in Brisbane's Spring Hill and runs until 15 October.

Presley has an Aboriginal father with family connections to the NT Moyle River region (Peppimenarti/Port Keats) and a Danish mother, and this is his first solo show since graduating from Queensland College of Art at Griffith University last year with first-class honours.

By replacing the white Australian figureheads on dollar bills with images of Aboriginal leaders like Bunuba resistance fighter Jandamarra, land rights trail-blazer Vincent Lingiari and Noongar traditional owner Fanny Balbuk, Presley questions the perceived notions of ownership, wealth and status and critiques the fiscal economies of Australia, versus the non-fiscal economies of Aboriginal Australia – sustainability versus consumption.

Prominent

His work *Blood Money: \$50 Fanny Balbuk Commemorative* depicts the prominent Noongar traditional owner, who famously raged against the appropriation of traditional lands and tracks until she died in 1907.

In one account by Daisy Bates, to whom Balbuk provided information about Noongar culture and history, she describes Balbuk asserting her rights and ownership by following a straight track to a jilgie (freshwater crayfish) gathering place in the swamplands where Perth railway now stands.

"And when a house was built in the way, she broke its fence palings with her digging stick and charged up the steps and through the rooms," Bates' account said.



Blood Money: \$50 Fanny Balbuk Commemorative, watercolour by Ryan Presley.



Blood Money: \$20 Jandamarra Commemorative, watercolour by Ryan Presley.

Presley said he started working on the series last year, and had originally done a work featuring David Unaipon, who graces the \$50 bill.

But he later decided against using his image, because of the way he felt Unaipon's legacy had been mis-appropriated.

"I totally respect (David Unaipon). I just think he's possibly mis-used by white society," Presley said.

"He seems to be used as a symbol of a 'good Aboriginal' in white eyes. They've got him in a suit, on the mission and how

his inventions have helped elements of white society.

"So last year I replaced him with (Bidjigal warrior) Pemulwuy who was stridently against assimilation. He couldn't be mis-used as a symbol because he was so obviously against white settlement."

Prosperity is at Jan Manton Art, 1/93 Fortescue St, Spring Hill, Brisbane until 15 October. Saturday 10am-4pm, Wed to Fri by appointment only.

For further information call (07) 3831 3060 or visit www.janmantonart.com

Kurtjar artist's work on show at Bondi gallery



BLOODWOOD Totem, an exhibition of works by Kurtjar artist Ian Waldron, opens at Coe-ee Aboriginal Art Gallery at Sydney's Bondi Beach tomorrow (22 September) with a free, hour-long seminar starting at 6.30pm with a Q&A session to follow.

This is Waldron's first solo Sydney show, bringing together more than 30 paintings and sculptures. His traditional country is between Karumba and the Mitchell River on the Gulf of Carpentaria, but he is now based in Cairns.

Last year he won the Glover Prize for landscape painting, and back in 1995 he

won the Open Painting category in the Telstra Art Award.

Language and culture are integral to Waldron's practice, and while he does not speak Kurtjar fluently, his mother impressed upon him the importance of learning his language and keeping his culture.

Themes of language and lost languages are a strong component of Waldron's work, and words from the Kurtjar language appear in many of his paintings, both to honour the language and as a comment about preserving it.

The seminar brings together a panel of experts who use language and text in

poetic ways to connect culture and language. Joining Waldron on the panel will be Coe-ee gallery director Adrian Newstead, language specialist Dr Bronwyn Eather and artist, sculptor and poet Richard Tipping, who is an expert in the use of text in art, with his exhibition *Off the Page. Poetic Text as Public Art* currently on show at the Customs House in Circular Quay until 9 October.

The *Bloodwood Totem* opening and seminar is from 6-8pm and places in the seminar are limited. To book contact the Coe-ee Aboriginal Art Gallery, 31 Lamrock Ave, Bondi Beach, on (02) 9300 9233 or email info@coeeart.com.au

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This year an assistant curator has been engaged for the duration of the awards at fortyfivedownstairs, a position supported through the Indigenous Visual Arts Residency Program – a federal-state initiative.

Artist and arts administrator Hannah Presley, who has been appointed to the position, said entering the awards was a great way for artists to reach new

audiences and build a national and international profile.

"We are very proud that past award recipients and finalists such as Reko Rennie and Megan Cadd, have gone on to achieve greater recognition or had their artwork acquired and exhibited by galleries across Australian and around the world," Presley said.

As part of her nine-month residency at fortyfivedownstairs,

Ms Presley will travel Victoria promoting the 2012 Awards and encouraging entries.

The awards are free to enter and open to all Indigenous artists aged 18 or over living in Victoria.

Artists can submit up to four artworks (which must have been completed since 28 October 2010), and all categories are open to two- and three-dimensional works, including

new media and multi-media.

Entries to the Victorian Indigenous Art Awards 2012 must be received by no later than close of business, Friday 28 October 2011.

For more information visit www.indigenousartawards.com.au or contact Hannah Presley on (03) 9662 9966 or viala@fortyfivedownstairs.com

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Girringun success



With some of their work on the Townsville Strand beach are Girringun artists, from left, Tonya Grant, Valerie Keenan, Leonard Andy and Debra Murray.

By ALF WILSON



ARTISTS from Cardwell's Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre have won a major award in the Townsville Ephemera contest.

Girringun centre represents artists from nine traditional owner groups – the Nywaigi, Gugu Badhun, Warrgamay, Warungnu, Bandjin, Girramay, Gulgnay, Jirrbal and Djiru.

A total of 36 entries were received in the 2011 Ephemera exhibition and each was displayed for several weeks.

Competition was strong in the \$10,000 Award for Artistic Excellence, which was judged by art academic Sebastian Di Mauro.

The major prize was split between *Bagu with Jiman*, by artists from the Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre, and Erica Gray's *Rock Anemone*.

'Fabulous blend'

Di Mauro, a senior lecturer at the Queensland College of Art, praised the Girringun artists' work as being 'a fabulous blend of traditional and contemporary materials'.

"From the ochre painting right through to the plastic webbing used they demonstrate a beautiful understanding of their materials," he said.

"Some pieces are quirky, some more suggestive of something other, and the number and range of pieces in *Bagu with Jiman* contribute to its overall power. A strong connection to the land and location is also evident."

The *Koori Mail* met with Girringun centre manager Valerie Keenan and artists Tonya Grant, Leonard Andy and Debra Murray as they were packing up the exhibition.

"A total of 21 artists were involved in this. It took six months of hard work and almost a tonne of clay was used," Keenan said.

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Artwork from the Pilbara on display again in Perth



THE annual Colours of our Country Pilbara Aboriginal art exhibition is now on in Perth, providing an insight into cultural traditions, narratives and landscapes.

Presenting a collection of more than 200 artworks from 44 Pilbara-based artists, the event has been supported by mining company Rio Tinto since 2006 and has led to the sale of 719 artworks over that time, generating more than \$1 million for the artists, the art groups and their communities.

One of the featured artists, Ngarluma Elder Violet Samson, from Roebourne Art Group, started painting in 2007. She said her country was rich with flowers, bush tucker and bush medicine and she has multiple works, all called *Bush Tucker*, in the show. They celebrate this connection to her country.

Rio Tinto chief executive of iron ore Sam Walsh said the exhibition was a wonderful opportunity for the people of Perth to experience a slice of the Pilbara in the heart of the city.



Bush Tucker by Violet Samson.

Colours of our Country is on until 30 September at the Central Park building foyer, 152-158 St Georges Terrace,

Perth, open from 10am-4pm daily. To view the exhibition catalogue go to www.ciwa.riotinto.com

Self Portrait, 2010, acrylic paint and cement, by Jason Wing.



None other than 'The Other, Other'



SYDNEY artist Jason Wing says he aims to challenge the stereotypes of what is generally perceived to be 'Aboriginal' in his show *The Other, Other* which opens at Tandanya – National Aboriginal Cultural Institute on 30 September.

Wing hails from the western Sydney suburb of Blacktown, and with a Chinese (Cantonese) father and Biripi Aboriginal mother his work in *The Other, Other* explores issues of race, addiction and culture using a variety of mediums including photography, sculpture and installation.

"I use my Chinese, Aboriginal and Australian perspective to comment on current social and political issues," he said.

This is Wing's first exhibition at Tandanya following on from a 2010 OzAsia residency at the Adelaide Festival Centre.

The Other, Other will be launched on Friday 30 September at 6pm at Tandanya, and before the opening Wing will deliver a free talk at the gallery from 5pm.

Thornton nails his latest work

By MARGARET SMITH



THE opening of Warwick Thornton's latest exhibition, at the Stills Gallery in Sydney, drew a large crowd.

On the walls are graphic photographic artworks depicting an Aboriginal man nailed to a white cross over a brilliant red desert, a swamp-filled land, and a night image that resembles Darling Harbour.

In a nearby room, an 11-minute digital 3D video, *Stranded*, plays on a big screen. Here, Thornton – best known for making the hit movie *Samson & Delilah* – has filmed himself dressed in brown as a sort of Christ figure, on a white cross that turns slowly, hovering over a desert waterhole.

It is confronting, tragic and ironic – and a momentary yawn from the protagonist suggests we can see the image in various ways simultaneously.

The work was commissioned by Brenda Croft for the *Stop the Gap* exhibition at the Adelaide Film Festival.

At the Sydney opening, leading curator Hetti Perkins gave the welcome to country and told the crowd that 'Warwick transcends parameters and challenges stereotypes. He has taken a league from (photographic artist) Michael Riley... Warwick's work is an interrogation of Christianity and how it affects our lives. He's like a cowboy Jesus across all generations'.

After the opening, Thornton told the *Koori Mail*: "I'm still trying to work out what it's all about – people can make up their own minds."



Warwick Thornton with one of his new works.

He recalls how he got angry a few years ago 'about our legal system which is based on Christianity which destroyed our language and culture. But to claim your land back you have to prove a traditional link. You're damned if you do and damned if you don't'.

Thornton said he doesn't see himself

as a sacrifice, and enjoyed the whole experience of making and promoting *Samson & Delilah*, and is now filming *The Sapphires* for director Wayne Blair.

The exhibition, with Michael Riley's work, is on at Stills Gallery, 56 Gosbell Street, Paddington NSW, Tues-Sat until 8 October.

Deadline nears



INDIGENOUS Australians under 30 who work in the creative arts sector have until 30 September to be nominated for the 2011 Yvonne Cohen Award of \$5000.

Nominees must have demonstrated achievements in the arts, artistic and/or community leadership and growth of artistic and/or creative ability. Applicants can be nominated by an organisation or an individual, but cannot nominate themselves, and supporting material should include a CV, two letters of support or recommendation (in addition to the nomination) and supporting material such as photographs, slides, a DVD or CD.

For more information contact Sue Davies on (03) 5684 1274 or 0419 434 398 or email suedavies@pacific.net.au

Welcome to *The Koori Mail's National Calendar of Events*. We welcome your submissions. Please keep them short and include a daytime telephone contact number for checking purposes. Items can be emailed to calendar@koorimail.com, faxed to (02) 66 222 600 or call us on (02) 66 222 666.

National

Until 14 October: Charlie Perkins Indigenous Scholarships – calling for applications. The scholarships are directed at Indigenous Australians who have the potential to become leaders in their field of study and in their communities. All welcome to apply. Details: (02) 9469 8100 or visit www.perkinstrust.com.au

Until 30 October: 28th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award exhibition. The award is one of the premier national events in the Australian Indigenous arts calendar. All welcome. Held at the Museum and Art Gallery, Conacher St, Fannie Bay, Darwin. Details: (08) 8999 8203 or (08) 8999 8264 or visit www.magnt.nt.gov.au/natsiaa

25 September: Variety fundraiser for Aboriginal Tent Embassy's 40th anniversary. Featuring music and a barbecue. Free and all welcome. Held at The Front Café, Wattle St, Lyneham. Details: email contactwgar@gmail.com

28-30 September: Australasian HIV/AIDS and Sexual Health Conference 2011m featuring international speakers and information-packed sessions addressing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and much more. All welcome. Held in the Foyer, National Exhibition Centre, Canberra. Details: (02) 8204 0704 or email media@ashm.org.au

Until 5 October: The ABR Sidney Myer Fund Fellowship is calling for applications for Indigenous writers with significant publication record to submit a substantial article with an Indigenous focus – either a profile of major Indigenous literary/ culture figure or a discursive essay with Indigenous literary/ culture themes. The fellowship is worth \$5000. Free and all welcome. Details: (03) 9429 6700 or visit www.australianbookreview.com.au

17-20 October: 2011 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Conference. An ideal opportunity to review progress, celebrate achievements and map pathways to close the gap between the educational outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. All welcome to register. Costs for registration may apply. Held at Darwin Convention Centre, Stokes Hill Rd, Darwin. Details: (08) 8999 3543 or email alan.moore@nt.gov.au or visit www.natsiec2011.org

NSW-ACT

Until 20 November: Yellomundee Aboriginal Bushcare Group tree planting and weed pulling, also a fishing competition and more. Free barbecue 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.

21 September: Jarjum Bike Track Opening. Family and community members are welcome to come along to the fanstastic new play area at Jarjum. Jarjum will also be taking enrolments for next year. Free and all welcome. Held at Jarjum Centre Pre-school, 4 Rifle Range Road, Lismore. Details: (02) 6621 9203

23 September: Cubawee community day for the community of Lismore and surroundings to come together and enjoy, garden making, tree planting and information stalls. Free and all welcome. Held at Cubawee, Bentley Rd, Tuncester. Details: (02) 66215 541 or email tracey.king@ngulingah.org.au

28 September: A family day in recognition of Child Protection Week - 'Play Your Part'. Aimed at the community to engage in a variety

of outdoor games, craft, music and food. Free and all welcome. Held at Kadina Park, Goonellabah, Lismore. Details: 1300 87 83 87 or email lizette.twisleton@lismore.nsw.gov.au

29 September-1 December: Footprints, a weekly group for men and women to address drug and alcohol problems. Free and all welcome. Held at Tweed Valley, Drug and Alcohol Service, level 3, Wharf St, Tweed Heads. Details: (07) 5506 6800 or (0429) 899 024.

30 September-1 October: Namatjira Country: The Magic Windows of Hermannsburg – an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing Indigenous artworks of watercolour landscapes, by many Aboriginal artist Albert Namatjira's contemporaries, works from the Ngurratjuta Many Hands Art Centre and works from Hermannsburg Potters. Featuring a community barbecue and Indigenous workshops. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Lismore City Hall, Lismore. Details (1300) 066 772 or www.norpa.org.au

18 October: Law Society's public consultation, aimed at developing Reconciliation Action Plan. The Society also wants to hear about reconciliation and the role that the Law Society and legal profession can play. All welcome. Held at The Law Society of New South Wales, level 3, 170 Phillip St, Sydney. Details: (02) 9926 0253 or email amanda.baysari@lawsociety.com.au or visit www.lawsociety.com.au

27 October: Klub Koori hip-hop night featuring two of Gadigal Music's highly talented recording artists – Whitehouse and Duke Bailey. Only at the Gaelic Club with special guest Yung Nooky. All welcome. Cost involved. Held at the Gaelic Club, 64 Devonshire St, Surry Hills. Details: (02) 9384 4000 or email darrell@gadigal.org.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

29 October: 2011 KARI annual Gala Dinner-Dance. Guests include Roy Ah-See as MC and entertainment Blake Ralph, dance troupe Yulu-Gi Company and local talent Sarah Bertram, as well as talented participants from the KARI 2011 Vocal Identification Program and more. All welcome. Cost involved. Held at Liverpool Catholic Club, corner Joadja and Hoxton Park Rds, Liverpool West. Details: (02) 8782 0300 or email cheryl.raph@kari.org.au

Recording studio to present live musical show

AREVIVING musical experience is how StudioRCC (Redfern Community Centre) describes *Music is My Medicine* – its latest production.

It says *Music is My Medicine* is a potion of original songs harnessing and celebrating the transforming powers of music.

The one-night show will be presented at the Redfern Community Centre, Hugo Street, Redfern, tomorrow (22 September) at 7.30pm. Admission is free.

The Redfern Community Centre says since opening in 2004, its recording studio StudioRCC has attracted a diverse array of musical artists ready to share their creative energy.

When a core of StudioRCC's regular contributors met to share their views and vision for the studio, the Creative Collective was formed.

What gelled them became the inspiration for the latest live event – *Music Is My Medicine*.

Headline acts for festival

NORTH Coast TAFE's Deadly Days Dreaming My Future Festival is now on in Coffs Harbour.

The Coffs Harbour Education Campus is hosting this year's festival which started yesterday and ends tomorrow (22 September).

There's entertainment, workshops, discussions and cultural activities for 2000 Aboriginal students from 42 high schools throughout the NSW North Coast.

The festival headline act is Indigenous singer, songwriter, musician, dancer, actor, television presenter and past Hi-5 team member, Nathan Foley.

Hip-hop will play a key part in the creative industries workshops. Popular artists such as the Yung Warriors, Street Warriors and the Indigenous Hip-Hop Projects will be taking part. Attendees will be treated to a performance from one of Australia's top unsigned Indigenous

hip-hop artists, Konect A Dot.

The festival also features Emma Donovan, the Matty Devatt Band and comedian Kevin Kropinyeri.



Hip-hop sensation Konect A Dot.

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

14 October: The Long Walk Women's Luncheon 2011. All invited to join Michael Long in celebrating Indigenous women's achievements over lunch with great entertainment and conversation at the sixth annual Women's Luncheon. Cost involved. Held Peninsula, Central Pier, 161 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands. Details: visit www.thelongwalk.com.au

17-20 November: Australian World Music Expo 2011. Showcasing the finest roots music from around the world including Australian artists such as Blue King Brown, Lotek, Yung Warriors, Noriko Tadano and more, also an extensive international line-up. All welcome, cost involved. Held at the Arts Centre, Melbourne Recital Centre, 31 Sturt Street, Southbank. Details: (0400) 527 365 or visit www.awme.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

Until 10 November: Zillmere cultural night, a the-week cultural program open to all community members with the emphasis on developing a traditional dance troupe for the

Zillmere and surrounding communities, including traditional song and dance, traditional games and cultural themed hip-hop lyric writing and beat making. Free and all welcome. Held at Kurbingui, 425 Zillmere Rd, Zillmere. Details: (07) 3265 2055 or email cultural.worker@kurbingui.org.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.au.net

Western Australia

Until 5 October: Kunawarritji Tjukurrpa: Wirrimanu ga Nyinin – an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing Indigenous art work from Aboriginal artists, also featuring the work from Eubena Nampijin, Nora Wompi, Nora Nungabar. Free and all welcome. Held at Short Street Gallery, Chinatown, Broome. Details: (08) 9192 2658 or email enquiries@shortstgallery.com or visit www.shortstgallery.com

Until 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

25 September: David Ngoombujarra Starr Fremantle Memorial, all welcome to join David's family and friends in celebrating his remarkable life and farewell one of Australia's leading Indigenous artists. Also including music, entertainment, raffle prizes. Free and all welcome. Held at King's Square, 8 William St, Fremantle. Details: (0429) 681 402 or email philth5@me.com

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

Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



On the track to success ... from left, Nelly McGowan (18), Shelby Maddison (18), Alex Taylor (21), Frank Derschow (18), Alicia Derschow (18) and Ron Hostalek (17).

Training time!



SIX young Indigenous students are on their way to becoming train drivers in Western

Australia's Pilbara region, through an initiative called Tracks to Success which encourages local Indigenous school leavers completing Year 12 to consider a career with BHP Billiton Rail Operations in Port Hedland.

Three of the young people who signed on in the first year

are women – and 18-year-old participant Nelly McGowan said Tracks to Success presented her with a new and attainable career path.

"Tracks to Success has opened a window of opportunity for me in the mining industry." Established last year, Tracks to Success is an initiative of BHP

Operations and each day they receive hands-on tuition, rotating through various aspects of rail operations.

BHP Billiton said Tracks to

Indigenous people to undertake a 12-month training program to become qualified yard drivers.

Full training in all locomotive driving is provided during this time, beyond which the trainees can apply to become main line drivers.

BHP Billiton said that over the past three years the program had grown steadily, with an intake of 28 trainees overall, and

the two initiatives would combine to ensure local Indigenous people of all ages were able to access a train-driving career with the company.

'Tracks to Success has opened a window of opportunity for me in the mining industry'

"I never thought the opportunity of becoming a train driver would be possible, being so young and inexperienced," Nelly said.

Billiton and Apprenticeships Australia.

The six Pilbara trainees are undertaking a three-year course to complete a Certificate II in Rail

Success complemented another Indigenous employment initiative, the Indigenous Trainee Driver program, which specifically targets mature-age

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We are seeking motivated people who want to learn about managing country and who like physical outdoor work.

Natural Resource Management Traineeship

- We are seeking applications from individuals, including Indigenous people of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander decent, especially Dja Dja Wurrung, who wish to develop their skills and experience and gain ongoing employment in natural resource management in the Bendigo / Dja Dja Wurrung region.
- You will undertake nationally accredited training in Certificate III Conservation and Land Management and obtain a range of trade certificates and work experience in a supported training and work crew environment.
- Salary range is \$35,852 - \$38,072 and will be negotiated subject to relevant experience and/or qualifications.

The positions are intended to continue for one year period with an opportunity of continued employment with the DDWCAC business enterprise.

For further information please contact Mr. John Hammat on (03) 5440 7124.

To obtain a copy of the position description and instructions on how to apply visit: http://www.nccma.vic.gov.au/about_us/Careers/Vacancies/

Please mark your application CONFIDENTIAL, include your experience and skills relevant to the key selection criteria and send to:

Project Manager
Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation
PO 1026 Bendigo 3552
or hrmanager@nccma.vic.gov.au
Applications should be received by 5pm Friday 30 September 2011.



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Aboriginal Engagement Officer

New Directions Program - Nangnak Wan Myeek

• 0.8 - 1.0 EFT Permanent Position

We are looking for an enthusiastic person to provide support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their babies from the postnatal period through to the years of early childhood. This program works closely with hospital staff and community partners.

Enquiries to: Sally Missing, New Directions Program Manager (03) 8458 4392
Mercy Hospital for Women, Heidelberg Victoria

Applications Close: Wednesday 5 October 2011 (Quote Ref No: MHW 60)

For more information and to apply please visit
www.careers.mercy.com.au

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Jobs that make a difference

Senior Program Advisor, Koori Youth Justice VPSG 5

Youth Services and Youth Justice Branch
Children Youth and Families Division
Melbourne CBD
\$76,424-\$92,467 + Super

The Senior Program Advisor, Koori Youth Justice develops innovative policy and program responses for young Aboriginal people, in contact or at risk of contact with the youth justice system. You will provide support to the Koori Youth Justice programs, including coordinating forums for networking, learning and development among Koori Youth Justice workers.

- Do you have an understanding of and relationship with the Victorian Aboriginal community?
- Are you strong in building and maintaining key relationships?

Then this role may be for you.

This position has been designated for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. This is pursuant to an exemption under section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995, granted by the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. VCAT Exemption No. AO67/AO68/2010/0023

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for a position to contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on 1300 092 406 or aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and view the job description visit:
www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers

Reference Number: DHS/CYF/70181618

For further information about the role, please contact Claire Thorn on (03) 9096 0257.

Applications close 28 September 2011.

Resubmit 11/06/11 v2

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Catchment Management Authorities

CHAIRS - 13 POSITIONS

Catchment Management Authority Boards

- Locally driven decision making organisations
- Regional opportunities

The NSW Government is seeking to appoint Chairs to 13 NSW Catchment Management Authorities (CMAs). The CMAs deliver the NSW and Commonwealth's on-ground natural resources programs to farmers, landholders and communities in each respective catchment.

The Chair provides leadership and strategic direction to the respective CMA Board to fulfil its role of governing the CMA, and ensuring the CMA meets the needs of the community to achieve natural resource management outcomes. Boards are made up of regional residents with a range of skills, qualifications and experience relevant to local issues for the CMA.

Successful Chairs should reside within the respective catchment area and must be able to demonstrate an active community involvement, an understanding of key environmental and natural resource management issues, and have relevant experience of governance from a leadership perspective. Appointment will be for an initial term of up to 3 years on a part-time basis.

An information package is available for download at www.boardroompartners.com.au (link: 'CMA Information Package') or send an email request to Boardroom Partners at mail@boardroompartners.com.au marked 'CMA CHAIR' and the region of your interest.

For further enquiries please call Boardroom Partners on 02 9241 6311.

Applications should be sent by email to:
mail@boardroompartners.com.au or by mail to: CMA Chairs Project, Boardroom Partners, PO Box R633, Royal Exchange NSW 1225.

Closing date for all applications is close of business on Friday, 30 September 2011.



Opportunities with the Faculty of Arts

Indigenous Studies Unit

The University has recently established the Indigenous Studies Program as a full Unit of The Faculty of Arts. The Indigenous Studies Unit reports directly to the Dean of Arts. The Unit will be responsible for the conduct of teaching and research within its discipline areas in the Faculty. In particular, the academic staff will teach and coordinate the Indigenous Studies Major, conduct research in Indigenous Studies and develop Honours and Higher Degree research training.

Indigenous Studies in the Faculty of Arts is anchored in the critical study of Australian Indigenous experiences: the cultures, histories, politics and societies. This is enriched through comparative analyses of other Indigenous experiences and engagement with Indigenous voices and organisations on the international scene.

The University is seeking to develop and expand Indigenous Studies with two new appointments. We are looking for a senior Indigenous academic to lead the Unit in its growth and a mid career academic to consolidate the Unit's teaching and research profile.

Senior Lecturer/Associate Professor and Head of Unit

Ref 23939

The position is central to the development of Indigenous Studies. The appointee will provide dynamic leadership and take the position of Head of the Indigenous Studies Unit in the Faculty of Arts.

Applicants will have a PhD in Indigenous Studies with specialisation in one of the Humanities or Social Science disciplines currently represented in the Faculty of Arts; a strong record of publication; ongoing current research; demonstrated successful teaching and curriculum development at tertiary level; and evidence of team leadership.

Applications close: 6 November 2011

Lecturer (Level B)

Ref 23940

Applicants will have a PhD completed or near completion in a branch of Indigenous Studies with specialisation in one of the Humanities or Social Science disciplines currently represented in the Faculty of Arts, an active current research program and evidence of successful teaching at tertiary level.

Pursuant to Section (14)d of the Anti Discrimination Act, Aboriginality is considered to be essential for the performance of the duties in these positions.

For further information about these positions, please contact Professor John Bern, Interim Head, Indigenous Studies Unit, Faculty of Arts, University of Wollongong (Phone: 02 4221 4245).

Applications close: 16 October 2011

How to Apply: Please go to our website <http://employment.uow.edu.au/> to submit your application online & for more information about the position and UOW.



University of Wollongong



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Western Sydney
Bringing knowledge to life

BADANAMI CENTRE FOR INDIGENOUS EDUCATION BANKSTOWN CAMPUS

"The University of Western Sydney considers that being an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)"

The Badanami Centre for Indigenous Education is seeking to appoint to the following Identified Indigenous positions:

Senior Lecturer, Course Coordinator/Advisor for Community & Social Development (Identified Indigenous Position)

5 YEAR FIXED TERM CONTRACT REF NO. 646/11
Remuneration Package: Academic Level C \$117,823 to \$135,155 p.a. (comprising Salary \$99,662 to \$114,476 p.a., 17% Superannuation, and Leave Loading)

Lecturer (Identified Indigenous Position)

ONGOING REF NO. 707/11
Remuneration Package: Academic Level B \$96,915 to \$114,361 p.a. (comprising Salary \$81,894 to \$96,703 p.a., 17% Superannuation, and Leave Loading)

Position Descriptions are available from the University's website at <http://careers.uws.edu.au/Current-Vacancies>

Please note, there will be a 5% salary increase effective mid May 2012.

Position Enquiries for both of the above positions: Associate Professor Berice Anning, (02) 4736 0695 or email b.anning@uws.edu.au

Closing Date for both of the above positions: 16 October 2011.

careers.uws.edu.au

Jobs that make a difference

Administrative Assistant, Aboriginal Health VPSG 2

Wellbeing, Integrated Care and Ageing Division
Aboriginal Health Branch
Melbourne -CBD
\$40,771 - \$52,357 + Super

Are you a highly organised person who enjoys a busy environment?

We are looking for a team player who is enthusiastic, committed, has outstanding communication skills and will model the Department's values.

Reporting directly to the Executive Assistant to Director Aboriginal Health. This position is responsible for the provision of quality administrative support services to the Aboriginal Health Branch. As a member of the team, you will play a lead role in providing support to the team members.

This position has been designated for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. This is pursuant to an exemption under section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995, granted by the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. Exemption number: A067/A068/2010/0062.

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for this position to contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on 1300 092 406 or aboriginal.employment@health.vic.gov.au

To apply online and view the job description visit: www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers.

Reference number: VG/DH/WICA/285536

For further information about this role please contact Craig Taylor on (03) 9096 7855.

Applications close 30 September 2011

www.careers.vic.gov.au



Health

Closing Date: 9 October 2011

Assessment Officer Aboriginal

Area Services, Wollongong

Permanent Full Time

Enquiries: Kay Rogers 4224 2900

Ref No: 41421

Apply online at:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

or email application quoting Ref. No. to:

jobs@hss.health.nsw.gov.au or

send application to:

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ACT
Government

Justice and Community Safety

ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES

Business, Policy & Coordination

Indigenous Services & Cultural Diversity

Senior Policy Officer

Administrative Services Officer Class 6

Salary Range: \$66,198 - \$76,043

PN: 43036

Duties: Under general direction of the Policy Manager, Policy Unit, Business, Policy & Coordination:

Develop correctional policy and review, research, analyse, evaluate and comment upon all relevant correctional and related matters with particular attention to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and other culturally diverse communities. Assist in developing, implementing and evaluating culturally sensitive programs. Implement and manage a broad program of community consultation.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Relevant experience or tertiary qualifications desirable. The successful candidate will be required to undergo a criminal record check. Aboriginality is considered highly desirable (Section 42, Discrimination Act 1991).

Selection documentation and application information is available at: www.jobs.act.gov.au/jobs_by_agency/justice_and_community_safety

For further information regarding the position, please contact Mr Tony Malone, ACT Corrective Services.

Phone: (02) 6207 0023

Email: anthony.malone@act.gov.au

Applications close on Tuesday 4 October 2011 and should be forwarded to jobs@act.gov.au or mailed to:

Shared Services Centre,
Recruitment Services,
GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601



Office of
Environment
& Heritage

Aboriginal Heritage Conservation Officer

Narrabri and Dubbo

Environment Officer Class 2/7

Permanent Full-Time

Vacancy Ref: OEH 291-11

Total remuneration package to \$91,522 p.a. including salary \$55,592 p.a. - \$82,938 p.a.

Contribute to the protection and understanding of Aboriginal cultural heritage through the identification, assessment, management, interpretation and monitoring of objects and places of Aboriginal cultural heritage significance. Encourage and facilitate Aboriginal community participation in cultural heritage management at a local and regional level.

Notes: Two permanent positions available, please indicate which location you are applying for. Applicants must address the selection criteria and apply online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au. Please do not submit copies of qualifications online. If you are invited to attend an interview you will be required to produce relevant documentation then. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible. Late applications will not be accepted. This is an identified position under Section 9A of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. As this position is considered Child - Related Employment under the provisions of the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 you are required to satisfactorily sign a Prohibited Person Declaration and undergo a satisfactory pre-employment screening. Appointment and employment is dependent on meeting the requirements of relevant legislation.

Inquiries: Christian Hampson (02) 6881 4607

Information Packages contact: Amelia Capobianco (02) 9585 6164 or www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications are to be lodged online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

If you experience difficulties applying online please contact 02 9585 6018 during business hours for assistance.

Closing Date: Sunday, 2 October 2011

Child Safety Support Officer

(Identified)

Regional Service Delivery Operations

(Four permanent full-time positions available. Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Communities

Salary: \$61 641 - \$67 779 p.a.

Location: Kingston, Beaudesert, Beenleigh, Mermaid Beach

REF: QLD/DOC29615/11

Key Duties and Skills/Abilities: Please refer to the Role Description on the Government website www.jobs.qld.gov.au (search by the reference number)

Enquiries: Ashleigh Morzone (07) 3884 8820

Closing Date: Friday, 21 October 2011

www.jobs.qld.gov.au



The Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages is the state body responsible for coordinating Community Language Programs throughout Victoria. The Corporation is focused on the retrieval, recording and revival of Aboriginal languages in Victoria whilst providing a central resource on Victorian Aboriginal Languages.

LANGUAGE PROJECT OFFICER (0.9 FTE)

\$55,000 p.a. plus Superannuation
Initial 12 month Contract | Salary Packaging Available

Accountabilities

- Provide support to community language workers with retrieval, recording and archiving their resources.
- Co-ordinate projects as directed by the Executive Officer.
- Organise and coordinate teaching workshops and courses for Victorian Aboriginal communities and language workers.
- Assist with the production of language kits and other promotional material as required
- Assist in the ongoing development and maintenance of office systems and respond to general enquiries.
- Develop & work collaboratively with the community on local language projects & initiatives.

Applicants with the following attributes are highly desirable;

- Have a good knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal languages, history and culture.
- To have experience in working with local Aboriginal community organisations
- To have experience with working with committees and Government departments.

Applications Close Wednesday 12th October 2011

Aboriginal Applicants are encouraged to apply.

For a copy of the position description, call (03) 9600 3811 or email vacl@vaclang.org.au

Applications to be sent or email to:
Executive Officer

Victorian Aboriginal Corporation for Languages
295 King St, Melbourne Vic 3000



ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE REDFERN

ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER (FEMALE) Drug & Alcohol Unit

The Aboriginal Medical Service in Redfern is an Aboriginal community controlled health organisation. The AMS has a number of programs that include Drug & Alcohol services.

This would be a rewarding and satisfying position for a person who has compassion and a desire to work within the Aboriginal community. The position is based in Redfern but the selected applicant must be prepared to do outreach.

Essential Criteria

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Certificate III in D&A work, willing to undertake further training
- Current Driver's License
- Ability to work as part of a multi disciplinary team
- Ability to deal with challenging behaviour.
- Good verbal and written communication skills
- First Aid Certificate or willingness to gain one
- Computer, report writing and record keeping skills
- Comply with AMS Confidentiality Policy
- Successful applicants will require a Working with Children Check and a Criminal Record Check.

Salary and conditions are based on the Health Service Union of Australia (Aboriginal Health Workers) Award. Usual hours of work will be 9.00 am - 5.00 pm Monday to Friday but there may be occasions when you may be required to work outside of normal working hours.

Contact Officer: Gloria Strachan and all applications should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Aboriginal Medical Service, 36 Turner Street Redfern NSW 2016 or email to amsredfern@amsredfern.org.au. The contact phone number for the AMS is 02 93195823

Aboriginality is considered a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

The closing date for applications is:

30th September.





Careers with Queensland Health

Nursing

Clinical Nurse (Diabetes Educator - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Chronic Disease) – Adult Health Team, Community and Allied Health Services, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$90 628 p.a., comprising salary between \$74 148 - \$79 432 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (Nurse Grade 6) (Temporary position for two years with the possibility of extension. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) **Duties/Abilities:** Provide clinical expertise in the area of diabetes management and education to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients residing on the Fraser Coast. Support the general function of the service through the application of the principles of best practice, education and leadership.

Enquiries: Stevan Ober (07) 4122 8733.

Job Ad Reference: H11FC09119.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 10 October 2011.

Allied Health/Clinical Support

Podiatrist - Senior (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Chronic Disease) – Adult Health Team, Community and Allied Health Services, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$103 805 p.a., comprising salary between \$84 555 - \$90 980 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (HP4) (Temporary position for two years with the possibility of extension. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) **Duties/Abilities:** Provide podiatry services to patients of the Indigenous Chronic Disease Service and support avoidable admissions, early discharge and community based care. Operate as a sole practitioner to coordinate and deliver the Fraser Coast High Risk Foot Clinic utilising high level podiatry services based on current best practice guidelines.

Enquiries: Stevan Ober (07) 4122 8733.

Job Ad Reference: H11FC09162.

Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 10 October 2011.

Health Worker - Advanced (Chronic Diseases - Youth) – Brisbane Youth Detention Centre, Child and Family Health Services, Ipswich, West Moreton Health Service District.

Remuneration value up to \$61 632 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 108 - \$54 018 p.a. (f/t) or salary rates: \$24.76 - \$27.24 p.h. (p/t), employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (One temporary full time or two temporary part time positions up to two years, 38 hrs p.f. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) **Duties/Abilities:** Assist in the development, implementation and ongoing management of healthy lifestyle programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Youth in the Brisbane Youth Detention Centre (BYDC), who are at risk of acquiring, or who already have a chronic disease(s). There is a strong focus on men's health, as a large majority of the youths in the facility are male. This position also has a lead in role modelling for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people (particularly males) and to BYDC staff in the promotion of healthy lifestyles. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991*, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position.

Enquiries: Annette O'Donoghue (07) 3810 1201.

Job Ad Reference: H11WM0926.

Application Kit: (07) 3136 5616 or (07) 3121 1411 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 3 October 2011.

Generalist Health Worker or Trainee Health Worker (Men's Business) – Banana Community Health Service, Biloela, Central Queensland Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$53 768 p.a., comprising salary between rates \$44 902 - \$47 125 p.a. (003) or salary between \$40 825 - \$44 683 p.a. (002) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) **Duties/Abilities:** Deliver primary health care initiatives to improve the health outcomes of Indigenous individuals, their families and communities through the establishment of working relationships with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and other health care providers that reflect trust, honesty, cultural awareness and promote effective communication. Under s25 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1991* (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be an Indigenous male to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community. Potential applicants are advised that the *Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian Act 2000* requires Queensland Health to seek a 'working with children check' from the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian prior to appointment to this position. Applicants without Certificate III qualification will be employed (temporary full time) at 002 classification and required to complete a Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care.

Enquiries: Tara Nielsen (07) 4995 6917.

Job Ad Reference: H11BA08794.

Application Kit: (07) 4920 7000 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Monday, 3 October 2011.

You can apply online at
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job.
A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.

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Health
Nepean Blue Mountains
Local Health District

ABORIGINAL MALE PROJECT WORKER

Non-Graduate/Graduate
TPT up to 30/06/14

Salary: \$21.99–\$35.51 ph

Enquiries: Christine Baird, (02) 4734 4700 or bairdch@wahs.nsw.gov.au

Nepean Blue Mountains CHC Ref No: 38137 Close Date: 29/09/11

Being male and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are genuine occupational qualifications for this position as described under Sections 31 and 14 (d) of the *Anti-discrimination Act, 1977* (NSW).

For further information and to apply visit: <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=38137>

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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.

Administration Officer

Belmont Paediatrics, Belmont District Hospital

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.

Enquiries: Karen Dixon 02 4921 3671

Reference ID: 45978

Closing Date: 2 October 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.

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Family & Community Services
Community Services

Senior Regional Strategies Officer, Aboriginal - Ballina

Clerk Grade 9/10
Northern Region, Ballina
Temporary Full-Time
Reference No. 00000KBU

Total remuneration package valued up to \$108,318 per annum (Salary: \$89,076 pa - \$98,159 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

This position is responsible to the Manager Regional Strategy for the coordination and management of Integrated Children and Family Centres funded under the National Partnership on Indigenous Early Childhood Development within the Region.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginal &/or Torres Strait Islander with a commitment to improving services for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people.
2. Project management skills with experience in children's services and human service delivery components.
3. Demonstrated experience in working collaboratively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and community organisations.
4. Extensive knowledge of the evidence based for prevention and early intervention strategies for children, youth and families.
5. Exceptional ability to engage with stakeholders across a range of agencies and high level understanding and sensitivity to the issues involving identified population groups.
6. Demonstrated ability to meet deadlines, work independently and manage competing priorities arising out of multiple strategy accountabilities.
7. Superior communication and organisational skills.

Job Notes: This is a Temporary Full-Time position available for a period up to 30 June 2013, under the terms of the *Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002*. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

It is an offence under the *Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* (section 33) for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. *The Commission for Children & Young People Act 1998* require that all recommended candidates are screened for national criminal records, relevant Apprehended Violence Orders (AVOs), and relevant employment proceedings.

Enquiries: For information about the position, please call Galina Laurie on (02) 9716 2692

Information Packages and to apply on-line: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au Refer to Reference No: 00000KBU

Closing Date: Friday 30 September 2011

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Government of **Western Australia**
Department of the Attorney General

Senior Executive Service (SES)

007829 Director Policy & Aboriginal Services – Class 1

\$146,478 pa salary, plus annual leave loading, superannuation and access to a motor vehicle in accordance with the Government Vehicle Scheme. We also offer access to a range of salary packaging options to reduce the tax you pay and offer the opportunity to purchase additional holidays.

This senior executive leadership role is responsible for leading and managing the delivery of Government policy, legislation, research and evaluation services across the Department and coordinating these activities across a diverse range of dynamic and challenging law and order priorities. This includes determining future requirements and identifying priorities and strategic issues for the Aboriginal services aspects of the Directorate aimed at achieving more effective justice outcomes for Aboriginal people of the State of Western Australia.

In order to be effective, you will possess outstanding relationship-building skills to develop, maintain and facilitate co-operation across Government and key community groups. A demonstrated ability to guide, coach and develop staff; and value differences and diversity is also vital.

Please contact Mr Bill Hewitt on (08) 9264 1202 for a confidential discussion regarding the role.

Full details and application packages are available from our website at www.dotag.wa.gov.au or by telephoning (08) 9264 1562 (24 hour paging service)

Applications close at 5:00pm WST on Wednesday, 5 October 2011

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply

The Queensland Council of Social Service (QCOSS) provides a voice for and with Queenslanders affected by poverty and inequality.

This role will contribute to QCOSS' capacity to develop and advocate social policy positions to benefit disadvantaged Queenslanders. The successful applicant will work in the Low Income Consumer Advocacy team focusing on access and affordability issues in essential services.

Salary \$60,810 - \$63,882 + 10% super (depending on experience)

Position description or further information available at www.qcoss.org.au
Closing Date: COB Friday 30 September 2011



COFFS HARBOUR
CITY COUNCIL

Aboriginal Community Development Officer

Salary range \$57,847.42 to \$63,517.71 pa + RDO + super

Coffs Harbour City Council is seeking an Aboriginal Community Development Officer to advise Council in planning, developing and monitoring of human services and facilities relevant to the needs of the Coffs Harbour Aboriginal community.

The successful applicant will be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent has demonstrated community development experience, high level written and oral communications skills and a degree in Social Sciences or related field.

Applicants not possessing a degree are encouraged to apply if prepared to gain the qualification within the prescribed period.

For more information about this position and to apply on-line please visit our website at:

www.coffsharbour.nsw.gov.au



Family &
Community Services
Housing NSW

Client Service Officer

Clerk Grade 2/4

Housing Services Division

Wagga Wagga

Permanent Full-Time

Job Reference No: 000001YH

Total remuneration package valued up to \$70,382 per annum (Salary: \$55,131 pa - \$63,781 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Client Service staff are the public face of our business, providing critical services and quality housing advice to applicants, tenants and stakeholders, including those with complex needs.

Selection Criteria:

- Understanding of and capacity to relate to people from a diverse range of social and cultural backgrounds including those with complex needs.
- Strong interpersonal skills and demonstrated capacity to use sensitivity in interviewing, problem-solving and decision-making.
- Demonstrated ability to prioritise and carry out a range of tasks under competing demands, in a high volume client focussed environment.
- Written communication skills, computer literacy and capacity to interpret policy and guidelines.
- Ability to work autonomously and in teams and partnerships.
- Willingness to work with tenants in their homes.
- Current Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: An Eligibility List will be created to fill future vacancies. Please note that the successful applicant must be willing to work with clients in their homes.

Enquiries: Sue West - Phone (02) 8753 8832 or Mobile 0402 364 406

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 000001YH

Closing Date: 7 October 2011



Victoria Daly
SHIRE COUNCIL

Mentor Program Coordinator

Victoria Daly Shire Council is seeking a **Mentor Program Coordinator** in Katherine. You'll lead the **day-to-day operation of Council's Mentoring Program in the provision of employment and training for local people**. In return, you'll enjoy a **competitive salary circa \$53,638 - \$57,348 + super & salary sacrificing options!** You'll also receive **relocation assistance + more benefits!**

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Koorie Heritage Trust
'Ghokan Danna Murra Kor-ki'

2 EXCITING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT POSITIONS

Training Coordinator RTO

Salary Range: \$50,000 – \$55,000 pro rata

Employment Status: Fixed Term 12 Months Full-time

The Training Unit is a registered training organisation (RTO) that provides nationally accredited training to members of the Koorie community. To ensure workshops are accessible, the Training Unit delivers workshops all over regional Victoria as well as in its Melbourne location. There are two Training Coordinators within the Training Unit who work with the Training Manager to facilitate the delivery of training programs to the Koorie community across Victoria.

Koorie Youth Webwise Project Officer

Salary Range: \$68,000 - \$70,000 pro rata

Employment Status: Temporary part-time 12 months
(3 days per week)

The position has been created to assist with the development of a major project that will address Koorie youth cyber safety and cultural safety. The Project Officer in consultation with internal KHT staff and Indigenous community key stakeholders will develop a peer-to-peer educator model which delivers information and resources to young people from Indigenous backgrounds and their parents, about digital citizenship and online safety.

Please include the following with your application:

- Current CV / Résumé
- A brief response to each of the Key Selection Criteria

Information: For a position description please contact Koorie Heritage Trust Reception (03) 8622 2600 or by email reception@koorieheritagetrust.com

APPLICATIONS CLOSE Friday 14th October 2011

JUSTICE HEALTH
STATEWIDE SERVICE
NSW HEALTH

Care Navigator (Aboriginal Identified)

Justice Health – Health Centres

Sydney Metropolitan Region

Temporary Full Time – 01/10/11 up to 30/06/14

JH No: 11/241

Salary: Health Manager Level 2: \$78,673 to \$93,313 pa.

The Care Navigator position is responsible for assisting in ensuring continuity of care for all patients with chronic disease and/or complex health needs from reception into custody to release to the community and thereafter. This position is responsible for providing a support network to JH clinicians for patients with chronic and/or complex health needs and assisting the local health staff with the care coordination and case management of these patients on an ongoing basis. The Care Navigator is required to communicate and collaborate with other health and social services providers to ensure that all patients with chronic/complex health needs have a shared care plan and are navigated through the criminal justice system and out to a community health care provider upon release. The Care Navigator is also required, on occasion, to visit Health Centre staff, acting as ambassadors for the CNSP and provide staff support and education regarding the principles of care coordination and case management. As this is an Aboriginal dedicated position, there will be an emphasis in assisting with the case management and care coordination of Aboriginal patients with chronic/complex health needs.

Enquiries: Sonya Nicholl on (02) 9811 0187.

Closing Date: 5 October 2011.

Aboriginal Tobacco Project Officer

Justice Health – Sydney Metropolitan

Temporary Part Time – 16 hours per week up to 29/06/12

JH No: 11/261

Salary: Health Manager 2: \$39,6789 to \$47,0605 ph.

The Aboriginal Tobacco Project Officer is responsible for leading and coordinating the targeted implementation of the Justice Health Guidelines for the Management of Nicotine Dependence and facilitating smoking cessation initiatives for Aboriginal people in custody.

The Aboriginal Tobacco Project Officer will provide education and support to health staff and assist them in identifying models of service delivery and brief intervention to support Aboriginal inmates to reduce or stop smoking. The Project Officer will also identify and establish linkages into governmental and non-governmental Aboriginal smoking cessation networks and initiatives to enhance Tobacco related service delivery for Aboriginal people in custody and on release.

ONLY PERMANENT EMPLOYEES OR TEMPORARY EMPLOYEES WITH 12 MONTHS CONTINUOUS SERVICE WITH JUSTICE HEALTH OR WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, HEALTH ADMINISTRATION CORPORATION, AREA HEALTH SERVICES, STATUTORY HEALTH CORPORATIONS AND THE AMBULANCE SERVICE OF NSW ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY.

Enquiries: Shani Prosser on (02) 9700 3227.

Closing Date: 5 October 2011.

• This is a designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of Anti-Discrimination Act.

Applicants require an information package for selection criteria and application form from: Employee Services, (02) 9700 3048.

Applications to: recruit@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

NSW Health Service – Justice Health Division is committed to OH&S, EEO, Ethical Practices, and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. Personal criminal records checks will be conducted. Prohibited persons as declared under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 are not eligible to apply for child-related employment.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Jobs that make a difference

Aboriginal Family Services Senior Policy & Program Advisor VPSG 5

Children, Youth & Families Division, Child Protection, Placement and Family Services Branch

Family and Early Parenting Services Unit
Melbourne CBD

\$76,424 to \$84,445 + Super

Reporting to the Manager, Family Services, this role will be part of a dynamic team, contributing to the development and implementation of policy and program directions for Family and Early Parenting Services, within the Child Protection, Placement and Family Services Branch. You will be involved in developing policy, programs and practice associated with Aboriginal children and families.

Do you want to manage projects and tasks that will support the implementation of the earlier intervention areas of the Children, Youth & Families Act?

Are you interested in influencing integrated system development and change with a specific focus on Aboriginal children and families?

Are you keen to work in a small team with the responsibility for the implementation of significant statewide program initiatives?

This position has been designated for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. VCAT Exemption No. AO67/AO68/2010/0054.

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for this position please contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on 1300 092 406 or aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and view the job description visit: www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers.

Reference Number: DHS/CYF/70024958

For further information about the role please contact Jenny Willox (03) 9096 8703

Applications close 5 October 2011

www.careers.vic.gov.au



Department of
Human Services



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Readvertised

Community Development Officer

Aboriginal – Part-time

- **Salary:** \$681.96 to \$767.22 (21 hours) per week + superannuation (Grade 14, Band 3, Level 2)
- Part-time 21 hours per week (Wednesday - Friday)
- Great opportunity to utilize community development skills

Council is seeking a suitably qualified Aboriginal person to join its Community Development team. The successful applicant will have a relevant Social Science Degree or TAFE qualification in Social Science / Welfare or equivalent. Community development experience is essential.

Applicants for the permanent part-time position may also be considered for further casual or limited contract work.

Note: Shoalhaven City Council considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Information packages are available on Councils website, or contact Debbie Rayner at Council on 4429 3456 or Michelle Burke at Habitat Personnel on (02) 4422 4222 (Ref No. 43623E). Enquiries and application to either Karen Baldwin – Council on (02) 4429 3411 or Michelle Burke – Habitat Personnel on (02) 4422 4222.

Applications Close: Tuesday, 4 October, 2011



ACT
Government

Justice and Community Safety

ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES

Community Based Corrections

Indigenous Probation and Parole Officer

Administrative Services Officer Class 6

Salary Range: \$66,198 - \$76,043

PN: 46200

Duties: Provide case management, supervision and monitoring for people on court and parole orders with the objectives of reducing the risk of further criminal conduct, maintaining community safety and administering court orders. Provide written and verbal reports to the Courts, releasing authorities and other bodies in relation to offender management, risk and intervention.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Experience working with offenders and relevant tertiary qualifications are highly desirable. Understanding of and sensitivity to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural issues and issues relevant to other minority groups is essential. Eligible candidates will be required to undergo a criminal history check. Applicants will be required to undertake psychological aptitude testing as part of the assessment process. A current driver's licence is essential. Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander ancestry is considered essential (Section 42, Discrimination Act 1991).

Selection documentation and application information is available at: www.jobs.act.gov.au/jobs_by_agency/justice_and_community_safety

For further information regarding the position, please contact Ms Helen Rowling, ACT Corrective Services.

Phone: (02) 6207 0205

Email: helen.rowling@act.gov.au

Applications close on Tuesday 4 October 2011 and should be forwarded to jobs@act.gov.au or mailed to:

Shared Services Centre,
Recruitment Services,
GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601



Australian Government
Aboriginal Hostels Limited

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Alice Springs**

www.ahl.gov.au



**Legal Services Commission
OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

The Legal Services Commission is an independent statutory authority responsible for the provision of legal assistance in South Australia.

LEGAL OFFICER ABORIGINAL ADVICE & EDUCATION

LSC 2 ONGOING - FULL TIME

Vacancy No 6091/2011

Salary range - \$65,245 - \$70,395
Port Augusta South Australia

Provide legal education and legal advice to members of the Aboriginal community in SA. Develop and implement community legal education programs to Aboriginal people. Interview clients requiring assistance, taking appropriate action as required in each case, such as providing advice, referrals, or liaison with other agencies. Assist in the development of policies, procedures and relationships to enable the Commission to deliver effective education and legal advice services to Aboriginal people.

Essential Minimum Qualifications: Be an admitted practitioner of the Supreme Court of South Australia or be currently eligible for admission. At least two (2) years post admission experience

Special Conditions: This position is based at Port Augusta and some out of hours work may be required. A Driver's licence is essential. The successful applicant must be willing to submit to a Police Records Check. A satisfactory probation period will apply.

Note: Job and Person Specifications and Guidelines on how to apply for positions may be obtained from: www.vacancies.sa.gov.au and www.lsc.sa.gov.au

Enquiries to: Mr Tim Weiss, Manager, Whyalla Office, telephone (08) 8648 8060, tim.weiss@sa.gov.au

Applications to: Mr Christopher Boundy, Manager, Access Services, telephone 8463 3528, GPO Box 1718, Adelaide 5001. email: christopher.boundy@sa.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 5.00 pm on Friday, 7 Oct 2011



**The Queensland Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander
Child Protection
Peak Ltd**

The Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Protection Peak Ltd (QATSICPP Ltd) is the state peak body for the Community Controlled Child Protection Sector in Queensland.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - QATSICPP (12 Month Appointment)

- A challenging and rewarding role
- Provide leadership in planning, advocacy, policy, & service delivery
- Assist member organisations to achieve their objectives.

To lead this organization we require a driven, strategic and results oriented leader to further:

- Promote strategic development and growth
- Develop and implement a statewide policy and program framework
- Create a professional and motivated work environment

SENIOR POLICY OFFICER - QATSICPP

- A challenging and rewarding role
- Evaluating programs and government policy
- Prepare briefs and position papers

We require an individual with strong skills in:

- Policy Development and Writing
- Research & Evaluation
- Networking & Advocacy

This is your opportunity to get involved and drive quality and enhanced outcomes in the Sector and make a difference for children, young people and families.

A competitive salary package including salary sacrifice, is negotiable.

To apply or obtain a PD, please email cflegeltaub@bigpond.com by COB 19/09/11. Confidentiality is assured.

Murrenda Aboriginal Community Care Ltd

Murrenda seeks applicants for the position of

Project Officer Funding and Resourcing

This position of Project Officer is the first appointment to be made to this separately incorporated Aboriginal company operating across the state of Victoria.

Initial primary locations are Geelong, Thornbury in Melbourne and Robinvale with the company office located in Geelong.

Initial appointment will be for 3 years full time.

A possible reappointment will depend on the success of the position.

Success will be determined on the ability of the position to generate sufficient funds to cover the costs of the position.

Expectations of the position

The objective of this position is to grow Murrenda Aboriginal Community Care Ltd into a thriving Aboriginal company delivering services to the Aboriginal community of Victoria.

Its primary objective is to seek funding and resourcing for the expansion of the Murrenda organisation that it might deliver holistic services to the Aboriginal community throughout Victoria.

This is to be achieved by:

- Seeking government funding to underpin our work with Aboriginal people;
- Seeking resourcing from philanthropic trusts to further develop our work;
- Seeking partnerships with corporate bodies that can support and expand our work;
- Defining partnerships with other community service organisations that will further expand and strengthen our work.

For further information Ms Fay Muir on 0417506736

Applications in writing to: The Secretary
Murrenda Aboriginal Community Care Ltd
PO Box 122
Newcomb LPO VIC 3219

Applications close by 5pm on Friday October 5th 2011

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Jobs that make a difference

Aboriginal Graduate Recruitment Program 2012 Intake

Various locations

Full time - ongoing

\$44,909 + Super

Aboriginal applicants who have completed an undergraduate or post graduate degree by January 2012 can apply for the Department of Human Services and Department of Health Aboriginal Graduate Recruitment Program.

As an Aboriginal graduate you partake in:

- Three four-month work rotations in different departments.
- The Graduate Recruitment and Development Scheme (GRADS) learning and development program that is coordinated by the State Services Authority (SSA).
- Access to high quality corporate learning & development.
- Interesting and important work.
- Good benefits and conditions.
- The opportunity to be part of a vibrant and and diverse workforce.

The department's size and variety means lots of opportunities to grow your career without the hassle of moving employers.

These positions has been designated for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. VCAT Exemption No. AO67/AO68/2010

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for this position please contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on 1300 092 406 or aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and view the job description visit:

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Reference Number: VG/DHS/AGRP2012

Applications close 18 November 2011

www.careers.vic.gov.au



Department of
Human Services



Recruitment

Aboriginal Sexual Health Worker

(Identified position)

In this position, an applicants' Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 (d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 NSW.

Our well respected Albury client, a successful Aboriginal health service is seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced Aboriginal Sexual Health Worker.

The purpose of this position is to assist in reducing the incidence of HIV, STI and hepatitis C within local Aboriginal communities. Responsibilities for the role include providing culturally appropriate services, support and education to the different target groups within the local Aboriginal communities as well as improving the quality of life, life expectancy and reducing geographical isolation of HIV positive Aboriginal people through adequate treatment, care and support.

The successful applicant will have a demonstrated knowledge of a broad range of issues associated with blood borne viruses and sexually transmissible infections as well as the ability to plan, deliver, and evaluate health education and prevention programs and liaise and network with Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities and organisations.

Relevant tertiary qualifications, group facilitation skills and excellent written and verbal communication skills will be required.

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

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DEPARTMENT
OF JUSTICE

KOORI VOCAT LIST REGISTRAR

Victims of Crime Assistance Tribunal,
Melbourne Magistrates' Court

\$60,378 - \$64,962 + super

Position No MC2251

The Koori VOCAT List Registrar is integral to the success of the Koori VOCAT List in increasing access to financial assistance for victims of crime who are Indigenous and/or Torres Strait Islander. In addition to exercising a range of administrative and statutory powers as a Registrar of the Tribunal, the Koori VOCAT List Registrar will be responsible for managing the day-to-day administration of the List, and for file management relating to all applications within the List. The Koori VOCAT List Registrar will also be required to participate in and conduct educational activities for internal and external stakeholders, collect, monitor and analyse statistics, and prepare reports regarding the List. Travel to other metropolitan and regional venues of the Tribunal may be required from time-to-time to meet with applicants, local stakeholders and service providers.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 5 October 2011

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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File Art 140074 v2

Professor/Associate Professor and Director, Indigenous Health Research

The University

Monash University seeks to improve the human condition by advancing knowledge and fostering creativity. It does so through research and education, and a commitment to social justice, human rights and a sustainable environment.

The Opportunity

The Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health will be Australia's first dedicated school for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health within a faculty of medicine, nursing and/or health sciences. The school is being established as a key commitment that the University has made in endorsing the Indigenous Health Strategy 2010-2015 of the Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences. The school will deliver education, research, Indigenous student services and community engagement.

The University is seeking a suitably qualified appointee to develop and lead a strategic research program for Indigenous Australian health and well being within the school. The appointee will lead a team of Indigenous health researchers, ensuring Indigenous community stakeholders are consulted and involved in setting research priorities, initiating research collaborations, undertaking significant Indigenous health and well-being research, supervising and mentoring Indigenous higher degree research students, and developing and implementing faculty-wide Indigenous health and well being research ethics protocols, processes and training/support.

The successful appointee will hold a research doctorate in a discipline relevant to Indigenous health and well-being, and/or equivalent relevant experience. Knowledge of and sensitivity to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australian cultures, societies, worldviews, languages, histories and values will be required as well as having extensive strategic networks with Indigenous health organisations and individuals. The appointee will also have an international reputation for outstanding research in Indigenous Health; a proven record of obtaining external grants for research and of successful supervision of postgraduate research students; highly developed skills of leadership, networking and management, and excellent interpersonal and communication skills.

Duration

The appointment will be for a fixed-term of five-years. Subject to performance and other criteria, a further term would be negotiable.

The Benefits

Remuneration package (which includes employer superannuation of 17%): Professor \$170,605 pa, Associate Professor \$132,445 to \$145,908 pa. Relocation travel, removal allowance and salary packaging are available.

Monash offers a range of professional development programs, support for research, study and overseas work, generous maternity leave and flexible work arrangements.

Enquiries only to

Mr Gregory Phillips, Acting Head, Harvest Alliance School for Indigenous Health, Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences, telephone: (03) 9905 4051.

Applications

Applications close 30 October 2011.

The position description (including the selection criteria) and information on how to apply can be found at www.monash.edu.au/jobs

The University reserves the right to appoint by invitation.



Namatjira Haven Ltd

Ph: (02) 6628 1098 • Fax: (02) 6628 0520

Namatjira Haven is a government funded Residential AOD healing centre based on the far north coast of NSW servicing the needs of Aboriginal men with substance use problems. Currently we are seeking 2 new team members to fill the following full time positions:

Transition Case Worker AOD Case Manager

Aboriginality and being male are genuine occupational qualifications for these positions as authorised by Sections S14 and S31 of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977(NSW).

Information packs must be obtained from the Administration Officer on (02) 66 28 1098 or email: admin@namatjirahaven.com

Both positions require the applicant to have a current clean MR drivers licence and reliable transport.

Applications close on: 07/10/11 at 5.00 pm. Interviews will be on or near 19/10/11.



ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE REDFERN

ABORIGINAL NURSE

The Aboriginal Medical Service wishes to employ an Aboriginal nurse to work in its general medical clinic.

Essential Qualifications: nursing qualifications, capacity to work in a multi-disciplinary team, commitment to the principles of Aboriginal community control in Aboriginal health.

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:

30 September.



Care Connect is a major community care provider that supports and empowers individuals with care needs to live happy, healthy and independent lives.

Care Connect works with frail aged individuals, adults with multiple and complex health issues and families caring for an individual with a disability or complex care need.

Case Manager Aboriginal Community Location – Knox/Lilydale

The Case Manager will provide flexible and culturally appropriate assistance to clients and carers of the program within the Aboriginal Community, to help maximise their quality of life and to assist them to continue living independently in the community including:

- Actively working in partnership with Aboriginal communities.
- Developing a rapport with the Aboriginal Community, ensuring that our services are accessible, relevant and tailored to meet the specific needs of Aboriginal people
- Conducting culturally appropriate assessments to understand client/carer needs
- Where appropriate, engaging external agencies/providers to contribute to the on-going assessment process
- Developing sustainable care plans in consultation with clients, carers and other significant people within their community
- Liaising with appropriate agencies/providers and allied health professionals in the development of care plans
- Advocating for clients and their carers where necessary
- Developing close working relationships with service providers, GP's and community agencies to facilitate continued community development. This may include both formal and informal education
- Attending community meetings as required
- Monitoring trends and changes within the community

Other benefits include:

- Competitive salary inclusive of tax free dollars
- The option of a fully maintained vehicle
- Flexible Working Environment
- Professional development
- 15 days personal/carers leave pro-rata
- Option to participate in Meal & Entertainment Program

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are strongly encouraged to apply. Experience working with the Aboriginal Community and qualifications and experience working in community aged care will be highly regarded.

For a position description please access www.careconnect.org.au.

For further information contact Graham Custance, Client Services Manager on 03 8805 4100.

Applications must include a response to the key selection criteria.

Forward applications, marked confidential to jobs@careconnect.org.au quoting job reference number 246-CMAC-RUB.

Applications close COB Wednesday 28th September 2011

All offers of employment are provisional pending the outcome of a National Police Records Check.

Job Ref Number: 246-CMAC-RUB

Fresh Start Pre-employment Package

The Clarence Valley Industry Education Forum is seeking quotations from suitably qualified individuals and organisations to develop and deliver a pre-employment package for businesses and schools in the Clarence Valley. This project is being offered under a service contract.

Terms of reference documentation can be downloaded from www.clarence.nsw.gov.au

Submissions must be received by
2pm, Wednesday 19th October 2011

The NSW Department of Education & Communities State Training Services has provided funding support for this project.



Senior Project Officer

Australian Indigenous Health Medical Specialist Project

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons
Melbourne CBD (other capital cities will be considered)

**Full-time – 35 hr week,
2 year appointment**

Fantastic opportunity for a passionate and motivated person with experience and knowledge of health care in the indigenous communities.

The purpose of this role is to project manage and implement the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Medical Specialist Framework funded by the Commonwealth Government through a two year initiative.

Please visit our website for more details about the role and to view the position description and person specification.

Applications close 29 September 2011.

www.surgeons.org

College Resources/Positions Vacant

Enquiries can be directed to 03 9249 1105.

250-290 Spring Street, East Melbourne VIC 3002



ALS

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Ltd assists Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men, women and children with legal advice representation, referral and information.

We have 23 offices and 185 Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal staff across NSW and ACT working towards achieving justice for Aboriginal people, the Koori way.

FIELD OFFICERS provide essential services linking Aboriginal individuals & communities to the services of the ALS, providing access to advice and assistance with extra – legal problems, arrange referrals in appropriate cases to service providers, as well as provide legal and social justice education. The following 5 vacancies are Australian Aboriginal identified positions.

WORK AND DEVELOPMENT ORDERS (WDO) FIELD OFFICERS

provide support and referrals to clients primarily in Work & Development initiatives. A WDO is an order that allows eligible people to reduce or eliminate their fine/debt by undertaking certain activities such as unpaid voluntary work or certain course or statement programs.

BATHURST and surrounding Orange, Lithgow communities, including Lithgow. Additional communities may also be identified through collaboration with stakeholders.

NOWRA surrounding Far South COAST communities, including Shoalhaven, Eurobodalla and Bega Valley Shires. Additional communities may also be identified through collaboration with stakeholders.

CIVIL AND FAMILY FIELD OFFICER provide support and referrals to clients primarily in state care and protection matters.

WALGETT Organising outreach services in Aboriginal communities in Walgett and surrounding Far West communities, including Lightning Ridge, Coonamble, Bourke, Brewarrina and Goodooga. Additional communities may also be identified through collaboration with stakeholders.

CRIMINAL FIELD OFFICER provide support and referrals to clients primarily in criminal matters and assist ALS solicitors generally.

WOLLONGONG Organising outreach services in Aboriginal communities in Wollongong and surrounding South Coast communities, including North Wollongong. Additional communities may also be identified through collaboration with stakeholders.

PRISON SUPPORT UNIT FIELD OFFICER is responsible for the case management of PSU clients.

CANBERRA Ensuring appropriate client case management plans are developed, implemented and monitored in line with the Attorney-Generals' Department Throughcare of Prisoners.

Applicants must address the selection criteria: for an information package containing position description, selection criteria and an employment application contact Jennifer Ledingham, HR Manager phone 02 8303 6699 or by email jennifer.ledingham@alsnswact.org.au

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Applications close 7 October 2011



Health
Health Reform Transitional
Organisation Western

ALLIED HEALTH

Broken Hill

Aboriginal Mental Health Trainee Clinician – BH Non-Graduate

TFT (up to 31/12/14) **Salary:** \$835.80 pw, **Recruitment No:** 38074, **Enquiries:** Verina Crawford, (08) 8080 1502 or vcrawford@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au **Close:** 07/10/11.

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification for this position and is authorised under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

For an Application Kit or to apply online please go to <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

We are committed to Equal Employment Opportunity Ethical Practices, the principles of Cultural Diversity and promote a smoke-free environment. Appropriate criminal record and child protection checks conducted for all positions. All employees (except casuals) are eligible to Salary Package.

Caseworker: Get a career that matters.

Permanent Full Time Position Port Macquarie Location

This is a new position that will provide case management support to young people in Burnside's aftercare program and to a group of children & their carers residing in one of Burnside's Supported Family Group Homes. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Applications Close: 3 October 2011

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Apply online at our website

We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) Yalata Community Inc

The Yalata Community Inc is a community based organisation on the Far West Coast of South Australia 200 kms west of Ceduna.

The CEO is responsible for the overall management of the community and provides leadership and supervision of YCI staff and effective management of community programs and projects. The CEO is responsible for directing activities that identify, establish and nurture economic enterprises to provide community income and employment. This will require liaison with a wide range of individuals and organisations to secure resources and funds for community development programs and activities.

Key Duties/Responsibilities

- Advise and facilitate strategic community developments
- Manage Human Resources, Business and Finance
- Manage organisational relationships

Essential Criteria

Experience in

- Developing successful business enterprises
- Administration of Aboriginal communities
- Program/Staff management and performance

ADMINISTRATION MANAGER

Yalata Community Inc also has a position available for an Administration Manager who is responsible to the YCI CEO and YCI Council for managing all YCI administration operations.

Key Duties/Responsibilities

- Ensure high level data and information communication services
- Day to day management of YCI administration systems
- Provision of executive support to the CEO, program managers and YCI Council
- Provision of direct supervision and mentoring of YCI administrative staff

Essential Criteria

- Experience in working with Aboriginal people to achieve positive outcomes
- Experience in managing office/administrative operations including co-ordination of accounts
- Experience and knowledge of issues in remote Aboriginal communities

Position Details for these positions are contained within the Job Specifications.

Heta Incorporated is coordinating the process of recruitment for YCI. A job specification for these positions is available by contacting Amanda on (08) 8212 7771 or emailing heta@heta.com.au.

Your application, which is to address the job specification, is to be forwarded to: 24 Gilbert Street, Adelaide SA 5000, fax: 8212 7781 or email: heta@heta.com.au.

Applications close

Monday, 10/10/11.



Health
Southern NSW
Local Health District

Are you looking for a Life-Style Change or Career Progression?

This is one of the opportunities within our Health Service:

MORUYA

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (Trainee)

Position No: 41725

Salary: \$43,610–\$64,231 pa

Enquiries: Martin Ransom, (02) 4474 1561

Close Date: 5 October 2011

This position is located within the Mental Health team and functions as part of the team. The position will also undertake and meet the requirements of the Bachelor of Health Science (Mental Health) degree. This position is a permanent, full-time, clinical mental health worker position. For the first three years of employment in the Local Health District, the person is an Aboriginal Mental Health Trainee.

This is a designated position for persons of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14d of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977, New South Wales.

Log-on to <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au> for further information on this and other opportunities.

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ASK CARE COORDINATOR Access Service For Koories Ltd (ASK Ltd)

An exciting and challenging opportunity is open to a committed and experienced person to contribute to a local solution to Closing the Gap on indigenous health inequality.

ASKS aims are to:

- Improve health, wellbeing and quality of life outcomes for Aboriginal people living with a chronic disease/complex needs and their families
- Increase access to and up-take of primary health care services by Aboriginal people and families
- Close the gap in life expectancy between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people living in metropolitan Melbourne
- Improve Aboriginal Communities knowledge and understanding of the health care system, chronic disease management and health life styles.

The ASK Care Coordinator will work closely with Aboriginal people diagnosed with chronic diseases or complex needs by facilitating access to appropriate primary care services. The coordinator will become the primary contact for communication of the client's care plan and ensuring it is shared and understood by all.

The successful applicant will have a certificate 3 or 4 in Aboriginal Health work, Community Development, Nursing or other health related fields. A good knowledge of the health care system, intermediate computer skills and a demonstrated ability to work independently

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

CLOSING DATE: 5th October, 2011

For more details and a copy of the full position Description, contact Jacinta Collins at ASK Ltd on (03) 8679 2000 or Narelle Carter on (03) 9419 3000.

Applicants should address the selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including 3 referees to:

Executive Program Manager

ASK Ltd
PO Box 1100,
Collingwood, 3066

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Indigenous Employment Officer (Aboriginal designated position)

NovaSkill is seeking to appoint an Indigenous Employment Officer to place Indigenous apprentices and trainees into employment & support them in the workplace. This position will be based in our Ballina branch & will cover the areas from Nambucca to the Tweed Heads region.

Some main duties will include:

- Manage recruitment, selection, deployment & pastoral care of Apprentices & Trainees;
- Assist to develop, maintain & enhance networking with indigenous employment agencies, stakeholders, & potential customers;
- Promote NovaSkill, Traineeships & Apprenticeships to new & existing businesses.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Knowledge, Understanding & Appreciation of Indigenous Culture;
- Knowledge of VET, RTO & GTO operations;
- Current NSW drivers licence.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and claims exemption under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Successful applicants will be required to demonstrate proof of aboriginality.

To be considered please send a cover letter & resume to:
careers@novaskill.com.au

Applications Close: COB 30th September 2011

For more information on this exciting opportunity, please head to our website: www.novaskill.com.au/jobs

This position will require a Working with Children & AFP Check
NovaSkill is an EEO Employer

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ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER – BAIRNSDALE

Salary Range: \$53,502 - \$64,962 + super + leave loading

- Located at the Bairnsdale Police Complex
- Do you wish to make a difference and have a rewarding career?
- This position is a great opportunity to engage with the community and the Police
- Opportunities to undergo further training and to attend courses appropriate to the position

Industrial Relations Exemption Applies – only Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

The Aboriginal Advisory Unit is currently seeking to appoint an Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer. To be successful for this position, you will have a demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Victorian Indigenous societies, including their history and the current policing issues affecting the communities.

Note: This position requires security clearance, which will include fingerprinting. For this role you will be required to apply and pay for a Working with Children Check prior to receiving a job offer. A receipt of payment is required as evidence of this.

Please apply online and download full position description by visiting

www.careers.vic.gov.au

and enter reference 20013311.

The position description includes the key selection criteria – applicants must address the key selection criteria to be considered for the role including 3 referees.

For further information about the role please contact Jacqui Marion, State Coordinator, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Program on (03) 9247 3040

Closing date for applications midnight, Wednesday 5th October 2011.

Please Note: Late Applications will not be accepted.

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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 at www.careers.vic.gov.au
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

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OF JUSTICE



OFFICE MANAGER

Koori Justice Unit

\$66,235 - \$75,151 + super

Position No : DJ4276

The Koori Justice Unit is primarily responsible for co-ordinating implementation of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) across the Victorian Government.

We are currently seeking an Office Manager to manage and co-ordinate all corporate and administrative functions of the office with a strong focus on financial and budgetary monitoring and reporting.

As this is an Identified Position, it requires the occupant to have an understanding of the issues affecting the Koori community and the ability to communicate sensitively with the Koori community.

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.

To apply online and for further information on position descriptions and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is 7 October 2011

www.justice.vic.gov.au

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Project Manager

Grafton Location

Position No. 50121860

Permanent Full-Time

\$100,453 - \$109,779 pa

The Project Manager develops and manages the implementation of road and bridge maintenance and construction projects in accordance with the client's time, cost, quality and scope requirements.

Contact

Damien Sartori on 02 6640 1328

Project Engineer

Ballina Location

Position No. 50162171

Permanent Full-Time

\$73,907 - \$97,980 pa

The Project Engineer (Road Services) is responsible for managing the delivery of assigned road infrastructure construction and/or maintenance projects within agreed parameters in order to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the NSW road network.

Contact

Stuart Campbell on 02 6686 1810

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Closing Date: 30 September 2011

For further information, applicants must obtain an information package from

Damien Sartori on 02 6640 1328 or

Stuart Campbell on 02 6686 1810.

Applicants can apply online at

www.rta.nsw.gov.au/careers



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Jobs that make a difference

Administrative Assistant, Aboriginal Health

Aboriginal Health Branch

Wellbeing, Integrated Care and Ageing Division

\$40,771 to \$52,357

Are you a highly organised person who enjoys a busy environment?

We are looking for a team player who is enthusiastic, committed, has outstanding communication skills and will model the Department's values.

Reporting directly to the Executive Assistant to Director Aboriginal Health. This position is responsible for the provision of quality administrative support services to the Aboriginal Health Branch. As a member of the team, you will play a lead role in providing support to the team members

If you would like more information regarding this position please contact Craig Taylor, Manager Strategic Projects on Ph: 9096 7855.

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Department of
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**Office
of Water**

Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure & Services
NSW Office of Water

Aboriginal Facilitator, Lake Victoria Program/ Living Murray Indigenous Partnerships

Clerk Grade 4/5

Temporary Full-Time

Buronga

Job Reference No: NOW2011/084

Salary: Total remuneration package valued up to \$78,270 per annum
(includes salary \$61,878 pa - \$70,929 pa).

Job Notes: Temporary position under Sections 27 & 28 or 86 of the PSE & M Act 2002 for a period of up to 3 years.

Job Description: Provide program support to facilitate the delivery of the Lake Victoria Cultural Landscape Plan of Management and the Living Murray Indigenous Partnerships Program.

Job Notes: This position may require the position holder to work and travel outside usual business hours.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginality, with knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal Culture.
2. Demonstrated ability to work as a member of a team.
3. Demonstrated ability to liaise between technical / scientific personnel and Aboriginal people to achieve project / program outcomes.
4. Demonstrated ability to organise meetings and report on those meetings through meeting reports / minutes.
5. Demonstrated ability to facilitate the involvement of Aboriginal communities and stakeholders in cultural heritage management programs.
6. Demonstrated ability to provide oral reports / presentations to program committees.
7. Demonstrated ability to report on program outcomes and budget management.
8. Current Driver's Licence.

Inquiries Name: Digby Jacobs

Inquiries Phone: 04 1926 5283

Information Packages: Please send an email to now.infopack@servicefirst.nsw.gov.au with 084 in the subject line. This is an auto response.

Applications: Please apply online at jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 9 October 2011.

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Are you an Indigenous person with an interest in natural resource management?

Do you want to see traditional and contemporary Indigenous culture remain relevant in today's landscape?

Do you feel you could make a meaningful contribution on behalf of your local Indigenous community?

Namoi CMA is committed to working with Indigenous communities to ensure that traditional knowledge and values remain an integral part of natural resource management in the Namoi Catchment.

Applications are sought from Indigenous people from within the Namoi Cathment for membership to the Namoi Aboriginal Advisory Committee (NAAC). The NAAC works to provide advice to Namoi CMA with regard to Indigenous natural resource management issues.

Further information, including the NAAC Terms of Reference, expression of interest form and relevant contact details can be obtained on Namoi CMA's website www.namoi.cma.nsw.gov.au

or by contacting
Simon Taylor, Catchment Officer – Aboriginal Communities, on 0267 645 929 or simon.taylor@cma.nsw.gov.au

Applications close 14th October 2011



Family & Community Services Ageing, Disability & Home Care



The Indigenous Cadetship Support (ICS) is a program funded by the Commonwealth Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR). These positions are targeted to the employment of Aboriginal people and are authorised by the Ageing, Disability and Home Care's EEO Management Plan in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

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Various Temporary Positions across NSW

Salary: \$30,432 - \$39,670 pa. Cadetship wages are calculated on a pro-rata basis. The rate of pay depends on age, level of schooling and work experience.

Speech Pathologist (Requisition No. 00000JQM) -
Administration Officer (Requisition No. 00000JDK) -
Case Manager (Level 1) (Requisition No. 00000JDJ) -
Occupational Therapist (Requisition No. 00000JDC) -

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Metro South, Northern, Hunter & Western Regions
Metro South & Hunter Regions
Metro South & Northern Regions
Metro North Region
Central Office

Physiotherapist (Requisition No. 00000JUK) -
Psychologist (Requisition No. 00000JDI) -
Project Officer (Requisition No. 00000JDM) -
Assistant Policy Officer (Requisition No. 00000JDH) -

Ageing, Disability and Home Care are seeking energetic and passionate individuals to join us in creating an exciting future. The agency is offering this opportunity through the Indigenous Cadetship Support Program which is funded by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations to assist students throughout their studies and provide a strong job opportunity upon completion of those studies. The cadetship involves 40 weeks of academic studies and a 12 week work placement. There are twelve positions available for Indigenous Cadetships in the above roles across various locations in NSW.

Selection Criteria:

1. Confirmation of Aboriginality
2. Currently undertaking full time study for a degree or diploma, advanced diploma in the relevant field of study
3. Current understanding of the issues, trends and philosophies underpinning the provision of services to people with a disability
4. Well developed analytical and problem solving skills
5. Well developed oral and written communication skills
6. Contributes to the design, implementation and coordination of projects, policies and procedures which deliver effective business unit outcomes and meet client service delivery needs
7. Undertakes research and analysis to support the development of key projects and related policies across ADHC
8. Builds key strategic relationships across ADHC and with external stakeholders to ensure services are informed by and meet changing communities and business area expectations
9. Good MS Excel skills

For positions of **Speech Pathologist, Administration Officer, Case Manager (Level1), Occupational Therapist, Physiotherapist and Psychologist** address selection criteria 1 – 5.

For position of **Project Officer** address selection criteria 1 – 8.

For position of **Assistant Policy Officer** address selection criteria 1 – 5 and 9.

To complete your application you need to:

1. Read the Indigenous Cadetship Support information booklet
2. Complete the Indigenous Cadetship Support application form
3. Complete all the selection criteria for the specific position you are applying for
4. Attach your proof of academic enrolment
5. Attach your confirmation of Aboriginality

Enquiries: Metro South Region - Louise Durmush on (02) 8746 5552
Metro North Region - Noela Watego on (02) 8295 4617
Western Region - Athol Boney on (02) 6937 9641
Northern Region - Sharon McCullough on (02) 6618 1621
Hunter Region - Lisa Lydon on (02) 4978 6232

To obtain an Information Package and to apply: Visit the website: <http://jobs.nsw.gov.au/>
You may call Noela Watego on (02) 8295 4617 if you have any queries.

Applications close: Friday, 14 October 2011

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Proposed Arrow Energy/Darumbal LNG Project ILUAs



The registered native title claimants for the Darumbal People native title claims (QUD 6131/98 and QUD 6001/99) are considering entering into indigenous land use agreements with Arrow Energy Pty Ltd ("Arrow") pursuant to Subdivision C, Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

Under the proposed indigenous land use agreements (the ILUAs), consents are to be given to future acts in relation to areas within the Darumbal Peoples' claims and an adjoining unclaimed area for purposes of Arrow's LNG Project. The ILUA areas are shown on the map (Left).

Any persons who holds or may hold native title in relation to the land or waters in the area to be covered by the ILUAs are invited to register their interest by writing to:

Douglas Hatfield
133 Dee Street, North Rockhampton Q 4701
Tel: (07) 4926 0026
Fax: (07) 4926 7457

no later than 14 October 2011.



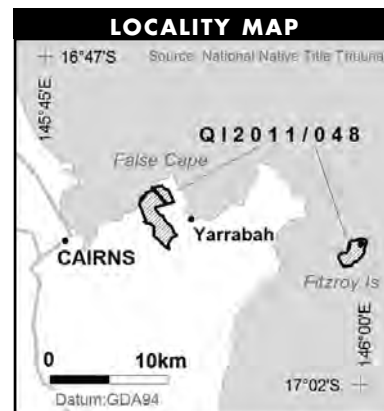
Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 21 September 2011



National
Native Title
Tribunal



QI2011/048 Combined Gungandji and Cairns Regional Council ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 11 square kilometres over a number of parcels on Fitzroy Island and to the east of Cairns in the vicinity of False Cape as shown on the locality diagram.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authority of Cairns Regional Council.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Cairns Regional Council
C/- Preston Law
PO Box 707N
CAIRNS QLD 4870

Les Murgha on his own behalf and on behalf of the
Combined Gungandji People
C/- North Queensland Land Council
PO Box 679N
CAIRNS QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

4.4 Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act is not intended to apply to any Future Acts for which the Native Title Party has given consent under this Deed.

7.2 The Native Title Party consents to the continued operation, use and maintenance of: (a) the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure; (b) the land on which the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is located; and (c) any land or waters which is adjacent to the land on which the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is located which is necessary for, or incidental to, the operation of the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure. [The Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is Council infrastructure constructed or established within the ILUA area on or before the commencement date of the agreement.]

8.1 The Native Title Party consents to: (a) the operation and maintenance by or on behalf of the Council; (b) the use by the public; and (c) the dedication by the Minister of all constructed roads as at the Commencement Date.

8.3 The Native Title Party consent to: (a) the operation and maintenance by or on behalf of the Council; (b) the use by the public; and (c) to the extent that the off-alignment roads are constructed outside of the area of land dedicated, declared, notified or taken for public use as a road, the dedication by the Minister; of the area of land over which the off-alignment roads are constructed to a width of 60 metres.

9.4 The Parties consent to the doing of Approved Future Acts. [The process for a work or activity becoming an Approved Future Act is explained in Schedule 2 of the Agreement. A proposed Approved Future Act must be described in a notice given by Council to the Native Title Party in respect of which the Native Title Party gives a Concurrent Notice or consent is deemed to be given under paragraph 10 of Schedule 2.]

10.1 The Parties consent to the construction or carrying out of Minor Works or Activities on the conditions described in Schedule 3.

12.1 The Native Title Parties consent to the following lots being dedicated by the Minister as road under the Land Act 1994 (Qld): (a) Lot 212 on NR7794; (b) Lot 18 on USL9911; (c) Lot 29 on USL9911. [These are located on Fitzroy Island.]

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council Native Title Representative Body Aboriginal Corporation, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, PO Box 9973, CAIRNS, QLD, 4870 by 21 December 2011.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Lisa Serpa on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntf.gov.au.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH)

Beach Energy Limited (**Beach Energy**) proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**ILUA**) in order to regularise a "Right to Negotiate Agreement" entered into in December 2005 in relation to ATP 633.

The proposed ILUA is for the area of land shown as 'ATP 633P' on the map below (the **ILUA Area**).

The ILUA Area is currently covered by the Wongkumara People native title claim (QUD52/2008; QC08/3). The native title claim group is described in the claim as comprising the descendants of the Late Albert Ebsworth and Rose Ebsworth, the Late Martin Ebsworth, the late Alfred Edward Ebsworth, the Late Michael Dixon, the Late Roy Dixon, the Late Edna Joyce Leonard, the Late Anthony Dixon, the Late Warwick Fernando, the Late Beverly Fernando, the Late Laura Dixon, the Late Paul Dixon, the Late Claude Dixon, the Late Albert Ebsworth, the Late Hector Bates, the Late Rita McKellar, the Late Clifford Hartnett, the Late Cyril Hartnett, the Late Shirley Edwards, the Late Darcy Edwards, the Late John Hartnett, the Late Bernard Edwards, the Late Ruby Johnson, the Late Rhonda Williams, the Late Kerrin Johnson, the Late Roy Johnson, the Late Gladys Edwards, the Late Gladys Johnson, the Late Ron Johnson, the Late Elene Shepherd, the Late Edith Edwards, the Late Iris Edwards, the Late Roger Edwards, the Late Arnold ("Picaninie") Edwards, the Late Martin Ebsworth, the Late Cecil ("Nocka") Ebsworth, the Late Alma Ebsworth, the Late Jean McKellar, the Late Gerald McKellar, the Late Thomas McKellar, the Late Janice Dennis, the Late Arthur Ebsworth, the Late Madeline Hines, the Late Rita ("Georgia") Hines, the Late Malcom ("Pierce") Hines, the Late Ray Hines and the Late Lucy Harding.

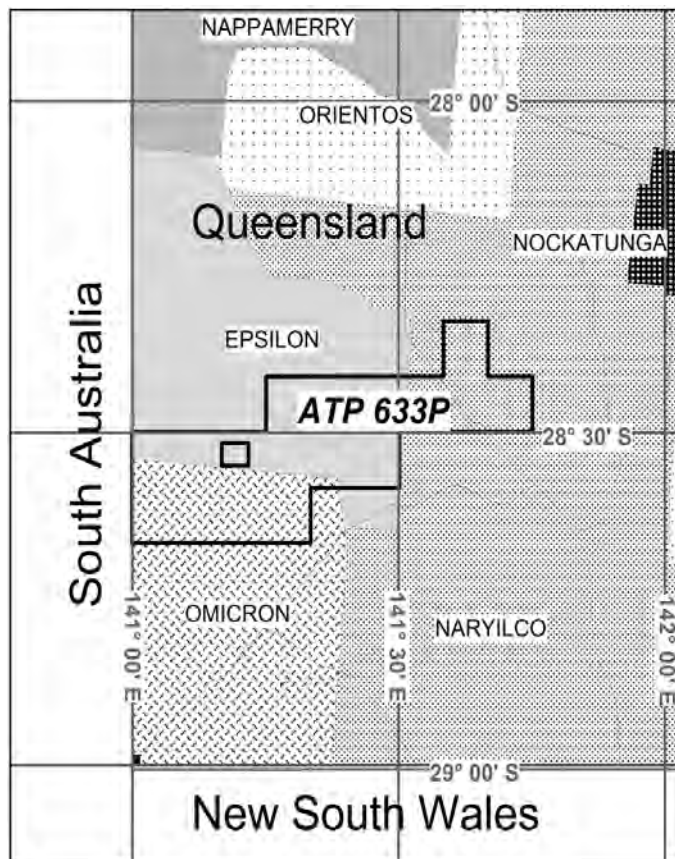
If you consider that you:

- fall within the description of the native title claim group; or
- hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area,

you are invited to contact Beach Energy to register your interest.

Responses must be received by 7 October 2011 and should clearly set out:

- your name and contact details; and
- the basis upon which you claim to hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area.



Responses should be sent to Beach Energy at the following address:

Chief Legal & Commercial Counsel
Beach Energy Limited
25 Conyngham Street
Glenside SA 5065
Phone: 08 8338 2833

NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that, **GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD** (ACN 009 218 204) of Level 9, Alluvion, 58 Mounts Bay Road, Perth, Western Australia 6000 (and its successors or assigns) as mining operator proposes to carry out mining operations pursuant to Exploration Licence 3848 ("**EL 3848**") (including any extensions replacements, renewals, transfers, assignments or other dealings with EL 3848 and any other exploration authority or interest in any exploration authority from time to time held in respect of the whole or any part of the area of EL 3848) on the following land:

DESCRIPTION OF AREA EXPLORATION LICENCE 3848

The land is located in the State of South Australia, immediately southwest of Olary, referred to as **Wadnaminga Area** and is the land bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°29'S and longitude 140°13'E, thence east to longitude 140°23'E, south to latitude 32°30'S, east to longitude 140°26'E, south to latitude 32°38'S, west to longitude 140°22'E, south to latitude 32°42'S, west to longitude 140°21'E, south to latitude 32°43'S, west to longitude 140°19'E, south to latitude 32°44'S, west to longitude 140°18'E, south to latitude 32°45'S, west to longitude 140°17'E, south to latitude 32°46'S, west to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 32°48'S, west to longitude 140°09'E, south to latitude 32°49'S, west to longitude 140°07'E, south to latitude 32°51'S, west to longitude 140°05'E, south to latitude 32°52'S, west to longitude 140°03'E, south to latitude 32°55'S, east to longitude 140°07'E, south to latitude 32°57'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, north to latitude 32°45'S, east to longitude 140°02'E, north to latitude 32°42'S, east to longitude 140°04'E, north to latitude 32°40'S, east to longitude 140°05'E, north to latitude 32°38'S, east to longitude 140°11'E, north to latitude 32°36'S, west to longitude 140°10'E, north to latitude 32°33'S, east to longitude 140°11'E, north to latitude 32°29'S, east to longitude 140°13'E, and north to the point of commencement.

AREA of the land: approximately 996 square kilometres.

All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66) ("**Land**").

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the Land and presence of economical mineralisation which may include (without limitation) the following activities: magnetic, gravity, electrical, electromagnetic and seismic surveying; geophysical surveys; geological mapping; geochemical soil, sediment, calcrete and rock chip sampling; aircore, reverse circulation and diamond core drilling; mud rotary drilling; water bore drilling, water pumping and piping; down hole geophysics; analysis of drill samples; trenching or costeaning; environmental, engineering and metallurgical surveys and studies; construction and maintenance of camp facilities, coreyard, storage and laydown areas (including for fuel), and access tracks.

The proposed operations are authorised by the following exploration authorities under the *Mining Act 1971* (SA):

EL 3848 of which GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD is the registered holder and mining operator.

GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD (and their successors or assigns) seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

NOTE: If, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the *Mining Act 1971* (SA), there are no persons registered under the law of the State or the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the Land, GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD (or their successors or assigns) may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD as follows:

GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD
c/- FINLAYSONS
81 Flinders Street, Adelaide SA 5000
Telephone: (08) 8235 7452
Facsimile: (08) 8232 2944
Contact: Mr George McKenzie



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Indigenous Australians and non Indigenous Australians are encouraged to apply.

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Applications close 11.00pm (EDT) Sunday 2 October 2011

Fair Work Infoline: 13 13 94

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Jobs that make a difference

Senior Policy Officer

VPSG-5

Aboriginal Health Branch

\$76,424 - \$92,467 (+ superannuation)

Are you committed to closing the life expectancy gap between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Victorians? Do you have a sound understanding of the issues facing the health of Aboriginal people and the ability to work with a wide range of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people inside and outside government?

The Senior Policy Officer is a key member of the Programs team in the Aboriginal Health Branch and contributes to the management and development of programs to improve Aboriginal health. The position is responsible for providing high quality policy briefings and communications to senior management, as well as managing programs with a range of stakeholders. The position requires high quality written and verbal communication, administration and project management skills, strong stakeholder relations and conceptual and analytical abilities.

- **Written communication:** prepares complex briefs, letters, emails and reports using clear, concise and grammatically correct language, edits written communications to ensure they contain the information necessary to achieve their purpose and meet audience needs, ensures appropriate style and formats are used.
- **Health System:** Has a good knowledge and understanding of the Victorian health service system.
- **Project management:** consults, liaises with and influences stakeholders, produces project plans where objectives are clearly defined, ensures projects objectives are met.
- **Initiative and accountability:** A pro-active self starter, can seize opportunities and act upon them, takes responsibility for own actions.

If you would like to discuss this position further please contact Lorraine Parsons, Manager, Programs on Ph: 03 9096 8175.

Closing date: 30th September 2011

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Department of
Health



State Government
Victoria



Department of Education and
Early Childhood Development

Senior Policy Officer

Aboriginal Early Years Services
Fixed term, full time VPSG5

This position offers an excellent opportunity for a dedicated person to work within the department to contribute to improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families. The position will work closely with Departmental regions to support staff to ensure that policies and programs are delivered and that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families are encouraged to participate in early years services.

Further information about this position is available from David Riley (03) 9651 3415.

Interested applicants should apply for this position at www.careers.vic.gov.au.

In the Reference field on the Jobs Search page, enter the position reference

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Should you require any further information please contact **Gino Tota** from **Aplus** on **(03) 9481 9104**. Applications are to be forwarded to gino.t@aplus.org.au

Applications close: Friday 14 October 2011.

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Australian Government
Department of Families,
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and Indigenous Affairs

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Government Engagement and Coordination Officer (GECO)

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Regional Operations Centre Mt Isa

Information about the Section/Branch

As part of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) National Partnership Agreement on Remote Service Delivery, Regional Operations Centers' (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

GECOs support the overall functions and performance of the ROC to achieve whole-of-government outcomes by harnessing programs and services and improving the coordination of their delivery to Indigenous people.

Additional information about the Position

This position will be filled for an initial period of twelve months and may be extended up to three years. Successful applicants will be based in the Mornington Island community where accommodation will be provided.

Closing Date: 2 October 2011

How to apply

For further information visit "Careers in FaHCSIA" at www.fahcsia.gov.au or contact Recruitment on 07 3004 4763.

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NOTICES INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** (ACN 009 253 187) of Level 40, Exchange Plaza, 2 The Esplanade, Perth in the state of Western Australia, proposes to carry out mining exploration operations on the areas of Exploration Licences 4300, 4322, 4770 and Exploration Licence Application 2008/436 (including any renewals, extensions, transfers, assignments or other dealings) (**Land**).

TASMAN RESOURCES LTD has served Form 27 notices on all relevant parties in accordance with section 63M of the South Australian *Mining Act 1971*.

The Land is subject to Native Title Claimant Application SAD 90/2009, the Kokatha Uwankara Native Title Claim.

The Land is in the State of South Australia being the land comprised within:

Exploration Licence 4300 held by **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** and located in the ANDAMOOKA AREA, immediately east northeast of Andamooka (covering an approximate area of 12 km²), bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°25'S and longitude 137°11'E, thence east to longitude 137°12'E, south to latitude 30°26'S, east to longitude 137°14'E, south to latitude 30°27'S, west to longitude 137°11'E, and north to the point of commencement, but excluding the surface stratum of the Andamooka Precious Stones Field (see GG 18.3.1982), all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

Exploration Licence 4322 held by **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** and located in the ANDAMOOKA NORTH AREA, approximately 140 km northwest of Leigh Creek (covering an approximate area of 1,295 km²), bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 30°06'S and longitude 136°47'E, thence east to the western boundary of Stuart Creek Precious Stones Field, thence southerly, easterly and northerly along the boundary of the said Field to latitude 30°06'S, east to longitude 137°18'E, south to a northern boundary of Lake Torrens National Park, thence generally southeasterly along the boundary of the said National Park to latitude 30°25'S, west to longitude 137°15'E, south to latitude 30°27'S, west to an eastern boundary of Andamooka Precious Stones Field, thence generally northwesterly along the boundary of the said Field to longitude 137°11'E, north to latitude 30°20'S, west to longitude 137°10'E, north to latitude 30°19'S, west to longitude 137°00'E, south to latitude 30°20'S, west to longitude 136°50'E, north to latitude 30°19'S, west to longitude 136°44'E, north to latitude 30°15'S, east to longitude 136°47'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

Exploration Licence 4770 held by **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** and located in the LUCAS HILL

AREA, approximately 25 km southeast of Woomera (covering an approximate area of 264 km²), bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°15'S and longitude 136°57'E, thence east to longitude 137°06'E, south to latitude 31°25'S, west to longitude 136°57'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

Exploration Licence Application 2008/436 held by **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** and located in the TODDS DAM AREA, approximately 45 km west of Andamooka and covers an approximate area of 305 km².

TASMAN RESOURCES LTD proposes to carry out exploration operations to determine the geological structure of the Land and presence of economic mineralisation, which may include (without limitation) such activities as magnetic, gravity, electrical, electromagnetic and seismic surveying; geophysical surveys; geological mapping; geochemical soil, calcrete and rock chip sampling; shallow trenching; auger, rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation and diamond core drilling.

TASMAN RESOURCES LTD seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the South Australian *Mining Act 1971* in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the Land, there are no native title parties in relation to the Land to which this notice relates, **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** may apply *ex parte* to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of the South Australian *Mining Act 1971* authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if within four (4) months of the initiation of these negotiations, **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD** and any native title party or parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the South Australian *Mining Act 1971* for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining operations on the Land.

ANY PERSON who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the proponent, **TASMAN RESOURCES LTD**, for the purposes of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

If you require further information, please contact:

Gregory Solomon
Executive Chairman
Level 40, Exchange Plaza
2 The Esplanade
PERTH WA 6000
Phone: (08) 9282 5889
Facsimile: (08) 9282 5866

ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES
Alexander Maconochie Centre
AMC Indigenous Case Manager
Administrative Services Officer Class 6
Salary Range: \$66,198 - \$76,043
PN: 55814

Duties: Under the limited direction of the Classification and Case Management Coordinator: Coordinate, administer and manage case management/classification processes and functions, including undertaking record keeping. Coordinate, administer and manage reception, screening and induction processes and programs according to ACTCS policy.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander ancestry is considered highly desirable (s42, Discrimination Act 1991). The primary focus of this role is assistance for Indigenous clients; however the position holder will also be required to provide case management services and supports to non-indigenous clients. This position will work closely with AMC Indigenous Liaison Officer. Experience working with offenders and relevant tertiary qualifications are highly desirable. Eligible candidates will be required to undergo a criminal history check. Applicants may be required to undertake psychological aptitude testing as part of the assessment process. A current driver's licence is essential.

Selection documentation and application information is available at: www.jobs.act.gov.au/jobs_by_agency/justice_and_community_safety For further information regarding the position, please contact Mr Mark Bartlett, ACT Corrective Services.

Phone: (02) 6207 8983

Email: mark.bartlett@act.gov.au

Applications close on Tuesday 4 October 2011 and should be forwarded to jobs@act.gov.au or mailed to:

Shared Services Centre,
Recruitment Services,
GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601

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The Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association (AIDA) is a not-for-profit, non-government organisation dedicated to the pursuit of leadership, partnership and scholarship in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, education and workforce.

AIDA advocates for improvements in Indigenous health in Australia and encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to work in medicine by supporting Indigenous students and doctors.

If you have a

- strong commitment to improving the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
- experience with policy and project work;
- proven ability as an effective communicator; and
- demonstrated ability to work in a changing and challenging environment

we would like to hear from you.

Selection documentation for the position is located at <http://www.aida.org.au/positions/vacant.aspx>

AIDA's offices are located at Old Parliament House, Canberra.

AS AN INDIGENOUS ORGANISATION, WE STRONGLY ENCOURAGE ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE TO CONSIDER JOINING OUR TEAM

For further information please contact Ms Trudi Ridge
trudir@aida.org.au 02 6273 5013

Applications can be forwarded to:

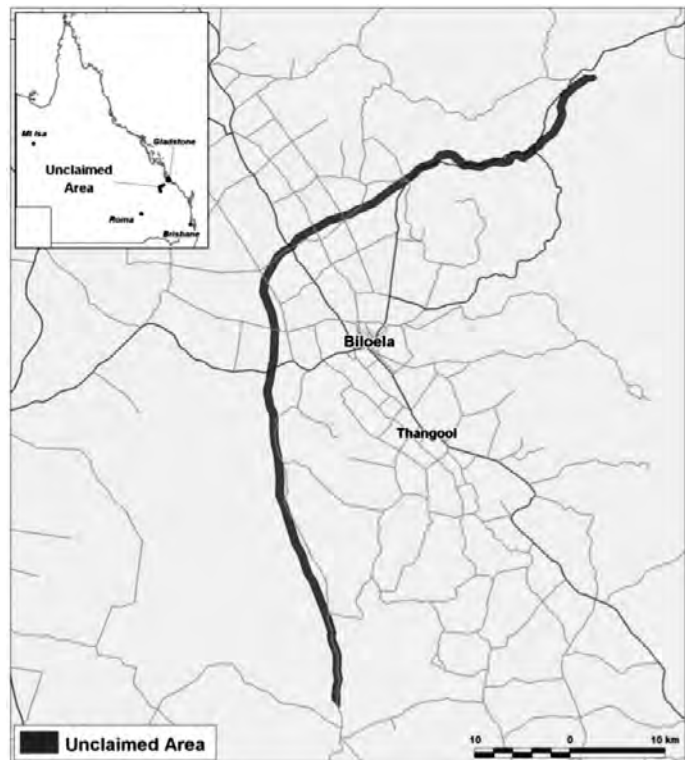
Ms Trudi Ridge
Manager – Policy and Projects
Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association
Mail: P.O. Box 3497, MANUKA A.C.T. 2603
or via email trudir@aida.org.au

By: Close of business: Thursday, 6th October 2011.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AUTHORISATION MEETING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (AREA AGREEMENT) UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) FOR PART OF THE AUSTRALIA PACIFIC LNG PROJECT

Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited (APLNG) proposes to develop a world scale, long-term coal seam gas (CSG) to liquefied natural gas (LNG) project in Queensland (APLNG Project). The APLNG Project comprises 3 principal components: the further development of APLNG's Queensland-based CSG fields in South Central Queensland; the construction and operation of a high pressure underground gas transmission pipeline system from the CSG fields to a LNG facility on Curtis Island near Gladstone where the CSG will be liquefied (Pipeline Project); and the construction and operation of the LNG facility and of ancillary onshore and marine facilities, including a marine offloading facility and an export terminal containing specialised LNG loading facilities and berths, so that the LNG can be exported to international markets.

APLNG proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Area Agreement) (ILUA), pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (NTA), with the members of the Native Title Parties referred to below. The ILUA will relate to that part of the Pipeline Project that is depicted on the map in this notice (ILUA Project). The land and waters affected by the ILUA Project (ILUA Area) are located wholly within an area in respect of which there is currently no registered native title claim. However, the area lies within the external boundaries of the former Gangulu People native title determination application (QC97/36; QUD6144/98).



To register your attendance at the authorisation meeting, please contact **Melissa Anapo, Native Title and Cultural Heritage Coordinator, Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited** on (07) 3867 0550 by 4:00 pm on Monday 3 October 2011 so that arrangements can be made for the purposes of catering. Travel assistance will be made available upon satisfying eligibility criteria.

If you consider that you hold or may hold native title in relation to land or waters within the ILUA Area and would like to attend the authorisation meeting, but you do not identify as a member of either the Gangulu People or the Warrabal People, please contact **Melissa Anapo, Native Title and Cultural Heritage Coordinator, Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited** on (07) 3867 0550 as soon as possible.

In an effort to ensure that all people who hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area were identified, APLNG published notice of its intention to commence negotiations for the proposed ILUA in *The Koori Mail* and in a number of other newspapers circulating in the ILUA Area in September 2010 and again in February 2011. APLNG also conducted inquiries with Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd (QSNTS), the only representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander body for the ILUA Area.

As a result of these and other efforts, the people who hold or may hold native title in relation to the ILUA Area (Native Title Parties) have been identified as:

- those individuals identifying as the Gangulu People who claim to hold Native Title Rights and Interests in respect of the ILUA Area; and
- those individuals identifying as the Warrabal People who claim to hold Native Title Rights and Interests in respect of the ILUA Area.

The people identifying as the Gangulu People are the descendants of William Toby 1st, while the people identifying as the Warrabal People are the descendants of Maryann Lamb (née Crooke).

The ILUA will provide for the consent of the Native Title Parties to certain Agreed Acts to be set out in the ILUA, including the grant of all approvals and land tenure for the ILUA Project, and to the undertaking of the ILUA Project. APLNG will be seeking that the non-extinguishment principle apply to the proposed Agreed Acts and to the undertaking of the ILUA Project.

Authorisation of the ILUA by the Native Title Parties, being the people who hold or may hold native title in the ILUA Area, is now sought in accordance with the NTA.

Details of ILUA Authorisation Meeting

An authorisation meeting for the proposed ILUA will be held as follows:

Date and Time: Saturday, 8 October 2011, 8:30 am registration and a meeting start time of 9:30 am.

Place: Rockhampton Jockey Club, Callaghan Park, Reaney St, North Rockhampton, Qld, 4701.

Purpose of the Meeting: To authorise the ILUA between APLNG and the Native Title Parties.

You are invited to the meeting if you identify as:

- a member of the Gangulu People as described in this notice; or
- a member of the Warrabal People as described in this notice.

PUBLIC NOTICE

MANDANDANJI PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

THE MANDANDANJI PEOPLE have made an application to the Federal Court of Australia (QUD366/2008 Mandandanji People) seeking recognition of their native title rights and interests under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

THE MANDANDANJI PEOPLE are currently described as the biological descendants of the following people:

1. Nellie Edwards
2. Weribone Jack Senior
3. Combarngo Bill
4. Mary Weribone

In accordance with decisions of the native title claim group (described above) on 3 September 2011, the Mandandanji People are **newly described** as the descendants of the following people:

1. Nellie Edwards
2. Weribone Jack Senior
3. Combarngo Bill
4. Mary Weribone
5. Dolly Clark

This Notice invites all persons who are members of the **Mandandanji People** who fall within the newly described native title claim group above to attend a **Further Authorisation Meeting** at the time and location below:

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 8 October 2011

Venue of Meeting: Glenvale Room, Toowoomba Showgrounds, Glenvale Road, Toowoomba

Time of Meeting: 10.00 am – 4:00 pm

The purposes of this **Further Authorisation Meeting** are to:

- Authorise an Applicant to bring the Mandandanji People's native title determination application and deal with matters arising in relation to it on behalf of the Mandandanji People as newly described; and
- Determine the role of the Applicant in the Mandandanji People's native title determination application and the scope of their authority.

The **area** claimed on the Mandandanji People's native title determination application is depicted below:

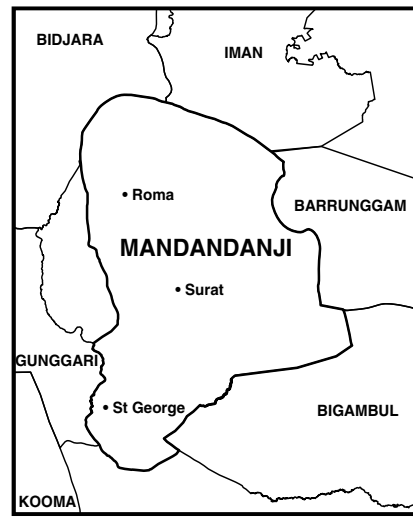


Figure 1: Please note that this map is indicative of the areas of the claims and not the actual boundaries of the claims. The boundaries of the claims will be provided at the Authorisation Meeting.

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

Contact QSNTS Community Relations Officer, Hank Wymarra on email: Hank.Wymarra@qsnts.com.au or **1800 663 693** no later than close of business **5 October 2011** to register your intention to be present at the authorisation meeting.



PUBLIC NOTICE

WAKKA WAKKA PEOPLE'S NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The proposed claim area



Wakka Wakka #1



Wakka Wakka #2



Wakka Wakka #3

THE WAKKA WAKKA PEOPLE are those people who are the descendants of the following Aboriginal apical ancestors:

1. Jinny and David Carlo (parents of Princey Carlo)
2. Minnie Bly (mother of Thomas Simpson), Ethel and Billy Button
3. Maggie Hart (mother of Crabbie Chapman)
4. Mother of William Pickering, Dave Law and Kate (parents of Lucky Law)
5. King Billy and Maria of Boondooma (parents of Tommy Dodd of Taabinga), Maggie West
6. Kitty of Boonara
7. MiMi
8. Kitty mother of Jack Bulong
9. John Bond
10. Jenny Lind and Mick Buck, Kitty mother of Jenny Lind
11. Boubijan Cobbo
12. Stockman Bligh, Aggie Bligh
13. Tommy (aka Boondoon) and Maggie (parents of Willie Bone)
14. Chlorine McKenzie, Billy McKenzie

This Notice invites all members of the **Wakka Wakka People** (descendants of the ancestors listed above) to attend a native title authorisation meeting at the time and location below:

Date of Meeting: 1 October 2011

Venue of Meeting: Gayndah Town Hall, 32 Copper Street, Gayndah

Time of Meeting: 9.30AM – 5:00PM

Purpose of this meeting is to authorise native title determination applications on behalf of the Wakka Wakka People relating to the recognition of native title rights and interests over the Wakka Wakka lands depicted in the accompanying maps and appoint an Applicant for those claims.

All Wakka Wakka People are invited to contact Kieren Gibbs, Community Relations Officer from Queensland South Native Title Services on **1800 663 693** to register their intention to be present at the authorisation meeting.



Armidale Local Aboriginal Land Council

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Designated Position

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The **Armidale Local Aboriginal Land Council** (ALALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position has recently been established following amendments to the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 (ALRA) as amended, and provides an excellent opportunity for the successful applicant.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance

and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the ALALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the **Position Description** and **Selection Criteria** and

address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer **June French**, by email: ceo@alc.org.au or on (02) 6772 2447.

Applications to be marked "Confidential" and forwarded to:

The Chairperson
ARMIDALE Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 696
ARMIDALE NSW 2350

Applications close:

Friday 10th October 2011

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

PUBLIC NOTICE

KALKADOON PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETINGS

The **Kalkadoon People** have made application to the Federal Court of Australia (*Kalkadoon People #4 v State of Queensland and Others* QUD 579/2005) ("the **Native Title Claim**") seeking recognition of their native title rights and interests under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

CURRENT CLAIM GROUP DESCRIPTION

The **Kalkadoon People** are currently described in the Native Title Claim as:

The biological descendants of the following persons:

Lardie Roberts (Moonlight)

Ida (aka Ada) Elston

Carbine

Jack Elston

Nancy Daniels

Spider

Daisy Barton (nee McLean)

Julie (mother of Eulie and Lizzie Hickson)

Annie Whip (mother of Martin Connelly (snr))

Rosie Waddibungera (mother of George Thorpe)

Jimmy Rolleston and Louisa Muni (parents of Bessie Mowbray)

Nellie and Jimmy (parents of Topsy Harry, Annie Sam and Jack Kippen)

Maryann (mother of Annie Reid and Eva Patterson)

Charlie Caldwell (Snr)

Nellie Monkira

Kitty Frogg

Willy Malcolm

Nobie Clay

Maggie Sautelle

Sophie MacDonald

Dolly Prosser

Leichardt Toby

Polly Wilson (nee Hopkins) Marajundu

Jessie Frogg (Snr)

Polly Alroy (George)

Fanny (Nellie) McLennan

Mundi MacDonald (King Mundi)

Gypsy Reid (Gypsy Ryan)

KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 – 8/10/11

This Notice INVITES all members of the Kalkadoon People (as described above) to an authorisation meeting at the times and location below:

Date of Meeting: Saturday 8th October 2011

Venue of Meeting: QSNTS, 31 – 33 Commercial Rd, MT ISA

Time of Meeting: Registration 9.30am Meeting Open 10.00am

The Purpose of KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 – 8/10/11 is to:

1. Provide the current claim group with the outcomes of research into Bessie Ah Fat;
2. Authorise an amendment to the CURRENT CLAIM GROUP DESCRIPTION to include the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat.

If the claim authorises an amendment to the claim group description to include the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat, then **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #2 – 8/10/11** will be opened immediately on the close of **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 -8/10/11**. If the meeting does not authorise the amendment of the claim group description then the next meeting will be **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #3 – 8/10/11**.

KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #2 – 8/10/11

If this meeting is held, **this Notice INVITES** all members of the **Kalkadoon People** as described in the **CURRENT CLAIM GROUP DESCRIPTION** and the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat to an authorisation meeting at the times and location below:

Date of Meeting: Saturday 8th October 2011

Venue of Meeting: QSNTS, 31 – 33 Commercial Rd, MT ISA

Time of Meeting: Registration opens following closure of **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 8/10/11** (those people registered for meeting #1 will not be required to re-register – descendants of Bessie Ah Fat not already registered under another apical ancestor will be required to register)

The purpose of the KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #2 – 8/10/11 will be to:

AUTHORISE an Applicant to bring the claim on behalf of the **Kalkadoon People** (being the **CURRENT CLAIM GROUP DESCRIPTION** and the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat).

KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #3 – 8/10/11

This Notice INVITES to the following people to attend the **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #3 – 9/10/11** at the times and location set out below:

The **Kalkadoon People** as described in the **CURRENT CLAIM GROUP DESCRIPTION** above

And

If and only if the **Kalkadoon People** at the **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 -8/10/11** have authorised amendment to the claim group description to include the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat, then the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat.

Date of Meeting: Saturday 8th October 2011

Venue of Meeting: QSNTS, 31 – 33 Commercial Rd, MT ISA

Time of Meeting: Registration opens following closure of **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 8/10/11** or **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #2 8/10/11** as the case may be (those registered for Meeting #1 will not be required to re-register – descendants of Bessie Ah Fat not already registered under another apical ancestor will be required to register)

(Note: If the business has not finished at the end of the day the meeting may be adjourned and resumed for a further hour between 10am and 11am on 9 October 2011.)

The purpose of **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #3 – 8/10/11** is to:

AUTHORISE and **INSTRUCT** the Applicant (as authorised above) to consent to a determination of the Native Title Claim in terms of the Draft Orders tabled at the meeting.

KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #4 – 9/10/11

This Notice INVITES to the following people to attend the **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #4 – 9/10/11** at the times and location set out below:

1. The **Kalkadoon People** as described in the **CURRENT CLAIM GROUP DESCRIPTION** above

And

2. Any other person who asserts that they hold native title in relation to the Kalkadoon claim area ("the ILUA area") (pictured right), including the biological descendants of Bessie Ah Fat.

Date of Meeting: Sunday 9th October 2011

Venue of Meeting: QSNTS, 31 – 33 Commercial Rd, MT ISA

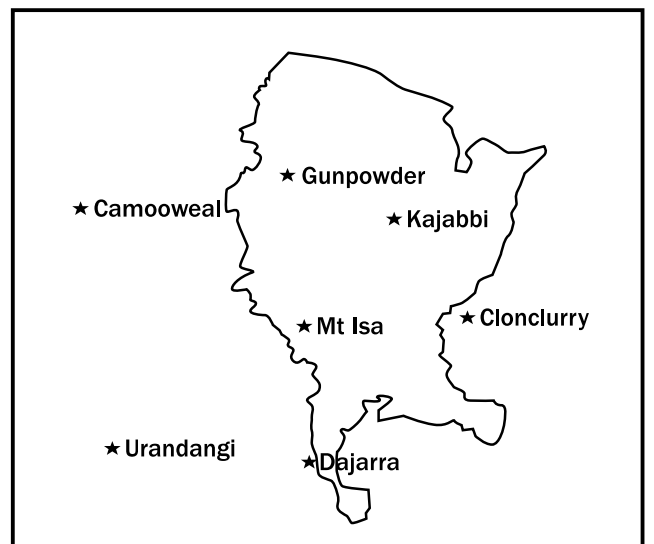
Time of Meeting: Registration 9.30am Meeting Open 10.00am subject to adjournment of **KALKADOON AUTHORISATION MEETING #3 – 8/10/11** – in which case no later than 11am

The purpose of the AUTHORISATION MEETING #4 – 9/10/11 will be to:

1. **ESTABLISH** and **NOMINATE** a Kalkadoon Prescribed Body Corporate to be a 'spokesperson' and 'gatekeeper' for Kalkadoon native title; and
2. **AUTHORISE** entry into an **Indigenous Land Use Agreement** between the Kalkadoon People, the new Kalkadoon Prescribed Body Corporate, and other Kalkadoon corporations which agree to become party to that agreement (including Kalkadoon Community Pty Ltd, as trustee of the Kalkadoon Charitable Trust, Kalkadoon Enterprises Pty Ltd and Kalkadoon Cultural Heritage Services Pty Ltd) about how the native title and other affairs of the Kalkadoon People are to be managed.

All persons intending to attend any of the above meetings are requested to contact **Queensland South Native Title Services (QSNTS)**, **Communities Section** on **1800 663 693** to register.

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with transport to or from the meeting or with accommodation costs. However, morning tea and lunch will be provided to participants at the meeting.



QSNTS
Queensland South Native Title Services



Health
South Western Sydney
Local Health District

Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer (AHEO)

Ref: 43233 F/T at Community Health Services – RPA

Enq: Michelle Lampis

Ph: 9114 4059

Aboriginal Child and Family Health Program Coordinator (HSM Level 2)

Ref: 44696 F/T at Community Health Services

Campbelltown

Enq: Kerry Plumer

Ph: 9828 6931

Closing Dates for both positions: 7 October 2011

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

Please apply online by visiting:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



PIUS X ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

POSITIONS VACANT

Pius X Aboriginal Corporation has a new program called **Protecting Aboriginal Children Together (PACT)** program, (Keeping Them Safe). Pius X is looking for motivated, determined and community-minded people to join us in this new program.

Pius X is seeking to fill the following 3 newly created full-time positions under the PACT program. Aboriginality is a necessary requirement for these positions. Exemption is claimed under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

The 3 positions are:

- **PACT Manager**
- **2 x PACT Advisors**

To obtain an information package with the criteria and position description please contact: Mrs Kim Connors Administration Officer on 0267521099 or; email: admin@piusx.com.au Written applications including detailed resume and references should be marked "Confidential" and be addressed to CEO, Pius X Aboriginal Corporation PO Box 363, MOREE NSW 2400

Applications will be received until Friday 7th October 2011



Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd

Manager

Social and Community Services

Re-advertised - Previous applicants need not apply.

A great opportunity to work with the Aboriginal community. Based in Dandenong, the catchment area includes the Cities of Knox to Bayside, Frankston and Mornington Peninsula to Casey and Cardinia.

Reporting to the CEO this full time position is responsible for the management of 8 social and community programs including HACC, Aboriginal Best Start, Family and Youth Services with a strong mentoring role for the staff.

If you are looking for a challenging and rewarding position, have formal qualifications in social work or similar discipline and experience managing programs and people then this may be the job for you.

An attractive salary including generous salary packaging will be negotiated with the successful applicant.

Please ring or email Kathy Walker on (03) 9794 5933 for a copy of the Position Description.

Applications close: 30 September 2011.

Golden point climax to KRL grand final

Suburbs – by a whisker

By ALF WILSON



SUBURBS scored a 38-34 victory in golden point time over arch-rivals Roosters in the Kaiwalagal Rugby League grand final at the Ken Brown Memorial Oval on Thursday Island.

Scores had been deadlocked at 34-all at full-time in the 10 September decider before a large crowd.

KRL secretary LJ Shibasaki said it was a fitting finale between two well-matched sides.

“In golden point Suburbs scored with a try by Andrew Brauer to win the match within two minutes,” LJ said.

In the preliminary final a week earlier, Roosters defeated Mulga Tigers 25-24 in another cliff-hanger.

A combined KRL and Northern Peninsula competition began the 2011 season with seven teams.

But several months ago the four NPA teams withdrew because of financial considerations and resumed their own competition.

“After a down season with the withdrawal of the NPA teams, it didn’t dampen the spirits of the KRL teams,” LJ said.




Kaiwalagal Rugby League 2011 premiers Suburbs with their trophy.



Drew Brauer is tackled by the Roosters’ Stuart Price as he scores the winning try in extra time for Suburbs.



Suburbs supporters.



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

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 tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*.

TENEMENT TYPE	NO.	APPLICANT	AREA*	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1820	GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	31BL	153km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 49' S Long: 115° 53' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1873	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	96BL	163km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 49' S Long: 116° 13' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1877	MAKA MINERALS PTY LTD	29BL	160km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 27° 6' S Long: 115° 46' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1881	EASTERN GOLDFIELDS EXPLORATION PTY LTD	151BL	169km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 41' S Long: 115° E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1885	CULLEN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	70BL	111km NE'ly of Carnarvon	Lat: 24° 13' S Long: 114° 28' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1894-6	ANACONDA MINING PTY LTD	480BL	131km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 55' S Long: 114° 49' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1102	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	18BL	66km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 0' S Long: 121° 21' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1224 & 39/1227	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LTD	400BL	178km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 124° 50' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3736	CLIFFS ASIA PACIFIC IRON ORE PTY LTD	17BL	90km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 3' S Long: 119° 15' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2078	HAMERSLEY EXPLORATION PTY LTD	39BL	34km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 43' S Long: 117° 27' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2433	HARDCORE PROSPECTING PTY LTD	26BL	57km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 48' S Long: 117° 15' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2921	ZODIAC RESOURCES PTY LTD	58L	139km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 22' S Long: 121° 9' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4071	NBX PTY LTD	36BL	49km NE'ly of Walpole	Lat: 34° 36' S Long: 117° 0' E	PLANTAGENET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4081	GLOBAL NICKEL INVESTMENTS NL	58L	24km NW'ly of Moora	Lat: 30° 23' S Long: 115° 50' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/492	SULPHIDE RESOURCES PTY LTD	10BL	92km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 32° 46' S Long: 119° 47' E	KONDIRIN SHIRE, LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/498	TECTONIC RESOURCES NL	14BL	27km S'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 48' S Long: 120° 9' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2737	KENT, Ryan Wayne	181.55HA	48km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 120° 51' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2180-6	GOLD & MINERAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	1059.87HA	41km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 6' S Long: 118° 5' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2187	GOLD & MINERAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	193.61HA	45km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 6' S Long: 118° 9' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	27/2098	MOORES, Bruce	22.49HA	57km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 17' S Long: 121° 43' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2099-2102	MOORES, Martin Clive	621.98HA	13km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 121° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	36/1763	DESHON, Brendon Chevely	4.21HA	22km W'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 59' S Long: 120° 28' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8050-5	CAMEL TOE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	1197.29HA	21km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 121° 32' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8083	VAN BLITTERSWYK, Wayne Craig	183.04HA	56km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 120° 59' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence		BULLSEYE MINING LTD				

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. 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: 21 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 **21 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. 21 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.

*1 - Graticular Block = 2.8km²

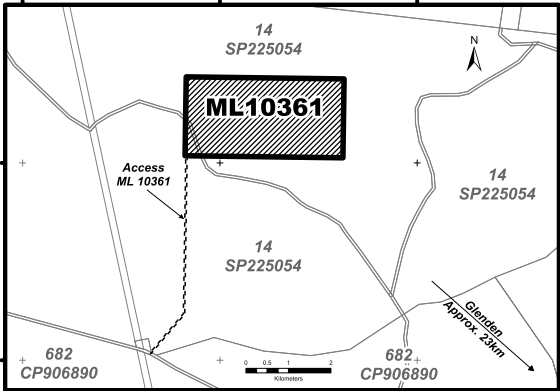
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF A MINING LEASE

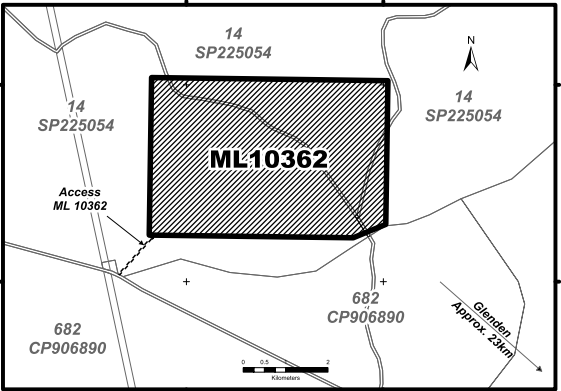
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease 10361 sought by Xstrata Coal Queensland Pty Ltd (55%), Itochu Coal Resources Australia Pty Ltd (25%), Sumisho Coal Australia Pty Limited (10%) and ICRA NCA Pty Ltd (10%) over an area of 638.5245 ha, centred approximately 23km North West of Glenden Township in the locality of Whitsunday Regional Council.



Mining Lease 10362 sought by Xstrata Coal Queensland Pty Ltd (55%), Itochu Coal Resources Australia Pty Ltd (25%), Sumisho Coal Australia Pty Limited (10%) and ICRA NCA Pty Ltd (10%) over an area of 1903.8016 ha, centred approximately 23km North West of Glenden Township in the locality of Whitsunday Regional Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of a Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding twenty one (21) years with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding twenty one (21) years.


Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland 4002.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Charters Towers, PO Box 62, Natal Downs Road, Charters Towers Telephone: (07) 4761 5763.

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 a Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 28 September 2011

 Queensland Government

Hoops 4 Health is heading to Maningrida



THE first ever Hoops 4 Health Challenge will be held next month at Maningrida, 500km east of Darwin.

The event will be known as the H4H 'Live Longer' Challenge and will provide government and non-government service providers with an opportunity to promote healthy lifestyle messages.

From Tuesday 25 October to Thursday 27

October, Hoops 4 Health Aboriginal Corporation will run programs and physical and cultural activities aimed at increasing awareness of chronic disease, benefits of regular health checks and engaging in physical activity as a key preventative measure in reducing the risk of chronic disease in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Sessions will be held at the Maningrida School on Wednesday 26 October and will culminate with the 'Live Longer' Challenge on

Thursday 27 October.

In something of a coup for the H4H 'Live Longer' Challenge, Manuel Dhurrkay, from the Saltwater Band, will join the H4H crew in Maningrida and perform a song about health living.

Meanwhile, the Darwin 'Live Longer' Challenge will be held on Sunday 30 October.

Some of the best Indigenous basketballers in Australia – male and female – will be in action at the Darwin Basketball Stadium.

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.

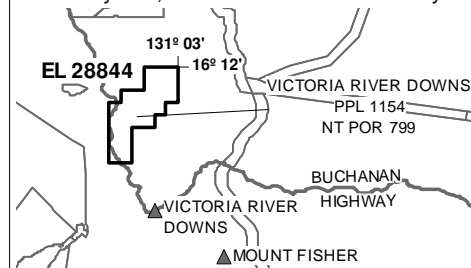
Applications to which this notice applies:

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 Centrepnt 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.

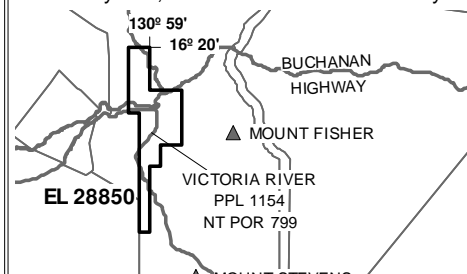
Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the 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.

Exploration Licence 28844 sought by AUSTRALIA MINING AND GEMSTONE CO. PTY LTD, ACN 114 395 247 over an area of 26 Blocks (86 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HUMBERT locality.



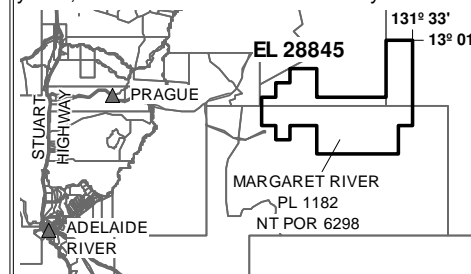
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Exploration Licence 28850 sought by AUSTRALIA MINING AND GEMSTONE CO. PTY LTD, ACN 114 395 247 over an area of 40 Blocks (132 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HUMBERT locality.



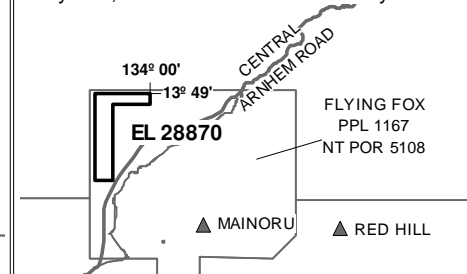
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Exploration Licence 28845 sought by AUSTRALIAN GEOSCIENCE PTY LIMITED, ACN 092 577 029 over an area of 48 Blocks (161 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BATCHELOR locality.



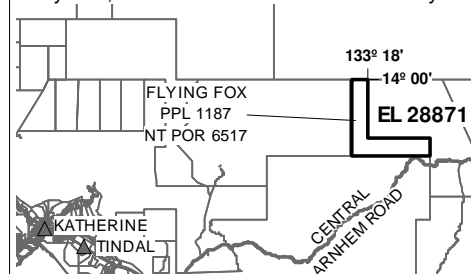
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Exploration Licence 28870 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 22 Blocks (73 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MAINORU locality.



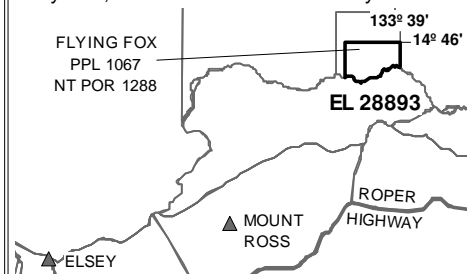
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Exploration Licence 28871 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 78 Blocks (260 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WATERHOUSE locality.



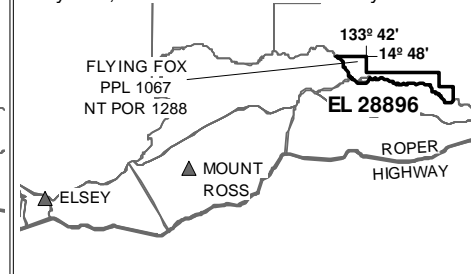
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Exploration Licence 28893 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 8 Blocks (17 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOROAK locality.



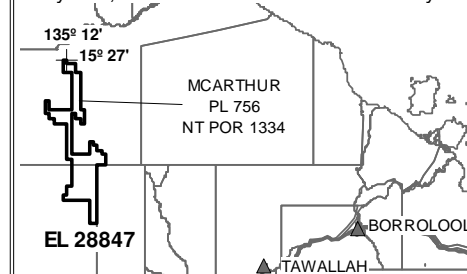
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Exploration Licence 28896 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 13 Blocks (24 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOROAK locality.



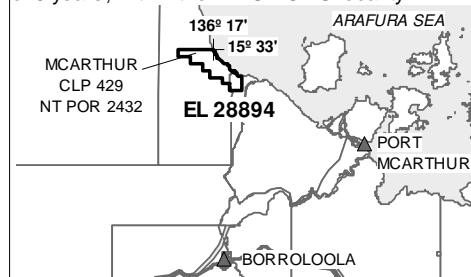
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Exploration Licence 28847 sought by AUSTRALIAN MANGANESE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 129 524 161 over an area of 138 Blocks (449 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MANTUNGULA locality.



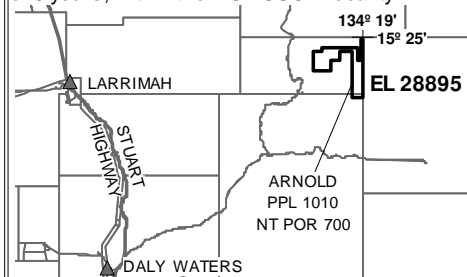
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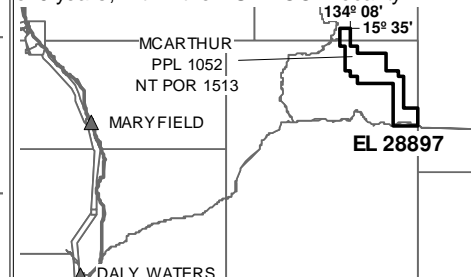
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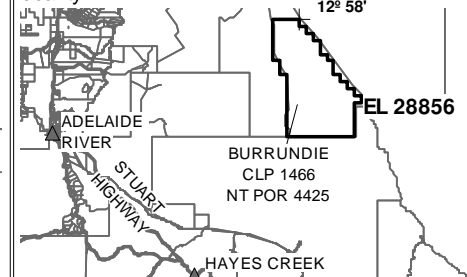
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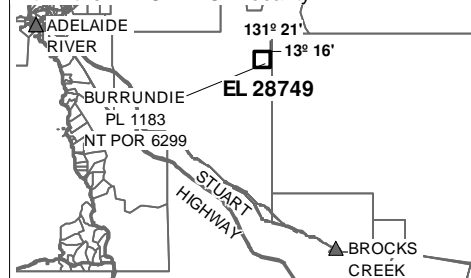
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Exploration Licence 28856 sought by ELEMENT 92 PTY LTD, ACN 119 094 423 over an area of 141 Blocks (472 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



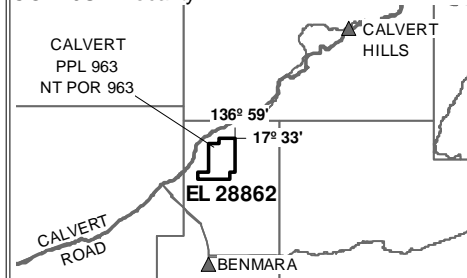
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Exploration Licence 28749 sought by GOLDCORE ENTERPRISES PTY LTD, ACN 143 376 943 over an area of 1 Blocks (3 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BATCHELOR locality.



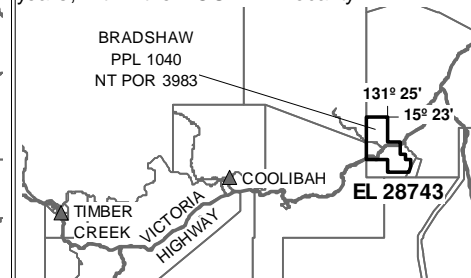
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Exploration Licence 28862 sought by PREDICTIVE DISCOVERY LTD, ACN 127 171 877 over an area of 34 Blocks (111 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the COANJULA locality.



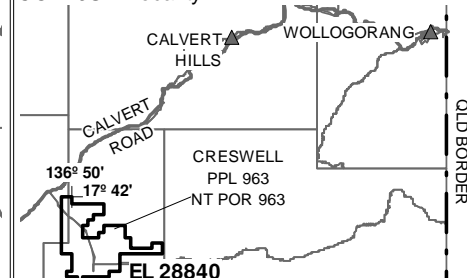
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Exploration Licence 28743 sought by SETH PTY LTD, ACN 062 084 119, DAVID LANGLEY and JOHN LEWIS over an area of 43 Blocks (137 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HOGARTH locality.



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Exploration Licence 28840 sought by TORO ENERGY LIMITED, ACN 117 127 590 over an area of 129 Blocks (422 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the COANJULA locality.



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Notification Day: 21 September 2011

Grover likely to stay a Docker



FREMANTLE Docker Antoni Grover (pictured right) is tipped to go another year following the re-signing of defenders Michael Johnson and Alex Silvagni until the end of the 2013 Australian Football League (AFL) season. Johnson signed a two-year deal while Silvagni, who was already contracted until the end of next

season, penned a one-year extension. Grover, who at 31, is the oldest player on Fremantle's list, was one of the Dockers' most consistent performers this season and is expected to sign on for one more year. But the Dockers axed Clayton Hinkley and Joel Houghton from their senior list, while rookies Tim Ruffles, Ben Bucovaz and Hamish Shepherd were also told their services were no longer required.

And with Rhys Palmer having signed on with Greater Western Sydney and midfielder Byron Schammer and veteran Roger Hayden already announcing their retirements, the Dockers will make at least eight changes to their list over the off-season. Fremantle lost their last seven games of the season to finish a disappointing 11th with a 9-13 win-loss record. —AAP



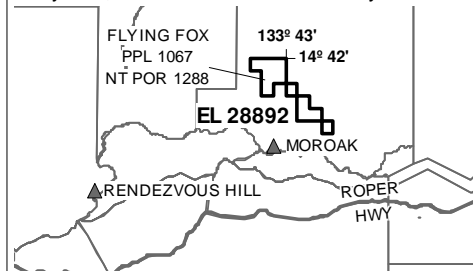
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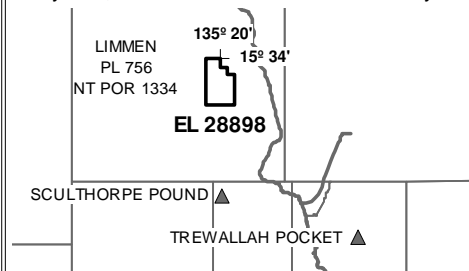
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 28892 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 11 Blocks (37 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOROAK locality.



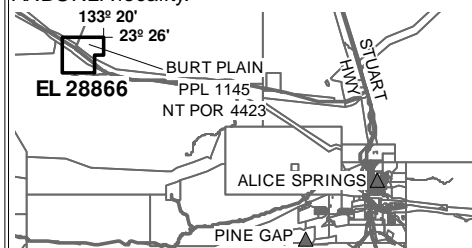
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Exploration Licence 28898 sought by AUSTRALIAN MANGANESE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 129 524 161 over an area of 21 Blocks (69 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MANTUNGULA locality.



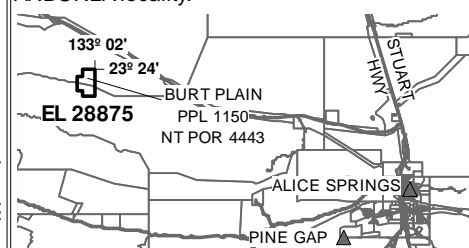
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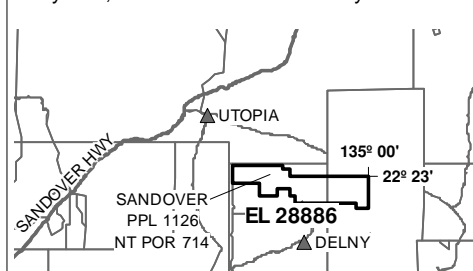
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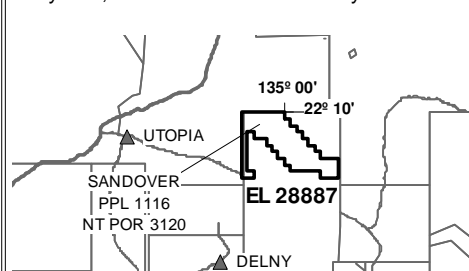
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Exploration Licence 28886 sought by GEMPART PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 90 Blocks (272 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the UTOPIA locality.



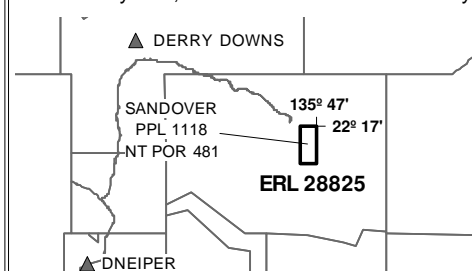
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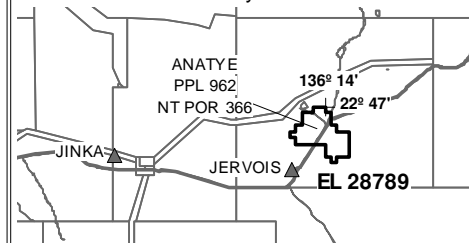
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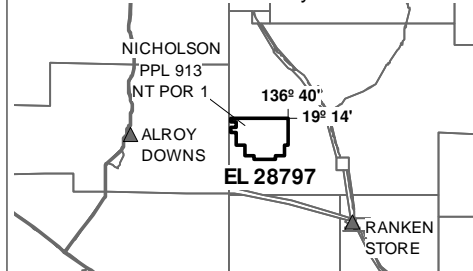
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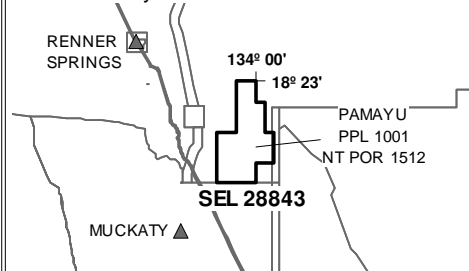
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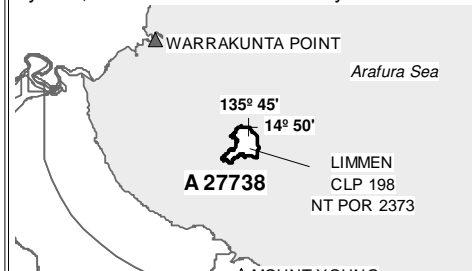
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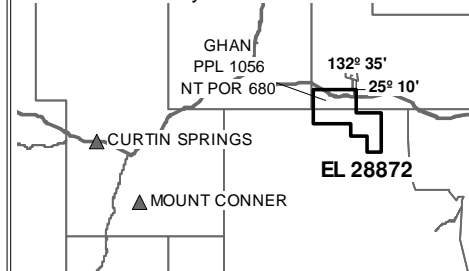
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Authorisation Under Sect 178 27738 sought by PROCESS MINERALS INTERNATIONAL PTY LTD, ACN 063 988 894 over an area of 23 Blocks (39 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LIMMEN locality.



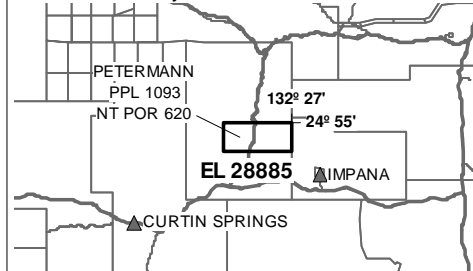
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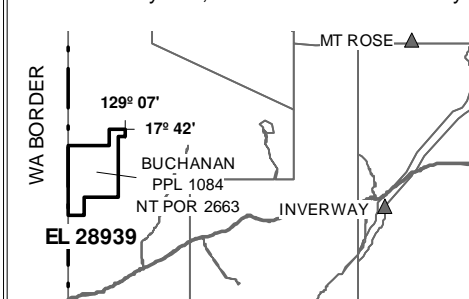
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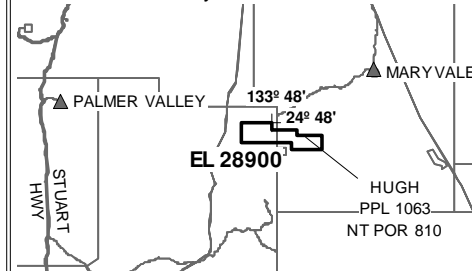
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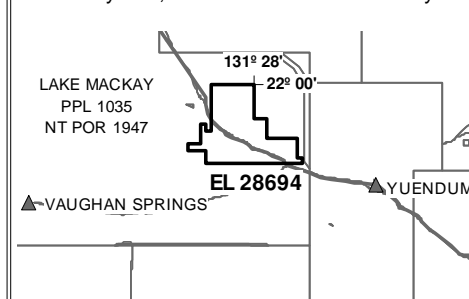
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Exploration Licence 28900 sought by TELLUS HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 138 119 829 over an area of 32 Blocks (100 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CHARLOTTE locality.



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Exploration Licence 28694 sought by TIERRA RICA LTD, ACN 139 563 536 over an area of 130 Blocks (414 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DOREEN locality.



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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 Centrepoin Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

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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: 21 September 2011

Kangaroos draw England as World Cup foes



AUSTRALIA will have to take on hosts England in the group stages when they attempt to reclaim the rugby league World Cup in 2013.

The draw put the Kangaroos in group A, alongside England, Fiji and Ireland, while world champions New Zealand are in group B, alongside Papua New Guinea, Samoa and France.

Group C features Scotland and Tonga, along with the successful nation from a European qualifying group consisting of Italy, Lebanon, Russia and Serbia.

Group D boasts tournament co-hosts Wales, the Cook Islands and an Atlantic qualifier – either Jamaica, South Africa or the USA.

The top three teams from groups A and B qualify for the quarter-finals,

while only the number one teams in groups C and D go through to the last eight.

"The last tournament staged in Australia in 2008 was an enormous success," said English Rugby Football League chairman Richard Lewis.

No fixture dates have been scheduled for the tournament, with Scotland and France expected to bid to host some of the matches. – AAP

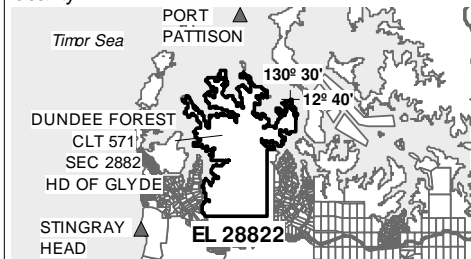
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

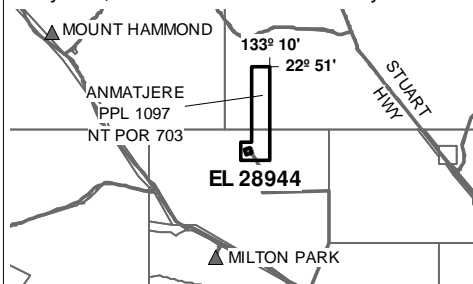
The Honourable Kon Vatskalis MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry, Fisheries & Resources, C/- Department of Resources, GPO Box 3000 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

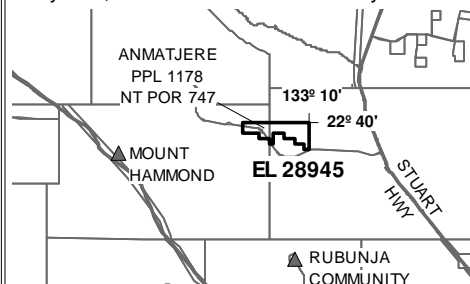
Exploration Licence 28822 sought by ARGOLD HOLDINGS, ACN 009 177 048 and AUSTASIA RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 009 140 523 over an area of 48 Blocks (103 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the FOG BAY locality.



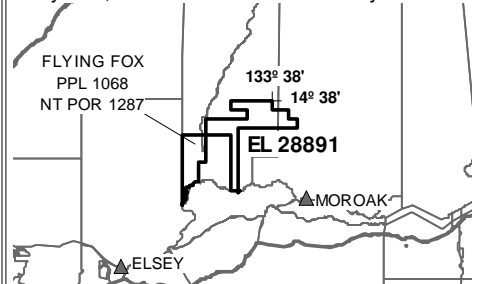
Exploration Licence 28944 sought by AUSTRALIA MINING & GEMSTONE CO. PTY LTD, ACN 114 395 247 over an area of 51 Blocks (161 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the AILERON locality.



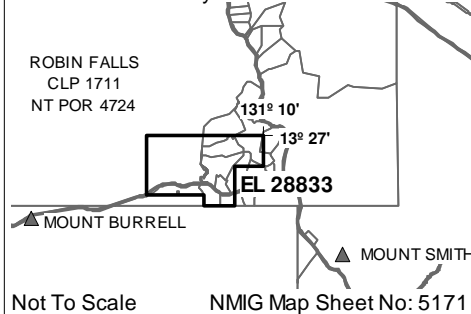
Exploration Licence 28945 sought by AUSTRALIA MINING & GEMSTONE CO. PTY LTD, ACN 114 395 247 over an area of 39 Blocks (124 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the AILERON locality.



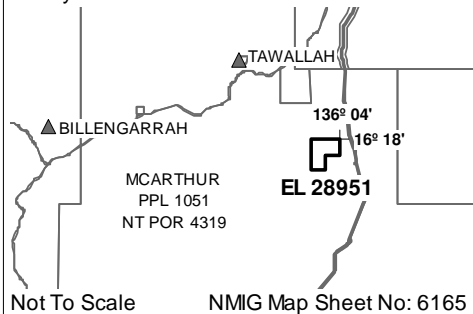
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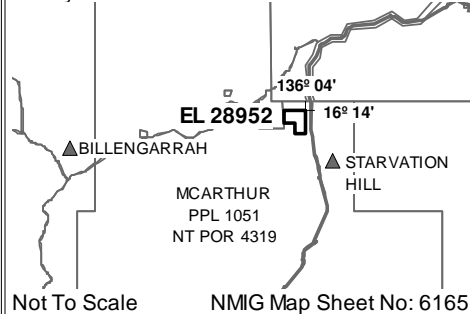
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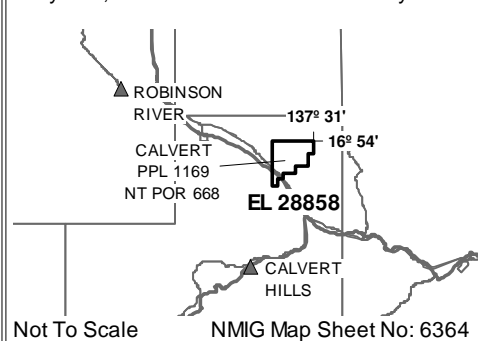
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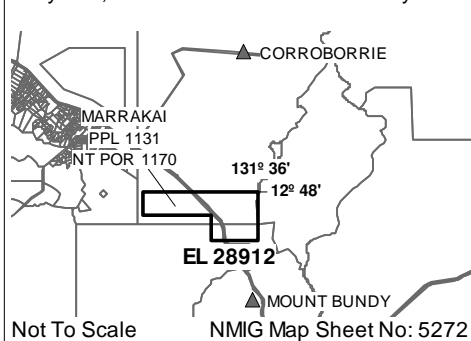
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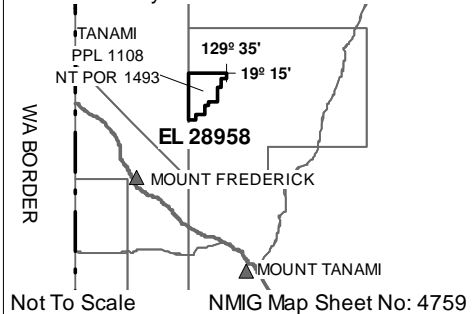
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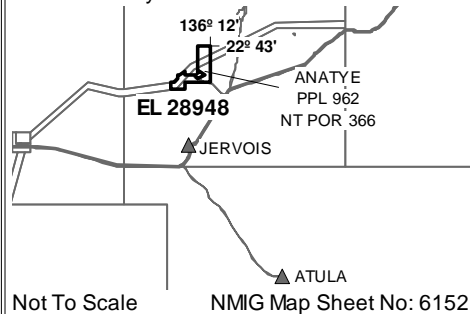
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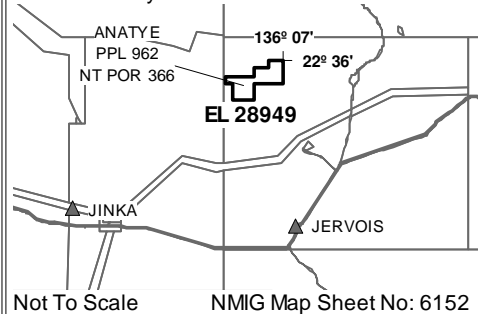
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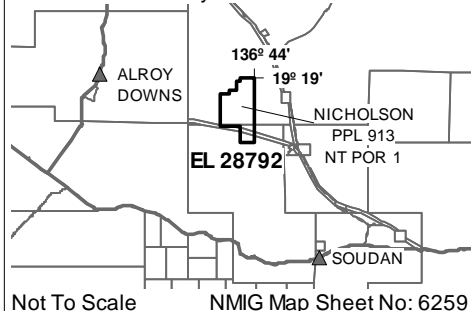
Exploration Licence 28948 sought by MOLYHIL MINING PTY LTD, ACN 112 922 497 over an area of 17 Blocks (46 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the JERVOIS RANGE locality.



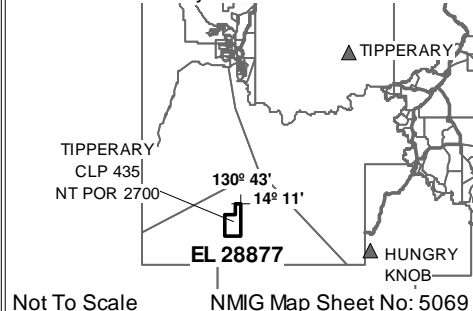
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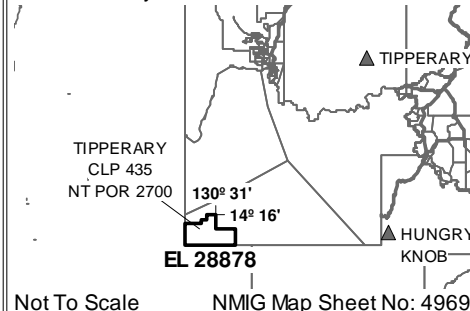
Exploration Licence 28792 sought by TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY. LTD., ACN 150 465 259 over an area of 109 Blocks (353 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ALEXANDRIA locality.



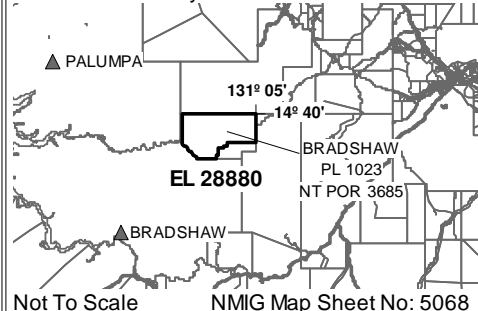
Exploration Licence 28877 sought by VICTORY POLYMETALLIC PTY LTD, ACN 126 321 355 over an area of 14 Blocks (47 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WINGATE MOUNTAINS locality.



Exploration Licence 28878 sought by VICTORY POLYMETALLIC PTY LTD, ACN 126 321 355 over an area of 56 Blocks (146 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOYLE locality.



Exploration Licence 28880 sought by VICTORY POLYMETALLIC PTY LTD, ACN 126 321 355 over an area of 326 Blocks (1069 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BARWOLLA locality.



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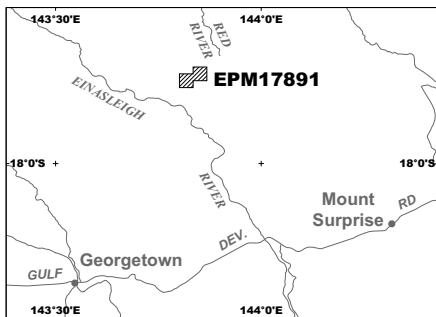
Notification Day: 21 September 2011

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR MINERALS

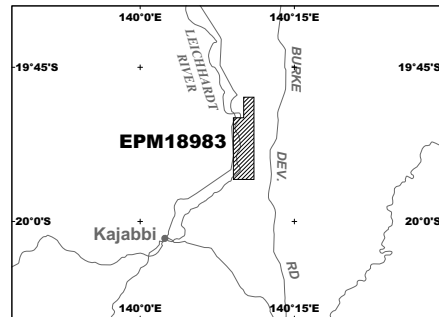
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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)*.

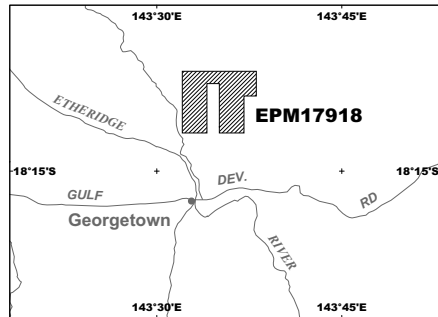
Exploration Permit 17891 sought by John William Withers, over an area of 8 sub-blocks (26km²), centred approximately 63km NE of Georgetown, in the locality of Etheridge Shire Council.



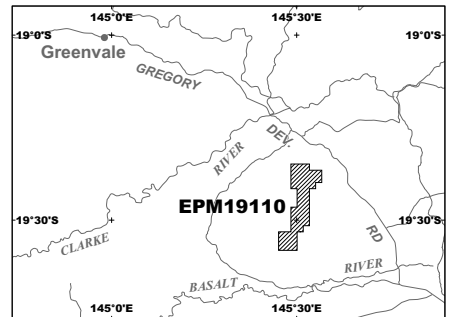
Exploration Permit 18983, sought by Roseby Copper Pty Ltd, ACN 067 584 409, over an area of 14 sub-blocks (45km²), centred approximately 22km NE of Kjabbi, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



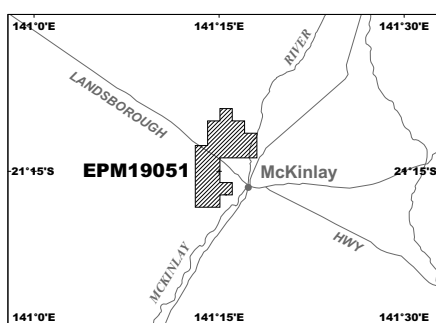
Exploration Permit 17918 sought by Pepinini Minerals Limited, ACN 101 714 989, over an area of 23 sub-blocks (75km²), centred approximately 14km NNE of Georgetown, in the locality of Etheridge Shire Council.



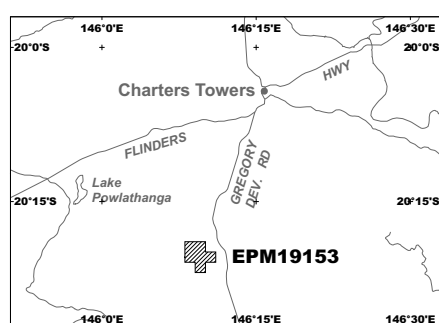
Exploration Permit 19110 sought by Monax Mining Ltd, ACN 110 336 733, over an area of 43 sub-blocks (139km²), centred approximately 71km SE of Greenvale, in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



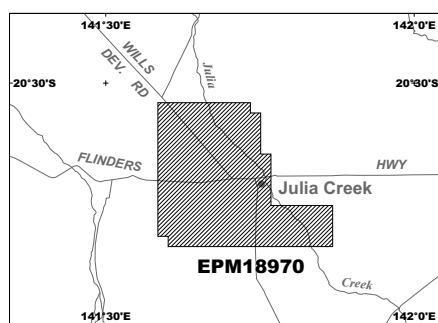
Exploration Permit 19051 sought by Heron Resources Ltd, ACN 068 263 098, over an area of 22 sub-blocks (70km²), centred approximately 6km NW of McKinlay, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



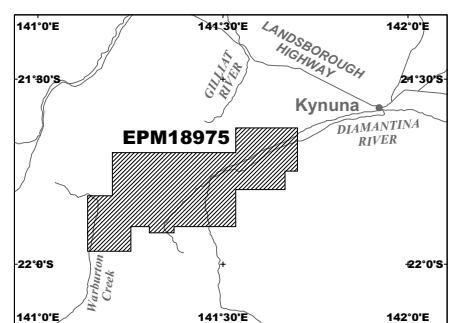
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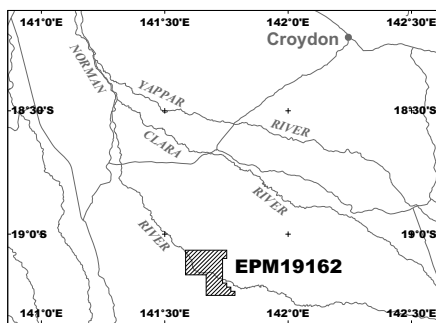
Exploration Permit 18970 sought by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited, ACN 000 057 125, over an area of 171 sub-blocks (549km²), centred approximately 2km WNW of Julia Creek, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



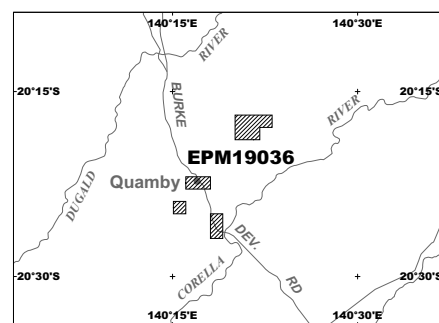
Exploration Permit 18975 sought by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited, ACN 000 057 125, over an area of 386 sub-blocks (1226km²), centred approximately 58km WSW of Kynuna, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council, Winton Shire Council and Cloncurry Shire Council.



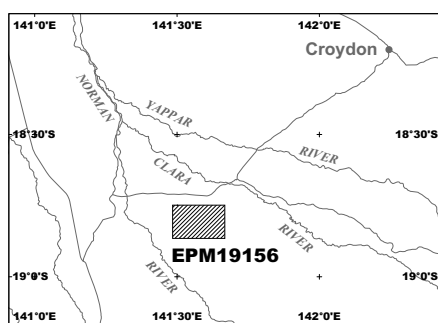
Exploration Permit 19162 sought by Ismins Pty Ltd, ACN 141 217 343, over an area of 82 sub-blocks (265km²), centred approximately 120km SW of Croydon, in the locality of Croydon Shire Council and Carpentaria Shire Council.



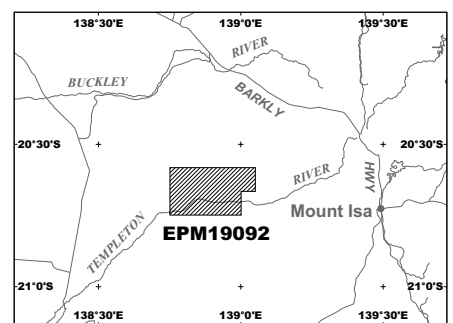
Exploration Permit 19036 sought by Elementos Limited, ACN 138 468 756, over an area of 10 sub-blocks (32km²), centred approximately 45km NNW of Cloncurry surrounding the Quamby Area in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



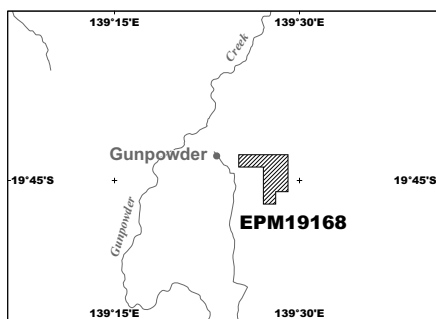
Exploration Permit 19156 sought by Real (Aust) Holdings Pty Ltd, ACN 149 376 983, over an area of 77 sub-blocks (249km²), centred approximately 98km SW of Croydon, in the locality of Carpentaria Shire Council.



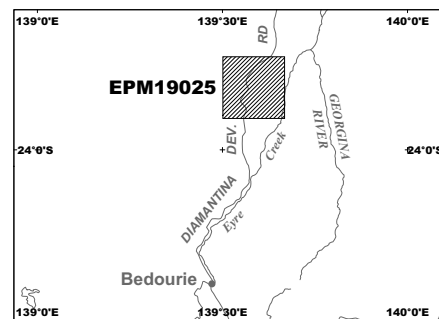
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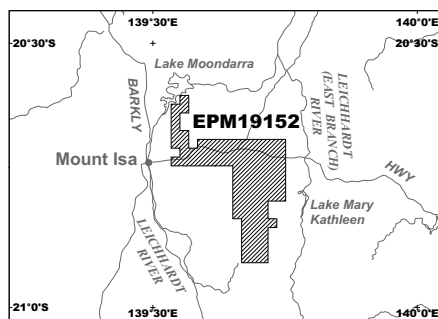
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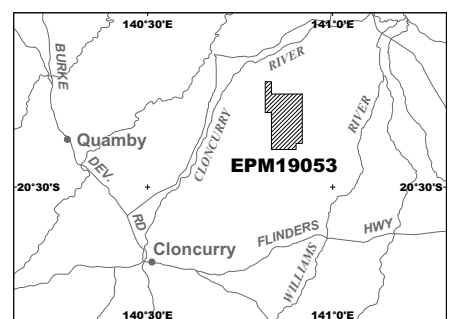
Exploration Permit 19025 sought by Bawnduggie Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 139 619 453, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (313km²), centred approximately 59km NNE of Bedourie, in the locality of Diamantina Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 19152 sought by Mount Isa Mines Limited, ACN 009 661 447, over an area of 92 sub-blocks (295km²), centred approximately 16km East of Mount Isa, in the locality of Mount Isa City and Cloncurry Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 19053 sought by Heron Resources Ltd, ACN 068 263 098, over an area of 49 sub-blocks (157km²), centred approximately 58km NE of Cloncurry in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council and McKinlay Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*, and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

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Notification Day: 12 October 2011

Chambers off to Munster



DISCARDED Queensland Reds centre Will Chambers has put off a return to the National Rugby League (NRL) until at least 2013 after signing with Irish rugby union giants Munster.

Chambers is set to link with the Celtic League champions early next month on an open-ended short-term deal after being cut by the Reds for their Super Rugby title defence.

The 23-year-old, who played in the 2009 NRL grand final for the Melbourne Storm, initially showed interest in making a return to the Storm or signing with Canterbury.

But his agent, Peter Apolakiatis, said Chambers was now more interested in playing rugby overseas, especially in Japan, and may not look to return to Australia until 2014.

He will link with Munster, coached by Australian Tony McGahan, once he gains a work visa and has the option to extend his six-month deal through to the mid-year end of the European season.

A powerful ball-runner, Chambers had impressed



Will Chambers escapes from Olly Barkley during the rugby union match between the Australian Barbarians and England at ME Bank Stadium, Perth, on 8 June 2010. The match ended in a 28-all draw. Chambers is off to play rugby union in Ireland. – AAP Image

Wallabies coach Robbie Deans in his Super Rugby debut season last year, but shoulder surgery impacted on his confidence in 2011 when he started just six games.

Apolakiatis said the Northern Territory product was in no rush to return to league.

"We've missed the (NRL) boat this year," he said. "The offers are still there, but Will just needs

to get away for a while and enjoy this opportunity.

"We're seeing how he goes over there (in Ireland) for six months.

"Beyond that, we're definitely looking at Japan more than anywhere else to tie in with the end of the (European) season, which may rule him out of an NRL return for another two years." – AAP

Beale on the charge



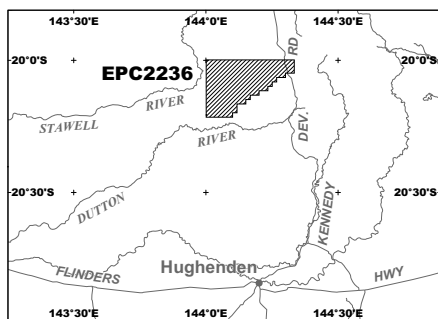
Wallabies fullback Kurtley Beale charges forward during the Rugby World Cup Pool C match between the Australia and Italy at North Harbour Stadium in Auckland, New Zealand, on Sunday 11 September. Australia won 32-6. – AAP image

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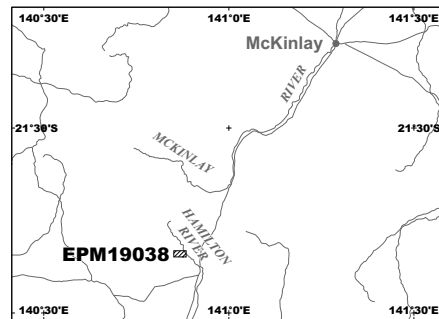
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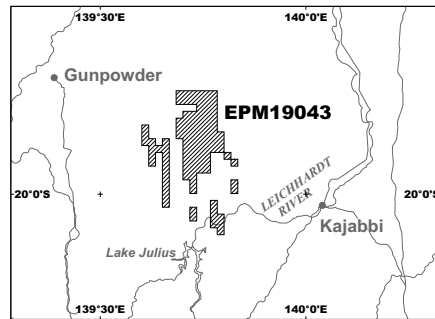
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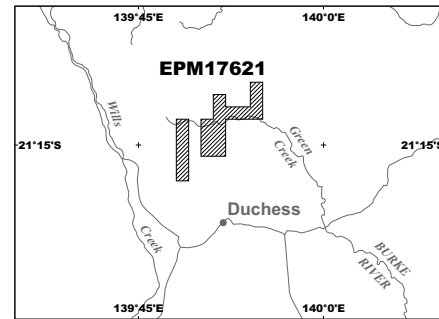
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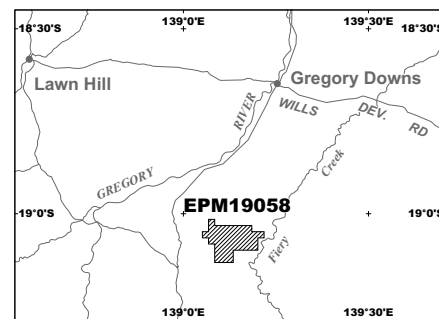
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Exploration Permit 19058 sought by MMG Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 119 136 659, over an area of 39 sub-blocks (126km²), centred approximately 48km SSW of Gregory Downs in the locality of Mount Isa City and Burke Shire Council.



Queensland Government

AFL comes to Adelaide Oval

By PETER ARGENT



FOUR Aboriginal footballers – Port Adelaide's Daniel

Motlop and Danyle Pearce, along with the Melbourne duo Jamie Bennell and Neville Jetta – were among the players involved in the inaugural Australian Football League (AFL) match on South Australia's home of sport, the Adelaide Oval.

In brilliant Sunday sunshine, a crowd of 29,340 saw cellar-dwellers the Power and the Demons lock horns on 4 September.

The game was rescheduled from AAMI Stadium as a one-off event to conclude Port Adelaide's 2011 campaign.

Noted as one the most attractive grounds in world sport, the Adelaide Oval is situated in the parklands between the central business district and North Adelaide, with the first sport played on the hallowed turf dating back to 1871.

Test cricket

The first international Test cricket match was played on the ground in December 1884, with England beating Australia by eight wickets.

In 1975-76, the initial One Day International cricket match arrived at the ground in a clash between Australia and the West Indies, with Ian Chappell's troops winning.

More than a dozen other sports, including the South Australian National Football League grand finals for more than 70 years (until 1973) were played at the venue.

After a breakdown

between parties during the next three-and-a-half decades, the SANFL moved the football to the western suburban location at West Lakes, initially calling the venue Football Park.

Along with a number of rock concerts, the Adelaide Oval has also hosted the national soccer matches, and both rugby codes, including World Cup rugby union matches and Rugby Sevens tournament.

Partisan crowd

In this latest AFL contest, Port Adelaide evaded their first wooden spoon at the top level by beating Melbourne by eight points in front of a loud crowd.

"I thought the crowd got behind us and gave us a lift because we were pretty tired and out on our legs in the last ten minutes," Power coach Matthew Primus said in the post-game press conference.

No more than a couple of goals separated the sides at each of the minor breaks.

Motlop was among one of the stars, kicking a goal towards the Bradman Stand end from 60 metres out, on the run and being high among the best players.

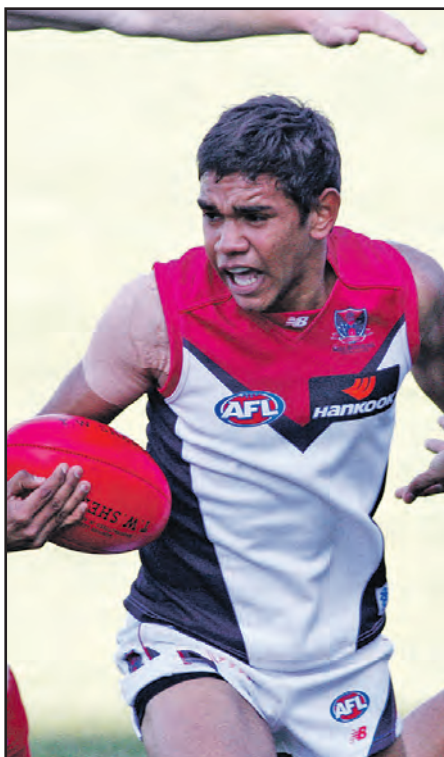
He had an impressive 23-touch game, while Pearce was the Power's second highest possession winner with 25 disposals.

Jetta, who kicked a goal, and fellow West Australian Bennell were serviceable for the Demons in a game that was exciting because of the closeness of the scores.

The AFL will permanently move football to the Adelaide Oval full-time in 2014, with the governing body's promise to schedule a Crows versus Power match to start that year's season.



DANYLE PEARCE



NEVILLE JETTA



JAMIE BENNELL



DANIEL MOTLOP



TRISTON REILLY

Triston keeps options open



HIS team hardly set the world on fire, but no one doubted the class of dashing South West Rocks

schoolboy Triston Reilly at the NSW primary schools rugby union sports carnival at Parkes.

Although Triston's North Coast team finished 11th overall, Triston played exceptionally well, scoring ten tries in seven games.

'Trist' so impressed the NSW selectors that he was named in the NSW Primary Schools team as five-eighth.

He now is off to the Australian All-Schools carnival in October at Concord Park, Sydney, where he will be up against other states and the ACT.

Triston, 12, is in Year Six at South West Rocks Primary School.

Plays league, union

He plays for the Kempsey Dragons Junior Rugby League under 12s. They won the Group 2 grand final in 2009 and 2010 and were on course to win the 2011 grand final.

Triston plays rugby union for the local Kempsey Cannonballers club and was selected in the under 12 Mid North Coast Axmen team that played in the Country Carnival at Tamworth in May.

In school sport, he has gained selection for North Coast in rugby league, rugby union and touch football.

He also has just participated in the North Coast Primary Schools

Sports Association (PSSA) athletics trials at Coffs Harbour and was selected for North Coast PSSA in the 800m and will now go to the NSW PSSA State titles.

Australian Rugby Union North Coast development manager Bruce Frame said Triston had reached a point where his name will come before established rugby schools.

"While there are many variables that affect players as they develop, the fact a player has made the NSW team means that selectors from now on will recognise his name and rugby schools will be actively following his progress," Frame said of Triston.

"To be selected from a small community school like South West Rocks and stand out in the North Coast team which had mixed results is a great achievement.

"Many of the kids gain selection based on their physical size, but in Triston's case, it was based purely on his skills and ability. He was the standout No 10 at the carnival and thoroughly deserved his selection.

"If he continues along the rugby pathway and has the right support and training, he has the ability to develop into a very fine rugby player."

Triston told the *Koori Mail* that like all kids his age, he dreamed of playing for the Wallabies (rugby union) or in the National Rugby League (NRL).

"I like playing both codes, so I will keep playing both and see where they take me," he said.

Goodes' impact on Aussie rules

HAVING achieved his magical 300-game milestone in round two of the finals series last Friday night for the Sydney Swans against Hawthorn, Adam Goodes is one of Australian football's true icons.

Koori Mail correspondent **PETER ARGENT** had a chat to the Swans champion, getting a little insight into the footballer and the man...

A LONG with Adam Goodes' amazing ability to change the course of a game, among his undoubted attributes is his durability.

He is one of just five players in the Victorian Football League/Australian Football League (VFL/AFL) history to play more than 200 consecutive games.

Asked about how this has been achieved over a 14-year career at the top level, Goodes' simple reply was: "It's my job, brother – to get the best out of my body."

"I listen to the doctors and physios and the medical staff at the club."

"I try to be as professional as possible about my preparation."

"Over the past three to four years, I have added meditation and yoga."

"We have one day off a week and it is important to rest and energise."

Time in Victoria

Goodes was born in the South Australian Yorke Peninsula town of Wallaroo and spent a percentage of his youth there before being drafted in Merbein, Victoria.

He has played representative football for Victoria, but made it abundantly clear he still saw himself as a Narungga man from the Yorke Peninsula.

He has achieved nearly every accolade an Aussie rules player could dream of.

There are two Brownlow Medals and the fairest and best player in the AFL – in 2003 (when he shared it with Mark Rucciuto and Nathan Buckley) and in 2006.

At the start of his career, Goodes collected a Norwich Rising Star award for the best rookie in 1999.

One premiership

In the hybrid game, he captained his country against the Irish and was an automatic choice in the Indigenous Team of the Century and was a key part of the breakthrough Swans 2005 premiership against the West Coast.

After the euphoria of the 2005 flag, the following season they lost to the Eagles by less than a goal.

"When I look back on those back-to-back grand final appearances, there was a special rivalry we had with the West Coast Eagles over that four- to five-year period," Goodes said.

"The teams deserved to have one flag each."

"I'd certainly be a different player now if we'd lost both of those finals by less than a goal."

Many good judges believe Goodes' form this season is equal to the 2003 and 2006 seasons when he collected Brownlows.

Adam Goodes in action for the Sydney Swans.
AAP image



"I don't tend to compare seasons and try and live in the now," he said.

"I'm lucky enough to be fit and healthy, playing a bit of a hybrid role, where I play up forward and also run through the middle."

"I'm 31 and I feel as fit and healthy as some of our 19 and 20-year-old kids running around."

"They definitely keep me mentally young anyway."

'Listens' to body

"Physically, I know what to do with my body and I've been able to listen to it for many years and learn from it and give it the rest when I need to and even train harder when I'm feeling good."

Confirming he is contracted to the end of the 2013 season, Goodes said he never set goals and would not be drawn on whether playing 400 AFL games was a possibility.

He did talk with plenty of pride about helping developing the special culture of the Bloods under Paul Roos

and the legacy this will leave for the next generation of Sydney Swans footballers.

Just the 64th player in the game's history to reach 300 games, Goodes was the fourth Indigenous footballer to make the mark, following Andrew McLeod (340 games for the Adelaide Crows), Michael O'Loughlin (303 games for the Sydney Swans) and Gavin Wanganeen (300 games for Essendon and Port Adelaide).

He will be the second player to reach the landmark for South Melbourne/Sydney Swans after former team-mate and great friend O'Loughlin.

Goodes reached 300 games inside 13 years – faster than any other player – reaching the milestone after 12 years and 172 days, eclipsing the previous record held by Mark Ricciuto – the man he shared the Brownlow Medal with in 2003.

Goodes has played with pride and distinction – for his family, his race and the great national game.

Luck deserts Chad Reed



INDIGENOUS motocross star Chad Reed is having a cruel run of luck in the highly competitive sport in the United States. The Newcastle rider again came unstuck at Pala, California, where he was competing in the Lucas Oil AMA Pro Motocross finale.

The second race of the weekend summed up the season for TwoTwo Motorsports/Bel-Ray Racing Reed, who led until the first half before crashing and losing vital momentum.

Reed managed a fourth place finish in the final moto of the day and season, but was disappointed with the weekend as a whole.

A 12-4 result following a crash in the opening 35-minute moto saw Reed finish seventh overall for the round and hang on to third place in the 450cc class championship with a total of 429 points.

Reed was frustrated by the results as he felt the bike had plenty of pace to challenge for an overall win during the Pala weekend.

"I wanted to round out the season with a win, I felt like we had it in us," he said.

"Nothing's gone right for me in the second half of the season and that trend continued – I crashed in the opening moto and could only manage 12th, but felt I was on for a result in the second moto."

"It felt good to lead a bunch of laps again, but I crashed and had to settle for fourth."

"It's not they way we wanted to wrap up what has been a competitive year, but we're a young team and we'll learn from it."

"My focus is now on the MX des Nations where I'm hoping we can bring home a really good result for the green and gold team."

Seven victories

Reed scored a total of seven moto wins and four overalls across the 12-round season.

Earlier, Reed and fellow Aussie Brett Metcalfe finished fourth and third respectively in the penultimate round of the Lucas Oil AMA Pro Motocross championships at Steel City, Pennsylvania.

With series leader Ryan Villopoto taking victory in both motos, Reed was out of a chance to win the championship in the final round at Pala.

A double did-not finish the previous week in Southwick proved costly for Reed and his form dwindled after his spectacular crash at Spring Creek.

Reed has said his TwoTwo Motorsports/Bel-Ray Racing team could hold its head high after a successful debut year despite the disappointment of falling short of an outdoors title.

"We had a dream start to the outdoors and felt as though we were in with a real shot at the championship," he said.

"Spring Creek put a dampener on that, but third is still a solid effort and the team at TwoTwo Motorsports can hold their heads high after this season and 2011 as a whole."

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Ten teams line up at *Koori Mail* Knockout



Former National Rugby League (NRL) star Daine Laurie on the charge for the Casino All Blacks against Cubawee.



The North-Western Barbarians after their win in the final.

Pictures: NAOMI MORAN



TEN teams turned out at Red Devil Park, Byron Bay, on 10-11

September for the *Koori Mail* Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival.

North-Western

Barbarians, with a generous sprinkling of Lismore-based Northern United players in their ranks, beat the Maclean-based Jermaine King Memorial side 42-22 in the final.

Most of the teams came from around the Northern Rivers, with one team from Ipswich.

One last hurrah

I AM trying to track down the female spectator I gave my boots to at the end of our last match against Parramatta.

My unexpected selection in the Prime Minister's XIII to face Papua New Guinea this month has extended my career by one match!

After 267 top grade appearances I was preparing for life after football.

But I have had to shelve my immediate retirement plans as the chance to finally wear the green and gold is simply too hard to resist.

But I'll have to put in a call to Adidas for a new pair of boots!

Being named in the Kangaroos 34-man train-on squad was amazing, but to be named in the Prime Minister's XIII is an unexpected honour.

On top of turning out twice for NSW Country and my other representative appearances with the Dream Time team in 2008 and the Indigenous All Stars, this honour is up there with the Panthers premiership in 2003.

Honoured

I don't expect that Storm halfback Cooper Cronk and Knights skipper Kurt Gidley will have to be worried about their utility roles in the Four Nations team, but I am truly honoured to be in the team.

I have to admit that the prospect of facing the Kumuls, and Titans team-mate David Mead, also gives another shot at leaving the game with a victory!

There were times in my career where I have played a lot better than I have this season, and I never made a squad, but for my last season to play and to be picked in a squad is special.

It will also be great to play alongside Parramatta veteran Nathan Hindmarsh, who has been given the honour of captaining the Prime Minister's XIII.

There will be plenty of other old hands, including North

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

Queensland fullback Matt Bowen.

I have always enjoyed watching Matty play and it will be a special experience for me to play in the same team after we missed playing together for the All Stars.

Speaking of the All Stars, it will be a bit of a reunion with plenty of speed on the edges with South Sydney try-scoring machine Nathan Merritt on one wing and Canberra's enigmatic Blake Ferguson on the other.

And then, of course, there is also Bulldog's Ben Barba, who will bring his own brand of wizardry to the team.

I am especially pleased for Nathan Merritt, as plenty of good judges felt that he deserved a shot at the New South Wales State of Origin side and now he has the chance to leapfrog the Blues and move into the Australian team.

Hindy pointed out that the

game will be an important opportunity for players like Greg Bird to also push their claims for selection.

However, the team will also do its part for the PNG community in spreading important health and social messages.

Hindmarsh said he was honoured to lead the squad, predicting the trip would prove a special experience for some of the new faces.

"I think it is definitely an eye-opener for guys who haven't been there before," Hindy said.

He has travelled several times to the country and knows the importance of the trip for its impact off the field.

"Rugby league in Papua New Guinea is their national sport and they're mad for it there," he said.

"The thing for me is just seeing the joy rugby league can bring to some people. In Papua New Guinea, we bring a lot of joy to people up there.

"It's great the support when we get up there, so it's a sight to see.

"The game offers a final chance to push for Kangaroos selection in the Four Nations tournament.

"It's a great side and I think we might see a few of those players on the Four Nations, I'm hoping we get a few in.

"They've used it as a selection trial before and I think it's just another way to keep them fit if there's players in that side."

Birdy says he would be a fool to waste a chance in the Prime Minister's XIII No 6 jumper after declaring he still had hopes of becoming retiring captain Darren Lockyer's Kangaroos successor.

He hopes to use his selection to show he has the game to fill the void that is set to come with Lockyer's retirement at the end of the year.

Greg's ambitions are not without hope as he was the man to last wear the No 6 in the



Greg Bird. Preston Campbell says the Prime Minister's XIII game against Papua New Guinea gives Bird an opportunity to remind Australian selectors that he could be the man to replace Darren Lockyer as Australia's Test five-eighth.

absence of Lockyer, filling in at five-eighth at the end of 2007 and again in the Centenary Test of 2008.

"A few seasons back (five-eighth) was where I was progressing, but even though since I've been back, I've played mainly in the back row, I don't want to let the opportunity slip," Greg said.

"It's a massive opportunity to hopefully impress (PM's XIII coach) Mal Meninga and the selectors for hopefully a start in that Four Nations because representing Australia is such an honour."

Making his fourth appearance for the PM's XIII, his style has suited the representative arena with his instinctive nature

providing an edge for the Kangaroos.

He is excited to be calling the shots in the middle, outside gun Roosters halfback Mitchell Pearce, a NSW team-mate this season.

"I like playing five-eighth and I think the position suits my game at the representative level when the structures of the NRL are taken out of it," he said.

It will also give us the opportunity to play alongside Titans recruits Nate Myles and Luke Douglas, who also earned a call-up to the side.

For me, it is a final hurrah at the elite level.

An unexpected honour that I will cherish as a final game at the top level.

Late starters, but they were quick to bloom

By ALF WILSON



THE Woorabinda Wooriettes senior women's netball side overcame great odds to reach the grand final of the Rockhampton

competition before going down 26-25 to Runaway Topaz.

It was the first time that a side from the central Queensland Aboriginal community had played in a grand final at Jardine Park, Rockhampton.

The side was a late inclusion in the B grade women's competition – initially to fill a spot so there was no bye.

But the girls exceeded all expectations from that unexpected admittance.

Team spokesman Brett Toll said the Wooriettes went from strength to strength over the following ten weeks, racking up win after win.

"Driving two hours into Rockhampton every Tuesday night and not returning to Woorabinda until early Wednesday morning, the ladies had put in the effort and commitment required to earn their place in the grand final," Toll said.

Kept on winning

"As the weeks rolled along and the team began notching up their wins, it wasn't until we won our semi-final against the Bluebirds that we thought we may be a chance to take out the grand final."

Playing the decider against hot favourites Runaway Topaz,

Woorabinda made a great start.

"We looked in good shape, leading by one goal at half time," Toll said.

"But a third-quarter collapse saw us four points down at three-quarter time.

"In a fighting last quarter, we were in front by three points with as many minutes left on the game clock.

"But in true grand final style, the game is never over until that whistle is blown and in the last three minutes Topaz put on a four-point swing to take out the game in the last minute."

The Wooriettes' sights are now set on the netball All Blacks carnival later this year in Townsville and to a full 2012 season in the Rockhampton competition.



Woorabinda Wooriettes Noni Mckinerly, Jessica Toll, Kylie Oakley Major, Fika Major, Lucida Oakley, Amanda Hall, Justine Stafford, Karolyn Roberts, Billie Ann Thaiday and Jazzmine Major.

Mate and a legend

It wasn't the script my beloved Sydney Swans were looking for when their 2011 Australian Football League (AFL) campaign came to an end on Friday night.

Despite the loss to Hawthorn, my mate and legend of the game – Adam Goodes – stood tall as the newest member of the 300-game club.

This is an achievement in anyone's eyes, but it is the person and the type of player behind the legend that is more important to me.

Adam is a dual Brownlow medallist, three-times all-Australian, two-times Bob Skilton medallist, Sydney Swans co-captain, AFL Rising Star Award winner and Indigenous Team of the Century player.

But above all – in football terms – he is a player other players want to play with.

This is the ultimate compliment.

In 300 games, football followers have been dazzled by Goodes' almost unmatched speed, versatility and astonishing class.

But his brilliance lies more in his impact on the structure of the entire Sydney Swans team and his influence on the outcome of every game the Swans play.

At his best, Adam Goodes is unstoppable.

And he has been at his best for a very long time.

A key to his success is that he has always been a leader and, most importantly, wanted to lead.

For me, Paul Roos was a key figure in bringing out the best in Adam – as a player and as a person.

Roos' rise to head coach coincided with a change in the leadership structure at the Swans and the introduction of a leadership group.

Adam believed he deserved to

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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be there and when he missed out, he was forced to reassess his status at the club.

He wanted to be in the leadership group, but the perception was he needed to change a few things.

He took that on board and you saw this strong, steely resolve.

He doesn't like losing, and while we all get a bit obsessive, and we all want to win, Adam went to another level.

He just changed the perception, had a fantastic 2003, won the Brownlow and, more importantly, showed that he was a leader at the club.

He had already shown this capacity as a kid when he made some decisions that set his direction in life.

He tells a story of making a choice to pick up a football which

was perhaps the most critical point in his life.

"We moved around a lot as kids and almost without exception, I was the only black kid at school and on the football team," Adam said.

"When I got to high school, the principal introduced me to some kids to be my new friends. In the bus shelter they lit up yandi (cannabis) and offered me a puff.

"Nearby on the oval, some kids were kicking a Sherrin.

"I'd never smoked marijuana and to that point, I'd only played soccer.

"But a kick was a kick, so I walked to the oval and said: 'Can I join in?'

"That decision changed my life."

In 2003 – when he won the Brownlow – he would have looked back and realised how far he had come.

Free rein

At the time, Goodes credited Roos with letting him 'just go out and play footy like in your school days'.

Goodes polled 22 votes in a three-way tie with Nathan Buckley and Mark Ricciuto and accepting his medal, Goodes was his usual humble self.

"I just can't believe it," Goodes said. "I just can't believe I'm standing up here with Nathan Buckley and Mark Ricciuto."

But his Mum certainly had faith at an early stage.

It may have been 14 years ago, but his mother Lisa Sansbury vividly remembers the trip she made with a teenage Adam from country Victoria to Melbourne airport, to send him to the Swans... and her instructions.

"At the airport, I said, 'Well son, this is the start of great things to come and don't forget you are bringing mama home a

Brownlow'," Lisa recalled.

"He goes: 'Oh mama, I haven't even got on the plane yet'. And I said: 'You'll be bringing one home for me my darling'."

Adam listened, so intently that he brought his mother one in 2003 and another in 2006, and some are suggesting she may get another this year.

Some may have called that fate, but Adam believes that everything happens for a reason.

He doesn't believe in leaving anything up to fate.

He works hard to make sure everything happens his way and then deflects all praise elsewhere.

"The day I got drafted was the day I finished my last English exam. So it just seemed to fit and really flowed on," he said.

"I'm a big believer that everything happens for a reason and it's been a fantastic journey and a journey that still has a long way to go."

Adam would have been more focused on the team and winning the game rather than any personal sense of accomplishment.

"If we get out there with our trademark footy and play the way we want to play, we give ourselves an opportunity of winning," he said before the match against the Hawks.

It is this focus that has allowed Adam to rise above the pack.

Those behind the scenes at the Swans will tell you Goodes' best asset is that he listens.

It is why, right now, Goodes has been managing three serious injuries, even though he is technically injury-free.

He's battling a posterior cruciate ligament injury that forced him out of the ruck in 2004, a serious groin injury from a few years ago, and an ongoing back complaint.

He is banned from running two

days in a row to save stress on his knees, and he does extra core training and yoga to ensure his groin and back complaints don't return.

People think he has been lucky with injury, but the Swans know Goodes is exemplary at preventing it.

Goodes sustained many injuries during his amazing 204-game streak from 1999 to 2008, yet he never missed a game until suspension.

It was this dedication that saw him set an AFL record for the fastest 300 games from debut, doing it almost one year quicker than any other player.

Good shape

Better yet, the Swans believe Goodes is in as good a shape now as he ever has been.

He is defying the notion that AFL players begin to decline after they hit 30.

"If you compare him to other sports, he is certainly not past his prime, but relative to AFL, he is older than most in their prime," a member of the current coaching staff said.

"His last pre-season was the best I have ever seen from Adam."

Roos believes Goodes could play another four years, which could put him within reach of 400 AFL games.

So what will or can stop Adam Goodes?

In my mind only time will stop him – he is so determined and passionate that it will be his decision when he wants to hang up the boots.

But he will always be my mate and one of my true heroes.

He is a hero to me because of the person he is.

That is why he will always be a legend.

Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming!

Cricket officials bowled over by Tiwi response



WURRUMIYANGA, Milikapiti and Pirlangimpi communities on the Tiwi Islands have called 'play' on a new cricket competition in 2011.

Officials say the new season has been met with anticipation and excitement.

"Tiwi people have always had affection for cricket, with previous teams representing the islands at the Imparja Cup and various other competitions in years gone by," a Northern Territory Cricket official said.

In round one of the Tiwi competition, Milikapiti played host to a determined outfit from Pirlangimpi.

Won by 21 runs

Milikapiti were the winners, accounting for the Pirlangimpi mob by 21 runs.

Standout players for Pirlangimpi were Mark Tunmuck, Ricky Edgar and William Nelson.

Milikapiti's best were Jason Palipuaminni and Patrick Puruntatameri.

A healthy crowd turned up to watch the match and both communities brought enough players for two teams, resulting in another match being played.

In that game, the Pirlangimpi mob got one back on Milikapiti and won by 32 runs.

Round two saw Milikapiti and Wurrumiyanga travel to Pirlangimpi for a round-robin carnival.

Tight game

Milikapiti lost to Pirlangimpi in a tight contest.

Game two saw Pirlangimpi up against Wurrumiyanga. Pirlangimpi had a slight advantage as they had previously played together as a team.

Pirlangimpi came away with the win, going through the day undefeated.

A Tiwi Island cricket strategic plan has been drafted from meetings held between the NT Government's Sport and Recreation Department, the Government's Indigenous Sports Unit and NT Cricket.

The plan aims to revive cricket in the

Tiwi Islands and provide opportunities in cricket for Tiwi men, women and children.

Key objectives of the plan are to increase participation levels, have Tiwi representation at the 2012 Imparja Cup in Alice Springs in the men's and women's divisions, and to develop a self-sustainable cricket competition.

Education and training is another key area earmarked for growth on the Tiwi Islands, with NT Cricket's game development officer – Top End Mick Rees recently holding an introduction to cricket coaching Accreditation course on the Tiwis.

Seven local men – Jason Palipuaminni, Patrick Puruntatameri, Barlow Kerinaiva,



NT Cricket's Top End game development officer Mick Rees, rear, with Wurrumiyanga and Milikapiti Sport and Rec officers Jason Palipuaminni, Sampson Mungatopi, Patrick Puruntatameri, Sport and Rec manager Greg Orsto and Barlow Kerinaiva.

Mark Tunmuck-Smith, David Guy and Sampson Mungatopi – received their accreditation and are assisting in growing the game in the Tiwi community.

Thunder's rising star



ROSS TUNGATALUM has taken out the League Rising Star Award in the North Eastern Australian Football League (NEAFL) Northern Conference end-of-season presentations.

Tungatalum finished with 34 votes, defeating Broadbeach's Kallen Geary (23) and Thunder team-mate Jed Anderson (22).

Tungatalum became the second NT Thunder player to win the Rising Star after Western Bulldogs draftee Zephi Skinner won the award in 2010.

His Northern Territory Thunder captain Cameron Ilett headed the list of award winners at the 2011 Grogan Medal count.

Ilett tied on 23 votes with Southport's Matthew Payne to win the 2011 Grogan medal. The duo were only bettered by Aspley's Micah Buchanan, who finished on 25 votes, but was ineligible to win the award because of his suspension earlier in the season.

Ilett became the first Thunder player to win the prestigious award after finishing fifth last year.

He trailed Payne by one vote going into the final round and drew level with his performance against Labrador in round 21.

"It is a great honour to win the

award. You are only as good as the players around you so special mention needs to go to the rest of this year's team," Ilett said.

Ilett wasn't alone on the winners' list from the Territory, with Tungatalum taking out his award and Darren Ewing winning his second Ray Houghton Medal for leading goal kicker.

Ewing's 99-goal home-and-away season made him a clear winner of the leading goal kicker award, finishing 49 goals in front of his nearest rivals Jason Eagle from Broadbeach (50) and Redlands Josh Pullman (50).

Team of Year

The awards didn't end there for Thunder, with five players earning selection in the NEAFL Northern Conference Team of the Year. Cameron Ilett joined his brother's feat of 2009 and was selected as captain of the Team of the Year.

Ilett also made it a perfect three from three after making the side in 2009 and 2010.

Darren Ewing made his second appearance in the team after selection in 2009 while Shaun Tapp, Kenrick Tyrrell and Ross Tungatalum earned their first Team of the Year selections.

The Thunder players weren't able to attend the medal count.



ROSS TUNGATALUM

One more game for Preston Campbell

From back page

Rugby League train-on squad preparing for the Four Nations campaign.

The squad is expanded as players from teams eliminated from the major premiership complete their Telstra Premiership commitments.

The squad gathered in Sydney last Thursday for a training session.

Jarryd Hayne has been ruled out of the Four Nations campaign, with the Parramatta star to undergo intensive treatment on a groin injury.

Hayne was one of four players – along with departing Penrith skipper Petero Civoniceva, Gold Coast's Ashley Harrison and Titans-bound centre Jamal Idris – to be

withdrawn from the Kangaroos train-on squad last Monday.

Idris – who played in Australia's mid-year Test win over New Zealand – was unavailable due to wrist surgery ahead of his move from Canterbury to the Gold Coast.

The train-on squad will supply players for the Four Nations touring party to the United Kingdom and the Prime Minister's XIII to take on Papua New Guinea in Lae.

MEANWHILE, South Sydney centre Greg Inglis will be given until National Rugby League (NRL) grand final day to prove his fitness ahead of Australia's Four Nations rugby league campaign.

Inglis, who injured his ankle in the Bunnies' loss to Brisbane at Suncorp

Stadium in round 25, is still on crutches and considered a slim chance of lining up for the Kangaroos in October.

The squad will be picked on 3 October, the day after the grand final, giving Inglis just over a fortnight to reach full fitness.

Inglis arrived at the Australian train-on squad medical session at Redfern Oval on Thursday, but did not take part in the training session that followed.

Thurston time extension

Australian coach Tim Sheens said halfback Johnathan Thurston, who has struggled with a knee injury suffered in the final State of Origin match this year, would also be given time to make the team.

"Greg Inglis has had surgery on the knee,

and his foot comes out of the boot in the next couple of days... It will be the knee issue, we'll give him until the last minute as well at this stage," Sheens told reporters.

"... With Johnathan Thurston just finishing on the weekend, we didn't ask him to run (on Thursday).

"He's obviously got some time to rest that knee which is what's been ordered by the doctor. We'll assess that." – AAP

IN another tribute to Campbell, the Gold Coast Titans on Friday night inducted the veteran utility player into its Hall of Fame.

Campbell became just the Titans' second inductee – the other being Matt Rogers.

● Preston's last hurrah – See his column – P110



South Sydney halfback and soon-to-be Parramatta Eel Chris Sandow in the colours of the Cherbourg Hornets.



Ben Barba, middle, at the 2009 Bindal carnival in Townsville with organiser Jenny Prior and then Northern Division chairman Greg Sutherland

Carnivals galore!



By ALF WILSON

THE exciting form of Bulldogs fullback Ben Barba and South Sydney Rabbitohs halfback Chris Sandow has many football followers pondering how many more future rugby league stars will be unearthed during a glut of All Blacks carnivals in the coming months.

Parramatta Eels-bound Sandow has been arguably the form halfback of the National Rugby League (NRL), especially in the last half of the season,

and ended up the leading points scorer with 196.

Dynamic Barba finished the NRL season as equal top try scorer with 23, equalling the Rabbitohs' Nathan Merritt – another Indigenous star.

Many more potential NRL stars will be on show in the coming months and there won't be a shortage of talent scouts checking them out.

The first carnival will be the inaugural Queensland Aboriginal Island Health Council Murri Carnival starting

tomorrow (22 September) on the Gold Coast.

That will be followed by the Vern and Frank Daisy Cup at the Townsville Sports Reserve on 1-2 October.

The following weekend there are two carnivals – the Zenadth Kes Cup at the Ken Brown Memorial Oval on Thursday Island, and the Bindal All Blacks carnival at Townsville's Jack Manski Oval.

Then the next weekend, Cairns will host what has been the biggest north

Queensland carnival and last year 30 men's teams competed.

The Murri Vibrations Brisbane Indigenous Rugby League carnival also will be held on 15-16 October at Easts Carina Junior Rugby League Football Club in Creek Road.

The last major North Queensland carnival will be what is known as the Cape York Cup (formerly Dan Ropeyarn Cup) usually held in early November at Bamaga, on the Northern Peninsula Area.

Matildas miss out on London Games berth



THE Westfield Matildas, with Indigenous goalkeeper Lydia Williams in the soccer team, came from behind to defeat South Korea 2-1 and finish third in the 2012 Olympic qualification tournament in China.

But the effort was not good enough to carry Australia to the 2012 London Olympic Games. Australia had to beat Korea,

then had to rely on Thailand causing a boomer in their final match of the tournament.

In the end, Thailand was beaten 5-0 by North Korea.

This meant that Japan and North Korea qualified for London, with Australia finishing third.

Two second-half goals sealed the match for the Matildas against South Korea.

Indigenous striker Kyah Simon missed the last game because of injury.



A file picture of Lydia Williams, left, as she and Kyah Simon warm up during a training session of the Australian team in Augsburg, Germany, last July during the FIFA Women's World Cup. Sweden beat Australia in the quarter-final. – EPA image

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Long to present Norm Smith Medal



ESSENDON Australian football great Michael Long will never forget the day his childhood hero Maurice Rioli presented him with the 1993 Norm Smith Medal.

Long has been handed the honour of presenting this year's Norm Smith Medal to the player judged best-afiel in the Australian Football League (AFL) grand final on 1 October at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG).

Long is thrilled to have a role on the game's showpiece day.

"I can still remember Maurice playing (for Richmond) and receiving the medal in 1982," Long said earlier this month.

"Just about everyone in Darwin was watching Maurice Rioli play in that grand final. It was a time when there wasn't a lot of players from the NT (Northern Territory).

"To play in a grand final and be presented one (Norm Smith Medal) by a role model of mine, Maurice Rioli who passed away late last year...

"It is something special, grand finals. You share a bit of emotion on that day because it's something quite special.

"It's a great achievement for any player to play in a grand final, let alone win one as well."

Carlton's 1979 premiership captain-coach Alex Jesaulenko will present the Jock McHale Medal to the winning coach on grand final day. — AAP



From left, Michael Long, Aunt Joy Murphy and the late Maurice Rioli at the Welcome to Country ceremony during the AFL round 15 match between the Richmond Tigers and the Essendon Bombers at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) on 9 July 2005. — Getty image

'Buddy' seals win



STAR forward Lance 'Buddy' Franklin kicked four goals despite a knee injury as Hawthorn beat Sydney by 36 points on Friday night to advance to

this week's Australian Football League (AFL) preliminary final.

Leading by 18 points at three-quarter time, the Hawks kicked seven goals to Sydney's four in the final term to win 19.8 (122) to 13.8 (86) at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG).

The Hawks will play Collingwood at the MCG this Friday night with a spot in the grand final on the line.

Coleman Medalist Franklin, who had been in doubt for the game with bone bruising on his right knee, played with heavy strapping on his troublesome knee and kicked three last-quarter goals to ice the game for the Hawks.

Josh Gibson was his side's best player with 20 possessions and many telling spoils in defence.

Goodes' three goals

Sydney's Ryan O'Keefe and 300-gamer Adam Goodes kicked three goals each and Josh Kennedy had a brilliant game in midfield with 35 possessions and a massive tally of 16 clearances.

The Swans chaired Goodes and retiring Irish-born defender Tadhg Kennelly from the field in front of 55,198 fans.

Midfielder Sam Mitchell and small forward Cyril Rioli, who had quiet games in the previous week's loss to Geelong, were influential players for the Hawks in the first half.

The Hawks kicked the first four goals of the game.

After leading by 22 points at quarter time, the Hawks kicked seven goals to Sydney's four in the second quarter to hold a commanding 40-point advantage at half time.

The Swans produced a remarkable fightback in the third quarter as they kicked 5.5 to Hawthorn's 2.1 to narrow the margin to three goals at the final change.

Trailing by 46 points midway through the third term, the Swans kicked four consecutive goals.

Both sides kicked an early goal in the final term before goals to Jordan Lewis and Franklin gave the Hawks some breathing space as they took a 31-point lead.

But the Swans refused to give up with two consecutive goals to O'Keefe and Goodes before Franklin's third and fourth goals sealed the result, followed by further goals to David Hale and Matt Suckling.

"We weren't too sure if 'Buddy' (Franklin) was going to get up so that was the big question of the week," Rioli, who had 20 touches, told Triple M Radio after the game.

"I think the backline really set us up with 'Gibbo' (Gibson) back there," he said of Hawthorn's win.

Hawthorn coach Alastair Clarkson said Franklin had been extremely confident of playing as far back as last Saturday when scans cleared him of major damage to the knee.

But Clarkson wasn't convinced until Thursday.

"We were really pleased with the contribution that he made," Clarkson said.

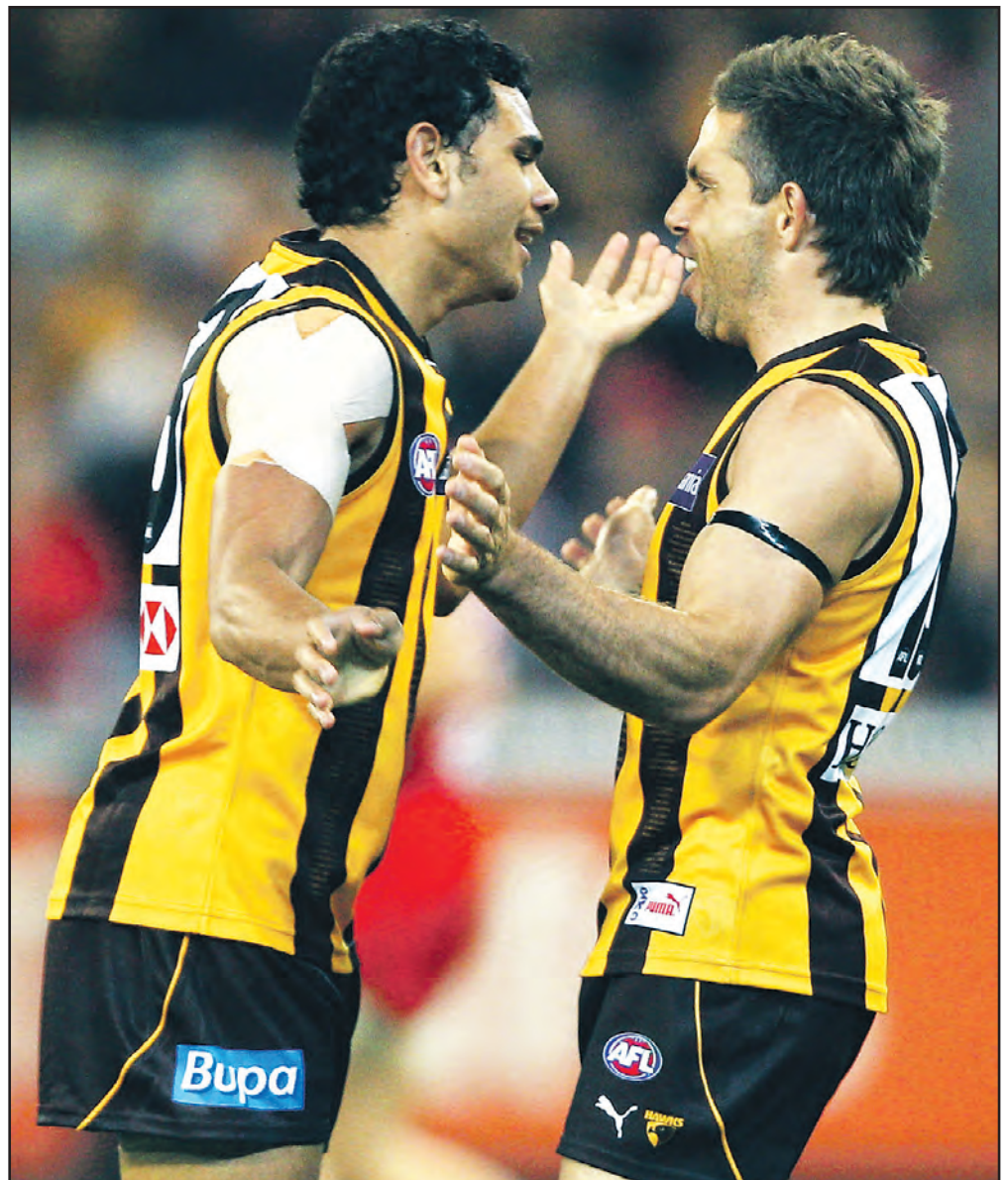
"We had a lot of blokes down last week (against Geelong).

"We had a lot of proud boys who wanted to correct themselves a little bit with their performances today and we did that."

Clarkson said he was confident his side could be competitive against the Magpies who finished on top after the home-and-away season.

"We know that Collingwood have been in outstanding form," he said.

"But at the start of the game she is zero zero and we will give it a crack." — AAP



The Hawks' Cyril Rioli celebrates a goal with Chance Bateman during the AFL second semi-final match against the Sydney Swans at the Melbourne Cricket Ground last Friday night. — Getty image

KO entries close this Friday



TIME is running short for teams that are yet to enter the 41st NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival at Bathurst from 30 September to 3 October. Teams have until 5pm this Friday (23 September) to nominate. The draw will be made at the Bathurst Panthers Leagues Club at 6pm

on Wednesday 27 September. The Knockout will be held at Bathurst's Carrington Park Sporting Complex, with the men's competition starting on Friday 1 October. Carnival officials last week announced that because of filming of *The Sapphires*, Jessica Mauboy would not be part of the entertainment during the Knockout. However, they said they had secured

Australian Idol winner Stan Walker and Aboriginal music legends Coloured Stone. They also said Street Warriors, Buddy Knox, DJ Trey and DJ Encore would make appearances. Walgett Aboriginal Connection Chairman Geoff Simpson said that despite the disappointment of Jessica having to pull out, crowds would be well entertained by the line-up on offer.

Barty shines again



QUEENSLAND tennis sensation Ashleigh Barty has followed her stunning Wimbledon junior girls singles victory with another brilliant performance, reaching the semi-finals of the US Open junior girls' singles. The 15-year-old, competing against girls up to the age of 18, was beaten 6-3 6-2 by Caroline Garcia (France) at Flushing Meadows, New York, on 13 September. Garcia was subsequently beaten

7-5 7-6 (7-3) by American Grace Min in the final the next day. Barty's performances in the US has cemented her place as one of the world's best junior players. **Promising start** She began the tournament with a 6-2 6-2 win over Canadian Carol Zhao in the first round on 8 September. In the next round on 11 September, she beat American Gabrielle Andrews 6-4 6-0. Then, in her quarter-final on 9 September, Barty overcame

American Krista Hardebeck 6-0 7-2. In her semi-final loss to Garcia, the Australian teenager had a 57 per cent first-serve success rate, served three aces (Garcia three aces), just one double-fault (Garcia two), made one unforced error (Garcia two), hit three winners (Garcia

three) and won a total of 46 points compared with Garcia's 61 points. The Ngarigo youngster, from Springfield, near Ipswich, is coached by Jim Joyce and Scott Draper. Joyce and her parents are credited with having the greatest influence over her young career

because of the support they have provided her in every facet of her life. Her desire is to achieve a world top ten ranking. As of last 31 August, she had an Australian ranking of 22 and a world ranking of 549. She says Evonne Goolagong is her inspiration.



Australian Ashleigh Barty returns a shot against Carol Zhao, of Canada, during day eight of the 2011 US Open at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Centre on 5 September in the Flushing neighbourhood of the Queens borough of New York City. – Getty Images

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One more game for Campbell



HE may have retired from the National Rugby League (NRL), but Preston Campbell has one more game his aging body will have to endure.

Campbell is one of six Indigenous men in the Prime Minister's XIII rugby league team to play Papua New Guinea.

The others are Cowboys fullback Matt Bowen, Canberra winger Blake Ferguson, South Sydney winger Nathan Merritt, Canterbury fullback Ben Barba and Gold Coast five-eighth Greg Bird.

Parramatta veteran Nathan Hindmarsh will lead a team featuring plenty of old hands, including Campbell and Bowen, for the match in Lae, PNG, on Sunday.

With the exception of Bowen, the players in coach Mal Meninga's team have been plucked from clubs that didn't make the NRL finals.

The fixture provides them with a last chance to

push for Kangaroos selection in the Four Nations tournament in England.

The PM's team boasts plenty of speed on the edges, with South Sydney try-scoring machine Nathan Merritt on one wing and Canberra's enigmatic Blake Ferguson on the other.

Plenty of good judges felt that Merritt deserved a shot at the NSW State of Origin side, and now he has the chance to leapfrog the Blues and move into the Australian team.

Prime Minister's XIII: Matt Bowen, Blake Ferguson, Michael Jennings, Josh Morris, Nathan Merritt, Greg Bird, Mitchell Pearce, David Shillington, Jake Friend, Tim Mannah, Michael Crocker, Nathan Hindmarsh (capt), Nate Myles, Chris McQueen, Tim Grant. North Queensland Indigenous players Jonathan Thurston, Bowen and Willie Tonga were added to the Australian

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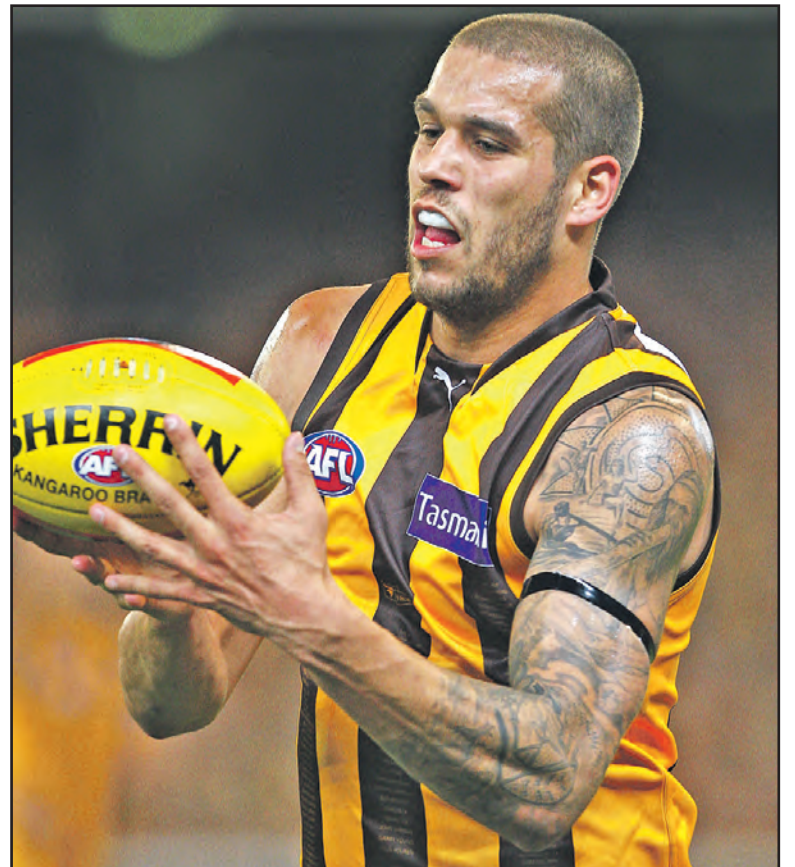
Five of the six Indigenous players in the Prime Minister's XIII to take on Papua New Guinea. They were pictured at training in Sydney last Thursday. From left, Nathan Merritt, Ben Barba, Preston Campbell, Greg Bird and Blake Ferguson. Missing is Matt Bowen. Picture: JOSEPH MAYERS

Hawks rain on Goodes' 300-game celebration



300-gamer Adam Goodes, of the Sydney Swans, is chaired from the ground by team-mates after their loss in the AFL second semi-final against the Hawthorn Hawks at the Melbourne Cricket Ground on Friday night. The Hawks kicked seven goals to Sydney's four in the final term to win 19.8 (122) to 13.8 (86). – Getty image

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HAWTHORN'S Lance Franklin took this mark, then kicked the goal during the last term of the semi-final elimination game against the Swans. Franklin, who had been in doubt with injury in the lead-up to the game, kicked four goals. – Getty image

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