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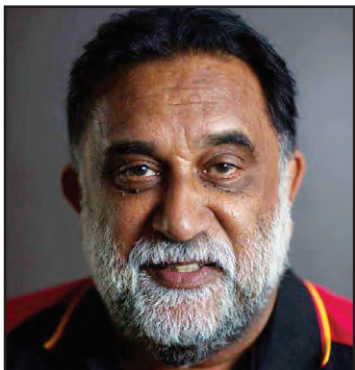
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He'll never go free

Relief as 'evil' murderer and long-time fugitive Malcolm Naden sentenced to life in jail with no chance of parole. **Report page 5**



Les Malezer



Sam Jeffries



Jody Broun



Gerry Moore

Eight in the race to lead Congress



EIGHT Aboriginal people have nominated to lead the National Congress of Australia's First

Peoples, the national Indigenous advocacy body launched three years ago.

The Congress, a company owned and controlled by its membership and independent of Government, is led by two co-chairs – one male, one female. The five women running

are Elise Wall, Kirstie Parker, Melissa George, Adele Cox and Jody Broun. The men are Sam Jeffries, Gerry Moore and Les Malezer. Ms Broun and Mr Malezer are the current co-chairs.

Congress members can vote for one male and one female co-chair candidate during the voluntary elections to be held from 21 June to 5 July.

Results will be announced at the National Congress meeting in Cairns on 21 July.

The Congress was set up to

create a national unifying voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Congress chief executive Lindon Coombes congratulated the candidates, saying they offered members a diverse line-up of experience and skills.

"We were expecting a strong field of candidates and we have not been disappointed," he said.

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Adele Cox



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My FAMILY NARI HUDSON – Melbourne



THIS is me and my family at the Long Walk event in Melbourne. We took the kids to experience walking from Federation Square to the MCG for the Dreamtime at the G match between Essendon and Richmond.

Before the walk we took them around to meet people like David Wirrpanda, who I went to school with. We also took them around to all the stalls and they had their faces painted and picked up some things like keyrings.

My partner Django and I have six children, ranging in age from four to 12. We try to get the kids along to every cultural event in Melbourne because we're very strict about them learning their culture.

I identify with Yorta Yorta as well as Wurundjeri through my adopted mother, so I am still learning about my biological tribal area.

Django is from England and he moved over here when he was about four.

We met in Newcastle and decided to move down this way to where my family is.

We've been in Melbourne for nine years and we like it here. I'm full-time with the kids so I've got my hands full. Django is a cabinet-maker.

After the walk we went to the footy and the kids had a ball, especially Nikea who barracks for Essendon, so it was lucky for her that we went because they won.

We also like to take the kids to places like the museum, and the Birraruar arts and craft group. We're always off doing something.

Some of the kids are also into sport. The oldest plays soccer and the second oldest is on track to be the next Cathy Freeman. Apart from that we like to do a lot of swimming.

I met my biological mother in October last year and just recently she flew down from Sydney and rocked up on the doorstep. It was only the second time I had met her, and I'm 31 now.

She was down for Sorry Day and it was excellent that we were able to get together and catch up.

Dad Django Nabelski and mum Nari, with Alira, Ocearna, Nikea, Django Jnr, Beau and Jerara in Melbourne.

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OUR CHILDREN



Nyqueelah Coleman-Dodd makes a splash during a recent Surfgrons surf skills program at Davenport Creek, near Ceduna in the western region of South Australia. She was among about 40 kids aged five to 12 from remote areas of South Australia taking part. See our report on page 14.

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It's festival time in the Top End, and there are no prizes for guessing where, from left, Keelan Fejo, from Katherine, Jamie Ahfat, of Barunga, and Jason Campion, from Katherine, spent a great couple of days. See our report and more pictures from the Barunga Festival on pages 40 and 41. Photo by Naomi Moran

Wirrpanda seeks WA Senate seat

By GEOFF VIVIAN with AAP



FORMER West Coast Eagles AFL champion David Wirrpanda is standing for the Senate on the Western Australian Nationals ticket.

The 33-year-old outspoken champion for Indigenous rights believes he has 'what it takes to speak to people firsthand and win their interest'.

Mr Wirrpanda played 227 AFL games and was an All Australian. He established the David Wirrpanda Foundation which, since 2005, has promoted strong role models and healthy life choices for Indigenous youth in WA and beyond, particularly in regional and remote areas.

"The big attraction to me personally is all the work I've done in regional WA, but also what I've seen the Nationals do as far as investing in Aboriginal communities," he told the *Koori*



David Wirrpanda

Mail when he announced his candidacy last week.

"To have that opportunity to actually be part of the decision-making processes, well, it makes sense to me."

Mr Wirrpanda was quick with a reply when asked about 'Aboriginal people always voting Labor'. "Well growing up as a young kid that's all I heard as well," he said.

"My mother was very old-school thinking, and her political

views are probably the reason I'm putting my hand up for this.

"Times always change, and I see this as the best avenue to have a massive impact for Aboriginal people. That's my major focus.

"I have to do a lot of work to be able to win that position; it's still early days."

Nationals WA Leader Brendon Grylls said he was enthusiastic about a candidate with such a high profile.

Since winning the balance of power at the 2008 state election, the revitalised WA National Party has insisted on a percentage of mining income being used for the Royalties for Regions program, which has funded projects in country towns and remote Aboriginal communities.

Mr Wirrpanda has heritage from Northern Territory and Victoria. He father, a Yolngu man, is from Yirrkala in Arnhem Land, while his mother was a member of the Briggs family from Shepparton.



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Gearing up for NAIDOC



PERTH is getting ready to host this year's National NAIDOC

Awards, while other centres around the country prepare for their own celebrations.

NAIDOC will be marked officially from 7-14 July, with the Western Australian capital this year's focus city.

The national awards, to be presented at the NAIDOC Ball on 12 July at the Perth Convention Centre, recognise the outstanding contributions that Indigenous Australians make to improving the lives of people in their communities and beyond, or the excellence they've shown in their chosen field.

The categories to be announced this year include lifetime achievement award, person of the year and male and female Elders.

This year's NAIDOC theme is 'We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963'.

For information on NAIDOC events in your area, go to the website www.naidoc.org.au

● See our next edition for a NAIDOC calendar of events.

Fine art at SNAICC conference



Rising artist Teho Ropeyarn displays one of his prints as Lealin Brady looks on during the fifth annual Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) conference held this month in Cairns. More than 1000 delegates from across Australia were in the north Queensland city for the gathering. Turn to pages 35-38 for more coverage. Photo by Mahala Strohfeldt

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CNS hotline saved by campaign



A HOTLINE credited with preventing Aboriginal deaths in custody has been saved from the axe.

The Federal Government stopped funding the Custody Notification Service (CNS) in mid 2012, leading to real fears it would cease operating in NSW and the ACT by 30 June.

But the Aboriginal Legal Service NSW/ACT (ALS) has received confirmation the service will be funded by the Federal Government for at least another two years.

It comes after more than 33,000 people signed an online petition hosted by change.org, asking for the hotline to be kept open.

There was also a significant campaign on social media sites.

"We sent a hard copy version of the petitioners' signatures and heartfelt comments to the Attorney-General of Australia and the Attorney-General of NSW two weeks ago," ALS CEO Phil Naden said. "And now we finally have a result.

must use the hotline to notify lawyers every time an Indigenous person is taken into custody.

The hotline was a recommendation from the 1987 Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody and since its inception in

2000 there had been no Aboriginal deaths in police custody in NSW and the ACT, the ALS said. The hotline is said to help about 15,000 people each year.

Change.org director Karen Skinner said the campaign to save the service showed the impact new technology has on political decision making.

"This is a classic demonstration of people power and the impact that technology and social media is having on modern politics in Australia," she said.

'This is a classic demonstration of people power...'

"The Attorney-General of Australia is allocating \$100,000 immediately to the CNS, and has agreed to us using \$400,000 in 2013-14 and \$500,000 in 2014-15 from their 2013 federal budget night allocation to the ALS."

NSW and ACT police forces

Naden gets his wish – life in a prison cell



HE told psychiatrists he wanted to spend the rest of his life in jail. And, in Sydney on Friday, self-confessed double murderer Malcolm John Naden got his wish.

There were tears and muted claps from a packed public gallery of the NSW Supreme Court as the man once listed as 'Australia's most wanted' was sentenced to the maximum penalty of life without parole for one of his brutal killings, 28 years for another, 16 years for shooting and injuring a police officer who tried to arrest him, four years for the aggravated indecent assault of a minor, and shorter sentences for a slew of break-and-enter offences while on the run.

It was the latest but not necessarily final chapter in a saga that has robbed six innocent children of their mothers' love, and shattered trust and caused deep divisions within a large and previously close-knit extended Aboriginal family.

But it was enough for the families of the two young mums murdered by Naden – Lateesha Nolan and Kristy Scholes – to feel they might be able to begin rebuilding their lives.

Justice Derek Price found that 39-year-old Naden was a cold-blooded, sexually motivated killer who had shown no real empathy or remorse for his brutal crimes and would likely commit further violent acts if given the opportunity.

The former abattoir worker and shearer did not give evidence during his sentencing but, upon hearing his fate, uttered loudly and clearly: "Thank you, your honour." Otherwise, he'd been content to sit in the glass-walled dock, occasionally scratching his face and neck, stretching, and picking lint from his prison issue tracksuit. For the most part, he avoided looking at those in the public gallery.

Naden's known trail of evil began in May 2004 when he indecently assaulted a 12-year-old girl in Dubbo.

Before then, his criminal history extended to two high-range drink-driving offences and one of offensive language. He was something of a recluse, living in the Dubbo home of his grandparents, spending most of his time in his bedroom, having food left outside his door and coming and going from the house via his window. It was later revealed that Naden had made holes in the ceilings of two bedrooms, the bathroom and toilet so he could spy on other occupants.

Naden strangled his cousin Lateesha Nolan, a mother-of-four, on 4 January 2005.

Unknown to others, he had accepted the 24-year-old's offer of a lift from their grandparents' house to a fishing spot outside town. When they arrived, Naden became enraged when she

mentioned the sexual assault for which he had been questioned.

He dismembered and buried Ms Nolan's body on the banks of a river outside Dubbo. Her remains have never been found, despite Naden's attempts to help authorities locate them.

Naden only became a suspect in Ms Nolan's disappearance and assumed death after the body of her friend and the partner of another cousin, Kristy Scholes, was found in Naden's locked bedroom some five months later on 22 June 2005. Ms Scholes and her two young children had been staying at the home while theirs next door was being repainted. Everyone else was away while Naden's grandfather underwent surgery in Sydney.

After months of sending Ms Scholes anonymous sexually explicit notes, Naden strangled her and dealt indecently with her body, before redressing her and fleeing. Ms Scholes' children were in the house at the time.

For the next seven years, Naden hid and lived in the bush, breaking into many properties to steal food, clothing, guns, a solar-powered radio and other items to survive.

About 500 police officers were involved in the biggest manhunt in NSW history to find him. In December 2011, Naden narrowly evaded capture at Nowendoc in the north of the state, by shooting one of three officers who tried to arrest him at a campsite. Police finally caught him on 22 March last year with the help of a tracking device hidden in a sleeping bag he'd stolen from another bush property.

On 22 March this year, after being found mentally fit, Naden pleaded guilty to all 18 charges against him, thus saving the families of Naden's murder victims the pain of a long, drawn-out trial.

But, needing answers, the



United in grief and, after Friday's sentencing of murderer Malcolm Naden some relief, Lateesha Nolan's father Mick Peet and Kristy Scholes' father David Scholes.

to be good at it; that he seemed to take delight in falsely claiming to have killed three other people; and insisted it was society – not he – that was out of step.

At sentence, Justice Price concluded that Naden suffered from low-level depression – which played an insignificant part in the murders – and displayed a severe personality disorder and psychopathic tendencies.

The judged deemed Kristy Scholes' murder to be in the worst possible category because, amongst other reasons, it was premeditated, involved a serious abuse of trust, and involved defilement of his victim after death.

Naden received a lesser sentence for Lateesha Nolan's murder because, while his actions were 'extraordinarily cruel and brutal' and also involved a breach of trust, they were not planned or premeditated, and his detailed admissions had been fundamental to solving that crime.

Justice Price found that it did not matter that Naden didn't know Senior Constable MacFadyen, who he shot near Nowendoc in 2011, was a police officer, and that he had shot to kill in order to avoid being captured.

Outside the court, NSW



Kristy Scholes' uncle Tony Scholes addresses journalists after the sentencing.

families still had to hear some terrible things as they sat through four separate sentencing hearings.

Psychiatrists who examined Naden revealed he had reported that he'd first felt the urge to kill at the age of 12, viewed killing as a form of self-development and something he had proved himself



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PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The Australian Government's Advisory Committee for Indigenous Repatriation are conducting national consultations from June - August 2013 to seek the views of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, organisations and other interested stakeholders, on establishing a National Keeping Place for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ancestral remains that cannot be returned to their traditional lands.

Consultations will be conducted through community consultation forums, written submissions and an online survey. To find out how you can participate in this nationally significant discussion please visit the following website www.arts.gov.au/indigenous or call 1800 006 992 to find out more information.

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Kirstie Parker

I'm a proud Yuwallarai woman from north-west NSW. I'm 45 years old, a daughter, a sister, an aunty and a grandmother (Aboriginal way).

As Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, we can and should be proud of what we've achieved – our resilience, our sense of identity, and our traditional core values around the importance of connection to and responsibility for country, the central place of families, and inclusion.

I'm under no illusions about the scale and significance of the challenges facing our peoples and communities – it would be virtually impossible to count the number of reports, surveys, studies and inquiries that have chronicled our disadvantage.

But I also believe there's nothing so broken about us that it can't be fixed or made demonstrably better by working together. In order to do that, we must have the confidence, focus and patience to rise above the 'noise', distractions, egos and personal agendas.

For our people, I want vibrant communities where families are safe and secure, where we celebrate success and diversity in every sphere of life, learn from mistakes, and believe in ourselves.

We are often told – by ourselves and others – that we must choose one way or the other; whereas I believe that we should inform ourselves and avail ourselves of every possible means to make our lives better and build stronger, respectful relationships.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people need a strong, inclusive and persuasive national voice, and I believe that, with support from all of us – no matter who we are and where we live – the right leadership, robust discussion, and the will to act, the Congress can be that voice.

The Congress neither claims nor intends to replace any other organisations – local decisions should always be made locally – but, respectfully, there is power in numbers and that's what the Congress and its national membership offer.

If elected, I will work constructively alongside my fellow co-chair and the Congress directors.

I feel I have particular insight into the issues and challenges facing our peoples, forged over a 25-year working life and fine-tuned while the Editor of the *Koori Mail*.

But no-one knows everything or has all of the answers and it

is important that we all listen respectfully to each other.

My priorities for Congress are:

- Growing the membership so the organisation is representative of our peoples and communities everywhere;

- Ensuring the Congress structure and processes are easier for our peoples to engage with;

- Ensuring the Congress connects with its members and non-members alike; and

- Pursuing all avenues of support to secure the organisation's long-term sustainability.

I will fight hard for our people on every front, including land, cultural heritage, health (including mental health), housing, education, children and young people, employment, enterprise, over-incarceration, and access to services. I'm especially passionate about: Keeping families together; Justice reinvestment; Cultural safety; Capacity building; Community control; Support for Indigenous media and greater representation in mainstream media; Digital inclusion; Reconciliation based on truth and justice; and Keeping our stories and identity strong.



Kirstie Parker. Image supplied

Gerry Moore



Gerry Moore
Image supplied

MY name is Gerry Moore. My people are from the Yuin Nation and my community is called Wreck Bay in the beautiful coastal region of Jervis Bay south of Sydney.

I am passionate about not just improving the conditions and living standards of our people, but providing a powerful voice for our future. I have been a part of the National Congress since its inception and I believe that this organisation has integrity and the respect of our people and the wider community.

I am ready to take up the challenge to promote the self-determination and empowerment of our people as co-chair.

Here's why you should support me for your national co-chair.

I have had many years of experience representing our people and developing policies on the national and international stage as National ATSIC Commissioner and as a Regional Councillor.

Through ATSIC I have represented our people at the international level – at the United Nations conferences in Greenland (Indigenous Self-Management) and New

Zealand. I have also had the opportunity to visit Canada and America in a representative role for other organisations.

I have a life-long commitment to working for our people. For 30 years I have worked in Aboriginal affairs, most recently as CEO of the Aboriginal Legal Service NSW/ACT and CEO of Habitat Personnel, a former CDEP and now Aboriginal Employment agency. I have experience in the health, housing, education, youth and Land Council fields.

I have a detailed knowledge of the mechanics of policy development and government practice and through many years of board memberships (both Aboriginal organisations, and mainstream organisations) have developed astute practices of good governance and probity. I have had extensive experience in negotiating with all levels of government.

I have chaired the following committees at the national level: National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services (NATSILS); National Legal Assistance Forum (NLAFF); National Legal Policy Officers Network; and the

National Substance Misuse committee.

I have chaired or been a board member of the following local boards: Shoalhaven Community Development Aboriginal Corporation (chair); Nowra Local Aboriginal Land Council (chair); Shoalhaven Youth Centre; Aboriginal Medical Service (chair); Illawarra TAFE Advisory Board; Sydney & South East Illawarra Area Health Advisory Board.

In summary:

- I have the passion, commitment and leadership experience to guide the Congress to a successful future.

- I have the track record representing our people at the highest levels as well as the connection to local communities at grassroots level.

- My many years of experience in business will enable me to oversee the governance, operation and financial management of this organisation and ensure all accountabilities are met.

I believe I have the warmth and communication skills to bring our people along on the journey to strive for true equality and a better life for all Aboriginal people.



Eight seek top jobs



EIGHT Aboriginal people have nominated to lead the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, the Indigenous representative body launched three years ago. Five women – Elise Wall, Kirstie Parker, Melissa George, Adele Cox and Jody Broun – and three men – Sam Jeffries, Gerry Moore and Les Malezer – are seeking the top jobs. Under the Congress constitution, there must be a male and female co-chair, who each serve two-year terms.

As co-chairs, the successful candidates

will effectively become the public faces of the organisation, which was set up to create a national unifying voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Congress chief executive Lindon Coombes congratulated the candidates, saying they offered members a diverse range of experience and skills to choose from.

"We were expecting a strong field of candidates and we have not been disappointed," he said.

A paper ballot and voting information will be sent to all registered members of Congress, who have the choice of mailing

their vote or voting online. Mr Coombes encouraged members of the Congress to read their election material closely when deciding what type of leadership they wanted for the next two years.

Congress members can vote for one male and one female co-chair during the non-compulsory co-chair elections to be held from 21 June to 5 July.

The winning candidates will be announced on Sunday, 21 July, at this year's National Congress meeting, which will be held in Cairns and will bring together 120 members who are elected and appointed as Congress

delegates. The term of the co-chairs, who are each paid almost \$250,000 a year, will start 20 business days after the National Congress meeting.

Further information on candidates can be found at www.nationalcongress.com.au

Acting editor's note: The order in which we have published the co-chair candidates statements was made randomly by a Justice of the Peace. The layout of the pages has been determined by the length of each profile and the size of the images supplied.

● Editorial, page 20

MY name is Elise Wall and I am a proud 22-year-old Kabi Kabi woman from Queensland. I am committed to the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples as the national representative voice for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and have demonstrated this commitment by being a previous Chamber 3 delegate, the current Queensland state campaign manager and being a member of the inaugural National Congress Youth Lobbying Committee.

I would like to work towards seeing a more equitable Australia where everybody has equal opportunities in life. I am currently in my sixth year of a Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Behavioural Science at the Queensland University of Technology.

I want our young ones to be educated, our Elders to be recognised and our issues on the world's agenda.

My passions are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mental health, appropriate aged care for our Elders, increasing participation in the vocational education and training sector, focusing on access, retention and employment, and, lastly, building a more sustainable economic future for our mob.

My passions and interests are reflected by my policy platform which I wish to pursue should I be elected as female co-chair.

My key focuses are:

Elder health and aged care; advocating for more culturally safe and culturally relevant aged-care facilities for our Elders.

Elise Wall

Mental health; advocating for more public, community-driven research to reduce stigma within communities (regional, urban and remote) and to also provide minimal benchmarking research standards for people conducting research with an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspective.

Higher education; lobbying universities to have a core focus on community engagement. Universities should be more responsible to communities in engaging our mob to consider partaking in tertiary education. This should encompass and address issues including accessibility to tertiary education, while also focusing on retention and providing for meaningful employment opportunities.

Vocational education and training; ensuring VET service providers provide more transitional and general support (to increase retention and commencement rates) for our mob undertaking an apprenticeship and/or traineeship. This may be achieved through engaging VET providers to ensure there are more

meaningful employment opportunities upon completion of an apprenticeship or traineeship.

Within National Congress, I would like more state and territory engagement. We, as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, come from unique and diverse backgrounds. It is these diverse opinions and knowledge that are being unused in ensuring Congress is a representative, united and independent voice. I will work towards more state and territory involvement, working towards establishing committees (encompassing regional, remote and urban communities) within each state and territory to be a conduit for open and transparent communication, consultation and involvement.

I want our policies to reflect our members' views. Congress provides a platform for members to express their opinions on issues that Congress advocates for, but I believe more open, transparent and regular communication is necessary in ensuring our members are given an opportunity to be more involved.



Elise Wall. Image supplied



Jodi Broun. File image

Jody Broun

I AM an Yindjibarndi from the Pilbara in Western Australia and remain involved in my home community of Roebourne through family and organisations.

Over the past two years I have had the honour of being one of the first elected Congress co-chairs. Representing our thousands of members has been rewarding and challenging. I have focused my work on our priorities including working with our members and the community, and successfully negotiating national policy.

I have 30 years' experience working in Aboriginal affairs at the state and federal levels. This has equipped me to provide the leadership and strategic vision to drive Congress business and ensure we are a viable, credible and unifying representative body.

I believe strongly in the role of Congress – representing and unifying our peoples is important to the future of self-determination and protection of our rights – and I am committed to the values and principles that Congress embodies. My term has been spent establishing

the company profile, broadening our membership and building a strong and credible policy platform underpinned by the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Our achievements are listed on our website, but for me highlights have been meeting and talking with members across the country and representing their views in national and international forums.

I have worked with our members that are peak health bodies to establish a National Health Leadership Forum as part of Congress and to contribute to a new health plan for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

There has been a lot of work done and there is much more to do. A second term would enable me to consolidate the work that we have commenced and provide stability at this important point of Congress' development.

I would like to build on our achievements and set the platform for the future, including:

● Building our membership and

improving the Congress structure to make sure our youth and nations have a say.

● Ensuring that our rights under the Declaration are realised and embedded in all we do.

● Building the financial sustainability of the company.

With the support of members I will continue to support a referendum that changes the Constitution to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of this country and eliminates racism. For me this is critical to our future and for the country's future.

After the upcoming federal election, I will negotiate an agreement that recognises the role of Congress and embeds Aboriginal decision making in Government policy and legislative development. We need to ensure a strength-based policy and accountability framework that builds on 'Closing the Gap' targets but also ensures culture and community control are central elements.

The leadership and contribution I have made to Congress over the past two years positions us well to take on this agenda. I believe I have the credibility and vision to deliver for Congress members right across the country and want the opportunity to continue this important work.



Adele Cox

MY name is Adele Cox and I am a Bunuba and Gija woman from the Kimberley region of Western Australia.

I have been living in Perth for just on 12 years, working in a number of positions across several areas related specifically to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities.

My professional experience is varied across different areas, including my early career as a broadcaster/journalist working in Indigenous-specific and mainstream media; working on large-scale community festivals and events such as National NAIDOC celebrations (Broome 1998) and Stompem Ground music and cultural festival (1996, '98 and 2000); working on large-scale research projects focusing on Aboriginal health; involvement through higher education and teaching as an academic at the University of Western Australia; and most recently as a full-time consultant working on several projects nationally.

Although my experiences have varied, the constant has, and will always be, my work with people and communities on the ground. I have been

fortunate that my work has enabled me to travel and work with a range of communities in almost all states and territories in Australia.

The past 12 months alone, I have been working with people and communities in the top half of the country including Darwin, Kuranda and various communities in the Kimberley; in urban settings including Sydney and Perth; and other rural and regional areas such as Narrogin in Western Australia and Cherbourg in Queensland.

I have always been a strong advocate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities no matter what area of work I have been involved in, and I will continue to provide support and build capacity of our communities in order to effect change.

Through ongoing advocacy and membership at State and National levels on various committees and councils, I have been able to create opportunities that help to raise issues of importance for communities and influence the way programs and policies are developed and implemented so that they better reflect the needs of our people.

I have been a member of Congress since its establishment and have been engaged with the development process from its earliest inception.

As a member, I am very much interested in how we ensure that the organisation's connection to its members is maintained and supported whilst also ensuring that our role as a national member organisation is part of, and involved in, all of the key discussions and decisions that are made nationally.

My connection to people and communities across the country is a strength and I feel that my ability to engage with people from different backgrounds is an attribute that can benefit and enhance the work of the Congress.

The role of Congress in this current political climate is of the utmost importance.

More importantly, though, is how we represent and relay the concerns and issues faced by our people and communities so that our members' voices are heard and acted upon.

I hope that I am able to be a part of this change and the next phase of Congress and its work.



Adele Cox. Image supplied

Sam Jeffries



Sam Jeffries. File image

I BELIEVE in the National Congress because it's about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, First Nations peoples, it's about us.

The Congress is a members' organisation and its members are paramount in determining where the National Congress should focus its efforts. I want to see the members engaged more, either through regular forums, electronically via email or social media. I will work on developing a process and mechanism that allows for greater member interaction going forward.

Working in a board requires you to be part of a team, a team that is contributing to the development of the organisation, outlining the vision, setting the strategic direction and determining the priorities.

It's a collective of the individual leaderships, and that collective requires strategic leadership to draw out the individual strengths and expertise of each member to contribute to the overall leadership of the board.

I am confident that I am that leadership.

I have demonstrated my leadership over many years, at regional, state and national

levels, including co-leading the National Congress from its inception to the first election.

I am aware of the complexities and characteristics of the National Congress because we built that in its development phase. The functionality and structure of the National Congress, while challenging, is unique. That's because it was the people's contribution in designing it that way, making sure we get buy-in from Elders, our communities, our organisations and our young people.

We have significant issues that confront us, ranging from access to basic services in our communities, to the Northern Territory Emergency Response, right up to national agenda issues of sovereignty and native title. These are very important issues that require significant effort from us all, to keep them live and on the agenda.

For me, one of the most compelling and emerging issues is our young people. They're our biggest demographic with 65 per cent under the age of 25, and as more young people are emerging into our societies, the demand of access becomes greater.

But I see fantastic

opportunity through the National Congress to engage more and more of our young people into leadership roles. There is evidence that where young people are having exposure in leadership roles, there is greater understanding of the challenge required to overcome disadvantage.

Our young people need a national leadership role. I believe in succession, and National Congress is the right organisation to grow leadership succession.

If I'm elected, I'll be putting forward recommendations to progress a conversation on a National Land Rights Framework. This is long overdue. I believe this important matter, along with foundations to successful societies, the foundations of health, education and economic development, will contribute strong growth for us, strong growth for First Nations peoples.

Lastly, success is through strong and frank relationships. We need these with governments, with ourselves, internally within our communities and externally across the country.

National Congress can be the centerpiece of those relationships.



Melissa George

MY name is Melissa George and I am a Wulgurukaba woman from north Queensland.

I have nominated because I believe there is a disconnect between policy development and community needs and aspirations.

Serious issues need serious discussion and consideration by those people who are impacted the most, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

My experience as chair of the Indigenous Advisory Committee (Environment) and other roles means I have the experience necessary to address this.

My approach is founded on the Three Cs: Community, Culture and Country.

Regardless of whether you live in the city or in the bush,

these are the things that underpin our future and my approach to leadership, policy and representation.

It is because of these fundamental principles that I believe that in order to effect change, we need to be the ones making decisions based on OUR individual and community circumstances.

We need to be setting our agendas for our communities by firstly starting a conversation, then by developing plans and strategies that outline all of our aspirations and offer solutions.

In doing this we need to deal with some serious issues; we have to be brave enough to have the hard conversations and find solutions that suit our individual communities. If elected, I will seriously tackle these issues.

I'm under no illusion that there are hard issues, but it's about time that we started finding the solutions, and I will work hard to support the community to do this.

We have a fast-growing population of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and we need to show leadership.

We need to set the example.

We need to ask the hard questions like why is it that more than half of all kids in juvenile detention are Indigenous?

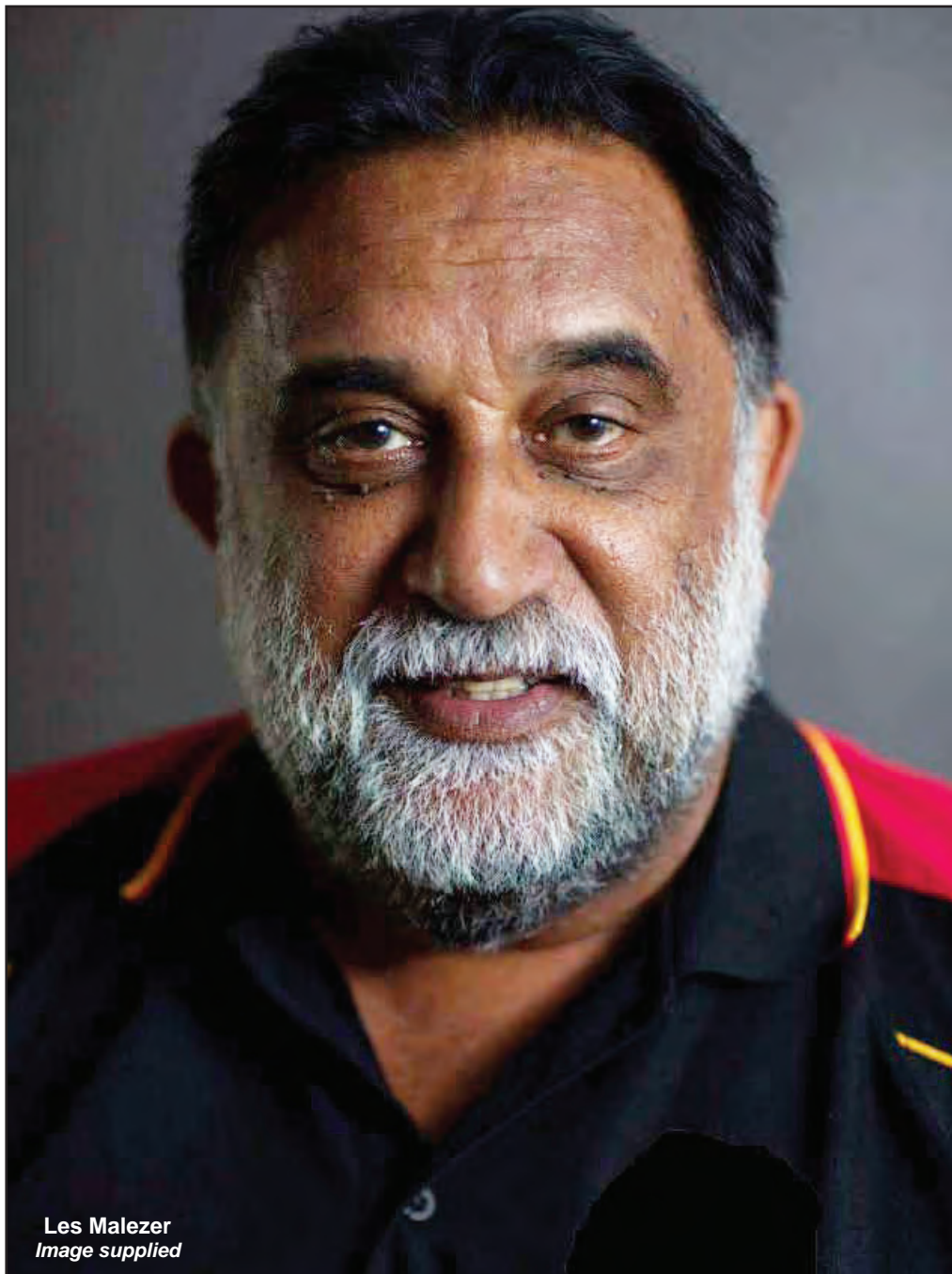
Why is it that in some regions youth suicide is a pandemic and our old people are at breaking point and desperate to find solutions?

These are the hard issues and we need to find solutions. Our future generations and future leaders depend on it.



Melissa George
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CONGRESS is the organisation most capable to achieve self-determination for the First Peoples of Australia.

A company owned by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, Congress is truly autonomous from government control and can bring about national unity and political strength.

However, Congress is only as strong and determined as the people who lead it. The co-chairs of Congress should be the best political minds that our community can deliver, and must be highly motivated to challenge bad government, institutionalised discrimination and continuing injustices.

The co-chairs must also take charge, as leaders, and support and motivate the many leaders at the coalface in our towns and communities.

Around the world, self-determination has become the vehicle to end colonial rule and the economic exploitation of our people.

In Australia, the mining industry and pastoral industry have prospered without any obligation to share the benefits. But now the demand for free, prior and informed consent of the traditional owners is becoming louder and louder.

I have experienced a long career as a campaigner for Aboriginal rights in Queensland, around Australia, and at the international level. I am more than just noise in the background, having successfully achieved major changes which have led to improved lives, better communities, skilled community workers and, most important of all, strengthened cultural ties to lands, waters and the natural environment.

Before even reaching the age of 21 I was travelling throughout the many Queensland reserves to fight the

Bjelke-Petersen Government and the notorious 'Black Acts'.

I was involved in the earliest stages of the community-controlled organisations when it was the neediest people who were making the decisions about service delivery for health, housing and legal protections.

I worked closely with many Elders who were language speakers and who maintained their traditional connections with country and the stories of their forebearers.

At the earliest age I was engaged in cultural heritage protection and land rights campaigns. I fought in the frontline on the streets and spent many days and nights in the lockup for my political protests regarding land rights and anti-racism.

I was involved in 1973 when the Whitlam Government took control of Aboriginal affairs from the state and territory governments.

I worked with the National Federation of Land Councils, the National Aboriginal Conference, the National Indigenous Working Group on Native Title, the National Task Force on the Repatriation of Ancestral Remains and many, many other organisations and campaigns.

I received the Australian Human Rights Award in 2008, after successfully lobbying at the UN General Assembly for the adoption of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in 2007.

Since that momentous occasion in 2007, I have concentrated upon implementing the human rights for our peoples in Australia. This remains my priority with the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

I am a Gubbi Gubbi-Butchulla man from the Mary River region and Fraser Island of south-east Queensland. I also have connection through my mother's family with Gamiliroi of central NSW.

Straight talking in capital



THERE'S some serious women's business going on in Canberra this week.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women from across the nation have converged on the capital for some 'straight talking' with female parliamentarians at the Straight Talk National Summit, organised by Oxfam.

Today they're set to meet with Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin, Deputy Opposition Leader Julie Bishop and Greens senator Rachel Siewert in a ceremony at Parliament House.

The 65 women travelled from as far away as Yorke Island in the Torres Strait and Launceston in Tasmania for the gathering.

Oxfam Australia Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples program manager Karrina Nolan said that before the meeting with the politicians, the women had been learning about the political system, discussing common issues and generating strategies for bringing about change.

"We know the participation of women in decision making is central to our efforts to address poverty and injustice," she said.

Ms Nolan said the Straight Talk participants would also hear from inspiring trailblazers, including Aboriginal leader Shirley Peisley, whose campaigning was critical to the success of the 1967 referendum.

"Many of these women are already committed to making a difference in their communities and have a powerful role to play in leading change," she said.

"These meetings really give something to both parties. For the women, it makes politicians more accessible and shows they can listen, and for the politicians, it creates a better understanding of the issues facing women and their communities."



From left, Tasmanian teenagers R J Webb, Chloe Bowden and Hollie French lay some *Sapphires* style on Rebecca Bowden.

Fashion parade an eye-opener

By JILLIAN MUNDY



A GROUP of Aboriginal teenagers from Tasmania preparing to strut their 1960s fashions and sing hits in a sure-to-be-glitz *Sapphires* movie-themed fashion

parade says their research has opened their eyes to the evolution of women's rights.

Girls from Karadi Aboriginal Women Corporation's Young Women's Group will be sewing costumes, styling their beehives and honing their catwalk moves in time for the NAIDOC fashion parade.

Group coordinator Christine Morgan said

the idea for a fashion parade came from local Elder, 91-year-old Aunty Girlie Purdon.

Ms Morgan came up with the *Sapphires* theme.

"It's just for the girls to learn a bit more about Aboriginal history in Australia," she said. "It's something the Elders will relate to and it benefits the girls to get more involved with their Elders. I think youth need to be around their Elders more, to respect them and get on with them."

That's something Ms Morgan has noticed lacking with the digital revolution.

The girls will also be singing 1960s song *What a Man*, and lip-syncing Jessica Mauboy's *Gotcha*, both from the

Sapphires movie sound track.

Speaking on behalf of the youth group, 14-year-old Hollie French said the girls had been researching '60s fashion and music.

"We all think it's a bit of fun. I love the 60s fashions," she said.

"The movie was inspirational ... women being in a man's world in the '60s.

"There wasn't really any women's rights. It makes me want to know more."

There will be two shows of the yet-to-be-named fashion parade; the first at the United Aboriginal Christian Congress's Leprena on 30 June for the Elders, and another at the opening of the Karadi Women's NAIDOC Art Exhibition at Moonah Arts Centre on 5 July.

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Invitation for Public Submissions

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The Standing Committee on Health, Ageing, Community and Social Service invites public submissions to its Inquiry into ACT Public Service Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment.

The Committee is interested in receiving submissions which comment on:

- the implementation of the ACT Public Service Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy;
- the effectiveness of current ACT Government attraction and retention programs;
- data collection, monitoring and reporting mechanisms;
- relevant experiences and learnings from Australian State, Commonwealth and International jurisdictions; and
- any other relevant matter.

Written submissions should be lodged by **16 August 2013**. They should include your full name, postal address and telephone number. Electronic lodgement is preferred.

For further information or to lodge a submission please contact the Committee Secretary on (02) 6205 0129 or by email at: committees@parliament.act.gov.au.

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Life sentence for murderer Naden

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Homicide Squad commander Detective Sergeant Michael Willing said he was very satisfied with the sentence, and thanked officers whose 'tenacity and never-say-die attitude' had led to Naden's capture. He went on to acknowledge the families of Lateesha Nolan and Kristy Scholes, 'in particular the children; their pain will be everlasting and our thoughts will always be with them'.

Lateesha Nolan's father Mick Peet also thanked police for catching Naden and for continuing the search for his daughter's remains. He said the sentence was some comfort to him and his family, but knowing his grandchildren would grow up

without their mother was heartbreaking.

"It's a little bit like still being in a nightmare you can't wake up from. It's something you can never get over; you've just got to try to live with it," Mr Peet said.

"We've just got to try and rebuild and... get a normal life.

"...One day we'll get a memorial set up for her and perhaps somewhere that the kids will be able to visit."

Mr Peet described Naden as evil and without remorse, and said he wished the death penalty applied in Australia.

Kristy Scholes' uncle Tony, who was present at all four sentencing hearings, described Naden as 'an animal who got what he deserved'. Knowing that his niece's killer would never get

out of jail made him happy.

"Now it's all come to fruition... we're so happy and free. I like the word free because my family can now rebuild. We can get back our lives," Mr Scholes said.

"We won't get Kristy back - that's one thing we'll never get back is Kristy - but we'll always hold her here and that's a place that she'll stay and (Naden) will spend his entire life, locked up behind bars."

Later, members of Lateesha Nolan and Kristy Scholes' families donned tribute t-shirts and gathered in a park across the road from the court. It was there that Lateesha's father Mick Peet and Kristy's father David Scholes met for the first time and embraced, united in grief but also in some relief.

It's Beanie Festival time



Using their heads: Students from the Fregon Anangu School show off their creations, which will feature at this year's Beanie Festival in Alice Springs.



THERE won't be too many cold heads in Alice Springs in the coming days as Aboriginal people from remote communities show off their must-have fashion accessory – the beanie! The annual Alice Springs Beanie

Festival, from 21-24 June, will feature beanies, called mukati in Warlpiri language and mukata in Pitjantjatjara, from seven communities across Central Australia.

The beanies, created at workshops over the past six months, will be on sale to beanie lovers and buyers from Australia and around the world.

Workshops were held in Nyirripi, Willowra, Papunya and Fregon for the first time, and again in Mutitjulu, Ernabella and Titjikala.

Hundreds of men, women and children have taken part in the workshops, which were run with funding and support through Batchelor Institute of Indigenous

Tertiary Education and Arts NT.

The festival is held at the Araluen Cultural Precinct in Alice Springs.

It is the 17th year the non-profit event has taken place, and organisers were confident there would be more than 6000 beanies on display, with about 8000 people expected to have a look.

Fresh calls for justice



LEADING Aboriginal advocates have called on the Federal Government to fund justice reinvestment trials in selected communities where there are high levels of imprisonment.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda, and co-authors Emilie Priday and Louise McDermott, made the call in an article published by the *Indigenous Law Bulletin*.

Their article, *Looking beyond offenders to the needs of victims and communities*, argues for funds to be diverted from the prison system to local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

They said the money that would have been spent on imprisonment would be better spent reinvested into services that address the underlying causes of crime in these communities.

"The over-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the prison system is one of the most entrenched challenges facing Australia," Mr Gooda said.

Community

He argued that justice reinvestment had a very strong community focus.

"It recognises that imprisoning or otherwise detaining a large proportion of the population weakens the community, creating the conditions for further crime," he

said. "Imprisonment is an expensive intervention, costing around \$315 a day for an adult. On the other hand, programs to address the underlying causes of offending such as drug and alcohol abuse cost significantly less.

"An evidence-based and road-tested approach such as justice reinvestment could be the ultimate win-win.

"Not only would we be implementing long-term sustainable diversion strategies, but we would be saving money."

The Australian Parliament's Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee is currently conducting an inquiry into the value of a justice reinvestment approach to criminal justice in Australia.

Jurrah jailed for assault



FORMER AFL player Liam Jurrah will spend another six weeks behind bars after being jailed over an assault on a woman outside a 24-hour store in Alice Springs.

He was sentenced to six months in jail, which was backdated to 27 April to

take into account time he has already spent in custody on remand.

The sentence will be suspended after three months, meaning he will be released at the end of July.

The 24-year-old pleaded guilty in the Alice Springs Magistrates Court to one count of aggravated assault of a woman on 28 March. – AAP

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NT eases grog stance

By DARREN COYNE



THE Northern Territory Government has watered down aspects of its proposed alcohol mandatory treatment regime, but resisted calls for legislation to be scrapped altogether.

A broad range of groups and individuals called on the NT Government to shelve its plans for mandatory rehabilitation.

North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency CEO Priscilla Collins warned that the Government's approach would 'criminalise drinking and result in many more people going to jail'.

In a statement issued on behalf of several organisations in the NT, Ms Collins warned that the proposed legislation would have a particularly heavy impact on Aboriginal people, and she called for a more comprehensive policy for tackling the Territory's grog problems.

"We can't afford to waste over \$100 million on a scheme that is not backed by any scientifically confirmed evidence," she said.

"The NT Government should invest in addressing the issues that lead to alcohol abuse, disempowerment and social determinants of health.

"They should also introduce a minimum floor price, alcohol-free day on Centrelink pay day, and



'When your Government is ready to discuss a comprehensive approach to tackle alcohol abuse and the harm it causes, my Government would be prepared to discuss how income management can be part of an overall approach'

— Prime Minister Julia Gillard in a letter to the NT Government

expand Alcohol Management Plans to include the supply of alcohol."

Prime Minister Julia Gillard also wrote to NT Chief Minister Adam Giles just two days before NT Health Minister Robyn Lambley announced a series of amendments.

Ms Gillard pointed out that a proposed income management system in the NT regime would require Commonwealth agreement.

"When your Government is ready to discuss a comprehensive approach to tackle alcohol abuse

and the harm it causes, my Government would be prepared to discuss how income management can be part of an overall approach," she wrote.

In an apparent attempt to appease the critics, the NT Government last Thursday announced its amendments.

Assessment

Ms Lambley said the proposed changes would reduce the maximum time a client could be detained for assessment, and would introduce a graded response to those who abscond

from treatment. The minister said that under the proposed NT law amendments:

- A client must have a clinical assessment within four days of a third protective custody incident, down from the six originally proposed;

- The Alcohol Mandatory Treatment Tribunal must make its decision within four days of clinical assessment, down from the original seven;

- A client will only have committed an offence if absconding from an alcohol mandatory treatment facility three

times during the 12-week treatment phase.

Ms Lambley said the amendments addressed concern about the length of time a problem drinker could be detained.

"It is not and never has been the intention of our legislation to criminalise alcoholism, and the proposed amendments around this show very clearly that our number one priority is treating problem drinkers," she said.

"The total maximum time before a determination is now down from 13 days to eight."

The groups that have called on the NT to scrap the mandatory alcohol regime include the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency, Aboriginal Peak Organisations (NT), Northern Land Council, Central Australian Aboriginal Legal Aid Service, Criminal Lawyers Association of the NT, AMSANT, Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission, People's Alcohol Action Coalition, Larrakia Nation, North Australian Family Violence Legal Service, Katherine Women's Information and Legal Service, NT Council of Social Services, Darwin Community Legal Service, Central Australian Aboriginal Congress, Djabulukgu Association Inc, Julalikari Council Aboriginal, Theresa Roe, Central Land Council and the Darwin Aboriginal and Islander Women's Shelter.

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Circus off to communities

By DARREN COYNE



CIRCUS Oz is off to the bush with a series of free performances planned for remote Arnhem Land communities in the Northern Territory.

And running away with the circus will be Indigenous performers Mark Sheppard, a Murri, and Kamilaroi man Dale Woodbridge, who were recruited through the Circus Oz BLAKflip program.

They will be taking part in performances at Gunbalanya, Maningrida, Ramingining, Gaupuwiyak, Yirrkala and Gulkula at the Garma Festival.

Mr Sheppard, acclaimed for his one-man show *Chasing the Lolly Man*, told the *Koori Mail* that he joined the circus after taking part in BLAKflip.

"I'm trying to expand my skills to be a bit more deadly," he said of his role as clown and unofficial MC.

"I've had a go at the trapeze and the tumbling but I don't think I'll make it into this show as an acrobat.

"The clowning will suit me fine."

The remote community tour is nothing new for Circus Oz, which has been visiting communities for 28 years.

Circus Oz artistic director Mike Finch said that engagement had always been special.

"Twenty years ago we toured Arnhem Land in a vintage DC3 aeroplane," he said.

"The connection with the amazing



Acrobat Dale Woodbridge being led along by clown Mark Sheppard.

local culture while performing outdoor circus shows in the communities had a profound impact on Circus Oz.

"We're honoured to be going back to one of Australia's most amazing regions, this time with two Indigenous ensemble

members, and to have the opportunity to connect with the world's oldest living culture."

The bush tour kicks off at Gunbalanya on 29 July.

Organisations supporting the tour

include Recognise, Toll, West Arnhem Shire Council, East Arnhem Land Shire Council, Adventure Tours, Sidney Myer Fund, Miwatj Health Aboriginal Corporation and The Yothu Yindi Foundation.

Broome police in spotlight

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



A CORRUPTION and Crime Commission (CCC) inquiry is under way to determine if Broome police mistreated two Aboriginal detainees

earlier this year.

Counsel assisting the inquiry Gail Archer SC said the CCC hearings would investigate two violent incidents recorded on CCTV involving a now former police officer codenamed D5. The 31-year-old was given a 'loss of confidence' notice by the WA Police Commissioner and resigned last month.

The CCC has been told that two Aboriginal detainees – 'D1', who is just 18, and 'D4' – had apparently suffered physical abuse at the hands of police.

CCC Commissioner Roger Mackney rejected an application by D5 to give his evidence in a closed court.

The CCC will assess whether his use of force was in line with police policy, and if so, whether that policy is appropriate.

Several suppression orders have been made in case of any future criminal proceedings against the former officer.

Duty of care

Ms Archer said the inquiry would also examine police duty of care to detainees, reports and record keeping by officers at Broome, and whether police took appropriate action.

Other issues under investigation by the commission include staff supervision, the use of padded cells, stripping of detainees, use of force and restraints, and related policies.

Ms Archer said the treatment and care of detainees in the police lock-up was of particular interest, as well as 'any reluctance on the part of other police officers to intervene or report the conduct of a fellow officer'.

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Journey reaches South Australia



THE Journey to Recognition is now in South Australia, after leaving Melbourne on 26 May.

The journey, organised by the Recognise campaign which aims to have Indigenous people recognised in the Constitution, will travel across a wide area of Australia, finishing at the Garma Festival in Arnhem Land this August.

The walk is scheduled to reach Adelaide on 30 June, with a major event planned for the city.

From there, campaigners will drive to Alice Springs, before high-level cyclists take the Journey to Katherine, then drive on to Nhulunbuy to arrive at Garma.

To follow the journey or for more details, go www.recognise.org.au/thejourney

Alice emergency department opens



ALICE Springs Hospital's expanded emergency department has officially opened, greatly increasing services available to local people.

Under the \$24.9 million expansion, the number of beds has increased from 13 to 31 and the 24-hour medical imaging centre is now co-located with the emergency department. There are also new areas for prioritising, procedures and consultations, and a training and education room for medical interns and other health professionals.

Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowden, who is also the MP for the seat covering Alice Springs, welcomed the expansion.

He welcomed a \$66,000 donation from the Drovers volunteer organisation for a new lung function machine to help patients with respiratory and lung conditions receive a rapid diagnosis.

Alice Springs Hospital provides services to people across Central Australia, an area of about 1.6 million square kilometres.

Remote centres to benefit from funds



A PROGRAM supporting Aboriginal organisations providing services in remote Australia has received \$1.32 million in funding for the next two years.

The Ninti One organisation provides outreach programs, training and support as part of the Stronger Communities for Children program, which is running in 15 communities across the Northern Territory.

The Federal Government said Ninti One's support would include providing coaching and mentoring, advice on delivery of evidence-based, best-practice programs, assistance with establishing local governance processes and capacity building activities.

Ninti One will work with other Aboriginal and non-government organisations with expertise in community development and service.

The program will be running at Ngukurr, Galiwinku, Wadeye, Ntaria, Santa Teresa, Gunbalanya, Maningrida, Utopia, Engawala and Lajamanu from 1 July, and a further five communities would join from July 2017.

Raiders team up to help spread word



THE Department of Veterans' Affairs and the National Rugby League's Canberra Raiders have joined forces to spread the word about the services and support available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander ex-service personnel.

Veterans' Affairs Minister Warren Snowden said the Indigenous Champion Project was a positive step to ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander service personnel get the recognition they deserve.

He said the Canberra Raiders, with five representatives in this year's Indigenous All Stars team, were ideal to help spread the word about services available to ex-service men and women.

Surf's up for SA kids



ABOUT 40 children from remote South Australia have had the opportunity to try their skills on a surfboard in Davenport Creek, near Ceduna.

The kids, aged 5-12, and participants in the Save the Children's School Attendance Program and Intensive Supported Playgroups from Ceduna, Yalata and Koonibba, joined in Vegemite SurfGrooms, a national junior program run by Surfing Australia. It offers children the chance to develop ocean awareness and beach safety skills while learning to surf.

Save the Children Eyre regional coordinator Rob Spaan said the program was an eye-opening

experience for participants, who came from Aboriginal and other backgrounds.

"The kids will develop important surf skills that they can use for the rest of their lives while also getting to try a unique and fun activity," he said.

"It's also a good opportunity for them to mix with children from other areas."

The initiative with Save the Children was made possible by the Quiksilver Foundation, which raised more than \$80,000 at the second annual Awaken the Spirit World Champions Ball in Torquay, Victoria, last November to enable 500 underprivileged children to participate in the Vegemite SurfGrooms program.

● Pictured: Eden Edwards catches a wave.



The SurfGrooms listen and learn about safety on the beach near Ceduna, South Australia.

Gambling link to health woes



GAMBLING in remote Indigenous communities affects the health of children, a new study has shown. The Menzies School of Health Research has confirmed that gambling problems in remote Indigenous communities are associated with poorer health outcomes for children.

The study by Dr Matthew Stevens, called 'Gambling, housing conditions, community contexts and child health in remote Indigenous communities in Australia', analysed data from ten Northern Territory communities collected as part of a larger housing and child health study.

Dr Stevens said the study revealed a direct correlation between levels of gambling in communities and carer report

of illness experienced by Indigenous children in those same communities.

"We found that where gambling problems were reported in households, there was a 50 per cent increase in carer reports of ear infection. And for scabies, rates of reporting were nearly doubled in these houses," he said.

"Across the ten communities involved in the study, the prevalence of reported gambling problems in houses ranged from ten per cent to 75 per cent.

Carriers

Dr Stevens said the relationship between gambling problems and infectious disease could be a result of children being exposed to other gamblers who may be carriers.

"If the house is a regular card gambling venue there would be a steady

flow of visitors through the house who would be using household facilities such as the toilet, linen and towels, and if contagious, greatly increase the chances of transmission to children in the house," he said.

"This is very concerning because the immediate health problems identified in this research are in addition to the other impacts of gambling in communities, including a lack of money, child neglect when parents are gambling for long periods of time, and kids failing to attend school due to a lack of sleep resulting from noise associated with card games."

The study also investigated a range of community variables such as location and access to services, to see what made a difference to community rates of reported gambling problems.



Having a run in Melbourne with Cathy Freeman are Palm Island kids, from left, Shinequa Burns, Jashieka Baira, Venus Watson, Miriam Palmer, Edward Robertson and Chris Evers Jnr. Obscured are Rikisha Luff-Cummins and Michael-lei Sibley.

Palm kids on the right track



EIGHT young Indigenous students from Palm Island have travelled 2500km for a five-day educational tour of Melbourne as part of the Cathy Freeman

Foundation's (CFF) Horizons Program.

The program awards interstate excursions to students based on merit and attitude.

"We recognise Indigenous achievement in school and are

able to offer children the opportunity to explore their future education pathway," Ms Freeman said.

"Our supporters are having a positive impact on educational outcomes of Palm Island children.

"Seeing children experiencing equal opportunities through education and the inspiration to chase their dreams is a truly wonderful thing."

CFF provides educational support to more than 600

school-aged children on Palm Island each year.

As part of the Horizons tour, the children participated in cultural activities at Federation Square in celebration of the AFL's Indigenous Round.

Scullion flags 'speeding up' of native title



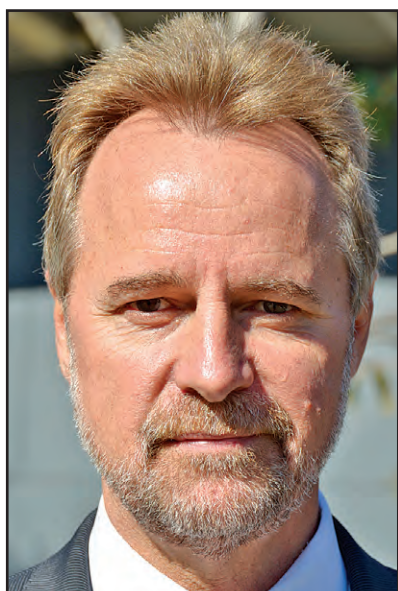
THE Federal Liberal National Party Coalition says it will take a stand against the 'nonsense' of Aboriginal land being used for conservation at the expense of Indigenous development, if it wins the election.

Opposition Indigenous affairs spokesman Nigel Scullion spoke of changes he would help drive through as he addressed the National Native Title Conference held this month in Alice Springs.

"If I am lucky enough to become the minister after the next election, my priority will be to do whatever I can to speed up the process (of native title)," Senator Scullion said.

"I have always been saddened that too many (Indigenous) people pass away before their native title rights have been recognised and their land returned."

Senator Scullion said the Coalition respected the rights of landowners to decide whether to develop their land.



Nigel Scullion

"The Coalition is not a friend of the anti-development brigade," the Northern Territory senator said.

"However, where (Indigenous) people make an informed choice

that they do want to develop their lands to secure economic benefit, they will find no better ally than a Federal Coalition government."

Senator Scullion said the Coalition would remove 'road blocks' to Indigenous development, singling out the Queensland Wild Rivers laws for attack.

"Aboriginal land has become an easy target for local government authorities to use to demonstrate their green credentials," he said.

"It happens in other jurisdictions, too, sometimes under the banner of world heritage ... we must be prepared to take a stand against this sort of nonsense."

Senator Scullion said an overhaul of the Indigenous Land Corporation and Indigenous Business Australia after years of 'political interference' had proved detrimental for Aboriginal people.

The senator called for progress in Indigenous home ownership and land tenure reforms. — **AAP**

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Native title inquiry plan welcomed



THE National Native Title Council (NNTC) has welcomed a move for an Australian Law

Reform Commission (ALRC) inquiry into the native title system. The peak organisation for native title representative bodies and service providers has called on all major political to work collaboratively on any recommendations put forward through the inquiry.

"It is time for the major parties to put aside their partisan approach to native title and secure some real change that will

not only achieve the desire for the timely and effective resolution of claims, but will also provide some relief for traditional owners and their communities," NNTC chief executive officer Brian Wyatt said.

The NNTC says the first phase of the inquiry is to provide comment on terms of reference, but the council says they do not go far enough.

"The terms of reference do not mention anything about more fundamental amendments to the *Native Title Act* such as reversing the burden of proof about connection to country from native title claimants to the state," Mr Wyatt said.

"The legal responsibility for establishing connection to country should fall on governments, not on the traditional owners."

"For a number of years the NNTC has been calling on the government to shift the burden of proof to alleviate the financial and psychological hardship for traditional owners."

"The current system places an unjust burden on native title applicants in proving their continued connection to land as it is an expensive and drawn-out exercise."

"Reversing the onus of proof has received significant support from such high-profile people as Chief Justice Robert French and former Prime Minister Paul Keating."



Brian Wyatt

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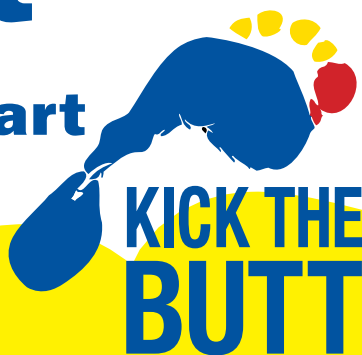


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Elders and officials celebrate the official declaration of the IPA.

Girringun IPA now officially declared



YEARS of work and planning have paid off with the official declaration this month of the Girringun Regions Indigenous Protected Area (IPA).

The IPA covers about 1.2 million hectares of land and sea on Djiru, Bandjin, Gulnay, Girramay, Warrgamay, Warungnu, Gugu Badhun and Nywaigi country in north Queensland.

The Girringun Aboriginal Corporation, based in Cardwell and representing nine tribal groups from north of Mission Beach, south

to Rollingstone Creek, north-west to Ravenshoe and west to Greenvale, and including several islands and reefs, had an important role in establishing the IPA.

CEO Phil Rist told a 100-strong crowd at the celebration that many years of work had gone into securing the declaration.

"We've still got a long way to go, but it is definitely a huge leap forward for us," he said.

A steering committee for the country covering the IPA will meet later this year.

The declaration brings to 57 the number of IPAs nationwide.

Stolen Gen case wait

By ELIZABETH MURRAY



A STOLEN Generations test case decades in the making concluded quietly last week in the Western Australian Supreme Court, with the judge reserving her decision.

Lavan Legal lodged a writ on Sorry Day 2010 on behalf of Donald and Sylvia Collard and seven of their children.

Between 1958 and 1961, those children were taken from their home and held in WA Government institutions.

The Collards argued the *Aborigines Act* (1905) made the Government responsible for the welfare of Aboriginal people, but that the institutions failed to prepare the Collard children for their release into the community. The arguments for the complex case are set outside the Government apology for Stolen Generations policies and mistreatment in WA childhood institutions, already recognised through the WA Redress Scheme.

The case, before Justice Janine Pritchard, began in February and ran for five weeks before adjourning for two months, with the final hearing on 7 June.

During the case, the judge heard claims of abuse and neglect in the institutions.

The Government argued in court that the children's removal was in their best interests, but one of the children, Glenys Collard, said they were not abused and neglected until they went to Sister Kate's Home. Glenys says she still contends with the physical and mental trauma of what she endured.



Glenys Collard outside the WA Supreme Court in Perth.

The Government argued that the pursuit of a remedy by the Collards was unreasonably delayed, and it constituted acquiescence.

Outside the court, Glenys said she was concerned by the language used by the Government during the hearings, which she said showed little compassion or understanding of established traditional Noongar cultural practices.

She said the 'long and lonely journey for her siblings, of being displaced and disadvantaged,' was not acknowledged by the Government in the claim of acquiescence.

Vale Mr Yunupingu, one of our greats

By DARREN COYNE with AAP



A STATE funeral will be held for the former lead singer of Yothu Yindi, Mr Yunupingu, from Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory, at a date to be announced. Tributes for the former Australian of the Year flooded in following news of his death on 2 June, aged 56, at home in Yirrkala, following a battle with kidney disease.

He was remembered as a musician of international standing, the first Indigenous person from Arnhem Land to gain a university degree, the first Aboriginal principal in the Northern Territory, a cultural leader and a family man.

As hundreds travelled to the sorry ground near his home at Yirrkala for a mourning period, Prime Minister Julia Gillard said Mr Yunupingu had been a great voice in efforts towards reconciliation. "We have lost a uniquely talented musician, a passionate advocate for Aboriginal people and a truly great friend," she said.

"He leaves a great body of work to inspire us and we will need all of that inspiration."

Federal Education Minister Peter Garrett, who was friends with Mr Yunupingu and worked with him as front man for Midnight Oil, paid tribute in a condolence motion to Parliament.

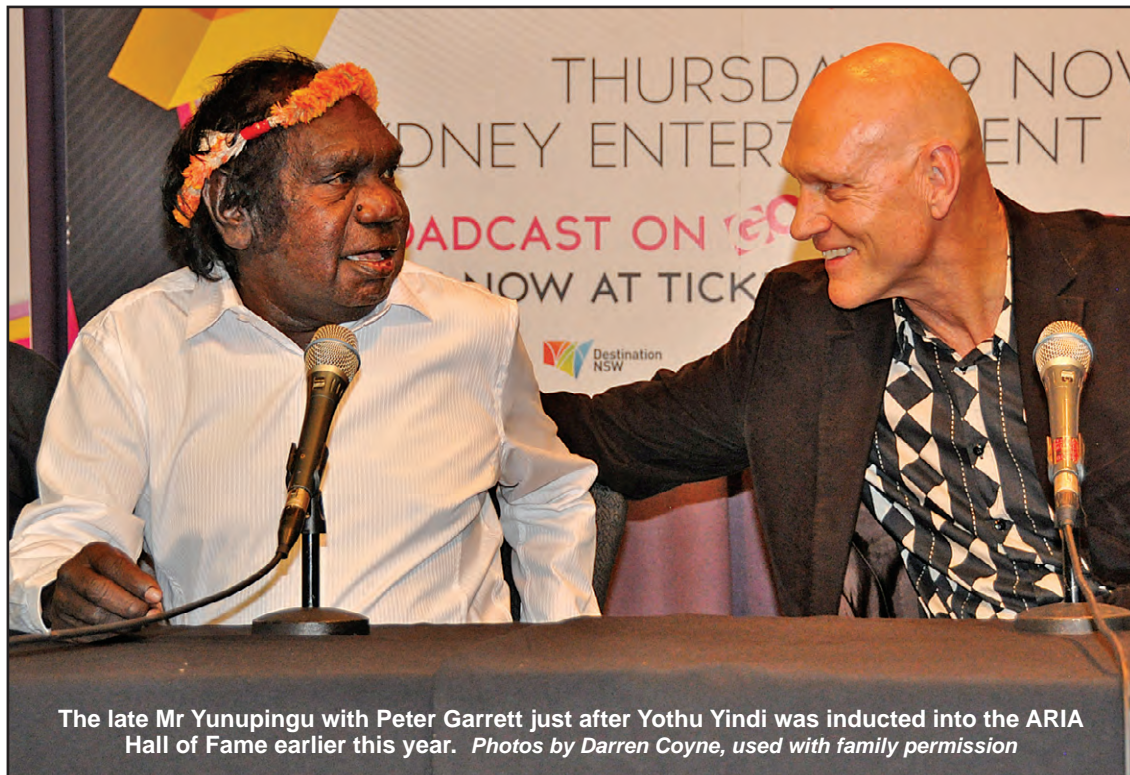
Mr Garrett said Mr Yunupingu had been an important figure in the journey towards reconciliation.

"As our nation struggled to find the contrition which was the necessary beginning of reconciliation, his words and music were a challenge," Mr Garrett said.

"He spoke from the heart. It is now more than 20 years since the music of Yothu Yindi thrilled us with a new artistic fusion and an urgent political intent."

Mr Garrett quoted lyrics from the Yothu Yindi hit *Treaty*, saying the song resonated to this day.

"He dreamed that Australians



The late Mr Yunupingu with Peter Garrett just after Yothu Yindi was inducted into the ARIA Hall of Fame earlier this year. Photos by Darren Coyne, used with family permission

could be better, and he demanded that Australian politics be better – and so it became," Mr Garrett said.

The minister also spoke of the 'high price of Indigenous disadvantage', saying his friend, like many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, was 'gone too young'.

Yothu Yindi manager Alan James said Mr Yunupingu had been an 'inspirational educator and leader who was a huge force for good, happiness and change for his people'.

"He was such a creative and unifying force. We hope his legacy goes on for ever," Mr James said.

Northern Land Council chairman Wali Wunungmurra, a close friend of Mr Yunupingu since the 1960s, also remembered his friend.

"His music took him all over the world ... He had done so much for his community and he did so much for us all, white and black," Mr Wunungmurra said.

Liberal MP Ken Wyatt said Mr



The late Mr Yunupingu

Yunupingu's death was a substantial loss to Australia.

"Mr Yunupingu's passion for education was infectious," the Aboriginal MP said.

"Since gaining a university degree, his impact on education

has been recognised through service as principal of Yirrkala Community School as well as in an honorary doctorate from the Queensland University of Technology and as Australian of the Year.

"Mr Yunupingu was a humble man with a vision for Australia.

"He worked hard to improve Australians' understanding of Aboriginal culture and bring together Australians from all walks of life."

NT senator Trish Crossin, who worked with Mr Yunupingu at the Yirrkala Community School during the 1980s, said his death would affect the hearts and minds of a great many people.

"He has been a wonderful leader for the NT, for this nation, and for the international community of music lovers, educators and those fighting for cross-cultural understanding," she said. Senator Crossin said her heart goes out to Mr Yunupingu's widow Yalmay, his brother Galarwuy, his children and family during this time of mourning.

Highlights of a life well lived

- Mr Yunupingu was the first Indigenous Australian from Arnhem Land to achieve a university degree.

- Formed Yothu Yindi in 1986, combining Aboriginal (Yolngu) and non-Aboriginal (Balanda) musicians and instrumentation.

- Became the Northern Territory's first Aboriginal principal when appointed head of Yirrkala Community School in 1990.

- Established the Yothu Yindi Foundation in 1990 to promote Yolngu cultural development, including the Garma Festival of Traditional Cultures.

- Wrote the song *Treaty* with Paul Kelly and his Yothu Yindi band mates Stuart Kellaway, Cal Williams, Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu, Milkeyngu Mununggurr and Witiyana Marika.

- Named 1992 Australian of the Year for building bridges between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

- Yothu Yindi won eight ARIA awards, including 1992 Song of the Year for *Treaty*, and a Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission songwriting award.

- Band toured the US and Canada as support act for Midnight Oil and released six albums: *Homeland Movement* (1988); *Tribal Voice* (1991); *Freedom* (1993); *Birrakuta – Wild Honey* (1996); *One Blood* (1998); and *Garma* (2000).

- In 2001, *Treaty* makes Australasian Performing Right Association's Top 30 Australian songs of all time.

- Yothu Yindi inducted into ARIA Hall of Fame in 2012 and performed at the ceremony with Peter Garrett, Paul Kelly, Dan Sultan and Jessica Mauboy.

- Mr Yunupingu passes away aged 56 at his home in Yirrkala, NT, after battling renal disease.

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Milyakburra pair takes charge



IT'S just about every school kid's dream to take charge at their school, and that's exactly what happened for two youngsters at

remote Milyakburra School – and a whole lot of others nationwide – this month.

They were among the chosen few who became 'Student Principals for a Day' as part of a national campaign to raise the profile of school leadership.

The event was taken very seriously at Milyakburra School, on Bickerton Island in the Gulf of Carpentaria, where Lincoln and Maxzelda (their surnames have been withheld) took on the top job from acting principal Sean Firth.

And didn't both the youngsters have a ball.

"It was a great day. Now many of the other kids also want to have a turn," Mr Firth told the *Koori Mail*.

The program started early at Milyakburra School, which is on Warnindilyakwa country and has a student enrolment of just 35, with a 'Books and Breakfast on the Grass' gathering.

It finished late, too, with a movie night on the lawn at the school.

In between there were plenty of activities – educational and social – involving students and members of the community.

Lincoln reckoned eating bacon and eggs for breakfast was the highlight.

Maxzelda got to choose the movie, among other



Milyakburra School acting principal Sean Firth with 'Student Principals for a Day' Maxzelda and Lincoln.

responsibilities. "Being a principal was great because of learning new stuff," she said.

There was plenty of positive reactions from the community as well, with Lincoln's parents saying they were proud their son was principal for the day.

Mr Firth made sure he had some say during the day, ensuring literacy and other classes weren't overlooked.

"The students enjoyed themselves and it was fantastic that the parents also took part," he said.

"Student Principal for a Day is a great concept and we'll certainly be joining in again next year."

The program, which involved schools around Australia, was coordinated by Principals Australia Institute, which

provides professional learning, leadership development and support to principals and school leaders.

It was designed to focus attention on the value and importance of quality school leadership.

Laws pass Victorian Parliament



NEW laws designed to improve safeguards on community assets at Framlingham and Lake Tyers Aboriginal trusts have passed the Victorian Parliament.

The new laws were sparked by concerns at both communities over how community funds and assets were being used.

State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell said the reforms would enable Lake Tyers to move from state administration to a board of administrators comprising community members for the first time since 2004.

She said the legislation would also ensure Framlingham residents and shareholders would have the same protections available to Lake Tyers.

"In the last two years I have been working with the Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust to enhance their capability of returning to self-governance," Mrs Powell said.

"Finally with the passing of this Bill, the Coalition Government can call for nominations from the community to serve on the board of administrators to help the Lake Tyers community prepare for self-governance.

"I also congratulate the new Framlingham committee of management and chairman Jim Berg for his leadership and good governance."

1 July deadline for Tas heritage

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE deadline for public comment on the next stage of Tasmania's proposed new Aboriginal heritage protection is 1 July. But Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre legal

director Michael Mansell says no comments will be coming from his office.

"We went to the trouble of putting in an 11-page document on the legislation itself and they ignored every single point," he told the *Koori Mail*.

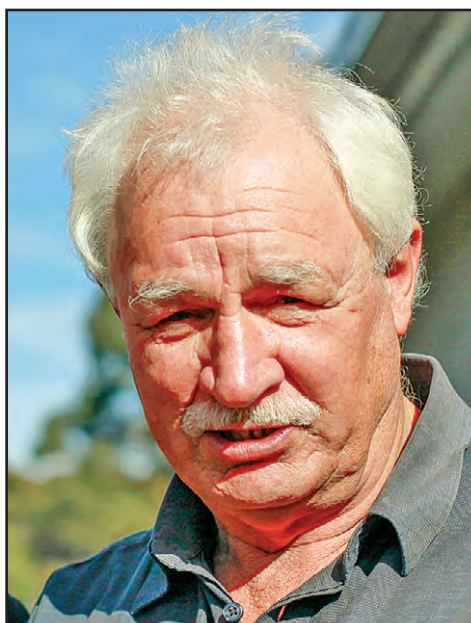
"We would have expected if they were listening to the community they would have at least picked up some of our proposals.

"This is just another step in the process of the Government authorising destruction of Aboriginal heritage."

Mr Mansell said the Tasmanian Government should agree to hand Aboriginal heritage protection to the Commonwealth.

"We have no confidence in the State Government to do anything other than destroy Aboriginal heritage," he said.

"The (proposed) legislation treats Aborigines as members of the public as opposed to people who own and should control that heritage. In fact Aboriginal



Michael Mansell

people have got no rights whatsoever under new Aboriginal heritage law.

"Aboriginal people can be prosecuted for failing to tell the Government of the location of Aboriginal heritage, Aboriginal children can be prosecuted for handling artefacts in

learning about their history.

"Aboriginal people are treated as strangers in connection to Aboriginal heritage."

State Heritage Minister Brian Wightman said the draft regulations included important details about how the legislation would work in practice.

A regulatory impact statement is required under state legislation because some parts of the proposed regulations are considered to impose a significant burden, cost or disadvantage on a sector of the public.

"This brings us one step closer to the introduction of new Aboriginal heritage laws, which I intend to table later this year," the minister said.

"The Government is committed to introducing new Aboriginal heritage laws that are fair, balanced and modern.

"Late last year we held a public consultation on a complete draft bill. That process generated a large number of comments and suggestions. We've considered them all and have decided on a range of improvements."

A summary of the proposed changes is available with the draft regulation, the regulatory impact statement and how to comment online at www.dpipwe.tas.gov.au/ahl

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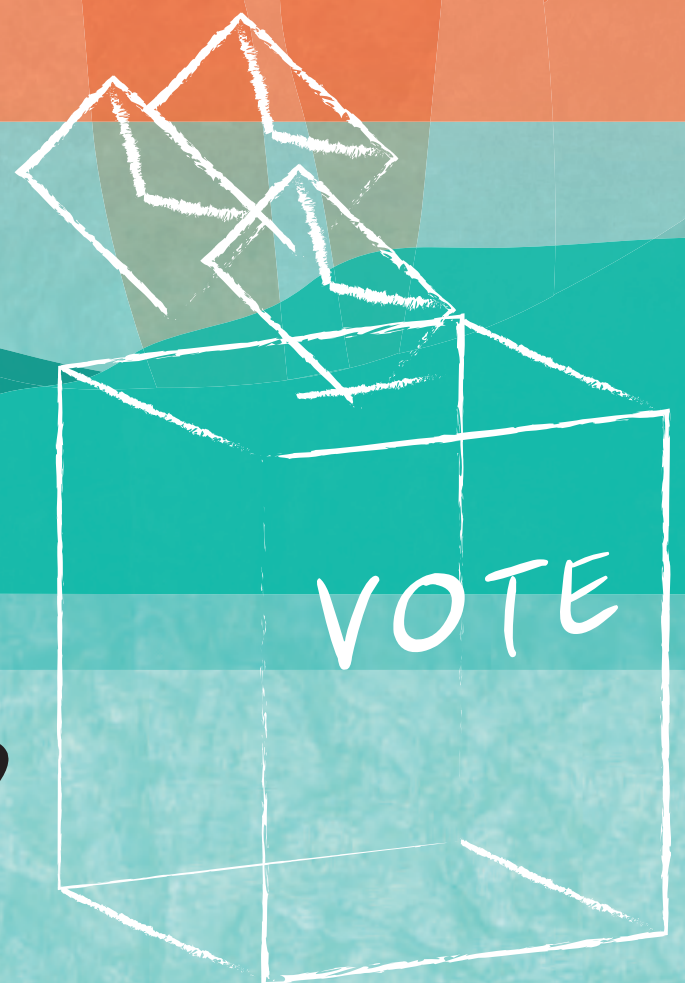
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Steamed kangaroo meat with onion, potato and a splash of red wine. All served with damper.

Favourite music?
Country act Brooks and Dunn.

Favourite holiday destination?
The Netherlands.

Favourite movie?
Yudum, a movie about the social issues men face. I produced it! And I also like *The Green Mile*.

What are you reading?
My local paper, Port Augusta's *The Transcontinental*.

What are you watching?
I'm always looking at Aboriginal development in Australia. It needs to be done appropriately.

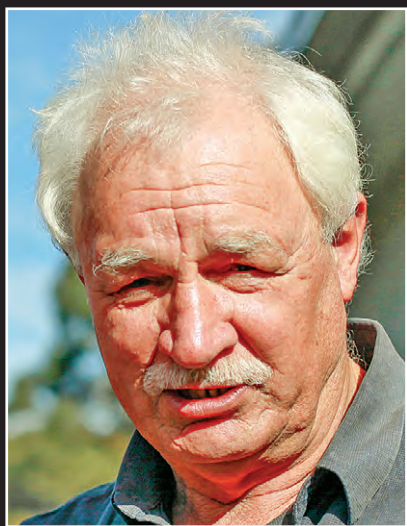
What do you like in life?
Kind people doing kind things for those who need it.

What don't you like.
Dickheads!

What three people would you like to have a night around the campfire with?
My father's spirit, and actresses Cameron Diaz and Halle Berry.

If you could, what would you do to help Indigenous people?
I'd make sure Australia's peak representative body was made up of members from all land councils, native title bodies and Prescribed Body Corporates, with all their wealth invested here and overseas for the benefit of all our people.

Quote



'We have no confidence in the State Government to do anything other than destroy Aboriginal heritage'

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre's Michael Mansell

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Big job ahead for co-chairs

First of all, congratulations to the eight people who have put their names forward in the election for co-chairs of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

The organisation, which was set up to be a unifying voice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, needs strong leadership if it is to remain relevant into the future, not only as a body to lobby Government but also as a place for new ideas.

The eight candidates have been rightly praised as having a wide range of skills and experience, and anyone taking the time to read their reasons for running for the top positions should be comforted by the fact that each of them appears to have the enthusiasm and drive to do the job well.

But of course, there can only be two winners in this race. A man and a woman will be chosen by members to lead the organisation for the next two years.

And they will have quite a task ahead of them.

Probably the most important of their jobs will be to increase the membership of the Congress so that it is truly reflective of the communities and people it has been set up to represent.

Secondly, they will have to guide the Congress towards its stated aim of being self-sufficient.

The Federal Government recently kicked in another \$15 million to help the Congress towards that aim, having already allocated \$28 million in the initial establishment of the



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organisation. But there will come a day when Government says enough is enough. And that is why it is imperative that the Congress moves towards self-sufficiency over the next few years.

Also, to be a truly independent voice for Indigenous people, the Congress must do more to reach out to the 'common' people. It's all well and good to move amongst the movers and shakers in Canberra, and indeed on the world stage, but the true strength of the organisation will come with grassroots support.

That's why it is so important to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to embrace the Congress, become members, and cast their votes. It's no use complaining about what happens if you don't take the opportunity to have your say and choose your leaders.

The eight candidates featured in this edition have been prepared to put themselves forward, and for that fact alone they should be praised.

Now it is up to the members of Congress to decide who they want running the show.

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Singing the songs of an ancient land



Shellie Morris, centre, with the Borroloola song women. Together they have produced an album which has already won two national awards.

BY DARREN COYNE

IN many ways, Shellie Morris is lucky enough to have lived the best of both worlds.

Brought up in a loving, 'beautiful' family in Sydney, Ms Morris set out as an adult to discover her Indigenous heritage.

"They encouraged me to find my family when I was grown up, and to find what I found was so overwhelming, and the journey of working in remote communities for the past 15 years has been phenomenal," she said.

When Ms Morris set out on her quest, she traced her roots back to the Yanyuwa people in the Gulf of Carpentaria and eventually made the trek to discover her ancestry in the NT. It was there that she experienced a profound connection to her people, resulting in a deep healing and leading her into a new musical path that many have described as her calling.

"What I found was that all the things that I thought were important were less important," she told the *Koori Mail*. "Things like fame and fortune faded away when you are working alongside people in remote regions of Australia.

"It has given me confidence as a person. I always had to be confident growing up, trying to fit in and work with society, but I

never felt quite like I fitted in because there was that lack of knowing where you're from ... and I realised that was everything."

Ms Morris' journey throughout Australia, visiting communities, running workshops, and learning languages, has culminated with the release of her latest album.

Called *Ngambala Wiji li-Wunungu (Together We Are Strong)*, the album has been described as a career highlight and is said to be her most

community with her own opera-trained vocals.

Aside from singing and recording, she has also worked as an ambassador for the Fred Hollows Foundation, helping to raise awareness of the organisation and assisting with fundraising efforts.

In 2009, she travelled with Brazilian singer and politician Gilberto Gil through different communities, collaborating with musicians along the way as he featured in a documentary that

of the big stages, having worked with the likes of John Cale, Sinead O'Connor and Gurrumul Yunupingu. But she is just as content to sit around a campfire with a guitar.

"I used my musical skills and opera training when writing the traditional songs, and there was so much encouragement from everyone involved in the sharing of traditional stories," she said.

"It was the first time I learned those stories and in language." For the women she worked

now they are singing the songs in language. The songs are also being played during sorry business, and that is a great honour."

Apart from her work in the bush, Ms Morris has also had her fair share of gracing stages around the world, often in company with other members of the Black Arm Band.

"So many of those shows with the Black Arm Band were phenomenal," she said.

"It was also a humbling experience because when I came home from working around the world to remote communities, I actually felt so at home, and fell in the love with the bush over again.

"Because I was working in communities I didn't play a lot around Australia, but then the Black Arm Band showed me the world. It was a dream come true."

"Working alongside such a star-studded cast I was able to learn so much. It was a great privilege to be close with Archie (Roach) and his late wife especially."

As for touring with the Borroloola song women a little down the track, Ms Morris reckons they're more than ready to hit the stages of the world.

"All they ask is that they have a large pannikin so they can have their cups of tea while on tour," she said.

'What I found was that all the things that I thought were important were less important. Things like fame and fortune faded away when you are working alongside people in remote regions of Australia'

important work to date. It is believed to be the first album by an Indigenous contemporary female singer sung entirely in the Indigenous languages of the Gulf Country.

Already it has been suggested that the album is likely to have the same emotional qualities as that of Gurrumul, both on a national and international stage.

Ms Morris worked with family members from her grandmother's country in Borroloola, merging the traditional songs of the

tracked his journey across three different continents.

Based in Darwin, Ms Morris has also widened her work by working with Liberian women refugees on the project 'Liberty Songs' which share their stories of family and struggle. Her own recordings are *Shellie Morris* and *Waiting Road* and she is featured on Black Arm Band's *Murundak* and *Hidden Republic*, among others.

Ms Morris has been a huge inspiration and role model for Indigenous musicians dreaming

with, the album has proved a watershed moment in their lives.

"We are stoked. Our voices are being heard throughout the world and the album has already won two national awards, and there has been a great response to it in Australia and overseas, in Germany, Switzerland and Brazil," they said.

Ms Morris is delighted.

"I'm thankful for that response as an artist because we loved making the album," she said.

"In Borroloola none of the kids were speaking the language and

How about a Koori *The Bachelor*?

DID you see the ad for *The Bachelor* the other day? It's this show that is on some TV channel and it has a heap of ladies all wanting to impress this one fulla so in the end they can be in lots of magazines smiling up.

There is even another show called *The Bachelorette* which is kinda the same thing although it's much more fun.

Throughout both the shows the Bachelor takes the contestants out on crazy group dates, gives the ones they'd like to stay a rose while saying 'Will you take this rose?', and the lucky ones get kisses and eventually meet the family. Or get left behind and not chosen, bless them.

The few times I've seen it, the show looks really white. Not enough blackfullas in it at all! They need to be

getting a few blackfulla contestants in there. I know who the Bachelor be choosing then!

How could they resist the smooth charms of a brother? What man could resist a deadly black sister?

But I guess there is never enough blackfullas in there 'cos if there were then the Bachelor be like 'I'm done here! All you other fullas, thank you for coming, but I'm taking this one here!'

Ah yes. I know what we need. We need *The Koori Bachelor*. NITV could make a real deadly show of it I reckon.

In the *Koori Bachelor* you'd have him go on dates to the footy. He'd have to line up at the canteen getting all the orders sorted... 'No I said I wanted barbecue sauce, not tomato!'

That Bachelor would be trying to

impress all the girls but they'd be right into the footy game, or yarning with their friends who'd be at the game too.

A blackfulla version of *The Bachelor* would be great fun. Instead of giving out roses it would be like 'Will you take this wattle?'. Instead of big write-ups in all the magazines you'd have to get your face in the *Koori Mail*! Instead of staying in a big flash mansion, set everyone up in houses just like *Neighbours*. Everybody needs black Neighbours.

But I reckon for any *Koori Bachelor* show to work you'd have to put in a big road trip. A trip from Cairns to Brisbane, Adelaide to Alice Springs or even Perth to Broome.

Now that is a show I would pay to watch. NITV, you know how to contact me!



Ms KOORI LOVE

mskoorilove@koorimail.com

Answers to our Edition 552 Crossword. How did you go?

ACROSS

3. Origin
7. Dot
8. Townsville
9. Rangers
11. Roach
13. Darwin
16. Discus
17. Black

DOWN

1. Victoria
2. Service
4. Central
5. Pilbara
6. Torres
10. Six
12. Hobart
14. NAIDOC
15. Aunty

Our brainteasers

Edition 553 Koori Mail Word Search

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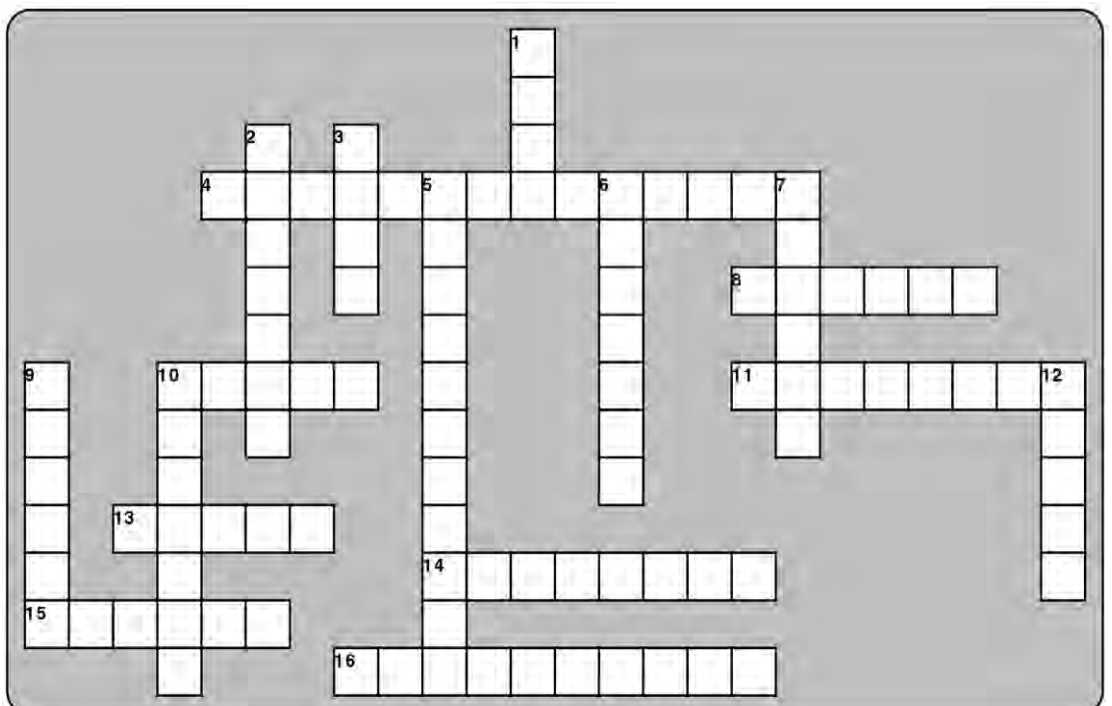
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ACROSS:

4. RAPs aim for this.
8. Major Australian airline.
10. Indigenous people of New Zealand.
11. Batchelor Institute is based in this Territory.
13. This day is on 26 May.
14. Capital city of South Australia.
15. This city is on Eora country.
16. Murrumbidgee live in this state.

DOWN:

1. Precious stone found at Coopers Pedy.
2. Person in upper house of Federal Parliament.
3. Main colours of the Torres Strait flag. Green and ...



5. TAFE college qualification.
6. People who write books.

7. Major Indigenous celebration next month.
9. He plays for AFL's

10. Nickname of Qld League State of

12. Commonly used name for grandmother.



Equal access to digital TV

ON a recent visit to Brewarrina, in north-west NSW, I was surprised to discover that since television services were digitised, people living there can only view commercial channels and have no free-to-air ABC television channels. Nor can they access SBS's National

Indigenous Television Service (NITV).

Brewarrina has quite a large Aboriginal population who should be entitled to watch NITV and also the other non-commercial channels from the ABC, including excellent children's television.

I hope readers who can't

access the free-to-air digital television channels, which the Government provides for all city folk, complain to the broadcasting authorities. These services should be available to everyone living in more remote regions of Australia.

We are told about the great

benefits that will come from the National Broadband Network, but that may take years to reach remote Aboriginal people, and in the meantime they need access to quality, non-commercial television.

Dr RUTH LATUKEFU
Newport Beach, NSW

Racism out in the open

THERE has been so much denial of racism in this beautiful country, and it took an innocent little girl to bring it to where it needs to be addressed (*Koori Mail*, edition 552).

As an 87-year-old Aboriginal who has travelled and worked over much of this country, the only, I repeat only, place I have been where there was no racism at all was the little town and district of Bigga, between Goulburn and Bathurst in NSW. I lived and worked around Bigga since 1962.

NSW Deputy Opposition Leader Linda Burney really fully addressed racism in its many forms recently on the ABC's Q&A program. Her message clearly showed that she and her family had experienced it.

I agree with Linda about the pathetic excuses such as 'a slip of the tongue'. Where did it slip from? The mind, or the back of the neck?

The other matter addressed on that program was whether or not the late Dr Yunupingu's full name could be publicised.

It has always been my understanding that the first name of a deceased Aboriginal person was not to be used in any context for at least a year after their passing.

They were to be addressed as 'Kumindji', meaning no name, or as Minister Peter Garrett did in Parliament by referring to him as Mr Yunupingu.

Some interesting times ahead, no doubt.

HAROLD J HUNT
St Mary's, NSW



The late Mr Yunupingu.
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A tragic loss

AUSTRALIA has lost a beautiful man, with the passing of Dr Yunupingu.

I play the song *Treaty* every now and again because I really like hearing a didgeridoo, and I have the utmost respect for a race and culture that has at least a 40,000-year continuous, almost unaltered, history, which nobody else on this

planet can even come close to claiming. And yet us white people have been trying to exterminate the original Aussies since the day we showed up. It's a national tragedy for us all.

It's not generally known that many hundreds, if not thousands, of Aboriginal men signed up to defend our country against the Japanese.

But is there a special monument to Aboriginal servicemen? Not that I'm aware of, and there should be!

Dr Yunupingu's passing is a national tragedy, and I weep for his family. Treaty? Yeah!

MARK NOVAK
by email

● War memorial planning under way – page 34

POETRY

My Father Said!

My Father said ... It's gunna take three more generations for that to happen!

No Dad! That can't be right! No more, someone has to stand UP!

Don't go down that road!
It's too hard!
You'll end up buried under a bridge somewhere!
Better you say nothing!
Listen carefully, speak softly!
That's our way!

I know that Dad! But where will it end?

You go down that road it'll end all right!
You got too much to lose!
They get at ya kids ya know!
They get at ya family! I know, I seen it all before!

But I can't help it!
Something makes me want to fight back! To stand UP!

Yes, I see that in you! If we were in a different time ... before racism!

What do I do then?

Go on with ya written words! They hit harder and last longer! They reach a lot further!
If ya have to do something, do that! Ya just might not end up under a bridge somewhere!

I'm sorry Dad! I never thought they would get at you!

I should have listened to what my Father said!

SHANE T HENDRY
by email

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

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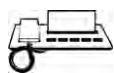
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Finalists announced for the **2013 Queensland Reconciliation Awards**

Congratulations to the Queensland businesses, community organisations, educational institutions, partnerships and projects that are taking positive steps toward advancing reconciliation in Queensland.

The award recipients will be announced at a ceremony on Wednesday 11 July 2013.

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Moving to end disparities



**VICTOR
DOMINELLO**

THIRTY years ago the landmark *Aboriginal Land Rights Act* was passed by the NSW Parliament. It was proclaimed on that same historic day, 10 June 1983.

Yes, there was determined opposition to it at the time, but the Act gave Aboriginal people in NSW a greater opportunity to become more involved in mainstream economic activity by giving land councils the right to acquire land for the good of Aboriginal people.

These days, the majority of Aboriginal people are now living productive fulfilling lives, but there are still a number of Aboriginal people who do not have a standard of living that matches that of the broader community.

This is why the NSW Government, in partnership with the Aboriginal community, wants to open up more economic development opportunities in partnership with Aboriginal people and local Aboriginal land councils across NSW.

'All Australians want to see the disparities between the Aboriginal community and the broader community disappear'

In November last year I tabled in Parliament a review of the *Land Rights Act*. This review contained 47 recommendations, including a number of proposed reforms relating to issues such as land claims and housing.

At the heart of this reform is the shared

goal of building a more sustainable land council network that drives greater economic outcomes for all Aboriginal people.

The review, conducted by a working party chaired by the registrar of the act and made up of representatives of Crown Lands, Aboriginal Affairs and the land council network, also recommended a raft of administrative amendments to assist the state's local Aboriginal land councils to become more efficient and strengthen their governance.

In May I introduced the *Aboriginal Land Rights Miscellaneous Amendment Bill 2013* into Parliament to make those administrative amendments become a reality.

The amendments will greatly enhance the day-to-day operation of land councils.

In a statement from NSW Aboriginal Land Council chairman Stephen Ryan, which I read in Parliament, he said: "In this, the 30th anniversary year of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act* 1983, it is

appropriate to be taking steps to ensure that Aboriginal land rights in NSW remain strong for the next 30 years."

Mr Ryan said: "The proposed amendments to the act are the first critical reforms in an ongoing process of reviewing this landmark legislation. It's a reform process that will deliver a more effective legislative framework for Aboriginal land rights in NSW."

Mr Ryan is right. We are all committed

to increasing the capability, productivity and sustainability of land councils.

In August, a series of one-day public consultations will begin on a thorough review of the Act based on the 47 recommendations made by the working party.

All Australians want to see the disparities between the Aboriginal community and the broader community disappear. The proposed changes to the

Aboriginal Land Rights Act, while working in partnership with the Aboriginal community, will be another step on the path to removing those disparities.

I encourage any person who wants to have a say about changes to the act to attend the public consultations and let us know what you think.

Victor Dominello is the NSW Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

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The consultation period is open from 1 June 2013 until 31 July 2013

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WOTJOBALUK PEOPLES NATIVE TITLE FULL GROUP MEETING

For all Wotjobaluk people who hold native title rights and interests in the land and waters of the Wotjobaluk determination area.

Saturday 6 July 2013, Barengi Gadjin Land Council Meeting Room, 142 Firebrace Street, Horsham
Start at 11:00am, Morning Tea and Lunch Provided.

Purpose:

- To provide information about the current review of the 2005 Wimmera Settlement Agreements that were negotiated with the State at the time of the Wotjobaluk consent determination.
- To consider the consultation and consent processes proposed by the BGLC Board of Directors, required for Native Title Decisions.
- Future Act matters.

Travel assistance will be provided under the BGLC policy (reimbursement for kilometres).

For catering purposes, please notify Lynette on the number or email below if you intend to attend this native title meeting.

This meeting is supported by Native Title Service Victoria

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Minister Jeanette Powell with Ricci Marks Award winners Mason Peter, Bronwyn Mongta and Paul Gorrie (who accepted the award on behalf of his sister Nayuka (inset)).

Women take this year's Ricci Marks honours



TWO young Victorian women have taken out this year's Ricci Marks Award. The award, a \$5000 bursary used to

support the development in the chosen field of each of the winners, is named after the late Ricci Marks, who in 2000 received what was then the Victorian Aboriginal Young Achiever Award.

Backed by the Victorian Government, the award aims to recognise individual achievements and aspirations of young Aboriginal people in training, education, arts, sport, culture and community leadership.

Bronwyn Mongta, from East

Gippsland, and Nayuka Gorrie, from Brunswick, are this year's winners.

Mason Peter, from Meringur in north-west Victoria, took out the \$500 Ricci Marks Encouragement Award.

Ms Mongta, a trainee at the Department of Justice, mentors young girls and established the East Gippsland Koorie Youth Council.

Engagement

Ms Gorrie, an arts student at the University of Melbourne, is a member of the Youth Lobby Committee of the National Congress of Australia's First People and is also researching Aboriginal engagement in the protection of the environment.

She represents Australia at the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous issues.

Mason Peter is school captain at Werrimull P-12 School. He is youth ambassador for the Mildura Rural City Council, a member of the Mildura Koorie Emerging Leaders, and a participant in the National Indigenous Youth Leadership Academy.

Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell praised the standard of the 21 candidates nominated from across the state for this year's award. Nominations were received from Ballarat, Bendigo, Mildura, Morwell, Wodonga and metropolitan Melbourne.

Budget funding for APY Lands

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THE APY Lands have been a focus for this month's South Australian Budget.

SA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Ian Hunter said the

Budget provided a range of initiatives for the APY Lands, including \$21 million for road upgrades which he said would mean greater food security and economic opportunities for communities.

But shadow minister Duncan McFetridge said Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation generally across the state had been neglected, with a \$12.4 million cut to funding.

And he claimed funding for services such as road maintenance in the APY Lands, electricity demand management and fuel for

the Murputja and Watarru power stations would be reduced by \$1.6 million.

Mr Hunter said that combined with \$85 million from the Federal Government, \$106 million would be spent on fixing roads in the APY Lands, including sections of the main access road between the Stuart Highway and Pukatja (Ernabella).

He said work would also provide all-weather access to airstrips in Pukatja, Umuwa, Fregon, Mimili, Indulkana, and to the Umuwa and Fregon homelands.

Additional funding would be made available to support the administration of the *APY Land Rights Act 1981* and the APY Executive Board as well as ongoing therapeutic services in response to problem sexual behaviour.



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The Government is seeking applications from eligible organisations in order to select a provider of online group training and one-on-one training.

For further information on the program and application process visit www.dbcde.gov.au/digitalenterprise, email virtualadvisorprogram@dbcde.gov.au or call 1800 017 984.

Applications close at 5.00 pm AEST 2 July 2013.

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Bush tucker popular at busy heritage day

By ALF WILSON



BUSH tucker including kangaroo, emu, possum and crocodile proved popular at the Heritage

Day in Townsville last month. More than 5000 people attended the event held at West End Park and organised by Townsville City Council. Of about 30 stalls, the one

offering 'Free Indigenous Food Tasting' was the most popular. It was run by Townsville Cultural Centre cultural arts and education officer Claudinia Lenoy with great assistance from her daughters Jaeda, 11, and Imahni, 7.

"We have been very busy serving up kangaroo, crocodile, emu and possum," Claudinia said.

"The girls were really excited and I have estimated

that judging by the bowls we've used we served around 240 very happy people.

"There were people coming at least for 90 minutes after we ran out of food looking for more."

All three were run off their feet soon after opening at 10am, when they served up free damper and scones.

"That all vanished very quickly," Jaeda said.

Several hundred Indigenous people attended.



Claudinia Lenoy and her daughters Jaeda and Imahni keeping busy at the Indigenous food stall they ran.

More jobs a goal of deal



MORE jobs for Aboriginal people are predicted after the signing of an agreement between the NSW Government and the NSW Minerals Council.

Under the agreement, the Government and council will work to provide sustainable employment and help start Aboriginal businesses in the resources sector.

The move has been welcomed by the NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce, among other groups.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said mining needed a constant stream of quality people to fill roles in a wide range of occupations.

"Training and employment initiatives will be developed in regions where present and emerging mining opportunities can support Aboriginal employment and economic

development," he said.

"Jobs could be created in regions including the Hunter Valley, the Illawarra and in the state's north-west, central-west and far-west around centres such as Singleton, Broken Hill, Orange, Gunnedah and Dubbo."

NSW Minerals Council CEO Stephen Galilee said the industry has been 'working for a long time' to develop Aboriginal employment and economic development opportunities across NSW.

'Positive step'

"This signing of a memorandum of understanding between the NSW Minerals Council and the NSW Government is a positive step forward," he said.

"Economic participation lies at the heart of improving the lives of Aboriginal people in NSW and we want to ensure that they share in the long-term benefits that flow from responsible

minerals development."

Aboriginal Employment Strategy CEO Danny Lester said it was critically important for associations such as the Minerals Council to commit to, embrace and advocate for growth in the Aboriginal workforce.

"Participation in the workforce is the cornerstone of gaining personal confidence, financial advancement and becoming a role model for young Aboriginal people," he said.

NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce CEO Debbie Barwick said the agreement would be welcomed by contractors and the communities they support.

"We expect that the insight and innovation shown here by the NSW Government and the NSW Minerals Council is a clear indicator that these stakeholders have listened to Indigenous communities and peak bodies during consultations," she said.

MP floats council idea



Western Australian MP Ben Wyatt at Parliament House, Perth.

By GEOFF VIVIAN



THE only Aboriginal member of the Western Australian Parliament has put the idea of Noongar people being offered guaranteed local government representation to help settle a native title claim.

Labor's Aboriginal affairs spokesman, Ben Wyatt, a Yamatji man, has suggested the state's Coalition Government could legislate to reserve a seat for a

Noongar person on each local government council in the WA south-west and the Perth metropolitan area.

His idea comes more than a year after Premier Colin Barnett offered to settle the massive, still outstanding, Noongar native title claim over much of that region.

Mr Barnett's settlement offer is understood to have included more than \$500 million and up to 200,000ha of vacant Crown land if Noongar people surrendered their claim to land stretching from Hopetoun to Jurien Bay,

including metropolitan Perth.

Mr Wyatt said that with the WA Government focusing on local government reform, a set council position could be one option.

"I think there is an opportunity there if the Government really wants to resolve the Noongar claim," he said.

"When I speak with some of the older Noongar men and women in the south-west of Western Australia, Noongar country, I find that there is a sense of a lack of ownership or a lack of involvement in the government structure."

First carbon credits sold



THE first carbon credits produced by the Indigenous Carbon Farming Initiative have been sold on the open carbon market. The Indigenous Land Corporation (ILC) has sold all of its 25,884 Australian

Carbon Credit Units to Caltex Australia through an open expression of interest process.

The carbon credits were generated through controlled burning during 2011 and 2012 on Fish River, a 178,000 hectare property owned by the ILC on the Daly River, south-west of Darwin.

ILC chairperson Dawn Casey said that while the exact price was commercial-in-confidence information, it was more than \$20 a tonne.

"This is a fantastic result for the groundbreaking Fish River Fire Project, which has already notched a number of Australian firsts," she said.

"It is the first approved Indigenous Carbon Farming Initiative (CFI) project, the first early dry season savannah burning project, the first CFI project generating carbon credits with substantial co-benefits and now the first project to sell Indigenous carbon credits on the open market."

Dr Casey said money generated from the sale of the credits would be reinvested in supporting Indigenous jobs and environmental land management on Fish River.

AO for Oscar



KIMBERLEY community leader and health campaigner June Oscar, pictured, has been named an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO) in the

Queen's Birthday Honours List.

The Fitzroy Crossing woman has long campaigned for the health and wellbeing of her people, and been involved in many community and wider organisations.

The Western Australian woman was one of several Indigenous recipients of national awards. See our next edition for more coverage of those honoured.



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The National Plan for School Improvement aims to take Australian schools into the top five countries in the world by 2025. The plan responds to the first comprehensive review of how schools are funded in almost 40 years.

Why?

- Australia's international results have dropped from 2nd to 7th in reading and 5th to 13th in maths over the last decade
- By Year 9, disadvantaged students are over two years behind their peers
- The number of high performing students has dropped by 5% in reading literacy over the last decade

How?

- Ongoing teacher training
- A national curriculum
- Fairer funding for Australian school students

When?

- The National Plan for School Improvement is scheduled to begin in 2014

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the national plan for school improvement

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Joint deal for North Stradbroke



INDIGENOUS Business Australia (IBA) and the Quandamooka Yooloolarubee Aboriginal

Corporation (QYAC) have negotiated a joint business venture on North Stradbroke Island designed to look after country while delivering economic, employment and social benefits to the island's Aboriginal people.

The venture, Straddie Camping, manages the island's six holiday parks and two foreshore camping grounds, a total of 1200 sites. With more than 85,000 visitors to the island each year, Straddie Camping is generating significant employment for the Quandamooka people.

Currently 50 per cent of Straddie Camping's staff are Indigenous, with further job opportunities expected from a capital works program.

QYAC chair Cameron Costello paid tribute to the island's community in driving the joint venture.

The business venture has the approval of local Elders, who recently gave their blessings, prayers and gifts to Straddie Camping's staff, stakeholders and bookings office.

Aboriginal stories recorded



● Above: Irene Roberts with a Film & Television Institute film crew on Kariyarra country.

● Right: Toby Smirke telling his stories on Jurruru country. "By the end of it I was happy with how it worked out, and I think it was all done right," he said.



A NEW film project in Western Australia is recording stories about Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Last month, Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation (YMAC) spent time on country with traditional owners from the Pilbara region.

Indigenous Community Stories (ICS), run by the Film & Television Institute in partnership with Rio Tinto, ScreenWest, Leighton and Ngarda Civil and Mining, aims to digitally archive 100 WA Indigenous stories.

In the first of these stories, Kariyarra Elder Irene Roberts talks about growing up around Abydos and Kangan stations, and her life in the Yandeyarra community.

The second story, told by Jurruru Elder Toby Smirke, focuses on the working life of Aboriginal people on pastoral stations, his family, and Jurruru connection to country.

"By the end of it I was happy with how it worked out, and I think it was all done right," he said.

These projects follow on from another ICS project that YMAC supported in February about Geraldton-based artist and writer Charmaine Green.

For more information on the Indigenous Community Stories project, visit www.fti.asn.au/make/icstories



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Land councils vision backed

By DARREN COYNE



NORTHERN Land Council chairman Wali Wunungmurra has endorsed Opposition

spokesperson for Indigenous affairs Nigel Scullion's vision for the future of land councils in the Northern Territory.

At a meeting of the NLC Full Council at Timber Creek, Senator Scullion and Labor's Indigenous Health Minister, Warren Snowdon, were invited to answer questions about their plans for the future.

During his presentation, Senator Scullion commended the NLC for its work and spoke against moves to form breakaway land councils.

But he said that certain communities felt they were not being listened to by the NLC and wanted more say in their own affairs.

"As I go around the Northern Territory I am beginning to hear more people say that they want a breakaway land council," Senator Scullion told the gathering, which included 83

members from across the organisation's seven regions.

"I do not think that is a good idea, but clearly a growing number of people are becoming unhappy with the way things are now.

"You cannot ignore that and hope that the complaints will go away. They have reasons for being unhappy and the minister and the land councils together should respond to their complaints in a real way."

Responsibilities

Senator Scullion said that if the Coalition were elected and he was appointed minister, he would talk to the NLC about giving local people some land council decision-making responsibilities.

"The NLC would continue much as it is but some of the decisions you make now could be made by local people in some places," he said.

"I cannot see much wrong with that and you could release some of the pressures that build up over time. It is just about keeping up with the times.

"It is in fact contemplated in the Act, section 28 of the *Land*

Rights Act provides for devolution of certain powers such as section 19 and 19A leases and the mining provisions of the Act.

"I have spoken to your lawyers and it would be important that any decision to devolve can be revoked or taken back under certain conditions.

"I do not intend to force this on anyone. I want to support the land councils and I want you to be a part of it. I want land councils to be strong.

"The same goes for permits. If I am minister I will not be lifting permits on roads unless the traditional owners ask me to do so."

Mr Snowdon, whose Government has rejected an application for a breakaway Territory land council, focused on improving health statistics, but said there was still a great deal to do to improve the health of Indigenous Territorians.

In a statement after the meeting, Mr Wunungmurra endorsed Senator Scullion's comments regarding the council's place in the Top End landscape.

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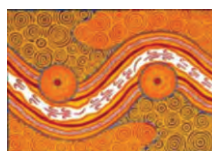
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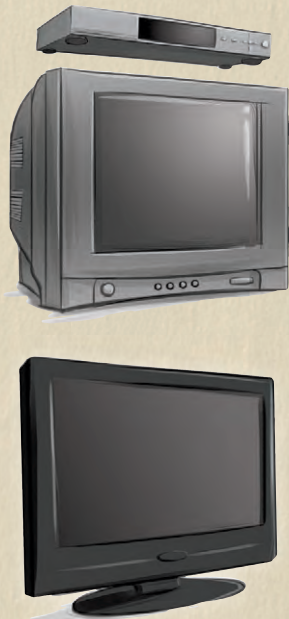
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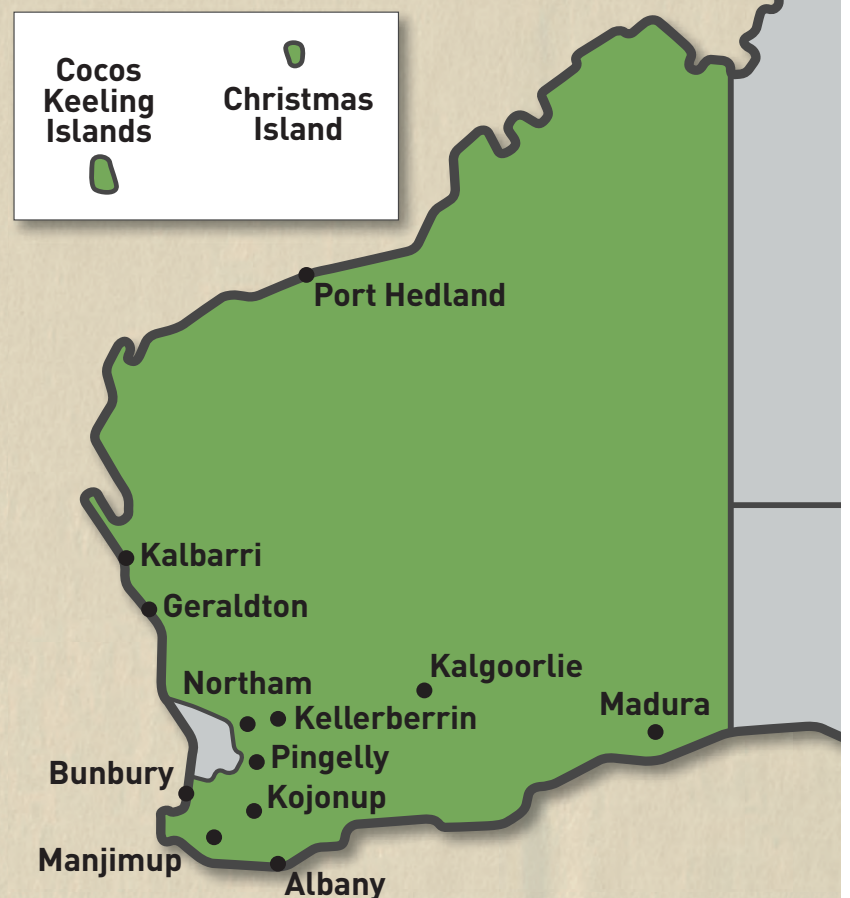
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19TH JUNE TO 2ND JULY



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WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
9:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
9:15 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
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9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 Burned Bridge M (Drama)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
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5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
6:30 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Caritas G (Documentary)
7:50 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
7:55 Music Videos G (Entertainment)
8:00 Boomalli - Five Koori Artists G (Documentary)
8:30 Propanow M (Documentary)
9:30 The Coolbaroo Club G (Documentary)
10:30 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

THURSDAY 20TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
6:30 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
8:30 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
9:30 Rodeo: Life On The Circuit PG (Documentary Series)
10:30 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
11:30 NITV News NC (News)

FRIDAY 21ST JUNE

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
1:00 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
2:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
10:55 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
11:55 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
12:55 Film Essays of Maasai Life G (Documentary Series)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
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3:50 P-Culture G (Kids)
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4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Series)
9:00 Grab PG (Documentary)
10:00 Propanow M (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

SATURDAY 22ND JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
3:00 Caritas G (Documentary)
3:20 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
3:25 Music Videos G (Entertainment)
3:30 Film Essays of Maasai Life G (Documentary Series)
4:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
4:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
7:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
7:30 Australian Biography G (Documentary Series)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
9:30 On The Ice MA (Documentary)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

SUNDAY 23RD JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Australian Biography G (Documentary Series)
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
2:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
3:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
3:30 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
6:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
7:00 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)
7:30 Lagau Danaiaig - An Island Life G (Documentary)
8:30 Blues, The PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Dreamkeeper PG (Documentary)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

MONDAY 24TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
11:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 Not A Willing Participant PG (Documentary)
12:30 Lagau Danaiaig - An Island Life G (Documentary)
1:30 Sisters Inside PG (Documentary)
2:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Ravens And Eagles G (Documentary Series)
8:30 Burned Bridge PG (Drama)
9:30 Of Islands And Men G (Documentary Series)
10:00 RHEF 2013 PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

TUESDAY 25TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Inuk G (Kids)
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10:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
11:30 Ravens And Eagles G (Documentary Series)
12:00 Buffalo Legends PG (Documentary)
1:00 Of Islands And Men G (Documentary Series)
2:00 By The Rapids PG (Series)
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6:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 Burned Bridge PG (Drama)
9:30 Small Island Big Fight PG (Documentary)
10:00 RHEF 2013 PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

WEDNESDAY 26TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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6:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! PG (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Wrong Side Bala PG (Documentary)
7:40 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
7:45 Playing With Fire PG (Documentary)
8:00 Ochre And Ink PG (Documentary)
8:30 National Indigenous Music Awards 2012 PG (Entertainment)
10:00 Ailan Kores Documentary G (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

THURSDAY 27TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Inuk G (Kids)
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5:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Dream It Do It Deadly! PG (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
8:30 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
9:30 Rodeo: Life On The Circuit PG (Documentary Series)
10:30 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
11:30 NITV News NC (News)

FRIDAY 28TH JUNE

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
1:00 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
2:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
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5:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Sport)
9:00 National Indigenous Music Awards 2012 PG (Entertainment)
10:30 Goin' Troppo In The Toppo PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Grounded G (Series)

SATURDAY 29TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
3:00 Welcome Side Bala PG (Documentary Series)
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5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Barefoot Sports 2013 NC (Sport)
7:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
7:30 Australian Biography PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
9:30 Live And Become M (Documentary)
10:00 The Orator PG (Documentary)

SUNDAY 30TH JUNE

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Australian Biography PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
2:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
3:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
3:30 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
6:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
7:00 We Come From The Land G (Documentary)
7:30 Ken Thaiday Snr G (Documentary)
8:30 The Blues M (Documentary Series)
10:00 The Orator PG (Documentary)

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MONDAY 1ST JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Inuk G (Kids)
7:30 The Best Of Grounded G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
9:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
9:15 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
9:20 Bobtales G (Kids)
9:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
11:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
11:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 We Come From The Land G (Documentary)
12:30 Ken Thaiday Snr G (Documentary)
1:30 Sitting Bull: A Stone In My Heart PG (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:45 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
3:50 P-Culture G (Kids)
3:55 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
4:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving: Margaret O'Shane G (Documentary Series)
6:45 Black Olive G (Lifestyle)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Ravens And Eagles G (Documentary Series)
8:30 We Shall Remain PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Building Legends G (Documentary)
10:30 By The Rapids PG (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Surviving: Margaret O'Shane G (Documentary Series)
11:45 Black Olive G (Lifestyle)

TUESDAY 2ND JULY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Inuk G (Kids)
7:30 The Best Of Grounded G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
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9:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
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10:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
6:45 Black Olive G (Lifestyle)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 Burned Bridge M (Drama)
9:30 Wrap Me Up In Paperbark PG (Documentary)
10:00 RHEF 2013 PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
11:45 Black Olive G (Lifestyle)

\$3m boost for WA justice



THE Western Australian Aboriginal Justice Program (AJP) has received a \$3 million funding boost. Attorney-General Michael Mischin said the money would be used for educational resources, culturally appropriate counselling and

support, the development of support plans and to increase community awareness among Aboriginal victims. "One of the program's priorities is reducing family and domestic violence, which accounts for a significant amount of the violent crime in WA but which is often under-reported," he said. "The AJP will focus its

efforts on identified areas that have a high incidence of family and domestic violence in the Derby-West Kimberley and Halls Creek region." Regional Development Minister Brendon Grylls said the program would provide a more comprehensive coverage of services to a group of people who may otherwise be unsupported.

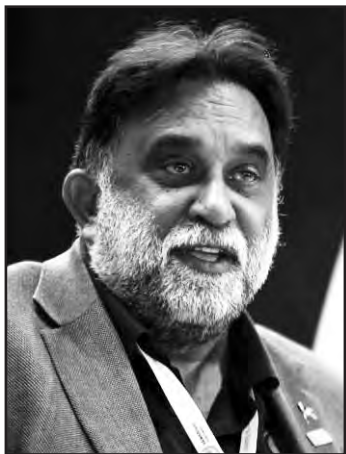
Leading on world stage



INDIGENOUS Australians have taken leadership roles for the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples to be held in New York next year.

Planning for the world conference followed a major meeting on Sami Country in Alta, Norway, which included 12 Indigenous Australian delegates. National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Les Malezer, who was in Norway, has been elected co-chair of the New York conference.

Organisers will now help to prepare an action plan, to be known as the Alta Declaration, to influence the United Nations during New York World Conference, scheduled for 22-23 September next year. The 12 Australians in Norway were among 600 delegates and observers from the seven global regions of the world.



Les Malezer at the meeting on Sami Country in Alta, Norway.

The Australians participated as part of the Pacific Region as well as in youth and women's caucuses. Professor Mick Dodson has been named as reporter for the Pacific, while Brian Wyatt, the head of the National Native Title Council and co-chair of the Indigenous Peoples

Organisation (IPO) Network, was elected co-chair of the Pacific Caucus. Intellectual Property Organisation co-chair Dea Delaney was appointed as bureau member for the Global Women's Caucus, while Peter Dawson was elected co-chair of the Youth Caucus. Other Australian delegates include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services chair Shane Duffy, NSW Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Geoff Scott, National Congress director Tammy Solonec, National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance board member Sandra Miller, Professor of Indigenous Policy from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Higher Education Consortium Boni Robertson, and long-standing human rights advocate Diat Callopo.

Mayors query Qld approach



ABORIGINAL mayors are questioning whether the Queensland Government's 'tough love' approach to funding is workable. The Government plans to withhold \$3 million of the funding it gives to the state's 19 Indigenous councils annually, and encourage them to raise their own revenue.

Guaranteed funding for all councils will shrink from \$33.1 million last year to \$29 million. Councils will have to start collecting water and waste charges in order to qualify for their share of \$1.5 million of the withheld funding. Councils with new business and development projects can apply for a share of another \$1.5 million. No land in Indigenous communities can be privately owned. Instead, the local council or a group of traditional owners controls the land in these areas. In some communities, residents can lease houses for up to 99 years. The Queensland Government is considering options that would allow individuals to privately own land in Indigenous communities. Peter Guivarra, the mayor of Mapoon on western Cape York, says it may be difficult to raise money from water and waste management there, given that only two Mapoon residents own their homes. The rest of the houses are owned by the council. "But once they're able to own their homes there's no reason why they can't be charged rates," he said. — AAP

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To all current members, please be advised there is a
MEETING OF MEMBERS
to be held
21st JUNE, 2013 at 4.30pm

At the DUNGHUTTI ELDERS COUNCIL
AGENDA:
1. WELCOME
2. CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING (13/12/12)
3. FINANCIAL REPORT
4. LIFT ME UP HIRE / NEW TENANTS SINCE 04/03/13
5. JOHN BOSWELL UPDATE (DEC LAWYER)
6. DUNGHUTTI LAND CLAIM
7. EXTRA EXTERNAL BUILDING: (new shed built on vacant block)
8. WHAT PROGRAMS WOULD MEMBERS LIKE TO SEE RUN OUT OF DEC?
9. MIDDLETON STREET SHOP: FOR SALE. (potential for community training purposes)
4.12 PROXIES:
A member who is entitled to attend and cast a vote at a general meeting may appoint another member (but not non-member) in writing as a proxy to vote for the member at a specified meeting. A proxy's authority to vote for a member at a meeting is suspended if the member is present at the meeting. A member must not exercise a proxy for more than 1 other member. For an appointment of a proxy to be effective the document appointing the proxy signed and dated by the appointing member must be received by the Corporation at least 48 hours before the meeting.
Proxy forms are available at the DEC office

ARTS VICTORIA

Artists in Schools information sessions
The Artists in Schools program provides funding of \$10,000 for practising professional artists to work with students in Victorian schools for approximately 20 days. Artists may be practitioners in any artform.
Applications for projects in 2014 close on **Friday 20 September 2013**.
Information sessions for teachers and artists interested in applying will be held in:
Horsham Mon July 15
Darebin Wed July 17
Benalla Tue July 23
Healesville Thur July 25
On-line sessions also be available through Blackboard Collaborate.
For program and information session details visit the Arts Victoria website:
www.arts.vic.gov.au/ais
Enquiries: 8683 3100 or 1800 134 894



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RESEARCHING RIGHT WAY: Ensuring good health research practices for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members, researchers in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, key stakeholders, and anyone who has an interest in ethical health research practices for our mob are invited to come along and have a say in how health research should be conducted in your community.

The Lowitja Institute, in partnership with AIATSIS, is hosting a national round of community consultations to assess the following current guidelines on behalf of the National Health and Medical Research Council:

- *Values and Ethics: Guidelines for Ethical Conduct in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Research*
- *Keeping Research on Track: A guide for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples about health research ethics*

These two documents currently shape the way that health research is conducted in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities all over Australia. Help us make sure that they serve the needs of you and your community.

For dates and venue details, please go to: www.lowitja.org.au/evaluation-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-health-research-ethics. The consultations will be held at the following locations during July and August 2013.

- Canberra
- Melbourne
- Adelaide
- Hobart
- Brisbane and Cairns
- Perth and Broome
- Sydney
- Darwin and Alice Springs
- Thursday Island

The consultation team will also be available to conduct face-to-face interviews or by phone. A survey will also be available through Lowitja.org.au. For more details about this project, please contact Ray Lovett at AIATSIS: ray.lovett@aiatsis.gov.au, or Mary Guthrie at the Lowitja Institute: mary.guthrie@lowitja.org.au



Australian Government
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

Remote Jobs and Communities Program COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND GRANT FUNDING

The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA) is seeking applications for project funding under the Community Development Fund, part of the Australian Government's new Remote Jobs and Communities Program (RJCP).
Beginning on 1 July 2013, the RJCP will operate in 59 identified regions across remote Australia, providing a more integrated and flexible employment and participation service and a more collaborative approach to building sustainable communities in remote Australia.
The Community Development Fund provides \$237.5 million over five years, with around \$37.5 million available in the 2013-14 financial year in competitive grants funding.
Projects will be assessed on their potential to promote economic and social participation and benefit communities and job seekers in the remote regions. Project applications should be based on community priorities and be broadly supported by communities in a remote region or across regions. This first grant round is open from 25 May 2013 until 21 June 2013. Applications must be received by 5pm AEST, 21 June 2013.
To find out more about the RJCP and the remote regions, go to **www.deewr.gov.au/rjcp**
To find out more about the Community Development Fund and to access the CDF Program Guidelines, go to **www.fahcsia.gov.au/grants-funding**

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2013 National Indigenous Health Conference

Building Bridges in Indigenous Health

25th - 27th November

Pullman Cairns International Hotel, Cairns QLD

MEES Australia invites Indigenous and non-indigenous people from all states and territory throughout Australia to attend this conference.

- The conference is designed to bring together both government and non-government agencies to build bridges for Indigenous Health
- This year's philosophy is based on the principles of sharing information, acquiring knowledge and establishing network
- Early Bird registration is NOW OPEN
- Over 30 sessions: Keynotes and Workshops
- International and Local Indigenous/First Nations' Keynote Speakers
- 50% of the agenda is allocated to highlight grassroots community programs
- Displays, Poster Presentations and lots more...

Book early to avoid disappointment!

Register online at www.indigenoushealth.net

Email: admin@indigenoushealth.net | Phone: 0457 757 072



Department of
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Appointments to Consumer Affairs bodies

Consumer Affairs Victoria (CAV) is seeking expressions of interest from suitable persons for future appointments to the following public bodies:

Consumer Utilities Advocacy Centre Ltd (CUAC)

Chair and members of the Board of Directors

CUAC is an independent consumer advocacy organisation which represents the interests of Victorian electricity, gas and water consumers (especially the vulnerable and disadvantaged).

Estate Agents Council

Chair and consumer representative

The Council monitors the regulation of the real estate industry and provides policy advice.

Motor Car Traders Claims Committee

Consumer and industry representatives

The Committee considers and determines compensation claims made against the Motor Car Traders Guarantee Fund.

Architects Registration Board of Victoria

Consumer representative

The ARBV's functions include registering architects and approving architectural companies and partnerships, regulating architects, determining architectural qualifications and accrediting courses, and conducting examinations for registration.

CAV is committed to ensuring that government boards and committees reflect the composition of the Victorian community. This includes appropriate representation of women, Aboriginal people, Torres Strait Islanders, Victoria's culturally diverse community, regional Victorians, and Victorians with a disability.

You can apply by emailing the application form (available to download on the CAV website, at www.consumer.vic.gov.au/committees) and your curriculum vitae (CV) to cav.committees@justice.vic.gov.au or by posting these documents (in an envelope marked 'Private and Confidential') by **close of business 25 June 2013** to:

Steve D'Arcy
Consumer Affairs Victoria
GPO Box 123
Melbourne VIC 3001

For further information about these positions, please visit CAV's website, at www.consumer.vic.gov.au/committees, telephone (03) 8684 6475 or send an email to cav.committees@justice.vic.gov.au

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The scene at this year's Indigenous commemoration service at the War Memorial in Sydney.

Indigenous veterans honoured



SERVICES have been held in Melbourne, Sydney, Adelaide and Perth and other centres to

recognise the contribution made by Indigenous armed forces service personnel.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander War Memorial Committee chair Marj Tripp said Indigenous men and women had volunteered to serve in every war in which Australia had been involved.

"For many years, our people had to deny their heritage and fight against discrimination just to be allowed to serve, and many returned from war where they were treated as equals by their mates only to realise that discrimination by broader Australian society had remained unchanged," she said.

Federal Veterans' Affairs Minister Warren Snowdon said the contribution made by Indigenous servicemen and women was all the more noteworthy when viewed against their lack of citizenship rights and early policies that discouraged and limited their enlistment.

At the eighth annual Victorian Indigenous Remembrance Service at the Shrine of Remembrance, retired soldier Darren Moffitt, a descendant of the Eora people, spoke about his 27-year career, in which he was awarded a Soldier's Medallion for Exemplary Service, a Chief of Defence Force Commendation

and an Active Service Medal East Timor.

Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell paid tribute to Indigenous soldiers.

"Despite the terrible tragedy that it is, war brings out the best qualities in people that are united in the fight for peace," she said. "Our heartfelt thanks go to the Indigenous service men and women who have served our country in the past, and those serving now."

"For the past eight years this important commemoration service has been brought about through the devoted efforts of

'Our heartfelt thanks go to the Indigenous service men and women who have served our country in the past, and those serving now'

Aunty Dot Peters and the Victorian Indigenous Remembrance Committee, and we thank them for their work."

A commemorative ceremony was held in Sydney, with Flight Sergeant Don Taylor the keynote speaker.

In Adelaide, the Aboriginal Veterans' Commemorative Service was held at the SA National War Memorial on North Terrace, followed by a sod-turning ceremony at the site of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander War Memorial, to be built on the northern lawn adjacent to the Torrens Parade Ground on Victoria Drive.

The memorial was conceived in 2008 to recognise all Indigenous people who served in peace and war. Artist Robert Hannaford has been appointed to create the bronze figures that will adorn it, and the project will be under the control of artists Tony Rosella, Lee-Anne Buckskin and Michelle Nikou.

Aboriginal war veterans were also honoured and remembered for their service at a ceremony in Kings Park, Perth, attended by WA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier.

"It should be remembered that Indigenous servicemen and women were prepared to enlist when they were not treated as equals or recognised in the national census," he said.

The Department of Veterans' Affairs says it is working with the Australian War Memorial to recognise the efforts of all Indigenous Australians by seeking to

identify those who served Australia and record their names on a roll of honour.

Parliamentary Secretary for Defence David Feeney paid tribute to Indigenous service men and women by laying a wreath at the commemoration ceremony at the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park, Sydney.

"I encourage any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander veteran, or their families, to come forward and contact DVA to have their service acknowledged and to also ensure they are accessing the support and services available to them," he said.



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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA, Make a Difference in your region

Do you have vision and drive, and experience in community, industry or local government? Are you able to represent the broad interests of your region? Do you understand local challenges and want to achieve results; then why not volunteer to join the RDA board in your area.

Expressions of Interest (EOI) are now open for boards in South Australia.

Regional Development Australia (RDA) is a national network of boards made up of local people volunteering their time and energy to develop local solutions to local issues.

You will use your experience, skills and local regional knowledge to build relationships between all levels of governments and regional communities. RDA boards are representative of the diversity of each particular region. Women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with diverse cultural backgrounds, people living with disabilities and people from across every age group are encouraged to submit an EOI. Previous applicants should also submit a new EOI.

All EOIs will be considered against the skills and expertise which are specified in the application information.

Expressions of interest are encouraged by **Friday, 5 July 2013.**

For further information and to apply:

Visit the website at www.rda.gov.au

Or phone the helpline on 1800 505 938 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm AEDST)

Or send an email to rdaeoia@regional.gov.au.



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World Vision Australia SNAICC conference delegates from the Pilbara region of Western Australia, from left, Rowena Robinson, Renette Biljabu, Levina Biljabu, Gladys Bidu, Sarah Jones and Jessica Robinson. All photos by Mahala Strohfeldt

Plea for our kids

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



MORE than 1000 delegates at the fifth annual Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander

Child Care (SNAICC) conference in Cairns last week made an impassioned plea to reduce the overrepresentation of Indigenous children in out-of-home care by 2018.

SNAICC will partner with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation, Aboriginal Child, Family and Community Care Secretariat (AbSec), Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Protection Peak (QATSICPP), Families Australia and the Australian Council of Social Service to drive the national campaign.

SNAICC chairperson Sharron Williams says the campaign aims to halve the number of Indigenous children in care within five years.

According to the latest figures, more than 13,000 Indigenous children and young people are currently in care. Other statistics paint a grim picture. Indigenous children are being removed at over 10 times the rate of non-Indigenous children, while 62 per cent of Queensland's Indigenous children will come into contact with the child protection system this year alone.

Ms Williams said the current climate of child protection in Indigenous communities was 'diabolical' and she called for drastic change.

"It is a totally unacceptable situation. Far too many of our children are being separated from



Kathy Guthadjaka (Gotha)

their families at great cost to those children and families," she said.

"Clearly we need to find different solutions. There must be a greater focus on early intervention and prevention, and on boosting healing and family support services," she said.

"We need to remove the harm and not the children."

A host of Indigenous leaders, practitioners, policy makers and international leaders headed up forums and presentations on best-practice programs and shared success stories of what's working in their communities.

Canadian children's rights advocate Cindy Blackstock told delegates that Governments had failed Indigenous children the world over.

"We work for children, so we need to work with children to ensure we are doing right by them and their families," she said.

"Similar to Aboriginal children in



Cindy Blackstock

Australia, First Nations children in Canada are overrepresented in child welfare care due to neglect driven by poverty, poor housing and substance misuse.

"Governments are simply not doing all they can."

Yolngu community leader and educator and keynote speaker Kathy Guthadjaka (Gotha) advocated for a strong bilingual approach to education to keep families, and communities strong.

'Commitment'

"I would like to see Australia keeping its commitment to the rights of the child for education in the child's own language. It needs to be understood that English is not a second language for Aboriginal children from a traditional background," she said.

"I would like to see a return to good sense and balance with language in education in this country. Both-ways learning should



Judy Atkinson

be 50/50. Our children are being forced to begin their school life in a language they do not understand. This is causing some very serious problems for Yolngu children."

Gotha stressed that education systems worked best for Aboriginal children and communities when language and culture featured prominently in the curriculum.

"Here is what one model of education that is working for Yolngu looks like," she said.

"There is language that is meaningful, the students have ownership and a sense of safety and confidence and the school maintains the language."

"Unless your own language increases in step with a growing knowledge of English, Yolngu people will lose their own language completely. This would be a big loss of understanding."

"Other things lost with language would be song, story, land title, heritage and inheritance. To lose

language for Yolngu is to lose most of what we have that is of real value to us."

Keynote speaker and Bundjalung woman Judy Atkinson began her address by acknowledging the importance of Gotha's work on two-way learning in the community, and she also called for a trauma-based approach to intervention programs for at-risk children and youth.

"While we acknowledge the impacts of the Stolen Generations, we have not clearly understood the generational distress on parenting and lifestyle," she said.

"Government policies influence service development and delivery. If governments fail to understand the critical need for a trauma-informed approach to distressed children and their families, services will fail."

"There is a small but significant percentage of Indigenous children who live in environments where family members may have complex trauma, perhaps because the parents themselves were removed as a child and have difficulty parenting."

"Parents with complex trauma diagnosis may suffer depression, uncontrollable rage, suicidal feelings, addictions, overreactions to minor stress and extreme mood swings, to name a few."

"Consequently, such parents are less likely to be able to provide the nurturing, caring environment a child needs for healthy growth, because of their own unmet needs."

Ms Atkinson called for more culturally appropriate models to heal childhood abuse and trauma.

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More coverage from the SNAICC conference on the next two pages

5th annual SNAICC Conference



Lockhart River family, from left, Cassandra Creek holding bub Lamina Macumboy, Moira Macumboy (standing) and Ajylene Macumboy.



From the Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Health Service, back from left, Alima Smit, Donna Rose (Mackey), Joanne Stout and Linda Godden and, front from left, Tarita Gimini and Danielle Brown.



National Congress board member Brian Butler and Wuchopperren's Karen Dini-Paul.



Members of the Biddigal Performing Arts group, who took to the stage during the SNAICC conference.



Artist William Savage shows his artworks during the Umi Arts markets on the last day of the conference.



Emma Schuh, from the Remote Area Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Care (RAATSICC), at the conference.



National Children's Commissioner Megan Mitchell.



Keynote speaker Marta Murras Perez.

5th annual SNAICC Conference



Delegates Elaine Tiparui, Michelle Woody, Therese Puruntatameri, Patricia Munkara, Barb Shaw and Nami White.



Marion Turner and Rachel Atkinson, from Palm Island, at the conference.



Yarrabah State School dancers.



Sue Blacklock, of Winangay Aboriginal Resources, talks about personal family experiences of child removal.



Roberta Cameron and Millie Penny, from Yorgun Aboriginal Corp in Perth, and Dorothy Hobson, from Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council.



Alice Tabui, from the Inclusive Support Agency Far North Queensland, with Narelle Griffin, from the Department of Communities.



Claire Salter and Jess Edwards, from the Queensland Health Deadly Ears Program.



Maryann Savage, Jonathan Cornforth and Anthony Penrith were delegates from Remote Area Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Care (RAATSICC).



Melissa Peace, Scott Yougha and Daniel Dean, from Modern Teaching Aids.



Jennifer Inkamala and Marjorie Williams from Yipirinya School with the Honey Ant Readers educational series.



Bernard Sabadi and Elia Ware, from Remote Area Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Care (RAATSICC).

Jabiru land claim settlement closer



LEGISLATION which enshrines the settlement of the longest running native title claim in the Northern Territory has been passed by the House of Representatives.

The *Aboriginal Land Rights and Other Legislation Amendment Bill*

2013 amends Aboriginal land rights laws to acknowledge the landmark agreement struck in November 2009 to resolve the Jabiru native title claim.

The ownership of land will be transferred from National Parks to Kakadu Aboriginal Land Trust under the legislation, with the Government saying it would provide long-term certainty and security to the Jabiru township.

When introducing the bill in March, Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said business operators in Jabiru had expressed concerns about expiration of the current lease in 2021.

The Senate will now consider the bill. —AAP

Racism the target of hip-hop song



INDIGENOUS performer Brothablack has produced a new hip-hop song aimed at addressing racism. A video clip for the song, *What you say matters*, was launched last week by the

Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC). Brothablack performs in it with students from James Meehan High School in Macquarie Fields, south-west Sydney.

AHRC president Gillian Triggs said the clip was part of an anti-racism resource aimed at young people. "It features the young people who designed and performed the scenarios depicted in the video clip in response to the issue of racism in the world around us and to Brothablack's lyrics," she said.

The *What you say matters* resource also includes a series of downloadable fact sheets. It is available online at itstopswithme.humanrights.gov.au/whatyousaymatters

\$5.5m to help WA people get licence



THE Western Australian Government will allocate \$5.5 million from the Royalties for Regions programs towards schemes to help Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system obtain and keep a driver's licence.

WA Attorney-General Michael Mischin said that at any one time, there were about 60 Aboriginal people in WA prisons whose most serious offence was driving without a valid licence.

In a bid to address this, the licence program will initially offer driver training in Broome, Lombadina, Kalgoorlie and Roebourne, and also cover Fitzroy Crossing, Halls Creek, Kununurra, Derby and communities near these towns.

Once referred by agencies including the Department of Corrective Services and local police, Aboriginal people in the target areas will be able to access free driver training from service providers and sit their theory and practical tests.

Change on the way for jobs program



THE Federal Government says upcoming changes will make the Indigenous Employment Program (IEP) more structured and transparent. The changes, which include the introduction of

assessment criteria based on existing IEP principles and moving to four assessment and announcement periods throughout the year, start on 1 July. Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development Julie Collins says they will ensure IEP spending is targeted to areas of greatest need and maximise the program's contribution to meeting Closing the Gap employment targets.

Details at deewr.gov.au/indigenous-employment-program-iep

These Gooris got talent



A YOUNG Gumbaynggirr man is encouraging other Indigenous people from Coffs Harbour,

northern NSW, to showcase their talents for NAIDOC Week.

Lachlan Skinner has organised 'Gooris Got Deadly Talent', which matches local role models with aspiring performers.

Mentors dancers Kirren Brown and Elaina Ahoy as well as Mr Skinner, who is a radio host, have four to six acts each, including singers, rappers, dancers, comedians and cabaret performers, for a knockout round on 28 June at the Jetty Theatre. The top six acts will be chosen for a final to be held in NAIDOC Week.

"It's giving the local youth a voice in the community; getting them to step up and become leaders in community and showcase their talents," Mr Skinner said.

"It's great, everyone's so excited. It's going to be really good.



'Gooris Got Deadly Talent' mentors, from left, Kirren Brown, Elaina Ahoy and Lachlan Skinner.

"When they walk in to auditions, people are really shy, but when they showcase their talent it's pretty good and when audiences see that and cheer and go crazy, it builds confidence."

The final will also feature special

performances by the mentors, and special guest performances from local dance groups. The winner will receive \$200.

The knockout round begins at 6pm, Friday, 28 June, at the Jetty Theatre, Coffs Harbour.

Group works to save languages



First Languages Australia members at the meeting in Sydney.



INDIGENOUS people are providing valuable input for the global Endangered Languages Project.

Members of the group First Languages Australia linked with First Peoples from north

America during a recent meeting at the Google Australia headquarters in central Sydney.

First Languages Australia director Geoff Anderson, who has offered to take a coordinating role for materials from Wiradjuri country (NSW), said the

meeting proved relevant.

The Endangered Languages Project has been established to support and promote the world's most threatened languages, including Indigenous Australian languages.

Mr Anderson said it was important that community

people keep an eye on material uploaded to the website. "It's a strength of the website management that this type of essential monitoring can happen, so community remains in control of their own information," he said.

For details, go to www.endangeredlanguages.com

Former Yuendumu centre CEO jailed



A FORMER CEO of the Yuendumu Women's Centre Aboriginal Corporation has been jailed for fraud-related activities. Pamela Malden pleaded guilty in the Northern Territory Supreme Court to

seven charges brought by Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven.

She was sentenced to 15 months' prison, to be released after three months on a good behaviour bond for three years. Malden was also ordered

to repay the corporation \$41,746.23.

Three of the charges related to Malden misusing her position for a personal gain of \$11,746.23 in cash and \$30,000 towards the purchase of a new four-wheel-drive vehicle. She also pleaded guilty and was sentenced on a further four charges of creating and lodging false financial reports with funding bodies.

In her sentencing remarks, Justice Jenny Blokland said, 'The breach of trust involved in this offending is of a high order. The women of the Yuendumu corporation

are an extremely vulnerable group who rely on people like Ms Malden to be honest about what they do and to assist them to improve their community."

Mr Beven said senior staff held positions of trust in Aboriginal corporations.

"Ms Malden abused that position of trust for her own benefit and the Aboriginal women and families of Yuendumu suffered as a result," he said.

"I am committed to taking action to ensure high standards from those in such positions of trust."

Mary's vision to help others



VISION-impaired Aboriginal woman Mary Hooker is so

keen for other Indigenous people to learn about the wide range of services offered by Guide Dogs NSW/ACT that she is spearheading an education campaign to be launched in NAIDOC Week.

Ms Hooker, a Bundjalung woman from Taree who lives in Mudgee in central NSW, is legally blind due to diabetic retinopathy, a condition that causes damage to the retinal tissue and can lead to blindness if left untreated.

"Until I discovered Guide Dogs NSW/ACT, I felt isolated and couldn't identify with any services that were culturally appropriate and sensitive to Aboriginal people," she said.

"In fact I didn't approach Guide Dogs NSW/ACT at first because I thought they would give me a guide dog.

"But I heard an ad on TV saying that they also train people in how to use canes. So I rang them, they came out to me and gave me cane training.

"I was able to get my cane in Aboriginal colours so people can identify me as Aboriginal.

"I want Aboriginal people and all cultures to know about Guide Dogs NSW/ACT – if it wasn't for them I wouldn't be able to be where I am at the moment at college



Vision-impaired Bundjalung woman Mary Hooker being filmed for the Guide Dogs NSW/ACT education campaign to be launched in NAIDOC Week.

continuing my studies.

"They helped me to develop the skills I needed to get out of the house, catch a bus and get around independently in the community. Not only was it help for me, it was also help for my family."

Now Ms Hooker wants to help others.

The video, brochure and poster – all to be created in and around Wellington – will form the basis of Guide Dogs NSW/ACT's first Aboriginal-specific education campaign, to be launched during NAIDOC

Week.

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT community education coordinator Jennifer Moon said the rate of blindness for Aboriginal adults was more than six times that of other Australians.

"Our services are not widely known in Aboriginal communities, so we're hoping this new information kit will be very useful for both Aboriginal health workers, people with vision impairment, and families and carers supporting people with vision impairment," she said.

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT offers training for people with impaired vision on how to safely move through different environments. Training may include teaching people how to use aids such as long canes, guide dogs and electronic devices, such as talking GPS, as well as skills such as safe road-crossing techniques and use of public transport.

For more information about Guide Dogs NSW/ACT services, visit www.guidedogs.com.au or call (02) 9412 9300.

Formal declaration in place for camp



THE Eurabalong Aboriginal Fringe Camp, near Lake Cargelligo in NSW, has been formally declared as an Aboriginal Place.

In making the declaration, NSW Environment Minister Robyn Parker said the camp was valued as a place of great spiritual significance and for its association with the continuity of Aboriginal culture.

"Local people speak with enthusiasm and respect about how this place was used for generations as a living and camping area prior to and after the closure of the official unmanaged Aboriginal Reserve in 1954," she said.

The minister thanked the Murrumbidgee Local Aboriginal Land Council for its efforts in ensuring the protection of the site.

Under NSW law, the declaration of an Aboriginal Place does not change the status of the land or affect ownership rights. But a person must not harm or desecrate an Aboriginal Place.

COAG council chair hails improvement



COUNCIL of Australian Governments (COAG) Reform Council chair John Brumby says improvements in Indigenous child death rates and educational attainment show how combined efforts can drive improvements.

Mr Brumby said it was hoped the analysis in the report would encourage debate and 'serious consideration of the fundamental issues related to Indigenous reform'.

"Responsibility for Indigenous policy is held by all governments and better government policies and services help in supporting the Indigenous individuals, families and communities who are striving to improve their lives," he said.

"While Australia is on track to halve the gap in Indigenous child death rates, the Northern Territory is the only jurisdiction on track to meet the 2031 target to close the gap on death rates."

And while rates of Year 12 achievement have increased and levels of after-school qualifications have risen, the data also suggests that improved educational success has not yet led to more jobs.

Extra funds for Qld prisoners' service



BRISBANE'S West End-based Prisoners' Legal Service has received extra funding of \$60,000 to help improve its services, including providing interpreters.

The service is a community legal centre providing free advice to incarcerated people and their families on matters relating to their imprisonment.

Shayne Neumann, the parliamentary secretary to the Attorney-General, welcomed the service's move to establish an Indigenous language service. "The service has recognised that language is a significant barrier for many Indigenous Australians," he said.

"Providing interpreters and language services is an important part of improving access to justice for some of our most disadvantaged people.

"I am touched by the compassion and dedication of the staff, volunteers and pro bono lawyers involved in the Prisoners' Legal Service."

IBA annual report wins gold award



INDIGENOUS Business Australia (IBA) has received a gold award from the Institute of Public Administration Australia ACT Division for its 2011-12 annual report, one of only five agencies to receive the standard.

The awards are designed to honour the achievements of public sector agencies and aim to promote and recognise excellent practice in public administration. They identify best practice and test accountability, transparency and quality.

IBA CEO Chris Fry said it was a fantastic accomplishment for IBA and all staff involved in preparing the annual report.

Network members meet



THE keynote speaker at the first National Indigenous Corporate Network (NICN) membership meeting for 2013 highlighted the

importance of stamping out racial slurring in the workplace.

Company director and sustainability adviser Sam Mostyn told the meeting that racism of any form, in sport, the corporate sector or any other industry, was not acceptable.

Resulting discussion raised the importance of resilience and support from colleagues and peers.

The NICN logo, with artwork by Luke Briscoe, was also launched on the night.

Diversity Council Australia and Reconciliation Australia launched the NICN in October 2011 as a forum for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the corporate sector to come together to share experiences, discuss challenges they may face in the workplace and promote career and talent development opportunities.

The network also aims to promote the



At the National Indigenous Corporate Network meeting, from left, Lauren Ganley, Phil Lockyer, Sam Mostyn and Nareen Young.

need for more Indigenous people in the corporate sector and builds role models and mentors for Indigenous people.

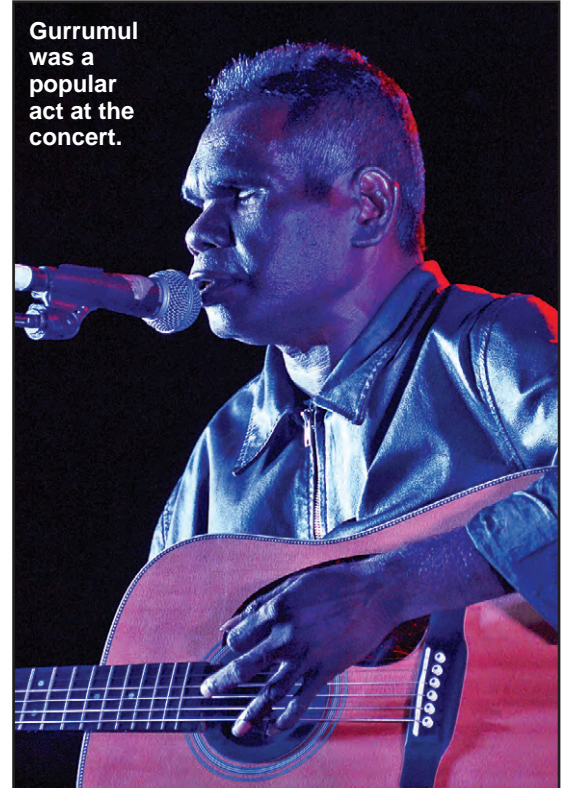
For more information about the

National Indigenous Corporate Network or to become a member, contact Dean Ingram at Diversity Council Australia on (02) 9035 2852.

Thousands pack



Dancers from Groote Eylandt, in the Gulf of Carpentaria, perform during the official opening of the Barunga Festival.



Gurrumul was a popular act at the concert.



John Butler of the John Butler Trio on the concert stage.



Rock climbing was popular with the kids.



● Above: Softball players from Papunya and the Manangoorra Magpies. The Magpies proved too strong in the grand final.



● Left: The Kununurra Shakers took out the men's basketball competition. Pictured are some of the winning players.



NT Labor Senate candidate Nova Peris with federal minister Warren Snowdon.



NITV producer Belinda Miller on the job during the festival.



● Bottom left: Team members from the Ngukurr Bulldogs, who won the Australian rules football competition. They beat a team from the Papunya community.



NT Chief Minister Adam Giles gives an address.

Barunga Festival

By NAOMI MORAN, who was at Barunga



THOUSANDS of people gathered for the annual Barunga Festival in the Top End over the June long weekend.

The festival, one of Australia's longest running cultural events, featured a weekend of dance, music, sports, arts and a focus on healthy lifestyles, all held at the community near Katherine.

Local businesses, organisations and community groups had information stalls, and children's activities focused on increasing exercise, with rock climbing and a waterslide obstacle course.

Cultural activities including traditional cooking, didgeridoo making, weaving, Kriol language classes and spear throwing.

The sports carnival proved popular, with teams from centres including Ngukurr, Papunya, Victoria River, Kununurra, Daly River and Darwin competing in softball, basketball and Australian rules football over the two days.

The Djilpin Gallery and Ngukurr Arts Centre showcased artworks on fabrics and canvases, and the APRA Music Tent featured the Barunga Women's Choir, storytelling and performances.

A highlight of the festival was the community concerts, with a lineup of popular bands and artists including B2M, Young Gunz, TLynx, Tjupi Band, John Butler Trio and crowd favourite Gurrumul, who dedicated his song *Bapa (Father)* to his uncle, Yothu Yindi lead singer Mr Yunupingu, who passed away this month.

Among the guests were Northern Territory Chief Minister Adam Giles and federal minister and local MP Warren Snowdon.



Barunga community children put on a parade as part of the official opening of the festival.



Katherine women Cindy Manfong, Marisa Cairns and Cecilia Johns at the festival.



Darwin band the Young Gunz performs.



A corroboree at sunset.



Damper making was popular in the Barunga Culture Park.



The spear-throwing competition was a festival highlight.



Barunga Primary School children enjoy themselves.



From left, Wesley Morris and Boyd George, from Kalkarindji, and Randal Newry, from Yarralin, enjoy the festival.



Tiwi Islands man Jason De Santis was the festival MC.

2013 National Native Title

Crowd hears latest



Gumbayngirr (NSW) people Colin Jarrett, Emma Donovan and Barry Phyll, with (second from left) Natalie Rotumah, of NTSCorp, at the Alice Springs conference.



Gordon Marshall, of the Kimberley Land Council, with Yamatji Marpa Aboriginal Corporation (WA) staff, from left, Natalie Parker, Margaret Rose and Selina Stewart.



Ian Liddle, of Lhere Artepe Aboriginal Corporation in Alice Springs, and Danny Hooligan, a delegate from the North Queensland Land Council.



Aaron Stuart, of the Arabena Aboriginal Corporation, and Michael Turner, of Kokatha Mula Nations Land Council.



Father and son Patrick and Jonathon Malone, of the Lumbarra Bimbi organisation in Rockhampton, central Queensland.



Russell Smith, Terrika Horwood and Shari Freeman, of Ngurra Bartna Aboriginal Corporate Services in Perth.



HUNDREDS of delegates from around Australia were in Alice Springs this month for the 2013 National Native Title Conference. Representatives of Indigenous organisations, native title holders and claimant groups, traditional owners and community groups and Native Title Representative Bodies (NTRBs) were joined by a host of representatives from the Federal Court, National Native Title Tribunal, Commonwealth and State government agencies and the academic sector for the conference, convened by the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) and the Central Land Council.

Sessions covered a broad range of the latest topics including environmental values, Indigenous land development options, social research for native title, township leasing and communal title, self-determination and sovereignty in practice, and latest developments and future reforms for water rights.

Highlights included a keynote address by author and legal scholar Professor Robert A Williams Jr, from the University of Arizona, who spoke on comparative and international human rights law perspectives on Native Title in Australia.

The keynote speech was by land rights activist and award-winning Aboriginal writer Alexis Wright. The Mabo Lecture featured a performance of *Dirtsong* by the Black Arm Band.

Gail Mabo, the daughter of native title 'father' Eddie Mabo was a special guest at the lecture.

The conference featured a plenary session focusing on 20 years of the role of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, featuring former social justice commissioners Mick Gooda, Tom Calma and Mick Dodson.

Next year's conference will be held in Coffs Harbour, northern NSW.



From Stephen Island to Alice Springs ... Noel Baker, of Ugar Ged Kem Le Torres Strait.

Conference in Alice Springs



AIATSIS chairman Mick Dodson, author Alexis Wright who gave the 2013 Mabo Lecture, Eddie 'Koiki' Mabo's daughter Gail Mabo, and CLC chairman Maurie Ryan.



Deanne Wano on the Western Desert Dialysis stall at the conference.



Simone Arnol, of Carpentaria Land Council, and Dwayne Mundraby, of north Queensland.



Norm Newlin, of NTSCorp, Tony McAvoy, of Sydney, and South Australian Commissioner for Indigenous Engagement Khatija Thomas were among the hundreds attending the conference.



Musician Warren H Williams all smiles after signing up for the National Congress. He's with Congress staffer Craig Greene.



Kimberley Land Council chairman Frank Davey, left, and Chip Councillor, of Derby.



Becky Mack, of the Central Land Council, with North Queensland Land Council's Phil Ralfe.



AIATSIS staff, from left, Johann Idriss, Alexandra Muir and Montserrat Alvarez.



Donny Wilson, of Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation (Western Australia), with Stephen Peterson, of Gumala Aboriginal Corporation.

2013 Merrepen Arts Festival



The Surnameke Pacific Island Dance Group performs with local community members and visitors at the Merrepen festival.



Deputy chief executive officer of the Merrepen Arts Centre and local artist Aaron McTaggart.



George Kypreos, left, and Jayd Salzgeber, from Darwin's Kormilda College, geared up for the basketball final.

Focus on culture

Photos by NAOMI MORAN



IT might be called the Merrepen Arts Festival, but there was much more on offer this year at the Daly River community, south of Darwin in the Top End.

The annual festival attracted a good crowd this year, with activities for all ages and a special focus on culture.

The art sale was among this year's festival highlights,

with plenty of interest in the colourful local works.

A concert featuring singer Wendy Matthews, Tracey Bunn, the Emu Sisters and traditional dancers drew a crowd, as did cultural workshops, including dilly bag weaving by the local women.

Visitors this year included the Surnameke Pacific Island Dance Group.

Sport was a drawcard as well, with basketball and softball competitions rounding out the event.



Waliburru Tigers (Minyerri) basketballers Wendy Turner and Patricia Farrell ready to hit the court.



Gurindji Eagles players celebrate their win over Kormilda College in the final of the Merrepen basketball competition.



Manangoora Magpies and Timber Creek Lions women's softball teams at the Merrepen festival.

Youth get back on track



The BackTrack boys and their mentors, from left, John Cuzens (horticulturist and jack of all trades), Barry Allen (youth mentor), Tristan Faulkner, Luke Allen (volunteer fencing contractor), Richard Brown, Jarrad Potts, Jaydon Corcoran, Dylan Haines, Hoani Mcilroy, Patrick Allan and Trelawney Station manager Craig Watton.



A PRACTICAL, hands-on program on a farm in northern NSW is helping young Indigenous people to re-engage with learning.

BackTrack, in partnership with Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council, has leased the Somerton property Trelawney to provide training opportunities for Indigenous youth.

Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) CEO Fiona Snape said the activities conducted at Trelawney for two groups of 15 boys and one group of 12 girls included nationally accredited agricultural courses. They began in May.

"It's excellent. We're one of the pick-up places here at the council, and to see those boys and girls bounce in and be excited is just fantastic," she said.

"By all accounts from the mentors they're just thriving."

BackTrack manager Bernie Shakeshaft said this type of project was successful in turning around the fortunes of young people who had moved away from formal education.

Opportunities

"The groups will hit the ground running, getting a handle on what sort of opportunities there are in farm work – from learning how to fence, plant and irrigate crops, to fixing machinery," he said.

"The first project to kick us off will be fencing off the Peel River from stock, planting trees and putting in alternative water points for the stock. The funding for this came from Namoi Catchment Management Authority."

The students have also been

planting bush tucker, and have landscaped an Aboriginal flag in rocks.

The LALC is coordinating local Elders to take the young people to sites of Aboriginal significance.

"It's hugely important to help these kids to re-engage with education. Hopefully they'll become re-engaged with school or employment," Ms Snape said.

"One of these kids, on the first day of the program, while he was here waiting to be picked up, he sat in my chair, and said, 'Gee I could get used to sitting here.' I said, 'Well, if you try at school, maybe you can.'"

"It's a throwaway line, but even to get them thinking about what they might do is great, and it's only early days. The girls are loving it; they want to engage and they can't wait to get out there."

Engineering honour for new uni centre



THE new \$30 million Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE) at Charles Darwin University has featured at this year's Engineering Excellence Awards. DKJ.projects.architecture

received a commendation for Public Architecture and a commendation for Interior Architecture for the design of the complex on the CDU Casuarina campus.

The project involved the construction of four new buildings and one existing building refurbishment to meet the teaching and communication requirements of the ACIKE users.

CDU vice-chancellor Professor Barney Glover said ACIKE was designed to increase the capacity of CDU and Batchelor Institute to help Indigenous communities and the higher education sector in areas relating to Indigenous knowledges and education.

The building was commended for 'setting a change in Indigenous education, which recognises the strength of acknowledged cultural awareness within the built learning environment'.

Film sheds light on consumer's rights



A NEW education film tells Indigenous people how to use their rights when a salesperson knocks at their door. *Know Your Rights – Door to Door Sales* has been released by Federal Government

watchdog the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC).

The film is part of a pilot consumer protection initiative aimed at giving Indigenous residents in remote communities information they need about their rights. It will feature on the 'ACCC – Your Rights Mob Tiwi Islands' Facebook Page, a forum for consumers to report issues and interact directly with ACCC staff.

Door to Door Sales is accessible at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sD-Me93vjnY>.

For further information, call the ACCC Indigenous Infoline on 1300 302 143.

Research highlights the cost of smokers



QUIT Victoria says new research has found smokers cost their employers an extra \$5816 annually compared with non-smokers. The costs mainly

come from excess absenteeism and lost productivity due to smoke breaks, according to the study, which was published in the *Tobacco Control* journal.

Quit Victoria chief Fiona Sharkie said there were many incentives for companies to provide support for their workers to quit.

"Non-smokers have fewer sick days than smokers and a healthier workplace leads to greater productivity overall," she said.

"Of course, perhaps the greater cost of smoking is the personal cost to the smoker and his/her family members – a cost that can't be quantified."

"The best thing any smoker can do for their health and hip pocket is to quit and the best thing employers can do is support their employees who smoke to quit through creating supportive environments to quit."

Accelerate program applications open



APPLICATIONS are open for the British Council's Indigenous Australian creative leadership program called Accelerate.

The program is designed for talented Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with at least five years' experience in the creative industries.

A series of information sessions have been taking place around the country, with the Sydney session due tomorrow, 20 June.

Applications for Accelerate 2013 close at midnight on Sunday, 7 July.

For more details, email tahli.corin@britishcouncil.org.au

Science award for the Deadlys



INDIGENOUS science and technology workers are being invited to enter this year's

inaugural Deadly Award for Scientist or Science Project of the Year.

The CSIRO-sponsored award, part of the annual Deadlys, aims to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people working in science roles or science projects.

Nominees are welcome from all areas of science.

CSIRO chief executive Dr Megan Clark said the awards were designed to showcase outstanding individuals and projects and encourage others to take on science careers.

"If we look here, just at



CSIRO Indigenous trainees Luke Munro, centre, and Marcus Potter with their workplace mentor Brian Dennison.

CSIRO, we've got Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people working across a range of areas, including marine science, plant ecology, social sciences, ecosystems

science, fire management and geography, and we know there are many more high achievers out there in the community," Dr Clark said.

"We want people to tell us

about the outstanding Indigenous scientists and science projects in their communities so they can be recognised at these national awards.

"Our sponsorship of the Deadlys is one more step we're taking to help close the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians, and we're hoping to inspire all Australians about the benefits of science at the same time."

Nominations for the Scientist or Science Project of the Year can be made on the Deadlys website at <http://www.deadlys.com.au/no> minate/ and close on 30 June. Five finalists will then be selected by the Deadlys Academy. The winner will be announced at the Deadlys to be held at the Sydney Opera House on 10 September.

Kununurra students head to Thailand



FOUR Indigenous students from Kununurra District High School were part of a group that travelled from the Kimberley in Western Australia to

Kanchanaburi in western Thailand, thanks to support from the Graham (Polly) Farmer Foundation.

Eighteen students from Kununurra participated in the Quiet Lion Tour, held annually to teach people about the sacrifices of Australian and Allied prisoners of war and the dedication of medical personnel during the construction of the Burma-Thailand Railway.

Year 9 student Clarissa Bin Omar said she'd enjoyed learning about Thai culture and eating Thai food.

"I learnt so much about World War II and the Thai people and lifestyle," she said.

"If I ever get another chance to go I would do it. I'm thankful for the opportunity."

Roley Lewis, also in Year 9, said he appreciated learning more history.

"It was really interesting to learn about Hellfire Pass and how tragic it was for the prisoners of war," he said.

"I got to experience the train ride on the Thai-Burma Railway, which was one of the most memorable moments on the trip."

Year 8 student Tanya Gerrard was grateful for the experience.

"My favourite part about the trip was meeting new people," she said. "It made me realise how hard the prisoners worked through harsh conditions."

The foundation's Kununurra program supports 32 students in Years 7-12 and is funded by Rio Tinto Future Fund, Argyle Diamonds and the WA Education Department.



Kununurra District High School students and chaperones at a memorial park in Thailand.



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"At my age, lots of kids don't think they know what they want to do. But I reckon you make your own sense of direction. For me, being able to study the PTS program on campus at ACIKE was perfect. It's great to be surrounded by other Indigenous people of different ages, all with the same dream to get into tertiary education. After completing PTS, I'm now enrolled in a Bachelor of Science degree and plan to take the knowledge back to help my community. You don't have to know what you want to do; just start doing it." [Read the full story online.](#)

Sharna, Preparation for Tertiary Success (PTS) on campus workshop student, Queensland

The Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE) offers a range of courses in areas such as education, health science, nursing and Indigenous knowledges. You can study with other Indigenous and non-Indigenous students online or on campus, with cutting edge facilities and small class sizes. ACIKE provides a supportive environment to help you along your learning journey and into your career.

If you didn't complete year 12, or you just want more time to prepare before applying to uni, ACIKE's Preparation for Tertiary Success (PTS) program is free and will help you build the confidence and skills you need to get ready for uni.

Discover more about ACIKE's unique learning environment today. Applications for mid-year admission are closing soon.

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Graduate Diploma in Indigenous Policy Development

Graduate Certificate of Indigenous Education

Graduate Certificate in Yolngu Studies

Master of Indigenous Knowledges (Mawul Rom)*

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Bachelor of Education (Primary Teaching)

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We have the right stuff, says author

By MARGARET SMITH



AWARD-WINNING Noongar author Kim Scott believes Aboriginal people can be leaders and 'at the centre of

things to help lead the nation'.

Speaking at a Sydney University discussion on the Noongar painting *Ngallak Koort Boodja*, Mr Scott also had a message for struggling young Indigenous people.

"If you can think of yourself as having the privilege and honour of being part of an ancient people, that's a really big deal," he said.

Mr Scott, the author of multi-award-winning novels *Benang* and *That Deadman Dance*, has also penned a new children's book written in English and Noongar titled *Noongar Mambara Bakiti*.

He also lectures at Western Australia's Curtin University, and is part of cultural programs through the Wirlomin Noongar Language and Stories Project.

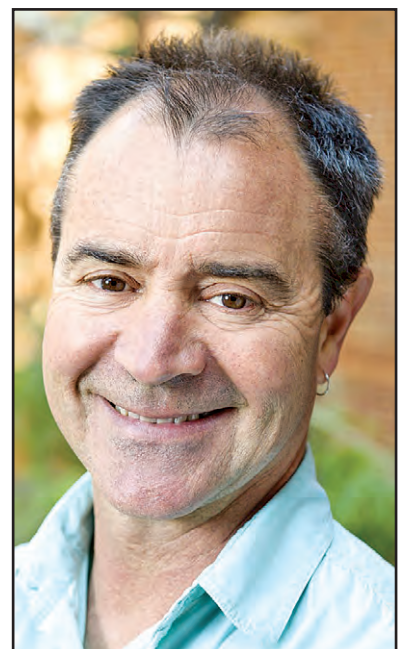
Indigenous languages are one of his great passions.

"Aboriginal languages are embedded in the landscape, compared to English language which derived from a small green island," he said.

For his lecture, Mr Scott concentrated on *Ngallak Koort Boodja*, which was painted by six Noongar artists for the 2006 Perth Arts Festival. The work, which has 14 circles representing the 14 Noongar groups, was coordinated by Carol Innes and Barry McGuire.

The artists were the late Shane Pickett, Lance Chadd, Troy Bennell, Sharyn Egan, Alice Warrell and Yvonne Kickett.

Mr Scott emphasised that the project was conducted with a great emphasis on sharing, and it brought many people together.



Award-winning author Kim Scott.



The Noongar painting *Ngallak Koort Boodja*

He said it demonstrated that cultural renewal could occur through the arts, which could encourage a connection to language and ancestral lands and transform social relationships.

His hope is that Aboriginal people can be 'strong and proactive and not just reactive'.

"That way transformation of the whole society is possible," he said.

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New Marrara College facilities opened



NEW boarding facilities and student amenities at Marrara Christian College in Darwin have been officially opened.

Northern Territory senator Trish Crossin, who did the honours, said the new facilities would extend a 'community-based approach' to buy residential properties for use as accommodation for rural and remote Indigenous students.

"The outstanding facilities will ensure all students at Marrara Christian College have the support they need to realise their full potential and attain their goals," she said.

Senator Crossin said the accommodation options would

improve access to Year 12 attainment, particularly for young people from remote communities.

"Students can choose either on-campus boarding facilities or a caring family environment in the suburbs, with house parents who look after them like they were their own," she said.

"This program is producing outstanding results in student retention and is considered best practice Australia-wide."

● **Pictured: Marrara Christian College principal John Metcalfe, Northern Territory Christian Schools chairman Bevan Richardson, and Senator Trish Crossin at the opening of the new Marrara College facilities.**



Tjarani leading way at school

By MARGARET SMITH



IN 2003, Tjarani Barton-Vaoafanua became one of the first youngsters to take up an Indigenous scholarship at Sydney's International Grammar School.

Ten years on, the Year 12 student is head Indigenous scholarship holder in a program that is helping many of her fellow students.

The Ultimo-based school has a policy commitment to cultural diversity and takes on Indigenous students each year through its scholarship program, which provides all tuition fees, full uniform, textbook allowances, clubs and society fees, and other costs.

It provides a Koori Club where students can gather, as well as mentoring programs and regular Indigenous-focussed events.

Tjarani is concentrating on Aboriginal Studies, German, maths, English advanced, and modern history for her Higher School Certificate. She plans to study either law at UTS, or Aboriginal studies and international studies at Sydney University.

Looking back, Tjarani remembers being shy when she was a new pupil.

"But everyone wanted to get to know me and was friendly to me, and helped my transition," she said.

"I see that this always happens at our school when the new Koori scholarship kids arrive. The teachers are especially supportive, and you never get shamed if you need to ask them questions."

'Confidence'

"Over the years the school has helped build my confidence, by getting me to do welcomes to country and addresses at speech nights."

Tjarani was born in Darwin before moving to Sydney. Her mother, Vicki Barton, is of Aboriginal and Hungarian descent, and her father is from Samoa.

Recently, Tjarani spoke to 400 people at the school's Indigenous Connections event for the scholarship program. The evening was supported by Tali Gallery and included performances by Indigenous singer Marcus Corowa, Year 7 scholarship holder Mi-Kaisha Masella, the Bangarra Dance Theatre, and the school's own choir, which includes six Indigenous scholarship holders.



Year 7 scholarship holder Mi-Kaisha Masella performing at the school's Indigenous Connections event.

Study tour to UK, US



THE Aurora Project is seeking applications from high-achieving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander university undergraduates in any field, who have

completed at least two years of their course and university graduates for a study tour to the United Kingdom and the United States.

For those contemplating postgraduate study overseas, the Aurora Scholars' Study Tour provides an opportunity to travel with a group of like-minded students, visit universities and meet with academics, administrators and postgraduate students.

The group of 15 successful applicants will leave Australia in late October and spend 18 days in the US visiting Stanford, Harvard, Columbia and New York University, and 10 days at Cambridge and Oxford in England.

All costs associated with travel, accommodation and meals will be covered by Aurora and its supporters.

Applicants may elect to join the full tour, or only the British or American components.

Applications are open and close at 5pm on Wednesday, 24 July.

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THE University of Canberra-Aurora Project Partnership will receive an additional \$400,000 grant to help young

Indigenous people excel at high school and move on to university.

The total Federal Government funding of \$1.15 million will provide 200 hours of academic camps, tutoring and mentoring for students each year until the end of their first year after school.

Federal Higher Education and Skills Minister Sharon Bird said the money would also contribute to a scholars' tour, scholarships to undertake postgraduate study overseas and a popular scholarships website for Indigenous students.

The University of Canberra-Aurora Project partnership is funded through the Government's \$736 million Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program.



Year 12 International Grammar School student Tjarani Barton-Vaoafanua: "Over the years the school has helped build my confidence by getting me to do welcomes to country and addresses at speech nights." Photos by Tony Mott

Winning WA team delivers



The award-winning Moort Boodjari Mia team, from left, Tarryn Sharpe, Amanda Campbell, Andrea Fallon, Gail Gibson, Alison Gibson and Jodie MacKell.



A PREGNANCY and parenting service for young Indigenous women in Western Australia has taken out the Team Excellence category at this year's HESTA Primary Health Care Awards. Moort Boodjari Mia (MBM), which helps Aboriginal women aged under 20, is run by WA's North Metropolitan Health Service (NMHS).

MBM representative Alison Gibson said the award-winning service focussed on helping young Aboriginal women before and after they give birth, but also worked with their partners, grandparents and other relevant people. "MBM's multi-disciplinary team works together to deliver comprehensive patient care which includes a mixture of home visits, clinic visits and transport to hospital appointments," she said.

"The service has a unique complement of staff, with each case managed by a midwife, Aboriginal health officer and Aboriginal liaison grandmother. Each position brings valuable skills and knowledge that directly benefit the client, her baby and other family members. "The program has been successful in reducing incidences of young Aboriginal women smoking and drinking alcohol during pregnancy, and increasing the

average birth weight to a healthy 3.1kg. "Our staff recognise the differing needs and ways of working with the Aboriginal community and work on developing a service that meets those specific needs." Award judges praised MBM for 'demonstrating a culturally sensitive program, which included a unique mix of professional midwives and Aboriginal staff that could also be replicated in other services'.

Report shows NT smoking decline



A REPORT released on World No Tobacco Day has found that efforts to reduce smoking in the Northern Territory are working. The annual report of the NT Tobacco Control Advisory Committee, chaired by Associate Professor David Thomas of the Menzies School of Health Research, said smoking was responsible for 21 per cent of the life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and other NT men and 14 per cent for NT women. "The NT has the highest Indigenous and non-Indigenous smoking rates in Australia, but both have been falling," Assoc Prof Thomas said. "This means reducing smoking rates are achievable in the Territory, if we build on the good work of recent years. "We welcome the Australian Government's funding increase for the Northern Territory workforce to tackle smoking among Indigenous

people, however, this needs to be maintained and complemented by sustained funding and attention by the NT Government." The report said that in the past year in the NT there had been increased anti-smoking mass-media campaigns, an increase in the numbers of health staff working to reduce Indigenous smoking, some increase in smoke-free areas, and the introduction of the world-leading plain-packaging laws. The report recommended significantly increasing the tax on cigarettes and said more could be done to protect Territorians from second-hand smoke. "In particular, the NT Government must protect our kids by banning smoking in cars with kids, as has occurred everywhere else in Australia," he said. "Finally, we congratulate all Territorians who have quit in the last year, and all our kids who have chosen to stay smoke-free and healthy."

Location link to problems



WHERE you live can influence your likelihood of being a smoker or overweight or obese, new Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) figures show. ABS director of health Louise Gates said results from the Australian Health Survey gave an important insight into smoking and overweight and obesity rates across Australia. "In 2011-12, those living in outer regional and remote Australia had higher rates of daily smoking (22 per cent) compared with those living in major cities of Australia (15 per cent)," she said. "Also, people living in areas

of most disadvantage were more likely to smoke daily compared with those living in areas of least disadvantage – the rate was nearly one in four compared with one in ten. "While rates of daily smoking in remote areas of Australia have dropped over time, they are still significantly higher than the rates in major cities of Australia a decade ago." Ms Gates said remoteness and socio-economic

disadvantage also had an effect on obesity rates. "Seven out of ten adults living in outer regional and remote Australia were overweight or obese, compared with six out of ten adults living in major cities of Australia," she said. "Women living in areas of most disadvantage were more likely to be overweight or obese (64 per cent) compared with women living in areas of least disadvantage (48 per cent). Interestingly, this pattern was not observed for men, with similar overweight or obese rates for men living in areas of most disadvantage compared with those living in areas of least disadvantage."

'Seven out of ten adults living in outer regional and remote Australia were overweight or obese, compared with six out of ten adults living in major cities...'



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Program to help with grief and loss

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



A REQUEST from an Elder in South Australia has resulted in a new Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander grief and loss education program. 'Seasons for Healing', a partnership between Aboriginal Family Support Services (AFSS) and not-for-profit organisation Good Grief, in conjunction with the Healing Foundation, was launched at the fifth annual Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) conference held this month in Cairns.

The four-session program follows a call from the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands Elder to help her community heal following the distress and grief caused by suicides in the community.

Good Grief general manager Kerry Stirling said the program



At the program launch, from left, Judy Atkinson, Aboriginal Family Support Services of SA CEO Sharron Williams, the Healing Foundation's Lisa Hillian and Richard Weston and Good Grief's Mary Ellen O'Donoghue and Kerry Stirling.

model was based on one of cultural and emotional safety where Indigenous peers trained to become 'companions' to deliver the sessions in a small group setting.

"What works about this

program is that Aboriginal people will be companions, and on that level alone when working with grief and loss there is a deep understanding that no amount of training or words could surpass," he said.

"The program is structured so it is culturally safe and that's one of the most important principles. It gives people the space to understand what is happening to them on the inside and the skills to move on from that."

Mr Stirling said the program was created so that Indigenous organisations and their trained companions would act as key partners in the training as well as offering any additional support and counseling that may be required. He said Indigenous companion training had already started in South Australia.

"We'll partner with Indigenous organisations who can provide counselling services to the participants to give them that extra support if that's something that is needed," Mr Stirling said.

"The aim is to surround people with the support they need to begin that healing in a safe and culturally appropriate environment."

Aboriginal artist Brownyn Bancroft has created a series of artworks to illustrate 'Seasons for Healing' messages. They will be featured in participating journals as well as posters to support the healing lessons throughout the stages of the program.

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Warning over kidney health



ABORIGINAL people living in remote areas are 10 times more likely to suffer chronic kidney disease than other people, a leading specialist says.

Kidney Health Australia medical director Tim Matthew said the high rate was compounded by huge problems in offering dialysis to people in remote areas.

Speaking after the death of musician and cultural leader Mr Yunupingu, Dr Matthew said Northern Territory residents often had to move to Alice Springs and Darwin for treatment.

Dialysis could be given in a person's home but there were often problems with

electricity and water supply in remote areas.

"It often means the translocation of the whole family. It becomes a major social disruption. It's a huge problem with no easy answer," Dr Matthew said.

Treatment

Mr Yunupingu, 56, passed away at Yirrkala in Eastern Arnhem Land, about 500km east of Darwin. He was diagnosed with advanced kidney failure in 2008 and undertook dialysis treatment three times a week.

The kidney disease rate among urban Indigenous people was about double the Australian average, Dr Matthew said.

Overall, Indigenous

Australians are almost four times more likely to die from chronic kidney disease than other Australians.

"Kidney disease is a major contributor to the gap in overall health care," Dr Matthew said.

"The vision is to detect it early before it causes any symptoms and then treat it before it progresses."

Dr Matthew said the NT had early detection programs, but they would take time to become effective.

He said the risk factors for kidney disease included high blood pressure, diabetes, alcohol consumption, smoking and low birth weight. Certain infections in remote communities also played a part.

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Hamming it up was *Mystery Road* supporting actor David Field with *Sapphires* director Wayne Blair.



Sapphires star Miranda Tapsell on the red carpet at Sydney's State Theatre.



At *Mystery Road*'s world premiere at the Sydney State Theatre were lead actor Aaron Pedersen, left, and filmmaker Ivan Sen.

Stars come out for premiere

Photos by RACHEL SCOLLAY



THE world premiere of Ivan Sen's new film *Mystery Road* was a glittering red carpet affair, officially opening the 60th Sydney Film Festival.

Set in an outback Queensland town, *Mystery Road* tells the story of Indigenous detective Jay Swan (played by Aaron Pedersen), who is alienated from the local police force and his own community as he investigates the murder of an Aboriginal teenage girl.

Sen told the opening night audience that making the film had been an 'amazing experience' and he paid tribute to the cast, most of whom were in attendance and joined him onstage.

"My last film, I had one actor who had acted before. So it was nice to be able to shoot something and not (have to) call people's lines and remind them what they had to say," he joked.

Referring to his collaboration with lead actor Aaron Pedersen, Sen said



Actress Lillian Crombie was a member of the *Mystery Road* supporting cast.

they'd 'set out on a mission to do something a bit special'.

"We went out in a car and chose the locations together, so (Aaron) got to walk in the boots of his character. We

felt that our ancestors were watching. It got a bit emotional," Sen said.

Pedersen, who was a co-producer on *Mystery Road*, said they were 'breaking ground' as the first Indigenous film to be chosen to open the Sydney Film Festival.

He said art was the best way to create 'campfires', where conversations and change could come about, and he also thanked the 'beautiful cast'.

"We are so honoured and privileged that the ancestors really did take care of us – especially with such a tiny budget," he said. "(The actors) did it from the bottom of their big juicy hearts."

Mystery Road forms part of Screen Australia Indigenous department's new Screen:Black partnership with the Sydney Film Festival.

Other films to feature as part of Screen:Black were the documentaries *Buckskin* and *Big Name No Blanket*, and Jon Bell's short film *The Chuck In*.



Film producer and director Rachel Perkins being interviewed about Indigenous filmmaking, while *Sapphires* star Shari Sebbens looks on.



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New curator for NT gallery

THE Museum and Art Gallery of the NT (MAGNT) has a new curator of Aboriginal art and material culture.

She is Allison Thatcher whose appointment comes in the lead-up to this year's Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards (NATSIAA).

MAGNT director Pierre Arpin said Ms Thatcher had devoted a number of years to working with Aboriginal communities, mainly in Arnhem Land where she worked in art centres and more recently worked as an anthropologist with the Northern Land Council.



Want to screen Indigenous films as part of your NAIDOC celebrations?

A screening of Indigenous short films can be a great addition to NAIDOC week celebrations or other community events throughout the year.

The National Film and Sound Archive of Australia's (NFSA) Black Screen Program can supply DVDs free to your community organisation or local council on a loan basis. Each DVD features a selection of contemporary short Indigenous films.

Black Screen has a great collection of entertaining and engaging films by renowned artists suitable for all ages.

For more information visit Black Screen at nfsa.gov.au/blackscreen or talk to Andrea, the Black Screen Coordinator (blackscreen@nfsa.gov.au or phone 02 8202 0112) about how we can help you bring Indigenous films to your community.

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REVIEW OF THE RESALE ROYALTY SCHEME

Resale royalty is about giving money back to artists when some of their artworks are resold. The Australian Government is reviewing resale royalty to see if it is helping artists.

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Colin Hamlett and David Krocette Prior with Prior's work *Yamatji Country*. Photo supplied

WA exhibition opens in Perth



THE works of more than 50 Aboriginal artists from Western Australia's Mid-West region have been front and centre in Perth this month. They were on show as part of the *Good Heart 2013* exhibition, held at the QV1 building.

It's the sixth year the *Good Heart* exhibition, backed by Oakajee Port and Rail, has been brought to the WA capital. In that time, thousands of people have seen the art from the Mid-West, with sales income – all of which goes to the artists – topping half a million dollars.

First day sales were strong this year, with 139 of the 220 works exhibited bringing close to \$60,000.

Wajarri/Yamatji artist David Krocette Prior's work *Yamatji Country* sold for \$9000.

Rising Wongi artist Kaiden Lynch, from Geraldton, whose primary influence is watercolour great Albert Namatjira, was a first-time exhibitor.

And Noongar artist Margaret Danischewsky, from Geraldton, was back with some of her work.



Chantelle Flemming admires *Shades of Summer*, by David Krocette Prior.

Photo by Michaela Pearce

Indigenous playwright award offers cash and commission



ENTRIES are open for Belvoir's Balnaves Foundation Indigenous Playwright Award, which offers a \$7500 cash prize and a \$12,500 commission to write a new play with the support of Belvoir.

Last year's winner, Nakkiah Lui, said the award supported her in many different ways.

"To have a commission from Belvoir and to continue on an exciting trajectory in my career is very encouraging," she said.

"Telling and sharing our stories empowers our communities and supporting new work and new voices is vital. That is why this award is such an important and innovative step for Indigenous



Belvoir's Anthea Williams and 2012 Balnaves Foundation Indigenous Playwright Award winner Nakkiah Lui.

Photo by Patrick Boland

playwrights and Indigenous theatre." Balnaves Foundation

spokesperson Hamish Balnaves said the \$20,000 prize helped to develop an Indigenous storyteller.

"Reconciliation is difficult without an understanding of Indigenous issues, culture and history by the non-Indigenous community," he said.

"We hope that by supporting Indigenous playwrights these stories will be told."

The judging panel will be Queensland Theatre Company artistic director Wesley Enoch, ILBIJERRI Theatre Company artistic director Rachael Maza, Belvoir's Eamon Flack and Anthea Williams, and Ms Lui.

Entries close on 28 June with the winner announced in August. To enter go to www.belvoir.com.au/for-artists/awards/

Water theme for Koorie Heritage Trust exhibition



IN 1985, two people walked into the Victorian Aboriginal

Legal Service in Fitzroy and handed then chief executive officer Uncle Jim Berg an ancient grinding stone.

"This belongs to you and your people. We'd like to leave it here," they told the Gunditjmara man.

That, Uncle Jim says, was the unofficial start of the Koorie Heritage Trust's collection.

Uncle Jim's wife Kylie suggested they start a trust to preserve and promote the culture of south-eastern Australia. He handed the grinding stone to a museum for safe keeping and started approaching high-profile Aboriginal people and others to establish such a trust.

Twenty-eight years on, and 70 treasures like the grinding stone are now on display at the *Ganagan: Waterways in Koorie Life and Art* exhibition at the Koorie Heritage Trust.

Uncle Jim was at the trust for the opening, sharing stories about his spear and coolamon which are part of the show.

Ganagan is a Taungurung word meaning 'deep water'. More than 40 artists are represented in the exhibition



Uncle Jim Berg with his wife Kylie. Photo by Lauren Marc

of water-related artefacts, artworks and stories.

"*Ganagan* celebrates Koorie traditions and their continuing connection to caring for Victorian waterways," trust CEO Tom Mosby said.

"We are excited to be presenting such a diverse range of items from our collection that showcases the

talent of the Koorie artists we have here in Victoria."

Items on display include Glenda Nicholl's *Ochre Net*, which won the Koorie Heritage Trust Acquisition award at last year's Victorian Indigenous Art Awards and was the inspiration for *Ganagan*.

Exhibition organisers say *Ganagan* shows waterways through Koorie eyes and

shares creation stories about how they were formed. For example, Birrarung (the Yarra River) was filled with the tears of two frightened boys.

Contemporary works and video footage show how the waterways continue to sustain Koorie life today.

The trust says it is keen to share and promote more community stories of Koorie relationships with water and is seeking photo submissions for the slideshow *My Spirit Belongs Here*, which it says will be updated regularly and form an integral part of the *Ganagan* show. Those interested should email miriam@korieheritagetrust.com to have photos included.

Ganagan: Waterways in Koorie Life and Art, sponsored by Melbourne Water, runs until 3 September at the Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King St, Melbourne.

Guided River Walks will leave from Federation Square this Friday, 21 June, and on Wednesday, 10 July, from 1pm-2pm. They will start from the foyer of the Ian Potter Centre at Federation Square.

A curator floor talk, on Wednesday, 10 July, from 10am, will give background and details about the exhibition and insights into the works shared through the exhibition.



Fanny Cochrane Smith by Nick Kupetsky is part of the exhibition.

Portraits on show at Baluk Arts Centre



AN exhibition of portraits of Aboriginal people by Aboriginal artists of south-east Melbourne is now on

show at Mornington's Baluk Arts Centre.

Called *Gawang* (the local Woiwurrung word for head), the exhibition coincides with the 2013 Archibald Prize exhibition at Mornington Peninsula Regional Gallery.

Baluk Arts is an Aboriginal arts organisation based in Mornington which represent Indigenous artists from Frankston, the Mornington Peninsula and south-east Melbourne.

Gawang continues until 20 July at Baluk Arts Centre, 6 Bruce Street, Mornington. For details go to www.balukarts.org.au

Our artists busy around the globe



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander artists are making a splash in Europe and the United

States. Two Indigenous artists feature in the Venice Biennale, which opened this month, just days before the official unveiling of Aboriginal artist Lena Nyadbi's installation on the rooftop of the Musée du Quai Branly in Paris.

And the Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection, at the University of Virginia in the United States, has awarded six Indigenous artists – David Bosun, Nici Cumpston, Bronwyn Bancroft, Marshall Bell, Ricardo Idagi and Bianca Beetson – residencies over the next three years.

Sculpture, glasswork and painting by Yhonnie Scarce and Mirdidingkingathi Juwarnda (Sally Gabori) will feature at *Personal Structures*, Palazzo Bembo, at the 55th Venice

Biennale, considered one of the most important contemporary art exhibitions on the international stage, from 1 June-24 November.

Ms Scarce, a descendant of the Kokatha and Nukunu people of South Australia, is a glass artist who will create for the biennale a free-standing sculpture of a clear perspex coffin, encasing 225 blown glass bush yams.

Ms Mirdidingkingathi Juwarnda (Sally Gabori) is a visual artist from Gayardilt (Mornington Island).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board of the Australia Council for the Arts chair Lee-Ann Bucksin announced the Kluge-Ruhe residencies at the National Indigenous Arts Awards at the Sydney Opera House last month.

Each four-week residency includes an exhibition at the Kluge-Ruhe Collection and the opportunity to study at the

University of Virginia.

"We are thrilled to build such an important international bridge and look forward to the benefits not only for the artists involved but for Indigenous people and cultures in Australia and globally," said Ms Bucksin, who also attended the official unveiling of Ms Nyadbi's *Dayiwul Lirlmim* (Barramundi Scales) on the rooftop of the Musée du Quai Branly.

Residency

Mualgal artist Mr Bosun, from Moa Island in the Torres Strait, will undertake the first residency in September. He will work with students to carve Mualgal ceremonial poles that depict and contain the spirits of ancestral beings. A printmaker working with linoleum and woodcut processes, Mr Bosun will join in a print workshop with students and teachers.

Barkindji photographer Ms

Cumpston will demonstrate her technique for making hand-coloured photographs and create new work focussed on Virginia's environment.

Bundjalung artist Ms Bancroft will expand on the painting techniques and conceptual train of thought developed in her *DNA and Linear Linkages* series.

Mr Bell, a Kamilaroi/Yimin man from Brisbane, will use the iconography of south-east Australia to revive cultural knowledge.

Meriam ceramicist and sculptor Mr Idagi, from Murray Island in the Torres Strait, will develop new work examining the struggles shared by African Americans and Indigenous Australians in civil rights.

Ms Beetson, a Kabi Kabi/Gabbi Gabbi and Wiradjuri woman, will explore the colonial history of Virginia to develop a greater understanding of its effects on the state's indigenous people.

\$40,000 and more on offer



ABORIGINAL artists born or living in NSW are invited to enter the 2013 Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize, an annual acquisitive prize of

\$40,000 that also offers up to \$120,000 in scholarships through the University of NSW College of Fine Arts.

The finalists go into an exhibition at Parliament House throughout October.

The art prize has been made possible by a partnership between the Parliament, Campbelltown Arts Centre, Arts NSW, the College of Fine Arts and Coal & Allied.

In addition to the main prize, entrants can choose to be considered for the College of Fine Arts Professional Development Award, a two-week residency at the college and featuring a solo exhibition at the college's COFAspace this year.

For more information on eligibility criteria and for terms and conditions, visit www.campbelltownartscentre.com.au or contact Campbelltown Arts Centre on (02) 4645 4100 or by email to megan.monte@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au

Entries close on Friday, 2 August.

We welcome items for our National Calendar of Events. Please make them to the point and include all contact details. Send submissions to any of the addresses in the panel on page 23.

National

Carer Line is a free telephone information and support service for and about carers that provides access to information, support and referrals to a range of services. Call 1800 242 636 Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm.

Counselling for Carers – Carers NSW supports unpaid carers across NSW through the National Carer Counselling Program (donation-based). For information and support call the Carer Line on 1800 242 636.

The Better Start for Children with Disability Initiative: Children who are eligible for the program can access funding of up to \$12,000 each financial year for a range of early intervention services. Children must be registered before age six to be eligible. For more information, call the Carer Line on 1800 242 636 or visit www.carersnsw.org.au

28-29 August: Puliima 2013 National Indigenous Language and Technology Forum. Proposals for presenting and/or exhibiting at Puliima 2013 are being sought. Held at the William Angliss Institute, 555 La Trobe St, Melbourne. Details: www.puliima.com or (02) 4927 8222.

NSW-ACT

Permanent Exhibition: *Resistance*, National Museum of Australia, Canberra. The lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples were profoundly changed by the arrival of British colonists in 1788. This includes four of these stories. For further information visit www.nma.gov.au/exhibitions/first_australians/resistance

Until 22 June: *Blak*. Presented by Bangarra Dance Theatre, *Blak* tells the story of a contemporary clan and the collision of two worlds. Held at the Sydney Opera House Drama Theatre. Bookings at www.sydneyperehouse.com or (02) 9250 7777.

Until 28 June: *Ngarraanga Nginundi Yuludara – Remember Your Dreaming* photo exhibition. Photographer Kaleesha Morris illustrates the connections Aboriginal people, particularly the young, retain with their sense of Aboriginality and country. Held at The Rocks Discovery Museum, Kendall Lane (enter via Argyle St, The Rocks, from 10am-5pm daily. Details: (02) 9240 8680 or visit www.headon.com/event/ngarraanga-nginundi-yuludara-remember-your-dreaming

Until 30 June: Visions in Black and White photo exhibition, by Barbara McGrady, a Gamilaroi/Murri woman who has been photographing the social history of contemporary Aboriginal life for 30 years. Held at Redfern Community Centre, 29-53 Hugo St, Redfern from Mon-Fri-9am-5pm. Details: (02) 9288 5713 or visit www.headon.com.au/event/visions-black-white-images-indigenous

Until 1 July: Applications now open for the Northern NSW Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Screenwriters Workshop. The workshop aims to assist story tellers to develop their skills through the medium of screenwriting. Fully subsidised, must meet eligibility, and applications in writing. Details: Lisa O'Meara on (02) 6687 1599 or Sharon Taylor on (02) 6623 0214 or visit www.screenworks.com.au

Hip-hop artist
MC Bryte.



Jacinta Price

Alice will host 3on3



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ALICE Springs will today (Wednesday) host the latest Stronger Futures 3on3 event. Basketball, art, hip-hop, rapping and break-dancing are on the program for the Stronger Futures Alice 3on3, to be held at the town's basketball stadium. Artist and comedian Kevin Kropinyeri will be on hand to create artwork which participants can submit to the Stronger Futures poster competition. Other role models scheduled to appear are hip-hop artist MC Bryte, singer and Yamba the Honey Ant program host Jacinta Price, runner Charlie Maher and DJ Jimblah. Actor Luke Carroll will be MC.

Until 6 July: *Conrad Tipungwuti Tiwi* Artist exhibition. His paintings are about the Kulama Ceremony, a traditional initiation for young men, performed in the late wet season (March-April). Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St, Waterloo from Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm. Free Gallery entry. Details: (02) 9699 2211 or visit www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au

Until 14 July: 13th annual Guringai Festival. Celebrating Indigenous culture and heritage across the 11 local council areas in the Northern Sydney region. This year's theme is 'Live Life Loudly', which aims to remind us that laughter is good for the soul and to live your life as fully as you can. A full program of events is at www.guringaifestival.com.au or call (02) 9777 1000.

Until 25 August: Exhibition, *Black on White*. The project began in 2008 when photographer Belinda Mason travelled to communities in Arnhem Land on the first anniversary of the Federal Government's Intervention policy to hear community reactions and make a visual record of local opinions. Held at State Library of NSW, Level one, Macquarie St, Sydney. Details: (02) 9273 1414 or www.headon.com.au/event/black-white

Until 14 September: *Bipotaim: Stories from the Torres Strait* exhibition, including photographs, stories and objects about the lives, culture and identity of Torres Strait Islanders. Held at the National Museum of Australia, Lawson Cres, Acton, ACT from 9am-5pm daily. Free entry. Details: 1800 026 132 or visit www.nma.gov.au

Until 4 October: The Clarence Valley

Indigenous Art Award. The award aims to promote contemporary Indigenous art of the north coast of NSW. It is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists who live in the traditional areas of the Yaegl, Bundjalung and Gumbaingirr nations. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

Until 6 October: *Saltwater Visions* exhibition. Five of the 10 bark paintings on display were presented as evidence of Yolngu connections to saltwater country in a 2008 High Court case. Held at the Australian National Maritime Museum, 2 Murray St, Darling Harbour, Sydney from 9.30am-5pm daily. Free gallery entry. Details (02) 9298 3777 or visit www.anmm.gov.au

Until 3 November: *Warakurna – All the Stories Got Into Our Minds and Eyes*, an exhibition of works documenting a new art movement emerging from the Western Desert community of Warakurna. Held at the National Museum, Lawson Cres, Acton, ACT. 9am-5pm daily. Free and all welcome. Details: 1800 026 967 or visit www.nma.gov.au

Until 10 December: Redfern Wrap Around. Connecting community to services all under one roof, including Centrelink, Medicare, Child Support, RTA, Office of State Revenue and the Aboriginal Legal Service. Held once a month at the Redfern Community Centre, 29-53 Hugo St, Redfern from 10am-2.30pm. Details: (02) 9288 5713.

19-20 June: DVD launch and screening. In this DVD, Baarkindji and Malyankapa Elders and knowledge-

holders pass on cultural knowledge about social, spiritual and land management practices that have been used in western NSW. Held at Silver City Cinema, Broken Hill, at 5.30pm on 19 June and Wilcannia Community Hall at 5.30pm on 20 June. Free and all welcome. Details: Maree Barnes on (02) 6841 2749 or email maree.barnes@cma.nsw.gov.au

21 June: Brungle Health Centre Expo and birthday celebration. Includes a smoking ceremony, welcome to country, free information from health service providers, light lunch and birthday cake. Held at the Health Centre, Crn Bray and Adams streets, Brungle, from 10.30am-2pm. Free and welcome Details: (02) 6944 9036

22 June: Protest against six years of the NT Intervention and the expansion of income management. A rally marking the sixth anniversary will be held at Paul Keating Park, Bankstown, from noon. Details: (02) 9211 2600 or visit www.solidarity.net.au/55/income-management-expansion-in-effort-to-break-boycott

25-26 June: Building Partnerships and Pathways for Indigenous Employment conference. Details on 1300 316 882 or visit www.indigemployment.com

25-27 June: *Breaking Ground* NAISDA mid-year show. Acknowledging this year's NAIDOC theme and responding with works that look at overcoming obstacles, making new discoveries and exploring ideas. Held at NAISDA Dance College, Building 31, Mt Penang Parklands, Kariang, from Tues 6.30pm, Wed noon and 6.30pm and Thurs at 12pm. Entry by gold coin donation. Details: Meaghan Bonser on (02) 4340 3100 or Jennifer Dakers on (02) 4340 3121

27 June: Lismore Community NAIDOC Celebration 2013. Includes welcome to country, rides, face painting, reptile world, school performances, local artists, information stalls and much more. Held at the Lismore Showgrounds, Alexandra Parade, Nth Lismore from 10am-2pm. Details: Sandra Vincent or Lizette Twisleton on 1300 87 83 87.

28 June: Holy Crapper Fundraiser. A RED Inc event to raise funds for a wheelchair accessibility toilet. Performances by Kerriane Cox and more. Held at the Lismore Workers Club, Keen St, Lismore, from 7pm. Cost \$25 or \$15 concession. Details: (02) 6622 3400

28 June-31 August: The Living Knowledge Educational Website Computer display. The website considers how Indigenous knowledge and Western science contribute to a greater understanding of the natural world. Also includes displays of bark paintings, a fibre mural and shell artworks. Held at the Australian National Maritime Museum, 2 Murray St, Darling Harbour, Sydney from 9.30am-5pm daily. Free gallery entry. Details (02) 9298 3777 or visit www.anmm.gov.au

29 June: Tjupi Band performance. Tjupi (honey ant) come from Papunya, 250km north-west of Alice Springs. The band plays desert reggae, singing in Luritja as well as English. Held at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, Casula, from 6pm. Cost is \$15 a person. Details on (02) 9824 1121 or visit the website www.casulapowerhouse.com

2 July-3 December: La Perouse Wrap Around Service. Connecting community to services all under the one roof including Centrelink, Medicare, Child Support, Office of State revenue and more. Held at Yarra

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Bay House, Yarra Bay, Sydney on the first Tuesday of every month from 10am to 2.30pm. Free and all welcome. Details: (02) 9661 1229

20-21 August: Healing The Scars Aboriginal Rural and Remote Drug and Alcohol Conference. Respecting gender, family and culture in the delivery of drug and alcohol programs. Held at Batemans Bay. Conference fees apply. Details: Raechel Wallace, Precilla Boota and Joanne Norton-Bajer on (02) 6492 0011 or email healingthescars@lyndoncommunity.org.au or visit www.lyndoncommunity.org.au

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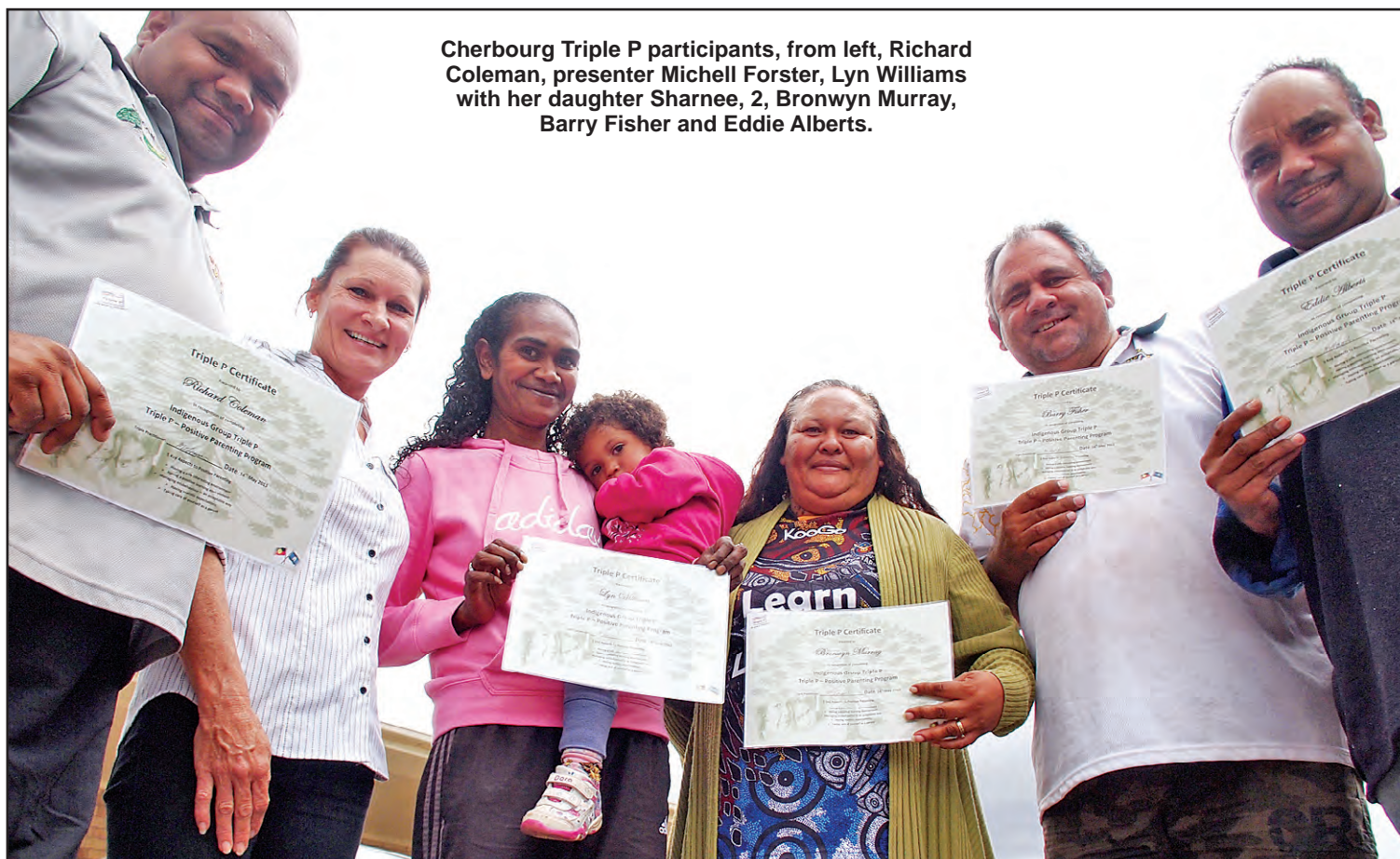
Ongoing: The Ration Shed Museum. When people were moved off the land and taken to Cherbourg they were cut off from their traditional sources of food and were given weekly rations of mainly flour, sugar, tea, sago, rice, split peas and meat. The Ration Shed space is used to tell their stories. Details: (07) 4169 5753 or visit www.rationshed.com.au

Until 1 September: *Death and Life: Rakunku Ga Walnga* exhibition. Dedicated to contemporary art from Arnhem Land, featuring bark paintings, hollow log memorial poles, sculptures and weavings. Held at the Gallery of Modern Art, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane from Mon-Fri 10am-5pm and Sat-Sun 9am-5pm. Free admission. Details: (02) 3840 7303 or visit www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/exhibitions

Until 15 September: *Deadly Brothers*. Five musicians, whose inspiration is drawn from their culture, are thrown into the spotlight and presented through interviews, personal items, lyrics, ephemera and music itself. Held at Kuril Dhagun, level 1, State Library Queensland, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane from 10m-5pm daily. Free and all welcome. Details: (07) 3842 9061 or visit www.slq.qld.gov.au

Until 7 October: *My Country, I still call Australia Home* exhibition. This will be the gallery's largest exhibition of contemporary Indigenous Australia art, featuring works by artists from across the country. Includes an official opening at 10am. Held at the Gallery of Modern Art, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane, from Mon-Fri 10am-5pm and Sat-Sun 9am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (07) 3840 7303 or email mycountry@qagoma.qld.gov.au visit www.qagoma.qld.gov.au

Until 1 December: *Voice and Reason* exhibition. Since the colonial era, Indigenous artists have been examining the conversations and conflicts involving their ancestors and settlers in Australia. Held at the Gallery of Modern Art, Stanley Pl, South Bank, Brisbane from Mon-Fri 10am-5pm and Sat-Sun 9am-5pm. Free admission. Details: (02) 3840 7303 or visit



Cherbourg Triple P participants, from left, Richard Coleman, presenter Michell Forster, Lyn Williams with her daughter Sharnee, 2, Bronwyn Murray, Barry Fisher and Eddie Alberts.

Program proves positive



A PROGRAM in Cherbourg, Queensland, is helping parents become better role models for their children and offer them more support.

Eight carers, including Bronwyn Murray, graduated recently from the Barambah PaCE-run Triple P, Positive Parenting Program. As a child, Mrs Murray idolised her mother and grandparents because they provided a safe and warm environment, based on mutual understanding and respect.

Their positive role modelling meant Mrs

Murray finished her schooling, despite 'not understanding anything' while sitting in class. She now has two university degrees.

"I dropped out of school for three weeks and my pop said he was very disappointed in me," she said.

"I thought he was going to come down on me like a ton of bricks but he didn't.

"He let me work it out for myself and, after roaming the mission visiting people, I got bored and went back."

Triple P presenter Michell Forster's young son was in constant trouble at school and getting Es and Ds on his report cards.

Ms Forster did a Triple P course and used what she learned at home. Her son got As and Bs on his last report card.

"I couldn't believe," Ms Forster said.

"I had to check it wasn't somebody else's report card. The Triple P program shows people how they can be role models for their children in a way that offers them support."

The next Triple P program will be held at the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council training rooms from 9am-2pm on 15-16 July. Lunch and morning tea will be provided.

Call (07) 4168 2330 or 0403 002 306 to book or email marcusp@cherbourg.qld.gov.au

www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/exhibitions

9 July: Yarnin' Time in Inala. Held at The Learning Place, Indigenous Schooling Support Unit, 47 Kittyhawk Ave, Inala from 11am-12pm. Free and all welcome. Details: (07) 3842 9061 or visit www.slq.qld.gov.au

6 August: A night by the fire with Classik Nawu. Join the Classik Nawu band for a night as they share their stories and songs. Held at the Talking Circle, level 1, State Library Queensland, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane from 6.30-7.30pm. Free and all welcome. Details: (07) 3842 9061 or visit www.slq.qld.gov.au

Northern Territory

9-13 October: Mbantua Festival – Awakening the Desert 2013. This Indigenous cultural festival will feature exhibitions, stories told through song and dance, arts and crafts, foods, music, healing and harmony, tours, exhibitions, environment and sustainable desert living projects and more. Held at the Old Telegraph Station and Todd Riverbed, Alice Springs. Tickets available now. Details:

(08) 8953 4000 or visit www.mbantuafestival.com.au

Victoria

Until 10 July: Cricket Victoria Indigenous Development Squad. Cricket Victoria is seeking Indigenous cricketers, boys and girls under 21, to join the Noogal Toengorrt Tani Development Squad. To register visit www.cricketvictoria.com.au/get-involved/indigenous or call Ben Abbatangelo on (03) 9653 1113

Until 3 September: Ganagan (Deep Water) exhibition. Ganagan encourages visitors to see Victorian waters through Koorie eyes. Includes guided river walks and curator floor talk. Held at the Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King Street, Melbourne. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

South Australia

21 June-28 July: *On What Grounds* exhibition. Works by four local emerging Indigenous artists encompassing photography, drawing and installation, the artworks explore landscape and its ties with culture and identity. Held at Tandanya's

Kaurna Gallery, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide from 10am-5pm daily. Free gallery entry. Also showing at the Adelaide Town Hall until 26 July. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or visit www.tandanya.com.au

Western Australia

Until 30 June: *Earth+Fire+Water* exhibition. Featuring artist Maureen Hudson Nampijinpa. Held at Elements Gallery, 131A Waratah Ave, Dalkeith, WA from 11am-5pm daily. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 9336 7787 or visit www.artitja.com.au

Until 10 July: *Zenadh Kes* exhibition. Featuring artists Dennis Nona and Alick Tipoti from the island of Badu in the Torres Strait, applying the traditional crafts of carving into new material forms of printmaking and sculpture. Held at Japingka Gallery, 47 High St, Fremantle from Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (08) 9335 8265 or visit www.japingka.com.au

Until 10 July: *Iwantja Artists* featuring Vincent Namatjira exhibition. Artists from Iwantja in the eastern region of the APY Lands are re-making their land and their experiences through art.

They come together with Vincent Namatjira with his paintings of Captain Cook, Albert Namatjira, Julia Gillard and other notable Australians. Held at Japingka Gallery, 47 High St, Fremantle from Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 9335 8265 or visit www.japingka.com.au

25-27 June: WA and NT Language Conference 2013. 'Language is Life and Language is Identity, reclaiming our language and culture and making us strong Aboriginal people'. Hosted by Dandjoo Moordiyup Dabakarn in partnership with Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education. Held in Bunbury. Details: (08) 8939 7352 or visit www.wanala.batchelor.edu.au

Northern Territory

3-5 August: The centenary at the Kahlin Compound. Recognise, honour and acknowledge all the Kahlin families and people connected to its history. Celebrations include an official opening, boxing exhibition and a family fun day. Free and all welcome. Details: Donna Hunter on (08) 8947 9171 or visit www.ntsgac.org

Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Jarrod Ninnette and Richard Garlett were beneficiaries of the scaffolding training partnership between Challenger Institute and CKJV.

Building a future



ELEVEN Aboriginal trainees in Western Australia now have the opportunity to further their careers on WA's huge Gorgon Project gas development after completing a scaffolding course at Challenger Institute of Technology.

After receiving their scaffolding tickets, the students were able to undertake a one-year traineeship in

advanced scaffolding with the CB&I Kentz Joint Venture (CKJV), one of the Gorgon Project's largest subcontractors.

The students trained at Challenger's Rockingham campus before accepting traineeships at the Australian Marine Complex.

Trainee Jarrod Ninnette, 25, of Camillo, said the course had helped him find a career path.

"I've really only just been introduced to the construction industry and, having had some

experience of being a trade assistant for riggers and boilermakers, I now have an interest in pursuing a career in scaffolding," he said.

'Helpful'

"The program has been conducted in a real friendly atmosphere and the lecturer has been helpful in identifying any particular areas I need to work on. It's great to be learning new skills."

Trainee Richard Garlett, 32,

of Medina, said the course provided a chance to secure a trade.

"This gives the opportunity to secure a good full-time job and a possible pathway to a supervisor or management role further down the track," he said.

The students have also undertaken safety training at Challenger.

The 11 participants were selected and processed by CKJV, and mentoring support throughout the course was

provided by the Australian Indigenous Business Alliance Group.

Challenger chief executive Liz Harris said the institute trained people for construction projects in the oil and gas, mining and building industries.

"By working with industry to deliver this type of tailored training, an innovative program has been devised that has provided such a positive experience for the participants," she said.

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Please remember to follow the application process outlined in the position description and address the **key selection criteria** if you wish your application to be considered.

Employment is subject to a current Working with Children Check (E) & Police Record Check.



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Operations and Finance Manager

- Multi-faceted management role
- Victorian network of Aboriginal churches and community services
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The Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress (UAICC) is a national network of Aboriginal churches and community services linked with the Uniting Church in Australia (UCA).

An exciting opportunity now exists for an Operations and Finance Manager with Congress Victoria.

Reporting to the State Director, the ideal candidate will have strong financial and management skills and an understanding of issues faced by Aboriginal and Islander people.

Key responsibilities of the position include:

- Financial oversight of Congress Victoria
- Marketing strategy development
- Administration and decision-making of property maintenance at several sites
- Management of a small team of staff and volunteers

If you are committed to making a difference in the lives of Aboriginal and Islander people, please obtain a position description and apply at: <http://unitingcaresynod.mhr.com.au/jobdetail.asp?jobid=6242> Aboriginal and Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Applications close 19 July 2013

For further information contact Paula Bradshaw on 03) 9251 5477

A willingness to work within the ethos of the Uniting Church is essential.

Appointment is subject to a satisfactory police records check



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Who We Are

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For an Information Pack including Position Description, please visit: <http://unitingcaresynod.mhr.com.au/jobdetail.asp?jobid=6239>

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Send Applications to: Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 580, Lismore NSW 2480.

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Corporation**

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(Remuneration Package- Negotiable)

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For a recruitment package contact reception by email: reception@tharawal.com.au or by phone: 02 4681 0059.

Applications can be forwarded to Reception marked "Confidential" and posted to:

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State Director

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- Unique chance to make a difference in the lives of Aboriginal and Islander people
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An exciting opportunity now exists for a State Director who can provide visionary leadership of Congress Victoria.

The ideal candidate will have strong leadership skills and a broad understanding of issues faced by Aboriginal and Islander people.

Key responsibilities of the position include:

- Provide management and leadership of Congress Victoria
- Promote reconciliation through activities such as Sorry Day and NAIDOC week
- Direct the work and team at Narana Creations in Grovedale
- Work in partnership with Murrenda Aboriginal Community Care
- Establish relationships with Aboriginal people across Victoria
- Develop and grow the Bundji Bunji partnership at Minanjalku in Melbourne in youth justice

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICER Aboriginal targeted position

Darling River Local Area Command, Bourke

Clerk Grade 1/2

Temporary Full-Time up to 12 months
Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001PIF

Salary Package: \$65,671. **Salary:** \$54,742 - \$59,512. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Darling River Local Area Command focusing on quality advice and high-level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

Job Notes:

- Temporary employment/appointment under *Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990* for up to 12 months.
- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with *Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.
- Applicants should hold a current driver's licence with no traffic offences recorded within the last six (6) months.
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- The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- For your application to be considered, you **must** attach an up-to-date resume and supply written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.

Enquiries: Ainslie Smith on (02) 6870 0806

For selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00001PIF.

Closing Date: Sunday 30 June 2013

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Kimberley Region, WA

- * Unique opp. to work with Aboriginal communities!
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Kimberley Aboriginal Medical Services Council (KAMSC) has an opp. for a **Regional Coordinator (Maternal and Child Health)** to join their team. You'll be responsible for **coordinating the development, implementation & review of Maternal and Child Health Programs within the Kimberley region**. Enjoy an attractive salary package of \$80,398 - \$90,653 + super, district, accommodation & electricity allowances, 5 wks AL & much more!

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Senior Operations Manager - Counselling Services

Canberra, ACT

- * Competitive remuneration circa \$63,972 - \$66,670!
- * Salary packaging up to \$16k!

CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn has an exciting opportunity for a **Senior Operations Manager - Counselling Services** to join their team based in Canberra, ACT. You'll be responsible for **providing leadership and operational support to the Counselling Services Portfolio**. You will enjoy attractive remuneration circa \$63,972 - \$66,670, plus super and salary packaging up to \$16k!

CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn is committed to equal opportunity in employment, and encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with a disability and people from culturally diverse backgrounds.

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School Counsellor (PT)

Canberra, ACT

- * Competitive remuneration circa \$55,280 - \$75,470 (pro rata)
- * Salary packaging up to \$16k!

CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn has an opportunity for a **School Counsellor (PT)** to join their team working in Canberra. You will be **providing therapeutic counselling to high school and primary school students and families**. In return for your hard work and dedication, you will enjoy an attractive remuneration circa \$55,280 - \$75,470 (pro rata) plus generous salary sacrifice options up to \$16k.

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EMPLOYMENT OFFICE

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NAAFVLS

North Australian Aboriginal Family
Violence Legal Service

North Australian Aboriginal Family Violence Legal Service (NAAFVLS) is a non-government Aboriginal organisation offering legal services and support to victims of family violence and sexual assault.

Solicitor / Community Legal Education

We are looking for a well organized, self-motivated Solicitor to coordinate our Legal Education Program, which provides education on Family Violence to remote communities in the Top End. In addition to these duties you will provide legal advice to clients in matters relating to Family Violence.

Paralegal / Family Support Officer

We are looking for an enthusiastic and self-motivated person to fulfill the role of Paralegal/FSO. As a Paralegal, you will provide administrative support to the Principal Legal Officer. As an FSO you will travel to remote communities and provide support to clients, as well as assistance to NAAFVLS solicitors with various other duties.

Written applications should be forwarded no later than **26 June 2013** to:

Natalie Maher
Practice Manager
PO Box 43104
Casuarina NT 0811
nmaher@naafvls.com.au
Ph: 08 8923 8208

Male and Female Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders are strongly encouraged to apply.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Wagonga Local Aboriginal Land Council
(Remuneration Package Negotiable)

Wagonga Local Aboriginal Land Council (Wagonga LALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career in the diverse role of Chief Executive Officer located at Narooma.

The position relates to the Aboriginal Land Rights Act (1983)(ALRA) and provides an excellent opportunity for the successful applicant.

The position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through day to day management of the Wagonga LALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and Selection Criteria; address the Selection Criteria for their application to be considered.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification in accordance with the provisions of S14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act.

For a recruitment package contact:

Acting CEO
Wagonga Local Aboriginal Land Council
16 Canty Street, NAROOMA NSW 2546
Ph: 02 4476 1144
Email: wlalc@bigpond.net.au

Applications close: 5pm Wednesday 10th July 2013.

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Assistant Indigenous Engagement Manager

APS Level 5

\$66,017 - \$74,270 (plus superannuation)

Perth, Western Australia

Assistant Indigenous Engagement Managers (AIEMs) work in the Indigenous Communities Engagement Strategy (ICES) within State and Territory Statistical Services (STSS) in ABS Regional Offices.

As the Assistant Indigenous Engagement Manager (AIEM) you will support a range of survey and Census activities with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in urban and remote areas, working with the Indigenous Engagement Manager (IEM) to build and maintain networks with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations. Opportunities for development and to assist the IEM in their engagement activities will be provided.

Duties:

- Building and maintaining networks with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, communities and organisations;
- Assisting in the administration and operation of the ICES program in their state or territory and assessment of the effectiveness of the ICES in achieving its objectives and delivering services;
- Assisting in the planning and coordination of new products and services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations;
- Assisting in the planning, development and implementation of statistical literacy initiatives aimed at Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people and communities;
- Assisting in ensuring quality and accuracy in the presentation of products and services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations, and
- Conducting fieldwork to achieve specified results within given time frames.

These are identified positions therefore the successful applicant/s will need to demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander jobseekers are encouraged to apply for this employment opportunity.

If this opportunity appeals to you then find out more by first obtaining an Applicant Information Kit at www.abs.gov.au/careers or contact David Waymouth on (08) 9360 5198.

Please quote reference no. 13/0060 in all correspondence.

Applications must be received by 6pm AEST, Thursday 27 June 2013.

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Caseworker Ngurambang: Get a career that matters.

**\$54,682 per annum + Super + Salary
Packaging**

The Ngurambang Board in partnership with UnitingCare Children Young People and Families are seeking a Caseworker for the newly established Ngurambang Out of Home Care service located in Dubbo. Please visit our website to view the full job description and essential criteria.

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Applications close 9am Monday 24 June

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Exciting New Positions; Get a career that matters.

NEWCASTLE LOCATION

UnitingCare Burnside's setting up Youth on Track (YoT) to provide early intervention support for young people at risk of entering the juvenile justice system, we'll employ;

- Coordinator
- Caseworker - Aboriginal Identified
- Caseworker

Please refer to our website for more information: getacareerthatmatters.com.au

Closing Date: 12noon 24 June 2013

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**\$44,583 per annum + Super + Salary
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The Ngurambang Board in partnership with UnitingCare Children Young People and Families are seeking an Admin Worker for the newly established Ngurambang Out of Home Care service located in Dubbo. Please visit our website to view the full job description and essential criteria.

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METROPOLITAN LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Attractive remuneration, Package negotiable

The Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated Aboriginal people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

The CEO provides an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the MLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria. To be considered for the position, applicants must address the selection criteria. For a recruitment package please contact Kelly Bradshaw by email: kbradshaw@metrolalc.org.au or on (02) 8394 9666.

Applications marked "Private & Confidential" can be forwarded to: Kathryn@ridgelegal.com.au or posted to:

The Chairperson
Metropolitan LALC
c/o Building 3, 33 North Head Scenic Drive
MANLY NSW 2095

Applications close by COB on Friday 5 July 2013.

This is a identified Aboriginal position.



**Positions Vacant
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The AES is a 100% Indigenous managed, national, not -for -profit Recruitment Company.

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Career Support Officer

Job Description:

The successful candidate will be reporting to the Business Development Operations, Manager. Your core responsibilities will involve working with Corporate Australia businesses, local businesses and the Indigenous career seekers to retain and support them in order to ensure long term retention and to assist in career development activities. **Closing date: June 28.**

Career Recruitment Officer

Job Description:

The successful candidate will be reporting to the Business Development Operations, Manager. Your core responsibilities will involve working with Corporate Australia businesses, local businesses and the Indigenous career seekers to retain and support them in order to ensure long term retention and to assist in career development activities. **Closing date: June 28.**

For a detailed Job Description, please feel free to contact our office on 02 8571 0999 and speak with Barbara Dent or email careers@aes.org.au

FRAMLINGHAM



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FRAMLINGHAM ABORIGINAL TRUST

The Management Committee of Framlingham Aboriginal Trust seeks an experienced, skilled and motivated CEO to manage its staff, properties, assets and programs. This will suit a culturally aware person with high level personal and professional skills who wants to make a positive contribution in the unique work environment of Framlingham Community.

For full details, contact Bruce Campbell, Acting CEO on 03 5567 1003 or bcampbell@fram.org.au

Applications close 28/6/13

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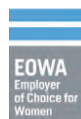
The University of Melbourne is committed to employing Indigenous Australians in both professional and academic positions on the basis that they bring with them a wealth of experience, knowledge and skills that will inform, enrich and fundamentally improve the work that we do.

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Breaking the Cycle: Aboriginal Homeless Outreach Service Multiple Positions

The Breaking the Cycle (BtC) program has been established via a partnership between Neami National, the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS), Uniting Care Re Gen and the Northern Area Mental Health Service (NAMHS). The BtC team will offer a holistic, social and emotional wellbeing focused, team based intensive outreach service for Aboriginal people over 16 years of age, in the cities of Darebin and Whittlesea. The service will support consumers with multiple needs, including severe mental illness, homelessness, or high risk of homelessness.

The new service will utilise the Collaborative Recovery Model (CRM) as the key service model through which the BtC team will engage with consumers. The model encourages consumers to direct their own recovery process by building on their strengths and values to define their own recovery

The service acknowledges the substantial, pervasive and continuing negative impacts of colonisation and past government policies on the mental health and social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal Victorians. Aboriginal Victorians are also more likely than other Victorians to experience a range of individual, interpersonal, social and cultural consequences of ongoing trauma, racism and discrimination.

We are seeking enthusiastic and dedicated individuals with a passion for forging interagency partnerships to improve outcomes for Victorian Aboriginal people. People who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are strongly encouraged to apply. The CRM is currently being used successfully in Sydney with Neami's Aboriginal Assertive Outreach service, and is currently being adapted by the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service adult social emotional wellbeing team.

About the Full Time Positions - Please visit the websites below to view the position descriptions

- Community Rehabilitation Support Worker – Neami National website : www.neaminational.org.au
- Aboriginal Health Worker - Victorian Aboriginal Health Service website: www.vahs.org.au
- Alcohol and Other Drug Clinician ReGen Uniting Care – Alcohol & Other Drug Services website: www.regen.org.au
- Nurse Grade 4 (Senior Clinician) - Northern Area Mental Health Service website: www.mh.org.au

For more information and to apply:

- Forward cover letter, resume and address selection criteria to designated agency representative as listed in the position descriptions via the websites listed above.
- General enquiries contact BtC Manager Jamie Waring: Jamie.waring@neaminational.org.au or (03) 9481 0603.
- Contact agency representative for conditions and salaries as listed in the position descriptions.

Applications for these roles close:

Wednesday 3rd July 2013 at 5:00pm



GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICER Aboriginal targeted position

Parramatta Local Area Command, Parramatta

Clerk Grade 1/2

Permanent Full-Time

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001PJ3

Salary Package: \$65,671. **Salary:** \$54,742 - \$59,512. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Parramatta Local Area Command focusing on quality advice and high-level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with *Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines.
- The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- For your application to be considered, you **must** attach an up-to-date resume and supply written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application.
- **Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.**

Enquiries: Teresa Hubble on (02) 9633 0744

For selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00001PJ3.

Closing Date: Sunday 30 June 2013

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Senior Child Protection Practitioner (Aboriginal Family Decision Making)

North Division, Preston Office

The Senior Child Protection Practitioner (AFDM) is responsible for supporting and developing Child Protection Practitioners in the integration of theory and practice whilst demonstrating their expertise through direct case practice and live supervision of child protection practitioners. This position will work collaboratively with practitioners and teams to strengthen case practice with Aboriginal children and families, to provide effective service delivery and to support other practitioners. This position is responsible for co-convening Aboriginal Family Decision Making (AFDM) meetings for Aboriginal clients, working in partnership with the community co-convenor and Aboriginal organisations in providing community education, training and consultation for Child Protection and Aboriginal agency employees.

For enquiries please contact Angela Papoutsoglou, Ph: 9479 0243

Closing date: Sunday 23rd June 2013

Job Reference no: DHS/N/394160

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ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES

Community Corrections Indigenous Probation and Parole Officer Administrative Services Officer Class 6

Salary Range: \$70,913 - \$81,460

PN: 46200

As a partner in the criminal justice system ACT Corrective Services contributes to community safety through excellence in the delivery of adult correctional services that hold the confidence of the community by:

- Encouraging and promoting the rehabilitation, reintegration and throughcare of offenders.
- The safe, humane and, where appropriate, secure management of offenders and detainees.

ACT Corrective Services offers a range of employment benefits including a competitive salary, a range of professional development initiatives, salary packaging, paid parental leave for eligible employees and a fantastic work life balance.

The successful applicant will provide case management, supervision and monitoring for people on court and parole orders with the objectives of reducing the risk of further criminal conduct, maintaining community safety and administering court orders. Provide written and verbal reports to the Courts, releasing authorities and other bodies in relation to offender management, risk and intervention. Promote and apply the principles of contemporary best practices in relation to offender management. Undertake effective consultation and negotiation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities. Back-fill within the other areas of Community Corrections as required, including facilitation of group programs during business hours as negotiated between the Probation and Parole Unit and Offender Services and Corrections Programs Unit.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Experience working with offenders and relevant tertiary qualifications are highly desirable. Understanding of and sensitivity to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural issues and issues relevant to other minority groups is essential. Eligible candidates will be required to undergo a criminal history check. Applicants may be required to undertake psychological aptitude testing as part of the assessment process. A current driver's licence is essential. Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander ancestry is considered essential (Section 42, Discrimination Act 1991). Certificate VI in Correctional Practice – Community is required or the ability to complete this qualification within 12 months. Eligible applicants may be required to maintain a current working with vulnerable people check.

Applications close on Tuesday 2 July 2013. To view the full position description and for details of how to apply please view the following link <http://www.jobs.act.gov.au>

For a confidential discussion about this role please contact Simone Fowlie on +61 2 6207 0355.

Information about ACT Corrective Services can be located at www.cs.act.gov.au. Employment conditions can be found in the Justice and Community Safety Directorate Enterprise Agreement 2011–13 www.sharedservices.act.gov.au/docs/agreements



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Temporary Vacancy

Regional Operations Centre (ROC) - Dubbo

Project Officer - APS Level 5 \$69,185 - \$74,481pa

FaHCSIA is looking for an enthusiastic and motivated person for the Project Officer role in the Regional Operations Centre (ROC) in Dubbo to support the implementation of the Council of Australian Government's Remote Service Delivery National Partnership Agreements (RSD NPA).

The position is part of a team responsible for working with other agencies for the delivery of priority projects identified in the Local Implementation Plans (LIPs) for Walgett and Wilcannia.

The Project Officer will support the ROC and cross agency initiatives, monitor and report on project outcomes, build strong partnerships with key stakeholders, analyse data and prepare correspondence.

The successful applicant must be proactive, enthusiastic and professional with an understanding of the issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. They will have strong organisational skills, high-level written and oral communication and negotiation skills, and proven analytical and sound judgement skills.

This is a 12 month temporary vacancy.

This is an identified position and Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

For further information on the position, contact: Simonne Goolagong on (02) 5852 1017

How to apply:

Apply on-line at www.fahcsia.gov.au/careers/job-vacancies

Applications close 30 June 2013

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Contact: Robyn Adler on (02) 9765 4703 or robyn.adler@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Enquiries can also be emailed to the Aboriginal Services Unit at aboriginalservices@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 3 July 2013

NOTE: The purpose of this recruitment is to create an eligibility list to fill future temporary (full-time and part-time) vacancies as they arise at Liverpool, Fairfield, Bankstown & Campbelltown offices only within the next 12 months.

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Health Sydney Local Health District

Female Aboriginal Health Worker (HEO Grad/Non-Grad)

Ref: 132150, F/T at Camperdown Community Health

Salary: \$45,818–\$78,142 pa

Enq: Jeanette King, 0425 291 616

Closing Date: 28 June 2013

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Being Female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31 (2h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

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UnitingCare Burnside is seeking a Caseworker to join our Dubbo team. The successful candidate will be responsible for the overall case management for young people with high support needs.

Applicants will require:

- Aboriginality
 - Relevant tertiary qualifications in the social sciences or evidence of enrolment in relevant tertiary qualifications
- Please visit our website for full job description.

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Applications close 9am 25 June

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Queensland Police Service

Police Liaison Officer

Queensland Police Service, Central Region

Queensland Police Service

Salary: \$52 066 - \$57 149 p.a.

Location: Mackay

REF: QLD/16553/13

Key Duties: Knowledge and understanding of local cultures, customs and community organisations. The capacity to be accepted by the local community.

Skills/Abilities: Learn and apply relevant laws, Queensland Police Service and other government policies. Problem solve and organise. Effectively communicate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Enquiries: Senior Sergeant Sam Bliss 07 4967 2268

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Closing Date: Monday, 1 July 2013

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Please search by Requisition No: 00001JU5

Enquiries:

Janelle Clarke on 9219 5146 or Khaila Prior on 9219 6316

Closing Date: 17 July 2013

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Operations Manager - Orana Far West: Get a career that matters.

UnitingCare Burnside is a leading child and family organisation in NSW and part of the UnitingCare Children, Young People and Families Service Group of UnitingCare NSW.ACT.

As our most senior staff member in the Region you'll have:

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 - Proven ability to manage a large group (70+) of staff across a vast regional area.
 - Proven experience working in a cultural context with Aboriginal and CALD communities.
 - Demonstrated strength in multiple stakeholder relationships and networks.
 - Demonstrated expertise in delivering agreed outcomes in a complex portfolio of programs.
- You'll bring your strategic vision to engage our dynamic and committed team and take lead responsibility for day to day operations, business management and stakeholder relationships/partnerships.

You'll guide and ensure delivery of a range of high quality, evidence-informed programs to support our service users across the continuum of care, with the aim of breaking the cycle of disadvantage.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 24 June 2013

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Reference#: 213/120

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Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service is seeking applications from suitable people for the following positions. All positions are **Aboriginal Designated** and authorised under section 14D of the Anti Discrimination Act. Attractive Salary Packages with a \$16,000.00 per annum tax free component will be negotiated with the successful applicant and will be based on qualifications and experience.

Foster Care Manager/Casework Specialist

Full-time Permanent (salary negotiable from \$90-100k)

The successful person will be responsible for overseeing of all the recruitment, assessing and training of foster carers. They will also supervise, provide casework knowledge, assistance and direction to the Co-ordinators of the Out of Home Care Service.

Foster Care Caseworker

Full-time permanent (salary \$58k)

The successful applicant will be assisting with the Recruiting, Assessing, Reviewing and Training Potential and Approved Foster Carers. They will also be required to assist with facilitating carers meetings and support group.

Out of Home Caseworkers

Full-time permanent (salary negotiable from \$58k)

The successful person will be a part of the Out of Home Care Team with the aim of supporting and case-managing children in our foster care program. This will involve the supervision and support of foster carers and keeping children connected with their natural family.

Casual Transport and Family Access Workers (salary \$45k)

The successful persons will be available on a needs basis to transport children within our program. They will also supervise, monitor and report on arranged contact visits with natural family. Weekend work will be required.

All applicants need to contact Cheryl Holden on 02-65512088 or cheryl.holden@glmacs.org.au for an application package and must address the essential criteria outlined. If you have any enquiries please contact Amanda Bridge on 0414897565.

Applications Close Friday 12th July 2013.



CARE COORDINATION & SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICES COORDINATOR (part time)

An opportunity exists in the Hastings Macleay Region of North Coast NSW Medicare Local for experienced and appropriately qualified applicants to take on the above role. The position is part time and is located at Kempsey.

For a Position Description and information on how to apply please visit www.ncml.org.au/index.php/about-us/working-at-ncml

Enquiries to Christine Cox on 02 6583 3600.

Applications close 5pm Friday 28 June 2013.

THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDIES UNIT STUDENT RELATIONS OFFICER (2 POSITIONS)

The role Supporting Indigenous UQ students plus activities promoting recruitment and retention of students and related activities. Both roles are Indigenous-identified.

Remuneration \$57,387 – \$64,273 p.a., plus up to 17% super. Two full-time continuing appointments at HEW Level 5.

Applications close 30 July 2013

Reference No. 494743

Visit www.uq.edu.au/uqjobs for more career opportunities and to obtain a copy of the position description and application process. UQ is an equal opportunity employer.

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Jobs that make a difference

Senior Project Officer, Aboriginal Health

\$79,894 to \$96,666 (+ superannuation)

- Sound understanding of the issues facing the health of Aboriginal people
- Strong understanding of health promotion
- Excellent organisational and interpersonal skills
- Project and Program management skills

As part of the Health Development Unit, Prevention and Population Health Branch this role is responsible for developing evidence-informed policy and program advice and interventions to promote health and prevent disease in Victoria.

The role is pivotal in implementing commitments under Koolin Balit, the Victorian Government's strategic directions for Aboriginal health over the next 10 years. This will entail working across the branch and the department, including in close collaboration with Aboriginal Health Branch, to deliver on prevention initiatives included in Koolin Balit with a strong focus on Aboriginal tobacco control.

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit www.careers.vic.gov.au or contact Louise Galloway on (03) 9096-0419.

Please quote reference no **DH/WICA /51180**

Closing date for applications is Monday 8th July 2013

To apply online and view the job description, visit www.careers.vic.gov.au and click on Vacancies.

www.careers.vic.gov.au



Northern Rivers Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Service Specialist Worker (Aboriginal)

This position focuses on the provision of advocacy and assistance for women applicants in ADVO matters.

The Service operates out of the Lismore office and identified courts within the Northern Rivers region. This is a 12 month fixed term contract position at 12 hours per week.

To be female and an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person is an occupational requirement under Section 31 and 14d of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Job Kits Ph: 6621 1000 or www.nrclc.org.au

Closing date: 4pm Thursday 4th July 2013.



Field Officer Civil & Family Law, Clerk 5/6, Aboriginal Services Unit, Campbelltown

- Temporary position to June 2014
- Package to 87K

Applications must be submitted online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au to be considered.

Please search by the job title or by Requisition No: 00001OUU

Enquiries can be made by contacting Scott Hawkins on 9219 5109 or Janelle Clarke on (02) 9219 5146.

Enquiries can also be emailed to the Aboriginal Services Unit at aboriginalservices@legalaid.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 3 July 2013



Health Hunter New England Local Health District

Applications can be lodged online at www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment
Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4985 3150.

Relief Secretary

John Hunter Hospital

This is a targeted Aboriginal position. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Part 9A, Section 122J of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*.

Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin 02 4921 4266

Reference ID: 141392

Closing Date: 30 June 2013

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Collaboration, Openness, Respect & Empowerment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Health South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

Aboriginal Health Worker

Kogarah, Sutherland

Permanent Full-Time

Enquiries: Linda Soars 0400 518 777

Reference ID: 139808

Closing Date: 30 June 2013

Aboriginal Workforce Development Consultant

Caringbah

Permanent Full-Time

Enquiries: Sally Laugesen 02 9540 7971

Reference ID: 140873

Closing Date: 7 July 2013

Apply online at:
nswhealth.ererecruit.com.au
or email application quoting Ref. No. to:
seslhd.recruitment@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au
or send application to:
Recruitment Unit,
Ground Floor Admin Building No. 2
Prince of Wales Hospital
Randwick NSW 2031

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Solicitors, Grade I-III, Criminal Law (Temporary)

The purpose of this recruitment action to create an eligibility list to fill future vacancies at Penrith, Blacktown, Parramatta Justice Precinct, Fairfield, Liverpool and Campbelltown Offices only.

Applications must be submitted online through <http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au> to be considered. Please search by the job title or by Requisition No: 000010XP

Contact: Matthew Greenaway on (02) 4732 3077

Closing Date: 3 July 2013



Health Northern Sydney Local Health District

Aboriginal Trainee - Mental Health Worker

Ryde/Royal North Shore Hospitals

Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$879.10 - \$1293.30 pw

Enquiries: Allison White 0429 374 016 or Email

aawhite@nscchhs.health.nsw.gov.au

Reference ID: 139195

Closing Date: 26 June 2013

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CAREERS AT CSU

Associate Lecturer / Lecturer / Senior Lecturer in Indigenous Studies

- Full-time, Continuing
- Level A/B/C - \$58,196 - \$117,429 pa. (plus 17% superannuation)
- Dubbo

The Centre for Indigenous Studies is currently seeking either, an Associate Lecturer, Lecturer or Senior Lecturer, in Indigenous Studies, to teach across a range of courses and disciplines within their field of expertise via distance education and on campus modes. You will be required to work collaboratively with colleagues in the University to embed Indigenous knowledge and perspectives through the design of high quality subjects and modules suitable for courses in a wide range of disciplines. In addition, you will contribute to the development of a strong Indigenous Studies program within the Faculty and across the University, built on a sense of local, National and global Indigenous community.

This is an identified Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander position under section 14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Applicants are expected to apply online and address the selection criteria listed in the position description.

Applications close: 7 July 2013.

www.csu.edu.au/jobs



Mt York Sharing Heritage Stories CONSULTANCY

Blue Mountains City Council is seeking a consultant(s) to document and share the untold stories of the Darug, Gundungurra and Wiradjuri people's. Council seeks applications from individuals with a background in Aboriginal History and a good cultural awareness to the sensitivity to the history of the Mt York area and its first peoples. Experience in facilitating Participatory Action Research workshops in various settings, utilising focus group and individual consultations is necessary to be considered for this consultancy.

Submissions for the brief close **5:00pm on Monday 24 June 2013**. Submissions are to be directed to Andy Turner, Manager City Planning and marked confidential.

For further details please contact:

Prue Hardgrove, Acting Program Leader, 02 4780 5546 or Brad Moore, Aboriginal Community Development Officer on 0414 195 768 or E-mail bmoore@bmcc



Family & Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Aboriginal Service Coordinator

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)
Riverina Murray
Wagga Wagga

Permanent Full-Time

Job Reference No. 00001ON2

Total remuneration package valued up to \$74,487 per annum (Salary: \$61,198 pa - \$67,501 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Provide consistent, high quality and cost-effective services to Home Care's customers through the planning, allocation and supervision of Care Workers, matching service delivery resources to requirements.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Knowledge of the community care needs of frail aged people and their carers with strong motivation and commitment to improving quality of life of frail aged people and their carers.
- Experience in service co-ordination and assessment of care recipients needs in a community service organisation.
- Strong written and oral communication and negotiating skills to develop care agreements with care recipients and care service providers, prepare and compile submissions.
- A demonstrated ability to monitor and work to a budget.
- Sound organisational skills, demonstrated computer literacy and strong administrative and record keeping skills.
- Tertiary qualifications in human services or a related discipline or relevant experience and knowledge.
- Driver's licence.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Further information about this position is available on-line and you must address the full selection criteria and complete the forms. Successful applicants will be subject to criminal records check.

Enquiries: Athol Boney (02) 6937 9640 or Tenneil Burgess (02) 6937 9640

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 00001ON2

Closing Date: 5th July 2013

Z57795

Cultural Program Specialist / Advisor

- Designated Koori position
- Ongoing Full-Time
- \$79,894 \$96,666

Corrections Victoria operates Victoria's adult corrections system, including prisons and Community Correctional Services (CCS). It ensures prisoners are safely and securely contained, and aims to rehabilitate offenders by addressing the underlying causes of offending behaviour.

Offending Behaviour Programs is a branch of the Offender Management division of Corrections Victoria, which designs and implements programs across a range of specialty areas, including Koori, multi-cultural, women's policy, disability, youth and aging.

As the Cultural Program Specialist / Advisor, you will be responsible for:

- Providing advice and direction regarding the delivery of offending behaviour programs in a culturally appropriate manner;
- Providing ongoing cultural assistance and feedback to the treatment team as their work relates to Koori offenders.

As our ideal applicant, you must be registered, or have the eligibility for registration / membership with Australian Association of Social Work, Australian Psychologists Society, Australian College of Mental Health Nurses and / or relevant allied health qualification.

This is a designated position under section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

To apply online and for further information on the position description and selection criteria visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Applications close: **Sunday 30 June 2013**



Department of Justice

Z0350717



Communications Officer Aboriginal targeted positions

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001PVM
Permanent Full-Time position

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001PVR
Permanent Part Time position up to 17.5 hours per week

Sydney Radio Operations, Communications Group
Operational Communications and Information Command, Surry Hills

Salary Package: \$67,499. **Salary:** \$49,532 - \$61,198. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading, plus shift allowances for rotational seven day, 35hr or 17.5hr week basis. Part-time salaries are paid at the pro-rata rate.

Job Description:

Providing radio support to police, the Communications Officer is responsible for tasking and coordinating activities of police vehicles responding to incidents. The Communications Officer also processes urgent and non urgent telephone calls providing timely information to operational police to enable appropriate action to be taken.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy, 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*.
- Initial entry requires undertaking the Training Program. All trainees must successfully complete this Training Program in order to retain their appointment.
- For your application to be considered, you **must** attach an up-to-date resume and supply written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application.
- The successful applicant will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.

Enquiries: Dominique Burke on (02) 9265 4717

For selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00001PVM and 00001PVR

Closing Date: Sunday 7 July 2013

Z57910



Stores Officer

Aboriginal targeted position
Aviation Support Branch
Special Services Group, Bankstown Airport
Permanent Full-Time
Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001PU1

Salary Package: \$54,658. **Salary:** \$49,134 - \$49,532. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The position provides accurate storage, recording and handling of Aviation Support Branch (ASB) equipment. The position is also responsible for the supply, distribution and maintenance of stores within the ASB Store.

Job Notes:

- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.
- Applicants **must** hold a current forklift licence or be willing to obtain a forklift licence.
- Applicants should hold a current driver's licence with no traffic offences recorded within the last six (6) months.
- All staff within the Special Service Group are required to sign a "Confidentiality Policy" and are subject to stringent integrity and security assessments.
- For your application to be considered, you **must** attach an up-to-date resume and supply written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application.
- The successful applicant will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.

Enquiries: Senior Sergeant Col Richards on (02) 9796 9850

For selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00001PU1.

Closing Date: Sunday 7 July 2013

Z57911



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**THE NSW FEDERATION
OF HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS INC.**

OPERATIONS MANAGER

SALARY: \$83,466 - \$86,551b + super + annual leave loading.

The Federation is the industry peak body for community housing providers in NSW. We are seeking a dynamic Operations Manager.

Please contact Suhasini by Telephone on (02) 9281 7144 ext. 218 or via email recruitment@communityhousing.org.au for an information kit.

For further info about the position please contact the CEO, Lucy Burgmann by Telephone on (02) 9281 7144 ext. 202.

Applications must be received by Friday 5th July 2013.

The Federation is an equal opportunity employer and Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply for the position.

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Campus Administrator

Ref 13166 The incumbent will support the Director of the Katherine Campus of Flinders NT. The role will include the day to day operational function of the Katherine Campus as well as the establishment and maintenance of stakeholder relationships in the region for the development of the Flinders NT Medical Program.

- **Flinders NT, School of Medicine**
- **Location: Katherine Campus**
- **Available until 30 June 2014 in the first instance, on a full-time basis**
- **Salary (HEO5): \$59,668 to \$66,042 pa (wef 29 June 2013)**
- **Plus 17% employer superannuation**
- **Applications close: 11.00 am (AEDST) Monday, 1 July 2013**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

**Full details including how to apply on-line
can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website:
www.flinders.edu.au/employment**

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Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of South Australia

Notification day: 3 July 2013



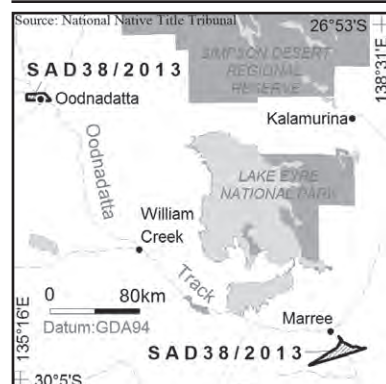
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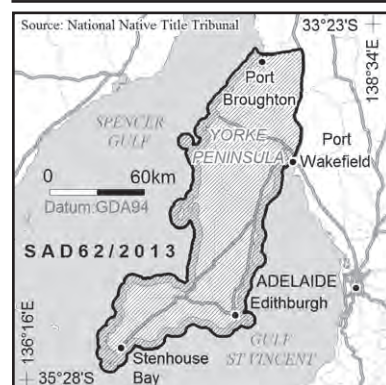
These are applications by native title claim groups who are asking the Federal Court to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

A person who wants to become a party to any of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1350, Adelaide, SA, 5001 on or before 2 October 2013. After 2 October 2013, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the areas concerned.



Application name: Arabana No 2 Native Title Claim
Federal Court File No: SAD38/2013
Date filed: 1 March 2013
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.
Description: Application covers about 439 sq km over two areas; the first covers approx. 133 sq km surrounding Oodnadatta, the second covers about 306 sq km approx. 20 km southeast of Marree.
Relevant LGA: Unincorporated



Application name: Narungga Nation
Federal Court File No: SAD62/2013
Date filed: 25 March 2013
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.
Description: Application covers about 11,940 sq km extending over the Yorke Peninsula.
Relevant LGA: Port Pirie and Wakefield Regional Councils, District Councils of Barunga West, Copper Coast and Yorke Peninsula.

Data statement: claimant application boundaries compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Environment and Heritage (SA) and Geoscience Australia.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Nicole Maher on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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**Family &
Community Services**
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Aboriginal Care Worker

**Grade 2
Aboriginal Home Care Service of NSW
Bathurst, Western Region
Casual
Vacancy Reference No. 00001O1Q**

Rate of pay commences at \$24.86 per hour plus loadings for out of hours work, non-contributory superannuation and car allowance.

Aboriginal Home Care Service of NSW is a state-wide service providing household support to Aboriginal people who are frail aged people or people with disabilities to enable them to live independently in their own homes. Support is also provided to their carers.

We are seeking to employ a **Casual Grade 2 Care Worker** to provide basic personal care and domestic assistance (housekeeping) services to our clients in their homes. Flexible days and hours of work Monday to Sunday.

Are You:

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- Caring and understanding.
- Able to engage with the aged, people with disabilities and people from all backgrounds.
- Able to work varying hours including early mornings, evenings, some weekends and public holidays.

Do You:

- Own your own car.
- Have a license.

In Return We Will Offer You:

- Good rates of pay and kilometre allowance.
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- Supportive work environment.
- Rewarding career.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Qualifications in community care, aged care or disability would be well regarded but not essential.

For enquiries: Kelly Doolan - Ph (02) 6841 1570

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 5 July 2013

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**Aboriginal Family Violence
Prevention & Legal Service
Victoria (FVPLS Victoria)**

POLICY OFFICER

**FULL TIME TO 30/6/2014
COLLINGWOOD VIC
UP TO \$65k**

We are looking for a policy officer to help us develop policy positions and advocacy strategies that aim to improve law and justice outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander victims/survivors of family violence and sexual assault.

You will need to undertake research, have excellent communication skills to prepare reports, submissions and written materials for different media and target groups.

Tertiary qualifications such as law or equivalent highly desirable.

Applications close COB:

June 24, 2013

For Position description, email: vacancy@fvpls.org.

FVPLS Victoria
Telephone: 03 9244 3333
Website: www.fvpls.org



Relationships Australia Canberra and Region (RACR) is seeking applicants for the following 2 positions:

1 x Family Worker – Albury

1 x Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Family Worker

**Permanent Full-Time Position
\$50,184 to \$54,822 (pro-rata)**

The position reports to the Family Referral Service Manager and is based in Albury, with outreach provided to surrounding areas.

Please refer to the NSW Health website for more information about Family Referral Services in NSW <http://www.nursesreg.health.nsw.gov.au/initiatives/kts/frs.asp>

Applicants need to submit a written application to the FRS Manager addressing selection criteria and include a current resume.

Job description and criteria available at:
<http://www.racr.relationships.org.au/aboutus/employment>

Enquiries: 02 6923 9100
Melissa O'Neill

All applications to be emailed or posted to the
Family Referral Service Manager at
rivoffice@racr.relationships.org.au
or 36-40 Gurwood St Wagga Wagga NSW 2650

Closing date: Friday 21 June 2013 COB.

RACR is an equal opportunity employer. One of these positions is identified as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (WACHS)

(Funded by NSW Ministry of Health)

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service is currently recruiting to the positions of Men's Sexual Health Worker and Drug & Alcohol Worker. Both positions form part of the Social & Emotional Wellbeing team which also consists of Bringing Them Home male and female worker, Aboriginal Family Health Worker, and the Social & Emotional Wellbeing Team Leader.

Drug and Alcohol Worker

The Drug & Alcohol Worker has a primary focus of encouraging and promoting healthy behaviours regarding drug and alcohol use and supporting those affected in the Aboriginal community of Wellington. This will include case managing clients in consultation with other drug & alcohol services. The successful applicant must possess Certificate 1V or higher qualifications in the Drug & Alcohol, and also have extensive experience in working within the drug & alcohol field.

Note: *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above position and is authorised under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.*

Sexual Health Worker (Male)

The Men's Sexual Health position will have a primary focus of supporting, encouraging and promoting the sexual health and wellbeing of the Aboriginal community of Wellington. This will include case managing clients in consultation with other sexual health services. The successful applicant must possess Certificate 1V or higher qualifications in sexual health which must be supported by extensive experience in the sexual health field.

Note: *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above position and is authorised under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. WACHS considers being a male is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under s. 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).*

An attractive package will be negotiated with the successful applicant in line with relevant qualifications, skills and experience.

Suitably qualified, skilled and experience persons are to contact Cherie Colliss, Acting Team Leader at **Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (02) 6845 2565** for an information package which will detail the "Essential Criteria" to be addressed in the application.

**Application close 5pm Friday 12 July 2013
No faxed or late applications will be accepted.**



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	04/2280	ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED	199BL	116km SE'ly of Broome	Lat: 18° 36' S Long: 123° 6' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2300	142 EAST PTY LTD	30BL	72km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 57' S Long: 123° 43' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2302	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	18BL	68km W'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 18° 6' S Long: 124° 57' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2303	WESTERN BARITE PTY LTD	7BL	63km SE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 18° 36' S Long: 125° 58' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2304	WESTERN BARITE PTY LTD	12BL	122km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 18' S Long: 124° 53' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2035	GOLDEN PHOENIX AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	88BL	162km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 32' S Long: 117° 1' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2052	ENTERPRISE URANIUM LIMITED	196BL	186km S'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 26° 39' S Long: 115° 46' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2053	ENTERPRISE URANIUM LIMITED	109BL	155km S'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 26° 22' S Long: 115° 43' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1375	ARNDALL, John Ian	3BL	14km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 13' S Long: 121° 49' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/824	RIO TINTO EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	46BL	45km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 14' S Long: 118° 17' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/467	WESTEX RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	52km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 35' S Long: 121° 58' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/496	PIONEER RESOURCES LIMITED	6BL	40km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 3' S Long: 122° 3' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2273	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	45BL	97km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 122° 20' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2293	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	49BL	86km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 33' S Long: 122° 29' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2294	SAUNDERS, Frederick Charles	5BL	73km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2296	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	199km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 0' S Long: 122° 53' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/874	TELFERSCOT NOMINEES PTY LTD	40BL	26km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 31' S Long: 120° 51' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	30/446	LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	12BL	53km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 26' S Long: 120° 34' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2690	NORTHERN DRILLING PTY LTD	70BL	32km E'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 35' S Long: 122° 43' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2762	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	25BL	25km E'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 34' S Long: 122° 39' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2824	PIPER PRESTON PTY LTD	65BL	146km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 26° 42' S Long: 123° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2827	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	11BL	123km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 0' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2830	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	27BL	122km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 5' S Long: 122° 12' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2831	BOWLANE NOMINEES (WA) LIMITED	24BL	45km S'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 23' S Long: 122° 49' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2833	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	54km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 47' S Long: 122° 23' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1713	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	4BL	27km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1723	VICTORY GOLD PTY LTD	2BL	212km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 10' S Long: 124° 47' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1737	OMNI PROJECTS PTY LTD	70BL	132km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 45' S Long: 122° 51' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1738	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	5BL	46km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 0' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4169	NULLAGINE GOLD PTY LTD	51BL	30km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 21' S Long: 119° 31' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4174	MADIBA MINERALS PTY LTD	8BL	72km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4175	MADIBA MINERALS PTY LTD	2BL	66km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 11' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4176	PEMBERY PROSPECTING PTY LTD	7BL	129km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 118° 28' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4177	PEMBERY PROSPECTING PTY LTD	2BL	62km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 14' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	45/4179	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	75km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 31' S Long: 119° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4180	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	4BL	68km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 32' S Long: 119° 13' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4181	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	3BL	82km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 33' S Long: 119° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/985	GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD	69BL	111km SW'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 18' S Long: 121° 22' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/1342	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	57BL	97km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 21° 55' S Long: 117° 22' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/1669-70	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	138BL	48km NW'ly of Wittenoom	Lat: 21° 54' S Long: 118° 3' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2607	COMMODITE RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	18 km N'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 11' S Long: 119° 44' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1564	STAKEWELL PTY LTD	2BL	53km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 2' S Long: 118° 11' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1571	CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD TE JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	24BL	23km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 47' S Long: 118° 32' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2840	ALLKARRI HOLDINGS PTY LTD	5BL	94km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 45' S Long: 118° 22' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2868	ATTGOLD PTY LTD	1BL	149km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 36' S Long: 119° 30' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2871	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	7BL	193km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 11' S Long: 119° 41' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2873	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	31BL	190km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 8' S Long: 119° 48' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1740	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	25BL	94km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 15' S Long: 119° 58' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1757	HORIZON MINERALS PTY LTD	6BL	79km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 16' S Long: 121° 5' E	LEONORA SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1770	LEGEND RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	73km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 50' S Long: 121° 31' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1774-5	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	23BL	78km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 26' S Long: 120° 5' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1776	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	28BL	74km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 20' S Long: 120° 9' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1617	PROTO RESOURCES AND INVESTMENTS LTD	40BL	50km E'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 8' S Long: 122° 9' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1618-9	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	239BL	18km SW'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 6' S Long: 121° 30' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1625	SCADDAN ENERGY PTY LTD	95BL	50km S'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 24' S Long: 121° 50' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1626	TASEX GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	16BL	97km E'ly of Norseman	Lat: 31° 53' S Long: 122° 44' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2706	PONTON MINERALS PTY LTD	200BL	183km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 125° 11' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2707	PONTON MINERALS PTY LTD	200BL	124km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 56' S Long: 125° 4' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3101	ETHIOPIA PTY LTD	55BL	184km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 3' S Long: 121° 32' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3127	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	18BL	113km E'ly of Cocklebiddy	Lat: 31° 57' S Long: 127° 17' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3133	VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD	121BL	189km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 8' S Long: 121° 51' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/2596	MAINCOAST PTY LTD	70BL	46km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 28° 7' S Long: 115° 34' E	GERALDTON CITY
Exploration Licence	70/3835	DARLING RANGE SOUTH PTY LTD	84BL	58km SW'ly of Kojonup	Lat: 34° 16' S Long: 116° 49' E	BOYUP BROOK SHIRE, CRANBROOK SHIRE, KOJONUP SHIRE, MANJIMUP SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4065	NBX PTY LTD	200BL	29km SE'ly of Mount Barker	Lat: 34° 45' S Long: 117° 57' E	ALBANY CITY, PLANTAGENET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4471	POTASH WEST NL	22BL	31km N'ly of Moora	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 115° 53' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE, MOORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/538	LITHEX RESOURCES LTD	70BL	21km N'Ely of Munglinup	Lat: 33° 33' S Long: 121° 0' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/539	UNITED URANIUM LIMITED	67BL	71km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 32° 56' S Long: 120° 53' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/540	UNITED URANIUM LIMITED	13BL	59km W'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 0' S Long: 121° 1' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/541	UNITED URANIUM LIMITED	36BL	64km N'ly of Munglinup	Lat: 33° 8' S Long: 120° 58' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2124	SNAP HOOK (WA) PTY LTD	25BL	62km NW'ly of KOOLYANOBING	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 119° 15' E	YILGARN SHIRE

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Notification day: 19 June 2013

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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 = 2.8 km2

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The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Prospecting Licence	15/5689	AUDIAPT MINING AND ENERGY PTY LTD	194.78HA	16km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 121° 2' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5781	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	7.31HA	3km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 31' S Long: 121° 35' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5785	LANDTEC PTY LTD	166.81HA	26km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 120° 53' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4729	BORROMEI, Rino	17.75HA	27km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 30' S Long: 121° 25' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4730	BORROMEI, Rino	19.20HA	27km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 30' S Long: 121° 25' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4732	SHERRIFMUIR HOLDINGS PTY LTD	21.02HA	57km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 121° 13' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4733	DALLA-COSTA, Troy Gavin BOWDEN, Graeme Fredrick HOOPER, Jamie Gavin	28.71HA	45km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 121° 19' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2259-60	SOUTHERN GOLD LTD	235.69HA	32km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 42' S Long: 121° 47' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3841-3	BARACUS PTY LTD	588.84HA	27km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 59' S Long: 121° 30' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3844-9	BARACUS PTY LTD	1193.23HA	21km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 56' S Long: 121° 30' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	29/2309	AURIUM RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	10.91HA	78km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 9' S Long: 120° 30' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2319	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	84.54HA	82km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 7' S Long: 120° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2320	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	21.32HA	89km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 5' S Long: 120° 24' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2321	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	13.86HA	91km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 4' S Long: 120° 25' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2322	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	75.13HA	88km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 5' S Long: 120° 26' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2323	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	23.64HA	71km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 15' S Long: 120° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2324	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	23.64HA	83km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 9' S Long: 120° 25' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2325	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	20.15HA	83km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 8' S Long: 120° 27' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2326	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	125.80HA	77km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 10' S Long: 120° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2327	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	72.18HA	73km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 13' S Long: 120° 30' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	29/2328	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	20.80HA	76km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 12' S Long: 120° 28' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	30/1106	ROXBURY TRADING PTY LTD	22.99HA	59km SW'y of Menzies	Lat: 30° 2' S Long: 120° 35' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8292	LEGEND RESOURCES PTY LTD	97.84HA	38km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 121° 39' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8370	CREW, Ross, Frederick MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	5.96HA	8km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 121° 17' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8372-3	SNAP HOOK (WA) PTY LTD	301.51HA	49km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 121° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8377	ANGLO AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES NL	144.02HA	12km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 121° 21' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5425	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	0.90HA	30km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 122° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5426	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	3.95HA	33km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5427	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	10.71HA	32km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 122° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5428	SELGA, Mark	199.39HA	29km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 122° 6' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5431	PEARCE, Christopher James MAULONI, Thomas Samuel	199.89HA	56km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 121° 53' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1322	SONNTAG, Desmond John	101.06HA	44km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 15' S Long: 121° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2883-7	BARACUS PTY LTD	1000.91HA	48km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 12' S Long: 119° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE

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Sport

Jillaroos have final hit-out

THE Australian women's rugby league squad – the Jillaroos – had their final training session on Sunday before heading off to the World Cup in the United Kingdom.

The girls spent most of last week at Casuarina, on the Tweed coast, where they trained on Australian soil for the last time under coaches Petero Civoniceva, Michael de Vere and Mick Hancock.

The squad included NSW Indigenous players Emma, Julie and Rebecca Young, from Maitland.

Ambler Saltner, from Cherbourg, Queensland, is a shadow player.

Eleven teammates from the victorious Queensland side from the Women's Interstate Challenge are in the Jillaroos squad for the 2013 Festival of the World Cups.

Queensland beat NSW 30-12 in that game.

Rugby 7s polish their game before World Cup

THE Australian rugby union men's sevens team that includes Kyogle's Shannon Walker spent last week in camp at Casuarina, on the Tweed Coast.

The team is preparing for the Rugby World Cup Sevens tournament in Moscow and will leave Sydney tomorrow.

The camp was at the Surfing Australia High Performance Centre.

While most members of the squad had already been training together before last week's camp, they were joined for the first time by Super Rugby players Bernard Foley and Matt Lucas of the NSW Waratahs, along with Luke Morahan of the Queensland Reds.

Their final preparation camp began yesterday and will end today at the Sydney Academy of Sport at Narrabeen, in Sydney's northern beaches.

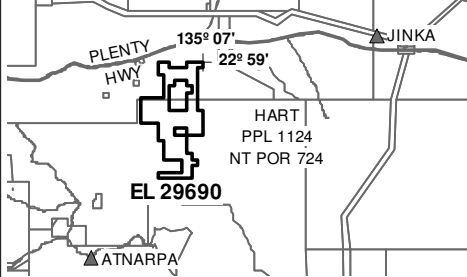
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 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.

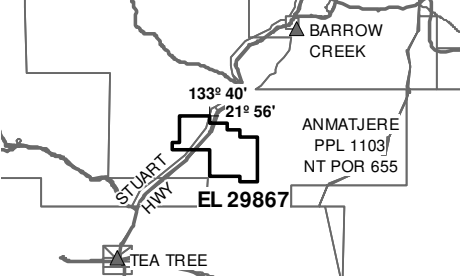
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 29690 sought by BARFUSS CORPORATION PTY LTD, ACN 006 917 666 over an area of 106 Blocks (335 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RIDDOCH locality.



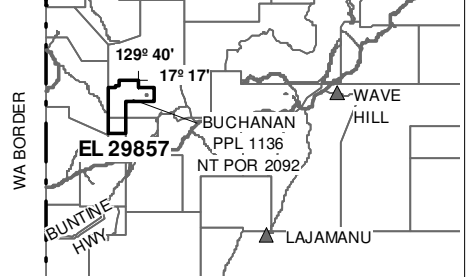
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Exploration Licence 29867 sought by ENIGMA MINING LIMITED, ACN 009 225 558 over an area of 85 Blocks (271 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BARROW locality.



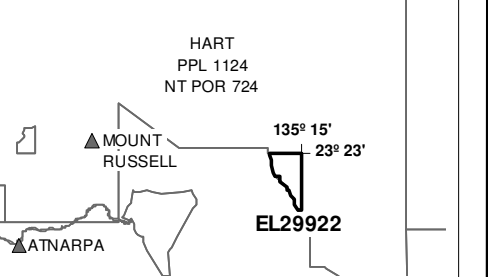
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Exploration Licence 29857 sought by KINGSLAND RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 152 164 380 over an area of 250 Blocks (801 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LIMBUNYA locality.



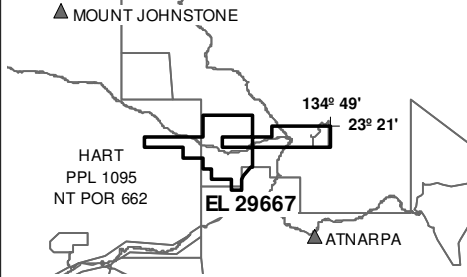
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Exploration Licence 29922 sought by ONEVA EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 072 908 582 over an area of 12 Blocks (30 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



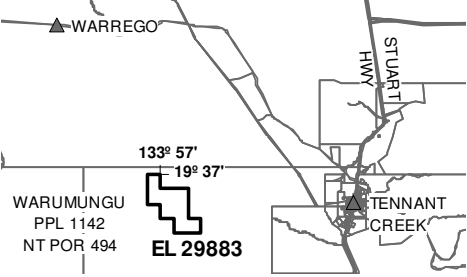
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Exploration Licence 29967 sought by OZ URANIUM (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 161 904 847 over an area of 147 Blocks (465 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NAPPERBY locality.



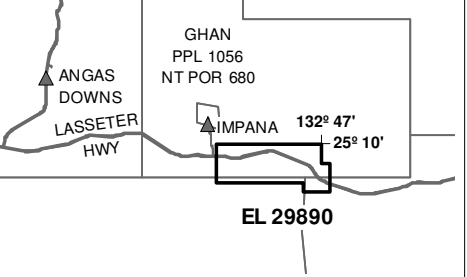
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Exploration Licence 29883 sought by RESOURCE HOLDINGS (WA) PTY LTD, ACN 079 106 684 over an area of 8 Blocks (26 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the KELLY locality.



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Exploration Licence 29890 sought by RUM JUNGLE RESOURCES LTD ACN 122 131 622 over an area of 53 Blocks (165 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the EBENEZER locality.



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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 Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2,

Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 or GPO Box 9973 Sydney, NSW 2001, or telephone (02) 9227 4000.

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: 19 June 2013



Gagai seizes second chance



Dane Gagai



AFTER being shown the door by Brisbane last year, Newcastle's Dane Gagai is now looking to emulate Justin Hodges as the world's premier centre after parlaying his good form into a two-year National Rugby League (NRL) contract extension. The Mackay-born 22-year-old was acknowledged as the best young player at the Broncos with seasoned observers rating him as the most exciting talent to emerge at the club since Hodges in 2000.

But despite his natural talent, Gagai struggled off the field and admits he lacked the professionalism to make it with the Broncos, who finally lost patience and released him last May just two months after handing him a new deal.

Despite wielding the axe, coach Anthony Griffin made a point of contacting several clubs trying to fix up the youngster with a move that would allow him to showcase his abilities in the NRL.

Now the gifted youngster is thriving under noted disciplinarian Wayne Bennett and is locked into the Knights until the end of the 2015 season.

Gagai said he would be forever grateful to Griffin and particularly Bennett, who coached his father Ray in the 1980s, for offering him the chance to revive his career.

"Wayne and I had a private conversation when I arrived and he told me to forget everything that happened in Brisbane and look forward," Gagai said.

First it was rugby league... now golf



TEAMS from NSW and Queensland will battle out the Koori Mail Indigenous State of Origin Golf Challenge Shield at the Nudgee course on Friday.

It is planned to make the Murri v Koori State of Origin an annual event, with next year's challenge to be in NSW.

Twenty teams will battle it out in an 18-hole ambrose event, teeing off at 9am.

The Queensland teams were selected at the recent Undumbi Golf Challenge at the Nudgee course three weeks earlier.

Indigenous State of Origin Golf Association president Gene Blow said the event had been long coming and everyone was awaiting the outcome.

Golfers from as far afield as Toowoomba and Rockhampton took part in the Deadlee Maardars fifth annual Undumbi Golf Challenge on a waterlogged Nudgee course on 31 May.

The course was soaked the night before and for a while it looked as though the event may have to be called off.

But it went ahead, with seven



Winners, from left, Gordon Langton, Daryl Docherty, Dan Blades with their seafood prizes.

groups made up of teams of three and four teeing off in the 18-hole ambrose event.

After the round, the men returned to the clubhouse for a health check, courtesy of Queensland Health's Kidney Biz team. This was mandatory for players before lunch.

Deadlee Maardars Association president Gene Blow and his mentoree Nathaniel Orman presented the trophies.

The winners were Daryl Docherty, Gordon Langton and Dan Blades

Last place, Mick Angeles, Ron Doyle and Sid Doyle; longest drive at 7th, Selwyn Bowman; nearest pin on 9th, Steve Cummings, on 14th, Mark Bright.



Longest drive winner Selwyn Bowman.

"He not only worked on my abilities on the field, but off the field he has helped me out with things outside of footy.

"That's what makes him such a great coach. He's big on family, he really gets involved with his players and looks after everyone.

"He's also given me some tough love when it's been needed and you just have to curl up, put your tail between your legs and

listen to what he's saying."

Gagai was a star fullback for the Broncos' under-20s side and had not played in the centres until joining the Knights.

After initially struggling coming to grips with the defensive side of the role, he said studying Hodges and his high standards at close quarters for so long had improved his game.

"Hodgo was good. He's the sort of person to tell you how it is if

you're slacking off," he said.

"Some people look at it as a bad thing, but not me. As hard as it was, he would give it to you straight.

"I love the way he plays in the centres. He's aggressive in defence and strong in attack. I have tried to take a few things from his game and use them.

"He's the best centre in the world and that's what I want to be."

—AAP



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	29/421	WILD ACRE METALS LIMITED	438.12HA	76km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 10' S Long: 120° 31' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1258	MILLWARD, John Stephen Bladon	34.18HA	55km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 58' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	45/1241	GLOBAL ADVANCED METALS WODGINA PTY LTD	31.29HA	64km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 7' S Long: 119° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Mining Lease	52/1063	REDSTONE MINERALS PTY LTD	1205.19HA	23km SE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 30' S Long: 119° 52' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Mining Lease	70/1313	WESTDEEN HOLDINGS PTY LTD	105.87HA	14km SE'ly of Dongara	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 114° 59' E	IRWIN SHIRE
Mining Lease	77/1268-I	POLARIS METALS PTY LTD	807.98HA	63km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 119° 54' E	YILGARN 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.

Notification day: 19 June 2013

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, 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 **19 September 2013**. 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 *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. 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. 19 October 2013**), 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.

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NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
08/1414-I	MINERALOGY PTY LTD	411318	99.41HA	64km NW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 8' S Long: 116° 1' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
08/1451-I	MINERALOGY PTY LTD	407892	455.33HA	52km NW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 15' S Long: 116° 1' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
08/1650	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	377173	24.79HA	72km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 55' S Long: 116° 49' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/1744	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	410833	49.53HA	96km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 30' S Long: 116° 12' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/1845	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	410837	70.94HA	101km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 32' S Long: 116° 13' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
08/636-I	MINERALOGY PTY LTD	407361	239.98HA	60km SW'ly of Dampier	Lat: 20° 53' S Long: 116° 11' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
08/660-I	MINERALOGY PTY LTD	411331	99.91HA	59km NW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 9' S Long: 116° 3' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
08/698-I	MINERALOGY PTY LTD	407376	376.57HA	68km SW'ly of Dampier	Lat: 20° 54' S Long: 116° 6' E	ROEBOURNE SHIRE
36/731	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	422872	23.97HA	34km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
37/859	RUDD, Alan Paul	423282	90.62HA	34km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 54' S Long: 121° 3' E	LEONORA SHIRE
38/1000	PLATINA RESOURCES LTD	421941	125.37HA	57km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 4' S Long: 123° 28' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
51/844	GLOBAL METALS EXPLORATION NL	413216	122.41HA	89km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 57' S Long: 119° 4' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
51/844	RUBIANNA RESOURCES LTD	413217	173.66HA	89km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 55' S Long: 119° 0' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
74/311	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	423367	37.94HA	16km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 39' S Long: 120° 10' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
74/392	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	423868	50.65HA	15km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 37' S Long: 120° 10' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
77/1650-I	SOUTHERN CROSS GOLDFIELDS LTD	422871	44.36HA	71km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 19 June 2013

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, 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 **19 September 2013**. 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 (Cth)*. 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. 19 October 2013**), 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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Bundjalung players turn on the action

● **LEFT:** Players from the Bundjalung Northern and Southern teams came together after their Timber Cup match at Oakes Oval, Lismore, on Saturday, 8 June.
Photo: Stuart Turner/APN



THE weather didn't cooperate, but the inaugural Bundjalung North versus South rugby league match for the historic Timber Cup in Lismore was a runaway success.

Organiser Grantley Creighton said he wouldn't change much for the second annual event next year.

"It was pretty wet, but we still had a good crowd and it went down pretty well," Creighton said.

Southern Bundjalung won the match 16-6 at Oakes Oval.

The Timber Cup was the trophy contested by teams playing in a now defunct Group One second division competition. For many years it was contested by teams in the Upper Clarence region. Several of these teams were dominated by Aboriginal players.

It was Creighton's wish to honour the legacy of those players by organising the Bundjalung North-South game, with the old Timber Cup as the trophy for the winners.

Creighton said he would like to expand the event next year to involve more Aboriginal players in the northern region – players from the Tweed Valley who play in a Queensland competition.

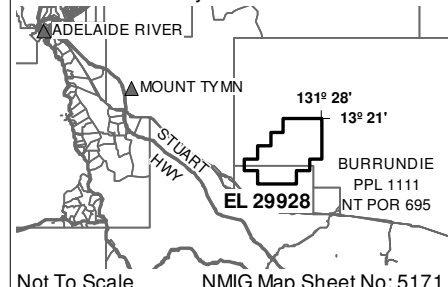
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NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

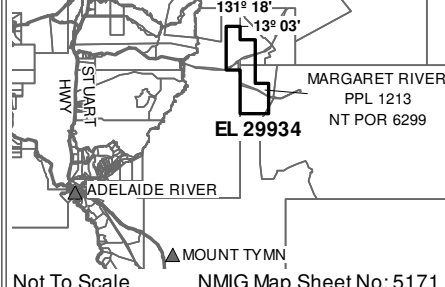
The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

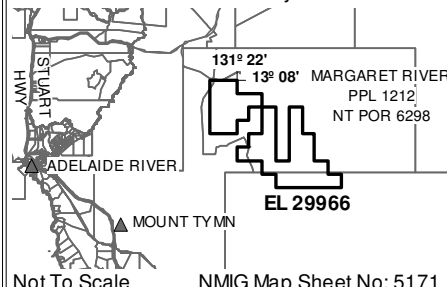
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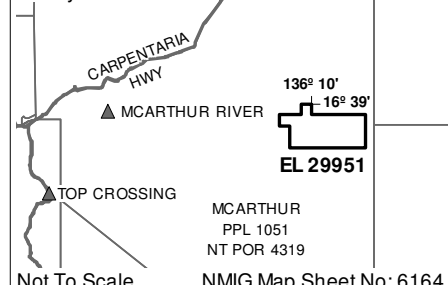
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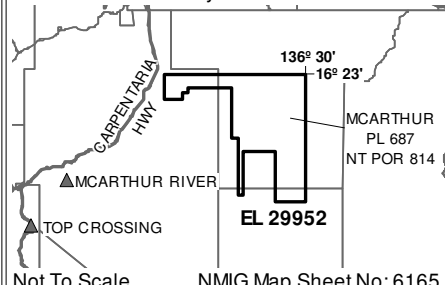
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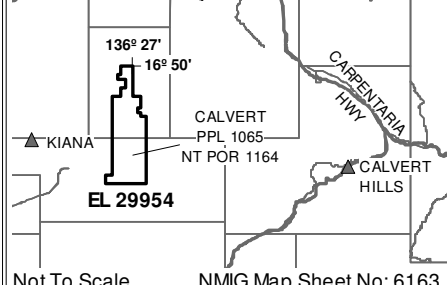
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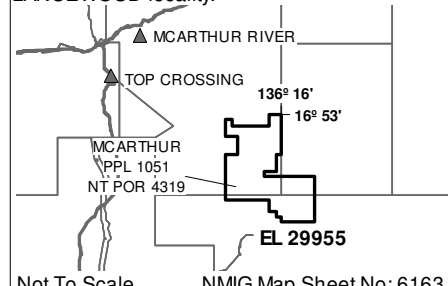
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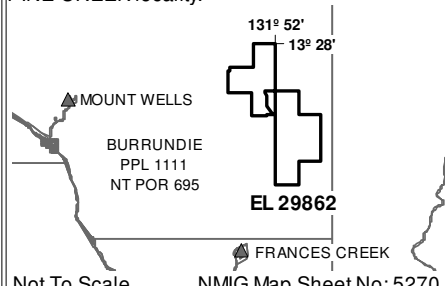
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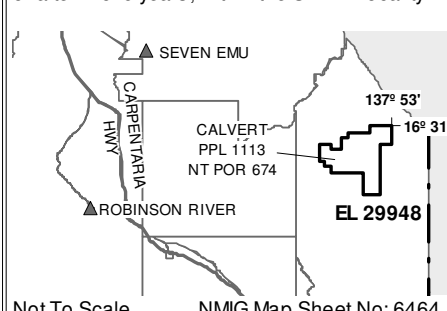
Exploration Licence 29955 sought by RIPPLE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 127 022 068 over an area of 176 Blocks (578 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.



Exploration Licence 29862 sought by TERRITORY IRON PTY LTD, ACN 125 984 401 over an area of 21 Blocks (34 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.



Exploration Licence 29948 sought by TORO ENERGY LIMITED, ACN 117 127 590 over an area of 83 Blocks (274 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SELBY 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 Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 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 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 or GPO Box 9973 Sydney, NSW 2001, or telephone (02) 9227 4000.

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: 19 June 2013

Deadly fun run set down for Yulara Resort



THE second annual all-Indigenous Deadly Fun Run will be held at the Yulara Resort at Uluru on the weekend of 13-14 July.

Organisers say this year's event will be twice the size of the inaugural event.

Adults will run 5km and the kids will run 3km against a majestic backdrop of Uluru and Kata Tjuta.

The Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) this year is expecting Indigenous teams from some of Australia's leading corporate organisations.

Categories this year will include most deadly junior, most deadly adult, most deadly community and most deadly corporate.

The fun run is open to any Indigenous group, and through the support of the Federal Government's Indigenous Sport and Active Recreation Program, IMP can assist teams from communities that conduct a series of fun runs, to bring their teams to Uluru.

Healthy living

The Deadly Fun Run aims to promote healthy living, encourage regular physical activity and good nutrition to enhance health, pride and strong communities.

Meanwhile, the IMP said in a newsletter that it had been a busy start to the year with athletes running in the Tokyo and Boston marathons, as well as taking part in a huge national tryout tour.

"We have picked an amazing squad of 12 inspirational athletes and have already welcomed them into Canberra for their first training camps," declared the IMP newsletter.

"On top of that we have been busy with our graduate athletes, as a number of them prepare for various marathons across the world, including Frankfurt and New York."

Bunnies run wild

As a parent, I know that my kids are getting a little bit nervous.

School holidays are just around the corner, which also means that half-yearly reports are on their way.

The same applies to National Rugby League (NRL) teams as we approach the halfway mark of the season.

The difference is that a few NRL teams know already that they will not finish top of the class!

The **Rabbitohs** are definitely the feel-good story of the year.

Finally, after more than 40 years of suffering, the most famous club in the NRL has got the team to win the premiership.

In fact, so good has their first half of the season been, a grand final appearance has become more an expectation than just a hope.

But that is where the pressure can start to build – and Souths are a club that has been burdened with expectation since their return to the competition.

With the best player in the competition igniting them from the back, the Bunnies are deserved favourites to grab some silverware this year.

The Rabbitohs have got talent across the park, but if Greg Inglis went down, they'd feel a much less-threatening outfit to their opponents.

I expect them to be in the decider at the end of the year.

Flying start

Melbourne Storm, as defending premiers, jumped out of the blocks with lightning speed carrying momentum, having conquered the World Club Challenge to kickstart their season.

Having jumped out to a lead in the competition, they hit somewhat of a form slump, looking exhausted at times.

They had a great win over the Sharks, but with the Storm are notorious for a form slump post-State of Origin, and the magnitude of a lengthy season could prove devastating for the club.

Burnout is the Storm's biggest worry leading into the latter stages of the season.

They are still a definite threat.

Four new faces at Bondi have turned the **Roosters** from bottom-half battlers into competition heavyweights.

An unknown quantity at NRL level when he was hired to take over from Brian Smith, Trent Robinson has been the fresh face and fresh message the Chooks have needed to shed some of their bad habits and become a brutally competitive side week after week.

And in Sonny Bill Williams, James Maloney and Michael Jennings, the coach was given three key planks on which to anchor his new game plan.

They will be up there at the end of the season, but I just can't see them taking home

the trophy.

Manly's ugly exit from the 2012 finals when they were beaten by the Bulldogs and then brutalised by the Storm, combined with an ageing roster, led many 'experts' to believe the Sea Eagles were finished as a premiership force.

But the Sea Eagles have once again emerged a chance to add more silverware to their prolific last decade.

While many of their stars are past their best years, they are tough – the toughest roster in the competition.

No one defends more grimly – and when they get all their backline stars on the park together, they can be devastating going the other way as well.

The fear has to be that the Sea Eagles will run out of gas. They play such a physical football over the course of such a long season that when the time comes to play at their very peak when the whips are cracking, finding the energy reserves can be difficult.

I am also not confident that they have the depth to cover injuries.

Surprise packet

The mighty **Titans** are the surprise packet of the competition.

They boast one of the most damaging packs in the competition.

Albert Kelly has been a key signing and the extension of his contract will give him an extra level of confidence.

His pairing alongside a matured Aidan Sezer has been a highlight of the competition.

Greg Bird and Nate Myles have revelled under the responsibility of captaincy while their marquee signing, Dave Taylor, may well be the additional factor to see the Titans fire into contention.

What a horror start for the **Sharks**.

Having recruited their greatest roster in the history of their club, ASADA hit them for six before a ball was even kicked.

Having their coach stood down and their key staff sacked, the Sharks have fought hard through adversity.

Despite the constant media attention and mental strain, Paul Gallen has been a rock for the club during trying times.

The emergence of Andrew Fifita has been a shining light for a club which had every reason to wave the white flag.

I still can't see them realising their full potential given all the off-field dramas.

The **Bulldogs** were similarly rocked to the core by the club-imposed suspension of Dally M Medallist Ben Barba on the eve of round one and the shockwaves translated to the field where the 2012 grand finalists fell to one win, five losses after six rounds.

RUGBY LEAGUE



With **PRESTON CAMPBELL**

Since the return of big men James Graham and Sam Kasiano, they've come out the other side with a glut of wins, reminding us why they started the season among the premiership favourites.

The Dogs can never be underestimated and they will give the competition a shake come September.

Every competition needs a bit of drama and the **Raiders** have provided it in spades this year – on and off the field.

After a disastrous start to the season, the Raiders are now on course for a finals berth and if they do make the eight, they'll be arguably the most frightening prospect the big guns would ever want to tackle.

The way the Raiders have bounced back has been reflected in the comeback from Ferguson, who, in about two months, has become one of the most feared outside backs in the competition and an Origin weapon.

They are a team to watch.

Struggled

Wayne Bennett vowed to work his magic and make the **Knights** premiership contenders and some excellent early-season wins backed that theory.

However, they have struggled with injury as the recent signing of Craig Gower would suggest.

With the Knights' best side on the field, they've shown they can compete with anyone, perhaps with the exception of the top four.

But the worry that goes with an old roster is injuries and if key players keep going down, so will the Knights' chances of a top eight finish.

The **Panthers** are another side to surprise a lot of people.

Ivan Cleary continues to dispense with big names and club stalwarts – the latest being Kevin Kingston – and bringing in

young local products.

And if the likes of Matt Moylan are a glimpse into the future, there's plenty to like about what's happening out west.

Even with the Panthers 'rebuilding' mantra remaining front and centre, they have spent a fair chunk of the season on the edge of the top eight and they're not without a chance of playing finals football this season.

They have perhaps the most evenly balanced roster in the competition.

There are no stars, so there's no one to rely upon.

I can't see them making the eight, but they are ones to watch for next year.

Meantime, the pressure is squarely on for **Broncos** coach Anthony Griffin after a season where everything that could go wrong has.

After fading in 2012, due in part to a dip in form from Peter Wallace and Corey Norman, Griffin decided to take a risk on veteran Scott Prince.

Prince and Wallace play a similar style, while Corey Norman has rubbed salt into the wound by outperforming both of them from his new position of fullback and then jumping ship in a big money move to Parramatta.

Long shot

Throw in injuries to key players Ben Hannant and Justin Hodges and worrying poor form from the Baby Broncos charged with carrying the torch during the Origin period, the Broncos look a long shot to make the eight.

The arrival of one star and the departure of another have summed up the **Dragons'** season.

Since taking over from Wayne Bennett, Steve Price has endured a rocky relationship with star five-eighth Jamie Soward.

That has finally come to an end with Soward signing with Penrith for 2014 before being dumped to NSW Cup.

Soward's exit is symbolic of the way the 2010 premiership side has been dismantled and Dragons fans will be hoping Josh Dugan's arrival heralds a new and exciting era for the Red V.

His signing might not be enough to push the Dragons into finals calculations this season, but if they can strike a deal to keep him at the club next year, they'll start to assemble a roster Price can better work with.

Across the ditch with a new halves combination and more importantly a new coach, there was high expectation to produce instantaneous results.

The blow torch was red hot on **Warriors** coach Matt Elliott up until a month ago.

His job is far from safe and that is largely due to the fact that this year has been the same old story for the team across the Tasman.

The dreaded 'c word' –

consistency – has long been the biggest issue in what is the most inconsistent group in the competition.

They have a knock of pushing out to a lead and clocking off or letting the game slip before rallying in a big comeback.

Their recent form shows what they are capable of, but they may have given other teams too much of a start.

The **Wests Tigers** have been similarly disappointing.

Having punted Australian Test coach Tim Sheens in favour of rookie coach Mick Potter despite Sheens remaining on the pay roll, the joint venture can't get a break.

A massive injury toll has only compounded things while relationships between player and coach have been tested thanks to Benji Marshall being axed for poor form earlier in the year while Robbie Farah was benched midway through their clash with Manly.

Recently they have shown some of the fighting spirit the club is renowned for, but the season is already gone.

But the biggest disappointment of the season has to be the **Cowboys**.

After starting the season as premiership fancies, the Cowboys have slipped to second last on the table and have plenty of work to do if they want to save their coach, let alone qualify for the finals.

While the club has successfully tied marquee Johnathan Thurston, Matt Scott and James Tamou to long-term deals, their failure to secure a quality hooker to replace Aaron Payne and James Segeyaro has had a crippling effect on the team's go-forward.

Throw that in with a rotating door policy in the half-back position and the burden on Thurston to ignite his team has been overwhelming and ultimately unsuccessful.

And I believe the club is only beginning to understand how important Matt Bowen is to the chemistry of the team.

He will be impossible to replace.

The one team that has unfortunately lived up to expectations has been Parramatta.

The **Eels** have shown occasional glimpses of promise under new coach Ricky Stuart, but the bottom line is the roster is alarmingly thin when it comes to top-line NRL talent and that's been reflected, in results and in Stuart's latest ultimatum, with a dozen first graders on their way out at the end of the season.

The Storm and Rabbitohs deserve their favouritism.

But don't be surprised if Albert Kelly, Greg Bird, Aidan Sezer, Ryan James and my big mate Jamal Idris continue to shock a few experts.

The **Titans** are a team on the rise!

Carnivals galore!

By ALF WILSON



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander rugby league players from across north Queensland have a bonanza of All Blacks carnivals to look forward to.



They will be held at Badu Island, Thursday Island, Ipswich, Townsville, Cairns, Gordonvale, Mossman, Bamaga, Cooktown, Kowanyama, Mareeba and Yarrabah.

The first will be the Island of Origin at Badu Island from 4-6 July. It has already attracted nominations from eight men's and three women's sides.

Josephine Ahmat from the organising committee told the *Koori Mail* that in the men's section, Magun Warriors (Yam Island), Mabuiag Island's Goemu Bau Raiders, Argun Warriors (Badu), Saguci Tigers (Badu), Koedals (Badu), Dabu Titans (Kubin), Moa Boars (Moa), and Thursday Island would compete.

"We are still waiting to hear from the NPA and Top Top Western islands about

possible sides," Josephine said.

In the 2013 women's section, Josephine said that Central Islands, Dedeyal Gammars (St Pauls), and Badu-Mabuiag would be there.

"There will possibly be one more team," she said.

Darts will also be played during the carnival, with Warraber Island, Mabuiag, St Pauls, Badu, TI and NPA looking to enter two or more teams.

Zenadth Kes

The Ken Brown Memorial Oval on Thursday Island will be the venue for the other Torres Strait carnival when the Zenadth Kes takes place from 17-19 October.

QRL Northern Division regional coordinator David Maiden has detailed dates for various carnivals.

On 21 September the Southern Suburbs All Blacks carnival at Gordonvale is scheduled.

From 26-29 September at Ipswich, the Arthur Beetson Foundation Cup Murri carnival is on.

This is the carnival that determines who will play the winner of the NSW Aboriginal

Knockout for the Deadly Choices Interstate Challenge for the right to be declared the best Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander team in Australia.

On 12-13 October, the Townsville Bindal All Blacks carnival is scheduled.

North Queensland's biggest All Blacks carnival at Cairns is set down for 18-20 October and looks set to again have at least 30 men's teams, and an undetermined number of under 18 and women's sides.

Kowanyama will host an All Blacks carnival from 25-27 October.

Between 31 October and 2 November, the NPA Cup, formerly known as the Dan Ropeyarn carnival, will be held at Bamaga.

This traditionally has attracted the cream of TSI, NPA and Cape York players.

From 8-10 November, the Mossman All Blacks is scheduled.

There are also plans for carnivals at Cooktown, Yarrabah, Mareeba and Mount Isa on dates to be advised.

Four sides that took out major recent carnivals – Argun Warriors, Curacoa Crusaders, Descendants and Palm Island Barracudas – will contest some of the carnivals.

Badu Island's Argun Warriors hold the

title of Australia's best All Blacks carnival team, beating NSW side Newcastle Yowies at the Murri versus Koori Deadly Choices Interstate Challenge last February in Brisbane.

Argun Warriors qualified for that showdown by winning the Queensland Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Knockout, while the Yowies had taken out the NSW Knockout.

Defend title

Argun Warriors also won the last Island of Origin on Badu in June 2011 and will attempt to defend that title next July.

"Argun Warriors will contest both the Island of Origin and the Murri Knockout," team spokesman Keiji Bowie said.

Descendants, a team that consists of TSI players living in Cairns, easily won the CQ Reconciliation All Blacks carnival in Rockhampton earlier this year.

Curacoa Crusaders won North Queensland's biggest carnival in Cairns last October.

Palm Island Barracudas, who also had many players of TSI descent, took out the last Bindal carnival in Townsville a week before the Cairns event.

Like father, like son...

Story and pictures by
ALF WILSON



IT is rare for a father to regularly play rugby league matches in the same side as his son.

Most proud dads would be content to watch their sons from the comfort of the sideline and cheer for them.

But not Napranum 37-year-old evergreen forward Jason Nixon, who gets a

much closer view of his son Shaquel, 18, as they line up in the same side.

Jason played lock and Shaquel at hooker for the Northern Cape side that contested the Remote Area Rugby League FNQ Challenge in Cairns on 25-26 May.

"We switched around a bit with our positions, but it was great to be in the same side as Shaquel," Jason said.

Father and son have been in the same senior team for several years and the *Koori Mail* asked

Jason if he considered it rare.

"True, you don't hear of many fathers and sons in the same team, but we like it. I try and pass on my experience to the younger guys," Jason said.

Seasoned campaigner

Jason has bucketloads of experience, having played in more than 50 All Blacks carnivals, including at Cairns, the Dan Ropeyarn at Bamaga, the Island of Origin on Badu Island, and the Zenadth Kes on Thursday Island.

"Myself and Shaquel have played in several All Blacks carnivals together, including at Cairns and Bamaga," Jason said.

Proud dad Jason and his admiring son also lined up for Natives in the 2012 Cape York wet season and the Cape Cluster competitions.

"We managed to win the wet season last year but fell short in the Cape Cluster," Jason said.

They were key members of the Natives side that won its first two matches of the 2013 wet season over Napranum Brothers and Weipa Raiders.

Natives are amongst the favourites to take out the wet season competition when the semifinals and grand finals are held in Weipa on 20 July and 27 July.

One of the shortest players in

north Queensland rugby league at 155cm, Jason shone for Northern Cape at the FNQ Challenge, being dangerous from dummy half.

"Shaquel is a bit taller than me at 180cm," he said.

Island of Origin

Jason and Shaquel look set to play for a team at the coming Island of Origin carnival on Badu Island in early July.

Another son – Whyte, 16 – also played for Natives last year in the second row.

"In September Whyte will travel to France to play for the Australian Indigenous junior talent squad, but in rugby union," Jason said.



Jason Nixon, left, tackles a Palm Island Barracudas player at the Remote Area Rugby League (RARL) Challenge in Cairns.



Jason Nixon, left, with sons Shaquel and Whyte. Behind them is Billy Wasiu, from Weipa.

They're set to fly



Ezekiel Frank, from the Northern Territory.



Kym LeBois, from South Australia.



Kobe Broome, from Queensland.



THE Australian Football League (AFL) 2013 Flying Boomerangs squad has been named.

Their first assignment will be to compete in the

NAB AFL under 16 championships in July.

The team also will tour internationally in December.

The Flying Boomerangs will be coached by Eugene Warrior, former Port Adelaide (SANFL) player who is coaching the Division One Salisbury North Football Club.

For 14-15-year-olds

The Flying Boomerangs is a personal development and leadership program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young men aged 14-15 years.

It is supported by the Coles AFL Indigenous Program.

Selected by the AFL's Chris Johnson from the 2013 National KickStart under 15 carnival in Townsville earlier this year, the squad of 25 has been chosen based on football talent and leadership skills.

AFL head of diversity Jason Mifsud said the Flying Boomerangs program was a great opportunity for the best rising Indigenous talent to develop on and off the field.

"The Flying Boomerangs will be exposed to elite training and coaching, as well as personal development opportunities during the NAB AFL under 16 championships (6-13 July) and the international high-performance camp," he said.

"We are extremely excited by the appointment of Eugene Warrior as coach of the 2013 squad.

"Eugene is part of the

AFL's Indigenous Coaching Academy and his pathway to head coach of the Boomerangs is a strong example of the support and development opportunities that the academy creates for rising Indigenous coaches."

The Flying Boomerangs' first game will be against South Pacific on Sunday, 7 July.

They then take on Western Australia on Wednesday, 10 July, and their third game is against a World team on Saturday, 13 July.

All games will be played over four 20-minute quarters.

The squad

The 2013 Flying Boomerangs squad: Shai Bolton (Perth, WA), Kobe Broome (Brisbane South East, Qld), Lenny

Christie (Kedron, Brisbane, Qld), Ezekiel Frank (Darwin, NT), Antionne Forrest-Yarran (Perth, WA), Denver Garlett (Perth, WA), John Garlett (Perth, WA), Jamie Hampton (Alice Springs, NT), Callum Harrison (Launceston, Tas), Dion Johnson (Warrnambool, Vic), Jordan Jeffery (Darwin, NT), Kym LeBois (Adelaide, SA), Keiran Martin (Alice Springs, NT), Liam Nelson (Surf Beach, NSW), Tommy Nickels (Northam, WA), Sam Powell-Pepper (Perth, WA), John Pupangamirri (Mullumbimby, Qld), Corey Raymond (Lajamanu, NT), Jy Simpkin (Shepparton, Vic), Kyle Thomas (Reservoir, Vic), Calvin Thorne (Mandra, WA), Samuel Walsh-Bannam (Mill Town, Vic), Keenan Waterbury (Katherine, NT), Mathew Wilkes (Perth, WA), Anthony Young (Newborough, Vic).



Sammy Walsh-Bannam, from Victoria.

West Australian Sam Powell-Pepper.



Peachey joins ARL Indigenous Council



A file picture of David Peachey.



FORMER rugby league star David Peachey is the new face on the Australian Rugby League Indigenous Council.

This follows the removal of Percy Knight as chairman of the council and the naming of NSW MP Linda Burney as the interim chair.

Mr Knight's departure was announced on the eve of the Indigenous All Stars-NRL All Stars match last February.

His removal brought strong reaction from some sectors of Indigenous rugby league, including former Kangaroo Larry Corowa.

'Error of judgment'

Mr Knight said at the time his removal was 'a real error of judgment by the commission and not in the best interest of the Indigenous rugby league community'.

While Ms Burney has filled in as interim chair, the board position remained vacant until now.

Peachey is a rugby league One Community ambassador and former State of Origin, Cronulla and South Sydney player.

The ARL Commission said Peachey had been a passionate promoter of opportunity for Indigenous athletes during and after his playing career and was a leading advocate for the NSW State Government's 'tackling domestic violence' program.

"Everyone in rugby league admires David's commitment to seeing Indigenous communities and Indigenous athletes reach their true potential," Australian Rugby League Commission chairman John Grant said.

"He does some simply fantastic work and has proven a genuine leader on social issues across a national stage.

"David is someone who understands more than anyone the role that rugby league can play in closing the opportunity gap that exists between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians and will be able to offer important advice to the council and to the game."

On learning of his appointment, Peachey said: "It is exciting to be part of a council that brings together such an impressive group of people and which is so passionate about the game that I love. "The fact that the council is recognised

as being such an important part of the game says a lot about where rugby league has come over the years since I started playing.

"I look forward to working with the other council members to help provide a voice for grassroots Indigenous communities and to help those communities grow through rugby league."

Ms Burney said Peachey had been an inspirational figure for Indigenous communities over many years.

'Connected to community'

"Not only has he played at the highest levels, but he has always remained connected to the grassroots and to his community," she said.

"He is a true leader who will bring an important voice to the council."

The Australian Rugby League Indigenous Council is: Linda Burney (chair), Katrina Fanning, Preston Campbell, Glen Brennan, Darren Godwell, Stephen Tillett, William 'Smiley' Johnstone and David Peachey.

Its role is to provide strategic advice on Indigenous issues in the game to the NRL and the ARL Commission.

Hawks won't bid beyond their limit



HAWTHORN coach Alastair Clarkson says the Australian Football League (AFL) club won't be stretching beyond what it can reasonably afford to keep superstar Lance Franklin.

Greater Western Sydney is reportedly preparing to offer the two-time Coleman Medallist a six-year \$9 million deal.

That could potentially be bumped up even further by the AFL, who would consider paying Franklin to be an ambassador for the competition if he makes the move north.

Clarkson said the Hawks, whose offer was believed to be around \$1 million a season, won't be drawn into a bidding war as it could squeeze out other players and damage their premiership chances.

"If he chooses to go and there's AFL money that gets added to it at the end of it, then that's for the AFL and Bud to work out," the Hawks coach told the Nine Network's AFL Footy Show on 6 June.

"But just from our point of view we'll offer what we think we can offer as a club relative to our salary cap.

"We don't want to cannibalise our own system too much.

"Once it stretches beyond what we can afford, then we'll happily have to push ourselves out of the market.

"You've got to do that in a sense if you want to stay in that premiership window and keep relative with your salary cap in terms of paying your players a pretty fair amount.

"We've got some good players and we don't want to lose those guys all for the sake of just keeping one."

Clarkson said while the Hawks wanted to

know Franklin's intentions as soon as possible, they were resigned to the fact that his decision might not come until after the season.

He said the conjecture didn't appear to be having an effect on Franklin or his teammates. "We'll just deal with it as we go," he said.

"Our attitude all along has been while he's a contracted player at the Hawthorn footy club, we hope he can do the best he can for his side and help us try to win a flag this year."

Clarkson said the Hawks remained 'pretty hopeful' Franklin would stay.

Meanwhile, Greater Western Sydney No 1 draft pick Jonathon Patton has a simple message for those who think Lance Franklin won't consider joining his AFL club next year.

"If they offer him \$2 million a year, it's realistic," Patton says.

That type of payday isn't without precedent at the young club.

It is estimated code-hopper Israel Folau made somewhere between \$3 million and \$4 million over two years while learning the code at the Giants.

The same amount for an equally high-profile player, such as Franklin, wouldn't be out of the picture.

Patton, who is out for the season with a knee injury, says his club is in need of an experienced marquee player after the departures of mature heads Luke Power and James McDonald last year.

"If there was a big marquee player to come to the club with a big presence, someone like Israel Folau I guess - but not a rugby player - it would be great for the club," he said.

"Anyone would like Buddy Franklin in their team. So if he came to the club, I'd probably have a smile on my face." - AAP

Club director alleges racism



A COMPLAINT process has started following allegations by Manly Sea Eagles director Darrell

Williams that he had been subjected to a racist comment at a Manly board meeting.

The National Rugby League (NRL) has initiated the process in consultation with the Manly club under its anti-vilification policy following the receipt of an email from Mr Williams.

Mr Williams contacted the NRL and outlined his belief that he had been subject to a racist comment at a board meeting earlier this year.

The ABC reported that it was believed that Williams, a former New Zealand and Sea Eagles fullback with 21 Test caps to his

name, took exception to being called 'boy' by fellow board member Rick Penn.

In the letter, which Fairfax Media published, Williams said Penn 'began a tirade' after board members questioned the actions of his son, Sea Eagles chairman Scott Penn.

NRL chief executive Dave Smith said: "We have advised both parties that any suggestion of racism has to be treated seriously.

"While this is, in one view, a governance issue within the Sea Eagles board, it is important that it is addressed as part of our anti-vilification framework."

The news comes after the AFL suffered a dual blow in the racial relations stakes when star Sydney Swans forward Adam Goodes was the subject of racial vilification twice within a matter of days.

Kelly re-signs with Titans

THE Gold Coast Titans have re-signed half-back Albert Kelly for two more National Rugby League (NRL) seasons.

Kelly, 22, arrived on the Gold Coast on a short-term deal last November but has shone, helping the Titans remain on track for a NRL finals berth.

"The Titans showed great faith in me to give me a chance and I'm grateful for that opportunity,"

Kelly said.

Titans coach John Cartwright said Kelly had impressed on and off the field since his arrival.

"I think the important thing for Albert is he's got a group of players and staff that care about him and want to see him do well," he said.

Kelly's signing follows recent contract extensions for fellow young stars William Zillman, Aidan Sezer and Matt Srama. - AAP



Clash of the titans: The NSW Blues' Blake Ferguson fends off Queensland Maroons rival Greg Inglis during game one of the 2013 State of Origin rugby league series at ANZ Stadium in Sydney, 5 June. NSW won 14-6. The relatively inexperienced Ferguson did well against the much-vaunted Queensland backs. Photo: AAP

... Now comes the biggest challenge



COACH Laurie Daley knows only too well that stopping Queensland from winning its eighth successive State of Origin rugby league series

remains a daunting task, despite guiding NSW to a first-up win in the three-match series.

The Blues gave debutant Origin coach Daley the perfect start with a gritty 14-6 win over the Maroons in game one of the series in Sydney on 5 June.

And while Luke Lewis was the deserved man of the match, the three Indigenous players in the NSW line-up – Greg Bird, Blake Ferguson and Andrew Fifita – were outstanding.

Bird in particular was at his brilliant best. He gained 113 metres in hit-ups and gave his trademark 80-minute performance.

Ferguson appeared to start nervously, but settled down.

It appeared that Queensland felt Ferguson could be susceptible to the high ball, and several cross-field kicks were aimed at him.

But he handled them well and returned

fire with some telling raids.

Cronulla prop Andrew Fifita came through his Origin baptism well and did not shirk his responsibilities.

So dominant were the NSW forwards that the much-vaunted Queensland backs – featuring the likes of Johnathan Thurston, Justin Hodges, Greg Inglis, Cooper Cronk and Billy Slater – weren't allowed to put their stamp on the game.

Early initiative

The Blues took command of the game from the kick-off and their intensity caught the Maroons napping.

The Blues played with an intensity rugby league fans have come to expect from Queensland.

With the job done in game one, NSW know their mission is not complete as they head to Brisbane for game two on 26 June.

That's when they will bid to become the first Blues side to win an Origin series since 2005.

Skipper Paul Gallen said: "We're going to go up there and everyone is going to hate us and they're going to want to rip our heads off."

"We've won (game one), but we've got a long way to go."

Daley saluted the desire his players showed and declared Gallen's brawl with Nate Myles as one of the great Origin moments.

"Never question the passion these players show in these jerseys," Daley said.

Three of the four Blues debutants did well, with James Maloney, Ferguson and Fifita impressing.

The fourth debutant, Josh Reynolds, remained on the bench.

"They were all outstanding," Daley said of the three debutants.

Maroons coach Mal Meninga saw nothing wrong with the on-field punishment dished out to Gallen – which saw him put on report, but not sin-binned for his left-right combination to Nate Myles' head.

The Blues got the jump on their northern rivals, crossing after just five minutes through Jarryd Hayne – before his effort was shading by a brilliant try to centre Michael Jennings just before half-time.

Their tries were sandwiched by a penalty to debutant five-eighth James Maloney, who kicked three from four as the Blues made

the most of their early advantage.

"We just got beaten to the punch with our start," Meninga said.

"They won the ruck, won the play the ball pretty well. That's where they got their points from."

"(Poor starts) is something we've talked about. It's something we need to address."

Threat of comeback

Queensland threatened to produce one of their trademark Origin comebacks when winger Darius Boyd crossed with 19 minutes remaining – forcing the record crowd of 80,380 to hold its collective breath.

But the Blues, inspired by a monster performance from man of the match Luke Lewis, bravely clung on for a courageous victory.

Maroons five-eighth Johnathan Thurston, in doubt for the clash after picking up a virus in camp, struggled to make an impact as he also battled with an adductor injury.

Meninga said it had been a team decision to play the Test star, but admitted Thurston had been well below his lofty best.

– Graham Hunt and AAP

Blues drop Yarran



CARLTON dropped Australian football star Chris Yarran, despite the small forward's efforts

last week to make amends for his poor body language.

Yarran made it clear a week earlier that he was unhappy at being named the substitute for the narrow loss to Essendon.

Despite apologising and working hard on the track during the week, he was axed from the team that played Gold Coast at Ehihad Stadium, Melbourne, last Saturday night.

"Chris has worked harder than anyone at training this week, but we demand a level of excellence and he didn't meet that," Blues football manager Andrew McKay said on the club website.

The Blues made Yarran an emergency, while also dropping Simon White and recalling Josh Bootsma.

Yarran didn't impress coach Mick Malthouse after his display of poor body language as the substitute player in the Blues' loss to Essendon.

Yarran was unimpressed with his role in the green vest and had little impact when coach Malthouse pulled the trigger to inject him into the game in the final quarter of the 7 June clash at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), where the Blues lost by five points.

After that game, Carlton were seventh on the AFL ladder with a 6-5 win-loss record.

"He (Yarran) admits it wasn't good and I don't think it was good and how we handle that, that's an internal voice and an action," Malthouse told a media conference.

"We lost a game that we shouldn't have."

Malthouse said Yarran had apologised for his behaviour.

The veteran coach's famous grumpy attitude towards the media bubbled to the surface amid a series of questions about Yarran.

"You know what, I want to finish this conversation about Chris Yarran," Malthouse fumed. "He clearly didn't have the right body language."

"We all know that. There's no use hiding that."

"He is the first to admit it. He has apologised for it."

"He is very remorseful about being in a position where he hasn't taken on board the team theme and he fully acknowledges it."

"He will be far better for this. The club will be far better for this."

"It is a learning curve for all."

While Malthouse was talking tough about selections, he also left the door open for Yarran to remain in the side because of his match-winning abilities. —AAP

Home is where the heart is

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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WHEN a young player is drafted into the Australian Football League (AFL), the first reactions are normally ones of euphoria and elation.

Once the celebrations are over, the realities of having to leave the security of home and family can often overcome a young player.

As we well know, these feelings can be compounded if the young player comes from an Indigenous community where family is central to the way of life and culture.

That being said, when an AFL club takes ownership of a player's welfare, the club can become a second family where the player feels safe and secure.

That is why I am so pleased that Lewis Jetta has re-signed with the Swans and why I hope Eddie Betts decides to stay with Carlton.

Contract talks

Carlton has started contract talks with Betts as a restricted free agent and hopes to re-sign him before round 14.

"Eddie wanted to start playing after his suspension before we started talking," Blues football manager Andrew McKay said.

"We've only just started again and we'll really get stuck into it in the bye weekend. Eddie's keen to wrap it all up by the end of the bye fortnight."

"I think we'll be fine. We don't see any problems. It sounds like Eddie wants to stay, which is good."

Betts has played 171 games for the Blues since making his debut in round one, 2005.

He finished second in Carlton's 2012 best and fairest and was its leading goalkicker in 2010 and 2012.

Injury and suspension have limited Betts to just five games and eight goals this season.

On the field, Eddie Betts is a fan favourite.

The 170-game veteran is one of Carlton's leaders, who always manages to muster magic in front of goal.

Off the field, he's a father, fiancé and fan of country music.

And he definitely feels at home at Carlton.

When asked what he would be doing if he wasn't playing AFL, his answer was quite realistic.

"Having spent a lot of my life in Western Australia, I would probably be working in the mines. I'm very happy to be playing football," he said.

But the centre of his universe is now his own family and that is why I believe he will stay at Carlton.

"At the moment, I'm focussed on being a dad," Betts said.

"I spend a lot of time looking after my son Lewis."

"On my days off, my fiancée Anna works, so I have Lewis to myself all day. I love it – just him and me," he concluded.

I believe Jetta decided to stay at the Swans for similar reasons.

Resist lure

I wanted him to stay in Sydney to continue the line of Aboriginal players and resist the lure of returning to Western Australia.

All I could speak about was what Sydney had done for Adam Goodes and me and the rest of the playing group – it speaks for itself.

I grew up in South Australia and I know the pull of returning home.

The lure of going home was dangled in front of me when I played and I stayed because of the quality of people that were, and are, at the Swans.

In Sydney, you can lead a comfortable life away from footy 24/7.

When you're in Perth, Adelaide and Melbourne it's a different world.

The way the Swans have been able to handle all their players from interstate is outstanding.

But the personal lure of being able to play alongside one of the game's greats proved to be the deciding factor.

Playing alongside Adam Goodes was the key reason why Lewis Jetta decided to extend his time to another two years in Sydney, rejecting the lure of returning to Western Australia.

Goodes also played a role in bringing Jetta to the

Swans when he was drafted as the 14th pick in 2009.

"Yes, definitely," Jetta said when asked about Goodes' involvement in staying at the club.

"I'm going to cherish every game I play with him. It's an amazing opportunity to still be playing with him."

Goodes has helped Jetta's development as a player, mentoring and guiding him in how to perform in the AFL.

"When I first got to the footy club, he showed me the ropes," Jetta said.

"He showed me the hard work required and what it means to be a professional."

Jetta established himself as one of the most exciting players in the AFL last season, kicking 45 goals.

"I enjoy playing with Adam," Jetta said.

"Every time I'm in trouble, I just kick it to him and I'm sure he's going to win the ball and nine times out of ten, he does."

"He just puts it in front of me and lets me run on to it and

that's all I can ask.

"He inspires me the way he behaves off the field as well as on. He's one of the greats of the football club and I'm just lucky to be able to play with him."

Also at the front of Jetta's mind was the happiness of his young family, which is expected to grow by one in two months.

"I was thinking about whether Jess and I are happy where we are in Sydney at the moment – and we are," Jetta said.

"Home will always be home and I know where it is."

"We figured we have the opportunity to explore more, so we stayed."

"We started thinking about it and we spoke about it together and made the decision together."

"We're happy and comfortable and things are going well here. Neither of us are homesick. We're happy living here in Sydney and we have a family as well."

Home is also where the heart is.

Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming!



Lewis Jetta in action for the Sydney Swans. Photo supplied

Our next champion?

Promising pro career off to a flying start

By GRAHAM HUNT



ENCOURAGING young Indigenous people to pursue healthy lifestyles and a

highly promising professional boxing career has given Damien Hooper a new-found focus.

The former amateur light-heavyweight Australian champion has had just two fights since turning professional after the 2012 London Olympics.

Neither fight lasted very long... his pro career so far is just six rounds old.

He won his first pro fight with a fifth-round knockout and he floored his opponent in the first round in his second fight.

Hooper is off to New Zealand on Friday for his third pro fight and on 8 August he will step into the ring at Southbank, Brisbane, for a fight to be televised on Fox Sports.

After a hugely successful amateur career that peaked when he was ranked No 2 light-heavyweight in the world in



Damien Hooper in his days at Dalby with one of his early mentors, Const Chris Seng. Photo: Contributed

2012, the 21-year-old from Brisbane reckons it shouldn't be too long before he's challenging for the Australian professional light-heavyweight crown.

After that, the world is his oyster.

Hooper, who grew up in Dalby, in country Queensland, credits the local police

constable, Chris Seng, with steering him in the right direction at a time when he could easily have taken a more troublesome course.

He began boxing at the age of 11.

What followed was a 140-fight amateur career that took him to about 60 countries in something like 30 overseas trips.

His first overseas trip was to Thailand as a 16-year-old.

He went on to compete in world championship tournaments, the 2010 Commonwealth Games in New Delhi and the 2012 Olympics in London.

He won his first national title as a junior at the age of 16 and then won senior titles while still a junior.

He started as a middleweight, but later stepped up to light-heavyweight.

Junior world title

In 2010, he became the first indigenous Australian to win a junior world title when he won the 75kg category at the Youth Olympics in Singapore.

The same year he won a silver medal at the Youth World Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan, and was selected in the Australian team for the 2010 Commonwealth Games in New Delhi.

The following year, he stepped up a weight division and returned to Baku for the 2011 World Amateur Boxing Championships, where he made the quarterfinals, and earned direct qualification for the London Olympics.

At the 2012 Summer Olympics he won his first fight, but lost to the eventual Olympic champion Egor Mekhontsev.

After the London Olympics, Hooper wasted little time in turning pro.

He joined trainer Gareth Williams' stable in Brisbane and now has former British world

champion Ricky Hatton as his promoter.

Williams believes Hooper can become one of the country's greatest fighters.

"I believe Damien can go all the way and he will probably be a kid who gets there sooner than some other very talented kids, due to his exciting style and the will to win at all costs," Williams said.

"He has always boxed with a pro style and with a professional attitude and with Hatton Promotions behind him, we have a great team to guide him in the direction.

"After the Olympics he was a big hit and made a lot of headlines, now with the head guard and singlet off, I believe we will see Australia's best ever fighter."

Hooper told the *Koori Mail* that he felt he was well-equipped to face the challenges of a professional career.

"I feel that I have all the skills to be successful as a pro. I know when to attack and know when to hold back.

"I have a sense in the ring that tells me the right options."

Life hasn't always been plain sailing for Hooper.

He was sent home early from the Commonwealth Games in 2010, and at the 2012 London Olympics he stepped into the

ring wearing a T-shirt emblazoned with the Australian Aboriginal flag.

The Australian Olympic Committee demanded he make a public apology. Wearing the shirt was said to have breached the Olympic Charter.

"I'm representing my culture, not only my country," Hooper responded. "I'm proud of what I did."

On Facebook, Hooper has told his friends that he was 'just starting out, but watch me as I grow as a pro and a world champion'.

After being beaten at the London Olympics, Hooper told his Facebook friends: "I've learnt as much as I could in the amateurs with 140 fights. Bigger things to come and fulfilling my lifelong dream turning pro and gonna focus on progressing into a world champion... And with all your support out there, the sky's the limit."

Out of the ring, Hooper lives in suburban Sunnybank Hills and works for the Institute of Urban Indigenous Health.

His job is to take the message of healthy lifestyles to Indigenous communities, with a focus on the young people.

"I'm pretty passionate about that," he told the *Koori Mail*.

He sees his new job as an important component as he travels life's highway



Light-heavyweight Damien Hooper after he beat Marcus Brown (USA) at the 2012 London Olympics. He wore an Aboriginal shirt - which landed him in trouble with officialdom. Photo: AP

Sam packs a deadly punch

DAMIEN Hooper reckons Sam Thaiday could have a career in the boxing ring if rugby league ever turns sour on him.

Not long before we spoke with Hooper last Friday, the light-heavyweight boxer had spent time at a training session with the Brisbane Broncos rugby league team.

Hooper sparred with Broncos captain Thaiday

and was impressed.

"He hit me a few times and I felt them too," Hooper said afterwards.

"His punches carry weight."

One of the biggest problems Hooper faces is finding suitable sparring partners.

Who knows... Sam and some of his Broncos teammates could be the answer.

Jamie Soward



Dumping decision angers Soward



ST George Illawarra rugby league skipper Ben Creagh says Jamie Soward is still upset at being dumped to reserve grade by Dragons coach Steve Price, but says the players are fully behind the decision.

Soward suffered the ignominy of playing for the Illawarra Cutters in the NSW Cup in the curtain raiser to the Dragons' win over Newcastle at Hunter Stadium just over a week ago.

The former NSW State of Origin five-eighth, who two years ago was part of the Blues side that won game two in Sydney, was again left out of the Dragons side that faced struggling North Queensland in Wollongong on Friday.

Price met the Dragons players last week and explained his reasons for axing Soward and, although Creagh refused to divulge what they were told, he said the squad was behind him.

"The senior playing group and Pricey spoke earlier in the week about the reason for Soward playing for the Cutters and we fully support them," Creagh said.

"Pricey and the support staff have the very best interests of the club at heart."

Creagh said he was unaware if reports that Soward was heading to the UK Super League until the end of the season were true, but said he would be sad to see the playmaker leave the club when he joined Penrith next season.

"I spoke to him last week and he is pretty upset, as you would be," he said.

"He's been a part of our club for a long time. I am good mates with him and been through a lot with him in Origin and in the grand final win.

"It's tough for him at the moment, but he will bounce back. He's a professional and is a class player." — AAP

Wells' 200 milestone

By CHRIS PIKE



NORTH Melbourne has one of the richest histories of Indigenous players in Australian football, but star midfielder Daniel Wells recently became the first to reach 200 games as his reputation continues to build as one of the great Aboriginal participants in the game.

From the moment he began playing West Australian Football League (WAFL) football with Peel Thunder in 2002, it was obvious that Wells had all the ability in the world to become an AFL star.

That talent doesn't always translate into the type of career that Wells has now put together, but the 28-year-old played his 200th AFL game in North Melbourne's thumping win over the Western Bulldogs.

After being taken with the second pick by the Kangaroos in the 2002 national draft, Wells has been one of the team's prime movers with his ability to effortlessly run and carry the ball at great pace and his brilliant kicking skills the highlight of his career.

Best and fairest

Over that time, he won the North Melbourne best and fairest in 2011, was runner-up in 2006, kicked the AFL goal of the year in 2004 and has represented Australia in the international rules series against Ireland in 2003, 2005 and 2008.

He was actually quite surprised himself to find out he's the first Indigenous player to reach 200 games for North Melbourne given that Jim Krakouer, Phil Krakouer, Barry Cable, Winston Abraham and Byron Pickett are among those to play in the blue and white stripes.

"I didn't really know that stat to be honest, but it's quite an honour when you put it that way and you read those names out," Wells said.

"We had Phil and Jimmy here last week for the Indigenous Round and they shared their story, and the boys absolutely loved it. To have played the most games out of those guys is a real privilege and I'm very thankful."

Wells shared his 200th game milestone with champion Brent Harvey playing his 350th and he was delighted to be able to split his special day with an all-time great.

"I wouldn't have it any other way than to share my milestone with him. He has looked after me at the club from day one," he said.

"For him to play 350 games... I am playing my 200th and I feel like I am 35 and pretty aged, but when you think about it, to play 350 games is just amazing. To play my 200th with him with our kids running out together, it was a really special day."

Not only has Wells learned plenty about his football from Harvey, but more importantly, has seen a great example of how to be a father to his children.

Daniel Wells kicks North Melbourne into attack against Hawthorn during an AFL game at Launceston in 2010.
Photo: AAP



"When I first came to the club as a young kid, he (Harvey) was 23 or 24, so was just starting to hit his straps as a big-time player back then, and he has just continued that ever since. He took me under his wing a little bit and showed me how to work hard on the track and try to be as professional as I can," he said.

"He is just a player who is the ultimate professional, but the best thing I have learned from Brent is not his footy, but the way he is a great family man with his kids.

"When they come down you can see what kind of kids they are because of their father and he has done a great job. That's something I have taken the most out of knowing him and have tried to be a similar dad to my own kids."

Sometimes uncomfortable

Wells hasn't always had an easy time dealing with the criticism that has been heaped upon him by the media throughout his career.

From the moment he played his WAFL season at Peel in 2002, where fellow Indigenous stars Allistair Pickett and Darren Bolton created with Wells an

incredible trio who played exciting football together, Wells' talent has been in the spotlight.

Given his enormous ability, Wells has often been criticised for not realising his potential and that is something he has had to learn to block out.

"When you start, it's all pretty exciting and you think that's going to continue, and you get that hype, obviously because you play some good footy, but when you get to the AFL it changes a fair bit," Wells said.

"It's almost like going back from high school to primary school, and you get knocked around a fair bit and your body goes through some changes. You sort of get whacked around the head with criticism when you aren't used to that because you are always on top as a junior.

"That really tests your character and what you are made of, but if you have good family support and a great club to back you up and guide you in the right direction, that definitely helps.

"My mum and dad from day one have had a big part in me getting to where I am now and my wife has become my greatest support."

Alex Wilson will play with Fire

By PETER ARGENT



MURRAY Bridge teenage Indigenous basketballer Alex Wilson has signed with the Townville Fire for the 2013-14 Women's National Basketball League (WNBL) competition.

Still just 19, Wilson will come onto the Fire roster after previously being on the Adelaide Lightning squad in 2010-11 as a 16-year-old.

"Townville seems like a perfect fit for me," Wilson said.

"I really wanted to play for Chris Lucas and the team the club has put together is very exciting.

"I know I will be challenged every day at training with the quality in the team."

At the Australian Institute of Sport Centre of Excellence in Canberra, Wilson's first priority is to make the Australian under 19s (Gems) side for the World championship in late July.

Her new coach Chris Lucas is a South Australian who has been with the Adelaide Lightning and Canberra Capitals programs before starting with Townville as senior coach at the beginning of the 2011-12 summer.

He was also involved at Olympic level in 2004.

The Fire finished fourth in his inaugural season and were grand finalists last summer, going down to the potent Bendigo side.

Super talent

Lucas said he had observed Wilson's progress over a number of years and while Wilson had endured some injuries, he regarded her as a super talent.

"This is a change of environment for Alex and she'll be right into the middle of a senior program," Lucas said.

"We are hoping she will progress quickly.

"Her strengths include being a terrific athlete and having a nose for the game.

"Hopefully, she can quickly have an impact on the competition.

"Being a two-three type (a perimeter shooter and small forward), Alex is a

natural competitor and has a lot of upside to her game."

Wilson is expected to arrive in Townville in early September for an abridged pre-season, and the first game of the summer is on 7 October.

Lucas believes Wilson has the capacity to make her own mark in the WNBL over the next couple of seasons.

Wilson is the eldest in her family and has three siblings – Tori, Kobe and Koen.

She had a distinguished junior career in South Australia.

In 2010, Wilson was in the Australian under 17 World championship squad and played two games at that level.

She has played for her state and for South Australian Country from under 16 level and this year collected the top individual accolade at the

nationals, becoming the first Aboriginal girl to win the Bob Staunton Medal.

There have been silver medals at the under 20 National championships in 2012 and the under 16 National championships (SA Country) in 2009.

Wilson currently is in France contesting the Reze International basketball tournament, in preparation for the World championships in Lithuania.

In this tournament, they are playing against teams including Russia, China, Poland, Argentina and Brazil, along with the hosts.

They go into camp from 29 June to 2 July at the Centre of Excellence to select the final squad for the World championships (18-28 July).



Alex Wilson in action for Australia against New Zealand at junior level.



Waylon Johncock in action for South Australian Country against WA Country at AAMI Stadium, Adelaide. Photo by Peter Argent

Mid-season coup

By PETER ARGENT



GAWLER Central has pulled off a mid-season recruiting coup in South Australian country football, securing the services of Mallee Park gun midfielder Waylon Johncock.

A cousin to Adelaide Crows footballer Graham, he was signed by the Barossa Light and Gawler Tigers after another cousin, former SANFL player with Sturt, Jeremy, played a role as the liaison.

"I will continue to work in the police force, in my role as a community constable within the Aboriginal community at Port Adelaide," Johncock said.

"My partner Ashlie Fordes is also starting university studies in town as a teacher.

"I'm looking forward to the challenge and wouldn't mind having a crack at SANFL next year."

Well-credentialed

There is no doubting Johncock's football credentials.

Still only 26, Johncock has secured two Mail medals in different associations on the West Coast. The first was with the famous AFL nursery Mallee Park in 2005, in the Port Lincoln Football League, and the second was in the premiership year of 2009 with the Ceduna Blues in the Far West Football League (FWFL).

He also played FWFL Flag with the Koonibba Roosters in 2011.

Johncock has also been a perennial representative footballer

and zone champions player for the Eyre Peninsula.

"I've been playing A grade footy consistently on the West Coast since I was about 15," Johncock said.

"My first Mortlock Shield tournament was in 2004.

"The highest level I've played at so far is for the South Australian Country side.

"The first game was the game against Western Australia at Football Park in 2011, and then last year I played in the Country versus Metro game, also at the same venue."

Football is obviously in the blood as Waylon's five-year-old son Lucas has already played under 10s football on the West Coast.

Gawler Central coach Damien Herzick, who has his team sitting in second position with six wins and a single loss, is naturally ecstatic he has such a credentialed player coming into his squad.

"From what I've seen, Waylon is a smooth player who will complement our midfield group," Herzick said.

"He is the type of footballer who will add that X factor and true pace to the team.

"Being nearly at the halfway point of the year, quality footballers don't often arrive in this manner."

Herzick also noted Johncock's strong attributes off the field and quiet but confident demeanour.

Footnote: The Mortlock Shield is a longstanding and renowned inter-league competition played between the football associations from across the expanses of the Eyre Peninsula.

Fainga'a, Beale in squad to play Lions

By CHRIS PIKE



RUGBY union stars Saia Fainga'a and Kurtley Beale have been named in the Wallabies'

31-man squad for the three Tests against the British and Irish Lions, and both are a good chance to get a run in the once-in-a-generation series.

The Lions team is on a nine-game tour of Australia, with the line-up made up of the best from England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland in a trip down under that it only makes once every 12 years.

That makes spots in the Australian team to face them enormously sought-after and while fellow Indigenous players Colby and Anthony Fainga'a, and Matt Hodgson didn't quite make it, Saia Fainga'a and Beale are in and remain a good chance of getting a run.

The First Test between the Wallabies and Lions is on Saturday at Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium before the 29 June clash at Melbourne's Etihad Stadium and then the 6 July series-finisher at Sydney's ANZ Stadium.

18 caps

The 26-year-old Fainga'a has continued his terrific form as hooker in Super Rugby with the Queensland Reds and already has 18 Wallabies caps to his credit after making his debut in 2010 against Fiji.

Fainga'a might not be the Wallabies' first choice hooker – likely to be named behind the Brumbies' Stephen Moore, but he is next in the pecking order and looks set to be on the bench for the Lions tour as a testament to the hard work he has continued to put into his game.

Meanwhile, Beale has had a far from smooth run throughout 2013, but the fact remains he is one of the most talented backs in the world and that has seen him become the most recent inclusion

to the Wallabies' 31-man squad.

Beale's Super Rugby season was thrown into controversy when he punched Melbourne Rebels teammates Gareth Delve and Cooper Vuna in Durban, South Africa.

Alcohol was deemed as the contributing factor and as such Beale promised to stay off drinking, but he had a relapse and was suspended again by the Rebels.

However, he has since returned strongly and impressed Wallabies coach Robbie Deans enough to be included to the squad and remains a good chance of lining up to take on the Lions at fullback or flyhalf.

"The fact that we have him here is indicative of the fact that

we believe in his ability to cope, and anyone who has seen Kurtley play knows that he has the fastest reflexes and anticipation in the game," Deans said.

"He had to obviously cater for his physical needs and his mental needs first, and to assure his teammates that he's done that. I can assure that from what we have witnessed at training, he is ready to go.

"Added to that is that the last time he returned to the ground when he played for the Rebels against the Chiefs, he was in better shape than when he left it. We are confident he will do well."

Beale certainly would have



The Queensland Reds' Saia Fainga'a during a Super 14 match against the Auckland Blues at Ballymore, Brisbane, in 2010.

Photo: AAP



Wallaby Kurtley Beale charges forward during the Rugby World Cup Pool C match against Italy at North Harbour Stadium, Auckland, New Zealand, in September 2011. Photo: AAP

understood had he not received a chance to be in the Wallabies squad for the Lions tour after his troubled 2013, but he is now honoured to be picked and excited at the prospect of playing.

"It's obviously a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity and to do it with some of your peers who you've been mates with for a long, long time, it's a great honour. To represent your country at the highest level like this is the pinnacle," Beale said.

"I'm very grateful to do it and to have the opportunity to be part of the 31-man squad means there is a long way to go for myself personally, but it's just great to be around the environment. It's very positive, the guys are upbeat and just looking forward to taking on

the Lions."

The 24-year-old excitement machine is confident now that his troubles are behind him and he's thankful to all the support he has received.

"I obviously had to work on a few things off the field and I feel like I've done that now and with the support of close family and friends, the ARU and the Melbourne Rebels, and my close teammates who have supported me all the way along, I feel I'm on top of things," Beale said.

"Without the support of my teammates, it would have been tough at times, but I'm just going to take this opportunity in both hands and try to help the Wallabies get a good win over the Lions."

'Invincible' Ella

RUGBY union grand slam winner Mark Ella is one of four giants of the game to be inducted as *Inside Rugby's* first Invincibles.

The induction took place in Sydney last week.

Other Wallaby legends to be inducted as the magazine's first Invincibles are David Campese, Colin Windon and Ken Catchpole.

Mark Ella's 25 Tests between 1980 and 1984 were breathtaking. He was a revelation on the 1984 grand slam tour, scoring a try in every Test. He was just 25 when he retired, but he had left enough

memories to last a lifetime.

He and his brothers Glen and Gary formed a deadly combination for the Wallabies, NSW and Randwick.

Inside Rugby is a sister publication to *Rugby League Week*, which launched the Immortals in 1981.

Next year *Inside Rugby* will add two more Wallaby legends to the 2013 quartet and also celebrate the 30th anniversary of the 1984 grand slam Wallabies.

The grand slam is when visiting teams beat England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland in a single tour of the British Isles.

Aboriginal bowlers seek State glory

By GRAHAM HUNT



A NEAR all-Aboriginal lawn bowls team from Walgett will contest the NSW State pennant finals at Nelson Bay in early August.

Fijian Kali Ratu is the only non-Aborigine in the 14-man Walgett squad of three teams of four and two reserves.

Coincidentally, the Walgett Bowls Club ceased to exist about a month ago, so the bowlers no longer have a 'home' and the two greens are unavailable.

Spokesman Donald Morgan told the *Koori Mail* the Walgett team won the Barwon District No 2 pennant competition. They qualified for the state finals at Nelson Bay by winning the zone final against No 2 pennant winners from other north-west and New England competitions.

Smallest in State

Morgan said the Barwon association was the smallest in the state, consisting of just four clubs – Walgett, Lightning Ridge, Goodooga and Collarenebri.

He estimated there were only about 80 bowlers in the entire district and said about 60 of those were Indigenous.

Such is the quality of bowlers in the Barwon association that Lightning Ridge won the zone No 1 title, Walgett the No 2 and Goodooga the No 5 pennant.

Goodooga's win was particularly meritorious as the bowlers don't have a club or a green.

Like the Walgett team, the Goodooga



Some of the Walgett bowlers who will contest the NSW No 2 pennant finals in August at Nelson Bay, north of Newcastle. Back row, from left, Anthony Gibbs, Amos Murphy, Kali Ratu, Geoffrey Williams; front row, Shannon Tighe, Edward Sharpley, Allan Tighe, Norm Walford and Donald Morgan. Photo: Lyn Rummary

side is all Aboriginal.

The Walgett bowlers started out in the lowest-placed No 7 pennant competition and over the years worked their way to the No 1 pennant.

Having won the 2013 No 2 pennant, they will be promoted to No 1 next year.

The Walgett bowlers are (listed in their teams from lead to skip): Justin Green, Richard Simpson, Don Morgan, Jared

Hunt; Kali Ratu, Anthony Gibbs, Norm Walford Allan Tighe; Edward Sharpley, Geoffrey Williams, Shannon Tighe, Rex Skuthorpe. Reserves: Amos Murphy, William Kennedy.

How tough is that?

Raiders' Lee played on with broken arm



CANBERRA youngster Edrick Lee has been praised for his toughness

after playing on with a broken arm during the 10 June National Rugby League (NRL) thrashing of Brisbane.

Lee's worst fears were confirmed last Wednesday, with X-rays revealing a fracture in his right arm which is likely to sideline the exciting winger for three months.

Lee, who has scored seven tries from ten games this year, suffered the injury with 15 minutes remaining in the second half of the 30-18 victory.

But he bravely battled on, earning the respect of seasoned teammates who were unaware of his efforts.

"Pretty courageous effort to keep playing a game of footy with a broken arm," half-back Josh McCrone said last Wednesday.

"I was on the bench when they were checking it all out, so I knew he had a bit of an issue there, but I'm a bit

surprised it was that bad."

Tough young utility back Jack Wighton was similarly in awe.

"He's definitely a tough person. He didn't even let on," he said.

Lee, who was to have surgery on Thursday, said he was shattered by the injury.

"As soon as it occurred, I thought it was just a normal knock to the arm," he told RaidersTV.

"I didn't really think it was a broken arm (so) I just played on. I didn't think of it too much.

"At the end, when all the adrenaline stopped, that's when it became sore.

"... to get this injury mid-way through the season, I am shattered."

The predicted recovery time for Lee is 12 weeks, but he hasn't given up hope of returning later in the season to help the Raiders' finals push.

"The doctor says to take it week by week," he said.

"They say the minimum is 12 weeks and we'll go on from there." – AAP



Edrick Lee gets his arm checked by a trainer during the Raiders' NRL match against the Brisbane Broncos at Canberra Stadium on Monday, 10 June. Photo: nrlphotos.com



Indian connection



Bradley Stout
Photo by
Peter Argent

Imparja Cup stars attend Mumbai camp

By GRAHAM HUNT



TWO of Australia's best Indigenous cricketers – Queenslander Bradley Stout and Michael Bailey (WA) – are in India attending the Global Cricket School in Mumbai for a week.

The Cricket Australia scholarship holders left Australia last Friday and were to meet up in Singapore before flying to Mumbai.

They will return to Australia on 23 June.

Stout and Bailey also are part of Cricket Australia's Indigenous

Development squad.

Stout, although only 24, is a veteran of eight Imparja Cup campaigns for Queensland.

He also captained the Maroons at the big Alice Springs carnival when he was also the team's wicketkeeper, but these days he just concentrates on batting.

He is something of a powerhouse with a bat in his hand.

He also has represented Queensland at the National Country cricket carnival.

The left-hander works as a police liaison officer in Townsville, having previously worked as a labourer and in real estate.

He plays club cricket in Townsville with University.

He was selected as a shadow player for the 2009 Indigenous cricket team that toured England, and even though he was called into the

team, he could not make the trip.

Michael Bailey, 20, lives in Huntingdale, WA, and has been playing cricket for 14 years.

He is a right-hand top-order batsman and left-arm orthodox bowler and has represented WA in Imparja Cup for the past five or six years.

He is an Aboriginal teacher's assistant at Clontarf College.



Michael Bailey

Captain's knock



Johnathan Thurston was back to his devastating best for the North Queensland Cowboys in the National Rugby League (NRL) game against the Dragons at WIN Stadium, Wollongong, on Friday night. Thurston stood up in the Cowboys' hour of need with an inspirational captain's knock in their 22-16 win. Photo: Action Photographics