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# Marching with pride for a cause

By Tasmanian Correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



YOUNG Aboriginal Tasmanians Nathan Brown and Sky Maynard are pictured during a 'Pride Parade' held in Hobart last

week in the lead-up to next month's Australian Labor Party (ALP) national conference, where same-sex marriage is set to be debated. About 300 gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (GLBTI) people, their families, friends and supporters took part in the colourful parade through city streets before converging on the lawns of the State Parliament for speeches calling for an end to discrimination against the **GLBTI** community.

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# 'Safer than before'



THE Federal Government has released a report it says shows that Aboriginal people living under the Northern Territory Intervention feel safer and

are receiving better levels of government services than they did before the controversial regime was introduced four years ago. Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon say the independent report complements what the Government heard during its 'Stronger Futures' consultations in NT communities and further justifies its plans to extend the Intervention beyond next year.

But while the Federal Opposition says the report shows key Intervention measures were 'needed and welcomed' by Aboriginal

communities, the Australian Greens insist that no-one should have to endure 'top down, punitive, discriminatory measures' in order to feel safer and supported.

That view aligns with those of key
Aboriginal groups and their supporters who
say the Government's Stronger Futures
report was flawed, reflected pre-determined
policies, and misrepresented or ignored
widely-held community views on compulsory

income management, land, customary law and more.

They say the measures breach international human rights principles such as those contained in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and have called for an apology and reparations for NT Aboriginal communities.

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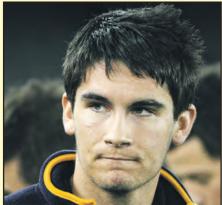
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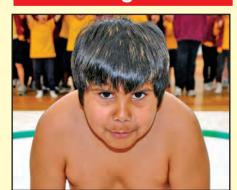
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### Y FAMILY Sharna Roberston - Charters Towers, Qld



AMILY is important to me. I am 17-years-old and live in a quiet street in Charters Towers, with my baby girl Kayden, my dad Roy Robertson, mum Paula Shepherd, sisters Kathleen Robertson and Tiarna Robertson, aged 12 and 15, brothers Royden Robertson, Branden Robertson, and Ali Watson, aged 14, 13 and one-and-a-half.

My boyfriend Reggie Palm Island, who is Kayden's father, lives on Palm Island and visits us in Charters Towers when he can. He is here now and will leave tomorrow to go back to Palm Island so we're just enjoying being together. Whenever I can, I also take Kayden to Palm Island to see Reggie who is just the proudest father.

Kayden is a happy baby and Reggie's family also really love her. We were there for a few weeks just recently.

I have other family connections on Palm as well.

My dad Roy is from there and in the sixties was one of the 'ration children' who had to live on rations there.

Mum and Dad have helped me so

much with Kayden and are loving grandparents. They support me in so many ways; Dad often gives me a lift to Townsville so I can go to Palm Island on the ferry.

I have counted up that Mum and Dad have eight grandchildren, and I love them all dearly too.

One really good family friend I have is Teearni Stagg, who also helps me out and also loves Kayden.

I was born in Townsville and went to Charters Towers State High School after

Dad moved here for work. Charters Towers is a great little town, a really nice place to be, with a lot of Indigenous people.

Reggie is a boxer who has travelled around fighting for the Palm Island Club and whilst he was visiting Charters Towers this time we took the opportunity to go to a local tournament here.

It is good to spend quality time together with Kayden.

Life is very good for me at the moment because of my wonderful family.

I really couldn't do without them.

Sharna Robertson (centre) with, from left, her dad Roy Robertson, friend Teearni Stagg holding Sharna's eightmonth-old daughter Kayden Palm Island, sister Kathleen Robertson and boyfriend Reggie Palm Island.

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### OUR CHILDREN



YOUNG members of the Yulu Barri Bah Dancers during the opening of the Island Vibe Festival held for the sixth year on Minjerribah/North Stradbroke from 28-30 October. Organisers say the event, lauded as the premiere soul, reggae and dub event in the South Pacific, this year drew one of its biggest and warmest crowds yet. • See page 29 for more on the festival, Photo by CAMERON DRON

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# Qld death report by year end

By ALF WILSON in Townsville



THE Queensland Coroner is expected mid next month to hand down his findings into the death of Aboriginal man Lyji Vaggs.

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

Solicitor Penny Brown from Brisbane-based Kerin Lawyers, who are representing Mr Vaggs' family, told the *Koori Mail* last week that the second part of the inquest into the death will resume on 12 December in Townsville.

"The rest of the evidence will be heard on 12 to 14 December and the following day the parties will hand up written submissions for the coroner to consider," Ms Brown said.

"Then the coroner is expected to hand down his findings on Friday, 16 December."

The first week of the inquest was held in Townsville in September, with the hearings attended by Vaggs family members and supporters. Mr Vaggs' mother Debbie Lampton, stepfather Dwayne Williams and grandmother Lila Lampton told the *Koori Mail* then that they would not comment further until the coroner's findings were handed down.

#### More health workers

However, the family did call for the employment of more Indigenous health workers who understand Aboriginal culture.

Early on during the inquest, the coroner heard that no psychiatrists or senior doctors were on duty when Mr Vaggs arrived at the unit on 13 April and it fell to junior doctors and interns to deal with him.

It also heard that after the young father's death, staff at the unit complained to hospital bosses about a lack of supervision and training from senior doctors at the facility.





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# Travelling art project

PROMOTING the use of public transport amongst the Indigenous community in

northern NSW is the aim of the Travelling Art Project. The brightly coloured design now emblazoned all over a Northern Rivers Buslines bus, is the work of Indigenous visual arts students at Lismore TAFE, and incorporates the spiritual totem of the Bundjalung nation – a goanna wrestling with a snake.

The bus will have regular runs between Lismore, Coraki and



**Bundjalung bus driver Willie** Simpson, from Cabbage Tree Island took invited guests for a drive in the new bus after the launch.

Evans Head.

Wiradjuri student Anthony James Proberts, who moved to the Northern Rivers region in 2006, said collaborating and co-operating to come up with one design had been challenging.

"We each had our own concept, and we worked on our own image and then we meshed it all together, and sent it to the Bundjalung Elders for their approval," he said.

"People who have seen the bus around the street say 'wow, what a wonderful thing'.'

### 'Great day'

**Bundjalung Elders Council** secretary Aunty Hazel Rhodes gave the welcome to country at the offficial launch and said it was 'a great day for Aboriginal people'. "And the bus looks beautiful," she

Blessing the bus, Elder Dorothy Gordon, remarked that it came past her place every day and made her feel 'so proud'.

During the official launch Lismore TAFE's head of fine arts Steven Giese thanked the Bundialung Elders for allowing the use of their cultural property as the primary motif on the bus.

He said when they started the Travelling Art Project, the only precedent they had to draw on was the Qantas planes which were painted by John Moriarty.

"The Qantas planes were painted by hand using enormous



Indigenous students from Lismore TAFE who collaborated on the design that is now gracing a Northern Rivers Buslines bus. From left, Eric Ferguson, Rouline Ferguson, Betty Felton and Anthony James Proberts. Absent on the day of the launch were Ramunda Felton, Mary May Felton, Karan-Rae West, Peninna West, Rianna West, Allex McDonald and Tyler Wortley.

stencils and 500 litres of paint," he said. "That's initially what we thought we would be doing."

However, he said after talking to the printers it became clear that using computer software would produce a more effective image.

This meant the students had to get on top of complex computer

techniques quickly, and also co-operate and understand that it was a group project.

"And you know what artists are like, they can be very possessive," he joked.

Giese said he hoped it would be a precedent for a whole lot of other design applications.

"There's no reason this can't be done on the family car," he said. "Why do white goods have to be white, when they could have an Aboriginal design on them?

"We're going to try and do that next year and get a few prototypes made up, trialling it on different mediums.'

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# Forum to map out a healthier future



Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon (left) listens to National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Jody Broun (centre) during a press conference with the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation chair Justin Mohammed (right) in Canberra. Mr Snowdon addressed the newly-formed National Health Leadership forum.

### Indigenous groups to drive health reform plan

By DARREN COYNE



INDIGNEOUS organisations will be at the forefront of developing a new national plan to improve

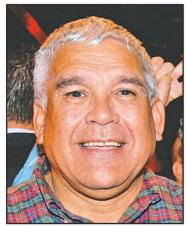
Indigenous health outcomes.

The plan aims to cut duplication and improve health service delivery as part of its over-arching aim of reducing an estimated 11-year life expectancy difference between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

A special health leadership forum made up of National Congress of Australia's First Peoples and 11 Indigenous health organisations including doctors, nurses, dentists and mental health expert groups will be involved in developing the new plan.

Close the Gap co-chair Mick Gooda said the National Health Leadership Forum (NHLF) would be a national representative voice to governments.

"The NHLF's leading role will be especially crucial in helping



**MICK GOODA** 

the government to develop and ultimately implement the national comprehensive plan for achieving health equality within a generation..." Mr Gooda said.

"We have seen many successful health partnerships at the state and territory level but this voice at the national level has been the missing piece in the puzzle," he said.

The NHLF will ensure governments don't stop at just consultation but work in true partnership with Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander people to improve health outcomes for Indigenous Australians.'

Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon announced that peak Indigenous health organisations from across the nation, the National Congress of Australia's First People, and state and territory governments would partner the Federal Government as it devised the plan.

The 'community-driven' plan will be implemented from 2013 and is expected to result in future budget boosts to Indigenous

It will guide the current and future governments to achieve 2030 closing the gap targets and look at ways to reduce high levels of chronic disease and improving life expectancy and infant mortality rates.

"It is important this plan covers factors which impact on health such as education. housing, employment and early childhood development."

Oxfam Australia policy director James Ensor said the development of a plan in



**JACQUELINE PHILLIPS** 

partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health bodies had been a key and consistent objective of the Close the Gap campaign.

"Partnership must be at the centre of government approaches to address Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander disadvantage in health and other areas," he said.

Mr Ensor said it was heartening to see Indigenous health bodies - such as the Australian Indigenous Doctors'

Association, the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) and the Australian Indigenous Psychologists' Association which played such a leading role in the Close the Gap campaign, move into the new NHLF to work in partnership with government on a new national health plan.

Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR) national director Jacqueline Phillips also welcomed the community-driven health plan.

"This partnership provides a significant and promising opportunity for real change," Ms Phillips said.

"For the first time at a national level, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will play a central role in developing the policies and programs that affect them."

"Aboriginal centred policy and genuine partnership is fundamental to achieving health equality and overcoming entrenched disadvantage. It has been a core aspiration of ANTaR's campaigns for many years."

### **Educators** urged to look at new approach



EDUCATORS must not be disheartened by results showing Indigenous students continue to lag behind and their school attendance is dropping, an education expert says.

But a shift in thinking is needed to lift attendance rates.

A Council of Australian Governments (COAG) Reform Council report released last Thursday shows mixed results for Indigenous students.

It says COAG targets to halve the gap in literacy and numeracy by 2018 are on track for Years Three, Five and Seven, but are at risk for Year Nine students

Indigenous school attendance declined in Year 10 in all states and territories.

For Years Eight and Nine, there were no improvements or falls in attendance.

Reform Council chair Paul McClintock said this was one of the most confronting pieces of data out of everything the council recorded.

"We hope the governments do see these results as an urgent warning because increasing Indigenous school attendance rates is crucial to meeting their own targets," he told journalists in

'There's not the slightest possibility of closing gaps in things like that if that number of children have opted out of the system.'

Queensland University of Technology (QUT) Stronger Smarter Institute director Chris Sarra said while the COAG report highlighted continuing concerns, at least it gave a measure of the state of Indigenous education.

### Shift in thinking

To improve attendance rates, Dr Sarra said there needed to be a shift in thinking away from discussions about truancy to a more co-operative approach involving the whole community.

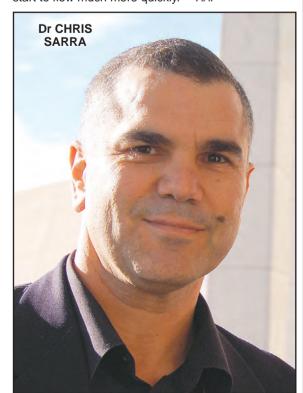
The approach of quarantining welfare payments if children didn't attend school was 'profoundly ineffective'.

"But we know for sure from examples right across the country, where school leaders go out of their way to engage with parents and children and build positive relationships, attendance improves,'

Schools Minister Peter Garrett indicated the Federal Government was starting to think in this

Dr Sarra warned educators not to be disheartened, although many people had put in big efforts across Australia.

"If we can prove that we're there for the long haul, relationships with Aboriginal communities will become much more positive and the results will start to flow much more quickly." - AAP





Gabrielle Cheedy, Cherry-Rose Hubert and Lorna Walker outside the Fortescue Metals AGM.



YAC representatives protested outside the FMG annual

# Locked out of meeting

By LIZ MURRAY in Perth



MINING giant Fortescue Metals Group (FMG) last week refused Aboriginal traditional owners from Western Australia's Pilbara region entry to the company's annual

general meeting. Yindjibarndi Elders and families instead waited outside last Wednesday's meeting in Perth and as shareholders departed, told them that Yindjibarndi traditional custodians had yet to agree to FMG's project terms for its Solomon Hub mine.

There's been ongoing turbulence in the relationship between the Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation



No access to the meeting for Michael Woodley.

(YAC) and FMG, which has disputed the group's claims that the project risks sacred sites and may have already damaged some.

The YAC has also consistently maintained that company offers of recompense for mining on their land fall way short of industry standards.

Outside the company's AGM, native title applicants belonging to YAC gave departing investors a pamphlet which said that the rival Wirlu-Murra group was a recently formed Aboriginal corporation that had the support of FMG, and that FMG had acted divisively within the broader Yindjibarndi community, which was particularly vulnerable due to 'great hardship and disadvantage'.

#### Beakaway group

YAC CEO Michael Woodley said some members of Wirlu-Murra were 'approaching the right age to be Elders' but represented a mere breakaway group that lacked the respect of recognised Yindjibarndi traditional owners and Elders and was not authorised to negotiate with FMG on behalf of Yindjibarndi people.

"FMG are not only supporting the removal of Mr Woodley, but four other applicants - Ned Cheedy (the most senior applicant who is 105 years of age), Mavis Pat, Thomas Jacob and Alum Cheedy," YAC's pamphlet read.

"There are only two applicants (Native Title) affiliated with FMG's Wirlu-Murra group - Aileen Sandy and Sylvia Allan... so, five of the seven applicants are members of YAC."

However, an FMG spokeswoman said Wirlu-Murra had more members YAC, and was responsible for the application to remove the five YAC traditional owners from the native title application.

'This group of Yindjibarndi people outnumbers supporters of Mr Woodley two-to-one and has initiated legal proceedings in the Federal Court to remove Mr Woodley as an applicant to the Yindjibarndi (No 1) Native Title Claim and in the Supreme Court to have Yindiibarndi Aboriginal Corporation (YAC) placed under the control of an independent receiver.'

Mr Woodley said ructions in the community were a well-organised, wellorchestrated plan of 'coming to our community, establishing a corporation that they say has the power to make

any agreement, and talk on behalf of Yindjibarndi people about native title

He said FMG had 'managed to get people to come from as far as Carnarvon to become members who did not have any connection with Yindjibarndi people and to get those people to conduct heritage surveys when they had no knowledge of the country, to do so'.

Mr Woodley said that despite what he deemed as controversial actions from FMG, the WA Government were 'sitting on their hands'.

"Minister Peter Collier said in a press release that he was close friends with Andrew Forrest and that he would take great guidance from his friend on Indigenous issues," Mr Woodley said.

This has been a difficult year for FMG, the third largest iron ore producer in Australia and the fourth largest, globally.

At the AGM, the company's billionaire chairman Andrew Forrest projected growth via markets in China and India, and massive production increases from 55 million tonnes per annum to 355mtpa, by expanding production centres and port access.

#### Complained

Mr Forrest complained that the Federal Government's Mineral Resources Rent Tax was unfair, and favoured overseas rivals.

FMG is also presently appealing a High Court win by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) that determined that Fortescue had engaged in 'misleading and deceptive conduct and contravened the continuous disclosure provisions of the Corporations Act...'

In late September, ASIC acting chair Belinda Gibson said the commission would defend the appeal because 'the case raises important issues which form the bedrock of confidence in the integrity of our markets, including misleading and deceptive conduct, continuous disclosure and directors'

Last week, Fortescue's director of development Peter Meurs disputed YAC claims of damage and potential disturbance of sacred sites.

"We have spent many millions of dollars to protect and avoid significant Aboriginal heritage sites at the Solomon Hub," he said.

### Activist hails magistrate's decision a victory

By Tasmanian correspondent JILLIAN MUNDY



VETERAN activist Jim Everett has hailed as 'a victory' a magistrate's decision to adjourn consideration of

trespass charges related to a 40,000-year-old Tasmanian Aboriginal heritage site, while he seeks more information about Aboriginal peoples' spiritual connection to the area.

Mr Everett was one of 15 people who appeared in the Hobart Magistrates Court last Thursday. Another six defendants were not present.

All were appearing on charges of trespass for entering the Brighton Bypass construction site at kutalayna, north of Hobart, in April. Five of the group also faced charges for allegedly contravening conditions of a notice - namely, returning to kutalayna a few days later for a smoking ceremony when it became apparent that all avenues to stop construction of the controversial highway bypass through the site had been exhausted.

Defence lawyer Mary Evans said the defendants had acted in 'a last bid attempt to save Aboriginal heritage, using the best method they had at the time'.

She went on to criticise the Aboriginal Relics Act 1975.

The police prosecutor present



Jim Everett leaves Hobart Magistrates court.

in the court, said the Police Commissioner wanted to pursue all charges, leaving Magistrate Sam Mollard unable to drop the charges

Ten of those that appeared refused to enter pleas on the grounds that they felt morally outraged at being charged. Seven others pleaded not guilty and another four pleaded guilty.

Magistrate Mollard said it was his duty to direct pleas of not guilty for the ten who refused to enter a plea.

He said he would 'farm' the cases out to a number of magistrates for hearings on 2

He acknowledged a special affinity Aboriginal people have with their land and invited material to be provided to assist the court in proceeding.

"I appreciate the extent that the spiritual connection to their land has been affronted by this construction," Magistrate Mollard

"I can't really pretend to have

insight into the feeling of the Aboriginal community about this."

He said he wanted to understand the spiritual side of the connection and absorb it as far as he could

Outside the court Jim Everett told the Koori Mail that the magistrate's request for information was a victory.

"I'm very pleased with today's outcomes," Mr Everett said. "Because, instead of having a magistrate who would just make a decision based on what's in front of him, without knowing the full breadth of it and not be informed, this magistrate is taking the time to ensure that his decisions and determinations are made based on further evidence and understanding of the situation from the Aboriginal community's point of view.

"That way the decision he will make, nevertheless made under the Tasmanian laws, will be based on a way that he feels will provide a correct justice in terms of what he has to do in his job as a magistrate.

Mr Everett said he would provide written information to his lawyer for inclusion in the document requested by Magistrate Mollard.

Earlier in the week, former Tasmanian Aboriginal heritage officer, Aaron Everett, who was at the forefront of the campaign to save kutalayna, faced court on trespass charges.

Magistrate Peter Dixon read a 25-minute statement explaining the reasons for his decision, declaring his admiration of the accused before finding him guilty and fining \$200.

The magistrate explained that he recognised Aaron Everett had acted in a righteous manner according to personal beliefs, but he had still broken the law.

"Your dedication and care for community is taken into account, I admire you for that," Magistrate Dixon said.

Meanwhile preliminary site work for a 70-metre span bridge across kutalayna is proceeding as scheduled, with the pylons to hold the bridge scheduled to be installed in January 2012.



**Brighton Bypass protesters and** their supporters leave court.

# Senate rejects **Greens native** title reforms



IMPROVING the native title system should be on the agenda as the twentieth anniversary of the

Mabo High Court decision approaches, the Greens maintain, despite a Senate inquiry dismissing their reform

In March, the Australian Greens introduced a private members Bill aimed at improving the native title process for Indigenous traditional owners.

The Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Legislation Committee tabled its report on the Bill last Wednesday.

The committee recommended that the Senate block the Bill.

"The committee acknowledges that there is dissatisfaction among certain stakeholders with particular aspects of the native title system," the report said.

"The committee agrees that reforms which expedite effective native title outcomes are desirable, however the committee is not persuaded that the Bill will achieve its stated objectives in that regard."



**RACHEL SIEWERT** 

The committee noted that many witnesses had criticised the lack of consultation on reforms which amounted to 'fundamental changes to the native title laws'.

"One state government claimed to have had no knowledge of the Bill prior to the committee's inquiry and told the committee: 'It is rather surprising that this Bill was introduced into the Parliament without any consultation or discussion with state and territory governments or (to our knowledge) other important stakeholders'," the report said.

The report criticised the Greens' Bill for seeking to make amendments to complex and technical legal areas in a 'piecemeal manner'.

The Greens' Bill aimed to look at mining profit-sharing conditions, ramp up protection for heritage sites of cultural significance and extend the Aboriginal people's right to negotiate to offshore areas.

It also moved to incorporate principles of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples into native title laws.

The Greens have vowed to continue to push for native title reform and penned a dissenting

"The existing native title system is not living up to its intended purpose and our Bill seeks to rectify that," Senator Rachel Siewert said.

"Evidence to the inquiry suggests that if the intentions of the Bill were implemented, a greater degree of fairness would be introduced into the native title system."

She said the Greens would redraft the Bill.

Native title was important as the twentieth anniversary of the Mabo High Court decision approaches, Senator Siewert

In 1992 the High Court delivered a landmark ruling, which recognised Aboriginal land rights. - AAP

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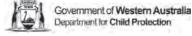
As well as having a number suitable positions currently

available, have Aboriginal implemented an recruitment register.

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# Diplomatic ties sought

**By KIRSTIE PARKER** 

HE National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has sought to establish a diplomatic relationship with American Indians via its sister organisation in the United States.

National Congress co-chair Jody Broun was due to speak at the 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) in Portland, Oregon, at the beginning of the month but her travel there was cancelled due to the Qantas industrial

However, a message from Ms Broun was read to the forum attended by about 3000 delegates drawn from many of the country's 565 federally recognised tribes.

The Yindjibarndi woman from Western Australia said in her message that the Australian National Congress was keen to establish a diplomatic relationship with the NCAI as well as representatives of other groups such as Maori, the Assembly of First Nations in Canada and the Sami Parliament in northern Europe, 'one that supports common goals and is consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)'.

She said she was disappointed to miss the NCAI gathering, especially as much of its agenda would resonate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The overture was warmly received, with NCAI President Jefferson Keel saying later Indigenous nations throughout the world could learn much from each other.

"We can learn from each other how to influence the federal governments of all nations to respect the rights of our people and to allow us to govern ourselves," he said.

"...We can open up trade within those nations across the oceans, around the world.

"In this global economy, it's important that we work together to develop our resources. That's what we hope to achieve."

### **Key topic**

Implementation of the UN Declaration was a key topic at the convention, along with preparations for the third White House Tribal Summit with the Obama administration in Washington next month, mobilisation of the native vote for next year's US election, law and order on tribal lands (especially protection of native women), economic independence (helped along by casinos on tribal lands). and Indian management of natural resources.

Delegates also heard from Democrat and Republican members of the US Congress who pledged their respective parties' respectful engagement with Indian issues.

NCAI executive director Jacqueline Johnson Pata emphasised afterwards at a



NCAI Executive Director Jacqueline Johnson Pata (far left) and NCAI President Jefferson Keel (far right) gave a press conference at the organisation's 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace in Portland, Oregon. They were joined by international guests Roger Jones from Canada, Mark Solomon from New Zealand and Myrna Cunningham Kain from Nicaragua, all of whom took part in a panel discussion on ways to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). Inset: National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Jody Broun.

press conference that the NCAI was non-partisan and, by its Constitution, did not endorse political parties.

"But we know that, when we

turn up the heat and get the Democrats and the Republicans fighting over us and our votes, we

win," she said.
"'I' is for Indian. We want to be

able to make sure that we create a winning environment."

• See pages 38-41 for more on the NCAI's 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace.

# Response to NT Intervention heats up

By KIRSTIE PARKER

THE Federal Government says it is determined not to repeat the mistakes of the past. Aboriginal groups say they're already doing it.

The chasm of differing opinion over the Northern Territory Emergency Response (NTER), or NT Intervention, has continued to widen with the release last week of an evaluation report that the Government says shows the controversial regime is making Aboriginal people feel safer and better supported.

The Federal Government announced late last month that it would extend the Intervention, including compulsory income management, and would cut welfare payments to parents who didn't get their kids to school.

The announcement followed 'Stronger Futures' consultations in NT communities between June and August, which the Government said showed getting kids to go to school and receiving a decent education, having jobs for local people and tackling alcohol abuse were the priority issues for Aboriginal people living under the Intervention.

NT Indigenous advisory committee head Bess Price has supported an extended Intervention but other Aboriginal leaders are furious and have rejected Government plans to beef up key Intervention measures.

Groups such as concerned Australians and the Intervention Rollback Action Group (IRAG) said the Government's Stronger Futures report was flawed, reflected pre-determined policies, and misrepresented or ignored widely held community views.

IRAG has called for release of all 'de-identified' community consultation notes that were provided as feedback to the communities, and concerned Australians wants an apology and reparations for Intervention communities.

Releasing the new evaluation report last Thursday, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said that almost three out of four people surveyed said that their community was safer now than it was three years ago.

"Almost 80 per cent of people said having a new police station in their community had made a big or some difference to safety and almost 75 per cent said better night patrols had made a big or some difference," they said.

"Since 2007, 62 additional police have been deployed to communities and police are now located in 18 communities that did not have a presence prior to the NTER.



Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon during the Government's Stronger Future consultations in July.

"As reflected in the recent Stronger Futures consultations, alcohol continues to be one of the main factors affecting how safe people feel in their community.

"People also said that services had improved in their communities under the NTER, with around half of the people interviewed strongly agreeing that services had improved. This included services from schools. Centrelink, police and community stores.

"Income management was supported by many people in communities who believed it was bringing about positive outcomes, especially for children.

"More than half the people surveyed in communities feel that their lives are 'on the way up' thanks to things like having a job, better housing and more money."

But the ministers conceded the report also found that challenges remained, with little overall change in school attendance and enrolment, poor reading, writing and numeracy outcomes, and low employment.

...While there have been some improvements in reading, the majority of children in NTER communities still do not meet national minimum standards for reading, writing and numeracy," they said. "Shortages of classrooms, teachers and teacher housing in communities have been significantly reduced as a result of Australian Government investment."

The report also showed the Intervention's initial roll-out was marked by 'a sense of crisis' and limited consultation.

"While this delivered much needed services, it also caused ongoing anger and hurt among Aboriginal people and communities," Ms Macklin and Mr Snowdon said.

"The Australian Government is determined not to repeat the mistakes of the past but to work together with Aboriginal people to build stronger futures together."

Those words won't provide any comfort to NT Aboriginal leaders who met in Melbourne on 4 November and deemed the Stronger Futures report a reflection of pre-determined

This is shown clearly by the absence of any commitment to bilingual learning programs as well as the proposal to introduce welfare cuts and fines to parents of non-attending school children,"said a statement from the group, including Rev. Dr. Djiniyini Gondarra, Rosalie Kunoth-Monks, Japata Ryan Harry Nelson, Djapirri Murunggirritj, Barbara Shaw and Yananymul Mununggurr.

"Once again a punitive policy that is neither in the best interests of the child or the family. Blanket measures have been central to the NT Intervention and have been the source of much distress.

Declaring they'd 'had enough', the group said they'll pursue an apology from the Government for the hurt. embarrassment, shame and stigma caused by the Intervention, as well as reparation.

The Federal Opposition, meanwhile, said it had taken four years for an 'inept' Labor Government to realise that methods introduced by the former Coalition Government 'actually worked' and it was time for action.

.Labor's only success has come from leaving these initiatives in place," said its Indigenous Affairs spokesman Nigel Scullion, who also called upon 'inner-city academics, who think they know' to stop criticising income management and other Intervention measures

But the Australian Greens said the latest evaluation report shouldn't be used to justify the Intervention or any continuation of its 'top down, punitive, discriminatory measures' including income management.

"It is no surprise that people feel safer in communities that have seen an increase in police numbers and the provision of other services," said the party's spokesperson on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Issues, Rachel Siewert.

"You don't need to be Einstein to work out that by investing in services in communities, you improve outcomes for that community and address the issues around disadvantage....The \$450m that has been spent on income management would have delivered far better outcomes if invested in services, teachers and teacher training, housing and other community initiatives that we know are effective.

### **Bowraville gets mail delivery service**



FOR the 500 Aboriginal residents of Bowraville

Mission, gone are the days of walking one-and-a-half kilometres into town when they wanted to collect their

As of this month, residents now have mail delivered directly to their front doors.

"The last time I remember seeing a postman here was more than 50 years go when my father, who worked in Sydney, would telegram money home for my mother," said an excited Gumbaynggirr Elder and traditional owner Marjory Buchanan last month.

The Bowraville Local Aboriginal Land Council (BLALC) provided the letterboxes which were hastily installed at the front of residents' homes over the weekend in advance of the first delivery. Local children pitched in to sort the letterbox colours for each household and helped their uncles and fathers carry tools to install the posts and letterboxes.

BLALC CEO Phillip Hall and the NSW Aboriginal Land Council's northern zone operations manager Trent Hall set in train the process for bringing the mail delivery to the community.

Mr Hall said that they asked the local postie, Hal Usher, why mail wasn't being delivered to the



Local postie, Hal Usher delivers mail to Bowraville Mission resident, Trish Buchanan.

Bowraville Mission.

"Hal suggested we write a letter to Australia Post in Coffs Harbour and in late October Australia Post gave us the okay," Mr Hall said.

And while his mailbag might be a little heavier now with residents' mail, Mr Usher doesn't mind as he's getting to know the local residents.

"I'm looking forward to having a chat with my postman at my gate and I'm glad of not having to walk to town in the rain to collect our mail," said Trish Buchanan, who felt Mr Usher made her day and her life feel a little more normal

As the postie ended his round, he said the deliveries

had not come a day too soon and 'should have happened many years

"At least this will go some way to breaking down some of the barriers that our Aboriginal community has put up with for many years in the past,"

Marjory Buchanan waits for her mail next to her new letterbox.

# Business 'optimistic'

By TRACI WILLIAMS



ALTHOUGH there was still 'a long way to go', Australia's top corporates are leading the way in developing

innovative approaches to engage with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, according to the Business Council of Australia (BCA).

The Council last week released the third annual survey report on its members' engagement with Indigenous communities, and the results were promising especially around the number pursuing Indigenous specific initiatives.

During the past year, BCA members had hired at least 872 new Indigenous employees and 561 new Indigenous trainees.

The survey report 'Vision and Values: Working Together to Close The Gap' shows that in the three years since the BCA established its Indigenous Engagement Taskforce, its member companies have broadened and diversified the way they engage in the Indigenous sector and communities

"The feedback we get now is that in many ways, business is well out front in coming up with innovative approaches," said BCA chief executive Jennifer Westacott.



**BCA Chief Executive, Jennifer** Westacott

"It's increasingly well recognised that our members are plaving a leading role in developing progressive and effective ways to provide Indigenous people with economic opportunities, and often are better equipped than government to work through what can sometimes be complex challenges.'

The challenge now, Ms Westacott said, was for the BCA to make the most of its members' commitment.

"...The BCA's Indigenous task force is keen to analyse the lessons being learned, both in terms of sharing these among

### KEY FINDINGS

● 74 per cent of BCA members responded to the survey (up from 40 per cent

81 per cent of respondents have Indigenous engagement initiatives in

• 63 per cent of all respondents have employment, training and/or education and skills strategies

• at least 872 new Indigenous employees and 561 new Indigenous trainees have been hired by member companies over the last 12

● 52 per cent are working in partnership with Indigenous organisations

• the vast majority of respondents with Indigenous engagement strategies were able to identify successful initiatives with examples across each of the major categories including employment, education and business development.

companies but also to assist government."

Ms Westacott said the BCA also aimed to inspire companies who might be unsure about Indigenous engagement to take the leap and become involved.

"While a lot of companies have

been engaged in this work for some time, I think the BCA's focus on it in recent years has been in encouraging others to get involved by demonstrating the diversity of what they can do," she said.

The survey also found that CEOs valued the importance of building relationships and understanding with Indigenous organisations and communities and committing for the long term.

Many BCA members are doing just that by developing Reconciliation Action Plans (RAPs) as a first step in building frameworks for positive and supportive engagement.

Lend Lease CEO, Steve McCann is also member of the BCA's Indigenous Engagement Task Force.

"As (Lend Lease) develops our RAP, we are making choices all the time. We've had to make decisions about where we could make the biggest difference and go about it in a way that best aligns with our organisation," Mr McCann said.

"If we spread our efforts too widely, we can't be effective. It's better to narrow down areas and deliver some outcomes rather than try to boil the ocean."

Ms Westacott said that while finding and retaining qualified Indigenous employees was still a priority, increasingly businesses were recognising that there was more to engaging with Indigenous people than through employment opportunities alone.

"While employment is still a major focus, our members recognise that there are all sorts of other things that need to be tackled at the same time, like building the cultural understanding of non-Indigenous staff," she said.

'For some companies that don't have the capacity to bring on new staff, they are finding other avenues. Many are involved, for example, with the Australian Indigenous Minority Supplier Council or in partnering Indigenous organisations that are targeting compatible objectives."

CEO of the Diversity Council of Australia (DCA), Nareen Young, who is a member of Lend Lease's RAP Committee and whose members, a number of whom are also BCA members, agrees. "The growing focus is on what Aboriginal people bring to business - as consumers, as business owners and as employers, as employees with enormous potential to move, shake and lead and as members of the broader Australian business and workplace community. The reciprocal component of the RAP process is just as important," she said. Ms Westacott said that while there is still a long way to go, Australia's leading businesses and their chief executives remain optimistic about their capacity to make a positive difference.

# 2012 Australian of the Year Awards

# Several in running for national honours

By DARREN COYNE



LAURIE Baymarrwangga, from the island of Murrungga, off the top of east Arnhem Land, has been named the Northern Territory Senior Australian

of the Year for 2012.

Although unable to attend the awards night in Darwin last Thursday, the crowd heard that the respected Elder had been recognised for her 'extraordinary commitment to maintaining her culture, the environment of her beloved Crocodile Islands and ensuring younger generations continued to live their heritage'.

Medical campaigner Dr John Boffa, who works at the Central Australian Aboriginal Health Congress in Alice Springs, was named NT Australian of the Year, Rebecca Healy was named Young Australian of the Year for her youth work, and Rob Cook was chosen as NT Local Hero after forging on with life following a helicopter accident.

NT Chief Minister Paul Henderson handed out the awards.

The Northern Territory winners will now join recipients from all other States and Territories as finalists for the national awards to be announced on 25 January 2012 in Canberra.

Besides Ms Baymarrwangga, Warnindilyakwa man Tony Wurramarrba, from Groote Eylandt, was the only other

Indigenous person in the running for the NT awards.

Mr Wurramarrba had been nominated for his work as chairman of the Anindilyakwa Land Council, through which he negotiated a comprehensive mining agreement with BHP-Billiton on behalf of the traditional owners.

### **Education advocate**

A passionate education advocate, Mr Wurramarrba has campaigned for the introduction of an alcohol management plan in his community.

Meanwhile, the Victorian awards were being announced at a special event in Melbourne on Monday.

In the running was young lawyer Tim Goodwin, 28, a social justice campaigner who is an Aboriginal Education Ambassador for the Department of Education, Science and Training, and a 'Dare to Lead' Ambassador.

He is about to put his legal career on hold to study at Harvard as the inaugural recipient of the Roberta Sykes Harvard Club Indigenous Scholarship.

The South Australian Awards also were announced on Tuesday just after the Koori Mail went to press.

Aboriginal contenders were social justice advocate John Brown, who was in the running for SA Senior of the Year, and Rebecca Richards, a young anthropologist who is a member of the Adnyamathanha

and Barngarla peoples.

Meanwhile, the Queensland awards will be announced at an event in Brisbane tomorrow night (17 November).

The Indigenous hope will be Preston Campbell, who is in the running for Queensland Australian of the Year.

The former professional footballer has become one of Australia's most influential sporting ambassadors, with a track record of volunteer work in Indigenous communities and the wider community.

It was Preston who masterminded the Indigenous All Stars rugby league game, which now kicks off the NRL season.

The West Australian awards will be held in Perth this Saturday, 19 November, at Government House.

The Indigenous hopeful will be Krista McMeeken, a reconciliation campaigner who believes her fair complexion has given her 'a unique opportunity to promote reconciliation by challenging non-Indigenous people to examine their preconceived notions of Aboriginal people'.

### **UNICEF** delegate

Her extensive list of international, national and community achievements include the appointment, at the age of 20, to the UNICEF Youth delegation and NAIDOC ambassador.

She is in her third year of law at the University of WA and is primarily focusing on ways to improve Indigenous people's

access to and interaction with the legal system.

There are no Indigenous people nominated for the Tasmania awards, which will be announced on 21 November.

But on Tuesday, there are two hopefuls in the Australian Capital Territory awards to be announced in Canberra at the National Portrait Gallery.

They are Olympic basketballer Patrick Mills in the Young Australian section, and Ms Julie Tongs in the Local Hero category.

### **Beijing Olympian**

Mr Mills, a one-time dancer with Torres Strait Islander dance groups, represented Australia in basketball at the 2008 Beijing Olympics and is set to compete at the London Olympics.

Ms Tongs was put forward because of her commitment to improving Indigenous health as the chief executive of Canberra's Winnunga Nimmityhah Aboriginal Health

The NSW Awards will be announced in Sydney on 23 November 2011.

The Indigenous hopeful will be Merindah Donnelly, 28, who has not only worked as a professional ballet dancer, but also as a spokesperson at the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous

She is the Indigenous Program Officer, Market Development, Australia Council for

### Champion for her people



Laurie Baymarrwangga, Community leader NT Winner, Senior Australian of the Year

In the nine decades since her birth on the island of Murrungga, Laurie Baymarrwangga has seen the arrival of missionaries, exploitation by Japanese and European fishermen, war and tumultuous

Undaunted, she has almost single-handedly nurtured the inter-generational transmission of local ecological knowledge through a lifelong commitment to caring for kin, culture and

In the 1960s, Laurie established a housing project on her homelands that has benefited generations of kin.

Speaking no English, with no access to

funding, resources or expertise, she initiated the Yan-nhangu dictionary project.

Her cultural maintenance projects include the Crocodile Islands Rangers, a junior rangers group and an online Yan-nhangu dictionary for school children.

In 2010, after a struggle stretching back to 1945, Laurie finally received back payments for rents owed to her as the land and sea owner of her father's estate. She donated it all, around \$400,000, to improve education and employment opportunities on the island and to establish a 1000-square-kilometre turtle sanctuary on her marine estate. In the face of many obstacles, this great, great grandmother has shown extraordinary leadership and courage in caring for the cultural and biological integrity of her beloved Crocodile



Tony Wurramarrba, Community leader NT Finalist, Australia's Local Hero

Activist and leader Tony Wurramarrba is a Warnindilyakwa man from Groote Eylandt. As Chairman of the Anindilyakwa Land Council, Tony negotiated a comprehensive mining agreement with BHP-Billiton on behalf of the traditional

He went on to take the lead in negotiations to partner with the Commonwealth and Northern Territory governments to deliver major investment in housing, infrastructure, health and education in the region. This included the ground-breaking decision by the Land Council to contribute \$14 million in royalties to ensure these payments benefited local people for generations to come. This was one of the first times royalties or native title payments have been used to leverage government

Tony also inspires young people with his passion for education and has campaigned for the introduction of an alcohol management plan, which has seen a significant decrease in violence and other



Tim Goodwin, 28, Victorian finalist, Young Australian of the Year

Tim Goodwin, an Aboriginal man from the Yuin people, is a lawyer who is passionate about social justice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. He has made a substantial contribution to Indigenous legal policy, using his knowledge of the law to give Indigenous Australians greater legal recognition through law reform.

Tim's advocacy for his people has taken him to the Fifth World Indigenous Youth Conference, held in New Zealand, and he has been a member of the International Youth Parliament and the National Youth Roundtable. Tim is an Aboriginal Education Ambassador for the Department of Education. Science and Training and a 'Dare to Lead' Ambassador. He is about to put his legal career at Allens Arthur Robinson on hold to study at Harvard as the inaugural recipient of the Roberta Sykes Harvard Club Indigenous Scholarship. Tim plans to study constitutional and legal recognition of Indigenous rights.

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# 2012 Australian of the Year Awards



John Browne, Social justice advocate South Australian finalist, Senior Australian of the Year

John Browne, a proud Larrakia man from the Top End, has worked for the betterment of Aboriginal people around the country all his life. His professional positions have included Senior Assistant Director of ATSIC and the South Australian co-ordinator of the Indigenous State Welfare Program.

He works as Senior Academic Adviser at the University of South Australia, helping and encouraging young Indigenous students to achieve their very best.

As co-chair of the National Sorry Day Committee and State Co-ordinator of Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation, John is a persuasive voice for social justice, education and community service.



Rebecca Richards, 24, Anthropologist South Australia finalist, Young Australian of the Year

There are many 'firsts' already in Rebecca Richards' short life. She was the first person in her family to complete high school and is the first Aboriginal Rhodes Scholar.

The 24-year-old Anthropology honours student grew up in the Riverland and is a member of the Adnyamathanha and Barngarla peoples.

Rebecca completed a cadetship at the National Museum of Australia and then an internship at The Smithsonian Institute in Washington. She was also volunteered as a mentor for other Indigenous students, and as a 2010 youth ambassador for the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence.

Her other international representations include for Oxfam, ZONTA and the United Nations. A truly remarkable 24-year-old.



Preston Campbell, Sporting hero Queensland finalist, Australian of the Year

Former professional footballer, Preston Campbell has become one of Australia's most influential sporting ambassadors, with a track record of volunteer work that has made a significant difference to the Indigenous communities and to the ethos of the National

rugby league.

It was Preston who masterminded the Indigenous All Stars football game which now kicks off the NRL season. In 2011 alone, funds raised by the All Stars game helped NRL clubs take education, reading, mentoring, leadership, goal-setting, health and welfare programs to more than 24,000 students of all cultural backgrounds.

Krista McMeeken, Reconciliation



campaigner West Australian finalist, Young Australian of the Year

A proud Aboriginal woman, Krista McMeekan often remarks that her fair complexion has given her a unique opportunity to promote reconciliation between black and white Australians.

Through her attitude and dedication, she challenges non-Indigenous Australians to confront their preconceived ideas of Aboriginal people and change

Her extensive list of international, national and community achievements include her appointment, at the age of 20, to the UNICEF Youth delegation and NAIDOC ambassador.

Krista is in her third year of law at the University of Western Australia and is primarily focusing on ways to improve Indigenous people's access to and interaction with the legal system.

Julie Tongs, Health care leader



**ACT finalist, Australia's Local Hero** Julie Tongs is a tireless campaigner for Indigenous people. A Wiradjuri woman,

Julie has worked at the Canberra hospital, bridging the gap between Indigenous patients and hospital staff. She has also advised an Aboriginal Affairs Minister.

For the past 14 years, Julie has run the Winnunga Nimmityhah Aboriginal Health Service in Canberra.

A success story in Aboriginal health, Winnunga provides a holistic approach to health and wellbeing. She has also been instrumental in Winnunga developing a health care model for Aboriginal prisoners, but she believes Winnunga is critical in helping to prevent Indigenous people going to jail by treating alcohol and drug dependencies.

Merindah Donnelly, 28, Dancer and



NSW finalist, Young Australian of the Year

Indigenous campaigner Merindah Donnelly's life has always had an upward

From the tiny town of Tingha, on the Northern Tablelands of NSW, she moved on to the dance stage of Sydney and is now the Pacific representative of the United Nations Global Indigenous Youth

Merindah is a descendant of the Wiradjuri nation and grew up in the Gamillaroi community of Tingha, studying classical ballet for 16 years.

She then trained at an elite level, attaining professional qualifications with the internationally recognised Royal Academy of Dance.

But her passion to understand and promote social justice for Indigenous people took her in a different direction and away from the stage. With mentoring from Indigenous leaders such as Larissa Behrendt, Mick Dodson and Aden Ridgeway, she demonstrated her capacity as an effective spokesperson at the

United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in the Philippines.

She shows exceptional leadership skills and as the Pacific representative of the UN Youth Caucus intends to play an active role by engaging with Indigenous youth globally.

#### Patrick Mills, 23, Olympic basketballer **ACT finalist, Young Australian of the** Year

When Patrick Mills was eight years old, he told his family of his dream to represent Australia at the Olympic Games. Ten years later, Patrick became the youngest player to represent Australia in basketball, playing with the men's basketball team touring Europe.

When he was 20, Patrick's fulfilled his dream with his selection to the Australian team to compete at the Beijing Olympics, where he was the Boomers' top scorer.

Accolades and awards have accompanied Patrick's stellar career. In 2008 and 2010, he won the Gaze Medal for Australia's International Player of the Year, the highest individual award for international representation. In 2009, he was selected to play in the world's pre-eminent basketball league, the American National Basketball Association.

In 2012 he looks certain to represent Australia at the London Olympics. The one-time dancer with Torres Strait Islander dance groups in Canberra continues to reach out to young Indigenous kids, getting them involved in basketball camps and clinics.





# Pride on display as men





In the footsteps of his grandfathers ... Gunditjmara man Tim Kanoa during the 1000 Warrior March through Melbourne's streets.

# Warriors for their people

Photos by JAMES HENRY



MEN from across
Victoria took to
Melbourne's streets
on Saturday, 5
November, for

what organisers are confident will be the first of many 1000 Warrior Marches.

The men were marching in harmony to reclaim, respect and protect Indigenous culture.

And that's exactly what they did,

according to one of the organisers,
Gunditjmara man Richard Frankland.
In fact it was so successful,

planning has immediately started for another march next year.

And there is even talk of a similar march for Indigenous women.

"It was stupendous, tremendous," Frankland told the *Koori Mail* following the march.

"Our men marched together with honour and integrity, in unity and solidarity.

"We marched in the footsteps of 1500 generations of our grandfathers



Gunnai man Jamie Thomas.

and we marched together as the old people did.

"We defended our culture, which has been so viciously attacked over the past 200 years.

"We showed wider Australia that we are strong and proud.

"And we'll do it again, with even more warriors."

The march finished with a gathering at Birrarung Marr (the back of Melbourne's Federation Square) where family and friends joined with marchers for a celebration.

# march in unity, solidarity





Wathaurong man Stan Yarramuna.



Harry Terrick (Wurundjeri) gave the welcome to country.



Men taking part in the corroboree at Birrarung Marr (Federation Square in Melbourne).



Gunnai man Robert Pettit being painted up by Thomas Harrison (Yorta Yorta – Wotjobaluk).



Police and security 'keep an eye' on the 1000 Warrior March as it approaches Federation Square.

# Capt Saunders' quote features in memorial

'On Anzac eve we dug in among friends. At last I felt like an ANZAC, and I imagine there were 600 others

By DARREN COYNE



THE above quote from Captain Reginald Saunders, the first Aboriginal commissioned officer, is set to be a

feature on a new war memorial to be opened at Bondi Beach in Sydney on 27 November.

The quote will be in bronze lettering across a large black granite wall with a cast bronze plaque that will read 'Capt. Reginald Walter Saunders MBE - the first Aboriginal commissioned officer, said on 24 April 1951 at the Battle of Kapyong during the Korean War'.

Capt Saunders was born in Purnim, on the Framlingham Aboriginal Reserve, in Victoria on 7 August 1920.

He enlisted as a soldier in 1940, and served in North Africa, Greece and Crete in World War II before being commissioned as a lieutenant, and serving as a platoon commander in New Guinea in 1944-45.

He later served as a company commander with the 3rd Battalion. Royal Australian Regiment, during the Korean War, before leaving the Army in

Capt Saunders later worked as a liaison officer in the Office of Aboriginal Affairs, and was appointed a Member of the British Empire for his services in 1971. He died in 1990 aged 69.

As well as the tribute to Capt Saunders, the War Memorial contains three other components.

There will be a large 'S' shape sculpture made of marine grade stainless steel, glass and stone which will have 20 descriptive plaques of each war Australia has been in, and one plaque will be dedicated to peacekeeping.

#### 'Lest We Forget'

There will also be another black granite wall featuring the 98 recipients of the Victoria Cross, with their images, ranks, names and the date and conflict for which they received the award.

The final section will feature the words 'Lest We Forget', along with cast bronze badges for the Royal Australian Navy, Army and Air Force.

The North Bondi RSL sub-branch is organizing the official opening of the memorial, which will happen at 9am on 27 November.

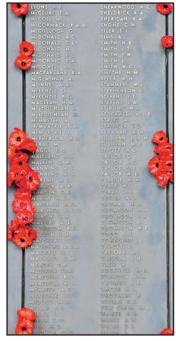
Gary Oakley, the national president of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Veterans and Services Association, will officially open the Reg Saunders section of the memorial.



A painting of Reg Saunders by Pamela Thalben-Ball. ages courtesy the Australian War Memorial



Sergeant Reg Saunders 'somewhere at sea' between 1940-49.





Captain Reg Saunders (right), commander of C Company, 3rd Battalion, The Royal Australian Regiment (3RAR), shakes hands with a member of K Company, 19th Regimental Combat Team (RCT), 6th Republic of Korea (ROK) Infantry Division, which had just arrived on Salmon to relieve 3RAR.



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# New housing fears

By DARREN COYNE



A PROGRAM to deliver new houses in remote Aboriginal communities throughout the Northern Territory is again under attack.

Following the tabling in the Senate of Auditor-General Ian

McPhee's report into the Strategic Housing and Infrastructure Program last Thursday, concerns have been raised about construction costs, and whether enough houses were actually being built.

The report said the average cost of a new house was about \$590,000, and that more houses would need to be built to meet the average occupancy target of 9.3 people per dwelling.

The program aims to build 1456 new homes and refurbish 2915 homes, and while the Federal Government said the program was on track, only 350 new

houses have been completed, with another 275 under way.

The Government also said more than 1800 rebuilds and refurbishments had been completed.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the number of completed houses was a positive achievement, but her Opposition counterpart Nigel Scullion said houses were being handed over empty and unfurnished, and he was also critical at the use of fly-in construction workers.

He said the program would fail to leave a legacy of trained-up Indigenous workers who could perform ongoing maintenance, although the Federal Government said it was exceeding its target of 20 per cent Indigenous employment.

Ms Macklin defended the program while acknowledging it had got off to a rough

"The report makes it clear that the scale of work being undertaken as part of the

housing program in the Northern Territory is unprecedented, and that before the program began, housing and infrastructure in the Northern Territory were in very poor condition," she said.

'The Australian and NT governments are tackling this backlog of housing need through the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing, which is a \$1.7 billion investment over ten

#### Recovered from slow start

"The report confirms that the housing program had a slow start, but since the Federal Government commissioned a review of the housing program in 2009, the actions taken by both governments have resulted in significant improvements and the program is meeting its targets.

Ms Macklin said the Australian and Territory governments would accept and implement three recommendations

contained in the report.

But Senator Scullion was also critical that around 200 people, including women and children, were reportedly living in tents for up to six months while houses were being re-built or refurbished at Galiwin'ku on Elcho Island.

"Families can't possible live in cramped conditions in our hot and humid climate, with torrential downpours starting to occur maybe Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin should re-write the Spilt Enz song from Six Months in a Leaky Boat to Six Months in a Leaky Tent for her Ministerial

theme song," he said. Meanwhile, Australian Greens spokeswoman Rachel Siewert said it was not good enough that the amount of money required for associated infrastructure had been under-estimated.

"We are building houses knowing full well that we still have over-crowding in these communities," she said.

### They paraded with pride in **Hobart streets**

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINAL people were front and centre during Hobart's recent Pride Parade, in the lead-up to the next month's National Labor Party Conference, where same-sex marriage is set to be debated.

It was the State's first pride parade since Tasmania became the final Australian state to decriminalise homosexuality in 1997.

Significant changes have occurred in the intervening years, with Tasmania often credited as having the most progressive laws in Australia.

Gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (GLBTI) people, their families and friends, and other human rights supporters took part in the colourful parade through the streets of Hobart.

The crowd of about 300 converged on the lawns of Parliament, where they were addressed by members and supporters of the GLBTI community and organisations, including prominent gay advocate Rodney Croome and Greens MP Cassy O'Connor.

Nathan Brown was amongst the Aboriginal contingent. "Today means I get the opportunity to stand up and be proud of the person that I am," the 30-year-old told the Koori Mail.

"I'm standing with my community and I have my own community backing.

"I'm a Tasmanian Aboriginal homosexual... it's more than I'm gay, it's more than I am Aboriginal, I am a Tasmanian Aboriginal homosexual, and I'm proud to be that and promote that. I don't believe that it's wrong to do

### Copped his share

Mr Brown who 'came out' when he was 17, has copped his share of discrimination and believes people who don't comprehend homosexuality need to be educated.

"Being Aboriginal and being gay is like a double nammy of discrimination and the only way to change (bad) attitudes is through education," he said.

"I'm black, I'm loud and I'm proud.

"And I think I deserve the choice to get married because I'm a human being.

"Marriage is about love and commitment, everyone has a right I believe to make that choice."

It has been reported that the Prime Minister Julia Gillard is likely to allow MPs a conscience vote on same-sex marriage as a way of deflecting pressure from Labor's Left faction to adopt a formal position on the

Ms Gillard remains the only Labor leader in Australia not to publicly support equal marriage rights for same-sex

Australian Marriage Equality national convenor Alex Greenwich is calling on supporters of marriage equality to attend a rally at Labor's National Conference in Hyde Park North, Sydney, at noon on Saturday 3 December.





### Just like the old days...



BLISTERS aside, 37 students of the Yalari education initiative took it all in their stride as they re-traced the footsteps over more than 102 kilometres - of Aboriginal people forcibly relocated to Cherbourg in Queensland in 1904. Just over a century later, the group not only

did the hard yakka pitching tents and bush dirt roads in all kinds of weather, but also had time for rest and relaxation along the way.

TOP PICTURE: : The group walked in all kinds of weather.

● RIGHT: Reggie, from Halls Creek, Dylan, from Glen Innes, Jacob, from Darwin, Katie, from Halls Creek and puppy Jandamurra, relaxing after a hard day's walking. Photos by MATT PLANT

> See pages 48-49 for more on the Yalari **Commemorative Walk to Cherbourg**



# Wild Rivers stoush



QUEENSLAND'S Liberal National Party (LNP) has set up a stoush with green groups ahead of next year's State election by announcing it will scrap controversial environmental protections

if elected.

LNP Leader Campbell Newman announced on 4 November that an LNP government would abolish Wild Rivers declarations in four Cape York river basins.

Indigenous leaders, including Noel Pearson, have staunchly opposed the declarations, which they believe will prohibit economic development in the affected areas that include the basins of the Wenlock, Stewart, Archer and Lockhart rivers

### Ten declarations

The Queensland Government has so far made ten wild rivers declarations covering, in addition to Cape York, parts of the Gulf of Carpentaria, Fraser and Hinchinbrook Islands, and is considering declarations in the Channel Country of western Queensland.

Some traditional owner groups in the region support the protections offered by the declarations.

Mr Newman said the declarations were aimed more at pandering 'to green groups down in Brisbane' than preserving environmentally pristine areas.

"Ultimately, it has been about green preferences, not green outcomes," he told reporters in Cairns.

In place of the declarations, Mr Newman promised to establish a plan to protect

"Our plan would actually see all of Cape

York properly managed, properly protected, for the long-term benefit of all Queenslanders.'

The announcement has drawn the ire of green groups, including the Wilderness Society, the chief proponent of the Wild Rivers laws, who say it will allow dams and mines to be established in and around

"The voters of Queensland should be on high alert, this decision shows that a Newman government will be an environmental wrecker," campaigner Gavan McFadzean said.

Queensland Premier Anna Bligh echoed the stance, saying Mr Newman's position would turn Cape York into 'an area for rampant development' without adequate protections.

"Campbell Newman may want to jump into bed with Tony Abbott on the environmental destruction of Queensland. We're not going to stand idly by and let that happen," she told reporters in Brisbane.

But Mr Newman said any development applications in the region would have to meet normal State and Federal environmental requirements.

However, Cape York Land Council Chairman Richie Ah Mat welcomed the decision and called on all Indigenous people in the region to vote for the LNP at the next election.



"If blackfellas in Cape York and the Torres Strait don't get the message from the LNP and vote for the LNP, I think it will be a sad day," he told reporters in Cairns.

The decision has also worried traditional owners in other parts of the State who fear the LNP, which is currently leading in the polls, would abolish all wild rivers declarations.

Scott Gorringe, speaking on behalf of traditional owner groups of the Cooper Creek, Georgina and Diamantina Rivers basins in western Queensland, called on Mr Newman to commit to protecting their rivers.

He said the LNP would be acting against the wishes of local traditional owners if he did not allow the declarations, once made, to remain.

"We're driving our own country and we are asking for permanent protection of our rivers under the Wild Rivers Act," he said in a statement.

Mr Newman said the LNP had not decided whether it would retain the declarations outside Cape York.

### 'Agent for miners'

Queensland Greens spokeswoman Libby Connors said it was clear Mr Newman would be an agent for big miners, and his position would threaten the Steve Irwin Wildlife Reserve on the Wenlock River.

"Campbell Newman has proved he will be an even more aggressive proponent of mining and gas development than the present irresponsible Labor Government." she said in a statement.

"The main threats to the Cape York rivers are from bauxite and coal mining, although coal seam gas developers are also moving into north Queensland, Campbell Newman will be a tool of the big miners.

"This revocation will take out the Steve Irwin reserve that Terri Irwin fought so hard to protect from mining and lead to the destruction of a precious wilderness area." - AAP

# Old tradition revived



YOUNG Aboriginal people in and around Griffith, in south-west

New South Wales, have been working on reviving the tradition of making possum skin cloaks.

The results can be seen at in the Marambul Yuganha exhibition at the Griffith Regional Art Gallery, which runs until 27 November.

Through their research for Marambul Yuganha (which means 'good move' in Wiradjuri), the local artists discovered that their Wiradjuri ancestors were well-known for their handsome possum skins

Participating artist Jack Murray said it was good to learn about their traditions and how to make a possum skin

"Each young child was given a possum skin cloak and as they grew, more possum skins were added," he said.

"Stories and initiations were recorded on the skins. They were used in daily life as well as for ceremonies. They also provided protection from the cold and wet weather."

The exhibition, which

included a possum skin cloak, along with a series of posters, photos and animations of traditional stories, was launched by actor Luke Carroll at the Griffith Regional Art Gallery last Thursday.

The artists are all participants in the vocational education program Marambul Yuganha at the Griffith campus of TAFE NSW Riverina Institute.

The program provides young Aboriginal people aged 15 to 24 with opportunities to improve their skills and abilities to move into employment.

The three key elements of the program are health and wellbeing, vocational education and training, and target work. The Marambul Yuganha program is funded by the Australian Government through the Innovation Fund.

Marambul Yuganha program manager Carolyn White said they would like to acknowledge and thank the local Aboriginal community who were 'so generous in sharing their personal stories, memories and photos'.

The Griffith Regional Art Gallery is open 10am-5pm, Weds to Fri and 11am-2pm, weekends.



Jack Murray working on his possum skin.



Designer: Harold Thomas

### QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE INDIGENOUS TRAINEESHIP



Designer: Bernard Namok



Justice Entry Program (JEP) traineeships are available to people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent who:

have employment and life skills a high degree of personal integrity are healthy and fit, and have held a Driver Licence for at least six months.



This six-month, full-time traineeship at the police academy provides the education qualifications needed to apply to become a Queensland Police Recruit.

Trainees receive an allowance equal to that of a police recruit, and will achieve a nationally accredited Certificate IV in Justice (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) on successful completion of the traineeship.





Indigenous Employment Officer

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www.policerecruit.com.au visit:

JEP@police.qld.gov.au email:



# Push for change





### Yarning with Aboriginal **Communities about Disability**

"Person Centred Approach Consultations"

The NSW Government wants to improve the lives of Aboriginal people with a disability and want to make the lives of families and carers easier.

They want to create a system where Aboriginal people with a disability, their families, carers and communities have more say in decisions about the support given to them and more choice in the services they use.

To do this, the Aboriginal Disability Network NSW wants to talk to Aboriginal people with a disability, their families and their carers. We want to know what you need so that disability services can be made better.

The NSW Government want to make things better in how they plan, fund and offer the right services for you.

The Aboriginal Disability Network NSW will facilitate these Aboriginal consultations around the state, to hear your views.

### **Aboriginal Community Consultations**

(Mt Druitt, Illawarra, Armidale, Tamworth, Brewarrina will be facilitated and advised by ADHC)

DATE	ADDRESS TBC	TOWN
Tuesday 15th November 10.30am to 12.30pm	Albury Wodonga Aboriginal Health Services 644 Daniel St, Glenroy	Albury
Wednesday 16th November 10.30 to 1.30pm	Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council Wiradjuri Place, Griffth	Griffith
Thursday 17th November 10.30am to 1.30pm	Gannambarra Limited 32 Chaston St, Wagga Wagga	Wagga Wagga
Tuesday 22nd November 10.30am to 1.30pm	Awabakal Elders Co operation 64 Hannell St, Wickham	Newcastle
Wednesday 23rd November 10.30am to 1.30pm	Gosford RSL 26 Central Coast Highway, West Gosford	Gosford
Monday 28th November	Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council	Port Macquarie (June)
Monday 28th November 11am to 2pm	Dubbo Local Aboriginal Land Council Darling St, Dubbo	Dubbo (Damian)
Tuesday 29th November	Yawarra Aboriginal Corporation 15 Molong St, Condobolin	Condobolin (Damian)
Tuesday 29th November 10.30am to 1.30pm	Taree Purfleet Local Aboriginal Land Council 1-3 Old Pacific Highway, Taree	Taree (June)
Thursday 1st December 9.00am to 11.30am	Campbelltown Council Civic Centre Corner Queen & Broughton St, Campbelltown	Campbelltown
Friday 2nd December 10.00am to 12.30pm	Redfern Town Hall Pitt St, Redfern	Redfern
Tuesday 6th December 11.00 am to 2pm	Orange Ex – Services Club "Tobruk Room", 231 Anson St, Orange.	Orange
Wednesday 7th December 10.30am to 1.30pm	The Parkes Services & Citizen Club 9-17 Short St, Parkes	Parkes
Tuesday 13th December	Grafton Community Function Centre 15 Duke St, Grafton	Grafton
Wednesday 14th December	TBC	Casino
Thursday 15th December	TBC	Ballina
Friday 16th December	TBC	Tweed heads

The Aboriginal Disability Network NSW (ADN) is an organisation of and for Aboriginal people with disability and Aboriginal carers of Aboriginal people with disability

**Aboriginal Disability Network NSW** PO Box 202 Newtown NSW. 2042 202/3 Gladstone St, Newtown. NSW. 2042 PH: 9519 5005 FAX: 9519 5004 Email: enquiries@adnnsw.org.au





AN overwhelming majority of respondents to a new survey have expressed their support for constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their

heritage, cultures and languages.

In a result sure to boost the case of those arguing for change, the national survey by Newspoll late last month found there was majority support for constitutional recognition in all states and territories.

To succeed, a referendum must attract the support of a majority of voters nationally, as well as a majority of votes in a majority of states.

The survey also found majority support for the removal of sections of the Australian Constitution that currently permit discrimination on the basis

The survey was commissioned by the Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, made up of Indigenous and non-Indigenous people, MPs, constitutional lawyers and community leaders.

The panel had already gleaned high levels of support for constitutional recognition in many of 3600 submissions received during earlier broad consultations.

The most common reasons given in the submissions included that:

The unique status of Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islanders should be enshrined in the nation's founding legal document

- The Constitution should be amended to ensure the equality of all Australians and to remove potentially discriminatory clauses
- Constitutional recognition is well overdue and will more accurately reflect Australia's national identity
- Constitutional recognition is important for recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as custodians of the world's oldest continuing culture and is needed to protect their heritage, cultures and languages
- Constitutional recognition would go some way towards redressing past wrongs and building stronger relationships

Last November, Prime Minister Julia Gillard announced that the panel would advise the Australian Government by the end of 2011 on options for constitutional recognition most likely to succeed at a referendum.

In order for the panel to recommend a proposal for constitutional change, it must:

- Contribute to a more unified and reconciled nation
- Be of benefit to and accord with the wishes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Be capable of being supported by an overwhelming majority of Australians from across the political and social spectrums
  - Be technically and legally sound.

### Public servant takes up new position



A SENIOR Aboriginal NSW public servant and recipient of the Public

Service Medal who played a key role in securing Constitutional recognition of Aboriginal people as the first people in the NSW Constitution, is leaving his post to further his commitment to social policy outcomes for Indigenous people.

Wiradjuri man James

Christian will leave his current role as Aboriginal Affairs NSW general manager for the Commonwealth Public Service, taking on a position with the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FAHCSIA).

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said Mr Christian had a very strong track record of leadership and achievement in the NSW public service.

"In the seven months we

have worked together, Mr Christian has made a strong and positive contribution to the O'Farrell Government's reform agenda, including through his role in the establishment of the Ministerial Taskforce on Aboriginal Affairs and its focus on employment and education outcomes," Mr Dominello said.

The Department of Education and Communities will shortly being the search for Mr Christian's replacement.



Flash Women exhibition contributors in the Talking Circle at kuril dhagun.



# Fashion on show at Qid gallery





AN exhibition showcasing the style of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women has opened at the State Library of Queensland.

The Flash Women exhibition focuses on the fashions worn by Indigenous women, and includes pictures and the actual clothes, as well as a program of talks and workshops.

The exhibition is open daily, with free entry, until 24 February.

Well-known artist, arts facilitator and traditional dancer, Walbira Murray, was behind the Flash Women concept and features in the exhibition.

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She said she wanted to see an exhibition that celebrated the unique beauty of Indigenous women.

"I wanted to see our community celebrate the unique beauty of our women, which is exemplified by all that is rich in our heritage; the passion, the attitude and, most of all, love," Ms Murray said.

"I also wanted to see Flash Women come into being because I saw so many of our younger women who did not know the wonderful legacy of natural beauty that is theirs - handed down to them from one beautiful woman to another over thousands of years. That's worth celebrating!"

A program of talks and workshops will give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in particular, the chance to hear and learn from some of our state's most inspirational women.

Queensland's first Indigenous magistrate Jacqui Payne; beauty, fashion and jewellery workshops; and a business workshop with Juliette Knox and Bridget Garay. Visitors can also upload their own images of stylish Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander women they know on the State Library's Facebook page www.facebook.com/statelibrarygld to be included in a digital display as part of the Queensland Library acting chief

They include a night by the fire with

executive Helen Brodie said Flash Women profiled a diverse range of women, from respected community elders such as author, activist and educator Aunty Ruth Hegarty, to talented young Torres Strait Islander fashion designer Grace Lee and founder of the Little Black Dress Empire, entrepreneur Juliette Knox.

"Through their stories, common themes emerge: a demonstration of cultural pride through fashion, and strong deliberate links to country and culture," Ms Brodie said.

'Visitors will also be moved by some of the stories told by these inspiring women, many of whom have risen above hardships and become strong, proud and confident

"They are positive role models, not only for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, but women everywhere.'

For information on talks and workshops, visit the State Library website www.slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on





Flash woman Sandra Georgiou.



Flash women Juliette Knox and Raelene Baker.

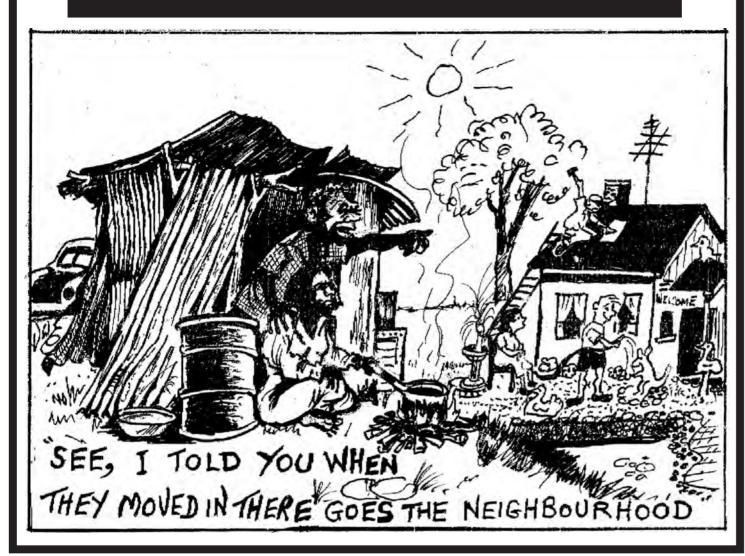


**Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister** Curtis Pitt and Aunty Ruth Hegarty, who launched the exhibition.

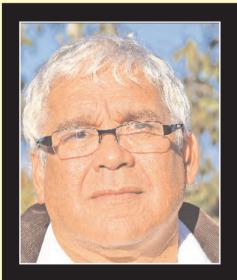


Juliette Knox.

### DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



### 4 Quote



'This voice at the national level has been the missing piece in the puzzle'

> - Close the Gap co-chair Mick Gooda on the announcement of the National Health Leadership Forum to map a way forward on Indigenous health.

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### Let's lift our gaze more often

WO different Indigenous peoples on opposite sides of the globe and two national congresses, one with nearly seven decades under its belt and the other just starting out. Yes, there's a lot we could learn from each other.

With our humble paper's relentless news and advertising deadlines, it can be hard to lift one's gaze beyond the immediate horizon.

But I'm so glad I had the support of the Koori Mail team to do just that earlier this month and attend the 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) in Portland, Oregon.

It was a fascinating trip, observing both the staunchly cultural and formal business aspects of this huge national gathering.

Our own fledgling National Congress of Australia's First Peoples is actually modelled on different Indigenous representative bodies around the globe, a liberal dose of Canada's Assembly of First Nations and perhaps a smattering of the NCAL

Often, we assume that everyone else does things bigger and better than us. But bigger and better doesn't really cover it. As we said in our coverage of the NCAI convention in this edition, it's more a case of same, same but different.

For example, Native Americans have been both disempowered and empowered by contemporary national

One United States law known as Public Law 280 effectively ignores tribal sovereignty and tribal self-determination and gives the states extensive criminal



and civil jurisdiction over native lands.

Another law, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act 1988, made it possible for Indian tribes to move from high-stakes gaming to fully-fledged casinos now returning billions of dollars to

Suprisingly, this big business is said not to have increased problem gambling amongst the Indian population. Not surprisingly, tribes with casinos are having to come to grips with how to wisely apply their newfound wealth.

Money, of course, is not the answer to all of any society's ills and our Native American brothers and sisters continue to suffer real disadvantage across the board, including housing, jobs and health. But their experiences, including around long-term constitutional recognition, make for interesting study.

"It is the foundation of our legal status. Even in contemporary times, as we're debating current issues, our legal structure can always go back to that foundation which recognises the inherent sovereignty of tribal governments and we build from that," said NCAI Executive Director Jacqueline Johnson Pata.

"I think foundations are critical." Yes, there's a lot we could learn from

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# **A Yarn**



### **AARON** MARSH

### Aged 40, Toowoomba, Qld

Favourite food? Bananas. They're a special treat!

Favourite bush tucker? Roo stir fry from the Deadly Tucker Book.

Favourite drink? Coffee.

### Favourite music?

Christian music – it's easy listening. I try to buy a CD every payday.

Favourite music artist of band? Midnight Oil.

What are you watching on TV? NITV and any sport program, but especially tennis, cricket and footy.

Favourite movie? Star Wars.

Favourite holiday destination? Townsville, north Queensland. My Dad and I often go up on the train to visit my niece.

What do you like in life? Being with my family.

What do you dislike? Annoying people.

If could have any three people around the campfire for a feed and a yarn, who would you choose?

My three sisters who've all passed away - Chris Charles, Julia Martin and Carol Charles.

If there was one thing you could do for our people, what would it

I'd get rid of the drugs from our communities.

# Passionate about slow bush foods

By JILLIAN MUNDY

HEN Dale Chapman, also known as Bush Tucker Woman around the Sunshine Coast, talks about 'slow food', she leaves no doubt in your mind that she is a perfect advocate for the movement.

Her passion goes far beyond the dishes she creates.

It starts with the origins of the ingredients and the land they came from.

A Kooma Gamilaroi women born in Dirranbandi, Dale moved to the Sunshine Coast as a teenager, at 18 moving to the bigger smoke of Brisbane to become a chef. She has spent almost three decades at the top of her profession, managing restaurants, creating her own food label and sharing her passion and knowledge.

Dale is experienced cooking cuisine from French to Australian, but what is closest to her heart is bush tucker. In particular bush flavours infused with contemporary Australian cuisine and that is what she has built two successful businesses around.

"In the 80's I ran Café Le Monde in Noosa for a couple of years, that's when I started thinking more about bush food," she told the Koori Mail.

"I thought, there's something out there that sustained our people for hundreds of thousands of years, why the hell aren't we utilising in now?

"Everyone knows about Indigenous dance, art and the didgeridoo, but not about our food

'No one was ready back then, it was just old black fella food, I tried to feed the public with it."

But Dale was not ready to give up, and today her expertise as a bush tucker chef is highly sought after.

### Rapid growth

The native food industry is now rapidly growing in Australia and Dale is able to outsource work to a team of professional educators and presenters from the Indigenous community.

For a while Dale worked in community health, childcare and education, but was soon drawn back to her chosen profession.

"I get bored easy, you have to reinvent yourself to keep alive and new", she said.

"I woke up one morning and said 'I've got \$300 in the bank, I'm going to open a business' - eleven years later we've got

Self-funded and self-motivated Dale first created The Dilly Bag, running a range of bush tucker workshops, classes, and demonstrations.

More recently she has developed a unique range of cooking sauces, jams, relish & dukkahs containing bush tucker ingredients from around Australia, under the name of Coolamon Food Creations.

When Dale talks abut the ingredients in her products, there is a fond story behind each one of them.

Many of the ingredients are wild harvested, retaining their medicinal qualities and only available in limited quantities.

Catching a glimpse of a jar of her Bush Tomato and Chilli cooking sauce, Dale easily slips into story telling mode:

"A lot of people don't understand when you pick a bush tomato, you get the mob together, a couple of aunties and



everybody, jump in the 4wd, drive out to the scrub where the tomato is, park on the side of the road, the aunties get out and walk a long way. One walks one side of the ride. one walks the other and they cooee to each other letting each other know they are ok, that the wild boar hasn't got them or a snake hasn't grabbed them, it's danger money, the tomatoes go through quite a lot to get to us.'

Some of the desert knowledge women who harvest the bush tomatoes have visited Dale on the Sunshine Coast to see where their produce has ended up.

As her businesses have grown, Dale has sought out people willing to grow native crops to meet demand.

Once you have heard some of these

yarns, opening one of her products not only unleashes delicious aromas and flavours, but the stories of the ingredients (and, yes, the author can vouch for the delicious cooking sauces).

Dale has always been keen to promote healthy eating and re-introduce bush tucker back into the diets of Aboriginal people.

She has taught Indigenous culture and food for many years through Dilly Bag, the Sunshine Coast TAFE and many projects she has been involved in.

"In my family chronic disease is chronic," she said. "That's why I design programs around healthy eating and growing your own food and learning about your culture and where you come from.

"Bush tucker is definitely an important

weapon to fight diabetes type 2 and heart disease in Indigenous communities.

"And if we can't be informed about our past, our present and our future, how can we reconcile?"

Through her work Dale has been able to share Aboriginal culture across the globe. She has taken classes in bush tucker cooking to the French at the Nice College of Hospitality and represented Australia at a Slow Food Festival in Italy

Back home Dale has appeared on TV shows including Food Lovers Guide to Australia, Gardening Australia and Totally Wild and believes that there are opportunities for high rating cooking shows to do more with bush tucker.

"I think to be an experience, you need to embrace where it originally comes from, through its harvesting and processing techniques and appreciate it.

"Food in any culture is a way to yarn. I always find food sitting around a table makes you start yarning.

"That's where you start learning about the culture, it loosens the old tongue a bit, and the smells make people remember. It will remind someone of when they were thirteen and running through the bush and then they will start to tell you the stories.

#### Reconciliation

"For me it has been a way to reconciliation, we have workshops for toddlers to the elderly. People say 'I didn't know you can do so much with bush food'.

"Our native ingredients are in a world of their own. I love getting out there and talking to people and sharing all the wonderful things that bush food does bring.

"If we can get one native herb or one of our Coolamon food products in every household in Australia, I've done the job, even if I've got to put it in a post pack and send it through Australia Post. That's the idea, to put bush food in the home."

"I always believed I was destined to be a chef, Mum had me around the camp fire at three-years-old, making Johnny cakes at four, I used to bring her in porridge in the morning, I was always encouraged to

Approaching 50, Dale is hoping for some time to take stock, chill out more often and reap the rewards of years of trial and error, research and hard work.

While keen to grow the market for her Coolamon Creation products, locally and overseas, she's also happy to reveal that she religiously 'veges out' for an hour or two in the middle of the day, and now no longer neglects her husband, who is a chef too, in contrast to years of just 'go go go'.

"Running around like a headless chook makes you sick," she said. "You can't do everything, although us women think we can, we can't. I had to bite the bullet and simplify the businesses. Now, life's much sweeter."

Outside of the kitchen and the classroom, Dale is looking forward to getting back on the golf course.

"If they'd had it in my day, I would have been like Karrie Webb," she said.

Watch for Dale's upcoming recipe book and find out about Coolamon Creation products and product launches up and down the east coast Australia in the coming months at

www.coolamonfoodcreations.com.au



#### **Aboriginal Lands Clean-Up Grants 2012**

Local Aboriginal Land Councils are invited to submit Expressions of Interest for grants of up to \$50,000 to clean-up and deter illegal dumping on Aboriginal owned land, in partnership with local government.

Grants of up to \$50,000 will be made available for projects commencing in 2012 that strengthen relationships between Local Aboriginal Land Councils, local government and the community

A total of \$200,000 is available for grants under the Aboriginal Lands Clean-Up Program 2012.

For application details visit:

www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/alcup.htm or call (02) 8837 6000.

Expressions of Interest close 5.00 pm Monday 5 December 2011.

Heritage Act, 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

The Heritage Council of NSW maintains the State Heritage Register which is a list of places of particular importance to the people of NSW, including Aboriginal and other heritage.

The Heritage Council is currently considering whether or not to recommend the listing of:

St Patrick's Roman Catholic Cemetery, Corner Church Street and Pennant Hills Road, North Parramatta

Lake Parramatta Dam, North Parramatta

Homewood — Childhood Home of Slim Dusty — 1279 Nulla Nulla Creek Road, Nulla Nulla Creek

Towrang Convict Stockade, Associated Sites and Road Formations, off Hume Highway, approx 11km north of Goulburn

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

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of any of these places. Please post written information to the address below until 15 November 2011.

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/listing

If you have any questions please phone Tanya Koeneman, Aboriginal Heritage Officer, on toll free number 1800 789 290 or (02) 9873 8534 or tanya.koeneman@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Heritage Council of New South Wales Locked Bag 5020 Parramatta NSW 2124 heritage@planning.nsw.gov.au 02 9873 8500



**Australian Government** 

**Department of Families, Housing, Community Services** and Indigenous Affairs

### **National Plan to Reduce Violence** against Women and their Children Respectful Relationships Round **Three - Funding Round**

Respectful Relationships Round Three is now open to community groups, not-for-profit organisations and local governments to deliver Respectful Relationships education projects to young people aged 8-24 years. Respectful Relationships is a primary prevention strategy that seeks to prevent sexual assault and domestic and family violence through education. The grants are intended to support young people in raising awareness of ethical behaviour, to develop protective behaviours and to develop their skills in conducting respectful relationships.

Applicants can apply for a total (over three financial years) of up to \$400,000 for each project. Total funding of up to \$3.6 million is available. Projects must be ready to commence from April 2012 and completed by June 2014.

The Australian Government is looking for projects that will be delivered to a large and diverse population of young people through school or non-school environments. Applications are encouraged for projects supporting young people with disability, young people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, young Indigenous people in urban and regional Australia and primary school aged children aged 8 years and above

Respectful Relationships is one of the primary prevention initiatives under the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022.

Applications close 3pm AEDST Friday 9 December 2011 and details are at www.fahcsia.gov.au. For further information please email RR3@fahcsia.gov.au.

www.fahcsia.gov.au

# It's time to go bush

S the countdown to the end of the year begins, it's time for Ms Koori Love to hang up her laptop and go bush for some holidavs.

By this time of year, the typist's cramp is really setting in...so much so that I can only check Facebook seven times a day. My eyes are seeing pixels everywhere but I am also needing some serious love battery recharging.

This year has been an amazing adventure in love for me. I've been writing up my mini books of loving deliciousness (thanks again to everyone who came along to my fundraiser this time last year), I've been yarning up big time to all you mob on Facebook and I had the best time ever when I was on



Ms Koori LOVE

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NITV's deadly series 'Straight Shootin' earlier this year.

Too deadly, eh? Not too deadly in the real life love department though. I did have many a yarn with Mary G while on the set of Straight Shootin' but I don't think she is looking to switch teams any

The one place I did get my love muscle tickled this year was at work. Nothing has happened in that love department – they are still very much happily married up to someone other than me. Nearly every day I see them around but I haven't told them I really like them. One day I'll tell them, though. Until then my love for them is still burning like a campfire; full of embers just waiting to burst into life!

Right about now is my favourite time of the year. November is a great time to wander around and get amongst it all. The warmer

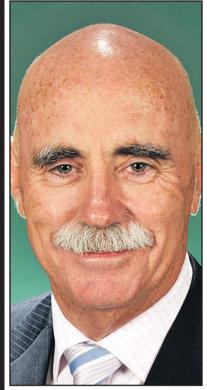
weather brings people out later and there's that 'Christmas is on its way' vibe in the air. It's a great time for outdoor events and opportunities to meet people. I'm planning a few different events with other single ladies down here so hopefully there will be lots of people for us to meet. So if you are also single, get out there and mingle so you can be met.

I know I say it every year but I hope next year is the year I find my true love. I will keep my head up and my eyes and heart open. I hope you do too.

So until next February my deadly people, take care and share the love.

Treat yourself to some good loving and sing up a lubba for me!

### Mo-mentous time



Now you see it ....

N a break from tradition, Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon has agreed to shave off his signature moustache as part of Movember 2011.

The annual charity campaign, which raises money for prostate health and male depression, usually requires 'Mo Bros' to 'groom, trim and wax their way into the annals of fine moustachery' throughout November.

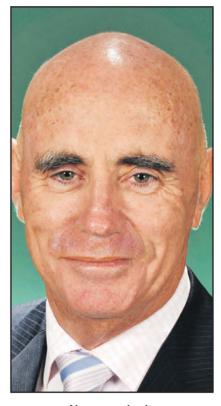
But Mr Snowdon has opted to run against the pack... if the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) can raise

The current tally isn't known but its understood an impressive \$2000 was pledged within days of the Minister's promise, which would indicate that his 'tache is on track for a date with the razor.

"I can see a huge windfall to men's health coming out of this not to mention the benefits to parliamentary beautification if Warren shaves off his mo," said QAIHC's CEO Selwyn Button.

Apparently Mr Snowdon shaved for Movember two years ago, too, but was nonplussed when the plumage grew back silvery grey, instead of its former black splendour. Ah, the sacrifice.

For more information on this worthwhile cause, go online at www.au.movember.com



Now you don't .....

### Reviving language the focus of group



MOVES are underway to revive and sustain an Aboriginal language from people whose country straddles the South Australian and Victorian state borders

A group of Bunganditj people now living throughout Australia gathered on the land of their ancestors in Mt Gambier, SA, on 3-4 November to

South Australia earlier this month. consider how best to proceed.

Local Aboriginal organisations, Burrandies and Pangula Manumurra, hosted the two-day workshop along with the University of Adelaide's Mobile Language Team.

The Team supports work in Aboriginal languages and provides a range of services and assistance to Aboriginal groups across SA.

While some study of the Bunganditi

language exists, as outlined in Emeritus Professor Barry Blake's book 'The Bunganditj (Buwandik) language of the Mt Gambier Region' - which the academic shared with the group - the gathering is understood to have been the first concerted effort to focus on rediscovering the Bunganditi language. Efforts are now being made by the group to source grant funding to support that

Participants in the Bunganditj language workshop at Mt Gambier in



# YOUR SAY



**Indigenous Social Justice Association President Ray** Jackson asks why, after more than 400 Indigenous deaths in custody since 1980, not one person has been brought to account. His views are on page 25

# WA system at breaking point

IN recent weeks, I have written a number of times and forwarded emails to the West Australian Assistant Police Commissioner Chris Dawson and also the Police Commissioner of WA Police Karl O'Callaghan and still have not received any reply other than that they have received my email.

The issues within the police force and the criminal justice system are reaching breaking point due to the racist government policies that the police apply, but also the lack of cultural appropriateness and awareness when dealing with our people.

We wish to have a meeting with the Police Commissioner to discuss his comments regarding Aboriginal youth as well as the lack of appropriate cultural awareness training being taught in our Police Academy, which I find disgraceful and shocking, considering we are the true and traditional owners of this country.

I find the ignorance of their department at our request astounding when we are trying to put forward suggestions for the betterment of our people.

Barriers, brick walls and ignorance are being thrown at us, while the media and Government give off the perception to society that we are not trying to help ourselves.

How are my people supposed to move forward when there's a racist police force acting in Hitler fashion and degrading and ridiculing our people in a racist way on the streets and within our communities?

How are we supposed to move forward when we are not even given a chance to meet with the people who make racist and unwarranted comments when, in fact, they are rejecting all the

avenues we're trying to pursue, as well as receiving little or no funding whatsoever for our own programs.

In our communities, we have so many successful programs to work with our people, but the Government ignores our requests time and again to meet and greet in order to provide an authentic and proper consultation about what our people need to move forward.

What is wrong with our people stems from government policies that have been entrenched with racism since colonisation, all in the name of capitalism, the land grab, the mining, the money, money,

And while they make huge sums of money off of the backs of our dispossession and destruction and our land, our people continue to suffer while society thinks we do nothing.

Well, I'm here to say that we are always doing something, but the Government and police don't care about us advancing. We are the scapegoat they love to use to blame for all their failures when, in fact the constant failure to move forward is a true sign of the ignorance of the Government in recognising our own self-determination and allowing us to control our own programs. They don't want this, and that's why every avenue we pursue is constantly blocked.

The Government wants us to stay downtrodden, but no more... we have had enough and will take our case internationally because this Government isn't listening. To them, we say 'shame, shame, shame'.

> MARIANNE MACKAY Chair, Deaths in Custody Watch Committee Inc (WA) Whadjuk/Yuet Yoorga



Letter writer Marianne Mackay, pictured during protests at CHOGM in Perth last month. Photo by LEO MURRAY

### **POETRY**

### **Peace**

Peace is a world without War. Peace is a world without Cancer.

Peace is a world without Disease.

Peace is a world without Gangs. Peace is a world without

Criminals. Peace is a world without Crying.

Peace is a world without Lies. Peace is a world without Dictators.

Peace is a world without Discriminators.

Peace is a world without

Pessimism.

Peace is a world without Gold diggers.

Peace is a world without Fear. Peace is a world without Danger.

Peace is a world without Dumb. Peace is a world without

Accusers. Peace is a world without

Abused. Peace is a world without

Starvation. Peace is a world without

Poisons. Peace is a world without Temptations.

Peace is a world without Anger. Peace is a world with

Democracy. Peace is a world with Liberation.

Peace is a world with Education. Peace is a world with Love.

Peace is a world with Truth.

Peace is a world with Health. Peace is a world with Safety.

Peace is a world with Care. Peace is a world with Brighter

Peace is a world with Smiles.

Peace is a world with Hope. Peace is a world with Faith.

Peace is a world with Dreams. Peace is a world with Paradise.

Peace is a world with Respect. Peace is a world with Honesty. But ask someone, Where do we

find Peace in a crazy world? **GRAHAM WILFRED Jnr** 

Via email, 2011

### **Keeping Your Say short and sweet**

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

Even if sent via email, all letters and

your chances of being published.

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

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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The address is: editor@koorimail.com

The Koori Mail welcomes your Letters to the Editor. Preference will be given to submissions of interest to Indigenous Australians. Please include your town and State of residence, and daytime telephone number for checking purposes. Items may be edited and reproduced.

### Correction

IN our last edition (Edition 513) we ran a story about La Perouse grandmother Lucy Porter, who is the primary carer to her four grandchildren and had been named by the NSW State Government as an ambassador, to the help promote the inaugural NSW Grandparents Day.

In the story we said she was a 'long-time Aboriginal resident of La Perouse'.

Lucy Porter is not Aboriginal, and she has never claimed to be, although her grandchildren are Aboriginal.

This incorrect information was provided to the Koori Mail by a government source.

# Man of many talents

### **JOHN MUMBLER Passed away September 2011**

I MET John Mumbler in 2001 when I was appointed as the Ranger for Gulaga and Kooraban National Parks, near Narooma, New South Wales. I came to regard him as a friend, mentor and uncle and we had a lot of respect for each other.

John was a strong Yuin man who was proud of his culture; would not tolerate racism, and was a leader in his community (and also sometimes a cranky old fella who yelled a lot).

Over the next ten years, we developed a trust, and being found worthy, John started to share some of his culture with me and gave an insight into what it truly meant to be part of the Yuin nation.

John was born at Singleton, in the Hunter Valley, to parents Eric 'Nugget' Mumbler and Helen 'Nelly' Donovan.

John's grandfather was John 'Biamanga' Mumbler, said to be one of the last fully initiated Yuin men in the area.

John had an older brother, Eric, who died in the mid-1970s from heart failure, and a younger sister, Clair.

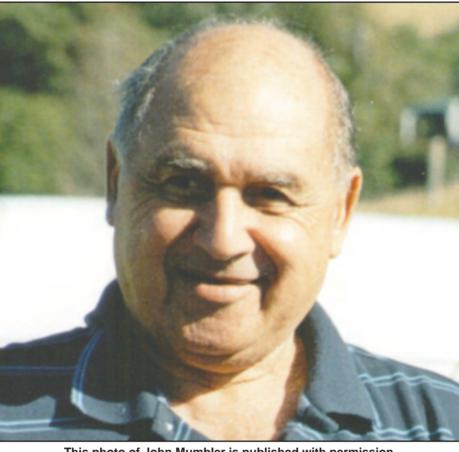
John spent his first few years at Bulga, outside of Singleton, in the Hunter Valley. His dad was a famous black tracker in the area (another reason why he should have been able to find that firewood at the camp!)

#### Seasonal work

Like most Aboriginal families at the time, life was itinerant, chasing seasonal work. John's family spent some time at Kempsey and then at Redfern chasing work, then back to Kempsey.

John was educated in Catholic primary schools. He always spoke highly of those schools. He had a lot of respect for the

He said that racism was the norm in the community in those days, particularly at Kempsey, but school and the nuns were always tolerant and a haven from the abuse outside the school walls.



This photo of John Mumbler is published with permission.

John hated racism. He said those nuns gave him the courage to stand up to racism wherever he found it – which he did for the rest of his life.

At the age of 15, in the late 1950s, John's family moved back to Alexandria, in Sydney. His dad worked as a high-rise scaffolder and brickie on projects such as the brickworks smokestacks there. His Dad was a champion boxer, first grade cricketer for Glebe and played some first grade footy for Balmain. John got the sporting gene in

John developed as a star footballer and left Sydney in 1960 and moved to Tamworth to play first grade football for a

season and got work on the railways. His team won the premiership that year. John kicked five penalties and conversions to win the grand final game for his club.

By 1965 he had been talent-scouted and was playing first grade footy out at Bourke and getting offers to play for first grade clubs in Sydney.

John chose to stay in Bourke. He enjoyed his time at Bourke and was always appreciative of how the football club looked after him out there, providing him with work, a house to live in and car, and looking after him and his family when he was injured on the footy field and ended up losing a kidney.

It was in Bourke in 1965 that he married the love of his life, Ailsa Randall – who he described to me once as 'a Maclean girl with sass and a life-long love of handbags'.

John and Ailsa had five children. Bede and John (now deceased) and Simon, Melinda and Randall.

While at Bourke, he scored a job in the Post Master-General's Department as a postman. He said that job gave him an enduring respect for mean and cranky

He transferred back to Alexandria in 1973 and worked with the Post Office until pensioned off with heart trouble.

John, later got work in the Aboriginal Legal Service as a south coast Aboriginal liaison officer and worked there until 1993, making a network of contacts and friends across the region until the need for heart surgery forced him to retire.

After that, he increasingly took on a role as an Aboriginal Elder in his community. As a traditional owner, he was involved with the Aboriginal parks - Gulaga and Biamanga – including the negotiation panel for the lease-back to the NSW Government and as inaugural board chairman.

His leadership and hard work in these roles is widely recognised and acknowledged and will be sorely missed.

He also did a lot to help his community, and would often advocate on people's behalf in his networks of contacts in local and State Government and business.

One of John's last wishes was to be taken back out to ancestral land at Wadbilliga, where the camps were held. He said the ancestors had come to him in a dream and told him that his sons and I had to take him out for a last trip. I felt honoured to be included in the dream, but then he said with a smile: "The ancestors want you to come out to cut the firewood."

Farewell John. Thank you for your friendship, your wisdom, your guidance and your knowledge. I'll see you in the Dreamtime.

- GREG WATTS





#### **Riverina Red Gum Regional Employment and Community Development Fund 2011/12**

The NSW Government's Environmental Trust invites applications to the Riverina Red Gum Regional Employment and Community Development Fund (RRGRECDF) – Round 2.

Grants from \$1,000 to \$200,000 will be made available to small to medium sized enterprises to support initiatives to maximise economic development opportunities that will be of broad benefit to the community of the NSW Riverina following the conservation of River Red Gum parks. Please note that for the purposes of the RRGRECDF, small to medium sized enterprises are those with a maximum of 20 employees.

The RRGRECDF is a \$12 million program to be rolled out over three years. All projects must be completed by 30 June 2013. Round 1 of the RRGRECDF funded 41 projects worth \$9.5 million. \$2.5 million is therefore available for allocation under

#### **Applications Close** 5pm Wednesday, 11 January 2012

#### Guidelines and Forms

Guidelines for Applicants, the Application Form and further information is available on the Trust Website: http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/envtrust.htm or by phoning the Trust on (02) 8837 6093.

> **Environmental Trust** PO Box 644. PARRAMATTA 2124 Phone: (02) 8837 6093 E-mail: info@environmentaltrust.nsw.gov.au

### **Aboriginal Stakeholder Consultation**

### **Sandon Point and McCauleys Beach Plan of Management - including Possible Categorisation** of Lands as of Aboriginal Cultural Significance

Wollongong City Council (41 Burelli Street, Wollongong, NSW, 2500) is commencing preparation of a Plan of Management for Sandon Point and McCauleys Beach - an area of approximately 20 hectares located between Bulli and Thirroul in the Illawarra

The subject lands include the **Sandon Point Aboriginal Place** (declared under section 84 of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974), and the plan will also serve as the Sandon Point Aboriginal Place Management Plan.

The plan of management's preparation will also consider the possible categorisation of additional community land at Sandon Point as an area of Aboriginal cultural significance (under section 36D of the NSW Local Government Act 1993).

Wollongong City Council is calling for submissions, from Aboriginal people and groups associated with the area, regarding the possible categorisation of further areas of community land - both within and possibly outside of the Sandon Point Aboriginal Place as an area of Aboriginal cultural significance. Council is also inviting Aboriginal people and groups to register their interest in being involved in preparation of the Plan of Management for Sandon Point and McCauleys Beach (including the Sandon Point Aboriginal Place Management Plan).

Interested Aboriginal people, groups or stakeholders are invited to register their interest, in writing and send it to:

> **Alan Ginns - Gondwana Consulting** P.O. Box 905, Narrabeen, NSW, 2101 E-mail: alan@gondwanaconsulting.com.au Telephone: 02 9913 3720

Expressions of interest should include current contact details, and be received no later than close of business on 15 December 2011.

# Contempt continues

ANY, many words have been written on the killing in November 2004 of Mulrunji Doomadgee by then Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley and the attempts by the Queensland Police, and especially their union, to not only exonerate Hurley, but also his friends in the force who tampered with evidence and witnesses of the death.

The injuries suffered by Doomadgee were horrendous and were the clear result of the actions of Hurley while removing Doomadgee from the police van.

#### **Arrogance**

Far worse, however, was the absolute contempt and arrogance by the police on duty towards the wellbeing of Doomadgee after he was dragged into the cell and callously left to die in physical and mental agony due to his massive injuries.

The legal duty of care that Hurley and the other police present was totally unknown to these officers.

No level of humanity to Doomadgee entered their thinking. After all, he was only another black feller and therefore did not receive any consideration as to state of health after Hurley had knee-dropped on to him,

causing four broken ribs, a cleaved liver, among other iniuries

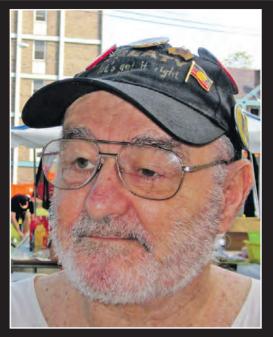
Had these injuries been sustained by a dog or any other animal, then I am sure the police would have been much more solicitous to the pain and suffering of the dog, even to the point of putting the animal out of its misery.

For 30 pain-racked and mind-numbing minutes, Doomadgee was left on the cell floor to die. His calls for help ignored and ultimately denied. A death in custody is always a nuisance for the police but nothing more than that.

The police, nationally, are well practiced in the ancient art of cover-ups as they have been doing it for more than 200 years.

For 170 years, there was not even a contest as the coronial courts merely accepted the police versions arising from their own investigations of their own deathin-custody events.

With the advent of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADIC), the only changes brought to that



By RAY JACKSON, President, Indigenous Social Justice Association, Sydney, NSW

process was to become even more skilled and inventive and to collude with the coronial courts and the relative governments to more publicly support them.

Hurley was eventually found that he had no case to answer by an all-white jury formed from the legally recognised racist city of Townsville.

He is now an inspector serving on the Gold Coast. A plum position, an award for remaining true to the police culture that will neither accept responsibility for their actions nor consider the humanity of an apology arising from those actions.

With such an example of injustice being supported by the police, courts and governments, among quite a few others, it behoves us not to forget that a legal crime has taken place and any and all avenues of keeping that crime in the public eye, as we attempt to do with all the death in custody cases, but some have a greater public and media profile and

therefore are able to maintain a better profile publicly.

Mulrunji, Douglas Scott, John Pat, Eddie Murray, TJ Hickey... the list just goes on. All cry for the justice that was denied to them and their families.

More than 400 of our people have died since 1980 and yet no custodial officer has been found guilty and gone to jail for their crime. 400-plus deaths and no one proved to be guilty. Such odds are just not real or possible without critical manipulation and sanctioned collusion.

Until the police lose their investigative powers to investigate themselves, then those unbelievable odds will continue to frustrate and concern us.

#### Informative sources

While many words have been written, I would still urge those interested in this cover-up to access themselves to three informative sources to be truly able to get the full picture or story of all the public facts.

I recommend Gone for a Song, by ABC reporter Jeff Waters; The Tall Man, by Chloe Hooper (the documentary from which hits cinemas tomorrow, 17 November), and the Indigenous Social Justice Association newsletters that follow the case from day one.

These can be found at isja.org and are free to download should you wish to do so. You will also find other deaths in custody reports among other social justice



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### **Aboriginal Stakeholder Participation**

**Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Development Assessment Toolkit** 



Shellharbour City Council, in partnership with Wollongong City Council & Kiama Municipal Council, in the Illawarra area of NSW is inviting Aboriginal people & groups to register their interest in being involved in preparing an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Development Assessment Toolkit.

The Toolkit will assist these Councils in identifying the most appropriate type & level of Aboriginal heritage or cultural assessments required, under differing circumstances (type of proposal, location, known/possible heritage values, etc), to meet their development assessment responsibilities & ensure adequate protection of Aboriginal heritage values. The Toolkit area is - initially - the Shellharbour, Wollongong & Kiama local government areas.

The involvement of Aboriginal people & groups is central to the Toolkit's preparation. Interested Aboriginal people or groups are invited to register their interest, in writing, to:

Alan Ginns - Gondwana Consulting P.O. Box 905, Narrabeen, NSW, 2101

E-mail: alan@gondwanaconsulting.com.au (Telephone: 02 9913 3720)

Expressions of interest should include current contact details, and be received no later than close of business on Wednesday 30 November 2011.

### **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### YANDRUWANDHA YAWARRAWARRKA TRADITIONAL LAND OWNERS (ABORIGINAL CORPORATION) **ICN 3840**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF YANDRUWANDHA YAWARRAWARRKA TRADITIONAL LAND OWNERS (ABORIGINAL CORPORATION) HAS BEEN CALLED BY THE DIRECTORS AND WILL BE HELD AS FOLLOWS

DATE AND TIME: 25 and 26 November 2011, 9:30am to 4:30pm

**VENUE:** Novotel Brisbane, Queensland

CHAIRPERSON: Chairperson or Vice Chairperson of YYTLOAC or a Chairperson

elected at the Annual General Meeting

YYTLOAC will be funding this meeting in its entirety. If you have any TRAVEL COSTS: queries in this respect please contact the Chairperson Rob

Singleton on 0439 847 997.

PROXIES: Original proxy forms must be lodged with SOUTH AUSTRALIAN

NATIVE TITLE SERVICES at Level 4, 345 King William Street, Adelaide SA 5000, Attention Colin Darcy by 5:00pm (CST) on 23 November 2010. Proxies received after this time cannot be accepted and used at the meeting. Each member may carry a

maximum of three (3) proxies.

If you have any queries in relation to the Annual General Meeting

please contact Colin Darcy at SOUTH AUSTRALIAN NATIVE TITLE SERVICES on 8110 2800 or free call 1800 010 360.

SUMMARY OF **BUSINESS:** 

**CONTACTS:** 

Corporation business

Election of four (4) new Directors Implementation of new corporate structure

ILUA and native title update Other business



### SYDNEYOPERAL OUSE W **Sydney Opera House Trust Conservation Council**

The Sydney Opera House Trust (SOHT) is seeking expressions of interest (EOI) from Aboriginal people who wish to be considered for appointment to the SOHT Conservation Council for a 3year term, reviewed annually. The Conservation Council was established in 1996 to provide advice to the SOHT on the management and conservation of the Sydney Opera House and its significant heritage values.

The Conservation Council meets four times a year for a two hour meeting and there may be some additional time required of members to read documents or provide advice

Conservation Council members are not paid, however the successful applicant will be reimbursed for all agreed out-of-pocket expenses related to the role.

Aboriginal people interested in the appointment should prepare a written application demonstrating

their ability to fulfil the following selection criteria.

Selection Criteria: A demonstrated awareness of Aboriginal cultural heritage management and conservation: proven ability in the provision of advice on the management and conservation of sites with Aboriginal cultural heritage values; demonstrated capacity to foster and lead discussion on Aboriginal cultural heritage values: experience in advocating for, promoting and engaging with the broader community on Aboriginal cultural heritage issues; an active member of and recognised spokesperson in the Aboriginal community; and demonstrated experience on a similar committee(s)

It is desirable for applicants to have demonstrated knowledge of NSW and Commonwealth heritage legislation and be willing to mentor at least one younger Aboriginal person who has an interest in and aptitude for a future role on the Conservation Council. Knowledge of Aboriginal cultural heritage relevant to the Sydney Opera House site and its surrounds would be favourably regarded.

All applications should include at least one reference from a senior Aboriginal community member or an Aboriginal organisation or committee.

Responses to the selection criteria should be no more than 350 words per criterion. EOIs must be received by 5pm EST, Friday 16 December.

To obtain further information please contact Ms Catherine Sarlas, phone (02) 9250 7488. Applications should be addressed to Ms Catherine Sarlas, Sydney Opera House, GPO Box 4274, Sydney NSW 2001 or sent via email to csarlas@sydneyoperahouse.com.

### **Your Say**

# Woodford boycott is opposed

A BOYCOTT is being planned of the Queensland Folk Federation's Woodford Indigenous festival The Dreaming next month after environmentalists discovered that the Santos Coal Seam Gas (CSG) mining company sponsors the event.

I am an Aboriginal arts professional who works in the Aboriginal arts and culture sector. I have stood up against CSG mining in the Northern Rivers region of New South Wales, but I strongly oppose this boycott for many reasons.

These include that the sponsorship deal was arranged more than 18 months ago, before hydraulic fracturing (fracking) became such a populist issue in northern NSW. And that's plenty of time for the community to have proposed a sponsor who is agreeable to their environmental

I also feel that for every ticket boycotted, the funds could otherwise be directed to a funding

pool to ensure the Dreaming Festival goes ahead.

The environmentalist do-gooders boil my blood. They have been abusing me online while I have been opposing this boycott and informing me that this is not an Aboriginal issue and that I'm playing a 'race card'. They didn't mind my opinion when it suited their agenda though.

Since I have opposed this action, friends in Byron Bay who asked me to bring Aboriginal representation to protests, and used my skin for their causes, have deleted me from Facebook without any explanation.

Although this been harsh, I am happy and ready to stand up against them for the Woodford Folk and Dreaming Festival and the Jinibarra

> **ADAM SHARAH** Broadbeach, Qld

### Racism alive and well in Cowra

I AM writing to comment on the racism in Cowra, New South Wales.

On 7 October, I witnessed a Koori woman begging for and being refused assistance.

To my shame, I did not do a thing to help.

I tried later to have a letter of apology published in the local Cowra newspaper, but the editor refused, which

infuriated me.

I am visiting Cowra now, but I did live here for ten years and my children went to school

This is confirmation that racism is alive and well in this town. In 1996, my daughter came for her school reunion only to find that not one of her Koori friends had been invited.

She left the venue in

disgust, only to find her Koori friends having their own reunion, which turned out great.

If there is anyone out there who knows the woman I didn't help, please pass on my sincere apology and my

MARIE BELLEVILLE

# Up to 250 jobs to make TV series



FOR anyone interested in a job that opportunity around the corner with a huge influx of jobs available in early 2012 as the ABC begins filming the new

Redfern Now series in Sydney.

The Head of ABC TV's Indigenous Department, Sally Riley, says that work on the series will generate up to 250 jobs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in various roles from producers, directors, writers, actors to production and post-production staff.

"We are providing the finance and infrastructure fro real career opportunities for creative Indigenous Australians, which is very exciting." Riley said.

"This contribution to the industry will hopefully have an amazing impact for years to come.'

Redfern Now (the working title given to the project) tells the dramatic stories of six

households in Redfern, one of Australia's most Aboriginal icon and a real estate goldmine.

The series is being produced by Blackfella Films in collaboration with the internationally acclaimed creator Jimmy McGovern, who is currently working with the writers on scripts.

"I am positive that Redfern Now will be a bold and adventurous television series," said Darren Dale, from Blackfella Films

The ABC's Indigenous Department, in collaboration with Screen Australia's Indigenous Department and Screen NSW, is working to deliver this first for Australian television.

Head of Screen Australia's Indigenous Department Erica Glynn said the series would provide an opportunity for Indigenous Australians to tell their contemporary, urban stories on our small screen for the first time, 'and that is a significant cultural turning point as well'.

# 'Tricky' topics tackled

### Groups come together to discuss institutionalised racism



BARRIERS to innovation and the issue of institutionalised racism were at the forefront of discussion at a gathering of Indigenous and

non-Indigenous opinion leaders and 'change makers' in Sydney recently.

The National Centre for Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) in Redfern hosted its inaugural Indigenous Innovation Unconference in partnership with Social Innovation Sydney.

And they tackled some of the tricky topics often not discussed when it comes to Indigenous and non-Indigenous relations.

NCIE chief executive Jason Glanville said he had seen first-hand the impact and importance of building trust between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and non-Indigenous communities.

#### Trust 'must be built'

"For lasting change to be achieved, trust must be built," he said of the participant-driven gathering.

"This event offers a place for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians to come together to connect, interact, learn from each other and engage in community collaboration and participation.'

Key themes included the role of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives, knowledge and culture in social innovation, the potential for socially innovative concepts, practices, relationships and enterprises to influence Indigenous enterprises and communities, and the notion of Indigenous innovation.

Speakers included Tanya Hosch, a board director of the Australian Centre for Social Innovation, and a panel discussion with Mr Glanville and human rights and criminology researcher Ruth McCausland.

Other participants included representatives from the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, the ABC and the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA).

Such was the success of the inaugural conference that there are plans to run it annually.



From left, NCIE chief executive Jason Glanville, ABC Radio 'Speaking Out' presenter Rhianna Patrick, National Congress of Australia's First Peoples CEO Lindon Coombes, National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy CEO Charles Prouse, Arrilla managing director Shelley Reys, Australian Centre for Social Innovation board director Tanya Hosch, NCIE business and program development manager Carla McGrath and Indigenous Innovator Luke Pearson all presented at the Indigenous Innovation Unconference at the NCIE. Photo by MICKEY KOVARI

### State adopts new media strategy



SOUTH Australia has released a strategy to increase Aboriginal people's creative influence in the film and new media

'In Front Of The Future:

Aboriginal Film and New Media Development Strategy for South Australia 2012-21' was released by a joint community-government reference group convened by Aboriginal advocacy organisation Yaitya Makkitura.

The strategy was based on the 2010 findings of a statewide consultation aimed at exploring the Aboriginal community's aspirations in relation to film and new media.

Yaitya Makkitura strategy project officer David Wilson said the reference group had done the 'tough visionary thinking to situate this strategy at the forefront of international developments'.

"It is empowering for the SA Aboriginal community and exciting for the whole State," Mr Wilson said.

Yaitya Makkitura chairperson Albert Lovegrove-Buckskin regards the strategy as the most exciting he has seen in Australia.

"In Front Of The Future is really progressive," he said.

"It has converted the Aboriginal community's aims into an imaginative blueprint for development in the screen arts sector.

"The most distinctive aspect of the strategy is its recognition that Aboriginal film and new media activities are best supported by an online immersive environment.

"This will put the SA Aboriginal community on the cutting edge and empower it with a guaranteed highdefinition broadcast outlet accessible to the world."

Mr Lovegrove-Buckskin said there had been a policy vacuum in South Australia regarding the cultivation of Aboriginal talent in the screen industries.

"We've had plenty of so-called Aboriginal content created by

non-Aboriginal producers, writers and directors," he said. "But the issue of Aboriginal creative control is paramount.

"The new strategy addresses digital convergence, training and development for Aboriginal people, and the principle of self-determination of First Nations peoples."

Engagement Klynton Wanganeen and Khatija Thomas welcomed the strategy.

"The strategy sets out key initiatives for community capacity building, infrastructure, cultural protocols and partnerships at local and international levels," they said.

"In Front Of The Future empowers the Aboriginal community and will lead to a highly-skilled Aboriginal film and new media sector that reflects the Aboriginal cultural diversity of South Australia and creates unique screen art recognised throughout the world.

"...There is enormous potential for this sector to enhance the State's reputation for artistic originality and contribute to its economy."

### **Relatives angry Elder** denied dying wish



A DISGRACED Aboriginal Elder has been denied his dying wish for his body to be taken to ancestral land for a funeral ceremony.

Robert Bropho died two weeks ago while serving a six-year jail term for sex offences against young girls at the Swan Valley Nyoongar community

camp at Lockridge, in Perth's east. On Friday, up to 200 family and friends of the former Nyoongar leader and activist gathered outside the former camp, angry at the West Australian Government's decision to deny him a

funeral ceremony there. Police were out in force at the camp to ensure no-one trespassed, but maintained it was not their

decision to disallow a ceremony at the site. "It's a very emotive day for these people and we appreciate that," Inspector Neville Dockery told AAP at the scene.

Bropho was to be buried at a cemetery following a church service later on Friday.

The Nyoongar camp was closed in 2003 following allegations of widespread sexual abuse

Catholic Archbishop of Perth Barry Hickey has angered some Aboriginal leaders by deciding to say prayers at the graveside. - AAP

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**FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER** 

7:30 Lite Ivis G (Kids)
1:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
1:30 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
1:30 Lit Elvis G (Kids)
1:30 Seasons & Weather G (Kids)

8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids) 9:00 Bizou G (Kids)

12:00 Roots Music - Interviews from Blues Fest

1:00 In Tunes - The Feral Swing Katz Concert 2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music) 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary) 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)

9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
10:30 Episode Seventeen PG (Documentary)
11:00 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)

11:30 Mer Rrkwer-akert PG (Documentary) 12:00 Whare Maori - The Village PG (Documentary)
12:30 POI PG (Documentary)
12:45 Island Music PG (Music)

1:00 Talking Broken PG (Documentary) 2:30 Bizou G (Kids) 3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

6:00 Whare Maori - The Wharenui PG (Doc)
6:30 Songlines In The City - Monica Weightman
PG (Music)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)

7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)
8:00 Vanuatu PG (Documentary)
8:30 4 Wheel Dreaming PG (Documentary)
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9:30 4 Wheel Dreaming PG (Documentary)
10:00 Global Voice PG (Documentary)
10:30 Up In The Sky PG (Documentary)

4:00 Feelings G (Kids) 4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids) 5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)

3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)



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#### WEDNESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Roots Music - Shasha Marley & Reggae Talk PG (Music)

1:00 In Tunes - Adam Harvey concert PG (Music) 2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music) 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary)

6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)
6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

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9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
10:30 Message Stick - A Close Shave PG (Doc)
11:00 Mer Rrkwer-akert PG (Documentary)

11:30 Lyndon's Story PG (Documentary)
12:00 Whare Maori - Whare Kainga PG (Doc)
12:30 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)

1:00 Island Music PG (Music)

1:15 POI PG (Documentary)
1:30 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)

2:30 Bizou G (Kids)

3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
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4:30 Go Lingo 6 (kd/s)
5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Whare Maori - The Future PG (Documentary)
6:30 Life of the Town - A Good Season PG (Doc)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)
8:00 Source To Sea PG (Documentary)
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8:30 Deadly Encounters PG (Documentary) 9:00 Vaarnz PG (Documentary)
9:00 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)
9:30 River of No Return PG (Documentary)
10:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe - Rosalie's
Journey PG (Documentary)

11:00 NITV News NC (News)

Being - Relating to Land PG (Documentary)

#### **THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER**

12:00 Roots Music - Leah Flanagan ® Dan Sultan PG (Music)

1:00 In Tunes - Buddy Knox Concert PG (Music)
2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music)
5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary) 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)

6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

7:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)

8:00 Feelings G (Kids) 8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)

9:00 Bizou G (Kids)

9:00 Go Lingo G (kids) 10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation) 10:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe-Cool Drink and Culture PG (Documentary) 11:00 NITV News NC (News)

11:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe - Rosalie's Journey PG (Documentary) 11:30 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)

12:00 Whare Maori - The Future PG (Documentary)
12:30 Lyndon's Story PG (Documentary)
1:00 River of No Return PG (Documentary)

2:00 Lore Poles PG (Documentary)

2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)

4:00 Traditional Tools G (Kids) 4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)

5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)

6:30 Whare Maori - Village PG (Documentary)
6:30 Life of the Town - Around the Corner PG

7:00 NITV News NC (News)

8:30 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)
8:30 Sacred Ground PG (Documentary)

9:30 Strong Men, Deadly Groups PG (Documentary)

10:30 Episode Three PG (Documentary)
11:30 Kinship - Relating to Others PG (Documentary)

12.00 Roots Music - Martinez PG (Music)

2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music)

5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary)
6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)
6:30 Like Me, Like You - G (Kids)

Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
10:30 Beyond The Dreamtime PG (Documentary)
11:30 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)
12:00 Whare Maori - Ringatu PG (Documentary)
12:30 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Native Title Benefits NC (Current Affairs)

5:00 Grounded centertamment;
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Whare Maori - The Wharenui (Part Two)
6:30 Songlines In The City - Joe Geia PG (Music)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)

8:30 Happy Holidays PG (Documentary)
9:00 Australian Biography - Neville Bonner PG (Documentary)
9:30 Sisters Pearls and Mission Gir PG (Doc)

7:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids -Water G (Kids)

3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids) 4:00 Colours & Numbers G (Kids)

4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)

7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation) 8:00 Lore Poles PG (Documentary)

8:00 Body & Movement G (Kids)

9:00 Bizou G (Kids)

#### **THURSDAY 24TH NOVEMBER WEDNESDAY 23RD NOVEMBER**

12.00 Roots Music - Leah Flanagan & Arabesk 1:00 In Tunes - The Feral Swing Katz Concert PG (Music)

11:00 NITV News NC (News) 11:30 Ceremony - Relating to God PG (Doc)

2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music)

6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)

7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids) 7:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
8:00 Animals ® Tracks G (Kids)

8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)

9:00 Bizou G (Kids) 9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)

12:30 Australian Biography - Neville Bonner PG

(Documentary)

1:00 Sisters Pearls and Mission Gir PG (Doc)

2:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe - Cool Drink and Culture PG (Documentary)

2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids) 3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)

4:00 Body & Movement G (Kids) 4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids) 5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)

5:30 NITV News NC (News) **6:00** Whare Maori - Whare Wahine. PG (Documentary)

6:30 Songlines In The City - Deline Briscoe PG

#### **SATURDAY 19TH NOVEMBER**

12.00 Volumz 2 - Ep 5 PG (Music)

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6:30 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)
7:00 Family ® Friends G (Kids)
7:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
8:00 Bizou G (Kids)
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8:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)

9:00 Letterbox G (Kids)

9:30 Black Pearls PG (Drama)

10:30 Source To Sea PG (Documentary)

12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)

12:30 Buffalo Legends PG (Documentary)
1:30 Gulpilil: One Red Blood PG (Documentary) 2:30 Crossing The Line PG (Documentary)

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3:30 Desert Healing PS (Documentary)
4:30 Finding Our Talk - Abenaki PG (Documentary)
5:00 Tales of Oceania PG (Documentary)
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 Si-30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
 River of No Return PG (Documentary)
 Nganampa Anwernekenhe - Merrepen PG (Documentary)
 Suddenly Sami PG (Documentary)

8:30 Little Caughnawa PG (Documentary)
9:30 Five Seasons PG (Documentary)
10:30 Land of The Little Kings PG (Documentary)

#### **SUNDAY 20TH NOVEMBER**

### 12.00 Boxing Day PG (Documentary) 1:30 Volumz 2 - Ep 6 PG (Music) 7:30 Health G (Kids) 8:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)

- 8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
- 8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
  9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  9:30 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary)
  10:30 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)
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  1:30 Muttijulu Vs Laramba NC (Sport)
  2:30 Ntjalka Vs Muttijulu NC (Sport)
  3:30 Ltyentye Apurte Vs Titlikala NC (Sport)
  4:30 Trucking Yard Vs Mt Allen NC (Sport)
  5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
- 5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News) 6:00 My Bush Tukka Adventures PG (Lifestyle)
  6:30 Black Tracks - ImagiNative PG (Documentary)
  7:00 Sitting Bull PG (Documentary)
- 8:00 Gene Boy Came Home PG (Documentary)
- 8:30 Buried Country PG (Music)
  9:30 Balanda and the Bark Canoe PG
- 10:30 Strong Men, Deadly Groups PG 11:30 Ten Canoes M (Movie)

#### **MONDAY 21ST NOVEMBER**

- 1:00 Bro Town PG (Animation) 1:30 Bro Town PG (Animation
- 2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music) 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary)
- 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)
- 6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
  7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  7:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids) 8:00 Playtime G (Kids)
- 8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids) 9:00 Bizou G (Kids)

- 9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
  10:30 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)
  11:00 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (Doc)
  12:00 Whare Maori The Wharenui (Part One).
  PG (Documentary)
- 12:30 Buried Country PG (Music)
  1:30 Little Caughnawa PG (Documentary)
  2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
- 3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids) 3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
- 4:00 Seasons & Weather G (Kids)
  4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
- 5:30 NITV News NC (News)
  6:00 Whare Maori Shaping the land PG (Doc)
  6:30 Songlines In The City Bart Willoughby PG
  (Music) 7:00 NITV News NC (News)
- 7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)
  8:00 The Paradox of Attribution PG (Doc) 8:30 The Last Explorer PG (Documentary)
  9:30 Finding Our Talk - Australia PG (Documentary)
- 10:00 Finding Our Talk Chtimacha PG
- 10:30 Here's My Hand PG (Documentary)
  11:00 NITV News NC (News)
  11:30 Christian Perspectives PG (Documentary)

- 12:30 Volumz 2 Ep 8 PG (Music)
- 7:00 Wadu Matyidi Behind the Scenes PG
- 8:30 Go Lingo G (Kids) 9:00 Letterbox G (Kids) 9:30 Urban Clan PG (Documentary)

6:30 Letterbox Pro G (Kids)

8:00 Bizou G (Kids)

7:00 Health G (Kids)
7:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)

- 10:30 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)
  11:30 Thanks For All The Fish PG (Documentary)
  12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
  12:30 The Coolbaroo Club PG (Documentary)
- 1:30 Vote YES for Aborigines PG (Documentary)
  2:30 Crossing The Line PG (Documentary)
  3:30 Apekathe PG (Documentary)
  4:00 Finding Our Talk Australia PG
- 4:30 Finding Our Talk Chtimacha PG
- 5:00 Tales of Oceania PG (Documentary) 5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)
  6:00 Sisters Pearls and Mission Gir PG
- (Documentary)
  7:00 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)
- 7:30 The Last Explorer PG (Documentary) 8:30 Southern Cross PG (Movie)

  10:00 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG
- 11:00 Crocodile Dreaming PG (Drama) 11:30 Deadly Funny M (Comedy)

#### **SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER** 12.00 Volumz 2 - Ep 7 PG (Music) 6:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

- 6:30 Jumba Jimba G (Kids)
- 7:30 Health G (Kids)
- 8:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids) 8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
- 8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
  9:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  9:30 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary)
  10:30 Talking Broken PG (Documentary)
  12:00 NITV News in Review NC (News)
  12:30 Central Arrente VS Titjikala NC (Sport)
  1:30 CAFL VS Plenty Hwy NC (Sport)
- 3:30 Multifulu Vs Amata NC (Sport)
  3:30 Titjikala Vs Mulga Bore NC (Sport)
  4:30 Nyirripi Vs Plenty Hwy NC (Sport)
  5:30 NITV News in Review NC (News)

- 6:30 Emily in Japan PG (Documentary) 8:00 The New Black PG (Documentary) 9:30 Mr Patterns PG (Documentary)
- Boomalli Five Koori Artists PG 11:00 Black Pearls - Murri Music PG (Music)

12.00 Roots Music - Amali Ward & Dan Sultan 1:00 In Tunes - The McClymonts Concert PG

**TUESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER** 

- 2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music)
- 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary) 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids) 6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
- 7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  7:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
  8:00 Colours & Numbers G (Kids)
- 8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids) 9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
- 9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
- 10:30 Yaarnz PG (Documentary)
  11:30 Gene Boy Came Home PG (Documentary)
  12:00 Whare Maori the land PG (Documentary)
  12:30 The Last Explorer PG (Documentary)
- 1:30 The Golden Cord PG (Documentary)
- 2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
  3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
- 4:00 Playtime G (Kids)
  4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
- 5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
- 5:30 NITV News NC (News)

  5:30 Whare Maori Ringatu PG (Documentary)

  6:30 Songlines In The City Richard Frankland PG (Music)

  7:00 NITV News NC (News)
- 7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)
  8:00 RHEF Live PG (Documentary)
  9:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
  9:30 Kerry Arabena Mabo Lecture NC (Current Affairs)
- 10:00 Lyndon's Story PG (Documentary)

### 10:30 Going Bush - Cape Crusaders PG (Doc) 11:00 NITV News NC (News) 11:30 Other Religion Perspectives PG (Doc)

**MONDAY 28TH NOVEMBER** 

2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music)

9:00 Black Tracks - ImagiNative PG (Doc) 9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)

10:30 Little Caughnawa PG (Documentary)

12:30 Mr Patterns PG (Documentary)

1:30 The New Black PG (Documentary)

3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

12:00 Whare Maori - Ratana PG (Documentary)

12.00 Bro Town PG (Animation) 12:30 Bro Town PG (Animation)

7:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids) 8:00 Food ® Drink G (Kids) 8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids) 9:00 Bizou G (Kids)

### 10:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe - Merrepen PG (Documentary) 11:00 NITV News NC (News) 11:30 Relating to Land PG (Documentary)

- **TUESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER**
- 1:00 In Tunes Liyarn Ngarn Concert PG (Music) 2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music) 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary) 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids) 1:00 In Tunes - The Feral Swing Katz Concert PG (Music) 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary) 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)
- 6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
  7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids) 7:30 Lil Elvis - G (Kids) 8:00 Family ® Friends G (Kids) 8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids) 9:00 Bizou G (Kids)
  - 10:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
    10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
    10:30 Walking Through A Minefield PG (Documentary)
    11:30 Mer Rrkwer-akert PG (Documentary)
    12:00 Whare Maori John Scott PG (Documentary)
  - More Than Legends G (Animation) 2:30 Bizou G (Kids) 3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)
- 4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment) 3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids) 4:00 Country ® Directions G (Kids)
  4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  5:00 Grounded G (Entertainment) 5:30 VITV News NC (News)
  6:00 Whare Maori - Manaaki PG (Documentary)
- 5:30 NITV News NC (News) 6:00 Whare Maori - John Scott PG (Documentary)
  6:30 Songlines In The City - Political Messages
  PG (Music)

2:30 Bizou G (Kids)

- 7:00 NITV News NC (News) 7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)
  8:00 Yahgu Dang Ang (To Pay Respect) PG
  (Documentary) 8-30 Global Voice PG (Documentary)
- 9:30 Finding Our Talk Maya PG (Documentary)
  10:00 Finding Our Talk Sami PG (Documentary) 10:30 In The Shed PG (Documentary) 11:00 NITV News NC (News
- 11:30 Being Relating to Land PG (Documentary)

- 12.00 Roots Music Tribali & Yunasi PG (Music)
- 6:30 Like Me, Like You G (Kids)
  7:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

- 3:30 Lil Elvis G (Kids)
  4:00 Food & Drink G (Kids)
- 6:30 Songlines In The City Native Language PG (Music) 7:00 NITV News NC (News) 7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)

PG (Documentary)

10:30 Going Bush - Island Hoppers PG (Documentary)

11:00 NITV News NC (News) 11:30 Kinship - Relating to Others PG (Documentary)

9:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs) 9:30 Native Title Benefits NC (Current Affairs)

### FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

- PG (Music)

  1:00 In Tunes Adam Harvey concert PG (Music)
- 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary) 6:00 Letterbox G (Kids)

- 19:30 Go Lingo (yoks)
  10:30 Crossing The Line PG (Documentary)
  11:30 Apekathe PG (Documentary)
  12:00 Whare Maori The Wharenui (Part Two)
  PG (Documentary)
- 2:00 Karli Jalangu Boomerang Toda PG (Doc)
  2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
  3:00 Welcome to Wapos Bay G (Kids)

  - (Music)
    7:00 NITV News NC (News)
    7:30 The Dreaming G (Animation)
    8:00 Talking Broken P6 (Documentary)
    9:30 Nukkan Ya Ruby P6 (Music)
    11:00 NITV News NC (News)
    11:30 Relating to Others P6 (Documentary)

#### 12.00 Roots Music - Yunasi PG (Music)

- 1:00 In Tunes Buddy Knox Concert PG (Music) 2:00 Chocolate Martini 3 PG (Music) 5:00 Best of Yeyekerte PG (Documentary)
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- 9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
  10:00 The Dreaming G (Animation)
  10:30 RHEF PG (Documentary)
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- 7:30 Ine Dreaming G (Animation) 8:00 Fiji PG (Documentary) 8:30 The Tiwi Brand PG (Documentary) 9:00 Top Of The Ladder PG (Documentary) 9:30 The Finals PG (Documentary) 10:00 Global Voice PG (Documentary)

11:00 NITV News NC (News)

10:30 Black Tracks - ImagiNative PG (Documentary)

11:30 Ceremony - Relating to God PG (Documentary)

### **MOVIE OF THE MONTH SOUTHERN CROSS** WHEN THERE'S NO PLACE TO RUN AND NO PLACE TO HIDE

Two young refugee children who are on the run in the outback rely on the generosity of strangers to find



The Voice of Indigenous Australia 🛶

# Island festival has extra soul

**Photos by CAMERON DRON** 



AS if there wasn't already enough soul to the annual Island Vibe Festival on Queensland's Minjerribah/North Stradbroke Island, this year's exuded just a little bit more.

Organisers say the historic handback of some land to the local traditional owners earlier this year made the popular event particularly momentous.

The Quandamooka people made their presence felt from start to finish, with the Yulu Barri Bah Dancers – made up of descendants of all ages - performing both the opening and closing ceremonies.

Lauded by some as the premiere soul, reggae and dub event in the South Pacific, the three-day festival at the end of the whale migration season also has a strong eco and cultural focus.

This year, crowds from as far south as Coffs, as far north as Airlie and overseas enjoyed 50 bands, DJs, dance and circus acts from around Australia, the Pacific and beyond. Indigenous acts included comedian Sean Choolburra, Salt Water Murris, Impossible Odds, and Zennith.



**Aunty Margaret Iselin from the Minjerribah** Moorgumpin Elders Council.



The Yulu Barri Bah Dancers.

### New organisation to support workforce



organisation has an aim of seeing more Indigenous people benefit from Phase 2 of the Ord-

East Kimberley Expansion Project. MG Services, a new division of MG Corporation (MG stands for Miriuwung Gajerrong, the local tribal group) is designed to create a healthy, wealthy and culturally strong MG community.

MG Services says it will provide pre-employment support and training to assist people gain employment as well as provide support for individuals once placed in work.

The new division has been created from the amalgamation

of MG Corp's Aboriginal Development Package Team and been launched, with Moonamang Joint Venture's Indigenous and Community Development Team.

Under MG Services, traditional owners will take ownership of Indigenous outcomes driven by the Ord-East Kimberley Expansion Project.

"MG Services will, in a sustained and tailored way, address the obstacles faced by Indigenous people who wish to enter the workforce. All employment-support services will operate together, under one leadership team," MG Corporation CEO Franklin Gaffney said.

A leadership team has been created with representatives from

MG Corporation, the Western Australian Government (represented by LandCorp and Department of Regional Development and Lands) and Moonamang Joint Venture.

### Strategic Alliance

Known as the Strategic Alliance and Leadership Team (SALT), the arrangement is the first of its kind in Western Australia and aims to set the strategies and priorities for MG Services and to review its performance.

"MG Services represents an important day for MG Corporation as we continue to forge partnerships. Only by working together will we see significant improvement in MG peoples'

lives," said MG Corporation chairperson Ted Carlton.

MG Services has set high goals to achieve in the East Kimberley. Over Phase 2 of the Ord-East Kimberley Expansion Project, these include:

 Over 70 Indigenous people working on the Phase 2 construction project with another 35 Indigenous people in full-time employment in Kununurra;

Contracts to the value of \$4 million awarded to Indigenous businesses:

The creation of a new MG Corporation business that secures contracts to the value of at least \$2 million; and

 30 Indigenous traineeships in the Kununurra public sector by

# Language call goes out to Nyungar

By LIZ MURRAY in Perth



AN education group has called on Western Australia's Nyungar community to rally support for its critically endangered language. Joe Collard, Interim

Chair of Nyungar Language Authority, says that less than a dozen fluent Nyungar language speakers remain, and wants the community and government to urgently address shortfalls in Nyungar language

"This campaign will be my goal until we ensure our survival and maintenance is secured," Mr Collard told the Koori Mail.

Mr Collard wrote to several State Government ministers requesting support to revive the Nyungar language and providing the Nyungar Language Authority's Strategic Plan.

He has proposed a training package for government departments and for individual classes to facilitate community language education from pre-primary students to adults.

However, he said his efforts had been dashed by State Indigenous Affairs Minister Peter Collier, who said that there was no scope for funding as there was no view to increasing participation in the workforce or improving the state's critical skills

Mr Collier's response to Mr Collard outlined that, while he supported and encouraged strategies for retaining and developing Nyungar language, his department did not directly fund organisations to develop accredited courses.

And he said that, while the Department of Training and Workforce Development could fund registered training providers for national programs, Nyungar languages would not qualify for registration.

Mr Collard was also rebuffed by Corrections Minister Terry Redman, to whom he had proposed education programs aimed at inmates.

Despite Mr Redman's glowing praise for the potential of such a program to strengthen Nyungar inmates' identity, self-determination and the connection between authorities and prisoners, he said his department simply did not have the resources required to fund the course.

But Joe Collard says the Nyungar Language Authority offers an unprecedented potential to create a renaissance for the local community with their language.

He said that the initial response from the Education Minister. Elizabeth Constable, had been a little more encouraging.

"We're gearing up for a major campaign, we are in for the long haul," Mr Collard said.

"We want to advocate for a regional peak body and the peak body would be the voice for the Nyungar language.

"We've got people around us like Fiona Stanley who is going to be the ambassador for Nyungar language, who is a good advocate that Wadjellas

"...Our strategic planning workshop is now done, we have a lot of work to do and will be quiet busy with planning and implementing our goals. We plan to develop a curriculum training package for Certificate IV, only the second to be done in Australia."



### **CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS DRAFT AQUACULTURE (ZONES – LOWER EYRE PENINSULA) POLICY 2011**

Pursuant to Section 12 of the Aquaculture Act 2001, notice is hereby given that the Minister for Agriculture, Food and Fisheries has released the draft Aquaculture (Zones – Lower Eyre Peninsula) Policy 2011 (the draft Policy) and supporting Policy Report for a formal two month public consultation period from Saturday 5 November 2011 until Saturday 14 January 2012.

The draft Policy has been developed in accordance with the provisions of Part 4 of the Aquaculture Act 2001. It provides an opportunity to develop planning practices that better reflect the needs of the aquaculture industry, Government

It aims to ensure the ecologically sustainable development of aquaculture in the Spencer Gulf region, to provide certainty for industry stakeholders, to improve community confidence and facilitate opportunities for moderate aquaculture

Section 29 of the Development Act 1993 enables the Minister for Urban Development and Planning to amend a development plan in accordance with an approved aquaculture policy under the Aquaculture Act 2001.

It is proposed to amend the Land Not Within A Council Area (Coastal Waters) Development Plan subject to the approval of the above-mentioned Policy. The proposed amendments are to reflect the aquaculture zone contained within this draft Policy into the Aquaculture Zone within the Land Not Within A Council Area (Coastal Waters) Development Plan.

#### **Public Briefing**

Officers from PIRSA Fisheries and Aquaculture will hold a public briefing on the draft Policy from 4.30-7pm at the Ravendale Sports Centre, 40 Stamford Terrace, Port Lincoln on Monday 21 November 2011.

The draft Policy and Policy Report will be available as at Saturday 5 November 2011 from PIRSA Aquaculture, 14th Floor, 25 Grenfell Street (GPO Box 1625), Adelaide 5001; at www.pir.sa.gov.au/aquaculture; by phone on (08) 8226 2214; or by fax on (08) 8226 0330.

Written submissions on the draft Policy and/or the proposed amendment to the Land Not Within A Council Area (Coastal Waters) Development Plan are invited from the public and should be made to PIRSA Fisheries and Aquaculture, GPO Box 1625, Adelaide SA 5001 or pirsa.aquaculture@sa.gov.au

Submissions must be received by 5pm on Saturday 14 January 2012.

www.pir.sa.gov.au



**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.



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.

### **NEED HELP?**

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). Freecall: 1800 622 431 (not free from mobiles) Email: info@oric.gov.au

www.oric.gov.au

### **Jobs for 35 trainees**



FIFTY Queensland businesses will be assisted to develop Indigenous employment strategies and 35 Indigenous trainees will receive sustainable jobs under a partnership between the Australian Government and Mission Australia.

Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib said the 35 trainees would receive support from training to employment.

"The Indigenous participants will receive assistance and mentoring support for the first 26 weeks of their employment," he said.

"The project will give participants in regional areas the opportunity to access local jobs and to match skills and training to the needs of the employer.'

Senator Arbib said participating businesses would also receive assistance over the next 12 months to employ more Indigenous job seekers.

"These 50 companies, based predominantly in regional areas, will receive cultural awareness training, mentoring and support to implement their Indigenous Employment Strategy through Mission Australia," he said.



The Victorian Women's Trust convenor Dure Dara with executive director of Koorie Women Mean Business Leanne Miller.

# Koorie women to benefit from grants



Victorian Women's Trust is marking its unique

20-year partnership with the Koorie Women Mean Business organisation, with its annual general grants round focusing this year on projects that foster partnerships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous women and girls.

"As well as building on our 20-year partnership with Koorie Women Mean Business and their work to enhance the status, capacity, independence and well-being of Koori women, we are keen to reach more Indigenous

women and girls through our grants program," said Trust executive director Mary Crooks

In the past, a number of organisations working with Indigenous communities have benefited from the Trust's grants, enabling them to host a range of events and activities for Indigenous people.

Our event was a fantastic day, which saw our local Aboriginal women build their confidence, learn new skills. make new friends and celebrate being a woman," said Ros Alexander, CEO of **Dhauwurd-Wurrung Elderly** and Community Health Service in Portland.

The group received a \$10,000 grant for Peeneeyt Ngarrakeetoon Woorn (Strong Family Camp), which aims to promote strong family relationships and inform Indigenous mothers and vounger children of their rights, options for safety and well being in a culturally sensitive setting.

"We were absolutely thrilled to obtain funding," Ms Alexander said.

This year's focus is on assisting organisations with deductible gift recipient status who are building partnerships and relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous women working on issues within their communities to 'close the

 For more information visit www.vwt.org.au

### Reunion of Cootamundra Girls' Home



ALL former residents, their families and friends have been invited to attend the

Cootamundra Aboriginal Girls Training Home centenary on 11 August next year.

Organising committee member Bob Glanville said the event would be an opportunity for the former Cootamundra Home girls, their extended

families and the community to get together to see and talk about the history, the past operation of the home and the effects on Aboriginal families from the Stolen Generations period.

"Between 1912 and 1968, approximately 1200 Aboriginal girls were removed from their families and placed in this institution under the NSW Aborigines Protection and Welfare Boards," Mr

"Many of the surviving girls who were placed in this home and up to four or five generations of their descendents are now widely dispersed across NSW and elsewhere.

"At the centenary, former home girls, their families and the community will have the opportunity to revisit Cootamundra and participate in activities, including a formal

commemoration ceremony at the Cootamundra Town Hall, an optional visit to the former home and photographic and art displays. A dinner will be held in the evening for the former home girls, their families and descendents and the community.

"We hope that these activities will help members of the Stolen Generations, placed at the home and their families in the process of healing and working through unresolved

For details or to register interest, contacting 1800 263 881.



Harold Ludwick with one of his co-authors, Helen Murphy from the National Chengchi

# Wild Rivers fight taken to Geneva



FOR Cape York man Harold Ludwick, the opportunity to speak on the international stage about Queensland's Wild Rivers has inspired him to continue his fight against

legislation he says has stripped rights away from his people.

Last month. Mr Ludwick travelled from Hope Vale to Geneva, in Switzerland, to take his message to a gathering of the United Nations Research Institute on Social Development.

### Sustainable development

Together with Mike Winer, from the Cape York Institute, and Helen Murphy, from the National Chengchi University in Taiwan, he submitted a paper on sustainable development in the Cape York Peninsula with regard to Queensland's Wild Rivers laws and proposed World Heritage listing.

"My presentation at the United Nations was on behalf of my people who were denied proper consultation," Mr Ludwick says.

"It was my duty as an advocate for Indigenous rights to share the voice of thousands in Cape York who are against the Wild Rivers legislation."

He said that, as a traditional owner, he had conducted consultations on the Wild Rivers issue in Mapoon, Napranum, Lockhart, Laura, Hope Vale, Kowanyama, Pormpuraaw and

He said many Elders were upset and worried that they had finally got their land back and would have rights to use that land taken away, and that the message was received loud and clear in Geneva.

"The interest was overwhelming when I told of the poverty and unemployment in Indigenous communities in a developed country like Australia and how the Government and Green loyalists such as the Wilderness Society prolong poverty in Indigenous communities by not allowing sustainable development on traditional lands, as well as the right to implement conservation on their own lands to combat unemployment,"

Mr Ludwick said he had been invited to submit a paper and attend the Rio + 20 Convention on Sustainable Development and the Eradication of Poverty in 2012, which would enable him to continue to draw further international attention to the Wild Rivers issue.



### Oorala 25th Anniversary Ball

Celebrating 25 years in higher education (1986 - 2011)

Oorala Aboriginal Centre in association with the University of New England is pleased to invite community members, current and former staff and students to the Oorala 25th Anniversary Ball to celebrate 25 years of support services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

To be held on the Booloominbah Lawns, UNE 6:oopm Saturday 10 December 2011

Tickets are \$80 each and need to be purchased from the UNE Cashier by the RSVP date. Please contact Oorala for a payment form. Dinner and entertainment included (please advise any special dietary requirements).

Wednesday 30 November 2011 Lyn Walford P: 02 6773 3164 E: lwalford@une.edu.au







### **Expressions of Interest Local Venues Councils**

The Minister for Sport and Recreation invites members of the Illawarra, Hunter and Western Sydney communities to apply to join their Local Venues Council. The Councils will provide local expertise and input to Venues NSW - a NSW Government authority responsible for publicly owned sporting and entertainment venues in the Illawarra, Hunter and Western Sydney

These include:

- Parramatta Stadium
- WIN Stadium and WIN Entertainment Centre in Wollongong
- Ausgrid Stadium in Newcastle
- Newcastle Entertainment Centre and Showground

Local Venues Councils will engage with Venues NSW on the needs of the Illawarra, Hunter and Western Sydney regarding its sporting and entertainment venues by:

- participating in community consultation
- providing feedback about plans for venues
- providing advice on improvements to venues
- providing strategic direction to regional tourism and events, sport and recreation development and community participation

The NSW Government is seeking to establish Local Venues Councils in the Illawarra, Hunter and Western Sydney that reflect the breadth and diversity of the local community.

You should consider applying if you can show you have some or all of the following:

- experience that will contribute to the role of the venues in strengthening the local community through recreational, sporting and cultural events
- regional knowledge and/or participation in local activities
- understanding of your local venues' facilities and business

Between three and seven members from each region will be selected and appointments will be for up to three years. Successful applicants will be expected to attend six to eight meetings per year and reasonable expenses will be reimbursed.

For more information and an application form:

- visit www.communities.nsw.gov.au/venuesnsw
- email venuesnsw@communities.nsw.gov.au
- contact Emma de Voss at the Office of Communities on (02) 9995 0372

Applications close - 5.00 pm, 9 December 2011.



### Indigenous culture, languages, visual arts and broadcasting funding for 2012-13

Is your organisation or community group involved in an Indigenous arts or culture project?

You can apply for funding in 2012-13 through these Australian Government programs:

- Indigenous Culture Support
- Indigenous Languages Support (formerly Maintenance of Indigenous Languages and Records program)
- Indigenous Visual Arts Industry Support (formerly National Arts and Crafts Industry Support program)
- Indigenous Broadcasting Program

For more information about the programs and how to apply, visit www.arts.gov.au/indigenous or call 1800 006 992

Applications close 5:00pm AEDST Friday, 3 February 2012



### **Call for Submissions into the Treatment of Women** in the Australian Defence Force

Following the completion of the Review into the Treatment of Women at the Australian Defence Force Academy (Phase 1), the Australian Human Rights Commission (the Commission) is currently conducting a Review into the Treatment of Women in the Australian Defence Force more broadly (Phase 2). Specifically the Review is examining the effectiveness of cultural change strategies and initiatives required to improve leadership pathways for women in the Australian Defence Force.

The Review is being led by Sex Discrimination Commissioner, Elizabeth Broderick, who chairs the expert Review Panel.

The Review Panel is now calling for written submissions. In particular, written submissions are being sought on the following aspects of the Terms of Reference:

- The effectiveness of the cultural change strategies recommended by the Chief of the Defence Force Women's Reference Group in the Women's Action Plan including the implementation of these strategies across the Australian Defence Force; and
- Measures and initiatives required to improve the pathways for increased representation of women into the senior ranks and leadership of the Australian Defence Force; and
- Any other matters incidental to the terms of reference such as sexual harassment and abuse and sex discrimination.

The Review will not be investigating or making findings in relation to individual allegations or complaints. The Review can only report and make recommendations in relation to the systemic issues arising from the Terms of Reference.

Submissions will be accepted over a four week period from Saturday 5 November to Sunday 4 December 2011.

To view the full terms of reference and to lodge a submission please refer to the Submissions page of the Commission website at www.humanrights.gov.au/defencereview.

For any inquiries in relation to the Review submission process please see our website or contact the ADF Review Secretariat by email at defence.review@humanrights.gov.au or call 1800 656 945.

Please note that submissions received will ordinarily be made available on the Commission website. People wishing to make a confidential submission should make this clear at the time of lodgement and the Review will not publish those submissions on the website. However, people should also be aware that whilst every endeayour will be made to ensure confidentiality, the Commission is obliged to determine any request for access to documents made under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 in accordance with that Act.

# Vince's award 'big surprise'



SOUTH Australia's Vince Coulthard has been named the winner of the NAB Slim **Dusty Community Mateship** award.

The Adnyamathanha man is the chief executive of the Umeewarra Aboriginal Media Association, and is a keen musician and community leader.

Mr Coulthard received his award as part of the 2011 Slim Dusty Country Music Memories Event, held annually in Slim's home town of

He was described as a role model in his community and as someone who 'lives his life trying to ensure everyone has a fair go'.

Born in Leigh Creek, Mr Coulthard grew up on the Nepabunna Mission, in Adnyamathanha country.

Although he left school at 14 years of age, he spent nearly 30 years working in the public service, in management positions and in Aboriginal organisations.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said Mr Coulthard was a deserving

winner. "A tireless champion of Indigenous voices, land rights and justice, he empowers others to fulfil their dreams and make a difference," she

Mr Coulthard travelled to Kempsey from Port Augusta with no idea that he was about to receive an award

His friends and workmates had told him that they had won free tickets to the event, and being a bit Slim Dusty fan, Mr Coulthard was keen to go.

According to organisers, Slim Dusty held integral values in life, and he very much lived by these life values... values of fairness, mateship, family and community along with



Vince Coulthard with Slim Dusty's wife Joy McKean. Photo: Macleay Argus

### Probe into Woorabinda cell incident



AN investigation is under way into the circumstances surrounding an incident involving a 23-year-old man at the

Woorabinda Watchhouse, in central Queensland, last week. Police said in a statement

that at 10.30am on Thursday,

the man was transported to the watchhouse and charged in relation to the alleged breach of a domestic violence order.

"During the process, the man was searched and placed in a cell. Police attended the cell a short time later and located the man with a cord around his neck. He was unresponsive, but breathing,'

the statement read.

"The Queensland Ambulance Service was called and the man was transported to the Rockhampton Base Hospital, where he was later released.

"An internal investigation into this matter is under way and will be overviewed by the Ethical Standards Command."

# Plea for action on abuse of alcohol

SA

CHRONIC ill health and alcohol abuse pose a serious threat to traditional Aboriginal communities, a coroner says.

After investigating six deaths around a place called Town Camp, near Ceduna, on South Australia's

west coast, SA Deputy Coroner Anthony Schapel said the community's problems were also a reflection of their extreme social disadvantage.

There was a need to strengthen and promote primary health care, housing opportunities, education, literacy and employment to allow these people to have meaning in the their lives, Mr Schapel said in his finding on 4 November.

"Members of the transient Aboriginal community continue to consume cheap, strong alcoholic beverages to detrimental excess," he

"Furthermore, dry areas in the Ceduna township itself only serve to force drinkers to the outskirts of town.

"Dry areas do not curb drinking. They simply

During his investigation, Mr Schapel looked into the alcohol-linked deaths of four men and two women, aged 33 to 43, between 2004 and 2009, and also took a number of other deaths

Each of the six died from different medical conditions that could not be properly treated because of alcohol addiction.

There was no suggestion that Town Camp

caused the deaths as it provided housing, food, washing facilities and support for its temporary residents, Mr Schapel said, and he stood behind its continued operation.

Rather, exclusion and marginalisation were major factors, with most of the deaths occurring among people sleeping rough.

In his findings, Mr Schapel said evidence from a doctor with the Aboriginal Health Council showed that while the six people who died had contact with healthcare facilities, there was no evidence any of them had ever received meaningful treatment for their alcohol addiction.

He said that scenario was not surprising considering the opportunities for treatment in SA's far west were basically non-existent.

The coroner said the doctor's 'powerful observations' revealed that while the alcohol addiction remained, prescribing medications for other health problems was largely a waste of

"Alcohol abuse amongst the Indigenous population in this region should be regarded more as a health problem," Mr Schapel said.

"If appropriate treatment facilities were available, the deaths of the six individuals may have been prevented."

In specific recommendations the coroner called for the supply of alcohol to members of transient Aboriginal communities in Ceduna to be reduced by prohibiting the sale of certain kinds of alcohol, including cask wine.

He also called for a sobering-up centre to be established in Ceduna. - AAP

### Award for WA social worker



**DETERMINATION** and passion for helping others has helped Bessarab win the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Award at the recent annual West Australian Social Worker of the Year Awards.

The awards recognise and reward social workers who display excellence within their nominated sector.

Associate Professor Bessarab was recognised for her extensive experience and in particular her work helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and families and people experiencing alcohol issues and domestic violence.

Assoc Prof Bessarab is a former Curtin University graduate and works in the Aboriginal Health and Education Unit at the Centre for Health Innovation Research Institute, Curtin



Assoc Prof Dawn Bessarab.



available to Traditional Owner groups of the

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park catchment area who are seeking support for sea country management projects.

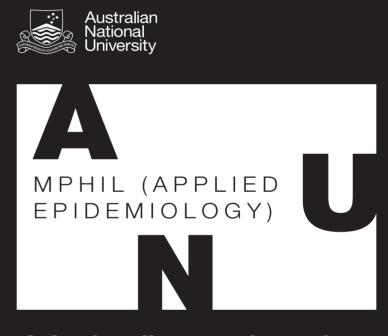
Grants of between \$5,000 and \$50,000 will be provided to successful applicants. Grants could be awarded to develop sea country plans, enhance management and technical skills, undertake research of traditional knowledge, map sea country or establish and maintain decision-making processes that are critical to the development and implementation of sea country management arrangements. Projects must be able to be completed by 30 June 2013 to be eligible for funding.

You will need to complete an application form to apply for a grant. Funding will be determined through a competitive process and successful applicants will be required to enter into a funding deed with the

The Sea Country Partnerships Grants Program is part of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority's implementation of the Caring for our Country Reef Rescue Land and Sea Country Indigenous Partnerships Program funded by the Australian Government

### **Applications will close 17 February 2012**

For further information please visit www.gbrmpa.gov.au to get a copy of the sea country grants guidelines and application form or, you can call the Indigenous Partnerships Group toll free on 1800 990 177 to find out more.



### Join the disease detectives

The National Centre for Epidemiology and Population Health at ANU are looking for scholars to undertake the Master of Philosophy (Applied Epidemiology) – a two-year 'learning by doing' research program in applied epidemiology.

The degree consists of four two-week residential teaching blocks in Canberra, on-line learning and a thesis fulfilling core competencies. During the course scholars will learn how to investigate public health events requiring rapid response, conduct public health surveillance and applied epidemiological studies and analyse public health data.

The scholar will be placed in a local, State, Territory or Federal health department, or a national centre, such as the National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance. The program is based on an award-winning curriculum and modelled on the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Epidemic Intelligence Service program.

Course fees for successful domestic applicants will be funded by the Commonwealth. Scholarships may

**Applications close Wednesday 30 November 2011** 

Information & Inquiries shps.hdr.sa@anu.edu.au

# Yulkuum Jerrang: Victorian Indigenous



Melbourne-based artist Georgia MacGuire, Minelle Creed, of Melbourne, and Melbourne-based photographer James Henry.



Matt Ryland and Derek Flucker, of RBY Projects, with general manager stakeholder relations at the Mines and Metals Group Troy Hey.



Marika Jackomos, of Melbourne, and Corlene Button, of Goulburn River.





Zoe Upton, from the Koorie Night Market, and Amanda Haddock, of Bnym Indigenous Designs.



Jamie Williamson, from the Victorian Department of Transport, and Sandy Hodge, of DEECD.



Deline Brisco performs.



Powell opens the conference.



Kutcha Edwards on stage.



Sam Walker Wilson and David Wilson, of Bnym Indigenous Designs in Morwell.



**Ginette Anile, from Aboriginal Affairs Victoria.** 

### **Economic Development Conference**



Carissa Romensky and Todd Condie, from the City of Port Phillip.



Laura Briggs, centre, with Victorian Aboriginal Education Association's Vera Briggs, left, and Wanda Wellington.

# Business in the spotlight



Leanne Edwards, from Lakes Entrance.



Cooking up a storm were Mark Olive, of Black Olive, and Charles Royal, of Kinaki Wild Herbs in New Zealand



PEOPLE from around the state were in Melbourne this month for

Yulkuum Jerrang: 3rd Victorian Indigenous Economic Development Conference.

The two-day conference is designed as a catalyst for improving economic opportunities for Indigenous Victorians. And that's exactly what it did, according to organisers from the Victorian Department of Business and Innovation.

"There was a lot of business going on," Esmai Manahan, the manager of Indigenous Economic Development at the department,

"It was a fantastic turnout and really beyond our expectations. There was plenty of business

talk and networking - this can only be good for Indigenous business.

Those attending heard from a range of national and international business experts, and were entertained by Dan Sultan, Constantina Bush and others at the gala dinner.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell, who opened the conference, welcomed the 200 local and international representatives and said the conference played an important role in sharing information, building stronger links and strengthening our resolve to work together.

"Coming together to share, network and learn can motivate change by inspiring people to do things differently to generate improved outcomes," she said.



Representing the DEEWR Indigenous Employment Program were Matt Nichols and Angie Martin.



Stephanie Rice, from the National Australia Bank, and David Williams, of Gilimba.



Conference organiser Esmai Manahan with Maryanne Sam, of Indigenous Arts Management.



Toni Ah-Sam, of SED Consulting, with conference MC Jodie Sizer, of Ingenuity Australia.



Beauty Point family Jason Brand, Duncan Grice, Shantelle Grice, Trescia Grice with Kade Thompsom and Vansessa Grice enjoyed the day at the cup. - Pictures: JILLIAN MUNDY

# A fun time for all generations



Kerry Mansell, Karen Stone, Leon Rigby and Douglas Greaves with daughter Paige, from various parts of northern Tasmania, took the opportunity to catch up with family at the cup.



Under 30s footy captain Danny Gardner delivers a pep talk.



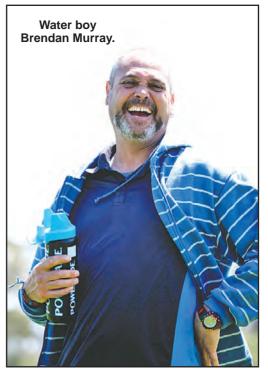
competitive spirit, but the focus was on fun at this year's Generation Cup sporting encounters at Rocherlea, near

THERE was a

Over 30s and under 30s Aboriginal teams clashed in netball, softball and Australian football matches.

Auskick also hosted a game for the children and there was a netball game for the children.

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Caitlin Smith (front) and Niara Mansell, both from Launceston, with their faces painted by 'Fancy Faces'.



Under 30s softball best and fairest Tiarna Brewer.



Wiradjuri man Stewart May, from Ulverstone, with his children Stephanie, Blake and Paul.

### **New talent to represent Stolen Generations**



Jim Morrison was re-elected as co-chair of the National Stolen Generations Alliance.

By TRACI WILLIAMS



THREE new members have peen elected to the National Stolen Generations Alliance (NSGA) at its recent Annual

Forum and AGM held at Ross River outside of Alice Springs in the Northern Territory.

Aboriginal co-chair Jim Morrison, who was re-elected unopposed, said the gathering heralded the arrival of new talent on the NSGA Executive.

"We now have a mix of longer standing delegates along with the election of three new faces which is another great step forward for this alliance," he said.

One of the two new Indigenous members is Stuart

Sutherland a Phd Research Fellow from the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies in Canberra who says he's pleased to have been elected to the committee

"I hope that people will put their faith in my experience and skills to work alongside other organisations in this area."

The other new Indigenous member, Jackie Baxter from the Central Australian Stolen Generations and Families Aboriginal Corporation, brings a wealth of experience to the committee from her current role. "I'm grateful to have the opportunity to hold the position of Treasurer and also the position of Convenor for the Justice Portfolio which is near and dear to my heart when it comes to

compensation and reparation issues for the stolen generations,"

The third new member, Hazel Martin from South Australia, is a lawyer with experience in Stolen Generations cases who has been elected as the non-Indigenous co-chair.

The forum participants also had the opportunity to discuss a number of pressing issues such as how to address ongoing delays in receiving government funding for 2011/12, which they believe has put the organisation under financial pressure.

Good news also came with the announcement at the forum that the NSGA's latest audit had revealed an unbroken record of sound financial management since the organisation's formation in February 2007.



Jackie Baxter, one of the newly elected executive members of the **National Stolen Generations** Alliance.

## Six Palm Island artists go south



From left, Maggie Blackley, Caroline Doyle, Aunty Mary Twaddle and Oni Kirwin.



**ELDER Aunty Mary Twaddle was** confident a trip by Palm Island artists to New South Wales and Canberra would open many doors for her people.

And with visits to galleries, museums, Parliament House and

more, she was right.

The 82-year-old was amongst six Indigenous women who left Townsville on 8 November for a 14-day Women's healing trip.

Joining Aunty Mary were Palm Island artists Sandra Clay, her daughter Noby Clay, Maggie Blackley, Caroline Doyle (nee Sibley) from Mackay, tour co-ordinator Oni Kirwin and, from last Friday, Palm artist Ranietta Lind.

Aunty Mary said a much-anticipated arts centre was likely to open on Palm Island next month and the tour would give artists from the north Queensland Aboriginal community some wonderful exposure.

"On the tour we'll be able to connect with many in other communities," Aunty Mary said.

"This will open doors for our artists."

Mrs Blackley said the tour was about promoting the artists' work.

"It is also to connect with other communities and to gain expressions of interest about the work

of our artists. It is good timing with the Arts Centre on Palm to open in December," she said.

Sandra Clay took with her numerous paintings with a theme of the Seven Sisters.

"I am one of seven sisters and also I have seven daughters," she

During the trip, the group has scheduled a guided tour of Parliament House, morning tea with



**Artists Noby Clay** and mum Sandra Clay leaving for Ćanberra.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, and visits to national art institutions and the Blue Mountains.

After church services, they were expected to travel to Goulburn, courtesy of South Hill Galleries, to conduct art workshops for TAFE students and exhibit their work for the local arts council. After that, they were to visit the NSW south coast community of Mogo and then travel to Sydney to watch a play at the Opera House, lunch overlooking Sydney Harbour and visit Taronga Park Zoo before heading home.

- By ALF WILSON

#### **Access Venture Partners**

Access Venture Partners is an investment firm with venture capital funds looking for investment partners with ideas and innovations that will develop bussiness that have potential for significant growth.

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#### SOUTH AUSTRALIAN **NAIDOC COMMITTEE 2012**

This is your chance to 'have a say' and it's a great way to contribute to SA NAIDOC events that will be held in 2012. The South Australian NAIDOC Committee extends an invitation to all interested Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to join a dynamic and creative team of current members to form a Committee for 2012. Several leadership positions including Chairperson will need to be filled.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who wish to contribute to events showcasing and celebrating our culture and survival will need to submit a written Expression of Interest (EOI) to:

Leeanne Bloomfield

**Executive Officer** 

South Australian NAIDOC Committee 2012 Aboriginal Affairs & Reconciliation Division Level 13, SAC, 200 Victoria Square GPO Box 2343 **ADELAIDE SA 5001** 

An EOI form can be downloaded from http://www.premcab.sa.gov.au/dpc/department\_aard.html Alternatively phone Leeanne Bloomfield on 8226 2234.

The closing date for submissions is Wednesday 30 November 2011.



#### Australian Government

#### **Department of Health and Ageing**

The Department of Health and Ageing is seeking applications for funding to build the capacity of the health and ageing sectors to deliver improved health and ageing outcomes. Organisations are invited to apply for funding under:

#### **Chronic Disease Prevention and Service Improvement Fund**

**REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/112/1112** 

Funding will be provided to organisations for activities which support targeted action related to chronic disease prevention and service improvement, particularly within the primary care and community sectors.

#### **Communicable Disease Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund** REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/120/1112

Funding will be provided to support activities that promote awareness and prevention of blood borne viruses (BBVs) and sexually transmissible infections (STIs) among Australians, and that promote appropriate treatments, education and management for BBVs and STIs.

#### **Health System Capacity Development Fund**

**REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/111/1112** 

Funding will be provided for activities which build the primary care evidence base, support population health improvements for key population groups including women's health, children's health and men's health, and/or provide assistance to health support organisations including consumer, rural, student, professional or other organisations.

#### Aged Care Service Improvement and Healthy Ageing Grants Fund **REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/095/1112**

Funding will be provided to support activities that promote healthy and active ageing, respond to existing and emerging challenges including dementia care, and better support those services targeting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

#### Substance Misuse Prevention and Service Improvement Grants Fund

**REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/115/1112** Funding will be provided to support prevention of substance misuse and to promote service improvement within the drug and alcohol related sectors

#### **Substance Misuse Service Delivery Grants Fund**

**REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/104/1112** 

Funding will be provided to the non-government drug and alcohol treatment sector to deliver quality, evidence-based services and build capacity to effectively identify and treat coinciding mental health illness and substance misuse.

#### Non-Government Organisation Treatment Grants Program (NGOTGP) **REFERENCE NUMBER: DOHA/106/1112**

Funding will be provided to the non-government drug and alcohol treatment sector to strengthen their capacity to increase the number of

The Substance Misuse Service Delivery Grants Fund and the NGOTGP applications will be assessed concurrently.

Organisations interested in applying for funding must address the assessment criteria in the format outlined in the Invitation to Apply and in accordance with the Fund Guidelines available by registering on the Department's Tenders and Grants internet site at www.health.gov.au/tenders

Applications for funding must be received by 2:00 pm (EDST) Friday, 23 December 2011.

Funding will be available for periods of up to three years, generally starting from July 2012.







NCAI President Jefferson Keel addresses the national conference, flanked on stage by the organisation's treasurer Ron Allen, Executive Director Jacqueline Johnson Pata, and First Vice president Juana Majel Dixon. Photo by Joseph Whittle/NCAI.

## Established Congress gives food for thought



KIRSTIE PARKER, who attended the NCAI's 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace in Portland, Oregon.

SAME, same...but different. So might have thought any Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person having the privilege to attend an annual national gathering of the oldest and largest tribal advocacy

organisation for Native Americans. And they'd be right.

The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) held its 68th Annual Convention and Marketplace in Portland, Oregon, from 30 October to 4 November. And it was a something of a study of what our own National Congress of Australia's First Peoples (NCAFP) might aspire

Established in 1944, the NCAI is regarded as the most representative American Indian and Alaska Native organisation in the United States.

Co-chair of the fledgling Australian representative body Jody Broun was due to speak at this year's convention but couldn't travel due to the Qantas industrial

Ms Broun's attendance would have reciprocated that of the NCAI's Executive Director Jacqueline Johnson Pata, who addressed the NCAFP's inaugural annual forum at

Homebush in Sydney in July.

Representatives of the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde community welcomed about 3000 leaders and other representatives from many of America's 565 federally recognised tribes.

Culture led the way, literally, with the convention opening with a tribal canoe landing on the banks of Portland's Willamette River, and a colourful procession through neighbouring streets to the city's convention centre.

Then, over six days, delegates caucused and debated, heard from politicians- from the White House down - lobbied and were lobbied back, and elected the NCAI's Executive Board and twelve area Vice Presidents.

Early on, delegates took time to remember those who came before them, including 'warrior woman' Eloise Cobell - a famous Blackfoot woman from Montana who died from cancer just two weeks earlier. Cobell and four

others successfully sued the US Government for mismanagement of the trust funds of more than half a million American Indians.

A record \$3.4 billion settlement was reached in December 2009, signed into law earlier this year and finally approved in June.

NCAI President Jefferson Keel, a Chickasaw man from Oklahoma, said he knew no-one who would deny the legacy Cobell had forged. Even with some ongoing controversy over aspects of the settlement, it was a 'remarkable achievement'.

"What Eloise Cobell did for Indian country and Indian people...she sacrificed so much for the settlement," President Keel said. "She inspired us in so many other ways, she will be greatly missed.'

Jody Broun had been scheduled to sit on an international panel discussing implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). But representatives from Canada, Nicaragua and New Zealand shared similar perspectives.

Myrna Cunningham Kain from Nicaragua said that while no country currently opposed the UNDRIP, 'there's a lot of difference between the recognition of rights and the implementation of rights'.

Roger Jones from the Canadian Assembly of First Nations (AFN) said implementation of the Declaration was 'a two-way street' and Indigenous people could only pursue its implementation if they first knew what their rights were.

Delegates learned that, later this year, the US will become the first UN member state to be assessed by UN Special Rapporteur on Indigenous Rights Professor James Anaya on its implementation of the rights enshrined in the historic document.

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### NCA 68th Annual Convention, Portland OREGON



#### From facing page

Also high on the convention agenda were preparations for the third White House Tribal Summit with President Barack Obama in Washington next month, mobilisation of the native vote for next year's US election, law and order on tribal lands (especially protection of native women), health, economic independence and Indian management of natural resources

There was also strategising on fending off threatened cuts to the national Indian affairs budget.

With the US economy in serious decline, some cashed-up Indian tribes with serious financial muscle are looking to increase their political influence. In 2008, Indian tribes with casinos on their lands many of whom were crippled by poverty just 20-30 years ago - reported a collective income of \$28 billion. Education, cultural and otherwise, was also discussed - especially in relation to Indian youth. The 2010 US national census recorded 5.2 million American Indians and Alaskan Natives, 1.7 million of whom - or just under 32 per cent - were aged 18 years or less.

An assembly for native youth formed part of the convention, as well as a women's caucus where delegates discussed healing, language preservation, discrimination, domestic violence, economic development, women in business, and health issues including the impacts of foetal alcohol syndrome in native communities.

The elections for the NCAI positions of President, First Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer exhibited some high level razzmatazz, compared to the much lower key approach taken in Australia to date.

Candidates handed out flashing campaign buttons and gave rousing but strictly-timed speeches from the main stage on their personal vision for the future of Indian country.

Ultimately Jefferson Keel was re-elected President, Juana Majel Dixon from the Pauma Band of Mission Indians was re-elected as First Vice President, Edward Thomas from the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska was elected Recording Secretary, and Ron Allen from the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe was re-elected as Treasurer.

It was all pretty serious business, as might be gleaned from the NCAI's membership fees structure. Dues are calculated based upon the annual income of member tribes, ranging from \$110 per year for those with an income from nil to \$500,000 to \$25,000 per year for those with an income of \$30 million or over.

"If your revenue exceeds \$60 million, please consider increasing your dues as a contribution to the NCAI," said a sign near the registration desk. Indeed, one wealthy tribe announced during the convention that it would be donating \$100,000 to the



An Indian craftsman on his stall of traditional beadwork at the convention's marketplace. Photo by Joseph Whittle/NCAI.



Chickasaw man Jefferson Keel was re-elected the NCAI's President.

organisation. Clearly, there are some differences between us and our American native brothers and sisters.

It could be argued that they're further down the road than us in terms of economic independence. Unlike Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in ours, they're already explicitly mentioned in their nation's founding document, the US Constitution. Nevertheless, many consider Native Americans to be less visible in their national political and media landscape



NCAI Executive Director Jacqueline Johnson Pata addresses delegates.

than we are here.

But many things still resonate with the Australian Indigenous experience.

American Indians and Alaska Natives are this month celebrating Heritage Month, a kind of extended version of Indigenous Australia's NAIDOC Week.

And, when all was said and done,

business at the convention revolved around sovereignty, politics, progress, health and wellbeing, culture and kin...same, same, but different.

 See Pages 40-41 for some of the cultural aspects of the NCAI's gathering in Portland, and our next edition for more.





Tables in the foyer were heavily laden with pamphlets, posters and stickers for the election of the NCAI Executive Board.

## NCA 68th Annual Convention, Portland OREGON







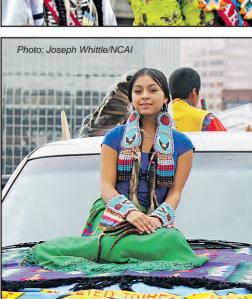


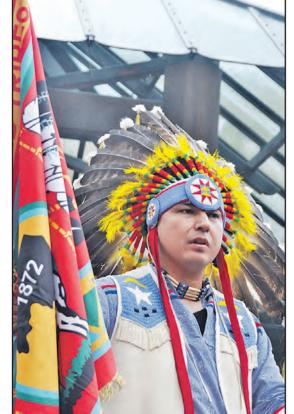
















# Cultures on show



#### By KIRSTIE PARKER

ND cultures in many glorious forms. Amidst the formal business of the NCAI's 68th annual national gathering in Portland, Oregon, were the traditions, history, ingenuity, style and even humour of the nation's native tribes.

It began with a tribal canoe landing, followed by a street procession by walkers who donned a mix of traditional garb and street wear. Prominent amongst them were drummers, and native veterans carrying American flags and others with tribal designs.

Horsemen and women resplendent in fringing and beaded and feathered headdresses led the way to the city's convention centre where the Chairwoman of Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde Community Cheryl Kennedy welcomed delegates to Oregon.

"Let's let the City of Portland and Oregonians know that we as Native Americans are here to stay and that we will move forward into the future," Ms

Kennedy said. And to the young people there: "Know that you will be the ones that carry on for us. We have high hopes and we know that you have in your heart, your mind and your blood the will to carry on into the future."

Throughout the convention, a big marketplace featured information stalls and others where craftspeople and artists sold traditionally-inspired and contemporary wares, from beaten silver bangles, dream catchers and blankets to t-shirts bearing cheeky slogans such as 'Indian Homeland Security: Fighting terrorism since 1491'

Activities during lunch breaks included a fashion parade by Native American designers and a 'comedy jam'. But by far the biggest audience was for the Cultural Night where the songs and dances of different tribal groups easily conquered the huge auditorium. Swirling around a full-sized teepee and a canoe, young and old performers glowed with pride as hundreds of guests applauded with enthusiasm.











An outfit by Indian designer Sho Sho Esquiro.



Designer Bunky Echo-Hawk, who collaborated with sportswear giant Nike on its N7 holiday collection, featuring native designs and made from recycled materials.



Fashions from the Pendleton Woolen Mills, a 103-year-old company famous for its jacquard fabrics.



The Goldfields Land and Sea Council (GLSC) is the recognised Native Title Representative Body for the Goldfields Esperance Region of Western Australia. Pursuant to its functions the GLSC gives notice of the following meeting:

#### **Native Title Determination Application Lake Darlot area New Claim Authorisation Meeting**

WHEN: 8 December 2011 WHERE: Leonora Recreation Centre TIME: 10.00 am

#### This invitation is to all of the descendants of:

- Talpa also known as Telpha Ashwin
- Kirku also known as Tommy Geigo
- Murukali also known as Mary Ann
- Ngurnti as known as Snowy Hill
- Thampula also known as Jumbo Harris
- Narangkatu
- Tjuttjaru also known as Annie Green
- Kanturanghu also known as Frank Narrier
- Panapukuti also known as Sandy Billy
- Wubi also known as Ruby Shav
- Natha also known as Jack Scadden
- Koyin
- **Patjari**
- Nungkupayi also known as Andy Fisher
- Maraputa also known as Jenny Jones
- Kuila also known as Yumit

**Note:** The word 'descendants' means those persons who are the biological descendants of the named ancestors, or who are adopted in accordance with traditional laws and customs, regardless of whether the child has been formally adopted under the non-Aboriginal legal system.

#### Decisions may be made at this meeting about:

- Authorising a new native title claim in the Lake Darlot area as shown on the map
- Authorising the people who will together be the Applicant; and
- Other associated business.



Proposed claim over Lake Darlot area (indicative only)

THIS IS A MEETING WHERE IMPORTANT DECISIONS WILL BE MADE AFFECTING YOUR NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS. YOUR PRESENCE AT THIS MEETING IS REQUIRED IF YOU ARE A DESCENDANT OF ONE OF THE ABOVE PERSONS AND YOU ASSERT NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS IN THE ABOVE AREA.

The GLSC will pay a motor vehicle allowance (one driver per car) for travel within the GLSC region for people attending the meeting who have travelled from outside Leonora. The driver will need to produce his or her license and registration number to claim travel payments. A GLSC Project Officer will be at the meeting to process reimbursements and may request to view the vehicle. The GLSC can reimburse people either into their bank accounts or by cheque, which can be collected from the GLSC's Kalgoorlie office after the meeting. No additional travel allowance will be paid.

Please contact Brian Champion at the Kalgoorlie Office of the GLSC on (08) 9091 1661 or 1800 681 661 if you have any questions about travel. Please contact Andre Maynard at the Perth office on (08) 9263 8700 if you have any questions about the

## Taronga to get a RAP



**TARONGA** and Taronga Western Plains Zoos are to get a Reconcil-

iation Action Plan (RAP).

Taronga Conservation Society Australia director Cameron Kerr said Taronga acknowledged the contribution Indigenous people made in developing a strong connection and respect for Australian animals, the principles of sustainability and conservation.

"This is the next logical development on the programs we already have in place, including the award-winning Burbangana Zoo Awareness

program and its sister program, Walanmarra at Taronga Western Plains Zoo to develop a RAP," he said.

"This will enable us to continue to build and enhance cultural appreciation among our staff and visitors.'

#### Ready next May

The TCSA plan is scheduled to be in place in May next year following development by a working group of Indigenous and other staff who will consult with zoo workers and others outside the zoo with special expertise.

The zoos operate Aboriginal wildlife programs through their education centres and the Zoomobile Outreach program.

They have just employed six Aboriginal discovery hosts in addition to three co-ordinators in the Burbangana and Walanmarra ('Make me strong now' in Wiradiuri language) programs.

The Burbangana Program was one of just seven winners in the 2011 Australian Crime and Violence Prevention Awards (ACVPA) announced on 25 October at Parliament House in Canberra.

Burbangana, which means Take my hand and help me up' works with young people 11 to 17-years-old to increase the sense of belonging, connection to culture, trust and improved self-esteem and achievement.



Aboriginal Discovery hosts Lowanna Moran, Chanai Tuckey, Athena Mumbulla, Sonny Anderson and Maiquilla Brown with Aboriginal project officer Nardi Simpson (centre).

### Woman, 44, jailed for petrol dousing death



A VICTORIAN woman who poured petrol over a man who had touched her breasts, causing him to catch fire and die from his burns, has been jailed for seven years.

rt. 50. was seen by people touching the breasts of Kerry Anne McNiven while she was passed out in November

A week later, after drinking alcohol, McNiven, 44, stood behind Mr Stewart on the banks of the Ovens River in Wangaratta and poured fuel over

He caught fire and died from burns in a Melbourne hospital several weeks later.

McNiven, of Wangaratta, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in August.

Sentencing McNiven last Tuesday, Victorian Supreme Court Justice Lex Lasry said it remained unclear how Mr Stewart caught fire and the crime of manslaughter was based on McNiven's act of pouring petrol on Mr Stewart.

"I think that you were very upset by what you had been told Gary had done to you the week before his death," Justice Lasry said.

"It is also obvious that you and Gary had both drunk a lot of alcohol during the day this

The offence of manslaughter is a very serious offence and all people, including Aboriginal people, must understand that if they do things like this and cause someone's death, there is going to be serious punishment."

McNiven had a troubled and abusive background, Justice Lasry said.

"Much of your life, and that of Gary Stewart, has been affected by the regular heavy drinking," he said.

"This terrible incident occurred partly because of that.

"As I have been told and as is obvious, alcohol has caused a great deal of harm in Aboriginal communities, and it has had a very bad effect on you."

Justice Lasry noted McNiven had apologised to the family of Mr Stewart, a man she had been friends with for ten years.

He jailed McNiven for seven years with a non-parole period of four years.

McNiven has already served nearly two years in custody. - AAP

### Call for more Aboriginal child protection workers



WESTERN Australia's Department for Child Protection has launched a nationwide recruitment campaign in a bid to attract more Aboriginal workers into child protection jobs.

As part of its Aboriginal Employment and Learning Strategy, the department is seeking to raise awareness about many

career options open in many parts of the State.

Director-General Terry Murphy said 45 per cent of the department's clients were Aboriginal people across WA, but there was a shortage of Aboriginal employees.

"Currently, just over ten per cent of our entire workforce is Aboriginal and our aim is to increase that to closer to 20 per cent by 2014," Mr Murphy said.

The campaign is being promoted in Western Australia, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and the Northern

"DCP prides itself on being a learning organisation and offers a wide range of career paths in both Perth and in our amazing regional areas of WA," Mr Murphy said.

"In some parts of the State, 100 per

cent of our clients are Aboriginal and this strategy aims to improve the number of Aboriginal staff across the Department."

 To sign up to the DCP's Aboriginal Recruitment Register visit www.dcp.wa.gov.au. Or call 1800 622

 To view current job vacancies visit www.jobswa.gov.au and search 'child protection'.

## Peak body meets

#### By TRACI WILLIAMS



IT'S the time of the year when Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people working in media organisations across Australia get

The 2011 annual general meeting and conference of the Australian **Indigenous Communications Association** (AICA) was held in Sydney at the beginning of the month and attracted delegates from throughout the country.

They came representing urban, regional and remote organisations, from cities like Melbourne and Brisbane and as far a field as Port Hedland, in Western Australia's Pilbara region.

AICA is the peak elected representative body for Indigenous media in Australia, and formulates and advocates policy for its members who come from urban, rural and remote locations and work in print, online, radio, film, video and television.

This year's conference featured a presentation on the latest work of the National Indigenous Television (NITV) Service, along with briefings on the Indigenous Weather Program and an update on the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

As a consequence of some issues surrounding the AGM vote for a new board, another vote will be required by members and the new board will be announced at a later date.

Check out AICA's Indigenous Broadcasters Toolkit which is designed to help Indigenous broadcasters to meet their corporate government, legislative and financial responsibilities at www.aicainc.org.au



Bukola Esin, from Puranyangu-Rangka Kerrem (PRK) Radio Halls Creek, WA, Stuart Nelson, and Donna Casey, from Ngaanyatjarra Media, NT.



Ralph Anderson, from Midwest Aboriginal Media Association, Daniel Kielly from Radio 4US in Rockhampton, Jackie Tim from TBA BBN in Cairns, Brett Leavy, from the National Indigenous Radio Service in Brisbane, and Joan Foley, from Port Hedland Community Radio in WA.



Isaac Raymond, from Bumma Bipera Media in Cairns, Karen Scott, from Brisbane Indigenous Media Association (BIMA), and Daniel Kielly, from Radio 4US in Rockhampton.



Jody Beeton and Gilla McGuinness, from Radio 3CR, Melbourne, with BIMA's CEO Tiga Bayles.



Ralph Saunders, from Taree, and Belinda Miller, from NITV.



From NITV, chairman Ken Reys, head of production Susan Moylan-Coombes, and director of content Tanya Denning.

## KARI crew kick up their heels



THE 2011 KARI Annual Gala Dinner Dance was held recently at the Liverpool Catholic

Club, giving the Aboriginal community of southwestern Sydney a chance to kick up their heels on the dance floor.

Organisers said the dinner was a great success, attracting about 500 guests, and enabled the resource organisation and the community to celebrate all the hard work and great achievements of the past

Roy Ah-See was the MC and

entertainment was provided by Aboriginal artists, including Blake Ralph, dance troupe Yulu-Gi Company and local talent Miss Sarah Bertram, as well as three young girls from the KARI 2011 Vocal Identification Program.

KARI Community Partnerships co-ordinator Kikki Tagaroulias said the evening celebrated Aboriginal pride and culture.

She said KARI provided child protection services and community capacity building programs to the Aboriginal community of southwest Sydney, and had been active in the local area since 1999.



Amanda Roa, Kylie May Natividad, Narelle Curry, Wendy Chapman, Amie and Tamar Aukistino on the dancefloor at the KARI Gala Dinner.



Dorothy Simon, Glenda Simon, Ashley Frost and Angie Simon.



Callantha and Daniel Brigham.



Brett Ashby, Paul Ralph (CEO) and Anthony Ashby (Board Member).



Fikriye Salih, Kim Prescott and Julie Harris.



Casey Walpole and Cheryl Ralph.



Meagan Denzil and Stephanie Ruston.



Danny and Lana Thorne.

### Fremantle gets ready for the Wardarnji Festival



Festival, which celebrates Noongar culture with dancing, music, food, stalls, crafts and exhibitions, will be

happening next Saturday 26 November from 12 to 5pm at the Fremantle Arts Centre. It is one of the major free events that form part of the Femantle Festival.

Winner of Broadcaster of the Year at the 2011 Deadly Awards, Karla Hart from 100.9FM Noongar Radio in Perth, is the Wardarnji co-ordinator, and she is passionate about sharing her culture and teaching.

As well as broadcasting, Hart is involved in a women's dance

group and says she wants everyone who comes along to learn about the culture, celebrate and become part of it.

Karla is planning a lot more traditional dance, more Indigenous food, local dreamtime stories and contemporary Indigenous music incorporating the didgeridoo.

"I would like people to come

and realise it's not just ours, but all of Australia's culture," she said. "We want people to own Indigenous culture and feel Australian. We want them to participate in the healing ceremony and let their troubles go away and dance and feel the connection to the ground and country - anyone can feel that if they commit to it."

Performers at this year's event include Ngaire Pigram, and bands Warangka, Jonny Ford and the Balja Boys and Della and Friends.

There will be traditional dance lessons, performance and competitions, boomerang and spear carving and a giant water slide. There will also be stalls from Deadly Divas Clothing and Honey Webb Arts and Crafts.



Dr Sarah McEwan with her Newcastle University 2011 Indigenous Alumni Award.

# Doctor scores award



ABORIGINAL doctor Sarah McEwan has added another string to an already impressive bow, recently being awarded

2011 Indigenous Alumni Award for her alma mater Newcastle University.

The 29-year-old Wiradjuri woman currently works as a district medical officer in the emergency department and also in the maternity unit at Hedland Health Campus in Western Australia's Pilbara region.

She was nominated in not just one, but two categories – both the Young Alumni award for graduates less than 35 years and also for the Indigenous Alumni Award.

Acknowledging Newcastle University for its support and part in her success Dr McEwan said she was humbled to receive the latter, drawn from a strong field of finalists.

The annual alumni awards ceremony last month saw more than 300 ex-graduates from the University of Newcastle congregate to celebrate the achievements of graduates from across

all disciplines in their post graduation successes

Dr McEwan has achieved many outstanding accolades in her short career, being named the National Rural Faculty Rural Registrar of the year by the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners in 2009, and the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine Registrar of the Year in 2010.

Her zest for continued learning and skill acquisition is evidenced by the numerous post-graduate qualifications she holds and her current enrolment in a Masters of Clinical Education with her desire to undertake PhD studies.

Dr McEwan's work as a teacher in the higher education sector and as a mentor in the John Flynn Scholarship Mentoring Program has served to encourage medical students to consider a career path in rural health, and she has published extensively on Indigenous health, rural and remote medicine and medical journalism.

She recently appeared as a judge on ABCs popular The New Inventors program.

### Paula Arnol named new AMSANT chair



Medical Services Alliance Northern rerritory has a new chairperson -Paula Arnol. Ms Arnol is the chief

executive officer of the Danila Dilba Health Service in Darwin.

She was elected unanimously at the recent annual general meeting of AMSANT, replacing outgoing chair Stephanie Bell.

AMSANT chief executive John Paterson said Ms Arnol faced the hardest job in Aboriginal health in the Territory, 'representing our diverse membership from urban centres to some of the most remote health services in the nation'.

"It involves lobbying and advocacy work locally as well as nationally, and involves a high level of commitment on top of her work at Danila Dilba," Mr Paterson said.

Ms Arnol said that taking on the role of chairing AMSANT was both a challenge and opportunity to advance the Aboriginal community controlled primary health sector in the NT.

"As well as strengthening our partnerships with the Territory and Australian governments, it will be our critical task to consolidate the increased resources that have come to Aboriginal Comprehensive Primary Health Care through the Northern Territory Emergency Response," she

said. "That means working to make the Stronger Futures project one that will involve Aboriginal Territorians in achieving real change that is holistic, and not scattered between different programs, many of which have a low or non-existent evidence base.

"It will also involve working with other key Aboriginal peak organisations in the Territory and nationally

"I will be able to rely on a strong board drawn from across the Territory to guide and support me.

'My heartfelt thanks must go to Stephanie Bell for giving us strong and wise leadership in chairing AMSANT over the last three years."

## Hip Hop follows Hep C workshop



A LIVE concert by Aboriginal hip hop group The Last Kinection will follow a two-day hepatitis C

workshop in western Sydney early next month.

The workshops, run through the Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council in conjunction with NSW Health, aim to raise awareness and to reduce shame and stigma associated with hepatitis C, which affects the liver.

Regional Aboriginal hepatitis C service access co-ordinator for western Sydney Carol Muthunesan is seeking participants for the workshop.

"My role is to identify participants from various local organisations that work with Aboriginal people, then to invite them to become involved in the planning and implementation of the workshops, and to recruit participation," she said.

This is a great opportunity for the Aboriginal organisations and community representatives to come together to talk about Hep C and to explore, gain knowledge, challenge shame and stigma and improve Aboriginal people's access to appropriate services and information."

The Last Kinection concert will be held at the Emerton Leisure Centre in Blacktown. The workshops will be on 5-6 December at Marrin-Weejali Aboriginal Corporation, Blackett, with the concert on 7 December at 1pm.

For more details or to take part (it's free), call Carol Muthunesan on 0409 626 711 or email Carol.Muthunesan@swahs.health. nsw.gov.au

## New service at Bega



A NEW drug and alcohol service for Aboriginal people and their families in the Bega region has opened to much celebration by the local

community.

About 100 people, including members of the Aboriginal community, service providers, local dignitaries and funders gathered at Littleton Park, Bega, to hear the Stiff Gins perform songs from their latest CD and watch the Gulaga Dancers perform at the opening of the Wandarna Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Service.

"It has been hard for us to get drug and

alcohol services for our young people. We need be setting a better example in the community, and this new drug and alcohol service will help", said Uncle Joe Mundy, who gave the Welcome to Country.

Named after Wandarna, a climbing vine native to the south coast with delicious fruit (also known as the appleberry), the service operates under the auspices of the Lyndon Community and is funded by the Dept of Health and

"The Lyndon Community is delighted to be able to establish this service. Lyndon will be working closely with the Aboriginal community and its organisations to

ensure that the service is a success", said Peter Veenstra, Chair of the Lyndon Community.

The service provides outreach drug and alcohol services to Aboriginal people and their families in Bega, Eden and Wallaga Lake.

#### Range of services

Four of Wandarna's five staff are Aboriginal and together they deliver counselling, case management, referral, advocacy, transport, support, group and community events and education programs.

The Federal Member for Eden Monaro,

Mike Kelly, opened the centre.

"The Commonwealth Government has a long commitment to supporting Aboriginal health services in the south coast region. In February this year the Government committed a further \$700,000 a year to provide drug and alcohol services and support to Aboriginal communities on the south coast," he

Aboriginal people and their families wishing to access the service can drop in to the Wandarna office, meet the outreach workers at their regular days in Bega, Eden or Wallaga Lake or call Wandarna on (02) 6492 0011.



Gulaga Dancers from Wallaga Lake performing, with Warren Foster on clapsticks, watched by Master of Ceremonies Uncle Lou Davis, from Merrimans Local Aboriginal Land Council, didgeridoo player Loius Campbell, representing Bega Local Aboriginal Land Council, and Uncle Joe Mundy (Welcome to Country on behalf of Bega Local Aboriginal Land Council).

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Front, from left, Amelia Huddleston, Patricia O'Donaghue, Filomeno Joao da Dilva, Crispin da Costa Araujo, Gloria Dalywater, Joao Bosco da Costa, Albertina Maria Domingus Belo. Back, from left, Priscilla Martin, Emily Mooka, Maria Bower and Expedito Belo.

## Skills sharpened



**INDIGENOUS** health and nutrition workers met with nutritionists from Timor Leste recently for a training course aimed at improving the health of their communities.

The course was an opportunity for both groups to share their stories and learn new skills from each other that will help them work towards a common goal to improve the health of women and children in Territory communities and Timor Leste.

Organised by the Menzies School of Health Research in Darwin, the nutritionists took part in a

four-module course designed by Menzies.

Nutrition team leader for the Women's and Children's Hub at Menzies, Heather Grieve, said the students focussed on improving the health of women and children during pregnancy, lactation and early childhood development.

"This includes developing locally appropriate programs to improve nutrition practices such as breast feeding, complementary feeding and micro-nutrient intakes.

"The course was an opportunity for both groups to share their stories and learn new skills from each other that will help them work towards a common goal to improve the health of women and children in Territory communities and Timor Leste," she said.

The Fred Hollows Foundation and AusAID supported the program.

Menzies director Professor Jonathan Carapetis said the course was part of a health and nutrition program funded by AusAID, through the Australian Leadership Award Fellowship scheme (ALAF).

"We are working with the Timor Leste Ministry of Health to provide a program that includes training in infant and child nutrition, visits to Indigenous communities and placements in Northern Territory hospitals," Prof



LEFT: Amelia Huddleston, **Gloria** Dalywater, Filomeno Joao da Silva and Joao Bosco da Costa matching the key health messages to the age timeline of a child at the health and nutrition course conducted by the Menzies School of Health Research.

## Jobs promised



**TWELVE Indigenous** Australians in Caboolture, Queensland, will get jobs and training in the health sector with the assistance of the **Australian Government's Indigenous Employment** 

**Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Minister Mark Arbib and** Queensland Senator Mark Furner said the participants would complete a Certificate IV in Indigenous Health Services and move into employment with Murri Health Group

"This project, which runs for 17 months, allows Indigenous Australians to undertake qualifications needed in the health industry and gain employment at an Indigenous health facility," Senator Furner said.

"Participants will also receive mentoring and support which will help prepare them for jobs."

Senator Arbib said the Australian Government was supporting the project with \$188,000 from the Indigenous **Employment Program.** 

"The project involves collaboration between Indigenous community organisations to provide a holistic approach to supporting Indigenous Australians to gain training and employment within the health sector," he said.

"Murri Health Group Ltd is partnering with the Government to provide this job and training program.

"It is critical that Indigenous Australians have the support and training they needed to take up employment opportunities."

Senator Arbib said the Australian Government had committed almost \$650 million to the IEP over the next four years as part of its target to create more than 100,000 jobs for Indigenous Australians by



#### **NSW Health 2012 Aboriginal Health Awards** Nominations now open

Closing date 16 December 2011

The Centre for Aboriginal Health, Ministry of Health, is pleased to advise that nominations for the NSW Health 2012 Aboriginal Health Awards are now open.

The Awards were established in 2004 and celebrate the success and achievements of individuals, teams and communities dedicated to delivering high quality care and improving health outcomes of Aboriginal people throughout NSW.

The next Awards ceremony will take place on the evening of 'Close the Gap' day, 22 March 2012, and will recognise the achievements of health services and individuals who improve Aboriginal health outcomes throughout different life stages.

Nominations are invited from Individuals, Local Health Districts, Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services/Aboriginal Medical Services and Non-Government Organisations delivering health services to Aboriginal people living in NSW.

Health Support Services is co-ordinating the awards, including the nomination process. An information and nomination pack with instructions for nominating can be viewed at: http://www.hssevents.health.nsw.gov.au/awards-expo/aha

Further enquiries should be addressed to:

Melissa Watson

A/ Manager Events Services Health Support Services

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Nominations must be received by C.O.B. on 16 December 2011

#### **Education – Yalari Walk**



# Students get taste of history

Story by TRACI WILLIAMS Photos by MATT PLANT



MOST young high school students would think twice about giving up a week of their school holidays, but not a special group of 37 young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students

on Yalari scholarships from schools across the country.

Last month, the group came together to spend their holiday break walking the same path of Aboriginal people who were forcibly relocated to Queensland's Cherbourg Mission in 1904 and along the way, learned more about the hardship endured by Aboriginal people of that era.

For 16-year-old Shauna, originally from Murgon and now a boarder at the Glennie School in Toowoomba, despite being footsore at the end of the five days, the walk gave her an insight into what the original Cherbourg residents faced when they hiked 148 kilometres from Woodford more than 100 years ago.

"In those days, people didn't have the advantages we have, you know, like water. We have roads, they just had bush. They would go hunting and stuff," she said.

#### Scholarships offered

The commemorative walk was organised by Yalari, an organisation that was established by Cherbourg Aboriginal man Waverley Stanley in 2005 to offer Indigenous children from regional, rural and remote communities and towns across Australia the opportunity for a first-class secondary education through scholarships.

Yalari staff, volunteers and members of the 9RQR Army Reserve supported the students on their five-day, 102-km trek, which saw the students lend a hand with everything from helping prepare meals to pitching tents at bush campsites each night.

Any blisters or sore feet were ably attended to

by an army nurse. But it wasn't all hard work. There was time for fun and games in the form of group exercises and karaoke and two puppies that came along for the walk kept the group entertained.

Private Luke Goodwin, who recently returned from eight months duty in East Timor, said it was one of his best experiences serving as an Army

"Instead of just being the hard face of the Army, it's something different – to come out with these kids, who have a good sense of humour, quick wit, fun loving - it's really, really cool," he

Mr Stanley said the purpose of the walk was for the children to understand the lessons learned by his great, great grandmother and those who established the Cherbourg community.

These young people have to attend five or six years at boarding school and this walk is hard work too," he said.

"The lessons they learn can help shape their lives now and after boarding school. With this journey they have gone through, a lot of hardships with blisters from walking on roa mountains and down valleys, so it epitomises just what life is about."

At the end of the walk, the students received a warm welcome from local Cherbourg community members. Local Elder, Aunty Ada Simpson, said the opportunities Yalari offered were changing the lives of Aboriginal children.

"I commend Waverley. No one did that before - look out for our young children who aspire to further education. Aunty Ada said.

"Education is freedom, freedom from being locked away in places like this."

For the students, there was a real sense of understanding of what their Aboriginal ancestors went through.

Said Shauna: "I would love to do it again, but I'd do it longer next time!"

 For more information about Yalari, visit www.yalari.org

ABOVE: Yalari students and supporters at the starting line.



A group of the students trek up a hill.







Waverley Stanley with Reggie, from Halls Creek, WA, Marley, from Launceston, Tasmania, Jacob from Darwin, NT, and Dylan, from Glenn Innes, NSW.

#### **Education – Yalari Walk**



- **Private Luke** Goodwin with Shauna and Kashaunica, from Murgon, Emma, from Eidsvold, Qld, Akaysha, from Maningrida, NT, and Allira, from Glen Innes, NSW.
- RIGHT: "It's that way," says Yalari founder Waverley Stanley, as he gives directions to the group.





A nurse treats Kashaunica's sore feet.



At Cherbourg, Aunty Ada Simpson, Aunty **Grace Bond and Grace Stanley, Waverley** Stanley's mother.



- journey's end heading into Cherbourg after five days on the road.
- LEFT: There was even time for karaoke – a favourite with the students.
- BELOW LEFT: Akaysha, from Maningrida, NT, and Syranna, from Armidale, NSW, getting prepped for the walk with some stretches.
- BELOW: Everyone pitched in with helping to prepare lunch







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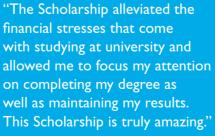
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Mathew Lillyst, 2010 scholarship recipient



## Students engaged in maths program



**QUEENSLAND** University of Technology (QUT) says its researchers are revolutionising the way maths is taught to Indigenous students

and those from low socio-economic status (SES) schools.

The institution says the Teaching Indigenous Maths Education (TIME) program, developed by researchers at QUT's YuMi Deadly Centre, has resulted in some significant improvements in students' maths ability in schools where it has been trialled over the past two years.

Funded by the Qld Department of Education and Training, the program aims to bridge the gap between Indigenous and other students, and students from higher socio-economic backgrounds and those from lower ones.

#### To be extended

The focus of the program has been on Prep to Year Seven so far, but will extend to secondary schools

next year. Fifty schools across Queensland are involved in the project.

TIME leader Dr Grace Sarra said trials conducted in Years P-7 had been successful.

"Because TIME teaches mathematics using real world ideas and examples, students are much more engaged, particularly those who had previously been very disengaged during maths classes," she said.

"An attentive class in which students are keen to learn is an ideal teaching and learning environment, and YuMi Deadly Maths (YDM) appears to foster this positive environment.

"TIME makes mathematics relevant to students, it takes it out of the textbook and makes it applicable to everyday activities such as shopping and sports."

Program manager Paul Walker said the program also allowed teachers to develop their own teaching plans.

He said a secondary teacher who attended the Years 4-7 training had trialled the TIME approach in Year Nine algebra classes and the overall standard of algebra in all classes improved, some quite dramatically.

"We've seen students in these classes gaining A-level results in algebra for the first time," Mr Walker

"This is a fantastic result for these students. We've also seen E-level results eliminated - an equally significant result for the students concerned.

"Before the TIME trial, most of the 173 students across nine classes were ranked in D level for algebra. After the trial, the majority gained Cs with big increases in the number of B-grade students."

Dr Sarra said the program benefitted students and teachers.



Dr GRACE SARRA

## Diploma milestone for AILC



THE Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) has succeeded in gaining approval for the most advanced formal qualification in Indigenous

Leadership in Australia.

The Indigenous-controlled organisation will begin teaching its Advanced Diploma of Indigenous Leadership course next year.

The new qualification, developed over seven years with the support of BHP-Billiton and recently accredited by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA), will provide extensive skills in management,

leadership, strategic planning, project management and policy development, as well as intensive study of Indigenous culture and knowledge.

"Our graduates have been begging for this diploma for years now, because they realise the power of Indigenous leadership training, and they want to develop their skills and opportunities further," said AILC chair Dr Tom Calma.

"This is the highest qualification in Indigenous Leadership ever developed in Australia and it is set to make a tremendous impact on leadership across the country.

'The AILC is Australia's only national

provider of accredited Indigenous leadership training and over the past ten years, we've graduated more than 1000 leaders, who are now getting a chance to fulfill their potential with the help of an AILC qualification.'

#### Challenge

AILC director Jason Mifsud said the challenge was now to find supporters who would provide the resources to turn this course into a spectacular success.

"This new level of insight into Indigenous culture, blended with leadership practices will make a major contribution to delivering

a new generation of Indigenous leaders for Australia," he said.

"We now need corporate Australia and all levels of government to turn this diploma into a cornerstone of Indigenous community

Students will undertake five week-long residential courses, complete a range of work in their own time and complete a workplace or community project as part of their course.

Students who graduate from the new course are expected to get extensive credit towards a Bachelor's degree in a related

## Academics converge for forum, awards



SOME of the brightest Indigenous academic minds came together in Canberra this

month at a forum and awards ceremony to celebrate Indigenous participation in higher education.

The Indigenous Higher **Education Advisory Council** (IHEAC) hosted a forum of Indigenous PhD holders at the Australian National University (ANU) to explore student experiences in gaining doctorates, research training and research careers.

Participants shared ideas on how to improve university access and participation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"The forum provides an exciting opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander PhD holders, a unique group who have experienced the entire higher education system from start to finish, to share their experiences and help inform the Government's Review of Higher **Education Access and** Outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People," said Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Minister Kim Carr.

#### Recognised

At a dinner hosted by IHEAC, eight Indigenous people employed at the nation's tertiary institutions were also recognised with a financial kick-start to their academic careers with the announcement of the annual Indigenous Staff scholarships valued at up to \$38,000. The group will benefit from the scholarship's professional development opportunities and

- Ann-Maree Hammond, from the University of Southern Queensland;
- Luke Halvorsen, from the Wollotuka Institute, University



University of Canberra student Wayne Applebee receives his Indigenous Staff Scholarship from Federal Member for Fraser, Dr Andrew Leigh. Picture: Coast, ANU College of Law

of Newcastle;

 Catherine Taylor and Wayne Applebee, from the University of Canberra;

James Charles and Elizabeth Cameron, from the University of Newcastle;

 Cheree Dean, from Charles Sturt University Jonelle Green, from La

Trobe University. Older Indigenous Australians

who have made an outstanding contribution to the higher education of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were also recognised at the IHEAC dinner. Professor Steve Larkin, Chair of the Indigenous Higher Education Advisory Council presented the 2011 awards to:

Aunty Ruth Hegarty, from the Australian Catholic

University;

Aunty Rosmund Miriam Graham, from Griffith University;

 Aunty Joan Vickery, from Monash University and

University of Melbourne; and Ms Rose Guvwanga and Reverend Doctor Dinyini Gondarra, from Charles Darwin University.

Waymamba Gaykamangu, a retired lecturer from Charles

Darwin University, was presented with the 2010 Elders award. Outcomes of the IHEAC PhD forum will help inform the Australian Government's Review of Higher Education Access and Outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The review panel, chaired by Professor Larissa Behrendt, is due to report in early 2012.

## Don't sit around, students told



'DON'T sit around waiting for things to happen, go out and get what you want'.

That was the message that Ralph Norris, the retiring chief executive of the

Commonwealth Bank, gave to four young Indigenous students recently.

The students from St Peters Lutheran College in Brisbane, flew to Sydney for the lunch with Mr Norris, as part of the Food for Thought program.

They discussed career options and the Rugby World Cup during their lunch in the board room at the Commonwealth Bank.

The program is a series of board room lunches that bring Indigenous students together with chief executives and senior managers from businesses that have partnered with the Australian Indigenous Education Foundation (AIEF).

It is part of the AIEF Post-School Pathways Program, which offers a wide range of work-readiness activities and support to help students' transition from school into further study and careers.

The aim of the program is to build the students' networking skills, inform about career options and provide one-on-one support to develop and achieve their career

The Post-School Pathways Program complements the AIEF Scholarship Program, which provides scholarships for Indigenous students in financial need to attend boarding schools and residential colleges at universities across New South Wales, Queensland and Western Australia.

It is hoped that through these interconnected programs, Indigenous students will leave school well-educated and with important life and work skills ready to take responsibility for their own future and become leaders and role models.

Mr Norris, who is also an ambassador for AIEF, encouraged the students to be pro-active and make the most of the opportunities presented to them.

RIGHT: From left, Eddie Wasaga-Thompson, Moses Sorovi, Ralph Norris, Jemmason Power and Latiesha



## Pioneers graduate



Some of the first graduates of the Masters of Indigenous Knowledges (Mawul Rom) at their graduation ceremony in Darwin. Back, from left, Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra OAM, Paul Tolliday, Dianne Biritjalawuy Gondarra, Adam Black, Richard Davis, Catherine Jones, Stephen Orme, and Timmy Murrmurrnga Burarrwanga; front, Mary Ngandama, Brenda Muthamuluwuy, Renelle Gondarra, Valerie Dhaykamalu, Rose Guywanga, Rita Wopurruwuy Gondarra, and Jennifer Symonds.

By TRACI WILLIAMS



AFTER four long years of study, a group of Indigenous

and nine non-Indigenous students are ready to share their special knowledge of Aboriginal culture.

Last month, they became the first class to graduate in the Masters of Indigenous Knowledges (Mawul Rom) from Charles Darwin University, in the Northern Territory.

The program – the first of its kind in Australia – is unique in working within two different traditions and knowledge systems - the traditional 'Yolngu' system from north-east Arnhem Land, and the 'Balanda' system from Australia's

western academic and cultural tradition.

"It demonstrates a valuing by modern society of the knowledge and experience of traditional Australians. Not only is the content of the learning mutually respectful, but the way of learning is respectful," said Pat McIntyre, the Co-Chair of the Mawul Rom Association, which jointly runs the course with Charles Darwin University.

The program aims to promote and facilitate respectful dialogue between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians through the exploration of similarities and differences of approach between Indigenous and non-Indigenous cultural spheres.

During the course, graduates attended annual workshops on Elcho Island, in Arnhem Land, and took part in the Mawul Rom Ceremony and worked cross-culturally on a variety of projects.

The Mawul Rom Ceremony belongs to the Dhurili Clan Nations, Yolngu people of east Arnhem Land. 'Rom' stands for law, so Mawul Rom is the law of peace-making.

Co-chair of the Mawul Rom Association Rev Dr Djiniyini Gondarra OAM said: "We need to break down some of the barriers.

"The Mawul Rom Ceremony is a practical way to find what we have in common, something that can bring us together, not as black or white but as people living on planet earth."

The course runs in four phases in which participants undertake training in traditional and contemporary mediation, negotiation, decision-making and leadership.

Mr McIntyre said each graduate specialised in research work in their particular fields of endeavour, which included law, medicine, community development, architecture, town planning, health and sport and tourism.

"The skills they learn in the course are invaluable in their day-to-day work," he

"They are now experienced in generating genuine cross-cultural consensual decision-making in their particular careers – having been taught by both sides and not just one dominant culture."

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## Learning to be leaders in art



Arts worker, Vivian Warlapinni Kerinauia will travel from Bathurst Island to Canberra to take part in the Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Leadership Program.

#### By TRACI WILLIAMS



EMPOWERING Indigenous Australians to participate in the visual arts sector is the main reason Zena Cumpston from Victoria applied for the Wesfarmers Indigenous Arts Leadership Program.

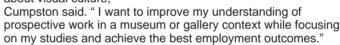
Cumpston joins nine other participants on

ZENA CUMPSTON

the program, now in its third year, which enables the group to attend a leadership course at the National Gallery of Australia in Canberra.

She is currently studying Arts with a double major in History/Archaeology and Visual Culture at Monash University, and hopes the program will help her to develop national networks within the visual arts sector and make new friends.

"I hope to be working in a capacity that fulfils my passion for communicating about visual culture,"



The group learns about the Gallery's national art collection and experience the behind the scenes operations of one of Australia's leading visual arts institutions with the aim of encouraging their ongoing development in their own careers as artists, administrators and managers.

That's certainly the case for Vivian Warlapinni Kerinauia, 28, the youngest arts worker at Tiwi Designs Aboriginal Corporation on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory.

He sees the program as an opportunity to build on what he learnt through the Association of Northern Kimberley and Arnhem Aboriginal Artists (ANKAAA) arts workers extension

That program gave me so much confidence and I want to get more confidence and build new skills - for myself and the community," Kerinauia said.

Head of Wesfarmers Arts, Helen Carroll said Wesfarmers could see 'the very real benefits that this national program of support for Indigenous art delivers for artists and communities in the region as well as the urban centres'.

This year, the program is represented by participants from every state across Australia except Tasmania. The group will travel to Canberra for the program, which runs from 27 November to 6 December.



Biami by artist Norman Stewart.

#### **Forest provides** inspiration for Vic exhibition



AN exhibition of works inspired by the forests and wetlands of Barmah National Park is now on at the G.R.A.I.N. STORE

in Nathalia, Victoria.

Developed in partnership with Parks Victoria, Experiencing the Barmah: Creating the Vision comprises 25 works in a variety of media including paintings, photographs and fabric art by well-known artists such as international awardwinning quilt artist Linden Lancaster, Aboriginal Elder Rochelle Patten and award winning photographer Ray Sizer.

Artist William Kelly, who helped establish the G.R.A.I.N. STORE (Growing Rural Art in Nathalia) last year, said to coincide with the exhibition they were running a number of workshops involving local schools, artists and the Yorta Yorta people from the region.

"These include workshops focusing on photography, art and environment, painting, Yorta Yorta story telling and Aboriginal art," he said.

Parks Victoria River Red Gum project manager, Chris McCormack, said it was wonderful to see Barmah National Park featured in such a positive community initiative.

"Anyone who has spent time in this area understands the beauty of the landscape with its towering River Red Gum trees and the tranquility of the Barmah National Park wetlands. The artists have captured this beautifully."

The exhibition runs until January 2012. For more information go to www.thegrainstore.org

### Saltwater Freshwater line-up announced

By TRACI WILLIAMS



NEXT year's Saltwater Freshwater Festival, to be held in Taree on 26 January will showcase performance and workshops of local and

regional NSW Aboriginal dance, chants and stomps.

Festival Director Rhoda Roberts says the festival's new 'Dancestry Grounds' will enable participants to be part of a visual feast by watching modern day corroboree and gathering.

"Dancestry is the opportunity for inter-generational revitalisation of the stomping grounds... and for people to be able to familiarise themselves with this part of Aboriginal culture," Roberts

"Dancestry is our ancestors' dance, rhythm and movements. Our chants haven't changed since time immemorial."

This is the third Saltwater Freshwater Festival and follows on from previous events held in Coffs Harbour and Port Macquarie. Importantly, says Roberts, the festival empowers the communities where it is held.

"For the Aboriginal community, it's like the equivalent of hosting an Olympics," she said.

Ms Roberts says the festival will show the broader Taree community that there is a strong and vibrant Aboriginal community with cultural relevance in

"Visitors to the festival will see that our communities are as economically

relevant and capable of making an impact on society as others are," she said.

"It's a chance to showcase local stories."

GenerationOne is a key sponsor of the festival and will host its Yarn Tent again this year featuring activities focused on Aboriginal employment strategies and panel discussions.

GenerationOne CEO Tim Gartrell said the festival was leading the way in bringing together communities across the mid north coast of NSW to shift the dialogue.

There'll be the opportunity to get involved in hands-on activities such as weaving, dance and didgeridoo workshops, and there's an even bigger line up of talented Indigenous performers in three large areas set

aside for cultural performances, family activities and a vouth and children's precinct.

Featured performers include Casey Donovan, Microwave Jenny, The Black Turtles and the Stiff Gins alongside local and imported talent.

And perhaps some new talent that Roberts hopes to uncover by urging any local talent to contact the festival for the chance to perform.

"This festival is an awesome opportunity for emerging talent to share the stage with the greats," she said.

"Who knows, we may discover the next Gurrumul."

For more information about the festival, go to www.saltwaterfreshwaterfestival.

## First solo



**TORRES Strait** Islander artist **Sharon Phineasa** will hold her first solo exhibition at UMI Arts in north Cairns from later

this month. The show, entitled Kapu Kukuwam (meaning 'beautiful hibiscus'), will be officially opened at 6pm next Friday, 25 November.

For it, the descendant of the Ait-Koedal (Crocodile) and Dhoeybaw (Wild Yam) clans of Saibai Island in the Torres Strait has drawn upon her grandfather's motto of 'working with what you've got', recreating day-to-day objects into fine art.

"This connection ignites within me a deep, endless sense of love and respect for my tribal ancestry and cultural heritage", Phineasa said. "This drives me to create works of art to preserve these important aspects of my ancestral heritage"

Phineasa was born and raised in Brisbane, however her mother would often take them back to the Islands to learn, appreciate and experience their family history, cultural heritage and traditions. She said growing up in both cultures has had a strong influence on her artistic creativity.

"The source of my inspiration would be the Kulba Adithil (old stories) of myths



Sharon Phineasa with her artwork Waku Niyai Nguwakaz.

and legends passed on to me by island Elders, especially by my grandfather who carved traditional artefacts. Childhood experiences on the islands have also provided me with stories to draw upon," Phineasa said. "I feel a great responsibility to pass on the knowledge and stories that have been passed on to me, through artistic expression and on many occasions I have felt a strong connection to my ancestors as I have told their

Phineasa's exhibition is the culmination of her participation in the UMI Arts Exhibition Ready program which provides artists at all stages of their careers with training in the 'nuts and bolts' of preparing and presenting artwork for exhibition and sale. Kapu Kukuwam runs from 25 November to 11 January 2012 at UMI Arts Exhibition Gallery, 335 Sheridan Street, North

stories through this means."



### **Debut album for** Impossible Odds



**BRISBANE-based** Indigenous hip hop group Impossible Odds have released their debut album, Against All Odds.

Featuring front man, Rival MC (aka Fred Leone) and DJ Returnagain (aka James Vincent), Impossible Odds have released one EP and three singles during the past five years.

Their work so far has resulted in plenty of airtime on Triple J and national community radio stations, and has gained them a string of awards including the 2010 QSONG 'Urban' award,

With strong Australian Aboriginal, Tongan and South Sea Island family roots, Rival MC's lyrics are a journey through the mind of contemporary Aboriginal Australia, addressing not only issues facing his people but also Australian society and the global community in general. Against All Odds covers a

lot of ground. From battle raps to faith, Facebook to musicality and Indigenous identity, as seen through the eyes of somebody who gives a damn about all of it.

"It was a challenge to myself after the first EP (funded by the JB SEED, now The Seed Fund) to say, hey Australia, you've heard one particular side and style of me.... but now try this on for size," Fred Leone said.

"This album aims to take people on a personal but not unfamiliar journey, touching on things we all think and experience, but don't often talk about with our friends and sometimes even loved ones.

"Being our debut album, it was important for me in particular to express where I'm at.

"Lyrically, it's a snapshot of my attitude toward life, hip-hop and music right now.

"I've been rapping for 14 years, I needed the lyrics and rhythmic flows to reflect my experience."

### Aboriginal artists feature in Korea



THE work of Australian Aboriginal artists has been featured in a two-part exhibition in Seoul,

celebrating 50 years of diplomatic relations between Australia and the Republic of

Always on My Mind: home investigates the multiple notions of home in the today's context through the work of two groups of artists (11 Australian and nine Korean artists, including three international practitioners from the UK, Belgium and China).

Part one of the project sees the Museum of Art at Seoul National University hosting a multi-media exhibition featuring videos, installations, photographs, ceramics, animations, spatial researches and films. Aboriginal women Jenny Fraser and r e a are both featured in this exhibition.

Jenny Fraser presents a video installation, edited to the song Everything Looks Beautiful by Shellie Morris.

Set in the 1970s, Fraser said the work features a visual narrative of a personal story about a kidnap by family



Murri artist Jenny Fraser (second from right) with fellow Australian Sam Prigg and Korean curators of the art project Always on My Mind: home, in front of the Seoul Square building where Fraser's animated artwork wize is being shown.

members, an important oral history, along with an environmental snapshot.

She said the work illustrates ideas about place-based community filmmaking that resonates over generational

In *PolesApart*, r e a's multimedia artwork extends on her earlier ideas and enters new artistic territory. In the silent video, r e a embodies, enacts and performs the part of a fleeing figure. In identifying with her desperate, though enigmatic, attempt to escape pursuit by unseen forces, viewers too become implicated.

In part two of the project, animated artworks are being showcased on the façade of the

Seoul Square building, in the heart of the Korean capital where 82 per cent of the country's population lives. At 78 metres high, and 99 metres wide, this 'iconic' media canvas, consisting of 42,000 LED light bulbs, is the largest screen in the world.

Fraser's animated artwork wize is a feature of this giant

media canvas. In wize, Fraser celebrates the lives of her Yugambeh family members who were moved from their traditional homelands in southeast Queensland, to work on properties in the Gulf of Carpentaria. Stories are conveyed by animation and feature Yugambeh / Wanjerriburra language, highlighting an era of colonial Australia and exploring the prickly issues of dispossession, displacement, native policing, massacres and survival.

Fraser said her trip to Seoul had been like 'visiting the future'.

"It is such a modern city and so technologically advanced," she said. "It has been a great honour to see my work at such magnitude, and it's touching that the Koreans have been so supportive."

Always on My Mind: home is on in Seoul until 12 December and is supported by the Australian Government through the Australia-Korea Foundation of the Department of Foreign Affairs. The project will also tour to Beijing and Sydney.

For more info go to www.aomm-home.org or alwaysonmymind.myblogsite.com

### Prizes, workshops feature at Grafton gallery



YAEGL artist Frances Belle Parker of

has won the \$5000 open prize in the biennial Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Awards (CVIAA)

Her work Yaegl Land is acrylic and embroidery on linen, and depicts a stylised map of Ulgundahi Island on the Clarence River near Maclean. The work will become part of the collection of contemporary Aboriginal art at the Grafton Regional Gallery.

Gallery director Jude McBean said they were delighted.

"Frances is a well-established local artist with an international reputation," Ms McBean said.



From left, winner of the 2009 CVIAA, Danielle Burford, who has an exhibition of her recent paintings at Grafton Regional Gallery, with this year's winner Frances Belle Parker and

**Highly Commended prize** 

winner Alison Williams.

Maclean, in northern NSW

Except for the winners, all artworks entered into the CVIAA are for sale, and the awards exhibition runs at the Grafton Regional Gallery until 11 December.

Williams for her acrylic painting

of \$1000 was won by

Wild Yam.

Gumbaingirr artist Alison

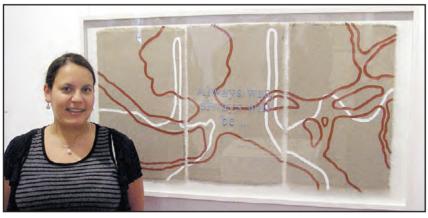
Also showing at the Grafton Regional Gallery is an exhibition of recent paintings by Danielle Burford, who won the award in 2009. As the 2011 winner, Belle Parker will also have a chance to present a solo exhibition in 2013.

Meanwhile Indigenous students from the small schools in the Clarence Valley are now showcasing their artworks in the studio gallery in an exhibition called Baryulgil & Friends.

Students from Baryulgil school enjoyed a creative workshop with local ceramic artist Geoff Crispin after the official awards announcement and exhibition opening.



Zakiah Daley, Una Walker, Eunice Duncan, Tae-Arleigh Donnelly and Alex Robinson in front of a mural the Baryulgil students created during a Gallery Goes to School session, and which forms part of the Baryulgil & Friends exhibition now on at Grafton Regional Gallery.



Winner of the open prize in the Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Awards Frances Belle Parker with her work Yaegl Land, which has been acquired by the Grafton Regional Gallery.



Zakiah Daley working with Geoff Crispin.

## **Triennial gets** a fresh look

By TRACI WILLIAMS

HE second Indigenous National Art Triennial has been a while in the making having experienced a delay since the first triennial debuted in 2007.

But the National Gallery of Australia (NGA) has put the unexpected hiatus to good use, ensuring that the second Triennial will most certainly be bigger and better than the first.

"The postponement of the National Indigenous Art Triennial allowed the National Gallery of Australia to secure additional funding through the recently announced Wesfarmers Indigenous Art Partnership," said senior curator of Indigenous art at the National Gallery of Australia, Francesca

"This increase in funding means the exhibition could be further developed and promoted to the widest possible audience.'

The second Indigenous Art Triennial UnDisclosed has been curated by Carly Lane, a Kalkadoon woman from Queensland who is curator of Indigenous art at the Art Gallery of Western Australia. Lane has brought a fresh perspective to the featured works of twenty Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists which include paintings on canvas and bark, sculpture, work on paper, photomedia, new media and large scale installations from established artists such as Vernon Ah-Kee and Fiona Foley, to others who are gaining more prominence with their work.

"For me it was a real sense of adventure and the connection and excitement that comes with putting on a project like this," Lane said.

"When you work in a gallery you don't often get the chance to be involved in a big exhibition where you can travel out to communities and artist's studios and actually meet the artists in their place of work."

#### **Great honour**

Lane said it was a great honour to curate the Triennial and to work alongside Francesca Cubillo. And the feeling was mutual.

"The Triennial will be presented at the highest possible standard, and will continue to maintain the superb representation of contemporary Indigenous art that was displayed in Culture Warriors, the first National Indigenous Art Triennial staged in 2007." Cubillo said.

The NGA's partnership with Wesfarmers, which has recently increased its financial support to the NGA's Indigenous Art Programs, has provided a welcome financial boost to the Triennial.

Cubillo said that this would enable Indigenous art to remain dynamic, exciting and constantly

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#### **Triple platinum news** for Gurrumul album

EOFFREY Gurrumul Yunupingu's self-titled first album Gurrumul has gone triple platinum in Australia, racking up more than 210,000 sales. Worldwide, it has sold close to half a million copies.

The news comes off the back of a month of achievements for the Gumatj man who performed for Queen Elizabeth at Parliament House in Canberra last month, and also learned he was nominated for six ARIAs in this year's awards. including a win for Best World Music album for his follow-up album Rrakala.

Manager Mark T Grose said Gurrumul was 'over the moon'.

"He was on tour in Europe at the time and he stayed up until 4am to get news on the ARIA nominations," Grose said. "He is so honoured to be recognised by the industry and exceptionally pleased for his family.'

Grose said the ARIA Awards later this month were highly anticipated by Gurrumul, his family and his label Skinnyfish Music.

"Gurrumul has made musical history, the first Indigenous artist to pick up three ARIA Awards so far. Not since the success of Yothu Yindi has there been such ARIA action in the Territory."

Gurrumul will complete his Australian tour with a performance at the National Convention Centre in Canberra on 26 November, with special guest Dewayne Everettsmith also performing.

#### **Health and wellbeing** the theme for comp

THE Australian Institute of Health and Welfare, in partnership with the National Rural Health Alliance is holding an art competition to source the cover art for AIHW's publications. The theme for the artwork is the health and wellbeing of Australians

Eligible entrants are people living in rural, regional and remote Australia, with four prizes -\$1000, \$500, \$300 and \$200 - offered to winners. Entries close on 6 January 2012. For details and an application form go to www.ruralhealth.org.au

#### **New work celebrates** musical influences

ALICE Springs-based Indigenous musician Warren H Williams is hitting the road later this month, with a tour in support of the release of his new album Urna Marra.

The album's title means 'Good Country' and is dedicated to Williams' father, acclaimed musician Gus Williams, who passed away last year.

"Urna Marra, or Good Country, is a tribute and celebration of all the musical influences of my life," Williams said. "To all those who have inspired me over the years, you'll find a bit of yourselves in this

Tour dates are: Toowoomba (Church Theatre, Empire, 25 Nov, 6pm), Tamworth (Capital Theatre, 27 Nov, 3pm), Moree (Moree Plains Gallery, 28 Nov, 6pm), Cunnamulla (The Oxford, 29 Nov, 6pm), Cherbourg (Cherbourg Community Hall, 6pm), Brisbane (Pioneer Village Country Music, 7pm).

#### Palm Island events get wider audience

THE documentary The Tall Man, based on the THE documentary The Tall Ivially Sacration and Incompared to the Alexander 17. The limited release at cinemas from November 17. The film shines the spotlight on Palm Island and the events surrounding Mulrunji Doomadgee's death in custody, after being arrested for swearing at Senior Sergeant Chris Hurley - the 'tall man' of the title The documentary takes the audience into the coronial inquest, into the riot the rocketed the story to the nation's front pages and the charging of Hurley for murder. To view the trailer go to www.hopscotchfilms.com.au/trailers/#video-304/

The Tall Man is on at Hoyts Broadway and the Chauvel Cinemas in Sydney, Palace Como and Nova Cinemas in Melbourne, Palace Barracks Cinemas in Brisbane, Palace Nova Eastend Cinemas in Adelaide, Luna Cinemas Leederville in Perth and State Cinema in Hobart.



THE 2011 Deadly Awards Best Band and Best Single winners, The Last Kinection, have just released their second

Called Next of Kin, the album by brother and sister Weno and Nay Wenitong and DJ Jaytee is an uncompromising collection of songs detailing the group's worldview.

From the self-assured Find A Way ('Ngai Wudhim Marigurim Ngai Yirinbu: I am afraid but I'm still strong'), to the commanding *Together* ('If you could only spend a day in my shoes, maybe then we could talk, maybe then we could walk together'), Next of Kin is strikingly insightful.

The album was created in the aftermath of a horrific car accident in 2008 - where Nay was pronounced dead at the scene before her brother Weno noticed the blanket that covered her move slightly.

#### Adversity

As such, the album is a tale of triumph over adversity: staring down the utterly devastating prospect of never walking or talking again, to making songs with a perfect storm of power and melody.

Described as a record of defiance, laughter and reflection, the band's articulate voices bring an Indigenous experience into sharp focus with a blazing set of banging hip hop.

Guests on the record include some of Australia's most lauded MCs, including Trials (Funkoars) and Briggs from the Golden Era label, Ozi Batla from The Herd, Rival MC from Impossible Odds, Lotek and Omar Musa. Simone Stacey, Nays former partner in Shakaya, appears on the lead single Are We There Yet?

The group will be performing at The Jack in Cairns on 19 November, the Gap View Hotel in Alice Springs on 25 November, the GoodGod Small Club in Sydney on 26 November and the Cambridge Hotel in Newcastle on 3

### Justice theme for show

By MARGARET SMITH



JUSTICE was the theme of the New South Wales Aboriginal Women's art collective annual show at Sydney's Chrissie Cotter Gallery this month.

The women were concerned at the growing number of Koori men and women in the state's jails - often for relatively minor offences - under a legal system the artists see as insensitive to Aboriginal

The works featured strong imagery in paintings by Shirley Amos, Bronwyn Bancroft, Euphemia and Tracey Bostock, Danielle Gorogo, Lee Anne Hunter, Jessica Birk and Kim Healey.

Lee Anne Hunter said the theme of justice had many different perspectives, depending of the artist's own experience.

Danielle Gorogo told the Koori Mail that her two works titled Just Sis Flowers were like two hearts.

"One was with all the arteries clogged and traumatized, and the other depicted a freer heart that had come through the trauma to be healthy again," she said.

The exhibition began with a welcome by Euphemia Bostock, an introduction to the works by Bronwyn Bancroft, and a speech from the Governor of NSW, Marie Bashir, who formally opened the



Dr Bashir said she had gained great benefits in her childhood from growing up in Wiradjuri country.

"I was raised in a family who appreciated the longest living civilisation," she said.

Dr Bashir was previously a medical doctor in Redfern, Kempsey and elsewhere. She was befriended by many Aboriginal families and said she'd long been concerned about 'the over representation of young Kooris in our

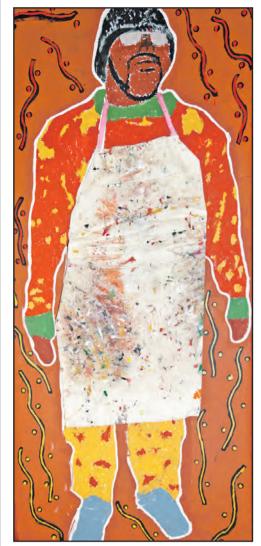
juvenile detention centres'.

"We need more hands and minds on deck to help," she declared.

Her other concern was the impact of diabetes in the Aboriginal community.

"Diabetes is still a huge problem that has to be tackled," she said. "We need to encourage a more traditional diet."

Later, she told the Koori Mail she was very concerned that there had been no concentrated health education campaign on diabetes, diet and Aboriginal health.



Self-portrait by David who said: 'I hope to use my new skills when I am released next year'.



At the exhibition opening, from left, Mark Mortimer from Goulburn Correctional Centre, Goulburn Regional Art Gallery director Jane Cush, participating artists Warwick Keen and Jason Wing, curator Djon Mundine, Gary Foley who officially opened the show, and participating artist Aroha Groves. Photos by Perc Carter (c)Carter Images.

## 'Unique' project

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



AN exhibition showcasing the work of Indigenous inmates from the Goulburn Correctional Centre is now on at the local regional art gallery

The exhibition People We Know -Places We've Been Goulburn Art Class 2-0-1-1 also features the work of seven Aboriginal artists - Daniel Boyd, Karla Dickens, Aroha Groves, Adam Hill, Warwick Keen, Max Miller and Jason Wing - who all conducted day-long workshops inside the

Curator Djon Mundine said he attended all the sessions, and it was the first time he had been involved in art workshops inside a jail in Australia, although he had previously been involved in England.

"We talked about a lot of things," he said. "They were half counselling sessions as much as anything else.

"But that's no different from a lot of artists on the outside. A lot of them need counselling and consoling too.

"The first time I went in I told them 'We're

going to an exhibition at the end of this, and I don't do bum shows'

"I just meant I had faith in them. But one of the guys got up and said, 'Don't worry bro, we'll do you a good exhibition'.

He said that during the early workshops, the inmates were confronted by the idea of painting themselves, so Mundine ended up offering himself as model.

But by the end they had all completed a full-length self-portrait.

#### Inmates' comments

Comments from inmates in the exhibition catalogue included one from Jason who said: "My artwork has improved out of sight since we started the program."

Fellow inmate Ryan said: "I feel human one day a month when the artists visit, it's awesome.

Jay said: "I hope the program can run again next year."

Mundine said he tried to impress upon the students that they should paint people and places that they knew, not try and do Namatjira-style landscapes or dot-paintings.

At the next session one of the students produced a crumpled up piece of paper of a scene he had sketched from memory, of the view looking over his backyard, and into The Block in Redfern.

"He was really shy and that was the second workshop, and he brought that in," Mundine said.

"It was just on a piece of writing paper. I could have cried, because he was listening to what I was saying. You are Aboriginal, so what you make is Aboriginal art.'

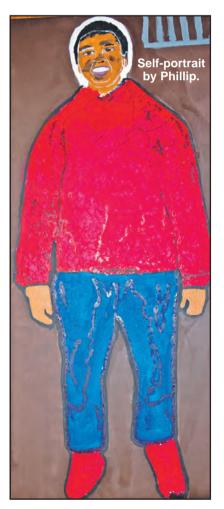
Goulburn Regional Art Gallery Director Jane Cush said the exhibition highlighted a unique collaboration.

'This exhibition provides insight into how the creative process can take its teachers and students on an enriching and enlightening journey despite physical and emotional confines," Ms Cush said.

"Each student has been taken on a metaphorical trip through the artists' eyes while experiencing their shared stories..

'The common and binding thread is their brief time together, inside the prison walls. These relatively short workshops have inspired, altered and uplifted and no doubt, changed lives."

The exhibition runs at the Goulburn Regional Art Gallery until 3 December.



### Retrospective to showcase pioneer's influence



THE work of Warlpiri painter Yulyurlu Lorna Fencer Napurrurla is being

showcased in a new exhibition currently on at the ANU Drill Hall Gallery in Canberra.

Called Yulyurlu, the show has been curated by Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory curator Margie West, and features more than 60 paintings on paper and canvas and prints and three-dimensional works drawn from public institutions and private collections across Australia and overseas.

Napurrurla was a prolific painter who hailed from the Lajamanu region of the Northern Territory. This is the first major retrospective of her work, which seeks to highlight her importance as a pioneer and master painter in the broader framework of the Central Desert artist movement.

Napurrurla first started painting at the Warnavaka Art Centre in Lajamanu in 1986, and in 1997 won the Conrad Jupiters Art Prize at the Gold Coast City Art Gallery. Queensland.

She was invited to participate in the triennial John McCaughev Memorial Art Award and was also profiled in important curated group shows. Some of her imagery derives from pictogram symbols for objects and bush foods, while others refer to ceremonial body

Yulyurlu runs at the Drill Hall Gallery until 18 December, and opening hours are Wed-Sun,

RIGHT: Water Dreaming, 1999 by Lorna Fencer Napurrurla.



### Kidogo annual student | show on in Fremantle



THE annual Kidogo Arthouse Aboriginal Artists and Student Show is currently on in Fremantle, and runs until this Saturday 19 November.

Works by emerging Indigenous talent will be on sale, with prices ranging from \$50 to \$9,900.

Artists will be painting each day at Kidogo Arthouse and on hand to explain their work and answer questions about their culture.

The Kidogo Arthouse Gallery is at Bathers Beach Fremantle and opening hours are 9am to 5pm. For more info go to www.kidogo.com.au

### **Curatorial team for Pacific arts festival**



QUEENSLAND Theatre Company's Wesley Enoch, Brisbane artist Vernon Ah Kee, Bangarra Dance Theatre's Marilyn Miller and Nadine McDonald Dowd from the State Libarary of

Queensland have been named as the curatorial team that will develop the Australian delegation to the 2012 Festival of Pacific Arts.

The festival, which is held every four years, is the Pacific's largest regional cultural gathering and will be hosted in 2012 by the Solomon Islands. Next year's festival, with a theme of Culture in Harmony, will run from 1-14 July 2012.

Applications are now being sought from Indigneous artists with experience with experience in traditional or contemporary dance, music, theatre, literature, visual arts, crafts, filmmaking or digital media. To apply contact the FoPA project manager on FOPA@queenslandtheatre.com.au Applications close on 5 December.

### Art win at Lockhart Spirit of the Land



WIRADJURI artist David Williams took out the \$1000 Indigenous Art Award at last month's Lockhart Spirit of the Land Festival in the Riverina region, NSW.

The Spirit of the Land Festival grew out of recent severe drought conditions, and concerns over escalating rural suicides, encouraging farmers to use country ingenuity and create sculptures using old farm machinery, recycled scrap metal and elements of the land.

Williams said NSW Aboriginal art as a whole was not as recognised as it could be.

"People are missing out on the chance to enjoy works from a state that has a lot to offer on a lot of fronts, and a lot of cultural history to go with it," he said.

Williams' award-winning work *Goanna Dreaming* celebrates the significance of the goanna to Wiradjuri culture.

### Canning Stock Route celebrated in Perth

WA

THE exhibition *Yiwarra Kuju: The Canning Stock Route* is now on at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre until 27 November, and entry is free.

The exhibition began as the Canning Stock Route Project. Yiwarra

Kuju – or 'one road' was a partnership between Perth-based cultural organisation FORM and 10 remote Aboriginal art and culture centres in the north of the State, which set out to explore the history of the century-old, 2000km stock route that runs from Wiluna to Halls Creek, crossing three deserts along the way.

The original project involved an intercultural team of emerging Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal curators, photographers and filmmakers working with the artists to tell the uniquely WA story of the Canning Stock Route through art, oral history, photographs and new media.

Yiwarra Kuju was on show at the National Museum of Australia for six months and, when it closed in January this year, it had attracted more than 120,000 visitors – the most successful temporary exhibition in the museum's history.

# The stories of 'Granny Flora'

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



MOUNT Isa woman Megan Sarmardin is bringing a very personal performance to Brisbane this week, with her show Little Birung, which is based on the living

memories of her great grandmother Flora Hoolihan – the 'Little Birung' of the title.

The show is described as a 'theatrical music experience' and incorporates family photos and mostly original songs Sarmardin has cowritten with John Rodgers, using the stories she has been told by her great grandmother.

The show premiered last year at the Cairns Indigenous Art Festival under the title *Blackbird*, but has since been re-named *Little Birung* – which is the traditional Ngadjon-ji name given to 'Granny Flora' by her mother Kitty.

Sarmardin said Granny Flora, who is now in her nineties, had seen the show in Cairns last year and loved it.

"Her favourite part was a Spanish song I sing called *La Paloma*, because that was her dad's favourite song," she said.

"(In the show) I tell stories about five generations of women in my family. I tell a story about how my dad met my mum at a café in Mt Isa in 1981. I tell stories about Granny Flora growing up



Megan Sarmardin performing.

in the bush out on stations and how, when she was nine, when her mother Kitty died in childbirth, she had to look after her younger brothers and sisters while her father went to work, mustering.

"He was Russian and came over here and met his wife, and had to stay here because she had three children from a previous marriage and they were under the (Aborigines Preservation and Protection) Act.

"He made the decision to stay with his step-children and Kitty and he never saw his family in Russia again."

Sarmardin said one of the photos she uses shows Kitty with her dog Possum.

"He was Kitty's pet and when Granddad Ilin used to go away for work for a long period of time, she used to bring the dog inside to sleep under the bed. The day Kitty died in childbirth, that dog ran away and never came back. He howled and howled the night before, so I think he knew what was going on. Granny Flora has told me that story many times, and that's one of the songs (in the show).

"We've used her words which were recorded by a lady who wrote a book about my family."

Another photo shows Emily Russell, Flora's grandmother who died in 1955.

"She was taken to Palm Island because the police tricked her and told her she could go on a really nice holiday to Palm Island," Sarmardin said. "She died there. (The family) tried to get her back, but couldn't."

It's been a big year for 27-year-old Sarmardin, who joined the cast of *The Sapphires*, performing alongside Casey Donovan, Lisa Maza and Ngaire Pigram in London in February, where the show received standing ovations.

Little Birung opens tonight, 16
November and runs until this Saturday,
19 November at Performance Space,
Judith Wright Centre of Contemporary
Arts, 420 Brunswick St (Cnr Berwick
St), Fortitude Valley, Brisbane. For
bookings go to
www.judithwrightcentre.com or call
(07) 3872 9000.

The opening night also sees the launch of the *Little Birung* album, which is available through Doctor Tulp – www.doctortulp.com.au



Flora's mother Kitty, with her dog Possum.



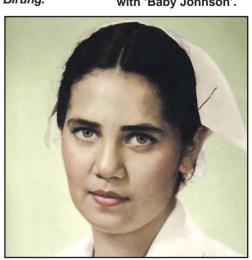
Four generations of women: Megan Sarmardin, her mother Dixie, her grandmother Margaret Gertz and her great grandmother Flora Hoolihan, whose stories are the inspiration for the show *Little Birung*.



Flora's grandmother Emily Russell, seen here with 'Baby Johnson'.



'Granny Flora' with her children.



Megan Sarmardin's grandmother Margaret.

## Art centre opens



WUJAL Wujal artists have a stunning new vehicle for their talents following the opening of the north Queensland community's Bana

Yirriji Arts and Cultural Centre last

The centre, situated close to the culturally significant Bloomfield River Falls, has hanging space for up to 60 paintings, cabinets for jewellery, artefacts and pottery, an air-conditioned artists' space and a

Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Curtis Pitt attended last week's opening and declared the centre a great addition to the Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council's existing arts and cultural services.

"The opening of this centre not only provides a wonderful opportunity for local artists to tell their personal stories through art work, it's also a place where the community can come together to celebrate their cultural heritage," Mr Pitt said.

"Wuial Wuial should be extremely proud of their Yirriji and other local artists who showcase their work at this wonderful gallery."

The State Government provided Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council with \$1.75 million towards the development of the centre under a \$100 million capital works program to create legacies for Queensland's 150th anniversary.

The centre also has meeting rooms that can be leased out to government departments, community groups and others for meeting, workshops and training.

Member for Cook Jason O'Brien also attended the opening and announced \$25,000 in critical operational funding for the new

The grant will enable the centre to employ professional artists, generate sales from artworks, train and employ staff, develop business plans and grow the next generation

Mr O'Brien said arts and cultural centres like the one at Wujal Wujal played an important role in their communities



● ABOVE: Wujal Wujal **Elder Mary Wallace did the** honours, cutting a ribbon to open the centre, as MP Jason O'Brien, Mayor **Desmond Tayley and** Minister Pitt look on.

RIGHT: The new arts and cultural centre.

● LEFT: Aboriginal mayors with Minister Pitt at the new cultural centre.



### Biennale a chance for new experiences

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



MOVING from Broken Hill to take on a new role with the Biennale of Sydney has been a

big culture shock for Anthony Hayward, who graduated from Year 10 at Broken Hill High School

Anthony has taken on one of two 18 month-long positions at the Biennale of Sydney as part of the Aboriginal Professional Development Program, created with funding support from the Australian Government, and the NSW State Government.

Anthony was just three weeks into his new role as Aboriginal emerging arts administrator when he spoke to the Koori Mail, and said he was still adjusting to the faster pace of life in Sydney, but he was 'definitely learning a lot'.

After high school Anthony went on to do Certificate III in Arts Administration, working as a trainee at Broken Hill Regional Art Gallery. But in his new role he says he'll be working predominantly on the marketing and sponsorship side of things.



Anthony Hayward and Emily McDaniel who are spending 18 months working with the Biennale of Sydney. Photo by Sebastian Kriete

"It's on a totally different level to what I was doing at home," he

"Out there (in Broken Hill), it's a very small gallery, there's only about six staff on a good day...Indigenous liason was one of my roles. My manager was

really keen on getting Indigenous people to engage with the gallery."

Anthony is currently living in an Aboriginal hostel in Sydney, and said he 'had his days' when he felt homesick, but he was focused on enjoying the opportunity and learning as much as he could so

he could one day take his new skills back to Broken Head.

'That's my long-term goal," he

"I'm really happy to have the opportunity, and I'm looking forward to working at the Biennale. But I'm also looking forward to working with the Indigenous people of Sydney and getting to know this mob down here.'

The role of Aboriginal emerging curator at the Biennale has been taken up by practising Wiradjuri artist Emily McDaniel who is completing a media and arts degree. She'll be mentored by the exhibitions team at the Biennale.

Emily said in the past her artwork had mainly centred around video, sound and 'a bit of performance', but recently she had become inspired to launch herself into fibre art, and had just started making herself a possum skin cloak, as a way of reconnecting with her Wiradjuri culture.

She said she hadn't previously had a lot of experience with the curatorial process, although she had been fortunate enough to be

'a fly on the wall' with a couple of different projects.

"But this allows me to look deeply into this process," she said

"It's quite difficult to get a foot in the door with curatorial work. That's the great opportunity with this program."

Arts NSW senior Aboriginal cultural development officer Liza-Mare Syron said the Aboriginal Professional Development Program had been created with the support of the Australian Government through the Indigenous Visual Arts **Industry Support program** (formerly NACIS), and was just one of the projects funded under the NSW Aboriginal Arts and Cultural Strategy.

"In 2011, over \$1 million dollars was allocated as part of the NSW Aboriginal Arts and Cultural Strategy to projects that enhance, and support the development of NSW Aboriginal arts and culture, as well as providing leadership opportunities for Aboriginal arts workers," she said.

This is an amazing opportunity for Emily and Anthony. One day they will be running a Biennale, something to look forward to."

## ATIONAL CALENDAR Koori Mail



#### **National**

Until 16 December: Youth Challenge Australia is calling for applications for Youth Challenge Australia's Indigenous Youth Leadership Program. Seeking Indigenous volunteers to participate in a six-week community development project in Vanuatu. Free and all welcome. Details: (02) 9514 5512 or visit www.youthchallenge.org.au/IYLP

Until 31 January: Black and Write Indigenous Writing and Editing Project is calling on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to submit a story for the 2012 Kuril Dahagun Indigenous Writing Fellowships. Free and all welcome. Details: (07) 3842 9484 or email indigenous.writing@ slq.qld.gov.au or visit www.slq. qld.gove.au/comps

#### **South Australia**

17 November: The CASM Showcase 2011, featuring CASM bands, Inma led by the CASM Anangu Lecturers, and the CASM Choir, Keriba Wakai with Keriba Sagul and more. Including light snacks and refreshments. Free and all welcome. Held at the SA Folk Centre, Cnr South Rd and George St Thebarton. Details: (08) 8303 3654 or email anthony. pakpoy@adelaide.edu.au

2-18 March: 2012 Adelaide Festival, a festival of arts and entertainment held for artists and audiences, with a feast of theatre, film, dance and opera, also showcasing two Aboriginal art exhibitions 'Bloodland' which features an Indigenous cast of 12 consisting of urban actors and traditional Yolngu storytellers and 'Deadly' by Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute. All welcome, cost involved. Held at the Festival Theatre, Adelaide Festival Centre, Adelaide. Details: (08) 8216 8600 or email contact@adelaidefestivalcentre. com.au

#### **NSW-ACT**

#### **Until 13 November:**

'Bloodland', an Aboriginal performing exhibition showcasing drama, dance and song telling the stories of Aboriginal culture fighting to remain strong. Free and all welcome. Held at the Wharf Theatre, Sydney. Details: (02) 9250 1777 or visit www.sydney theatre.com.au/bloodland

#### **Until 20 November:**

Yellomundee Aboriginal Bushcare Group tree-planting and weedpulling, also a fishing competition, and more. Free BBQ lunch. Bring a coffee mug, bottle of water and fold-up chair, wear comfortable clothing and shoes. All welcome. Yellomundee Regional Park, Springwood Rd, Yarramundi. Details: (02) 4588 2400 or (02) 4588 5144.

Until 30 November: Youth Week 2012 in NSW design competition. Calling for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youths to design posters and other promotional materials to help create the look for the Youth Week 2012 on NSW website. Aimed at providing young people with the opportunity to showcase their talents as designers and to

win \$1000. Free and all welcome. Details: (02) 9995 0533 or email youthweek@youthweek.nsw.gov.a u or visit www.youthweek. nsw.gov.au

Until 4 December: 'Niu Warrior', an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing modern-day warriors who are leaders in threatre, Pacific culture, rugby league, food and art. Free and all welcome. Held at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, 1 Casula Rd, Casula. Details: (02) 9824 1121 or email reception@ casulapowerhouse.com or visit www.casulapowerhouse.com

Until 10 December: Thank You for the Days: My Teenage Years, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing the collection of works that speak of the difficult teenage years, also including a number of film projects. Free and all welcome. Held at Lismore Regional Gallery, 131 Molesworth St, Lismore. Details: (02) 6622 2209 or email artgallery@ lismore.nsw.gov.au

Until 10 June: Off the Walls, an Aboriginal art exhibition, showcasing rich and diverse collection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art gathered over almost 40 years by Australian Government agencies responsible for Aboriginal affairs. It includes bark paintings, water colours, carvings, basket and fibre work, spears, sporting trophies and posters. Free and all welcome. Held at National Museum of Australia, Canberra. Details: (02) 6208 5351 or email media@ nma.gov.au or visit http:// nma.gov.au/exhibitions/off\_the

18 November: Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-operative AGM. Free and all members welcome. Held at 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or email jessdelahunty@hotmail. com or visit www.boomalli.com.au

19 November: Women of the World Event. First women's gathering, aimed at inspiring, empowering and supporting all women around Coffs Harbour. Health and wellbeing workshops, community cultural arts, musical and dance performances, cultural food and more. Free and all welcome. Held at Cavanbah Community Hall, 191 Harbour Dr, Coffs Harbour. Details: (02) 6659 2068 or email WOW CoffsHarbour@hotmail.com

19 November: Northern NSW Mixed Aboriginal Touch Football Knockout. A community program targeting skill development and participation opportunity for Aboriginal youth, men and women. All welcome to participate, registration fees per team apply. Free and all welcome. Held at Advocate Park, Coffs Harbour. Details: (02) 6618 0400 or email sarah.lugnan@hotmail.com

24 November: Social Inclusion Market Place Day. This is an opportunity for your organisation to gain public exposure and to help facilitate social inclusion within our community. Food is one wonderful expression of social inclusion and you are welcome to raise funds for your organisation. Featuring a free BBQ. Free and all welcome. Held at the Lismore Neighbourhood Centre, 76 Carrington St, Lismore. Details: (02) 66 217 397 or email

communityhub@Inci.org.au

25 November: Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless and Rehabilitation Community Services is hold its annual general meeting. Free and all welcome. Held at Yarra Bay Sailing Club, Yarra Rd, Phillip Bay. Details: (02) 9799 8446 or email achrcs@bigpond.com

29 November: Smokecheck training workshop. Aimed at health and community workers who provide services to Aboriginal clients to help make smoke-free Aboriginal communities. Free and all welcome. Held at Invercauld House, 161 Invercauld Rd, Goonellabah. Details: (02) 9351 7431 or email smokecheck@ sydney.edu.au or visit www.smokecheck.com.au

2 December: 2011 Col Dillon Cup, an oztag challenge between the four teams of local Aboriginal communities and police. Aimed at breaking down barriers between the police and Aboriginal communities. Including a free BBQ and drinks. Free and all welcome. Held at National Centre of Indigenous Excellence, 180 George St, Redfern. Details: (0425) 819 340 or email rndsilva@ optusnet.com.au

2 December: Rediscovering Indigenous Languages, a new collaborative partnership to revive and preserve surviving records of Indigenous vocabularies and word lists, from 1788 to the late 1930s, showcasing all archives from the Mitchell Library, featuring a special performance by the Gondwana National Indigenous Children's Choir, including other live performances and a cocktail party. All welcome, cost involved. Held Mitchell Library, State Library of New South Wales, Macquarie St, Sydney. Details: (02) 9273 1517 or email foundation@sl.nsw.gov.au

2 December: Christmas party. All families of Cubawee are welcome to attend a great day of activities, including face painting, paintings and mural design. storytelling, Elders' games, tree planting, children/youth activities plus local schools showcasing dances and other performances. Free and all welcome. Held at Cubawee, Bentley Rd, Tuncester. Details: (02) 6621 5541 or email Tracy.king@ngulingah.org.au

7-9 December: abSec Conference 2011, aimed at working on child protection, out-ofhome care, education, partnership development and Aboriginal capacity-building. Keynote speakers Mick Gooda, Dale Tolliday and Muriel Bamblett. All welcome, cost involved, must register to attend. Held at Penrith Panthers Leagues Club, Penrith. Details: (02) 9559 5299 or visit www.absec.org.au

10 December: Oorala Aboriginal Centre 25th anniversary Ball, including two-course meal, drink and live entertainment. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Booloominbah Lawns, University of New England, Armidale. Details: (02) 6773 3164 or email lwalford@enu.edu.au

11 December: Koori tennis fundraiser BBQ luncheon. A day of a BBQ buffet, harbour cruise, auction and raffles, prizes and live entertainment and more. All welcome cost involved. Held Wharf 6, Circular Quay, Sydney. Details: (0449) 519 777 or email boomerangel2004@yahoo.com.au

14 December: Christmas family fun day, a community Christmas celebration which features sport activities, arts and crafts, face painting, a jumping castle, a free BBQ lunch, free Christmas show bags and prizes and live entertainment. Free and all welcome. Held at Anzac Park, Kyogle. Details: (02) 6622 8860 or email css2@rekindlingthespirit. org.au or visit www. rekindlingthespirit.org.au

31 December: New Year's Eve 2011 cruise, celebrating the New Year on Sydney Harbour with the **Tribal Warriors Association** featuring great food and beverages, Indigenous smoking ceremony, fireworks, live entertainment and more. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Sydney Fish Market, Darling Harbour, Sydney. Details: (02) 9699 3491 or email sales@tribal warrior.org or visit www. tribalwarrior.org

#### **Victoria**

Until 18 December: Another Perspective, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing the unique, visionary works of emerging artists from Utopia. Featuring 22 new painting from children and extended family of the famed Pwerle sisters. Free and all welcome. Held at the Dreaming Art Centre Utopia, 35 Spring St, Melbourne. Details: (03) 9646 5372 or email dacou@dacou.

Until 5 February: Our Children Our Future, an Aboriginal art exhibition showcasing traditional and contemporary expressions of culture through paintings that reflects Indigenous culture. All welcome, cost involved. Held at the Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum, Melbourne. Details: 13 11 02 or visit http://museumvictoria. 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

#### Queensland

16 November: Little Birung opening night. A theatrical performance by Megan Sarmardin telling the story of six generations of Indigenous women. With her stunning voice, Megan weaves this story across the spectrum of blues, folk, R&B, gospel, country and a touch of 1950s pop, accompanied by acclaimed guitarist Jamie Clark. Cost involved and all welcome. Held at Performance Space, Judith Wright Centre of Contemporary Arts, 420 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley. Details: (07) 3872 9000 or email boxoffice@jwcoca.qld.gov.au or visit www.judithwrightcentre.com

4-10 December: 'Life, Spirit and Breath, an Aboriginal art

exhibition showcasing the new traditional and contemporary works from the internationally recognised artisans of Tiwi Designs, featuring paintings, artifacts, carvings fabric works and more. Free and all welcome. Held at Wooloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Wooloongabba. Details: (07) 3891 5551 or email email@wag.com.au or visit www.wag.com.au

9 December: Dan Sultan to rock the HiFi Bar. Dan Sultan brings the band back to Brisbane by popular demand. All welcome, cost involved. Held at The HiFi Bar, 125 Boundary St, West End. Details: (0417) 800 869 or email aum@aum.net.au or visit www.aum.net.au

27 December-1 January: Dreaming Festival, one of three international Indigenous festivals in the world. Featuring the rich diversity of Indigenous cultures, alongside a strong global line-up. Including live entertainment, traditional and contemporary performances and a wide range of Indigenous art and more. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Woodrow Rd, Woodford. Details: (07) 5496 1066 or email info@thedreamingfestival.com or visit www.thedreamingfestival.

#### **Western Australia**

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, 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

28 November: ECU's Indigenous Alumni, celebrating the 60th anniversary of Edith Cowan University's first Aboriginal graduate. In recognition, Edith Cowan University wants to connect with its Indigenous Australian graduates to develop a strong and vibrant Indigenous Alumni. Calling for all graduates to attend, free and all welcome. Held at Kurongkurl Katitjin, Centre for Indigenous Australian Education and Research, Edith Cowan University, Mount Lawley campus, 270 Joondalup Dr, Joondalup. Details: (08) 9370 6689 or email j.goldfinch@ecu.edu.au or visit www.kk.ecu.edu.au

#### Northern Territory

19 November: The Long Walk Women's Luncheon. A charity inspired by AFL champion Michael Long's walk to Canberra to get the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people back on the national agenda, holding its first awareness raising luncheon, featuring special guests Michael Long, Nova Peris, Merryn Apma and Sue Davies, founders of The Long Walk Women's Luncheon. and more. All welcome, cost involved. Held at Kantilla's, TIO Stadium, Darwin. Details: (03) 8371 0262 or email info@ thelongwalk.com.au or visit www.thelongwalk.com.au

# Employment INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



The students who participated in Accor Hospitality's recent Job Ready Program at Novotel Sydney Olympic Park, starting third from left, Samara Robinson, Larissah Robinson, Lisa Watson, Judith Kennedy, Kira Simpson, Hilda Ingui, Taylah Fitzgibbon, Amanda Hill, Krystal Armitage, Javeena Button and Kirra Lee Buchanan. Pictured with them are Che Lewer (HR Manager, Swiss Grand Resort & Spa), Accor diversity co-ordinator Alanah Wright and Learning and Development consultant (NSW & ACT) Aimee Higgins.

## Ready for careers



A DOZEN promising Indigenous students are ready to tackle careers in the hospitality industry after graduating earlier this month from Accor's Job

Ready Program.

They will join more than 600 other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people employed full or part-time by the hotel group under its Indigenous employment strategy over the past decade.

This latest group participated in a five-day hospitality training course, held at the Novotel Sydney Olympic Park, and focused on building practical skills in key areas of hotel operations and management.

The program covered theory and practical skills, with trainers from Accor's own training division, Academie Accor.

The Job Ready Program aims to improve the skills of candidates to the hospitality group's standards in the areas of food and beverage, room service, conferencing and front of house to increase their opportunities for employment and

career progression. It also gives students exposure to the hospitality industry and the chance to have real experiences working as a hotel employee.

Academie Accor's Lynda Rowan says Job Ready was designed to improve employment opportunities for Accor employees and to develop their skills at no cost.

"The program was aimed at ensuring Indigenous staff have the skills to deliver Accor's standards of service and receive the support they need to further their careers in hospitality," Ms Rowan said.

"Accor backs this training with support for Indigenous staff on a range of levels, from mentoring to access to further training.

"Our major aim is to retain these employees and get Indigenous staff into more supervisory roles so they in turn can provide mentoring to younger staff and encourage others to join our fantastic industry."

Accor Australia recently launched the largest and most comprehensive Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) in the



LEFT: Students Taylah Fitzgibbon and Kira Simpson.

**Button during her** week-long training at the Novotel Sydney Olympic Park Hotel.

Australian hospitality industry in conjunction with Reconciliation Australia.

The program is a formal commitment to closing the gap between Indigenous and

non-Indigenous Australians through employment, training, partnering with Indigenous businesses, and providing education and scholarships.

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- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination

#### **Information Package:**

- Download from northcoast.tafensw.edu.au
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**Ref No:** CETI\_11/25 Status: Permanent Full Time Salary: Dependent on Qualifications

Enq: Jennifer Wannan (02) 6360 7726, or email Jennifer.Wannan@gwahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 21/11/2011

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For Key Selection Criteria and Job Description contact Lesley Day on 03 9419 3000

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Applicants should address the selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including referees to:

Ms Glenda Thorpe, Chairperson, C/- MAYSAR, PO Box 339, Fitzrov 3065



Dental Assistant (Grade 2) – Aboriginal Oral Health

Ref: 48632 at Sydney Dental Hospital.

**Salary:** \$993.40-\$1,093.80 pw, Temp F/T up to October

Eng: Marianne Weston.

Ph: 9293 3262.

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Ref: 48149 at Sydney Dental Hospital.

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Ph: 9293 3438.

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#### **General Practitioners**

The role of the GP is to enhance the clinical services offered at Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service. The aim of the clinical services team is to optimise the health outcomes for clients through providing best practice, evidence based clinical services and where appropriate to identify where a client requires referral to another team of the service or an external service provider.

Are you a Doctor who is passionate about Aboriginal Health and playing the part to close the gap in health between mainstream and Aboriginal Australia?

If you are, then opportunities exist at Winnunga Nimmitviah Aboriginal Health Service for full time General Practitioner

Enquiries for the above positions may be directed to the CEO, Julie Tongs on 62846222 or email Julie.Tongs@winnunga.org.au

#### **Midwife**

We are seeking a full time qualified midwife to work in our busy medical service located at Narrabundah. The role of the Midwife is, through support and care, to ensure that female clients of Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service have access to holistic 'shared care' when pregnant. The successful applicant will have the ability to identify situations where the input of other staff, such as a Doctor, Aboriginal Health Worker, Practice Nurse, Psychiatrist or Psychologist is required. Applications are invited from motivated and enthusiastic professional people with excellent communication skills and experience working in primary health care.

#### **Practice Nurse Chronic Disease Nurse**

The role of the Chronic Disease Nurse is to coordinate and enhance the clinical services offered to clients with chronic

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with the relevant skills are encouraged to apply

#### **Medical Receptionists**

We are seeking reliable full time experienced and efficient Medical Receptionists to work in our busy medical service located at Narrabundah. The successful applicants would need to demonstrate a high level of organisational skills, excellent written and verbal communication skills, and previous experience in handling patient enquiries, appointments and managing incoming calls, computer skills for data entry and e-mail communication.

#### **Hearing Health Trainee**

We are looking for a reliable motivated full time Hearing Health Trainee to be trained to undertake hearing examinations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children up to Year 6 and clients at Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service. The successful applicant would need to be willing to work towards qualifications relevant to the position.

Aboriginality is a genuine qualification for the Medical Receptionist and Hearing Health Trainee positions and is authorized under section 42 of the Discrimination Act 1991(ACT) and S8 of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth).

Applicants must obtain a copy of the selection criteria and address all criteria in their applications

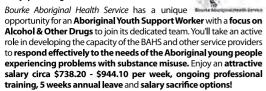
For more information and/ or a copy of the position description and selection criteria please call Roseanne Longford, HR Manager on 6284 6259 or email Roseanne.Longford@winnunga.org.au

All applications should be addressed and mailed to Julie Tongs, CEO, Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service 63 Boolimba Crescent, Narrabundah ACT 2604 or by email to Roseanne.Longford@winnunga.org.au

**Applications close 2nd December 2011.** 

#### **Aboriginal Youth Support Worker** Bourke, NSW

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#### **Aboriginal Heritage Conservation Officer**

Country, Culture & Heritage Division

**Environment Officer Class 2/7 Permanent Full-Time** Vacancy Ref: OEH 347-11

Total remuneration package to \$93,810 p.a. including salary \$56,982 p.a. to \$85,011 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.

Selection Criteria: To apply for this position applicants must obtain the information pack. The pack contains selection criteria for the position that must be addressed

Job Notes: 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 preemployment screening. Relevant forms are included in the link in jobs.nsw for your signature and return if you have not already done so. Appointment and employment is dependent on meeting the requirements of relevant legislation. 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.

Inquiries: Amelia Capobianco (02) 9585 6164

Information Pack: Amelia Capobianco (02) 9585 6164 or

To apply: 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 27 November, 2011



**Beryl Women Inc. Canberra** 

Beryl Women Inc. is a service dedicated to supporting women and children who are escaping domestic/family violence.

#### **Administration Worker**

(permanent 24 hours per week) Community Sector Multi Business Agreement (Australian Capital Territory) Grade 3.1 to 3.4

An information package including details on how to apply is available by phoning (02) 6288 1622 or send an email to: beryl\_women@bigpond.com

Beryl Women Inc. is funded through the National Affordable

Being female is a genuine occupational requirement and is authorised under Section 14 under the Anti-discrimination Act

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander women and women from Culturally & Linguistically Diverse Backgrounds are encouraged

Appropriate Police checks will be conducted. Applications close: 5.00pm Friday, 2nd December 2011





#### Aboriginal Program Coordinator

Permanent Part-time position – 18 hours per week
 Based in Watanobbi

The Program Coordinator will be responsible for researching, planning and coordinating the delivery of the Aboriginal half of the Central Coast Networks of Practice program by supporting and facilitating service providers to share skills and knowledge to enhance collaboration.

The Program Coordinator will support Aboriginal services and families to maintain effective and successful inter-agencies and networks that improve outcomes for clients

We offer a \$16,050 tax free salary component which means more in your take home pay. You will also benefit from ongoing professional development, a supportive working environment and

The Benevolent Society has been caring for Australians and their communities for nearly 200 years. We are a non-religious, non-profit organisation working to bring about positive social change in response to community needs.

For further information and position description visit our website or contact Tim Keogh on 0417 908 314 or timk@bensoc.org.au. Applications must address the selection criteria found in the position description and close on 28th November, 2011.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People are encouraged to apply. The Benevolent Society considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

www.bensoc.org.au

Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation

Based in Bendigo, North Central Victoria

#### Exciting opportunity to work in growing **Aboriginal Corporation**

An exciting and rewarding opportunity exists to be a leader in the establishment and ongoing success of the Dja Dja Wurrung Natural Resource Management business enterprise. As part of a dynamic team, you will be involved in an innovative project initiative in partnership with the North Central Catchment Management Authority, local government and other natural resource management agencies. Base at the Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation (DDWCAC) we are seeking two motivated people who want to be part of this innovative enterprise.

#### **General Manager Business and** Workforce Development (2 years) \$80-90K

Primary Objective of the Position: The role of the General Manager is to "grow skills and employment" of Dja Dja Wurrung people including the develop and implementation of an inclusive and supportive workforce development strategy and to "grow the company" both financially and in terms of partner and public awareness and recognition in order to provide ongoing employment for Dja Dja Wurrung people.

#### Office Manager (2 years) \$55-65K

Primary Objective of the Position: The Office Manager is responsible for ensuring the efficient running of the office including the provision of bookkeeping and general record keeping, contract tracking, and administrative support to the Natural Resource and Cultural Heritage staff. The Office Manager will provide executive support to the General Manager and the Executive Officer of the DDWCAC.

> Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

Applications due: by 5.00pm Monday 21 November 2011.

For a position description and information on how to apply go to: www.oric.gov.au under Corporation jobs

#### **Aboriginal Youth** Officer: Get a career that matters.

#### Full time (35 hours per week) Aboriginal Identified position - Campbelltown

- Excellent training & strong cultural support
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- Commitment to Aboriginal Service Delivery Principles

Starting salary of \$48,407 per annum plus super & salary packaging. This position has a strong focus on building the profile and engaging in collaborative relationships and partnerships with communities and service providers. It has a hands on role in delivering innovative recreation and resilience building programs for young people in the Campbelltown area and will focus on delivering culturally appropriate services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth

#### **Applicants will require:**

Relevant tertiary qualifications in the human services sector or recognised prior learning and/or 2 years experience working with young people with complex needs and experiencing disadvantage.

#### www.getacareerthatmatters.com.au

Applications Close 28 November 2011

In accordance with Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977, Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification. We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity





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Please contact Paul Ferris for more information:

Ph: (03) 8388 1855 paulf@vacca.org **Email:** Website: www.vacca.org



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Flexible working arrangements Family friendly environment Commitment to Staff Well Being Generous Salary Packaging Professional training & development

#### Vizard Foundation **Assistant Curator**

#### The Ian Potter Museum of Art

This position is advertised as a Special Measure within the meaning of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 and is limited to persons of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Descent.

Supported by an experienced team of museum professionals the Vizard Foundation Assistant Curator will undertake duties traversing a broad range of art museum activities from exhibition development and presentation, promotion, education, fundraising, to administration and compliance. The position is for a fixed term with an attractive relocation allowance.

The Vizard Foundation Assistant Curator position is funded by the Vizard Foundation Curatorial Mentorship for Indigenous Australians.

**Salary:** \$52,840 - \$56,078 p.a. plus 17% super.

**Job No:** 0027758

For position information and to apply online go to www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers, click on 'Job Search' and search under the job title or job number.

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CRIME PREVENTION DIVISION

#### SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER (ABORIGINAL IDENTIFIED)

JAG11/1275 Clerk Grade 9-10 Parramatta, Temporary Full Time Salary range: \$91,303 - \$100,613 Total Remuneration Package valued up to: \$111,026

The purpose of the Senior Project Officer is to lead the development and management of projects aimed at improving services to Aboriginal people and reducing crime and offending in Aboriginal communities.

#### **Selection Criteria:**

www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers

- Experience managing and evaluating projects, including leading project teams, developing project proposals and interpreting performance data;
- Excellent knowledge of the NSW criminal justice system;
- Excellent knowledge of Aboriginal involvement with the justice system;
- Ability to community ideas effectively and persuade other to adopt a course of action;
- Ability to conduct and write research papers and project documents;
- Ability to conduct presentations on projects;
- Ability to analyse data and communicate it to others;
- Demonstrate resilience under pressure.

This is a Temporary Full Time position for a period of up to 12 months (with possible extension). Applicants must obtain an information package and address all selection criteria in the advertisement. Applicants must apply on line at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Inquiries: George Blacklaws (02) 8688 8043 george blacklaws@agd.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: 25 November 2011



#### **Lecturer – Bachelor of Nursing**

Position No: 24041

Fixed term appointment commencing to Dec 2014 - Darwin, NT Remuneration: Academic Level B - \$72,474 - \$86,063

This position is responsible for delivery of an accredited academic Higher Education program (Bachelor of Nursing) in the Department of Nursing. Duties include:

- teaching, clinical supervision, student assessment, maintenance of student files,
- development of culturally appropriate teaching and learning activities;
- liaison with remote Aboriginal communities and with industry partners is required;
- working throughout the Northern Territory is an essential requirement of the position; and
- liaison with other training staff and monitoring of student learning outcomes in accordance with curriculum guidelines of Batchelor Institute, the Faculty of Health, Business and Science and Australian Skills Quality Audit (ASQA) and Australian University Quality Agency (AUQA)

#### **Lecturer in Cleaning Qualifications**

Position No: 31655

Fixed term appointment to Dec 2014 - Batchelor, NT Remuneration: Academic Level C - \$72,474 - \$86,063

This position is responsible for the delivery of approved academic VET sectors in asset maintenance including:

- teaching, student assessment, maintenance of student files,
- · development of culturally appropriate teaching and learning activities;
- liaison with remote Aboriginal communities and with industry partners is required;
- working throughout the Northern Territory is an essential requirement of the position; and
- liaison with other training staff and monitoring of student learning outcomes in accordance with curriculum guidelines of Batchelor Institute, the Faculty of Health, Business and Science and Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) standards

#### **Executive Assistant**

Position No: 24671

Permanent Appointment – Batchelor, NT

Remuneration: Administrative officer Level 4BI - \$54,835 - \$62,526

Assist the Head of Faculty in achieving the goals of the Faculty by providing high level administrative and executive secretarial assistance.

The position is responsible for maintenance of daily activities within the range of tasks to be delegated by the Head of Faculty. The key responsibilities include: provide an executive assistant service to the Head of Faculty, process incoming and outgoing correspondence, maintain file management and TRIM/file registry for the faculty.

Note: All applicants must address the selection criteria.

#### Applications close: Friday, 25th November 2011

For further information, the Role Profile, Selection Criteria and 'Information for Applicants' are available from the Institute's website www.batchelor.edu.au (recruitment link); the Human Resources Unit on (08) 8939 7272 or (08) 8939 7393: fax (08) 8939 7432: or email recruitment@batchelor.edu.au

The Institute reserves the right not to make an appointment, or to vary the type of appointment.

A free commuter service is normally available for staff traveling between Darwin, Palmerston and some rural areas.



The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Heath and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

#### Regional Consultant, Aboriginal Education and Engagement

**Senior Education Officer 2 (ETS)** Temporary Full-time position - Position Number: 137586 South Western Sydney Region - Riverwood

Total remuneration package valued up to \$126,304 p.a. (salary \$114,458) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Providing high level support and advice to schools, regional office personnel and other key stakeholders on all aspects of Aboriginal education and engagement.

**Selection Criteria:** Aboriginality. Teaching qualifications and recent school based experience. Demonstrated high level experience and/or knowledge in the following key domains as they relate to Aboriginal students:

- Readiness for School
- Engagement and Connections
- Attendance
- Literacy and Numeracy
- Quality Teaching
- Pathways to Real Post-School Options.

Demonstrated high level leadership, excellent communication skills and proven experience in senior level negotiations, with the ability to influence a broad range of stakeholders, including Aboriginal communities and the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. Proven outstanding project management experience and organisational abilities including high level skills and proven experience in the writing and preparation of reports, submissions, presentations, briefings and speeches. Proven ability to analyse and apply data to inform localised strategies to improve literacy, numeracy, attendance and retention outcomes for Aboriginal students. Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education. Knowledge of, and commitment to, the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Conditions: This is a temporary appointment commencing from 27 January 2012 to 26 January 2015. Administrative hours and conditions apply. It is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Recent school-based experience is that which has been undertaken within the last three years. Recent school-based experience may include experience in providing direct classroom support to teachers and students in schools.

A permanent NSW government school teacher who accepts a temporary appointment to this position of more than one year's duration, must relinquish right of return to their substantive school.

Inquiries: Helen Wardega (02) 9408 8900

Email: Helen.Wardega@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Sue Bodnar (02) 9408 8900

Email: Sue.Bodnar@det.nsw.edu.au It is a requirement that all applicants apply online.

To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs

Closing Date: 30 November 2011





#### Academic Coordinator

Centre for Indigenous Education & Research

Yalbalinga Indigenous Higher **Education Unit** 

**Strathfield Campus** 

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Ngunya Jarium is the first Aboriginal, Out of Home Care Service in NSW to be accredited for 5 years by the Office of the Children's Guardian. We are able to offer exciting career opportunities to anvone with the skills and dedication to join our case management team and our clerical support team. We are a dynamic service in the process of increasing our capacity to enable us to provide additional care placements for our children, families and communities. Nounva Jarjum is seeking to employ the following Aboriginal workers for our Out-of-Home Care program.

**Positions Available:** 

#### ATSI Caseworker

full time permanent position,

#### ATSI Clerical Officer

full time permanent position

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In this position an applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Location: Casino

Lenore Marlowe – General Manager

02 66 628044

Information Session and Packages: To assist applicants for the above positions Ngunya Jarjum will be holding an Information Session from 10:00am on Friday 25th November, at our office at 38 Johnston St Casino to outline the position requirements and to provide applicants with Information Packages. Information Packages for these positions must be obtained prior to completion of the application and are also available on request by phoning our Office on 02 66 628044.

A "Working with Children Check" is a requirement of this position

Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 646 Casino, NSW 2470

**Closing Date:** 

Friday, 9th December 2011.





#### **Centre Manager**

Eagleby, is auspiced by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service (ATSICHS) Brisbane. Jimbelunga Nursing Centre is an aged care facility established to meet the spiritual and cultural needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The nursing home operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and caters for 30 high care and 25 low care residents. Jacaranda Lodge is a secure Dementia unit catering for 9 residents.

Jimbelunga is currently seeking a Centre Manager, reporting to the ATSICHS CEO, to oversee and coordinate all functions of the Nursing Centre, ensuring the highest standard of Residential Aged Care is delivered and maintained.

#### The successful applicant will undertake the following

- Establish and implement Jimbelunga's operational plans,
- Work to maximise the efficient use of Jimbelunga's financial and human resources:
- Ensure the Centre achieves and maintains accreditation and has an ongoing commitment to quality improvement
- Ensure compliance with all policies, procedures and systems in accordance with the relevant legislation;
- Overall responsibility for the maintenance of buildings, grounds, plant and equipment.
- Responsibility for operational and general administration functions including Finance, Human Resources and IT;
- Liaise with government, non-government, peak bodies and other organisations as required;
- Ensure a safe place of work for Jimbelunga staff in accordance with the requirements of all Workplace Health and Safety legislation;
- Liaise with the Board of Directors as required;
- Represent Jimbelunga as part of the ATSICHS Management
- Promote public awareness of Jimbelunga Nursing Centre.

#### be successful in this role, the following qualifications/experience is required:

- Knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander societies and cultures and a demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
- Previous experience working at a Management level with a demonstrated track record of leading a successful organization;
- Demonstrated high level consultative, interpersonal, communication and negotiation skills including the ability to deal with complex issues in a sensitive and impartial manner;
- Demonstrated working knowledge of Financial Management and Accounting processes i.e. budgeting, funding acquittals, reporting etc
- A demonstrated knowledge of Human Resource Management (HRM) including an awareness of Equal Employment Opportunity, Workplace Health and Safety and Industrial Relations;
- Previous experience in an Aged Care environment is highly

To apply for this position please forward an expression of interest, along with a current CV, to jobs@atsichsbrisbane.org.au

> Applications should be received by the COB 23 November 2011.

ATSICHS is an equal opportunity employer and encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply.









Women, Aboriginal People, Torres Strait Islanders, people from diverse racial, ethnic and ethno religious minority groups, mature aged workers and people with disabilities are particularly encouraged to apply. No Smoking in the workplace is Departmental policy. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunity, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and ethical practices.

#### Assistant Manager (Bail)

Clerk Grade 7/8 Juvenile Justice - Grafton

**Permanent Full-Time** 

Total remuneration package valued up to \$97,836 per annum Salary: \$80,096 pa to \$88,660 pa), including employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading.

#### Job description:

Responsible for providing quality service through the effective management of the delivery of juvenile justice programs at the local level across the areas in accordance with relevant legislation, departmental policies, guidelines and procedures to minimise the re-offending of juvenile offenders and enhance their functioning in and/or reintegration into the community.

#### Selection Criteria

- Knowledge of legislation relevant to juvenile offenders in NSW and the Public Sector.
- An understanding of the Agency's policies and procedures.
- Demonstrated experience in staff management and team building skills and ability to manage conflict.
- Experience working with families and/or adolescents and an understanding of adolescent development
- Demonstrated experience with a range of computer applications.
- Current minimum Class C Driver's Licence
- Knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal culture.

Job Notes: This is a Permanent Full-Time position and applicants must address full selection criteria.lt is an offence under the NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings.

All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks.

Enquiries: Angela Scott (02) 6643 5674 Information Package: www.iobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference No: 000000CM Closing Date: 25 November 2011



NATIONAL CENTRE OF INDIGENOUS EXCELLENCE

#### **OPERATIONS MANAGER**

**Attractive Remuneration Package - Location Redfern** 

Located on the site of the old Redfern Primary School, the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) opened in February 2010. Over 10 000 young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians from across the country have participated in learning and development programs in our four pathways of arts and culture. learning and innovation, health and wellness and sport and recreation since our opening. The NCIE features a world-class Sports, Arts and Recreation Centre, Corporate Conferencing facilities and a 110 bed Campus.

This is an incredibly exciting time for the NCIE after only 18 months of operation we continue to celebrate considerable success and growth. We now need to appoint an Operations Manager to work with the CEO to continue to build on this success. Reporting to the CEO you will be responsible for:

- Managing and increasing the effectiveness and efficiency of the NCIE's financial and commercial management, performance management and facilities management.
- Overseeing financial management planning systems and controls
- Improving the operational systems, processes and policies in support of the NCIE's vision, mission, goals and objectives - specifically, supporting better management reporting, information flow and management, business processes and organisational planning.
- Playing a significant role in long-term planning, including initiatives geared toward operational

Working with an amazing and dynamic team, this position also contributes to the development and implementation of organisational strategies, policies and practices. This position will also interact with the NCIE's Board of Directors.

Your key attributes and previous experience

- At least 3 years experience in Financial Management.
- · Strong background and work experience in Finance.
- · Ability to work effectively with a broad group of stakeholders including employees, partner organisations and the wider community.
- Excellent communication skills both verbal and • Knowledge and experience in organisational
- effectiveness and operations management implementing best practices Demonstrated leadership and vision in
- managing people and major projects or initiatives.
- · Excellent interpersonal skills and a collaborative management style.

diverse workplace.

- Budget development and oversight experience. A demonstrated commitment to high professional ethical standards and working in a
- Excels at operating in an fast pace, community environment.

To apply for this role, please email your resume to iobs@ncie.org.au

Applications close: 28th November 2011.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



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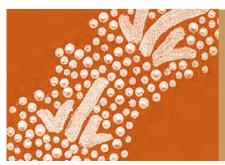
Ambulance is recruiting Patient Transport Officers

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Applications close: 25 November 2011 people are encouraged to apply For more information contact: Includes on-the-job training Callista Bryan

**Aboriginal Employment Coordinator** Tel: (02) 9320 7644 or Email: cbryan@ambulance.nsw.gov.au



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The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Heath and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.

#### Aboriginal Employment Officer

Clerk Grade 3/4

Permanent Full-time position - Position Number: 152761 Western Sydney Region - Blacktown

Total remuneration package valued up to \$72,142 p.a. (salary \$59,705 - \$65,376) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Providing clerical and administrative support and liaising with Aboriginal employees in schools.

Selection Criteria: Aboriginality. Effective communication, administrative, organisational, liaison and computer skills. Awareness of the processes for the staffing of NSW government schools. Commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education and Training.

Conditions: This is a permanent appointment. It is an offense for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Inquiries: Veronica Willmott (02) 9836 9148 Email: Veronica.Willmott@det.nsw.edu.au

Information Packages: Veronica Willmott (02) 9836 9148

Email: Veronica.Willmott@det.nsw.edu.au

It is a requirement that all applicants apply on line.

To apply online please visit our website: www.det.nsw.edu.au/jobs

Closing Date: 30 November 2011



#### Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Griffith Local Area Command, Southern Region, Field Operations Clerk Grade 3/4 Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months GRIFFITH

Salary Package: \$72,142. Salary: \$59,705 - \$65,376. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Job Description:

The Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer (ACLO) is a member of the Local Area Command, Crime Management Team with the responsibility of providing advice and support to Police in the management of Aboriginal issues across the Local Area Command. The ACLO assists in developing, implementing, monitoring and reviewing programs that bring about positive outcomes between Police and Aboriginal people and which are in line with NSW Police policy. The ACLO works closely with the Aboriginal community, Aboriginal community organisations and other service providers in their day to day activities. The ACLO promotes and awareness of NSW Police to Aboriginal people and communities and promotes an awareness of Aboriginal

#### **Job Notes:**

- $\bullet$  Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 for up to 12 months.
- Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.
- Applicants must include date and place of birth, drivers licence number and other supporting
- In accordance with the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act 1998, applicants will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration & the preferred applicant will be subject to criminal record, probity and prior employment checks. This position is subject to the terms of the Child Protection (Prohibited employment) Act, 1998. Under the terms of the Act, persons who have convicted of certain serious sex offences are prohibited from applying for this position, as it involves child related employment.
- This position works a 9 day fortnight, and applicants must be willing to work shifts, including weekends, where required.
- Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers are required to wear a uniform.
- Applications are encouraged from both females and males.
- Applications must address all selection criteria in writing. If not, the application will be rejected.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a National Criminal History Record check prior to commencement.

- Aboriginality and a sound knowledge of Aboriginal heritage and culture.
- · Ability to work, liaise and consult effectively with local Aboriginal communities, service providers and Police personnel
- Knowledge of the issues impacting on Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system.
- Effective written and oral communications skills and ability to participate in the development of local community strategies
- Experience in program development/management, word processing or other computer ullet Ability to work with minimal supervision and prepared to work shifts on a 24-hour rotational
- Holder of a current Drivers Licence, with a clear driving record for the past 12 months. **Enquiries:** Sergeant Kim Traynor on (02) 6969 4342

Downloadable Information Pack: http://files.jobs.nsw.gov.au/erygtk

Applications must be submitted via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00000N0Y

CLOSING DATE: Friday 25 November 2011

#### Regional Coordinator (Specified) Community Justice Services, Victim Assist QLD

Justice and Attorney-General

Salary: \$81 962 - \$87 691 p.a. Location: Cairns

REF: OLD/I4391/11

Key Duties: Improve the coordination of services delivered by government and non-government agencies to victims of crime in Far North Qld so that victims services in the region are effective and responsive.

Skills/Abilities: Highly developed interpersonal and communication skills and a demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons.

Enquiries: Amanda Shipway 1300 546 587 Closing Date: Friday, 18 November 2011

#### **Cultural Heritage and Native Title Liaison Officer**

Transport and Main Roads

Salary: \$70 031 - \$76 045 p.a. **Location:** Nerang

REF: QLD/TMRo399/11

Key Duties: As Cultural Heritage and Native Title Liaison Officer you will facilitate the implementation of legislation and departmental policy and procedures relating to cultural heritage and native title.

Skills/Abilities: In this role you will be required to liaise, consult and negotiate with indigenous groups, other government departments and stakeholders on native title and cultural heritage issues.

Enquiries: Andrew Makinson (07) 5667 6227 Closing Date: Thursday, 24 November 2011

#### **Child Safety Support Officer**

(Identified)

**Regional Service Delivery Operations** 

(Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent)

Communities

**Salary:** \$61 641 - \$67 780 p.a. Location: Gladstone **REF:** QLD/DOC20810/11

Key Duties: Work within a multidisciplinary team and provide high quality, culturally appropriate, child protection services to children and families.

Skills/Abilities: Provide culturally appropriate prevention, early intervention, and family support strategies to children and families including referral, provision of information,

advocacy and consultation. Enquiries: Sian Norris (07) 4979 6514 Closing Date: Friday, 25 November 2011

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#### **Careers with Queensland Health**

#### Allied Health/Clinical Support

Advanced Health Worker (Maternal and Infant Health) – Women's and Newborn Services, Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital, Herston, Metro North Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$61 632 p.a., comprising salary between \$49 108 - \$54 018 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (004) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) Duties/Abilities: Assist in providing culturally appropriate maternal and infant care services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, their partner/family and children during the antenatal, intrapartum and postnatal period. Help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their partner/family to make healthy lifestyle and health care choices and reduce risk behaviours during pregnancy and the early parenting period. Under s25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community.

Enquiries: Kelly Smith (07) 3636 3759.

Job Ad Reference: H11RBH10761.

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Application Kit: (07) 3170 4255 or (07) 3170 4256 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus Closing Date: Wednesday, 30 November 2011.

Senior Health Worker – Primary Health Care Team, District Community Health, Longreach, Central West Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$76 944 p.a., comprising salary between \$63 958 – \$67 438 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (006) (Applications will remain current for 12 months) Duties/Abilities: Provide leadership, mentorship and support to Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander Health Workers and trainee Health Workers within the District. Under \$25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be indigenous to the Aborigina 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.

this position.
Enquiries: Clair Nunn (07) 4652 5500.
Job Ad Reference: H11CW10763.
Application Kit: (07) 4920 7000 or
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus
Closing Date: Monday, 28 November 2011.

Generalist Health Worker – Primary Health Care Team, District Community Health, Longreach, Central West Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$2240 p.m., comprising salary rates: \$22.64 - \$23.76 p.h., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (003) (Temporary part time position until 30 June 2012, 38 hrs p.f. Applications will remain current for the duration of the vacancy.) Duties/Abilities: Deliver primary health care initiatives to improve the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals, families and communities, working closely with the young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community enrolled in the Beyond Billabong Program. 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. Under s25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (Qld), it is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community. Enquiries: Clair Nunn (07) 4652 5512.

Job Ad Reference: H11CW10731. Application Kit: (07) 4920 7000 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus Closing Date: Monday, 28 November 2011. Allied Health Clinical Support continued...

Generalist Health Worker or Trainee Health Worker (Women's Business) – Adult and Disability Program, Community and Primary Health Service, Emerald, Central Queensland Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$53 768 p.a., comprising salary between \$44 902 – \$47 125 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (003) or salary between \$40 825 – \$44 683 p.a. (002) (Applications will remain current for 12 months.) Duties/Abilities: Work with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community providing a holistic culturally appropriate primary health care service that seeks to build capacity for self determination in health and well-being. Under \$25 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 and to be female. 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: Janette Dillon (07) 4983 9700.

Job Ad Reference: H11CH10564. Application Kit: (07) 4920 7000 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus Closing Date: Monday, 28 November 2011.

#### **Corporate Support Services**

Training Consultant - Practice Support Project (PSP) – Alcohol and Drug Training and Resource Unit, Alcohol and Drug Service, Primary and Community Health Services, Biala, Brisbane, Metro North Health Service District. Remuneration value up to \$88 357 p.a., comprising salary between \$71 151 - \$77 441 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (AO5) (Temporary position until 31 December 2012. Applications will remain current for 12 months.) Duties/Abilities: Manage the dissemination and implementation of the Practice Support Project through the delivery of training to workers to increase their capacity to respond to alcohol and other drug problems within Indigenous populations. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: Margaret Ness (07) 3837 5708. Job Ad Reference: H11PCH10539.

Application Kit: (07) 3170 4255 or (07) 3170 4256 or www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus
Closing Date: Monday, 21 November 2011.

Project Officer – Allied Health Model of Care Palm Island – Community Health Palm Island, Bwgcolman Multidisciplinary Allied Health Team, Joyce Palmer Health Service, Institute of Primary Health and Ambulatory Care, Townsville with regular travel to Palm Island, Townsville Health Service District.

Remuneration value up to \$8336 p.m., comprising salary between \$3 136.70 - \$3 360.60 p.f., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (AO6) (Temporary position up to 27 January 2012. Applications will remain current for the duration of the vacancy.)

**Duties/Abilities:** Manage a coordinated, dedicated and responsive multidisciplinary allied health model of care for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of Palm Island.

Enquiries: Judith Sellen (07) 4755 6300 Job Ad Reference: H11TV1142. Application Kit: (07) 4750 6778 or

www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus. Closing Date: Wednesday, 23 November 2011.

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Region: Southern Metropolitan.

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Two positions available Region: Gippsland Region.

These positions have been exempted for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people only to apply. VCAT

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Aboriginal Housing Victoria

Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV) is a statewide, Aboriginal controlled, community organisation which manages the Aboriginal Rental Housing Program (ARHP) with the Office of Housing, Department of Human Services. AHV is increasing its management of the ARHP through the staged implementation of Transition to Independence, commencing with Tenancy Management, and the eventual ownership of the ARHP.

#### **Customer Service Officer**

The position of Customer Service Officer reports to the Tenancy Manager and is responsible for providing excellent customer to all AHV's clients, applicants, key stakeholders and members of the general public. This position will also require the successful applicant to be highly skilled in data entry and have a keen eve for detail and accuracy.

#### **KEY SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Ability to prepare correspondence, email and case notes using clear and concise language and organise information in a logical sequence.
- Good verbal communication skills with the ability to clearly explain information and listen to feedback. · Ability to plan tasks in an organised, methodical manner with accuracy and attention to detail
- Experience in resource systems management such as data entry and filing and ability to monitor and maintain records required for internal use.
- Proven experience in the use of computer software systems such as Microsoft Office, Excel and word. Ability to learn new software programs as required.
- Ability to solve problems based on operational and organisational procedures.

#### RELEVANT INFORMATION

- Flexi-time and Salary Packaging are available;
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- · Six month probationary period applies;
- A pre employment police check will be required;
- AHV requires compliance with its Code of Conduct;
- · AHV offices and vehicles are smoke free

#### Closing date for Applications: Wednesday 30th November 2011

All applications are to be marked 'Confidential' and posted to: Mrs Debra Shortis, Tenancy Manage Aboriginal Housing Victoria Narrandieri House, 125-127 Scotchmer Street, North Fitzroy, Victoria 3068 Or emailed to: deb.shortis@ahvic.org.au

Late applications may not be accepted

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact Debra on (03) 9403 2100



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#### **Australian Government Indigenous Land Corporation**

#### **DEVELOPING PROJECT OFFICER**

- Exciting opportunity based in Adelaide
- . Interesting, challenging and rewarding work with regional travel
- Non-ongoing employment (term) for up to 1 year
- Salary Range \$54K to \$57K (plus 15.4% Super)

The ILC assists Indigenous Australians to acquire and manage land to provide cultural, social, economic or environmental benefits for themselves and future generations. The organisation conducts business across Australia and uniquely operates in both the public

Reporting to the Operations Manager, Land Acquisition of the Central Divisional Office and working closely with Project Advisors this position would suit a tertiary qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person looking for a career in Project Management.

The Developing Project Officer will be responsible for but not limited to:

- provide portfolio and project management monitoring support to the Manager
- undertake assigned tasks to assist the Land Acquisition team to manage land acquisition and land management projects
- under general supervision, prepare reports and correspondence related to the land acquisition and land management functions

The successful candidate must be energetic, highly focused and work well under direction. You will need the capacity to work independently and as a member of a team in a diverse work environment and to effectively manage priorities and tasks to completion. You will also have good oral and written skills and the ability to solve problems, both individually and as a team member.

The commencing salary will be within the range above depending on your skills and experience. You will also have access to other excellent conditions.

For further information, please contact Wiebke Billows, Operations Manager on (08) 8100 7100 or Freecall 1800 818 490. (Position documentation and more information on the ILC are available on our website at www.ilc.gov.au)

You must be an Australian resident and your application must demonstrate that you have knowledge of the role and functions of the Indigenous Land Corporation.

Applications are to include a covering letter, a detailed current CV and an ILC Cover Note (located on the ILC website). Further information may be requested if you are selected for

Applications close at 5:00pm on Friday 25 November 2011. Applications should be emailed to vacancies@ilc.gov.au or marked "Confidential" and forwarded to Human Resources, Indigenous Land Corporation, GPO Box 652, ADELAIDE SA 5001

Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.

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#### ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE REDFERN

#### NURSE

The Aboriginal Medical Service wishes to employ a nurse to work in its Women's Health Programme with an emphasis on promoting women's health and achieving better health outcomes. The position is full time. Aboriginal nurses are encouraged to apply

Essential Qualifications: registration as Nurse in New South Wales; at least 5 years post-graduate experience; a demonstrated understanding of women's health, prevention and treatment strategies particularly in relation to Aboriginal populations; an understanding of Aboriginal cultural principles and a capacity to relate sensitively and effectively to Aboriginal women and men.

Desirable Qualifications: post graduate qualifications and/or in Reproduction and Sexual Health (Family Planning).

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: All applications should be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Aboriginal Medical Service, 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 Friday 25 November 2011.



#### On Track Community Programs \*\*\* connecting people to their communities

#### **Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Drug & Alcohol Worker**

**Permanent Full Time, Tweed Valley** 

#### Looking for a challenge and want to make a difference

We are a not-for-profit community organisation committed to providing responsive and flexible support services to people experiencing mental illness, disability or housing difficulties

This is a new position identified to enhance the capacity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals, families and communities to address current and future issues in the use of alcohol and other drugs. Your role would be to improve access to the appropriate range of health and wellbeing services.

Previous experience of work in the Drug and Alcohol sector and a working knowledge of referral process would be an advantage

You will be experienced working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the field of drug, alcohol and related issues. You must be self motivated with the ability to work independently, engage with clients and liaise closely with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and other service providers.

This position is paid at SACS Grade 5 (\$53,510) plus superannuation and generous salary sacrificing options available to the not for profit sector. A position description and selection criteria are available from our website at www.ontrack.ngo.org.au

Applicants identified as being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are encouraged to apply.

Applications must address the selection criteria and should be returned to recruitment@ontrack.ngo.org.au by 30th November 2011. For enquiries call Michael Shnukal on 07 5536 9851

#### **South Eastern** Indigenous Media **Association**



#### STATION MANAGER

TERMS: Permanent Full Time

Overview of this Position: The Station Manager is responsible for the overall day to day management of the station, including the coordination of staff and ensuring access and equity for 3KND's volunteer workers and community. The station manager is directly responsible to the Board of SEIMA on a regular basis or when otherwise directed.

#### Essential skills are:

- experience working in an Aboriginal community controlled organisation
- qualification or extensive experience in Management
- demonstrated understanding of financial management, including preparation and oversight of budgets.
- ability and experience in managing and coordinating staff and volunteers
- an ability to co-ordinate and organise fundraising for the station.
- · Experience and/or good understanding of promoting a community
- organisation demonstrated high quality organisational skills.
- · excellent people skills and a demonstrated ability to work cooperatively with a wide range of individuals and community organisations.
- excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- demonstrated administration skills including report preparation, record keeping, policy development and ensuring that decisions
- are implemented a commitment to the aims and objectives of 3KND.
- Computer skills: knowledge of Microsoft package
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply
- Victorian Drivers licence

#### PROGRAM MANAGER

TERMS: Permanent Full Time.

Overview of this Position: The role of the Program manager is to manage and coordinate all aspects of programming at 3KND radio

#### Essential skills are:

- Experience in working in an Aboriginal community controlled organisation
- At least 3 years experience in community broadcasting.
- · Demonstrated experience in radio production.
- Demonstrated experience working with volunteers.
- · Ability to negotiate decisions with programmers and to offer constructive feedback resulting from program review processes.
- Understanding of and commitment to 3KND's mission statement and a demonstrated commitment to Aboriginal radio.
- Knowledge of 3KND's Broadcasting Code, the Community Broadcasting Sector's Code of Practice, and relevant media law.
- Knowledge of radio production software, specifically audio editing
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply
- Victorian Drivers licence

#### **Application Details**

Written applications should address the job description, Essential skills and responsibilities. Closing date - 5pm Monday 28 November 2011

Send applications to:

Private and Confidential Secretary SEIMA 48 Mary Street Preston 3072

For a copy of the Position description or for further information call: Vanessa Vine on 0412 335 280 or Nicole Shanahan on 0423 466 018





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For further information please visit www.nt.gov.au/jobs or call Barbara Sampson on (08) 8935 7580. Applications should address the selection criteria and contain a current resume and referees

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#### **Aboriginal HACC Development Officer**

#### **Position x 3**

Permanent/Full Time for 12- 18 months (35 hours per week) Grade 5, Year 2 (SACS Award) \$64,446 per annum, package including superannuation.

#### **Location:**

#### Ageing Disability and Home Care (ADHC) Metro South Region

The Aged & Community Services Association of NSW & ACT (ACS), invites applications from Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people to fill three (3) vacant positions of Aboriginal HACC Development Officer for the Metro South ADHC region (1 position in St George/Sutherland; 1 position in Eastern Sydney; and 1 position in Inner West Sydney). Please note that as part of the induction and orientation, the positions will initially be working out of our Rhodes Head Office.

ACS, is a peak aged care organisation providing leadership to the aged and community service sector, has received NSW government funding from the Department of Family & Community Services, Ageing, Disability & Home Care (ADHC), to initially auspice these 3 positions for a 12 to 18 month period, with a view to then transferring these positions over to an Aboriginal non-Government Organisation (NGO) in the Metro South ADHC region as ongoing full time permanent HACC funded positions in the future.

These new Aboriginal HACC Development Officer positions provide a great opportunity to work with Aboriginal communities and organisations, including mainstream HACC agencies to help build relationships that will be strong, ongoing and resilient to enable the delivery of culturally appropriate, flexible and responsive services to Aboriginal people and communities in the ADHC Metro South region.

#### The Aboriginal HACC Development Officer positions are funded by ADHC, through the HACC program to:

- To investigate the needs of the Aboriginal community in the Inner West Sydney and South East Sydney Local Planning Areas (LPA's) within the ADHC Metro South region.
- Build the capacity of Aboriginal people residing in the ADHC Metro South region to access the HACC service system through support, information and education.
- Provide support regarding appropriate service development
- to Aboriginal and mainstream HACC services. Develop and maintain appropriate networks to further the
- Build the capacity of the HACC service system to better meet the needs of Aboriginal people/communities in the ADHC
- Provide cross sector information to Aboriginal communities.
- Advocate on behalf of the needs of Aboriginal people and organisations

#### **Essential Criteria:**

objectives of the project.

- Aboriginality
- Worked successfully with Aboriginal people/communities and/or service providers.
- Know about the Home & Community Care (HACC) Program, including the Community Care Common Standards.
- Demonstrated experience of having worked successfully with many different people, organisations and groups (including government departments) to achieve better partnerships and results for Aboriginal people.
- Ability to develop and maintain networks.
- High level verbal and written communication skills, including report writing.
- Skills using computers and related software.
- A commitment to reconciliation and building cultural competency and awareness of all HACC services.
- Understanding and commitment to Equal Employment Opportunity, Access & Equity, Occupational Health & Safety, and Ethical Working Practices.
- Current Drivers licence.

#### **Desirable Criteria:**

- Certificate IV in Workplace Training & Assessment (or commitment to undertake)
- Relevant social welfare or related qualifications and/or relevant industry experience.

#### **Information Package:**

For an information package and further information, please contact Black Pages Recruitment Agency, Contact Person, Paul Newman on Business Mobile: 0418 440 210 or email: paulnewman@blackpages.com.au or Sue Findlay, HACC Program Transition Manager, ACS on 0414 373 744 email; suef@agedservices.asn.au

Written applications addressing both the Essential and Desirable selection criteria, and the contact details of 2 referees, must be sent to: Attention: Paul Newman - Black Pages Recruitment Agency: PO BOX 23, Revesby North, NSW 2212.

> **Applications Close:** 9 December 2011



#### **Manager - Mental Health Programs**

The Richmond Fellowship of New South Wales is seeking a full-time Manager - Mental Health Programs to join its team in Bourke. You'll continue the development & implementation of mental health support programs while managing staff and partnerships. In return, you'll enjoy a **competitive salary package of \$90,323.65** made up of a base salary, super, vehicle, tax free benefits, mobile phone & laptop! Relocation assistance & short term accommodation also considered for right applicant!

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#### **Expression of Interest: Training for supervisors**

UnitingCare Children, Young People and Families is looking for an education provider to develop training for supervisors across the organisation.

Members of the organisation include UnitingCare Burnside, UnitingCare Disability, UnitingCare Children's Services, UnitingCare Institute of Family Practice and UnitingCare Unifam Counselling and Mediation.

The training will need to help enable supervisors to recruit, engage, support and retain Aboriginal staff to build a strong Aboriginal workforce.

For more information and to obtain a copy of the brief, please call Lisa Godwin:

T: (02) 8830 0755 M: 0409 363 747

E: Igodwin@ifp.nsw.edu.au

Expressions of Interest close 5pm Friday 2 December 2011.







#### **REGIONAL MANAGER**

Far North Queensland Region

- Exciting opportunity to make a difference
- Senior leadership role
- · Cairns based, with regular travel

We currently have an exciting and challenging opportunity for a suitably experienced Regional Manager to join our team. Responsible for leading ICV's community development programs across Far North Queensland, from Townsville to the Torres Strait Islands, this position is a senior leadership role within the

ICV's Regional Managers represent ICV in a designated region, engaging directly with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in growing ICV's business and supporting project staff to do the same

To be successful in this role, the applicant will lead and support a team to initiate, design, implement and evaluate human and community development projects. You must forge and maintain productive and collaborative partnerships in the region with Indigenous and non-Indigenous stakeholders including communities, governments, nongovernment organisations, and corporate and professional ience working in Indigenous o essential

As the leader of the Far North Queensland team you will set the workplace culture and lead by example, managing human resources effectively and compassionately, promoting and maintaining staff morale and professional development opportunities, managing work performance, and mentoring staff to further their careers. Financial management experience is essential.

For a full position description and selection criteria or further information please email

recruitment@humanresourcescentre.com.au or visit www.icv.com.au. Applications must include a statement addressing the selection criteria and should be sent to recruitment@humanresourcescentre.com.au by 5pm Monday 28th November, 2011.

ICV aims to be an employer of choice for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. Indigenous Australians. culturally and linguistically diverse Australians and women are strongly encouraged to apply

ICV implements a family-friendly workplace environment and supports its staff to achieve a healthy work-life balance



#### **Aboriginal Cultural Competence Project Worker**

Aboriginal people encouraged to apply CDW Class 3, three days per week,



This project is to assist agencies in the Ballarat and surrounding area to develop joint cultural competence plan and implementation strategy. Ideally an Aboriginal person is sought for this role, or someone with the demonstrated ability to work effectively with Aboriginal people and organisations and with a clear understanding of culturally competent practice.

For enquires or position description contact Sharon Fecteau, Chair of the Family Services Alliance (Greater Grampians), on 03 5337 3333; or Tim Sands, Ballarat and District Aboriginal Cooperative, on 03 5331 5344.

#### **Applications addressed to:**

Sharon Fecteau, (addressing key selection criteria) and emailed to sfecteau@cafs.org.au by midnight Sunday 20 November 2011.



The Tiwi Islands are located 80 km north of Darwin in the beautiful Arafura Sea. There are two islands, Bathurst Island and Melville Island with a total land mass of 8320 sq km.

Recipient of Council for Gender Equity 50:50 Vision for Gender Equity **Bronze Award Winners 2010** 

The successful applicants must be able to function positively in a cross cultural environment and be a team player. All employment is covered by the Local Government Industry Award 2010. Subsidised accommodation is available for these positions. All positions also attract 9% superannuation and six weeks annual leave

#### **SWIMMING POOL AND SPORTING GROUNDS MANAGEMENT COUPLE**

Bathurst Island \$100,000 combined salary

This position requires a couple managing across both swimming pool and sporting grounds facilities. The incumbents will supervise and administer activities at the swimming pool and sporting grounds in order to provide quality swimming programs and services, and to provide leadership and supervision to staff whilst ensuring the management and maintenance of sporting grounds and swimming pool are carried out in the most efficient and effective manner. Accommodation is available for a couple. Successful application for a Working with Children Ochre Card, is a requirement for this position.

If you would like to receive a copy of the Position Descriptions go to www.tiwiislands.nt.gov.au or if you want to know more about these positions please email recruitment@tiwiislands.nt.gov.au or phone 0427 894 041 Responses to the selection criteria are a requirement of all applications, along with a current CV.

**Applications close COB Friday 25 November 2011** 



#### **Australian National Audit Office**

The Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) is a specialist public sector practice providing a full range of audit services to the Parliament and Commonwealth agencies. We employ highly qualified and skilled professionals to fulfil our audit and assurance review mandate.

#### Senior Performance Analysts & **Performance Analyst Directors** (Indigenous Programs focus)

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#### NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978.

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EXPLORATION NO.	APPLICANT	AMALG NO	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
45/2312-I	AUSTRALIAN TANTALUM LTD	378060	25.86HA	77km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 35' S Long: 119° 12' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/2922-1	GIRALIA RESOURCES NL	378061	174.50HA	70km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 35' S Long: 119° 11' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE,
	haoma mining NL					PORT HEDLAND TOWN
80/3864	EARTH AUSTRALIA MINERALS PTY LTD	379457	25.91HA	74km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 36' S Long: 127° 57' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
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Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

#### Notification day: 16 November 2011

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on 16 February 2012. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100

**Expedited procedure:** The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 March 2012), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

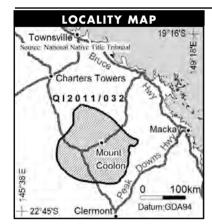
For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland Notification day: 30 November 2011





#### QI2011/032 QGC Pty Limited Jangga ILUA

#### Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers approximately 20,620 square kilometres and is located about 110 kilometres west of Mackay, as shown on the locality map.

The agreement falls within the Local Government Authorities of Whitsunday, Isaac and Charters Towers Regional Councils.

#### Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

QGC Pty Limited

C/- McCullough Robertson Lawyers

GPO Box 1855 BRISBANE QLD 4001

The registered native title claimant for the Jangga People native title claim, comprising Colin McLennan, James Gaston, Thomas Brown, Tyrone Tiers, Dorothy Hustler and Marie McLennan

PO Box 626

**TOWNSVILLE QLD 4810** 

#### The agreement contains the following statements:

Clause 6 Consent

(a) The Jangga RNTC [Registered Native Title Claimant] on behalf of the Jangga Claim Group consents to the doing of the following acts within the ILUA Area, whether or not they are Future Acts: (i) the grant to QGC of the Exploration Rights and activities necessary or incidental to the exploration for

(ii) the grant to QGC to the Project Rights and the implementation of those Project Rights; (iii) the planning, investigation, construction, operation and maintenance of the Project and all works necessary or incidental to the Project which is done by, at the request of, or on behalf of QGC; and (iv) the decommissioning of the Project and the required rehabilitation of the land affected by the Project. (b) The Parties acknowledge that the Non-Extinguishment Principle applies to any Exploration Right or Project Right when granted or the doing or validation of the Future Acts consented to under clause 6(a).

'Project' means the development, construction, operation, maintenance and ultimate decommissioning and rehabilitation of:

(a) a CSG [coal seam gas] project in the Bowen Basin, involving exploration, production and distribution of CSG through the operation of pipelines and associated infrastructure; and (b) any other works or operations necessary for or ancillary to the Project.

[An explanation of defined terms can be obtained by contacting the case manager on the number below.]

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified: Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body/ies for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection stration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered. The native title determination application must be made by 1 March 2012.

Any person wishing to provide any information regarding the identification of persons who may hold native title to the area and the authorisation by those persons of this agreement, should forward it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, BRISBANE, QLD, 4001 by

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal. Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call case manager Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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PhD student

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- Faculty of Health Science and the Kulbardi Aboriginal Centre
- Explore concept of Aboriginal spirituality and its relationship with birthing
- Applicant must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent

The CRE is a collaboration of ten lead investigators based across seven research institutions and is funded through the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) grant From marginalised to Empowered: transformative methods for Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing.

The applicant needs to be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and will undertake key research to develop a conceptual framework to explore the concept of Aboriginal spirituality and its relationship with birthing on country. This is important and original work and will add to the paucity of knowledge in this area.

The successful applicant will be enrolled through Murdoch University, one of our collaborating institutions.

#### How To Apply:

For information and details on how to apply please contact Professor Rhonda Marriott, 0405 709 464 or email r.marriott@murdoch.edu.au

**CLOSING DATE:** 16 December 2011



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- providing a unique medical and cultural perspective on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
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Reporting directly to the CEO, the Policy and Projects Manager is a key member of the AIDA Leadership Team. If you are an effective communicator, experienced in leading teams and deliver quality outcomes, then we want to hear from you.

The AIDA Secretariat is based at Old Parliament House, Canberra, ACT.

#### AIDA encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for this position.

If you would like to discuss the position please do not hesitate to contact Mr Romlie Mokak on (02) 6273 5013 or via email at romlie@aida.org.au

Applications marked "Confidential" should be addressed to:

Mr Romlie Mokak Chief Executive Officer PO Box 3497, MANUKA, ACT, 2603 or by email to: romlie@aida.org.au

#### Close of Business Friday 2 December 2011

Selection documentation for this position is located at http://www.aida.org.au/positionsvacant.aspx



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The NT Working Women's Centre is a community-based organisation that provides information, advice and community education about work related issues to women throughout the NT.

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2.5 hours per we

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On the job training in industrial relations will be provided to all of the successful applicants. The Centre is a family friendly workplace and encourages applicants to propose part time, flexible & job-share arrangements. If you require any further information please contact Anna Davis. Applicants must address the selection criteria which is available by contacting the Centre on (08) 8981 0655 or admin@ntwwc.com.au

Written applications in response to the selection criteria should be sent by COB Friday the 25th of November 2011 to:

NT Working Women's Centre GPO Box 403 Darwin NT 0801 E: anna@ntwwc.com.au



Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse women are encouraged to apply



#### **NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND** COUNCIL

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The NSW Aboriginal Land Council has a vacancy for a Finance Officer at our Far West Zone Office

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The successful applicant will have appropriate tertiary qualifications and/or experience; the capacity to interpret and implement legislation; effective communication skills and a sound understanding of

For detailed information about the position, the benefits/conditions and how to apply please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria by contacting Diane Lee by email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4499.

Applications can be forwarded to diane.lee@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

**Human Resources Coordinator NSW Aboriginal Land Council** PO Box 1125 PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

**Applications close Wednesday 30th November 2011** 



**NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND** COUNCIL

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**Attractive Remuneration Package and Benefits** 

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The successful applicant will have the capacity to manage a small office environment, competency with a range of computer software applications, the ability to work independently and prioritise work to meet competing deadlines. The ability to communicate effectively and a sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues is essential.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Human Resources Coordinator, Diane Lee by email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4499.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of South Australia Notification day: 30 November 2011





#### SI2011/023 Wangkangurru/Yarluyandi Petroleum Conjunctive ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 60,640 square kilometres and is located east of Oodnadatta on the South Australia - Northern Territory and Queensland border as shown on the locality diagram.

The agreement falls within the Unincorporated Local Government area.

#### Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Brenda Shields, Sharon Lucas, Haydyn Bromley, Arthur Ah Chee for and on behalf of the Wangkangurru/Yarluyandi Native Title Claim Group` c/- Camatta Lempens

Level 1, 345 King William Street Adelaide SA 5000 The Attorney General and the Minister for Mineral

Resources Development c/- Crown Solicitor Level 6, 45 Pirie Street Adelaide SA 5000

South Australian Native Title Services (SANTS) Level 4, 345 King William Street Adelaide SA 5000

South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy Mines and Energy House 290 Glen Osmond Road Fullarton SA 5063

#### The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Clause 6.2: The Parties agree that the Right to Negotiate procedure prescribed in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act* is not intended to apply to either the grant of any Authorised Licence or the carrying out of any activities under an Authorised Licence.

Clause 10.1: The Native Title Party agrees to the grant of any Authorised Licence by the Minister to the Company in respect of any part of the ILUA Area pursuant to the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act, and agrees to the Company exercising its rights and entitlements and discharging its obligations under the Authorised Licence in accordance with and subject to any conditions imposed by the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act [10.1.1], any applicable law [10.1.2] or the Framework ILUA [10.1.3].

Schedule 1, Clause 4.1: [This is one of the conditions a Company can agree to be bound by through the execution of an Acceptance Deed. At this point subject to clause 13 of the Framework ILUA, the Framework ILUA Parties consent to the grant of each Authorised Licence and the carrying out of any activities under them.]

Clause 13 Acceptance Contract: [This clause explains that a Company can enter into an Executed Acceptance Contract by agreeing to be bound by the terms of the Framework ILUA by duly completing and signing the Acceptance Deed and providing a copy to the State and the Native Title Party, the affect of which is an agreement between the State, Native Title Parties, the Association and the Company in respect of any PEL(s) (petroleum exploration licence), Additional Licence(s) and Subsequent Licences and the carrying out of activities under those licences.]

'Acceptance Deed' as the deed at Annexure B of the Acceptance Contract Conditions which acknowledges the Company's acceptance of the terms of this Framework ILUA;

'Additional Licence' as any: (a) Preliminary Survey Licence; (b) Pipeline Licence; (c) Speculative Survey Licence; (d) Associated Activities Licence; (e) Easement for pipeline purposes; or

(f) other authority able to be lawfully granted to a Company within the ILUA Area pursuant to the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act,

applied for, or granted to a Company in the ILUA area where that Company is not the holder of a PEL or PPL [petroleum production licence] authorised by this Framework ILUA, but excluding any authority authorising the geosequestration of carbon dioxide outside of normal petroleum operations;

'Authorised Licence' as:

(a) in the case of a Company applying for a PEL or PPL in the ILUA Area, the PEL(s) or PPL(s) specified in the Acceptance Deed executed by that Company in order to enter into the Executed Acceptance Contract, and any Subsequent Licence granted to the Company; and

(b) in the case of a Company not holding a PEL or PPL authorised by this Framework ILUA, the Additional Licence(s) specified in the Acceptance Deed executed by that Company in order to enter into the Executed Acceptance Contract;

'Subsequent Licence' as any: (a) PPL (that is not already authorised under this ILUA); (b) Associated Activities Licence; (c) PRL [petroleum retention licence]; (d) Easement for pipeline purposes; (e) Preliminary Survey Licence; (f) Speculative Survey Licence; or (g) other authority able to be lawfully granted to a Company within the ILUA area pursuant to the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act,

applied for or granted to a Company where that Company is the holder of a PEL or PPL authorised by this Framework ILUA at the time of the Licence application, but excludes any authority authorising the geosequestration of carbon dioxide outside of normal petroleum operations.

#### 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 South Australian Native Title Services (SANTS), 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

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Adelaide, SA, 5001 by 1 March 2012.

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 Monica Khouri on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



#### 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 TYP	E NO.	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
General Purpose	47/1244	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LTD	94.96HA	31 km E'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 7' S Long: 117° 57' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE

The purposes of G 47/1244 are: a communications facility, a minesite accommodation facility, a pipeline, a power line, a water management facility, a workshop and storage facility, taking water.

Mining Lease	25/350	INTEGRA MINING LTD NEWCREST OPERATIONS LTD	994.80HA	43 km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 53' 5	S Long: 121° 55' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	25/351	HENRY SUPER PTY LTD	104.17HA	30km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' 5	S Long: 121° 47' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	29/413	HERON RESOURCES LTD	822.10HA	43km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 4' S	Long: 121° 8' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	47/1467	PEL IRON ORE PTY LTD	511.36HA	120km E'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 32' 5	S Long: 118° 56' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	47/1468	IRON ORE HOLDINGS LTD	1200.55HA	107km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 48' 5	S Long: 118° 52' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Mining Lease	47/1469	PEL IRON ORE PTY LTD	338.93HA	118km NW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 33' 5	S Long: 118° 58' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	70/1300	L&G GRANITE PTY LTD	27.01HA	46km NE'ly from Goomalling	Lat: 30° 58' 5	S Long: 117° 8' E	DOWERIN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years. Notification day: 16 November 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 16 February 2012. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 March 2012), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the area of the mining tenements. 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.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Darumbal authorisation meeting for proposed Indigenous Land Use Agreements under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) relating to the

#### ARROW ENERGY LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS PROJECT

The registered native title claimants (QUD 6131/98) (Darumbal Claim) and (QUD 6001/99) (Darumbal #2 Claim), invite all persons who identify as members of the two Darumbal native title claim groups to attend a meeting to consider authorising two Indigenous Land Use Agreements (Area Agreements) (ILUAs) with Arrow Energy Pty Ltd ACN 078 521 936 (Arrow).

The Darumbal People are described as descendants of the following Darumbal ancestors:-

Minnie and John McPherson; Jim Hector and Kathleen Hector (nee Reid); Clara Hayden (need McKenzie) from her marriages with Albert Hayden and Arthur Rutherford; Ada Naylor (nee Thompson); Mary and husband Tommy of Stoodleigh aka 'Mundabel'; George and Tommy Lea and their sister Tilly Lea; Maggie of Rockhampton aka Maggie Mitchell, the mother of Alex and Bob

Arrow proposes to develop a liquefied natural gas (LNG) project involving the development of gas fields and the construction and operation of pipelines, facilities for gas processing, gas liquefaction and power generation and all other associated infrastructure to allow Arrow to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone. This project is known as the Arrow LNG Project.

Two ILUAs are proposed under Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) with all persons who hold or may hold native title in respect of certain parts of the Arrow LNG Project area.

The first ILUA will be located wholly within the boundaries of the two Darumbal claims. The area of this ILUA is shown in Map A

The second ILUA includes a smaller part of the area of the two Darumbal claims immediately to the west of the first ILUA, and also includes an area which is not covered by any registered native title claim. A separate authorisation meeting will be held at a later date for all identified persons who hold or may hold native title in this ILUA area but who are not Darumbal People. The area of this ILUA is shown in Map B below.

A meeting will be held for all Darumbal People for the purpose of authorising the proposed ILUAs in accordance with the requirements of section 251A of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). The proposed ILUAs will give consent to all future acts necessary for, or incidental to, the Arrow LNG Project within the ILUA areas.

All those persons who consider that they are Darumbal People are invited to attend as follows:-

#### 1. Darumbal Authorisation Meeting

Friday, 9 December 2011

9:30am for registration and morning tea

Venue: Dreamtime Cultural Centre, Bruce Highway, Rockhampton

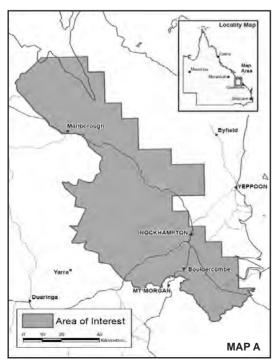
Financial assistance with travel and accommodation is not available but a barbeque lunch will be provided.

For Darumbal People, further details may be obtained from Douglas Hatfield, phone (07) 4926 0026.

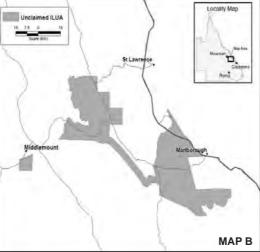
#### 2. Other Interested Parties

Any other person who asserts that they hold or may hold native title in the second ILUA Area, will be invited to a separate authorisation meeting in 2012.

For anyone who is not Darumbal, further details may be obtained from Hayley Docherty, phone (07) 3009 5400









**Business Administration Traineeships** 

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We are looking for enthusiastic, committed and well presented individuals who are keen to develop their skills in a corporate office environment. These positions are ideally suited to recent school leavers however completion of HSC or equivalent is not a pre-requisite.

Your key responsibilities will include clerical work, customer service, statistics and data entry. The program comprises four days per week practical work experience, and one day attending training towards completion of a Certificate III in Business Administration.

Designated positions are available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

Enquiries about all our Traineeship opportunities can be made on (02) 9551 9649 or

Applications should be made online at www.rba.gov.au and must include a supporting statement and resume. Applicants with a qualification higher than a Certificate II are not eligible to apply

Applications close on 23 November 2011.

#### **Catholic Education Office Diocese of Bathurst**

Applications are invited for the positions of:

#### ABORIGINAL EDUCATION WORKERS

St Laurence's Primary School, Dubbo K-6 Part-time Temporary Position 60 hours per fortnight Holy Family Primary School, Kelso K-6 Part-time Temporary Position 60 hours per fortnight

La Salle Academy, Lithgow 7-12 Part-time Temporary Position 24 hours per fortnight

Commence 27.01.2012 - 21.12.2012

with the possibility that the position could extend beyond this period.

#### Criteria - Applicants must be able to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of and sincere commitment to the aims and philosophy of Catholic Education, including the values of social justice, equity and reconciliation, but do not necessarily have to be Catholic.
- Provide confirmation of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background.
- Demonstrate an appropriate level of skill in literacy and numeracy especially as it relates to assisting students.
- Demonstrate knowledge of educational issues which affect Aboriginal students and knowledge of local issues which impact on Aboriginal students.
  - Build links with the local Aboriginal community.
- Promote and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander traditions and culture within the whole school community

Please ring 02 6882 7355 (Catholic Education Office, Dubbo) for an application package and further details of this position.

Applications close: Thursday, 8 December 2012

\* All AEW positions in the Bathurst Diocese are funded by, and depend upon, the Commonwealth's IEP program.

Child Protection Legislation requires preferred applicant to be subject to employment screening.

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#### ADMINISTRATION/SUPPORT OFFICER -Staying Home Leaving Violence Program

Aboriginal targeted position Orana Local Area Command, Western Region, Field Operations Clerk Grade 1/2

Temporary Part-Time - 21 hours per week up to 3 years DUBBO Vacancy Ref: NSWPF 11/313

Salary Package: \$64,069. Salary: \$53,407 - \$58,060. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Salary will be paid at the pro-rata rate

#### **Job Description:**

The Administration/Support Officer - Staying Home Leaving Violence Program (SHLV) provides assistance to the SHLV Coordinator/Case Manager to implement and manage the SHLV program in Dubbo.

#### Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy 2009-2012, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Temporary employment/appointment under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 for a minimum of 3 years. This is a temporary position and funding may not continue after 30 June 2013.
- This is a part time position working a minimum of 21 hours per week.
- Applications must address all Selection Criteria. If not, the application will be rejected. • Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Criminal History Record check prior
- to commencement.

#### Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality
- · Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Demonstrated computer skills and competence in the use of PC programs including Microsoft Office
- Ability to liaise and work with members of the public and staff from other agencies. Demonstrated ability to work both unsupervised and as part of a small team.
- · Excellent decision making and time management skills
- Knowledge of the criminal justice system.
- · Current Unrestricted Driver's Licence.

Enquiries: Detective Inspector Rod Blackman on (02) 6883 1560 Information: Kerry Seaton on (02) 6883 1501

Downloadable Information Pack: http://files.jobs.nsw.gov.au/dgtb9q

Applications must be submitted via www.job.nsw.gov.au

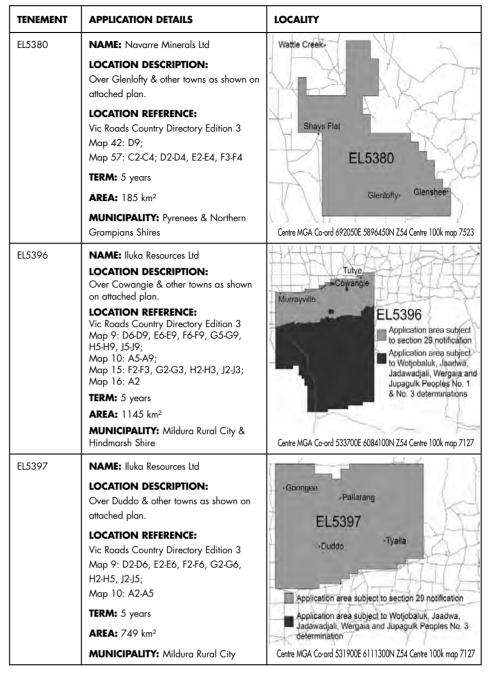
Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00000OMR



### Notice under Section 29(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy sources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration licences under section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL5371	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd  LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Heywood & other towns as shown on attached plan.  LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 71: H8-H9, J8-J9; Map 72: A8-A9; Map 87: H2, J2-J3; Map 88: A2-A3, B2-B4, C3-C4, D3-D4, E3-E4, F3-F5, G3-G5, H3-H5  TERM: 5 years  AREA: 483 km²  MUNICIPALITY: Glenelg & Moyne Shires	Application area subject to section 29 notification Application area subject to Gundiffinara determination & Gundiffinara & Eastern Maar determination  EL5371  Heywood  Besslebelle  Centre MGA Co-ord 558700E 5780850N Z54 Centre 100k map 722
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EL5372	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd  LOCATION DESCRIPTION:  Over Koroit & other towns as shown on attached plan.  LOCATION REFERENCE:  Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3  Map 89: F3-F4, G3-G6, H3-H7, J3-J7;  Map 90: A5-A7, B5-B7  TERM: 5 years  AREA: 482 km²  MUNICIPALITY: Moyne Shire	Cooramook- EL5372 -Koroit Yarpturk Wangoom
	& Warrnambool City	Centre MGA Co-ord 627550E 5765650N Z54 Centre 100k map 732
EL5373	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd  LOCATION DESCRIPTION:  Over Orford & other towns as shown on attached plan.  LOCATION REFERENCE:  Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3  Map 88: H3-H5;  Map 89: B3-B5, C3-C6, D3-D6, E3-E5, F3-F5, G4-G5	Application area subject to section 29 notification  Application area subject to Gunditimara determination & Gunditimara & Eastern Maar determination  Broadwater  -Dunmore  Willatook  EL5373
	TERM: 5 years  AREA: 486 km²  MUNICIPALITY: Moyne Shire	Orford Warrong Tarrone Centre MGA Co-ord 601750E 5774950N Z54 Centre 100k map 732
EL5374	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd  LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Cobden & other towns as shown on attached plan.  LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 91: B6-B9, C6-C9, D6-D9, E6-E9, F9; Map 100: E2, F2, G2  TERM: 5 years  AREA: 482 km²  MUNICIPALITY: Corangamite & Colac Otway Shires	Cobden Tandarook Elingamite Jancourt EL5374 Scotts Creek Simpson Centre MGA Co-ord 685950E 5749150N Z54 Centre 100k map 752
EL5375	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Naringal & other towns as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 90: B6-B9, C6-C9, D6-D9, E6-E9, F6-F8, G6-G8, H6-H9; Map 91: B6-B9 TERM: 5 years AREA: 486 km² MUNICIPALITY: Warrnambool City, Moyne & Corangamite Shires	Parmure  Panmure  Panmure  Repunga  Centre MGA Co-ord 656207E 5751556N Z54 Centre 100k map 742
EL5377	NAME: Mecrus Resources Pty Ltd  LOCATION DESCRIPTION:  Over Casterton & other towns as shown on attached plan.	Comdale Application area subject to section 29 notification Application area subject to Gunditimara determination Casterton
	Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 53: E9, F9; Map 71: E2-E3, F2-F4, G2-G4, H2-H6  TERM: 5 years	Bahgallah
	<b>AREA:</b> 217 km <sup>2</sup>	Killara



Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration licence, which authorises the holder to explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to five years.

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following mining licence under section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN5545	NAME: Tamas Kapitany	MIN5545
	LOCATION DESCRIPTION:	1
	2.7 km north of Bolton.	
	LOCATION REFERENCE:	
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	TERM: 5 years	
	<b>AREA:</b> 31.5 ha	Bolton
	MUNICIPALITY: Swan Hill Rural City	Centre MGA Co-ord 672000E 6131550N Z54 Centre 100k map 7428

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a mining licence, which authorises the holder to mine for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 20 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

#### Notification Day: 16 November 2011

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 persons have until three months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the potential grant of the licences. The three month period closes on 16 February 2012. Enquiries about becoming a native title party may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, telephone 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further information about the potential grant of the licences, including identification maps, may be obtained from the Earth Resources Business Centre at Level 16, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000, telephone (03) 9658 4454.

For further information about native title and the right to negotiate process, contact James O'Callahan, Native Title Coordinator, Department of Primary Industries, telephone (03) 5336 6645.



MUNICIPALITY: Glenelg Shire

Centre MGA Co-ord 530100E 5838350N Z54 Centre 100k map 7122

#### 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).

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
- those individuals identifying as the Warrabal People who claim to hold Native Title Rights and Interests in respect of the ILUA

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.

ILUA Area

An authorisation meeting for this ILUA has already been held, on Saturday 8 October 2011. Those members of the Native Title Parties who were present at that meeting indicated their preparedness to authorise the ILUA subject to agreement being reached on one final issue.

Representatives of APLNG and the Native Title Parties have now reached in-principle agreement on that final issue and therefore authorisation of the ILUA by the Native Title Parties, being the people who hold or may hold native title in the ILUA Area, is once again sought in accordance with the NTA.

#### **Details of further ILUA Authorisation Meeting**

The further authorisation meeting for the proposed ILUA will be held as follows:

Date and Time: Saturday, 26 November 2011, 8:30 am registration and a meeting start time of 9:30 am.

Place: Darambal Convention Centre, Dreamtime Cultural Centre, Bruce Highway, Rockhampton, Qld,

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
- a member of the Warrabal People as described in this

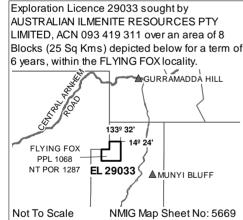
To register your attendance at the authorisation meeting, please contact Melissa Anapo, Native Title and Cultural Heritage Coordinator, Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited on (07) 3867 0550 by 4:00 pm on Tuesday 22 November 2011 so that arrangements can be made for the purposes of catering. assistance 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.

#### 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.



Exploration Licence 29068 sought by ISMINS

PTY LIMITED. ACN 141 217 343 over an area

of 4 Blocks (13 Sq Kms) depicted below for a

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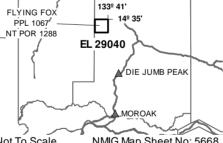
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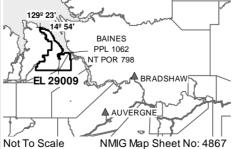
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 29040 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 4 Blocks (13 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MOROAK locality.

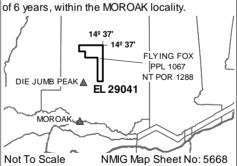


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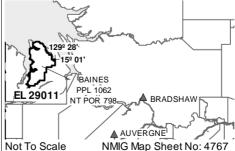
Exploration Licence 29009 sought by RED DOG EXPLORATION (AUST) PTY LIMITED, ACN 152 983 036 over an area of 244 Blocks (727 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VICTORIA RIVER locality.



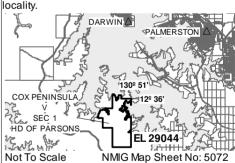
Exploration Licence 29041 sought by AUSTRALIAN ILMENITE RESOURCES PTY LIMITED, ACN 093 419 311 over an area of 11 Blocks (37 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term



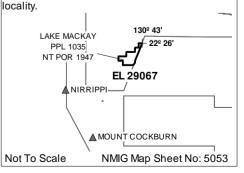
Exploration Licence 29011 sought by RED DOG EXPLORATION (AUST) PTY LIMITED, ACN 152 983 036 over an area of 231 Blocks (672 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LEGUNE locality.



Exploration Licence 29044 sought by GRIGM RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 148 051 567 over an area of 14 Blocks (38 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BYNOE



Exploration Licence 29067 sought by ROYAL RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 108 102 432 over an area of 14 Blocks (38 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN



Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the Mineral Titles Act authorises the holder to conduct activities in connection with exploration for minerals for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral 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 Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the Native Title Act is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 10, Chesser House, 91 Grenfell Street, Adelaide SA 5000 or GPO Box 9973 Adelaide SA 5001, or telephone (08) 8306 1230.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the Native Title Act. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 16 November 2011

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#### **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.	IVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleui  APPLICANT	AREA*	LOCALITY	CENTROID	SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	04/2131 04/2138	SCARBOROUGH RESOURCES PTY LTD BLACKFIN PTY LTD	62BL 9BL	33km W'ly of Derby 64km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 17' S Long: 123° 19' E Lat: 17° 51' S Long: 123° 48' E	BROOME SHIRE, DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	04/2139 04/2140	BLACKFIN PTY LTD TAMILE PTY LTD	19BL 9BL	74km SE'ly of Derby 73km W'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 51' S Long: 124° 1' E Lat: 17° 18' S Long: 122° 56' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	08/2160 08/2243	CAULDRON ENERGY LTD AUREUS INVESTMENT PTY LTD	174BL 42BL	123km S'İy of Onsİow 170km S'Iy Onslow	Lat: 22° 44' S Long: 114° 59' E Lat: 23° 7' S Long: 115° 34' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2248	COCCINELLA PTY LTD	16BL	40km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 7' S Long: 117° 17' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	08/2268 08/2269	BARACUS PTY LTD BARACUS PTY LTD	96BL 68BL	95km W'ly of Paraburdoo 156km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 23° 17' S Long: 116° 45' E Lat: 23° 2' S Long: 116° 8' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2270	BARACUS PTY LTD	17BL	149km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 10' S Long: 116° 13' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	08/2276 08/2277	AUREUS INVESTMENT PTY LTD AUREUS INVESTMENT PTY LTD	20BL 56BL	159km S'ly of Onslow 149km E'ly of Coral Bay	Lat: 23° 2' S Long: 115° 25' E Lat: 23° 15' S Long: 115° 13' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2284	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	31BL	65km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 5' S Long: 115° 55' E Lat: 22° 52' S Long: 116° 42' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	08/2293 08/2294	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	2BL 1BL	106km W'ly of Paraburdoo 100km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 52' S Long: 116° 42' E Lat: 22° 53' S Long: 116° 45' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2295	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	2BL	113km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 51' S Long: 116° 38' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	08/2296 15/1280	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD GASCOYNE RESOURCES (WA) PTY LTD	10BL 6BL	110km W'ly of Paraburdoo 29km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 22° 54' S Long: 116° 39' E Lat: 31° 45' S Long: 121° 40' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/750	ASKINS, Paul Winston	57BL	21km W'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 22' S Long: 117° 40' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	20/767 20/788	CITIC NICKEL AUSTRALIA PTY LTD AFMECO MINING AND EXPLORATION PTY LTD	4BL 7BL	77km SE'ly of Meekatharra 42km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 12' S Long: 118° 51' E Lat: 27° 13' S Long: 118° 15' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	27/438	PIONEER RESOURCES LIMITED	22BL	64km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 121° 55' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	27/453 28/2015	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD CARRICK GOLD LTD	23BL 1BL	64km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie 80km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 121° 55' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2172	MULCIBER METALS PTY LTD	200BL	82km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 122° 16' E Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 124° 37' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	29/830 31/971	VEDO ENERGY PTY LTD COVE RESOURCES LTD	13BL 10BL	30km N'ly of Menzies 141km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 29° 26' S Long: 120° 56' E Lat: 30° 4' S Long: 122° 42' E	MENZIES SHIRE MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/988-I	MING MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	126km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 45' S Long: 122° 31' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	31/989-I 31/990-I	MINGS MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD MINGS MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL 1BL	128km S'ly of Laverton 134km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 46' S Long: 122° 32' E Lat: 29° 49' S Long: 122° 34' E	MENZIES SHIRE MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/994	ICARAS PTY LTD	36BL	74km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 33' S Long: 121° 47' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/995	STUBBS, Gregory Wayne ICARAS PTY LTD	6BL	62km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 41' E	MENZIES SHIRE
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Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	37/1120 38/2307	ROSSITER MINERALS LTD ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	15BL 1BL	27km SE'ly of Leonora 45km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 121° 34' E Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 122° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2659	GOLD ROAD RESOURCES LIMITED	200BL	159km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 26° 34' S Long: 123° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2667	SHIPARD, Paul Jeffery CONTESSI, Maida	1BL	21km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 45' S Long: 122° 33' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/2401	QUANTUM RESOURCES LTD	22BL	12km NE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 37' S Long: 122° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/3417 45/3587	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD DANN WHITE MINING PTY LTD	2BL 48BL	43km NW'ly of Marble Bar 84km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 20° 49' S Long: 119° 34' E Lat: 21° 34' S Long: 120° 50' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3625	WINTERWHITE RESOURCES PTY LTD	142BL	148km SE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 53' S Long: 122° 55' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/3764 45/3785	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD STATE RESOURCES PTY LTD	27BL 37BL	66km S'ly of Port Hedland 71km SE'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 20° 54' S Long: 118° 39' E Lat: 21° 0' S Long: 120° 34' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3804	MING GOLD PTY LTD	61BL	44km SE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 3' S Long: 122° 25' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/3839 45/3876	TETRA RESOURCES PTY LTD ABEH PTY LTD	48BL 11BL	96km NE'ly of Nullagine 60km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 120° 54' E Lat: 21° 41' S Long: 119° 34' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3887 45/3938	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	8BL 200BL	82km W´İy of Marble Bar 153km E'İy of Mount Newman	Lat: 21° 20' S Long: 118° 58' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/3946	MOLY METALS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	3BL	53km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 23° 12' S Long: 121° 13' E Lat: 21° 14' S Long: 119° 14' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3953 46/782	MOLY METALS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	75BL	64km N'ly of Nullagine 85km W'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 23' S Long: 120° 19' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	46/937	HAWKE, Robert Lawrence VEDO ENERGY PTY LTD	20BL 317.91BL	37km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 49' S Long: 121° 25' E Lat: 22° 7' S Long: 119° 51' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/938	IMAGE RESOURCES NL THOMPSON, Mark James	24BL	57km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 46' S Long: 120° 39' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/939	ABEH PTY LTD	70BL	39km NW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 37' S Long: 119° 51' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	46/940 46/941	HAZELWOOD RESOURCES LTD HAZELWOOD RESOURCES LTD	2BL 2BL	47km NE'ly of Nullagine 33km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 38' S Long: 120° 29' E Lat: 21° 40' S Long: 120° 20' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/1349	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	12BL	81km N'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 1' S Long: 117° 30' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	47/1419 47/1500	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	37BL 60BL	27km NE'ly of Tom Price 71km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 35' S Long: 118° 1' E Lat: 22° 24' S Long: 117° 10' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/1675	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	4BL	46km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 23' S Long: 117° 29' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/1684-7 & 47/1690	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	286BL	32km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 27' S Long: 117° 38' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/1968	CHRYSALIS RESOURCES LIMITED	32BL	20km S'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 52' S Long: 117° 51' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	47/2580	COMMODITE RESOURCES PTY LTD	7BL	77km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 58' S Long: 118° 21' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	52/2271 52/2702	GIRALIA RESOURCES NL SHAW RIVER MANGANESE LIMITED	16BL 119BL	70km W'ly of Mount Newman 91km SE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 27' S Long: 119° 3' E Lat: 24° 7' S Long: 120° 5' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	52/2717 59/1643	THUNDELARRA EXPLORATION LTD	49BL 57BL	184km S'lý of Mount Newman 78km W'ly of Cue	Lat: 25° 0′ S Long: 119° 31′ E Lat: 27° 34′ S Long: 117° 6′ E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1781	JML RESOURCES PTY LTD MAGNETIC RESOURCES NL	67BL	123km NW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 115° 57' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	59/1782 69/2931	MAGNETIC RESOURCES NL GEOTECH INTERNATIONAL PTY LTD	37BL 77BL	52km S'ly of Paynes Find 216km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 29° 43' S Long: 117° 46' E Lat: 26° 3' S Long: 123° 7' E	MOUNT MARSHALL SHIRE WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2972	JML RESOURCES PTY LTD	63BL	107km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 49' S Long: 120° 12' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	69/2973 70/4055	KUBWA IRON ORE HOLDINGS PTY LTD BLACK PEAK WA PTY LTD	10BL 24BL	194km NE'ly of Wiluna 35km SE'ly of Corrigin	Lat: 25° 37' S Long: 122° 28' E Lat: 32° 31' S Long: 118° 10' E	WILUNA SHIRE KONDININ SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4119	GOVERNOR WELL MINERALS PTY LTD	23BL	8km N'ly of Augusta	Lat: 34° 14' S Long: 115° 10' E	AUGUSTA-MARGARET RIVER SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	70/4129 70/4130	IMAGE RESOURCES NL IMAGE RESOURCES NL	6BL 1BL	35km SE'ly of Červantes 31km SE'ly of Cervantes	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 115° 23' E Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 115° 21' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE DANDARAGAN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4137-9	POTASH WEST NL	210BL	15km W'ly of Moora	Lat: 30° 34' S Long: 115° 49' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	70/4141 70/4142	MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD	154BL 128BL	43km SW'ly of Hyden 44km W'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 42' S Long: 118° 30' E Lat: 32° 33' S Long: 118° 24' E	KONDININ SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE, LAKE GRACE SHIRE KONDININ SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4143	MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD	200BL	25km S'ly of Lake Grace	Lat: 33° 19' S Long: 118° 31' E	KENT SHIRE, LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	70/4144-5 70/4146	MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD	400BL 175BL	46km N'ly of Jerramungup 56km W'ly of Jerramungup	Lat: 33° 32' S Long: 118° 47' E Lat: 33° 46' S Long: 118° 21' E	KENT SHIRE GNOWANGERUP SHIRE, KENT SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4147	MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD	175BL	34km NW'ly of Jerramungup	Lat: 33° 49' S Long: 118° 34' E	GNOWANGERUP SHIRE, JERRAMUNGUP SHIRE, KENT SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4148	MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD	200BL	14km N'ly of Jerramungup	Lat: 33° 49' S Long: 118° 53' E	GNOWANGERUP SHIRE, JERRAMUNGUP SHIRE,
Exploration Licence	70/4149	MAGMA GOLD PTY LTD	200BL	20km NE'ly of Jerramungup	Lat: 33° 52' S Long: 119° 6' E	KENT SHIRE JERRAMUNGUP SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4169	HARD ROCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	6BL	40km S'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 115° 39' E	GERALDTON CITY, MORAWA SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	74/501 74/507	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD PONTON MINERALS PTY LTD	70BL 67BL	64km W'ly of Salmon Gums 15km S'ly from Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 3′ S Long: 120° 58′ E Lat: 33° 43′ S Long: 120° 1′ E	ESPERANCE SHIRE RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/516	UNITED MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	54BL	85km NE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 32° 57' S Long: 120° 33' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE, LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	77/1463 77/1972	ST. BARBARA LTD PARTISAN RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL 1BL	14km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing 125km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 119° 38' E Lat: 29° 41' S Long: 119° 34' E	KONDININ SHIRE MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4573-4	STANSMORE RESOURCES PTY LTD	400BL	144km SE'ly of Balgo Mission	Lat: 21° 18' S Long: 128° 35' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	80/4611 80/4626	AUSRICH RESOURCES PTY LTD ZHANG, Hua	33BL 9BL	220km NW'ly of Wyndham 110km E'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 13° 56' S Long: 127° 6' E Lat: 17° 58' S Long: 128° 40' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4630	AURIFEROUS MINING PTY LTD	16BL	52km S'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 39' S Long: 127° 29' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5647	GOLDEN GRANITE PTY LTD GOLDPHYRE WA PTY LTD	70.70HA	34km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 41' S Long: 121° 51' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2740-2	STEHN, Anthony Paterson	590.89HA	54km NW'ly from Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 35' S Long: 120° 47' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	16/2743 16/2744	MARSH, David Neill MARSH, David Neill	113.50HA 5.99HA	36km N'ly of Coolgardie 35km N'ly from Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 121° 1' E Lat: 30° 39' S Long: 121° 2' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	24/4562 24/4600	BURGUNDY TRIANGLE PTY LTD SCOTT, Brett Anthony	186.76HA 7.10HA	32km N'Iyof Kalgoorlie 37km N'Iy of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 121° 22' E Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 20' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4601	DESSIS, Michael	190.81HA		Lat: 30° 25° S Long: 121° 20° E Lat: 30° 12° S Long: 120° 55° E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
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Prospecting Licence	28/1241	SCOTT, Brett Anthony ANDONY, Luke Peter	4.32HA	62km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 122° 1' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	40/1281	WILTSHIRE, Peter Andrew	92.13HA	55km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 32' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	47/1617 47/1623	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	36.64HA 19.61HA	96km NW'ly of Mount Newman 15km NE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 54' S Long: 118° 55' E Lat: 23° 16' S Long: 119° 50' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2734-44	DRAGON ENERGY LTD	2039.55HA	13km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 41' S Long: 118° 33' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	57/1300-1 58/1582	LEGENDRE, Joseph Paul DAVIS, Phillip, Norman	272.01HA 8.99HA	20km SW'ly of Sandstone 10km NE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 7' S Long: 119° 9' E Lat: 27° 59' S Long: 117° 53' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
		DAVIS, Neil William		,	· ·	
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	77/4065 77/4069	KAGARA NICKEL PTY LTD MCEWAN, Stuart Alexander		79km E'ly of Hyden 95km E'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 29' S Long: 119° 41' E Lat: 32° 8' S Long: 119° 47' E	KONDININ SHIRE YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	77/4070 77/4071	STRANGE, Vernon Wesley STRANGE, Vernon Wesley	9.05HA 10.00HA	4km NW'ly of Bullfinch 94km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 119° 5' E Lat: 30° 2' S Long: 119° 7' E	YILGARN SHIRE YILGARN SHIRE
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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: 16 November 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 16 February 2012. 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 (//8) 9368 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. 16 March 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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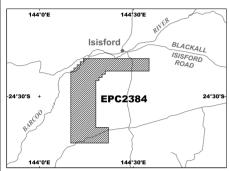
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#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS

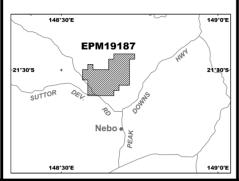
#### **NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29**

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of each of the Exploration Permits for Minerals and Coal shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

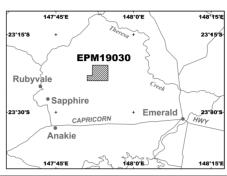
ploration Permit 2384 sought by Coal Face Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 141 781 884, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (936km2) centred approximately 34km SW of Isisford, in the locality of Longreach Regional Council.



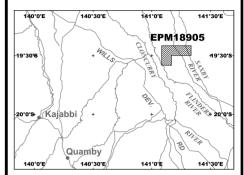
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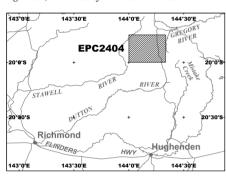
Exploration Permit 19030 sought by Ausnico Limited, ACN 122 957 322, over an area of 10 sub-blocks (31km2), centred approximately 33km NW of Emerald, in the in the locality of Central Highlands Regional Council.



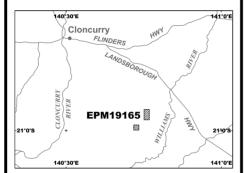
Exploration Permit 18905 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (323km2), centred approximately 135km NE of Kajabbi, in the locality of McKinlay Shire Council.



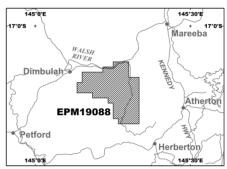
ation Permit 2404 sought by Advaita Power Resource Pty Ltd, ACN 145 103 868, over an area of 300 subolocks (965km2), centred approximately 108km North of Hughenden, in the locality of Flinders Shire Council.



xploration Permit 19165 sought by QMC Exploration Pty imited, ACN 144 948 907, over an area of 3 sub-blocks. (10km2), centred approximately 38km SE of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



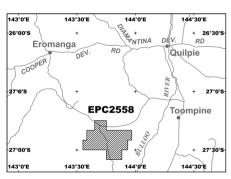
Exploration Permit 19088 sought by Monax Mining Ltd, ACN 110 336 733, over an area of 86 sub-blocks (282km2) centred approximately 26km West of Atherton, in the locality of Tablelands Regional Council.



xploration Permit 2226 sought by Montrose Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 123 331 304, over an area of 196 sub-blocks (631km2), centred approximately 95km NNW of Hughenden, in the locality of Flinders Shire Council and Richmond Shire Council.



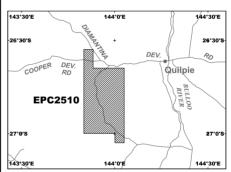
oration Permit 2558 sought by Jems Exploration Pty Ltd ACN 140 611 043, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (913km2) roximately 100km SW of Quilpie, in the locality hire Council and Bulloo Shire Council.



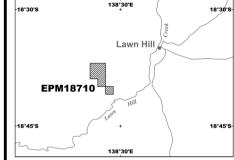
loration Permit 2497 sought by Jems Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 140 611 043, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (971km2) centred approximately 95km SW of Forsayth, in the locality of Croydon Shire Council and Etheridge Shire Council.



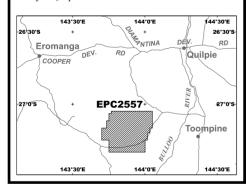
exploration Permit 2510 sought by Jems Exploration Pty Ltd ACN 140 611 043, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (917km2) centred approximately 38km SW of Quilpie, in the locality of Quilpie Shire Council.



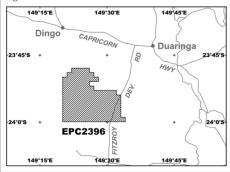
exploration Permit 18710 sought by Australia Minerals & Mining Group Ltd. ACN 125 301 206, over an area of 6 subblocks (19km2), centred approximately 15km SW of Lawn Hill, in the locality of, Burke Shire Council.



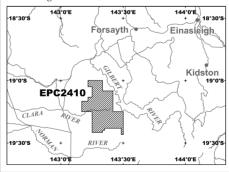
ploration Permit 2557 sought by Jems Exploration Pty td, ACN 140 611 043, over an area of 300 sub-blocks (917km2) centred approximately 75km SW of Quilpie, in the locality of Quilpie Shire Council.



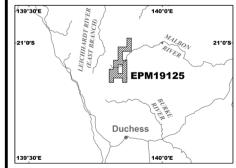
Exploration Permit 2396 sought by Dysart Coal Mine Management Pty Limited, ACN 132 954 351, over an area of 122 sub-blocks (382km2), centred approximately 30km SW of Dingo, in the locality of Central Highlands Regional Council and Woorabinda Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 2410 sought by Advaita Power Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 145 103 868 over an area of 294 sub-blocks (952km2) centred approximately 76km SW of Forsayth, in the locality of Croydon Shire Council and Etheridge Shire Council



exploration Permit 19125 sought by Celco Solutions Pty Ltd, ACN 136 795 616, over an area of 21 sub-blocks (67km2), centred approximately 32km North of Duchess, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified and for coal for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

**Expedited Procedure:** The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an on objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

Notification Day: 07 December 2011





**GOLD Coast Suns midfielder** Brandon Matera has re-signed to the Australian Football League (AFL) club through to the end of the 2014 season.

The son of former Fitzrov and West Coast player Wally Matera and nephew of former Eagles Peter and Phil Matera, Brandon played 12 matches and booted 15 goals with the Suns before his year ended through injury.

"It was a bit of a disappointing way to end my first year, I suppose I would have loved to have played every game, but I worked hard during my recovery and am hoping for an injury free season next year," Matera said.

Matera joined the Suns from South Fremantle and was one of the 12 17-year-olds made available to the club under the AFL's draft concessions. - AAP

#### PROPOSAL TO GRANT PETROLEUM EXPLORATION PERMIT

SECTION 29 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (COMMONWEALTH)

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 Petroleum Exploration Permit application applied for under the section 31 of the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Hesources Act 1967.					
NUMBER	APPLICANT	AREA	LOCALITY	SHIRE	
STP-EPA-0030	PANGAEA RESOURCES PTY LIMITED	6056.96 km²	The application comprises 75 graticular blocks of the 1 million map sheets SE52 (Halls Creek) and is located in the Canning Basin. The north-west corner of the application is situated approximately 127 kilometres south-east of the town of Fitzroy Crossing. The application occupies an area of 6056.96 km². The coordinates are, commencing at the north-west furthermost point — Lat 19°4'54.95° S, Long 126°20'04.50° E, then east to Lat 19°4'54.94° S, Long 126°40'4.49° E, then south to Lat 19°9'54'.94° S, Long 126°40'4.49° E, then east to Lat 19°9'54.94° S, Long 126°40'4.49° E, then east to Lat 19°9'54.94° S, Long 126°50'4.49° E, then south to Lat 19°14'54.94° S, Long 126°50'4.49° E, then east to Lat 19°14'54.94° S, Long 126°50'4.49° E, then north to Lat 19°14'54.93° S, Long 127°15'4.49° E, then north to Lat 19°14'54.93° S, Long 127°15'4.49° E, then east to Lat 19°14'54.91° S, Long 127°50'4.59° E, then south to Lat 19°39'54.94° S, Long 127°10'4.51° E, then north to Lat 19°39'54.94° S, Long 127°10'4.50° E, then west to Lat 19°39'545.94° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then west to Lat 19°24'54.94° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then north to Lat 19°39'54.94° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then north to Lat 19°24'54.94° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then north to Lat 19°24'54.95° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then north to Lat 19°34'54.95° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then north to Lat 19°34'54.95° S, Long 126°40'4.50° E, then north back to the starting point of Lat 19°4'54.95° S, Long 126°20'4.50° E.	Shire of Halls Creek (86.7%) Shire of Derby-West Kimberley (13.3%)	

Nature Of The Act: Grant of petroleum exploration permit, which authorises the applicant to explore for petroleum, and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the permit area for a term of 6 years from the date the grant becomes effective and may be renewed for a further 5 years

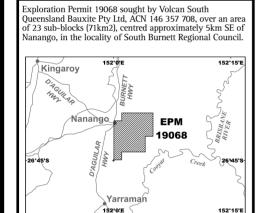
#### Notification Day: 16 November 2011

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons and those who are a body corporate have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on 16 February 2012. 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. Enquires in relation to filing an application for either native title determination or prescribed body corporate to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia. 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The petroleum exploration permit may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 16 March 2012), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 in relation to the area of the petroleum exploration permit

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the application), contact the Petroleum Division, Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or free call 1800 628 767 (ask for extension 23813)

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR MINERALS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Exploration Permit for Minerals shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).



Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an on objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3238 3814.

Notification Day: 07 December 2011



#### 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 Leases shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Leases under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) for a term not exceeding twenty five (25) years with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding twenty five (25) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Leases be granted under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/the Queensland Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland 4002.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Mining Leases, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease applications may be obtained from Mines (Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Old 4102, Telephone: (07) 3238 3737; Mining Registrar, Emerald Mining District, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, QLD 4720 Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

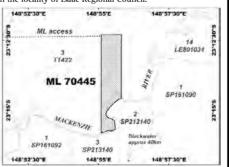
Native Title Parties: Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Leases. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

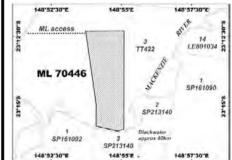
Notification Day: 7 December 2011



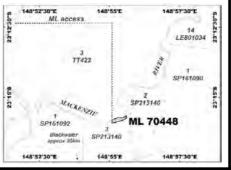
Mining Lease 70445 sought by Tremell Pty Ltd, ACN 010 949 774 (40%), Jellinbah Group Pty Ltd, ACN 010 754 793 (30%), Marubeni Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 099 392 236 (15%), Sojitz Coal Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 063 050 680 (15%), over an area of 651.84 ha, centred approximately 40km North of Blackwater in the locality of Isaac Regional Council.



Mining Lease 70446 sought by Tremell Pty Ltd, ACN 010 949 774 (40%), Jellinbah Group Pty Ltd, ACN 010 754 793 (30%), Marubeni Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 009 932 236 (15%), Sojitz Coal Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 063 050 680 (15%), over an area of 1240 ha, centred approximately 40km North of Blackwater in the locality of Isaac Regional Council.



Mining Lease 70448 sought by Tremell Pty Ltd, ACN 010 949 774 (40%), Jellinbah Group Pty Ltd, ACN 010 754 793 (30%), Marubeni Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 009 932 236 (15%), Sojitz Coal Resources Pty Ltd. ACN 063 050 680 (15%), over an area of 18.63 ha, centred approximately 35km North of Blackwater in the locality of Isaac and Central Highlands Regional Councils.



Mining Lease 70449 sought by Tremell Pty Ltd, ACN 010 949 774 (40%), Jellinbah Group Pty Ltd, ACN 010 754 793 (30%), Marubeni Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 009 392 236 (15%), Sojitz Coal Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 063 050 680 (15%), over an area of 40.76 ha, centred approximately 35km North of Blackwater in the locality of Isaac and Central Highlands Regional Councils.



# Cowboys play wait-and-see with Lui



NORTH Queensland is taking a wait-and-see approach to its two-year deal with Robert Lui after the troubled halfback was released by National

Rugby League (NRL) rivals the Wests

Lui has pleaded not guilty to a charge of assaulting his partner Taleah Rae Backo in the days after the Tigers' shock elimination final loss to the Warriors in

His career at the club was left dangling when he was stood down after the charge of occasioning actual

The 21-year-old appeared in a Sydney court last month, when he entered his plea, and is due to appear again on 9

"He's pleaded not guilty so we'll just wait and see how it all pans out, we'll worry about that if and when it happens,"

Cowboys football manager Peter Parr said.

The Cowboys and Tigers say a move back home for the north Queensland product will benefit Lui.

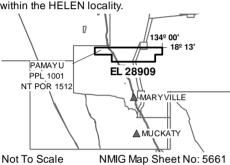
He and Backo have family in north Queensland, including Lui's parents and two brothers. - AAP

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

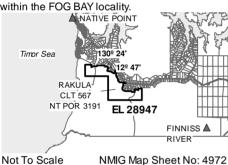
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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.

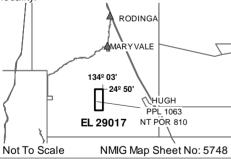
Applications to which this notice applies: Exploration Licence 28909 sought by KINGSLAND RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 152 164 380 over an area of 66 Blocks (215 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 3 years, within the HELEN locality.



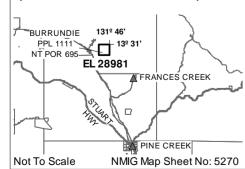
Exploration Licence 28947 sought by RESOURCE BIO MANAGEMENT PTY LTD, ACN 124 655 858 over an area of 8 Blocks (20 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years,



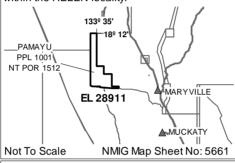
Exploration Licence 29017 sought by TELLUS HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 138 119 829 over an area of 10 Blocks (31 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RODINGA



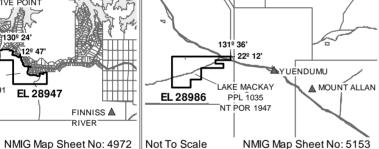
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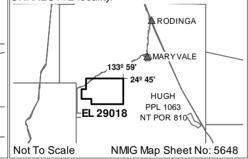
Exploration Licence 28911 sought by KINGSLAND RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 152 164 380 over an area of 49 Blocks (129 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 3 years, within the HELEN locality.



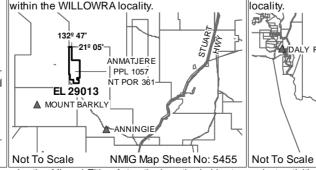
Exploration Licence 28986 sought by ROYAL RESOURCES LIMITED, ACN 108 102 432 over an area of 76 Blocks (241 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DOREEN



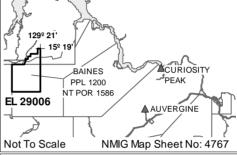
Exploration Licence 29018 sought by TELLUS HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 138 119 829 over an area of 41 Blocks (128 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CHARLOTTE locality.



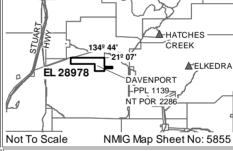
Exploration Licence 29013 sought by TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 465 259 over an area of 94 Blocks (278 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years,



EXPLORATION (AUST) PTY LIMITED, ACN 152 983 036 over an area of 138 Blocks (443 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LEGUNE locality.

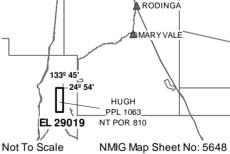


Exploration Licence 28978 sought by RUM JUNGLE RESOURCES LTD, ACN 122 131 622 over an area of 70 Blocks (224 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MURRAY DOWNS locality.

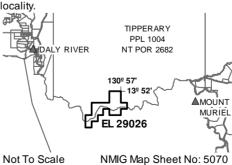


Exploration Licence 29019 sought by TELLUS HOLDINGS PTY LTD, ACN 138 119 829 over an area of 12 Blocks (38 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the

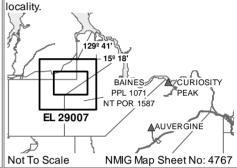
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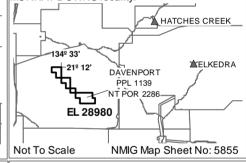
Exploration Licence 29026 sought by TUC RESOURCES LTD, ACN 115 770 226 over an area of 17 Blocks (57 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DALY RIVER



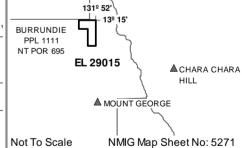
Exploration Licence 29006 sought by RED DOG Exploration Licence 29007 sought by RED DOG EXPLORATION (AUST) PTY LIMITED over an area of 244 Blocks (808 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LEGUNE



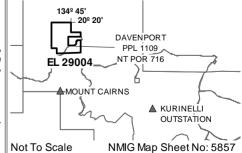
Exploration Licence 28980 sought by RUM JUNGLE RESOURCES LTD, ACN 122 131 622 over an area of 54 Blocks (173 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MURRAY DOWNS locality.



Exploration Licence 29015 sought by TERRITORY IRON PTY LTD, ACN 125 984 401 over an area of 4 Blocks (13 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



Exploration Licence 29004 sought by TUNGSTEN WEST NL, ACN 152 084 403 over an area of 30 Blocks (89 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OORADIDGEE locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the Mineral Titles Act authorises the holder to conduct activities in connection with exploration for minerals for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral 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 Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the Native Title Act is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 10, Chesser House, 91 Grenfell Street, Adelaide SA 5000 or GPO Box 9973 Adelaide SA 5001, or telephone (08) 8306 1230.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the Native Title Act. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 16 November 2011

# Just 2 Wallabies



THERE are just two Indigenous players in the 26-man Australian rugby union squad for the two-match tour of

Britain later this month.

There are centre Anthony Fainga'a and flanker Matt Hodgson. Fainga'a's twin brother, hooker Saia, missed selection, while

fullback Kurtley Beale was not

considered because of injury. The squad named last week includes three uncapped players, NSW backrower Dave Dennis, plus Queensland backs Ben Tapuai and

Recalled prop Pek Cowan was the only other player chosen from outside the recent Rugby World Cup squad.

Nine World Cup players were unavailable for the tour, which comprises a clash with the Barbarians at Twickenham on 26 November, and a Test against Wales at Millennium Stadium on 3 December.

Kurtley Beale (hamstring), Drew Mitchell (hamstring), Pat McCabe (shoulder), Quade Cooper (knee), Wycliff Palu (hamstring), Rocky Elsom (hamstring), Dan Vickerman (shoulder), Sekope Kepu (eye) and Luke Burgess (French rugby) were all unavailable.

Given the short tour, coach Robbie Deans stressed there wasn't a great deal of scope for experimentation.

He wasn't concerned the Wallabies could struggle for motivation so soon after the World Cup in New Zealand, where they finished third and left feeling unfulfilled, according to Deans.

Australia beat Wales 21-18 in the bronze medal game.

With room for just two hookers in the travelling party, Queensland Reds rake Saia Fainga'a, who was Australia's third hooker at the Rugby World Cup, has missed out.

The Australia squad: Ben Alexander, Adam Ashley-Cooper, Berrick Barnes, Pekahou Cowan, Dave Dennis, Anthony Faingaa, Will Genia, Scott Higginbotham, Matt Hodgson, Rob Horne, James Horwill (capt), Digby Ioane, Ben Lucas, Salesi Ma'afu, Ben McCalman, Stephen Moore, James O'Connor, Nick Phipps, David Pocock, Tatafu Polota Nau, Radike Samo, Nathan Sharpe, Rob Simmons, James Slipper, Ben Tapuai, Lachie Turner.

The touring party collectively boasts 634 Test appearances.

-AAP

### native title in the state of Western Australia

Notice of an application for determination of

National Native Title Tribunal

Notification day: 30 November 2011



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30 Perth WA 6837 **on or before 29 February 2012**. After 29 February 2012, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.

**LOCALITY MAP** Little Sandy Desert Datum GDA94 Meekatharra 26"48'S

Application name: Ivan Wongawol v State of Western Australia (Birriliburu #4)

Federal Court File No: WAD299/2011

Date filed: 18 July 2011

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has not accepted this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application to the Tribunal or another body or person for mediation and/or make a determination in

**Description:** The area subject to this application comprises five areas, covering about 15 square kilometres, located about 170km northeast of Wiluna as shown on the locality map. This application falls within the Local Government Authority of the Shire Of Wiluna.

Data statement: Claimant application boundary compiled by National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate (WA).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ashleigh Freeman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit <u>www.nntt.gov.au</u>.

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#### **NOTICE OF INITIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971 SECTION 63M**

TAKE NOTICE that REGALPOINT EXPLORATION LIMITED ACN 122 727 342 of Level 14, 191 St George's Terrace, Perth, WA, 6000, and any of its respective successors or assigns purpose to undertake mining operations pursuant to Exploration Licence numbers 3976 and 3977 (including any extensions, renewals, transfers assignments or other dealings with the Exploration Licence and any other exploration authority or interest in exploration authority from time to time held over the area of the Exploration Licence or any part of that area) on the following land:

#### EL 3976 DAVIS HILL AREA -Approximately 70 km NE of Marree, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 28° 52'S and longitude 138° 39'E, thence east to longitude 138° 44'E, south to latitude 29° 08'S, west to longitude 138° 40', south to latitude 29º 12'S, west to longitude 138º 29'E, north to latitude 29º 11'S, west to longitude 138º 27'E, north to latitude 29° 09'S, west to longitude 138° 25'E, north to latitude 29° 03'S, east to longitude 138° 29'E north to latitude 29° 01'S, east to longitude 138° 35'E, north to latitude 28° 59'S, east to longitude 138° 39'E, and north to the point of commencement. AREA: 690 square kilometres approximately.

#### EL 3977 MOUNT WELLS AREA - Approximately 100km NE of Marree, bound as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 28° 44'S and longitude 138° 43'E, thence east to longitude 138° 54'E, south to latitude 28° 47'S, east to longitude 138° 55'E, south to latitude 28° 55'S, west to longitude 138° 55'E, south to latitude 28° 57'S, east to longitude 138° 55'E, south to latitude 29° 02'S, west to longitude 138° 54'E, south to latitude 29° 03'E, west to longitude 138° 52'E, south to latitude 29° 04'S, west to longitude 138° 44'E, north to latitude 28° 52'S, west to longitude 138° 41'E, north to latitude 28° 46'S, east to longitude 138° 43'E, and north to the point of commencement

AREA: 694 square kilometres approximately.

All the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on Page 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 are

Exploration operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of economic mineralization 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 or diamond core drilling

Take notice that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the land where there is no native title parties in relation to the land to which this notice relates. Regalpoint Resources Ltd. or any of its respective successors or assigns may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to Section 63N of the Mining Act, 1971 authorizing entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land and conduct of mining operations on the land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title to the land is invited to contact the proponent Licensee and any of their respective successors or assigns for the purpose of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the land.

TAKE NOTICE that if within four (4) months from the initiation of these negotiations the licensee and any of its respective successors or assigns and any native title 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 Mining Act, 1971 for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining operation on the land to which the notice relates.

**Regalpoint Resources Ltd** Level 14 / 191 St George's Tce **PERTH, WA, 6000** 

Contact: Nick Burn on (08) 9424 9320

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

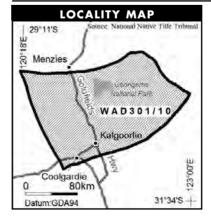
Notification day: 30 November 2011



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30 Perth WA 6837 **on or before 29 February 2012**. After 29 February 2012, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



**Application name:** Marjorie May Strickland & Anor v State of Western Australia (Strickland/Nudding)

Federal Court File No: WAD301/2010

Date filed: 14 October 2010

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has not accepted this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application to the Tribunal or another body or person for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

**Description:** The area subject to this application covers about 27,800 square kilometres and is located in the vicinity of Kalgoorlie as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within the Local Government Authorities of Coolgardie, Menzies and Leonora Shires and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate, WA.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ashleigh Freeman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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There was no hiding the joy in the under 30s three-point victory in the football.



In high spirits, the victorious under 30s netball team.



Under 30s netball player Ricki-Lee Short, from Burnie.

# Generations join for day of sport, fun





Nine-year-old Bianca Hammersley, from Launceston, joined the action in the children's netball

YOUTH and experience came head to head in netball, softball and Australian football matches, where under 30s competed against over 30s at the Tasmanian Aboriginal community's Generation Cup.

Aborigines from around Tasmania converged at Rocherlea, near Launceston, for what is one of the most anticipated events on the State's Aboriginal calendar - and has been for a decade and a half.

This year the under 30s gave the overs a fair flogging in the Amy Beeton netball match, winning 19-3, in only the second ever win for the younger

Some netballers approaching 30 expressed grave and humoured concerns about joining the senior team in 2012.

The match was said to a warm-up for the newly-formed pakana Pride - the first ever all Aboriginal netball team in local Tasmanian

And experience came out on top in the softball

match, with the over 30s winning 8-3.

In the Laurie Lowery football match, despite many players being only a fraction of the size of their opposition, youth beat experience with a 55-52

Experience is not a prerequisite to playing as all games are played in the spirit of fun, good health and participation, regardless of ability.

Auskick hosted a game for the children and there was also a children's game of netball.

Minimum security Aboriginal inmates also played in the cup.

A football match was held between Aboriginal inmates and the Aboriginal community too, at Risdon Prison in the week leading up to the cup.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre Legal Field Officer Sara Maynard said the lead-up match was a first and was likely to be a regular feature.

'Our community has an unbelievable sporting ability and I think it's important for inmates to continue to be part of the Generation Cup," she said.

"Tasmania has no rehabilitation in the prison system, we shouldn't rely on the prison system to rehabilitate our people because it is obvious the prison system is failing."



Eleven-year-old Lela Spotswood, from Launceston, considers her options in the children's netball



Mizpah Bobongie, from Launceston, shoots for goal for the over 30s in the netball match.



Jamie Collins, 15, from Devonport, goes in to tackle 11-year-old Rhyan Mansell, from Launceston, in the Auskick match.



All the games are played in a competitive, yet friendly spirit. Here, under 30s footy captain **Danny Gardner helps Michael** Mansell to his feet.



Smokey Beeton presents Roseanne Hughes with the over 30s best and fairest softball trophy and the cup for the team.



Junior State cricketer Brittany Grice, 12, from Beauty Point, pitches for the under 30s softball side after a seven-year absence from the team.

# It's an open field

By PETER ARGENT



WITH new franchise Greater Western Sydney having 11 of the first 14 picks, the 2011 Australian Football League (AFL) Draft on 24 November is

the most compromised since this process began in the mid-1980s.

There are 102 placed available, with about 60 to 70 new faces expected to be added to AFL lists on 24 November in Sydney

Chad Wingard is expected to be first Indigenous player drafted, early during the first round.

Talked about as a top-three pick, but because of issues with concussion, there have been question marks.

But many regard him as a super elite talent who will make an immediate impact.

"He was our captain and his leadership, along with ability to change a game, makes him a marquee player in this draft," SANFL under 18 coach and Talent Manager Brenton Phillips said.

"If he slides to number six, it will be a tremendous get from Power's (Port Adelaide) point of view.

"Chad is very self-driven and has clear vision of what he wants to do."

Another Aboriginal player Phillips believes is a big chance from the South Australian perspective is 191cm, 88kg utility Cameron Ellis-Yolman.

"He missed the majority of 2010 with a knee reconstruction, and there is plenty of upside about him," Phillips said.

"His strengths include his inside ball winning ability and the distribution of it to the runners.

"I see him as a bit of an Adam Goodes type who should develop nicely.'

Seen as more an outside chances, with a bigger opportunity to be collected as rookies, are Port Adelaide flyweight wingman Luke Wilson, who has exceptional pace; the Northern Territory's Gibson Turner, who spent some time as Glenelg, along with Central District's defender Steve Rusca.

#### Elite finishing skills

Rusca also missed much of 1010 with ostitus pubis, but has elite finishing skills, doesn't panic under pressure and tested strongly at the draft combine.

Out of left field is AYP Lands lad Amos Frank, who went to the South Australian screening and had a delegation from Hawthorn travel up to meet him.

"Amos is super quick and has a real uniqueness about him," Phillips said.

"He plays with an unhindered natural

West Australian Brad Hill's outstanding performances at the AFL draft combine has virtually assured him a place on an AFL list alongside his brother, Fremantle Docker Stephen.

"Brad had elite endurance and speed, and it is a special to have both," AFL talent guru Kevin Sheehan said.

"He claimed the 'beep test' record, had a 2.88 second 20-metre sprint and won the 3km time trial at the combine.

"Another WA boy we found who had Indigenous heritage during the interview process is Claremont talent Joel Hamling.

"He is a 193cm key forward was also used in ruck during the under 18 nationals.

"Joel had a good 2.90 second 20-metre sprint time for a big man and fantastic vertical leap.

"From the north of WA around Broome, his foundation football club is Cable Beach.

"This pair, along with SA's Chad Wingard, is in my top 30 NAB 2011 AFL draft hopefuls I selected that came out last Wednesday

"Already in the system at GWS Giants -NT lad Curtly Hampton would have been a first-rounder, while Queensland talent Peter Yagmoor has found a home at Collingwood."

THE Draft's left-fielder who everyone is clamouring to get a handle on is Waylen Manson, who is playing with Waratahs in the Northern Territory Football League.

A 193cm marking forward Manson has kicked 32 in his first four games at senior level in Darwin, playing alongside former Carlton and Brisbane wayward star Brendan Fevola.

"Walyen is an 18-year-old from Billiluna it is a community 180km south of Halls Creek, with a population of about 200 - he played with the East Kimberley Football Club," Waratahs coach Bill Martin said.

"He came back with a couple of other talents - John Purdie and Tim Mosquito from the district and they played with us last season.

"There has been a lot of AFL interest in

"Although he went to a draft camp and his testing wasn't sensational, my advice to the AFL scouts would be to put that

#### Worth a punt

WA under 18 coach Brad Wira expects an AFL club will take a punt on him.

"He played a couple of colts games for Claremont and then he went back home, or I would have had him in my State side," Wira said.

"He came back and played another three or four matches near the end of the season.

"In one game he kicked 6.8.

"Waylon would have played league footy over here if he was down for the full

● Footnote – Manson's legal name is Zyrus, and that is what appeared in the AFL draft combine booklet, but he has been referred to as Waylen for several

His local Billiluna community is showing its respect to a local who passed away recently by not saying his name.

THER prospects out of the west are Murray Newman, who played senior WAFL with Swan Districts, and Claremont running defender Angelo Thomas.

"Murray is a beautiful kick and goes hard at it, while Angelo is a beautiful footballer to watch," Wira said.

"Angelo, a thickly set lad, is a 'run-and-carry' player with natural football

"Their best chances are at the back end of the draft or as rookies."

Players who have been thrown in to the x include NT Thunder premiership talent Louis Egger and defender Lachlan Edwards, from the Geelong Falcons.

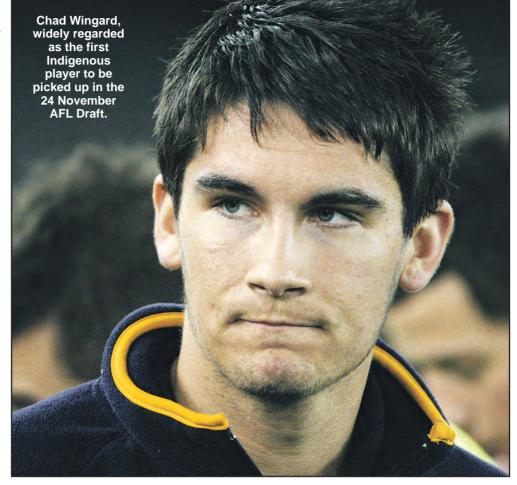
A couple more who could pop up in a wide-open draft include Jason Williams, a cousin of recently retired former Hawks and Essendon footballer Mark Williams.

Another Williams is the Northern Territory's Kelvin, from the Darwin Football Club, who can play tall and small. An interesting player hoping to be

recycled is former Western Bulldogs footballer Malcolm Lynch, who came from the NSW-ACT program.

He had a strong season with Port Melbourne in the VFL and was a part of the 'Borough's premiership success.

This is intriguing draft and any number of these players could find their way on to an AFL list.





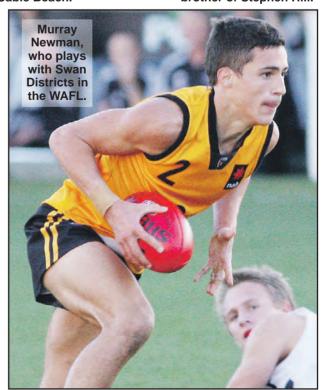
Clarement's Broome product Joel Hamling. His foundation football club is Cable Beach.



**Bradley Hill, younger** brother of Stephen Hill.



South Australian prospect Cameron Ellis-Yolman.



# Innisfail too good

Story and pictures by ALF WILSON



A STRONG Innisfail Mandubarra XI beat the gallant Cooktown Crocs in the final of the Rainforest Cup Indigenous cricket carnival at Tully and Innisfail on 5-6 October.

Eight sides battled it out for the seventh Rainforest Cup, with the others being Innisfail Redbacks, Cardwell Guon-Doi, Townsville Falcons, Tully Bima, Yarrabah Pelicanos and Ghungalu Warriors.

Tully is generally regarded as Australia's wettest town and the carnival lived up to its name with three games washed out.

Matches were played under the Twenty/20

But a major bonus was playing on lush green fields, and the cricketers enjoyed arguably the best player's comfort level of any carnival in Australia.

Day one games were played at two grounds in Tully and two at Innisfail, with half of them being on turf wickets.

The other two games were on concrete covered with matting. All finals matches on day two were played at Tully.

#### Hard to score

Batting first in the final, Mandubarra found it difficult to score off a consistent bowling attack of the Crocs, made up of players from Cooktown and the Hope Vale Aboriginal community.

"Mandubarra scored 7/95 in their innings and in reply Cooktown scored 7/71," organiser Stan Lenoy said.

'There was some very entertaining cricket." Lenoys said that in semi-finals, Cooktown defeated Innisfail Redbacks, reaching the 111 run target with two balls to spare.

Innisfail Mandubarra beat Cardwell Guon-Doi in the other semi- final.

The bowler of the carnival was Jeffrey Kulka (Cooktown); batter of the carnival, David Quinlan (Innisfail Mandubarra); best young talent, Jayden Epong (Innisfail Mandubarra); wicketkeeper, Neil Leo (Cardwell); player of the final, Andrew Rassip (Innisfail Mandubarra), player of the carnival, Jeffrey Kulka (Cooktown Crocs).



Sianne Jones, 7, with water for players during a break at Innisfail TAFE ground.

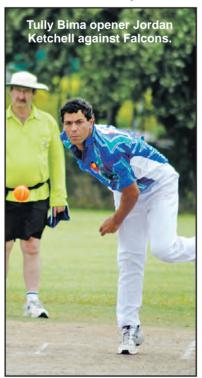




Tully Bima batting against Cardwell.



The bails are off and Falcons batsman Randall Ross begins the long walk after being bowled for one run against Tully Bima.





# for northern rivals





Cardwell Guon-Doi XI with bearded Elder Lea Ivey.





Carnival organiser Stan Lenoy, centre, with Yarrabah players Melton Bulmer, left, and Henry



### **Errol's memorable six**

THE blazing bat of Cooktown Crocs opener Errol Kulka produced the biggest six of the Rainforest Cup Indigenous carnival.

The ball sailed 90 metres and landed in an adjoining property, clearing a high fence.

The right-handed Kulka smashed the six in the Crocs' opening game against Townsville Falcons at the Tully Country Club

That initial onslaught by Kulka paved the way for Cooktown Crocs to win their first-up

Kulka scored a whirlwind 22.

- BELOW: Errol Kulka hitting his mighty six.
- BOTTOM LEFT: Retrieving the ball wasn't a straight-forward operation for this Falcons fieldsman.
- BOTTOM RIGHT: Errol Kulka after his dismissal for a breezy



The Ghungalu Warriors.



The Tully Bima XI.



The Yarrabah team.







### Sport - Yarrabah rugby league carnival

# Trophy stays at Yarrabah

Pictures and story by ALF WILSON



NINE sides battled it out at the Yarrabah All Blacks carnival held at the far north Queensland Aboriginal community on 29-30 October.

Bishop Arthur Malcolm is the patron of the Yarrabah Seahawks Carnival, which is named in his honour, and was there to watch the action at Jilara Oval.

Carnival co-ordinators were Farren Willet and Lucresia Willett and they were impressed with the quality of rugby league.

"We had big crowds and lots of people from Yarrabah and also other communities," Lucresia said.

#### Four local teams

The star-studded Yarrabah Seahawks Gold was one of four local sides and took out the grand final, defeating Barkey Warriors 30-22.

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Yarrabah Gold boasted players of
the calibre of Northern Pride utility
Noel Underwood, Innisfail-Eacham
Foley Shield representative Milton
Mossman, and quality backs Theeran
Pearson and Charlie Murgha.

Barkey Warriors had many stars of their own, including former North Queensland Cowboys and Queensland State of Origin back Ty Williams, who played at fullback in the final.

Veteran referee Rod McCrae was amongst a team of Cairns referees to control the games and said the final was a tough affair.



The Palm Island White side



Yarrabah White players.



A Barracudas Gold player tackled by Yarrabah



Bishop Arthur Malcolm, after whom the carnival is named, with his relative Lloyd Singleton.



The winning Yarrabah Seahawks Gold.



Carnival co-ordinators Lucresia Willett and Farran Willett on the clubhouse verandah.



Palm Island supporters Doreen Prior, left, and Minnie Norman.

### Sport - Yarrabah rugby league carnival



A Yarrabah Seahawks Gold player wrapped up by Palm Island Barracudas White defenders.



Star Yarrabah Gold players, from left, Milton Mossman, Theeran Pearson and Noel Underwood.



The Northern Knights side from Yarrabah.



The Hope Vale Wandii side.



Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey in the dressing room with Barracudas Gold players.



The team that did a great job on the gate at the Yarrabah carnival.



Hope Vale Wandii players, from left, Buchjin McLean, Lloyd Singleton, Fenton Murgha and despite the attention of three Palm Island Brian Murgha.



A Yarrabah Gold player looks for support Barracuda defenders.



Supporters of Barkey Warriors, which made the final, back from left, Christopher Pompey, Linda Sailor, Carmen Walsh and Cecilia Walsh.



**Barracudas Gold (in green)** versus Yarrabah White.

# The 2011 season

WITH the 2011 Australian Football League (AFL) season now over and Geelong securing its third premiership victory since 2007, The Koori Mail's PETER ARGENT looks at the Indigenous contingent that plays such an important part of the AFL melting pot.

#### **Adelaide**

(5 Indigenous players)

Tony Armstrong (5 AFL games 2011, 14 AFL games total, 0 AFL goals 2011, 0 AFL goals total), Graham Johncock (22, 206, 5, 99), Jared Petrenko (15, 36, 7, 17), Richard Tambling (10, 118, 0, 61), Tim Milera (0, 0, 0, 0)\*

Evergreen veteran Graham Johncock, playing all 22 games of 2011, was among

**TONY ARMSTRONG** 

**GRAHAM** 

**JOHNCOCK** 

the Crows' most consistent players. with this confirmed on club champion presentation evening when the courageous defender tied for third place in the Malcolm Blight Medal with 38 votes.



Richard Tambling, recruited from Richmond at the start of 2010, had another inconsistent year, and the 2012 will prove critical for his future.

After a club-enforced suspension at the beginning of the season, Tony Armstrong finally got opportunities again late in the season when Mark

**RICHARD TAMBLING** Bickley was in the caretaker coaching role,

playing strong football off half back. Telling the club he was keen to move

home, a trade to Sydney was negotiated. Tim Milera was unable to come to grips with the commitment required at AFL level and was released during the season.

#### **Brisbane Lions (4)**

Ashley McGrath (21, 176, 26, 135), Xavier Clarke (0, 106, 0, 49), Sam Sheldon (16, 40, 9, 10), Albert Proud (0, 29, 0, 10)

Ashley McGrath, recruited from WA, continued to prove a reliable and versatile swingman for the Lions, playing 21 of the possible 22 matches.

In 2011 Merrett-Murray Medal voting, McGrath finished a commendable seventh with 25 votes.

After an injury-hampered 2010, Sam Sheldon forced his way back into the senior team in round eight and played every game for the remainder of the campaign.

The Lions also confirmed five players have been delisted following end of post-season player reviews and interviews, including senior listed player recruited from St Kilda, Xavier Clarke

At pre-season training, Clarke suffered another cruel blow when he ruptured the ACL in his right knee in a training mishap.

Successful LARS surgery salvaged his season and he played some solid footy in the NEAFL before further injury hindered an AFL return.

Albert Proud, collected as a rookie in 2011, left the club early in the season.

#### Carlton (4)

Chris Yarran (23, 45, 8, 31), Andrew Walker (24, 127, 56, 93), Jeff Garlett (24, 44, 48, 99), Eddie Betts (24, 144, 50,

The new dynamic face of the Carlton forward line was clearly evident in 2011, with a trio of Indigenous talents being the heartbeat of their forward line.

In a season that resurrected his career, turning into a lead-up forward, Andrew Walker was the club leading goal kicker with 56 majors, while the elusive Eddie Betts also finished with a half century.

The third member of that trio, Jeff Garlett, kicked 48 goals, meaning this trio kicked 154 between them.

Chris Yarran,a WA first-round draft selection in 2009, after being given a new role this year, excelled as a attacking and running half back.

Walker finished a commendable sixth in the John Nicholls Medal count, while Betts was eighth and Yarran tenth.

#### **Collingwood (5)**

Leon Davis (21, 225, 7, 270), Brad Dick (3, 27, 1, 32), Sharrod Wellingham (20, 72, 17, 42), Andrew Krakouer (23, 125. 35, 137), Kirk Ugle (0, 0, 0, 0)

After another injury-plagued season, the Magpies has delisted Brad Dick from

Dick, who debuted in 2007, has had a shocking run with injury at Collingwood, and despite his talent, the coaching staff lost patience with him.

This change follows the surprise retirement (from Collingwood) of veteran Leon Davis. Davis was the Magpies' fourth highest possession winner in 2011 and gained all-Australia selection at an attacking defender.

The resurrection of **Andrew Krakouer** is one of the most positive stories to come out of the 2011 AFL season.

After three years out of the AFL system, he continued to display his freakish talent, including a colossal mark against the Crows and a number of improbable goals.



**BRAD DICK** 

Kirk Ugle played 16 matches in Collingwood's VFL side as a crumbing forward and kicked 12 goals. He improved as the season wore on and his forward tackling pressure was noted.

He was named as an AFL emergency late in the season.

#### **Essendon (7)**

Courtenay Dempsey (4, 54, 0, 13), Alwyn Davey (14, 69, 16, 72), Leroy Jetta (23, 62, 27, 51), Nathan Lovett-Murray (14, 125, 2, 64), Patrick Ryder (23, 117, 27, 70), Anthony Long (0, 0, 0, 0), Mark Williams (0, 115, 0, 247)

Courtenay Dempsey's 2011 campaign was cruelled in a dark day, injury wise for the club, in round four against Carlton, when he incurred a season-ending knee

After a wayward start to the year through injury and form, Alwyn Davey finished his season strongly. He played every game from round 14, including the finals loss to Carlton.

Finally fulfilling his undoubted promise from his junior days, Leroy Jetta played every game of the recently completed campaign and now looks to have a significant AFL career in front of him.

Nathan Lovett-Murray, while missing a chunk of football in the middle of the season, still played 14 senior matches and is seen as a senior player at the club.

Patty Rider, much maligned in many areas, can be used with equal effectiveness as a key position player or in

Late in the season he produced a number of big games at a tap ruckman.

Anthony Long spent a second straight year in the VFL program with Bendigo.

A degenerative knee condition restricted Mark Williams in 2011 and in July he announced his retirement from football without adding to his games tally this year.

#### Fremantle (7)

Antonio Grover (20, 201, 2, 27), Roger Hayden (3, 128, 0, 14), Stephen Hill (22, 67, 15, 43), Michael Johnson (22, 125. 13, 51), Casey Sibosado (1, 1, 1, 1) \*, Michael Walters (3, 11, 4, 14), Jonathon Griffin (7, 48, 4, 11),

Shooting star Stephen Hill, who played all 22 games in 2011, was a worthy seventh in the Doig Medal (the Dockers best and fairest) with 94 votes

Also, 201-game veteran Antoni Grover, who will enter his 14th season in 2012

after securing a one-year contract extension, was in eighth place in the medal count with 88 votes

After a decade at the Fremantle Football Club. starting as a rookie, 31-year-old defender Roger Hayden has retired. Injury ruined his final season.



STEPHEN HILL

Developing talent Michael Walters, who has played 14 games for Fremantle since making his debut in round 11, 2009, also agreed to a one-vear contract extension.

Versatile tall Michael Johnson, who, along with Hill, was the only Dockers to play every match this year, was serviceable.

In a team blessed with ruck stocks, after 41 games with Adelaide Jon Griffin debuted in round ten and played seven games this season.

Casey Sibosado was finally promoted

from the rookie list and played in the final match of the season against the Western Bulldogs, kicking a goal with his first kick at AFL level. He was delisted, but will train on with the club during the 2012 pre-season.

#### **Geelong Cats (4)**

Travis Varcoe (24, 100, 31, 113), Mathew Stokes (22, 111, 29, 165), Steven Motlop (4, 5, 2, 2), Allen Christensen (19, 19, 18, 18)

Travis Varcoe is developing into an elite footballer in the AFL, with the 2011 grand final being his milestone 100th game for the Cats.

Steven Moltop, from the Wanderers club in Darwin, added four more games to his one in 2010, and is seen a an important project player at the club, adding depth through the middle and up forward.



TRAVIS VARCOE

With the trials and tribulations of previous events behind him, Mathew Stokes resurrected his career with a second premiership this year. He was consistent for the majority of the season.

One of the young success stories under first-year coach

Chris Scott was livewire small forward/midfielder Allen Christensen. He got opportunities early in the year to debut and from round 14 started to cement his place in the Cats' senior XXII. He became a premiership player in his 19th AFL

#### **Gold Coast (8)**

Roland Ah Chee (0, 0, 0, 0)\*, Liam Patrick (3, 3, 2, 2), Jarrod Harbrow (22, 92, 2, 23), Harley Bennell (14, 14, 14, 14), Nathan Krakouer (13, 53, 8, 15), Rex Liddy (4, 4, 0, 0), Steven May (9, 9, 0, 0), **Brandon Matera (12, 12, 15, 15)** 

While the Suns only won three games in the 2011 campaign, the signs were positive.

Jarrod Harbrow, the former Queenslander returning to the Sunshine State from the Bulldogs, finished a creditable eighth in the 2011 Gold Coast

Suns club champion award.

Equal tenth, despite playing 14 games and dealing with homesickness

was rookie Harley

Bennell. Pocket rocket Brandon Matera collected a Rising Star nomination for his brilliant effort in



**NATHAN KRAKOUER** 

the breakthrough win over Port Adelaide and played 12 games in his first season.

The developing trio of key position player Steven May, running defender Rex Liddy and the freakish Liam Patrick all dipped their toes in at the top level.

Nathan Krakouer, a recruit from Port Adelaide via WA, had a year of highs and

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# - and what's ahead

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lows, but still played 13 senior games and went past the 50-match milestone. Injury ruined any hopes of Roland Ah Chee having a chance at the top level.

#### Hawthorn (5)

Cyril Rioli (19, 83, 29, 101), Lance Franklin (22, 142, 82, 451), Chance Bateman (17, 174, 10, 67), Shaun Burgoyne (24, 197, 16, 194), Derick Wanganeen (0, 0, 0, 0)\*

Getting to the penultimate game of the season, four members of the Indigenous connection at the Hawks were key players during the 2011 campaign.

Lance 'Buddy' Franklin secured his second John Coleman Medal and was fourth in the Peter Crimmins Medal (best and fairest) count.

Darwin export Cyril Rioli displayed his mercurial skills, and was a top ten finisher in the club's medal count, as was former South Australian Shaun Burgoyne, a significant member of the on-ball rotations.

Thirty-year-old Chance Bateman, now a veteran of the competition, missed a chunk of football in the middle of the year due to injury, but is an important link man in the Hawks' structures.

Playing for the Box Hill Hawks, diminutive rookie Derek Wanganeen, after playing three games at reserves level at the start of the year, fitted nicely into the VFL senior competition.

He played 14 games kicking 21 games, including a four-goal haul against the Northern Bullants.

#### Melbourne (6)

Austin Wonaeamirri (5, 31, 5, 37), Liam Jurrah (18, 35, 40, 81), Neville Jetta (9, 30, 5, 18), Aaron Davey (11, 150, 5, 152), Jamie Bennell (16, 51, 5, 20), Kelvin Lawrence (0, 0, 0, 0)\*

Despite being dropped later in the season by interim coach Todd Viney, Northern Territory lad Liam Jurrah

collected the 2011 Demons' leading goal kicker's award. His star is still on the rise.

Senior player Aaron Davey's indifferent season at a personal level reflected the club's performances. With a mixture of modest form and injury, it never really got started.

Australian Jamie Bennell played 16 of the possible 22 games, sneaking past his 50-game milestone in round 21 against Gold Coast.

In his third season at the Dees, Neville Jetta was selected in just nine matches, including five-game stint from round nine. The 2012 campaign will be critical for his longer term aspirations.

Tiwi Islander Austin Wonaeamirri was delisted by the Demons after playing 31 games and kicking 37 goals from 2008-11.

In his debut season in 2008, Wonaeamirri played 18 matches, but injuries and the tragic death of his father interrupted the remainder of his time with Melbourne. He managed 13 matches over the past three seasons.

Melbourne has also retained Kelvin Lawrence as a second-year rookie. He was solid, playing 13 senior matches in the VFL and four at reserves level.

#### North Melbourne (4)

Lindsay Thomas (19, 91, 21, 113), Daniel Wells (21, 170, 17, 102), Cruize Garlett (9, 25, 2, 5), Matt Campbell (8, 67, 8, 70)

Livewire small forward Lindsay Thomas had no less than 57 shots at goal during the 2011 campaign, but was woefully inaccurate, kicking 21.36. These goal-kicking yips forced the coaching staff

to send him back to the VFL for three weeks.

Despite a horrid run of injuries over the past two years and only playing the last eight games in 2011. Matt Campbell was given a two-year contract at the completion of the season, which show the

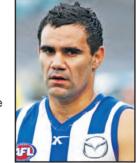


regard the North coaching staff have in the small talent. Former rookie listed player Cruize Garlett is still only 22, but needs a

breakthrough year in 2012. Daniel Wells fulfilled all his known

potential with a Syd Barker Medal-winning season at the

Kangaroos. It was Wells' maiden best and fairest triumph. his previous best was a tie for second in 2006. This has been the most consistent season of his nine year career and he won All-Australian



**LINDSAY THOMAS** 

Wells also suffered a major setback following post-season shoulder surgery.

Specialists discovered a large blood clot in Daniel's lungs and he will also be unable to participate in any training drills which involve contact, but can maintain and improve his fitness with a view to playing close to the beginning of the 2012

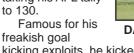
#### Port Adelaide (3)

Daniel Motlop (13, 130, 16, 208), Marlon Motlop (0, 5, 0, 2), Danyle Pearce

Daniel Motlop, recruited to the Power

was at the end of 2005 after 47 games for the Kangaroos, has been delisted by the Alberton based club.

Now 29, he played 83 games for Port Adelaide, taking his AFL tally to 130.





**DANIEL MOTLOP** 

kicking exploits, he kicked 208 goals, 155 of which were with the Power.

He enjoyed a brilliant 2008, kicking 57 goals, and was rewarded by finishing third in the club's best and fairest, and representing Australia in the International

His cousin Marlon Motlop struggled this year, moving SANFL clubs during the season. Even his move from the Roosters to West Adelaide didn't help his cause. He was also delisted.

Danyle Pearce, now a senior player in the Power squad, had a solid, if unspectacular season.

#### Richmond (2)

Shane Edwards (20, 89, 4, 39), Troy Taylor (0, 4, 0, 3)

The steadily improving Shane Edwards is a vital member of the Tigers' midfield and running structures, playing predominately as a wingman.

While not quite as potent as he was in 2010, Edwards was still consistent.

Alice Springs lad Troy Taylor, who had his issues away from the game and was unable to add to his four games in 2010, was delisted at the end of the year.

#### St Kilda (2)

Raphael Clarke (17, 82, 2, 8), Nick Winmar (2, 2, 0, 0)

After a frustrating first half of the year, Raph Clarke played every game from round 12, including the finals clash against

Nick Winmar, with one of the most famous names in Aboriginal football, got his first opportunity in round nine and played two games in his debut season.

He will be looking to build on this.

#### **Sydney Swans (3)**

Adam Goodes (24, 300, 41, 352), Lewis Jetta (20, 40, 9, 16), Byron Sumner (1, 1, 0, 0)

Adam Goodes, one of the undoubted superstars of the AFL, culminated the 2011 season with his third Bob Skilton Medal as the Swans' best and fairest, along with being the club's leading goal kicker for the third season in a row.

His achievements make him a modern icon of the game.

Lewis Jetta's second season in the big league was solid, with him playing 20 of the possible 23 games.

He gave the Swans plenty of run with his explosive pace.

Following some good form in the NAB Cup, after just playing a single game in round one, Byron Sumner was delisted at the end of the season.

#### **West Coast Eagles (4)**

Jarrad Oakley-Nicholls (0, 13, 0, 1)\*, Gerrick Weedon (1, 1, 0, 0), Lewis Broome (0, 0, 0, 0) \* Koby Stevens (2, 7, 0, 2)

Jarrad Oakley-Nicholls, playing ten games for East Perth in the WAFL, including two Foxtel cup matches, wasn't able to impress the West Coast coaching staff and was finally delisted after six years in the AFL system at two clubs.

Along with his AFL debut, Gerrick Weedon played 21 senior games for Claremont, including a WAFL grand final appearance, where he enjoyed the fruits of premiership success.

Koby Stevens played 19 senior matches with East Fremantle, along with adding two AFL games to the five he played in 2010 with the Eagles.

After two years on the West Coast Eagles rookie list, small forward Lewis Broome has decided not to continue his football career with the club.

Broome, who was selected at pick number 11 in



**LEWIS BROOME** 

the 2009 Rookie Draft, has chosen to return home to his family and friends in the Looma community.

After suffering broken ribs in a car accident during this year's pre-season, Broome only managed the one NAB Cup appearance - against Fremantle in 2011.

#### **Western Bulldogs (5)**

Josh Hill (12, 66, 5, 75), Brennan Stack (10, 21, 3, 17), Liam Jones (20, 25, 19, 25), Nathan Djerrkura (8, 12, 4, 4), Zeph Skinner (1, 1, 0, 0)

It was a break-out year for young forward Liam Jones, who was recruited from Tasmania. In his second senior season. Jones worked in unison with veteran Barry Hall as the key targets in

He is looked upon as important component in the club's forward structure over the next decade.

After 21 games over five years at the Western Bulldogs, including ten this year, Brennan Stack was given his marching

Nathan Djerrkura, a small defender, played eight games in his first season at the 'kennel' and will be looking too built on that after an up-and-down year.

Northern Territory recruit Zeph Skinner was given a fleeting opportunity in 2011 and needs to make the most of the 2012 campaign.

After 12 games for the Western Bulldogs this year, the Bulldogs agreed to trade utility Josh Hill to the West Coast

#### **Greater Western Sydney**

Rhys Cooyou, Curtly Hampton, Shaun Edwards, Isiah Stevens, Damian Williams, Jarrod Harding and Gerald

The 18th AFL franchise, which plays it first game at the elite level next March, spent their foundation season in the new formed Northern Eastern Australian Football League - Eastern Conference.

They finished third at the end of the minor round with 12 wins from 17 attempts before losing their first semi-final match to

Of the Indigenous lads Curtly Hampton led the way playing in 12 matches, kicking

Jarrod Harding has returned to his SANFL club, Woodville-West Torrens, after struggling with the lifestyle in Sydney.

\*= rookie list player.

# New dawning for Broncos

F anything was needed to confirm I made the right decision to retire, it was simply watching the boys sweat it out upon return from my holiday in Tingha.

I had to sweat it out in another way when I joined the work squad at Cherbourg Farm during the week, but I'll save that story for a future column!

The world that is rugby league continues to take some strange turns, including the premiers sacking their coach Des Hasler.

But this won't matter to the Sea Eagles boys or any other squad as they put in the hard yards for the season kick-off.

The Broncos will inevitably have their early-season form scrutinised as they begin a new era without Darren Lockyer.

The 2011 season wasn't supposed to finish the way it did.

When Brisbane overcame their forgettable 2010 season to roar back into the top four 12 months later, then demolished the Warriors 40-10 in week one of the finals, it seemed as though the stars were aligning to send iconic captain Darren Lockyer out with a bang.

Well, he got one, but it wasn't quite the bang he had no doubt envisaged.

A sickening collision with team-mate Gerard Beale during the Broncos' thrilling win over St George-Illawarra proved to be the moment that officially ended Lockyer's 17-season NRL career.

Without him, Brisbane was but a shadow of their usual selves and bowed out with a whimper against the in-form Sea Eagles.

Next season will be a huge one for my mate Sam Thaiday, who deservedly takes over the role of Bronco's captain.

He will undoubtedly hope that Justin Hodges starts the season fit and well, along with Josh Hoffman, who had an outstanding season until injury intervened.

Jharal Yow Yeh's ongoing development will also continue after winning Test and Origin debuts this year.

In the end, Brisbane will be lamenting the one that got away, but you can't help bad luck.

Lockyer's unfortunate departure aside, the Broncos couldn't have asked for much more in 2011, but expectations will be higher in 2012.

I still expect them to figure in top four calculations.

#### Canberra

An interesting clash for my mob at the Titans will be the second round clash against the Raiders.

It will be an early litmus test for both clubs after the shared disappointment of under-performing this year.

It's been a while between drinks for long-suffering Raiders fans, but rarely have they been left as disappointed by their side's performances as they were in 2011.

Canberra's stunning run home to the finals this time last year meant that –

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perhaps for the first time since their last premiership in 1994 – hopes were genuinely high that the club could once again establish itself as a true premiership force.

It all went pear-shaped rather quickly.

Having kicked off the year in sensational fashion with a 40-12 thumping of Cronulla at Canberra Stadium, the Raiders embarked on an eight-game losing streak over the next two months – equalling an unwanted club record set back in 1986.

That a side many had tipped as top-four contenders should be essentially out of the finals race before the representative season had even started defied belief.

Certainly, injuries played their part.
The knee injury suffered by Terry

Campese in last year's finals series sidelined him until round 13 and when he finally made his long-awaited return he lasted just nine minutes before injuring his groin.

He wasn't sighted again.

Blake Ferguson certainly showed that he could still score tries, while Tom Learoyd-Lahrs and Joel Thomson showed that they were capable of returning to the representative scene.

One player I expect to return to form after an injury-free off-season is Travis Waddell.

The Raiders will improve and I expect them to threaten for a position in the eight, but it will be a huge effort for them to be real contenders for the title.

#### Melbourne

This brings me to the one side that anybody would be silly not to rate – the Melbourne Storm.

Their fans can't help but wonder what might have been in 2011.

After a tumultuous 2010 season where the club was stripped of titles

and minor premierships, it seemed the Storm were on track for 'revenge'.

And after round 24, Melbourne sat four points above their nearest rivals on the table, following a club-record 12-match winning streak and just three losses.

Then, somehow, all the good work came undone and just five weeks later after losses to the Sea Eagles and Roosters – and following a finals victory against the Knights – the Storm were eliminated from the competition by the Warriors.

In 2011, the Storm had everything to play for – a phrase the club itself used to promote a team that were battling for nothing but pride the season before – and they began the year with a band.

A new-look outfit they might have been, but in 2011 the Storm showed they once again possess the defensive determination, communication and aggression to make scoring incredibly difficult for opposition teams.

This will make them difficult opponents once again in 2012 and their consistency alone will ensure a finals position.

#### Newcastle

Finally for this column, a few thoughts on the Knights.

Once again the Bennett factor will be the biggest influence on Newcastle's fortunes next year.

Under new owner Nathan Tinkler, the whole culture of the Knights will evolve, but you can be assured that the tough core that is Newcastle will remain.

It is great top see Timana Tahu return to his true home and hopefully he will be able to focus on his footy and get back to just enjoying the game.

All things considered, Newcastle can head into the off-season knowing that they didn't let themselves down

Embroiled in a multi-way battle to sneak into the top eight heading into the final rounds, a 40-24 win over South Sydney in their final regular season game was enough for them to steal eighth spot and make it two finals appearances in the three years under coach Rick Stone.

Yet despite a late fightback in their semi-final against Melbourne, they never seriously threatened to progress any further and were certainly never mentioned as a genuine premiership contender.

In the end, it's why the club is undergoing such drastic change.

At their best, the Knights are a considerable attacking outfit, yet they often struggled to maintain consistency and despite their fast start to the year, they spent the final 21 weeks of the season yo-yoing between sixth and ninth

As pleasing as a finals appearance must have been in 2011, true satisfaction remains some way off.

Bennett may well be the short-cut to success as he proved during his time with the Dragons.



### Bennett's 'words from Heaven' to Timana Tahu



TIMANA Tahu says he owes his return to the Newcastle Knights to the National Rugby League (NRL) club's incoming super-coach Wayne Bennett, describing his phone call as

'words from Heaven'.

Former Test and NSW winger Tahu began the pre-season in Newcastle a fortnight ago, back where his long and at times controversial career began 13 years ago, with stops at Paramatta and Penrith along the way.

He said he'd probably still be playing in Sydney if not for Bennett, who takes the helm after being recruited by new multi-millionaire owner Nathan Tinkler's Hunter Sports Group.

and I want to finish on a high at this club," said 31-year-old Tahu.

Tahu admitted expectations for the Knights

"I've done the full circle, I started at this club

Tahu admitted expectations for the Knights would be high in 2012 following the high-profile changes at the club.

They can no longer cling to the battler tag, having snared Bennett from St George-Illawarra and also signed current rep players in fullback Darius Boyd and prop Kade Snowden.

"There's a lot of pressure on all of us, on the Hunter Sports Group because they bought the Knights, on Wayne (Bennett) because he is here, on me and (captain) Kurt (Gidley), on everyone," said Tahu.

"I probably wouldn't be here if it wasn't for Wayne, he gave me the opportunity, he rang me up and it was words from Heaven.

"I wanted to come back for probably the last couple of years, but if Wayne wasn't coaching here, I'd probably be still down in Sydney."

Knights skipper Gidley said it was important that the club stay true to their working-class roots amid the changes, with the Knights recognised as the fabric and soul of the Hunter.

"This town is built on on (being) a working-class town and our fans, that's where their background comes from," Gidley said.

"I hope we keep that behind us because that's what we are built on."

Like Tahu, former Cronulla prop Kade Snowden returns to the city where he began playing, a point not lost on his captain.

"This a town they love playing in, a town they love living in," Gidley said of duo.

"And footy-wise, they are in the best place they could be." – AAP

## Qld to host 2018 Commonwealth Games



THE Gold Coast will hold the 2018 Commonwealth Games after winning hosting rights from Sri

Lanka's Hambantota.

The Gold Coast won their bid after a Saturday morning ballot at the general assembly if the Commonwealth Games Federation in the Caribbean nation of St Kitts and Nevis.

The 70 CGF delegates voted 43 to 27 in favour of the Australian

Queensland's tourist strip will now become the fifth Australian city to host the Games after Sydney (1938), Perth (1962), Brisbane (1982) and Melbourne (2006)

Delighted Queensland Premier Anna Bligh said she and the overjoyed bid team were extremely relieved after a week of lobbying.

"We've done a lot of hard work and it was very clear early in the week there was a lot of delegates who supported Hambantota and it

would be a very, very close vote," Ms Bligh said at the assembly.

"The hard work has paid off." The vote was seen as a head versus heart call for delegates with Gold Coast deemed a low-risk bid city while the Sri Lankans asked for a 'life-changing opportunity'.

Little-known Hambantota, which is rebuilding after being devastated by the 2004 Asian tsunami, had made a humble and dignified pitch to the CGF to help them in their massive regeneration program.

Record-breaking Test cricketer Muttiah Muralidaran was the headline act of the Hambantota bid team.

Muralidaran said hosting rights would transform his country like the 1995 Rugby World Cup changed and united post-apartheid South Africa under the leadership of Nelson Mandela.

In contrast, the Gold Coast delivered a slick and confident final pitch to the assembly that featured Premier Bligh, Gold Coast Mayor Ron Clarke,

Australian President of the Commonwealth Games Association Sam Coffa, bid team chief Mark Stockwell and local schoolgirl Eve.

They highlighted it as an important strategic decision for the Federation following the difficulties encountered at the sometimes shambolic 2010 Delhi Games.

Coffa said the Gold Coast, with the bulk of their venues already in place, could be trusted to hold a successful event in April 2018.

"We need a great Commonwealth Games to guarantee the future of the event," he said.

"You can trust us with our knowledge, you can trust us with our experience and expertise to host (the Games).'

Gold Coast were the \$1.50 favourites to win the bid with bookmakers.

Hosting the Games is expected to cost Queensland and the Gold Coast \$1.1 billion, while Hambantota, which boasted just one major stadium, had a budget of \$652 million. - AAP



METRICON Stadium at Cararra - home of the Gold Coast Suns will be the focal point of Commonwealth Games events in 2018. It recently re-opened following a \$144 million redevelopment into a 25,000-seat stadium, with capacity to increase its size to a 40,000-seat facility. All that remains of the old stadium are the six light towers, with everything else flattened. The ground will undergo another transormation in time for the Commonwealth Games. Construction of the original stadium began in 1986 and opened the following year after the Brisbane Bears were granted a licence to play in the VFL. However crowds dwindled and the Bears moved to the Gabba in Brisbane in 1993. The ground was left without a major tenant and was sold to the Gold Coast City Council.

# Leaders & captains

HAVE often spoken about the importance of leadership in establishing and maintaining a winning culture at a club.

The balance of a leadership team is an important factor as age and experience are important ingredients, but true leaders come from all backgrounds and age should not be the only criteria used when picking a leadership group.

The same applies to the choice of a captain - or captains to take the role as spokesperson for the group and the public face of the team.

With the emergence of two new teams in the AFL, the development of leadership qualities is an important ingredient in establishing credibility.

One of the most intriguing and important questions leading up to Greater Western Sydney's debut as an AFL club is: Who will be its inaugural captain?

It is vital the Giants get this

Whoever captains GWS in 2012 will face a complex and demanding year that will test his leadership on and off the field.

From the outside, there doesn't appear to be an obvious candidate, but clearly GWS can go down one of these two paths: Youth or experience.

One of the Giants' three big uncontracted signings - Tom Scully, Callan Ward, and Phil Davis – will be captain if GWS goes down the youth path.

All were regarded as future leaders by their original clubs.

Scully is perhaps the obvious

While it's doubtful the Giants promised him the position when they were chasing his signature, the dynamic left-footer does

have leadership credentials, at least as a junior - in 2009, Scully captained the Vic Metro side in the under-18 national championships.

Let's remember, Scully has played just 31 games, is still only 20 and is surrounded by even more inexperience.

Recently he admitted he would view leadership as a double-edged sword something he would be learning and preaching at the same time.

"I'm only young and I'm going to be looking to our older guys for guidance, but most of the players here are new to the system and are looking to find out how to train or how to set standards," he said.

"I enjoy that, and I do want to be a leader. That was part of the challenge of coming up here... I do want to fast-track my leadership skills."

#### 24/7 job

But does Scully have the desire to become, effectively, the face of the Giants, with the captaincy undoubtedly to be a 24/7 gig?

He says he enjoys walking ound the streets of Svdnev with barely a second glance.

"It's unbelievable to get around here and go," he said.

So, if he is enjoying the anonymity in Sydney, does he then want to become the focus of a new franchise that will rely on marketing power as much as on-field success to win the hearts of a difficult market?

And does he need even more pressure after accepting an 'offer of a lifetime' from the Giants?

Ward is different kettle of fish. His style of play does appear to be suited to the captaincy - a kind of 'follow me into battle' leadership personified by

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ex-Swan Brett Kirk or former Lion Michael Voss.

He has a long, long way to go to reach those heights, but Ward impressed all during his brief stint at the Western Bulldogs, with the club grooming him as a leader of the future.

Ward, a rugged inside midfielder, has a marginally lower profile than Scully, which may or may not count against

But those in the know think Ward will develop into a fine leader - with or without an official

Davis has flown under the radar in the 'future GWS captain' storvline, but the Crows were autted when they lost the emerging key defender, both for his undoubted ability on the park. but also his leadership around

"When you lose a player who is 20 years old who we see as a future captain of our club and a rising star, it is certainly a massive loss," Adelaide football manager Phil Harper said of Davis' move to the Giants.

Scully, Ward or Davis would have to be in the mix to be the Giants' first AFL captain if the club decides to go down the youth track, but what if the club decides to go for more experience, at least for the first year or two?

The Giants have snared a handful of veteran campaigners - Brisbane Lions' triple-premiership star Luke Power, Port Adelaide premiership pair Chad Cornes and Dean Brogan, and ex-Melbourne captain James McDonald – to add much-needed muscle and experience for the new outfit's debut season in 2012.

#### Strong credentials

All have strong leadership credentials.

Power was co-captain of the ons in 2007-08 hefore Jonathan Brown assumed solo leadership duties.

Brogan was vice-captain at the Power in 2010-11, and filled in as skipper for injured skipper Dom Cassisi for nine games in the season just gone.

Cornes - long spoken of as a 'spiritual leader' at Port Adelaide – was vice-captain from 2006-08.

McDonald was Melbourne captain for two years before being tapped on the shoulder by the Demons at the end of 2010.

Any of this quartet could be asked to lead the club in its first season, with Power, arguably,

the standout choice.

It might be the safer option to shield Scully, Ward or Davis from the intense heat that 2012 will bring.

But then again, the Giants seem to be happy with suffering some short-term pain if it helps bring the club long-term gains in the form of a premiership or two.

Another possibility is multiple captains being chosen. Maybe the Giants could hedge their bets with a Power-Ward or Cornes-Scully partnership.

But will GWS want co-captains?

Even the great coach Kevin Sheedy appears confused. In May, he wrote in a newspaper column that he wasn't a fan of dual captains, but then, in a radio interview in early November, he said: "We may have a dual captaincy and I don't have problem with that."

Whatever way the Giants decide to go, Sheedy says the club is still some way from choosing its first captain.

"At this stage as a coaching group we haven't sat down to discuss our approach as yet - I think we'll get together to asses this after the draft." Sheedy said

"We need some time to see how these boys work as a unit. It's too early to tell who will be the standouts for this group in terms of leadership.

"After Christmas, we might use the NAB Cup as a way of testing certain players and seeing what might work best before we head in to the season.'

It seems the when and the how of choosing a new captain will be the easy part for Sheedy and the Giants.

The big question is who. Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming

# Hooper best Aust boxer at World titles



ABORIGINAL boxers Damien Hooper and Luke Boyd were eliminated mid-way through the Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur (AIBA)

Men's World Boxing Championships, which ended on 10 October in Baku, Azerbaijan.

For fighters taking part, the tournament was a signficant step in qualifying for the London 2012 Olympic Games.

A third Indigenous boxer – Palmer Islander Reggie Palm Island – withdraw from the Australian team just before its

departure for Azerbaijan when he injured a wrist.

The fifth-ranked Hooper had a bye on the opening round of the Baku tournament. He then advanced to the third round

when he beat Jordanian Ahmad Alteimat on points (15:9).

He set up an appointment with Cuban champion Julio la Cruz when he overcame Indonesian Dinesh Kuymar 16:7 in his third-round bout.

But the Queenslander bowed out of the tournament when la Cruz beat him 14:13 in their quarter-final bout.

It was la Cruz's closest fight of the

tournament. He went on to win his semi-final 21:15 and then beat unseeded Kazakstanian Adilbek Niyazmetov 17:13 for the gold medal.

Bantemweight (56.g) boxer Luke Boyd won his opening two fights, then was eliminated in his third fight.

He first fight was against Georgian Giorgi Kilanava. The New South Welchman won on points 17:10.

He then beat Norbet Kalucza (Hungary) on points (24:22).

But he was no match for the sixth-ranked Anvar Yunusov (Tajikistan), who won 17:7.

# Davis leaves Magpies



#### By PETER ARGENT



LEON Davis has announced his departure from the Collingwood Magpies.

The 225-game 12-season Collingwood Australian Football League (AFL) star left in

dramatic circumstances.

This was after it was leaked through the media that Davis didn't want to return to Victoria for the 2012 campaign.

He departs from the most famous club in Australia as their first Indigenous player to reach the 200-game mark, reaching this landmark against Carlton in 2010.

He also was the first Indigenous Collingwood footballer to play 100 games - that was in 2005.

"I definitely enjoyed my 12 years at Collingwood," Davis said.

"I'm proud of what I achieved and it's sad to be leaving, but I'm looking forward to the next phase

There were plenty of highs and some lows, but the highs certainly outweighed the lows, and hopefully my family, friends, coaches, team-mates and supporters have been proud of what I've been able to achieve.

"It's been an incredible ride."

Incumbent coach and former team-mate Nathan Buckley called 'Neon Leon' a pioneer.

"Leon has made an outstanding contribution to the Collingwood Football Club and we are very proud of what he has achieved," Buckley said.

"To be the first Indigenous player to reach 200 games at our club has been a magnificent effort."

The Davis camp has made it clear that he wishes to play football with South Australian or West Australian AFL clubs, or if an agreement with one of those four clubs cannot be negotiated,

he will consider playing in the SANFL or WAFL. Davis' partner is from South Australia and his family is in Western Australia.

The best fit is seen with the young playing group at Port Adelaide.

Power senior coach Matthew Primus said his club had spoken to the two-time All-Australian, who had said he was open to living in Perth or Adelaide.

"We've made contact with him to see where he's at with his footy and what he's willing to do, like the clubs in Adelaide and Perth are probably doing," Primus said.

#### 'On radar'

"We'll take it from there. At the moment he's on our radar, but we're just interested to see where he's at with his footy.

Former Essendon Brownlow Medallist and AFL Hall of Famer Gavin Wanganeen said Davis still was on top of his game.

"He was an All-Australian running defender this year and those types of players just don't fall off trees," he said.

"Port shouldn't be put off by Leon's age because he's still playing top football.

"I know Matty (Primus) went with younger players last season, but Leon could play a key role for a year or two.

Davis, now 30, was originally selected by Collingwood from WAFL club Perth with the 34th pick in the 1999 draft and debuted in the opening round of the following season.

### New CEO, coach at Thunder



THE Northern Territory Football Club has a new coach and a new Chief Executive. Former NT

Thunder captain Jarred llett has been appointed CEO and Daniel Archer will take over from Murray Davis as

head coach. "We welcome his Jarred's appointment as a new phase for the NT Thunder following on from the success the club has enjoyed in its first three years," NT Thunder Chairman Paul

Tyrell said. Archer, who has been the

head coach of the Eastlake Football Club over the past two seasons, was officially handed over the reigns for the Thunder side last week after a conference call with club officials and endorsement by the board.

He is an accredited High-Performance Level 3 AFL coach and holds a Bachelor of **Education Degree through** Queensland University of Technology. He is currently enrolled in a Bachelor of High Performance (Sport and Business) at the Australian Catholic University.

He took Eastlake to a grand

final in his first season and a preliminary final In his second season. During his playing days Archer played 61 games for West Brisbane and Mt Gravatt in the QAFL and 74 games for Sydney Premier Division. He was a Queensland Teal Cup representative and was part of various other representative sides during his time as a player.

Archer is expected to move to Darwin within the coming weeks. In the meantime, talent and caching manager Wally Gallio will begin pre-season Training with the Thunder squad.

### Harradine a near-certain starter for London 2012



**DISCUS** thrower Benn Harradine is one of seven track and field stars to have earned early nominations onto the Australian team for the 2012 London Olympics.

The squad won't be finalised until next 11 June and must then be officially ratified by the Australian Olympic Committee.

But assuming they maintain form and fitness, the likes Harradine can start the

countdown to London.

The Olympic track and field trials are being held in Melbourne from 2-4 March. Athletes who fail to satisfy the selection

criteria at the trials still have another three months to force their way on to the team. Harradine won his first national title as a

junior in 1998 and in his first senior year in 2001, finished 11th.

This year he finished fifth at the World Championships in Korea, and second in the Continental Cup in Split, Croatia.

He won the gold medal at the 2010 New Delhi Commonwealth Games. He competed at the 2008 Beijing Olympics, but failed to make it past the qualifying rounds.

He is Australia's first Indigenous athletics field Olympian, joining Indigenous Olympic track athletes Cathy Freeman, Patrick Johnson, Nova Peris-Kneebone, Joshua Ross and Kyle Vander Kuyp.

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# Christian stakes claim



SOUTH Australian cricketer Dan Christian came agonisingly close to another

first- class century when dismissed for 96 in the Sheffield Shield clash with NSW last week at Bankstown Oval, Sydney.

It followed hard on the heels of the Wiradjuri all-rounder's career-high 131 not out in the opening Sheffield Shield game of the season – also against NSW.

Christian will need consistent

performances if he is to attract the eye of Australian selectors - and so far he is doing everything right.

Against NSW at Bankstown Oval, he and another former NSW product, Tom Cooper, saved SA from defeat when they figured in a 260-run second-innings fifth-wicket partnership.

#### Called off

Cooper, who scored 98 in the Redbacks' first innings, remained 203 not out as the match was called off with South Australia 5-373 after being forced to

His partnership with Christian was 21 runs short of the record for the fifth wicket by South Australia.

The NSW-born duo came together early in the day's first session after the Blues had claimed three quick wickets to boost their hopes of a first win of their Shield campaign in the rain-marred match.

SA resumed on day four at 1-59, still 149 runs in arrears after following on.

The Redbacks soon were 4-79 and still needing a further 129

runs just to make NSW bat again.

But Cooper and Christian then batted through the rest of the first session and remained unbeaten throughout the second session to erase the deficit and put the Redbacks ahead.

#### **Generous praise**

NSW skipper Stephen O'Keefe paid tribute to Cooper and Christian after their mammoth stand denied the Blues a first Shield win of the summer.

"A couple of ex-Bluebaggers put on a great performance

today," O'Keefe said.

"The way that Tommy Cooper and Dan Christian batted was brilliant and full credit to them for holding on to a draw."

The draw leaves both teams with three draws and two competition points from three matches this season, six points behind second-placed Western Australia.

NSW is playing table-topping and undefeated Queensland this week while the Redbacks are in Hobart to play defending champions Tasmania. - AAP

### They came... competed... conquered



ALL of the Australian Indigenous athletes running in the famous New York Marathon on 6 November completed the course, delighting

Indigenous Marathon Project leader Rob de Castella and team manager and coach Tim Rowe.

Speaking to the Koori Mail moments after returning to Sydney last Thursday. Rowe said it had been an amazing

"I'm proud to say that from where we started eight months ago and see where we have come in such a short time, it's amazing," he said.

"A marathon is 50 per cent physical and 50 per cent mental, but our team overcame all the obstacles.

"The talent they showed was incredible. The raw emotion at the finish line had to be seen to be believed."

Seven men and four women from around Australia made up the Indigenous Marathon Project team.

#### **Eight-month journey**

Their journey towards the world's most famous foot race began eight months when de Castella and his team conducted a national try-outs tour, from which 20 promising runners came forth.

The squad was whittled down to 11 and the team was treated to individual coaching by de Castella, a former world champion, and completed a Certificate III in Community Recreation.

They also ran in some of Australia's most popular running events. In New York,



they were up against 45,000 others and in front of two million cheering fans through the streets of New York City and over 35 million television viewers worldwide - a far cry from some of their remote communities

The men's team was: Caine Schofield (Sunbury, Vic), Patrick Keain (Cooper Pedy, SA), Kiwa Schilling (Kanmantoo, SA), Reggie Smith (Alice Springs) NT. Arian Pearson (Yirrkala, NT), Nathan Sutherland (Orange, NSW), and Michael Purcell (Charleville, Qld).

The women were: Sam Shepherd (Karratha, WA), Bianca Graham (Weipa, Qld), Nadine Hunt (Cairns, Qld), and Bridgette Williams (Mt Gravatt, Qld).

It was the second time a men's team had run in New York, but for the women, is was a 'first'.

South Australian Patrick Keain was the fastest of the men, while Bianca Graham and Nadine Hunt were the first of the Indigenous women to complete the

"The improvement the team showed in the short preparation time was amazing," Rowe told the Koori Mail.

"We couldn't believe the improvement in the women. Not that long ago the girls

were averaging more than six minutes a kilometre, but in New York, they averaged 4:40 a kilometre.

"How's that for an improvement! "There's a message here – if you put in the effort, you get the results.'

Men's times were: Patrick Keain 3:19.14, Michael Purcell 3:33.34, Caine Schofield 3:54.38, Arian Pearson 3:54.40, Kiwa Schilling 4:02.45, Reggie Smith 4:03.36, Nathan Sutherland 4:19.41.

Women's times: Biance Graham 3:40.44, Nadine Hunt 3:40.44, Brigitte Williams 4:01.18, Samantha Sepherd

# Flying Boomerangs in running for award



**THE Australian Football** League's (AFL's) Flying **Boomerangs program** has been nominated for a prestigious Beyond Sport Award.

The program has been nominated in the Sport Federation or Governing Body of the Year category and was amongst 400 entries from more than 125 countries.

**AFL Community Engagement** Manager Jason Mifsud will attend the **Beyond Sport Summit and Awards in** Cape Town, South Africa from 5-8

"We are extremely proud of the

Flying Boomerangs program. Our programs are about building greater access to our game and using the game to increase opportunities for **Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander** people. We aim to support better sporting, health, leadership, education, employment and cultural enrichment outcomes for Indigenous people across Australia," Mufsud said.

"To have our program recognised internationally is very rewarding.'

The Flying Boomerangs is a personal development and leadership program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young men aged 14-15 years. The program incorporates a

match series against developing international countries (South Africa 2006 and 2008, PNG 2009 and Tonga 2010 and Fiji 2011).

The participants are selected from an annual camp that involves players from throughout Australia and are mentored by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders and former AFL

Other nominees in the Sport Federation or Governing Body of the Year category are the International **Table Tennis Federation and the National Hockey League Green** program (US and Canada).

The award will be judged by the

**Beyond Sport Panel of Ambassadors,** chaired by former British Prime Minister Tony Blair. The panel includes the Beyond Sport official patron **Archbishop Desmond Tutu, Olympic** Gold medallists Michael Johnson, Michelle Ford and Sergey Bubka, Special Olympics Chairman and CEO Timothy Shriver, and 2012 London **Olympics Chairman Lord Sebastian** Coe.

The Beyond Sport Community Awards winners will receive funding and a package of substantial business support to enable them to move forward and become fully sustainable in the future.

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## Ten-year-old Jason a national sumo champion





IF you think sumo wrestling is just for the Japanese, think again.

In fact, the ancient martial art has exponents around the world. And Australia's junior national champion is a ten-year-old

Aboriginal boy from Victoria.

Jason Hood took the title last month and is now looking forward to further competition, including a chance to wrestle at the Oceania titles in New Zealand next year.

Jason, an all-round sportsman who is successful at athletics, football and gymnastics, says he is keen to continue what he says is a 'deadly sport'.

The aim in sumo is to force an opponent to step out of the combat ring or be the first to force an opponent to touch the ground with any part of the body other than the bottom of the feet.

Jason took to the sport immediately, using his relatively large size to his advantage against a range of opponents.

Proud grandparent Graham Cooper told the Koori Mail Jason loved the sport.

"He's a natural," he said.

Victorian Sumo Association official Alvin Vella said Jason – a Gunditjmara Gunai-Kurnai descendant with family links to the Northern Territory – could go far.

"Jason is well suited to the sport," he said.
"His attitude is good and he has picked it up rell.

"Sumo is a sport for all – men and women – and we are looking to encourage others to take part."

For more details on sumo, call Vella on 0411 757 335.

# Mills on fire in NBL

By PETER ARGENT



PATRICK Mills continues to showcase why he is one of Australia's best basketballers with stunning performances in the National Basketball League

Playing for the Melbourne Tigers
because of the America National Basketball
Association (NBA) lock-out, Mills has
quickly adjusted to the different style of the
game in Australia and is having a big

impact in the NBL.

His appearances in Australia are a great fillip for the code here – having a home-grown NBA star plying his trade in the nation of his birth.

"There are lot of different aspects to the game here in Australia compared with America." Mills told the *Koori Mail*.

"For me, it is a great experience to see both sides.

"I don't know when I'll be asked to come back to the NBA and I'll just taking things

"The game locally is very physical and the referees let a lot go, which is a good thing

"And this is a strength of the Australian Boomers on the international stage.

"I chose to play for the Melbourne Tigers because they are such a historic club and known in international circles.

"My contract releases me to go back to Portland as soon as the NBA resumes, so I have no idea how long this stint with Melbourne will be."

Mills had an immediate impact since arriving at Melbourne, collecting the League's round one Most Valuable Player (MVP) award, collecting 28 points, including six three-point bombs in a handy six-point victory

over Sydney at the State Netball Hockey Centre in the city generally regarded as the home of Australian sport.

"For a large part, we didn't need to run any plays," Mills told AAP.
"We just needed to get the rebound or

turnover and we were off to the races.
"We might not be one of the biggest
teams in the league, but we're fast and it



Patrick Mills in action for the Melbourne Tigers.

happened for us tonight."

Mills has continued to be consistent in the NBL. In the round two round trip to Perth, Mills still top-scored for the visitors in the 16-point loss to the potent Wildcats.

In the low-scoring 67-64 win over New Zealand, Mills slotted through a critical 19 points.

#### **Tough games**

"We've had a couple of tough games and I had good battle with Damian Martin in Perth and against the New Zealanders, who are the

defending premiers," he said.

"Cedric Jackson and CJ Bruton made you come out and play.

"There is still a lot of room for improvement in my game.

"The MVP award in round one was a nice honour, but my goals are more team orientated."

In the round four win over Wollongong,

Mills continued his strong shooting, with the 20-point personal effort.

This continued in round five against
Sydney on Friday 4 November, with another
20-point performance in the win at the
Sydney Entertainment Centre.

He also confirmed he had an eye on the London Olympics with the Boomers.

"Naturally, making the team and doing well in London is a big goal of mine," he said

"I ticked off one of my boxes by playing in Beijing in 2008, representing my country."

Mills said he admired the way Phoenix Suns point guard Steve Nash went about his profession.

"I've played on him a couple of times," Mills said.

"Just watching him play I learned a lot.
"I like to add some of his attributes to my

Mills, 23, will return to the Portland Trail Blazers when the parties come to an agreement.

To this point he has played 74 games with the NBA franchise, and averages just over five per match since debuting in the 2009-10 season.

Playing for the Boomers at the Beijing Olympics, Mills averaged a team-high 14.2 points, all off the bench, over six games.

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