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Co-chairs' vow



Les Malezer



BOTH co-chairs of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples have promised to make broader community participation one of their top priorities, saying the organisation's strength would grow with more involvement from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in all

walks of life from all regions of the country.

Female co-chair-elect Kirstie Parker, the editor of the *Koori Mail*, and returning co-chair Les Malezer said Congress needed to ensure decisions were made at a community level.

"There is a lot of room for growing the membership. It's not just about filling in a form and receiving a membership

card, it's also about active participation," Ms Parker said.

"In my campaign for co-chair, I spoke with a lot of people who had never heard of Congress but said it sounded like a great idea, so we need to up the ante on communication to our mob about what the organisation is and what its potential influence is."

Out of almost 6000 eligible voters, only just over 800

members voted in the elections for co-chairs.

Mr Malezer said, "Congress is not here to make decisions for people but to represent people and to be chosen by the people to represent them and to ensure that decision making happens where it should be made, and that is at the community level."

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Kirstie Parker

From sand to the snow



EIGHT students from the remote Arnhem Land community of Numbulwar travelled the length of mainland Australia to enjoy their first taste of snow. The students, aged 11-17, were selected to go on the inaugural Sand2Snow 18-day trip based on good school attendance and respect for learning. They spent their first week in snow country trying out cross-country skiing, tobogganing and enjoying the fun of snowball fights and making snowmen. See our report and more photos on page 9.

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My FAMILY TANYA MILES – Waterloo, NSW



● Above: Lucia Moschella, 2, Amelia Brown, Patricia Lo, 8, Lorraine Brown, Latisha Miles, 12, Oscar Miles, 8, and Tanya Miles.

There are six of us children who grew up in Redfern, the Block, but we're all spread around the Waterloo area now. My mother's from Yass. She's Wiradjuri and my father's Githabul, Bundjalung, from Woodenbong.

We're made up mainly of girls. We're all women. We still do things together; we're all united, always doing things together with the kids.

We were always close growing up.

I'm the eldest of the whole lot of grandchildren.

We always do things with our kids; they're mainly girls too.

We've got only about four boys in the family.

The female line in our family is really strong.

When we get together we talk about daily stuff, mainly the kids, and then what we did when we were growing up. Mum will bring up stuff about when we grew up and compare it with what the kids are doing

now. It's always a laugh. We laugh talking about the old days, growing up and the silly things that we used to do.

We discipline our kids now for the same things but we did them and so we laugh about them, because we've all done them.

The most important thing about family is being together.

We've been through rough stages, like when my dad passed away, we lost the contact with each other but lately, in the last three years, we've all kept in touch with each other – we're always together every day.

This photo was taken in NAIDOC Week in Hyde Park in Sydney, it was a great day, a really good time.

I'd like my grandchildren to always stick together. They're all girls; they're all around the same age and they've got that same connection where we're all there for each other.

It's important that the little ones learn it's always family first.

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OUR CHILDREN



Palm Island youngsters Brayth Haines, right, and Lakeisha Brown could still manage a broad smile after finishing a ride on the ghost train at this month's Townsville Show. Brayth and Lakeisha were among the crowds – many of them Palm Islanders – during the show's family day. Photo by Alf Wilson

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TI centre of celebrations



SAIBAI Island women dancers perform during last week's reopening of the Gab Titui Cultural Centre on Thursday Island. The well-received Saibai dancers were among those performing to celebrate the refurbishment of the centre, which is dedicated to preserving, developing and promoting the unique culture and art of the Torres Strait region. See our report and more photos on page 31. *Photo by Heidi Gibson*

Governments blasted over prison rates



THE Law Council of Australia has chastised state governments for failing to address

high rates of Indigenous people behind bars.

Council president Michael Colbran, QC, says outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the criminal justice system are 'extremely poor'.

He says Indigenous Australians make up about 2.5 per cent of Australia's population, but account for 26 per cent of the prison population.

"While there are some promising programs such as bail hostels in some states, these programs have only had minimal impact because of countervailing policies such as mandatory sentencing," Mr Colbran said.

"This is an unacceptable situation and one Australia

cannot continue to ignore. The systems currently in place are failing Indigenous Australians and need to be critically examined with a view to change."

Law Council of Australia president-elect Duncan McConnell said it was 'appalling' that 22 years after the release of the final report from the landmark Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, there had been no tangible reductions in Indigenous imprisonment rates.

Increase

The Indigenous imprisonment rate actually increased by 51.5 per cent between 2000 and 2010, he said.

Last year, Indigenous adults were imprisoned at a rate 15 times higher than that of other adults, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Successive reports

produced by government agencies, including the Productivity Commission, Australian Human Rights Commission and Australian Bureau of Statistics, confirm these trends are worsening from year to year.

"This is not just an issue of how the criminal justice system deals with Indigenous Australians, but why they are coming into the system in the first place," Mr McConnell said.

Mr Colbran said a national approach was vital in addressing the over-representation of Indigenous people in custody, and elevating the issue to the national agenda of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) would represent an important step forward.

"The COAG Closing the Gap Initiative does not include any specific justice targets. This would seem a good place to start," he said. — **AAP**



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January trial for WA police



THE two police officers accused of assaulting an Aboriginal man by repeatedly tasing him in a Perth lock-up will

not go on trial until next January.

Aaron Grant Strahan and Troy Gregory Tomlin are jointly accused of common assault over the tasing of Kevin Spratt in the East Perth Watch House in September 2008.

CCTV footage showed the senior constables tasing Mr Spratt nine times in just over a minute after he refused to be strip-searched.

Western Australia's Corruption and Crime Commission recommended in an April 2012 report that the Director of Public Prosecutions consider laying charges against the pair, which occurred a year later.

A hearing in Perth Magistrates Court this month was told the trial of the pair could take anywhere between seven to 10 days. Lawyer Karen Vernon said the availability of witnesses and lawyers meant January next year was the earliest date the trial could take place.

Perth Magistrate Paul Heaney adjourned the matter until September, when the exact January trial date will be set. —AAP



Facing an uncertain future... Members of Broome's Kullarri Patrol, from left, Fernando Zepeda, Blanche Williams, Deborah Matsumoto, Stanley Francis, Tinika Hann, Thomas Nickels, Gene James and Billy Lawson.

Cutbacks threat for WA patrols

By GEOFF VIVIAN



BROOME'S weekend night patrols are under threat, and Perth's Nyoongar Patrol is being forced

to reduce services in Midland, Northbridge and Fremantle.

The cuts are happening at the same time as the Western Australian Government is saying how good night patrols are and reviewing their operations, probably with a view to expanding them.

The cutbacks are being blamed on cuts to Commonwealth funding for the patrols.

The Aboriginal corporation that runs Broome's Kullarri Patrol has had its federal funding slashed, reducing the service's budget by about 37 per cent, while the Nyoongar Patrol will lose about 20 per cent.

Kullarri CEO Neil Gower said WA Department of Aboriginal Affairs funding of

about \$290,000 covers six casual positions plus the manager's salary. He said his corporation negotiated to have the positions funded by the Attorney-General three years ago when CDEP funding ended, and also to have patrol staff paid award wages.

'Double whammy'

"It's a double whammy for us that we fought so hard to replace the CDEP wages and also to get them on to award wages, only to be no longer deemed a priority by the Attorney-General in terms of the patrol funding," Mr Gower said.

He said the Kullarri Patrol, which started in December 1992, would still be able to continue, but only on week nights and with part-time staff.

Nyoongar Patrol chief executive Maria McAttackney said the group would probably have to cut back two night shifts in Fremantle, one night in Northbridge and

one evening shift in Midland.

The CEOs said six full-time workers were set to lose their jobs in Broome, and three full-time equivalents would be cut in Perth.

Kimberley police chief Superintendent Mick Sutherland, whose district includes Broome, said the patrol reduced demands on police and the justice system.

"It is effective by removing people from public drinking areas, especially late in the afternoon, and is a culturally appropriate group to assist individuals who are trapped in the cycle of alcohol abuse," he said.

"Their actions assist in reducing the likelihood of antisocial violence, harm and they increase community confidence and safety.

"This early intervention to drunken antisocial behaviour decreases the incidents escalating into domestic violence and serious assaults, road incidents and crime."



Nyoongar Patrol on the job in Perth.

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This year's Deadlys finalists named



THE finalists in this year's Deadlys have been announced. The Deadlys, produced by Vibe Australia, showcase the achievements and contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Voting is open until 18 August and winners will be named on 10 September at the Sydney Opera House. Organisers said the Male Artist of the Year category would be particularly hard to pick, with a line-up of finalists including Archie Roach, Dan Sultan, Troy Cassar-Daley,

Gurrumul and Frank Yamma. The Female Artist of the Year category also includes some big names – Jessica Mauboy, Shellie Morris, Christine Anu, Casey Donovan and Simone Stacey, the former *Shakaya* singer who competed in Channel 9's *The Voice*.

Finalists in the NRL Player of the Year category include NAIDOC Sportsman of the Year Johnathan Thurston, the Rabbits' Nathan Merritt and league star Greg Inglis. Sam Thaiday, from Brisbane, and the Bulldogs' Ben Barba are also in the running.

In AFL, the finalists are



Christine Anu

Adam Goodes, Lewis Jetta, Cyril Rioli, Eddie Betts and Lance 'Buddy' Franklin.

Across the arts, Australia's top Indigenous



Nathan Merritt

dancers, artists and writers are well represented.

South Australian writer Ali Cobby Eckermann is a finalist with her memoir

Too Afraid to Cry, while Indigenous award-winning writer Bruce Pascoe is also a finalist with his story for lower primary school readers *Fog a Dox*, a story about courage, acceptance and respect.

Other Deadly Award categories include Health, Education, Employment, Broadcasting, Science, Journalism and Cultural Advancement.

Organisers said there were 28 categories this year across music, sports, the arts and the community, which were open for voting.

Executive producer Gavin Jones praised the quality of finalists.

"We had record nominations this year, and there are some very talented individuals in the music, sport and arts categories as well as hard-working organisations and individuals in the community categories which include health, education, employment, science, broadcasting, culture and journalism," he said.

Tickets to the Deadlys are on sale at the Sydney Opera House box office.

Voting across all categories can be lodged on the Deadlys website at www.deadlys.com.au/vote or see the form in this edition.

Indigenous advocates welcome health plan

By DARREN COYNE



INDIGENOUS health advocates have welcomed the Federal Government's latest plan to close the gap within ten years, while the Opposition has accused the Government of politicising Aboriginal health.

Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon last week said the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan would be critical in meeting the target of reducing the life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and other people of 11.5 years for men and 9.7 years for women.

"The health plan builds on the benefits already achieved through the Australian Government's agenda to close the gap in life expectancy and child mortality between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians and the broader population," he said.

Mr Snowdon said the plan would be critical in meeting that target, and that it provided guidance for state and territory governments as to what the Federal Government saw as priorities.

"It'll make sure when we sign new partnership agreements with them that the material in this plan is considered," he said.

A major challenge was to tackle the high rates of Indigenous smoking, with 50 per cent of Indigenous people hooked on the habit.

"Tobacco smoking is directly responsible for about 20 per cent for the burden of disease and 12 per cent of deaths," Mr Snowdon said.

Other chronic health problems were cardiovascular disease, diabetes and kidney disease.

"These are all chronic health problems amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people around the country which we are addressing, but which we need to do more," the minister said.

The plan focuses on strengthening the Aboriginal-controlled health sector, community decision-making, ways to tackle racism, and it has a focus on culture and social and emotional wellbeing.

There will also be renewed focus on maternal health, children, youth, adults and aged care, and strategies to improve housing, education and employment prospects.

Mr Snowdon said the plan continued efforts that had been made since the closing-the-gap framework was adopted in 2008, and he urged state and territory governments to sign up and commit funding.

He also said the plan emphasised 'the centrality of culture in the health of Aboriginal



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'The Federal Government should be congratulated for delivering this plan which has been developed with the involvement of Aboriginal people and Aboriginal health authorities'

– Justin Mohamed



and Torres Strait Islander people, and the rights of individuals to a safe, healthy and empowered life'.

"Projected funding for health programs specifically designed and targeted to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is estimated to be around \$12 billion from 2013-14 to 2023-24," Mr Snowdon said.

Aboriginal health advocates, including Close the Gap campaign co-chairs Mick Gooda and Jody Broun, and Ms Broun's co-chair on the National Health Leadership Forum Justin Mohamed, welcomed the plan.

Mr Gooda, who is also the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, said it delivered what advocates had been seeking for years.

"This plan acknowledges the need for full participation by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in all levels of decision-

making. We have been calling for this over many years," he said.

"These are long-term issues that require a long-term plan, so we are pleased to see a ten-year focus."

Mr Gooda said the Federal Government's commitment to consulting widely with communities was critical to the plan's success.

Ms Broun said there needed to be a partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, with a renewed national commitment to the National Partnership Agreement on Closing the Gap.

Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council chief executive Selwyn Button also praised the plan, saying it was the 'first time in our history' that such a plan has been developed collaboratively with the Government.

The plan, which was launched in Brisbane on 23 July, also aims to tackle racism in the health system and focus on strengthening the community-controlled health sector.

Mr Mohamed, who is chair of the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO), welcomed that aim, and said the plan incorporated the social determinants of health for which the sector had long fought.

"The Federal Government should be congratulated for delivering this plan which has been developed with the involvement of Aboriginal people and Aboriginal health authorities," he said.

"The plan accepts the evidence that Aboriginal community-controlled health organisations are central to improving the health of Aboriginal people in their communities and that participation by Aboriginal people in decisions relating to their health must be supported.

"Critically, the plan moves Aboriginal health from being viewed in a clinical and isolated way and instead adopts a more holistic approach, considering social and emotional wellbeing, mental health, the impacts of drug and alcohol and the importance of culture as all part of a broader health picture.

"It is also significant that the plan's vision articulates a health system free of racism and inequality for the first time.

"As always, though, the test of the plan will be in the implementation, and NACCHO looks forward to being involved in the next steps, setting performance indicators and targets to ensure the vision of the plan can be realised."

Not everyone was happy, however, with Opposition Indigenous health spokesman Andrew Laming saying he was disappointed that the plan was released without consultation with state and territory health ministers.

Dr Laming said it was critical that Indigenous health be addressed at a multi-jurisdictional level in a bipartisan spirit, and he said he was astonished that Labor had sought to politicise Aboriginal health.

"The health plan is supposed to outline the Australian Government's 10-year strategy to improve Indigenous health outcomes, but instead it contains little detail, no specific targets, no measurable strategies, and in fact appears to support the case for business as usual," he said in a statement.

"Unfortunately the plan contains considerably less detail than the National Strategic Framework for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health 2003-2013 that it replaces." – with AAP

Racism tackled by Inglis



QUEENS-
LAND State of
Origin rugby
league legend
Greg Inglis
received

hundreds of messages of support after he and his wife Sally were targeted by an online racist rant.

Inglis posted a screenshot of the rant to Twitter last week, asking people to read the offensive ravings, left as a comment on an Instagram photo of Inglis and his wife.

The post disparages Inglis' background and his marriage.

Inglis posted the rant with the hashtag #racism#it#stops#with#me, the phrase from a recent Australian Human Rights Commission anti-racism campaign.

The South Sydney and Test fullback said he and his wife were 'disgusted' by the attack, which sparked a flood of messages supporting him.

"Thank you all for your support on the matter," Inglis later wrote.

Two months ago Inglis featured in the 'Racism. It Stops With Me' and 'Play by the Rules' campaigns, alongside other well known athletes including AFL star Adam Goodes.

Inglis' South Sydney teammates rallied behind him, with Rabbitohs veteran Roy Asotasi voicing his support, saying it was disappointing to hear of the way his friend had been treated.

"It's somebody attacking my teammate," he said.

"You'd like to think that racism is out of the game, or even out of this world.

"Unfortunately, you still get somebody that's on social media that's sitting behind his computer, able to write whatever he desires.

"It's something that you can't stop, you can't prevent. But knowing GI, he's definitely bigger than that.

"He's an ambassador to try and stamp racism out of the game and that's something that he'll probably be looking at and trying to help.

"You had a certain situation with (AFL star) Adam Goodes, and GI's been pretty good mates with him and they're working really hard to try to stamp it out."

Fellow Aboriginal

Rabbitoh Nathan Merritt said it was sad to see such blatant racism.

Acting Race Discrimination Commissioner Gillian Triggs also condemned the comments.

"The racist slurs directed at Mr Inglis again demonstrate why we need to tackle racism online, on sporting fields, in schools and in corporate Australia; wherever and whenever it occurs," she said.

'Racism. It Stops with Me' features Inglis and other sporting identities in a campaign that invites all Australians to reflect on what they can do to counter racism.

Inglis appears in the campaign's community



Greg Inglis playing for South Sydney.

service announcement, along with Goodes, who was also a recent target of racial abuse on and off the field.

National Rugby League CEO Dave Smith said racism was abhorrent and contrary to every value in the game.

"This applies on the field, in the grandstand and in any walk

of life," he said.

"Greg is a wonderful athlete and a great role model for our game, and this attack on him and his family is shameful."

Australian Rugby League Indigenous Council chair Linda Burney said that frequently people failed to appreciate the hurt caused by racist comments.

"There is nothing clever or funny about it. Comments like these cause pain to all Indigenous Australians," she said. "People like Greg are entitled to feel pride in what they have achieved and in who they are.

"All Australians should feel offended that anyone could think it is acceptable to speak about someone in this way."

The NRL said it would investigate the extent to which the person can be identified and what action can be taken.

More than 150 organisations have signed up to the 'Racism. It Stops With Me' campaign, including business and community groups, signed on as supporters.

Visit 'Racism. It Stops With Me' online at <http://itstopswithme.humanrights.gov.au/> - **With AAP**

● Eastwood - page 20



Members of the incoming National Congress board of directors, from left, Tammy Solonec, Daphne Yarram, Mark McMillan, co-chair elect Kirstie Parker, Rod Little, Venessa Curnow and Gerry Moore. Inset is re-elected co-chair Les Malezer.

New leaders detail vision for Congress

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



NATIONAL Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chairs Kirstie Parker and Les Malezer have both said the organisation needs more active members to increase its strength.

Female co-chair elect Ms Parker, the editor of the *Koori Mail* who successfully contested the position from co-chair Jody Broun, paid recognition to outgoing members of the board and outlined her vision for her term of co-chair up to 2015, as well as her long-term vision for Indigenous Australia.

"I want us all to work together to grow the membership, both in terms of numbers and dynamism," she said.

"We will rise or fall on this alone. I see no reason why we shouldn't be able to have 100,000 members.

"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.

"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 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."

Mr Malezer used his opening address to call for more participation from the broader Indigenous community to be involved in the national body.

"The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples is a very important organisation and fills what has been a vacuum for a number of years," he said.

Decision making

"We're established to exemplify article 18 of the declaration (of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People), which states Indigenous peoples have the right to participate in decision making in matters which affect their rights through organisations chosen by them in accordance with their own procedures.

"Congress is not here to make decisions for people but to represent people and to be chosen by the people to represent them and to ensure that decision making happens where it should be made, and that is at the community level."

Ms Parker said she saw part of her new role as advocating for

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to politicians and mainstream Australia.

"I want to take the message of our resilience and the wonderful story about our community that I've come to know, in particular in the past seven years as editor of the *Koori Mail*, to the rest of Australia," she said. "If mainstream Australia knows our story, I think it builds respect for our community.

"I don't want to turn this into a journalism-based thing, but if people know, understand and value other people, it takes fear and suspicion out of the equation and anything is possible."

Ms Parker paid tribute to outgoing co-chair Ms Broun.

"I want to join the chorus of tributes to Jody Broun, a really strong, honourable woman who was a fantastic co-chair and whose insight is crucial to the success of our organisation," she said. "I spoke with Jody in Cairns, and I know I will be calling on her wise counsel in the weeks ahead."

Mr Malezer said in his Mabo oration that much remains to be done to ensure Indigenous Australians are able to enjoy their rights.

"While the politics continue to dance around the important issues the culture of the settler society remains and subsequently there remains no intention to recognise the sovereignty and right of self-determination of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," he said.

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Huge weekend for Darwin



Gurrumul is on the bill for the National Indigenous Music Awards, in Darwin on 10 August.

By DARREN COYNE



DARWIN will be the place to be from 9-11 August if you're a lover of Indigenous art and music.

The 30th annual Telstra Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards will be announced on Friday, 9 August; the National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMA) are on the next day; and the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair is also being held all weekend.

The Telstra Award, with prizemoney of \$40,000, will go to one of about 100 entries in the finals, while \$4000 prizes will be awarded in new media, general painting, bark painting, and work on paper categories, as well as for the Wandjuk Marika Memorial 3D Award.

Entertainment for the awards, which will be held at the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory, includes B2M (Bathurst to Melville), the Kimberley Aboriginal Artist dancers, and dancers from the Gary Lang NT Dance Company.

The next evening at the NIMAs, Gurrumul Yunupingu will headline the bill, and all artists will take part in a tribute to Yothu Yindu.

Organisers said the song *Treaty* was expected to be the showstopper for the night.

"All artists present will participate, breathing new air into this enduring anthem of a song, led by the great man's grandson Rrawun Maymuru," a spokesperson said.

"The young lead singer of rising Indigenous band East Journey will no doubt be flanked by his

famous uncle Gurrumul and the original members of Yothu Yindi, ensuring this will be the stuff of historical music magic."

There will also be performances by The Medics, Kutcha Edwards, Shellie Morris, Grant Nundhiribala from the NT band Yilila, along with Djolpa McKenzie from the Black Arm Band, and many others.

School band of the year nominee Rolku Band, from the remote community of Milingimbi, will also perform.

Meanwhile, for those interested in snapping up some Indigenous art, the Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair will be open all weekend at the Darwin Convention Centre.

An organiser said the fair provided a unique opportunity to buy works from more than 40 Aboriginal-owned community art centres.

Sandmining fears for Quandamooka

By RUDI MAXWELL



QUANDAMOOKA Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC) chair Cameron Costello is deeply concerned that a close relationship between the Queensland Government and sandmining company Sibelco could see sandmining on North Stradbroke Island extended without permission of the traditional owners. "The effects of mining, as one of our Elders put it, are erasing the footsteps of our ancestors," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"That hits it on the head.

"You can understand why some of our mob worked for the mines; you need to pay for your family. But the Quandamooka people as a whole decided on an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) that brought a complete end to mining in favour of more caring for country."

When the Bligh Government passed the *North Stradbroke Island Protection and Sustainability Act* in 2011 QYAC was overjoyed that sandmining would be phased out by 2019, ending nearly six decades of community division for which the traditional owners had received no compensation.

Having had their native title rights recognised by the Federal Court on 4 July, 2011, and signing an ILUA that included compensation and the transition to joint management of Naree Budjong Djara National Park, QYAC thought they were on pretty safe ground transitioning to a sandmining-free economy for their land.

However, Sibelco, the privately-owned Dutch mining company that owned sandmining licences on North Stradbroke Island, felt differently.

Sibelco contracted communications consultants Rowland, who ran an aggressive and public campaign against the decision, which convinced Queensland Premier Campbell Newman, who told ABC radio recently that the LNP had run on a platform of extending sandmining on North Stradbroke Island.

Mr Costello said QYAC felt like the State Government and mining company were 'ganging up'. "QYAC believes that the mining on North Stradbroke Island should be done as agreed to in the Act and that any



Concerned ... Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation chair Cameron Costello and Elder Uncle Bob Anderson.

extension has to be done with the permission of the traditional owners because it is our land," he said. "We've had conversations with the Government but none where they have said or tabled a proposal about extending sandmining.

"We met Mining Minister Andrew Cripps in May and he didn't table a proposition and said it was up to the mining company.

"We haven't met with the mining company because they told us they want legislation to be passed first.

'Good faith'

"The Quandamooka have always acted in good faith and we expect the Queensland Government and the mining company to act in good faith.

"The Quandamooka people are very disappointed with the Government and the mining company not coming to us and dealing on a level playing field."

Sibelco registered for a third party campaign in the 2012 state election, posting a late return saying they had spent \$91,840.

Mr Newman refused to answer a question on whether any of that money had been spent in his electorate of Ashgrove, which he won from Labor's Kate Jones, but the *Koori Mail* understands the mining company posted letters without required disclosure

urging a vote for Mr Newman in Ashgrove.

Sibelco did not answer a question by the *Koori Mail* asking in which electorates it spent the money, saying the campaign was 'not aligned to any political party'.

However, according to material regarding the Sibelco campaign, available on Rowland's website until last week, 'In January 2012, then-Opposition Leader Campbell Newman announced that, if elected, he would overturn the Bligh Government's decision. His public commitment made on Brisbane radio underlined the key arguments in favour of extended sandmining made by Sibelco Australia's public affairs campaign.'

In a recent Budget Estimates hearing, Labor MP Jo-Ann Miller accused Minister Cripps and the LNP of a 'filthy, dirty, rotten deal' regarding the extension of sandmining on North Stradbroke Island.

Ms Miller said that according to the Integrity Commissioner's website, the Government had meetings on eight separate dates in two months with Sibelco.

Mr Cripps refused requests for an interview or to answer email questions.

However, ABC TV's 7.30 obtained a ministerial briefing paper by Sibelco on how to frame new legislation and a pre-cabinet Government circular seeking permission to

put this proposal into practice. The documents say mining at Enterprise (the largest mine) will extend through to 2035, eight years longer than had been announced.

They also say legislation extending the leases could be found invalid.

"We felt safe when we signed the ILUA regarding federal legislation that our rights were safe, but it appears the Queensland Government wants to act solely for the benefit of the mining company," Mr Costello said.

He said he was also concerned about health impacts from sandmining.

"I'm worried about radiation levels, dust from trucks and dust in the marine park area on oyster leases," he said.

"But the other issue is the effect mining has setting Quandamooka people against each other.

"Our community has been divided by mining, and the companies run very sophisticated campaigns of divide and conquer. They employ some of our mob and they're adept at sowing seeds of conflict.

"My concern is that this is happening again; that it's reopening old wounds just when they were starting to heal, because we were able to focus on other pillars of the economy: tourism, forests, and sustainable industries. We've got investors keen to invest – now that's throwing that in doubt as well.

"Once again history is repeating. We're being pushed aside. After 19 years of struggling for our native title rights and having the Federal Court grant a consent determination, the Government, within two years, is legislating to get out of it," he said.

"It raises questions about the *Native Title Act*, because essentially, if the Newman Government gets away with breaking the ILUA with the Quandamooka, what could be flow-on effects for the rest of the country?"

"We need Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people across the country to support the Quandamooka because if the Newman Government gets away with this, every state government will be after them.

"Our door is always open to meet with the Premier and Mining Minister, any of his mob, and I hope we can have a constructive relationship with the Government, with joint management of the national park, but, if we have to drag them kicking and screaming to do it properly, we'll do it."

Mayor, football star on power list



Johnathan Thurston

By ALF WILSON



TWO Indigenous men have been named in a list of north Queensland's top 50 most influential and powerful people.

Champion North Queensland Cowboys rugby league player Johnathan Thurston was number 14 and Palm Island mayor Alf Lacey was number 49 on the list compiled by the *Townsville Bulletin* newspaper.

Thurston is an Australian representative, North Queensland

Cowboys star and strong advocate for his people.

It is the third time Cr Lacey had been on the list. He was number 46 last year.

Cr Lacey was elected Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council mayor at the Queensland amalgamation council elections in March 2008 and then scored a landslide victory when re-elected last year for a second term.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail*, he said he was honoured to be recognised by mainstream media.

"It is a privilege and recognises my strong leadership and forward thinking. It is not only about me, but the

positive things happening here on Palm," he said.

The profile on the mayor read in part, "Cr Lacey is rated highly by the State Government for his leadership role on the island and amongst other Indigenous mayors."

Cr Lacey has met many politicians who have visited Palm Island and is an outspoken opponent of the Alcohol Management Plan imposed by the State Government on his and other Indigenous communities.

Number one on the list was James Cook University vice-chancellor Professor Sandra Harding.



Alf Lacey

Outbreak concern in islands



PAPUA New Guineans are being turned away from the Torres Strait islands over fears they're spreading a deadly disease, which has already claimed one life.

Locals say the Queensland and Federal Governments aren't doing enough to stop what they say is a tuberculosis (TB) epidemic, which has hit the islands and could spread to the mainland.

Queensland authorities say they will now test for tuberculosis in the Torres Strait amid growing concerns.

Torres Strait Regional Council mayor Fred Gela says that since an elderly local woman died from TB in April, the council has refused to allow traders from PNG to visit the islands.

Council staff are required to sign temporary permits before someone from PNG can visit any of the 14 islands under a treaty agreed by the two countries.

Last year, up to 26,000 individual permits were issued.

Mr Gela says the council has been forced to act because there are no health checks in place and he fears more people could die.

"My people are vulnerable and susceptible to contracting TB," he said. "Some of our communities are ... only a 10-minute boat ride from the PNG border.

"The reason is strong and simple: we're very, very concerned."

State Health Minister Lawrence Springborg says Queensland isn't receiving enough compensation to treat the hundreds of sick people from PNG who travel across the border each year.

He begrudgingly signed a deal last week under which the state will receive \$18 million in compensation from the Commonwealth over four years.

He wanted an extra \$10 million a year and a commitment to close the north's 'porous borders'.

"This border is about as porous as a spaghetti colander," Mr Springborg said.

In 2011-12, about 1100 Papua New Guineans visited Queensland Health facilities in the Torres Strait and Cairns, 15 of whom had tuberculosis. In one case, the cost of a patient's treatment came to \$1 million.

Mr Springborg says Mr Gela wants to close the border, but only the Commonwealth has the power to do that.

Mr Gela described the extent of the TB outbreak in the Torres Strait as an epidemic, and says the situation has worsened over the past decade.

He welcomed funding for programs such as AusAid in PNG, but says Australia needs to ensure the money is being spent on stopping sick people crossing the border.

"The Australian Government is pouring money into an international country with very little measures ensuring accountability," the mayor said.

Mr Gela warned authorities not to view Torres Strait as 'out of sight, out of mind', as diseases that spread through that area would soon reach the

mainland. "This is everybody's business," he said. "The State and Federal Governments need to front up to this issue and deal with it."

The Torres Strait and Northern Peninsula Hospital and Health Service says asylum seekers have been treated in far north Queensland hospitals.

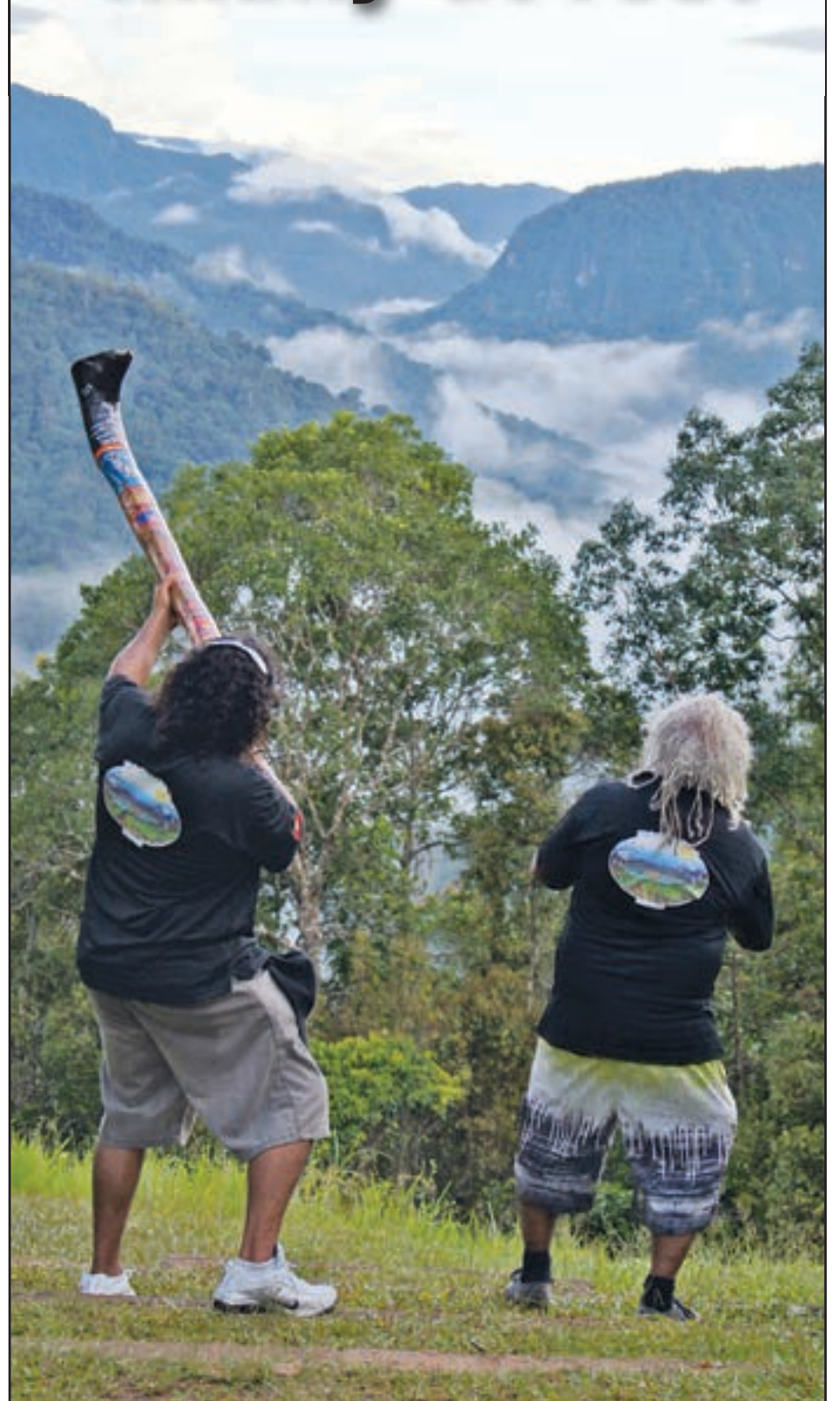
Spokeswoman Simone Kolaric says a Syrian man, who came via PNG, was brought to a hospital by immigration officials a couple of months ago, amid concerns he had TB. — AAP

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Mayor Fred Gela ... "The State and Federal Governments need to front up to this issue and deal with it."

Diggers' spirits finally at rest



THE spirits of six Aboriginal soldiers who died in the highlands of Papua New Guinea during World War II have finally been honoured in their homelands back in Australia. In a moving ceremony on 21 July, soil from the grave of digger Harold West was returned to his country at Weilmoringle near Goodooga, northern New South Wales. It was the last of six services honouring Aboriginal diggers who died on the Kokoda Track in PNG during 1942, in the darkest days of World War II. Pictured here are Uncle Richard Campbell, from Bermagui, playing the didgeridoo, with Martin Ballangarry, conducting ceremony in Papua New Guinea as part of the campaign to bring the Indigenous diggers home. See our report and more photos on page 21.

From sand to the snow

By RUDI MAXWELL



WHEN eight students from the Arnhem Land community of

Numbulwar had their first sighting of snow last week, they were so excited they asked the bus driver to pull over so they could get out and touch it.

Selina Uibo, one of three Numbulwar teachers accompanying the children, told the *Koori Mail* it was a joy to see the kids' enthusiasm.

"It was pretty exciting, coming up the mountain in the minivan that's been loaned to us, and we were starting to see snow and the kids were all asking, 'Is that real snow?' and saying it looked like shampoo, because it was patchy on the side of the road," she said.

"When we got to the resort, they all jumped out and were throwing snowballs. Everyone was excited, with big eyes and smiles."

Students Gregory-Anna Ngalmi, Doreen Ngalmi, Tevin Plummer, Francesca Joshua, Beverly Nundhirribala, Shenellie Mamarika, Shianne Numamurdirdi and Shania Wurramara were chosen to go on the inaugural 18-day Sand2Snow trip based on their good school attendance and respect for learning.

The group spent the first part of their trip to the snowfields in Marysville, rural Victoria, where the community loaned them parkas, beanies and layers of warm clothing.

The students have been trying their skills at cross-country skiing and racing down the slopes on toboggans.

"Some are quite natural skiers, very impressive," Ms Uibo said.

"They're all loving it. We congratulated them because everyone's been so supportive



Students from Numbulwar School in Arnhem Land have a snowball fight with their teachers.

and they've been helping each other if someone falls down.

"They're all looking after each other, big and little."

Numbulwar is 570km south-east of Darwin, at the mouth of the Rose River, on the western coast of the Gulf of Carpentaria.

It's a remote community where English is the second or third language.

The community helped fund

the trip by donating handcrafted baskets, mats and necklaces for sale through the Numburindi Arts enterprise business, run by senior students.

Donations

Parents contributed \$500 per student, local fundraising weighed in with \$3000, and donations accounted for another \$3000.

For the last part of the trip,

the group will go to Marysville Primary School, Buxton Primary School, and Alexandra Secondary College for a cross-cultural exchange.

They will swap their cross-country skis for a try at downhill skiing at Mount Hotham before starting the long trip back to the Top End.

The students have been posting comments on facebook. "It's been exciting," Tevin

said. "My best part is skiing and the tobogganing."

Doreen said: "I like doing skiing, tobogganing and playing snowball fights."

Gregory-Anna said she'd enjoyed learning how to ski.

"After that we went tobogganing and we were throwing each other snowballs and then we went to the flying fox and we were screaming with fun," she said.

Mental health boost for NT



THE Federal Government will spend \$6 million over the next three years to improve much-needed mental health

services in four remote Northern Territory Aboriginal communities.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon said the money would establish services in Santa Teresa, Gunbalanya, Ngukurr and Maningrida.

The funding will go towards two new Personal Helpers and Mentors (PHaMs) services and two new family mental health support services.

Ms Macklin said the PHaMs services would help about 90 people with mental illness in Ngukurr and Maningrida by providing one-on-one and ongoing support.

"By building confidence and increasing connections within the community, personal helpers and mentors can help people with mental illness overcome social isolation," she said.

"The family mental health support services will provide essential support for young people to help them stay at school, get involved in the community and build better relationships with their family and friends."

The ministers said the

funding would also work to build local capacity to respond to mental health issues.

"Both programs will provide opportunities for local people to be directly involved in the delivery of services creating more local jobs," they said in a statement.

They said mental illness could have a devastating effect on people's lives. It can leave them feeling isolated and vulnerable and can put them at increased risk of drug and alcohol misuse.

Applications from local organisations to deliver the services, to be opened by the end of the year, are currently being assessed.

Uni in backflip over ban on MP



A QUEENSLAND university was forced to backpeddle on a decision to ban Aboriginal activist and Northern Territory MP Bess Price from its

campus. Ms Price had arranged to meet with students at the Gumurrii Student Support Unit at Griffith University, but was barred at the last minute because the unit's office manager cancelled the visit because 'staff objected to her visit for various personal reasons based on various views she had expressed in the media'.

The Warlpiri grandmother has been a vocal supporter of the intervention into Aboriginal communities, and has long argued that left-wing Aboriginal advocates are out of touch and have no answers for the violence being experienced by Aboriginal

women in Central Australia.

With her husband Dave, she has written a book arguing that the culture and suffering of outback Aboriginal people is not widely understood.

Following the ban, university spokesman Dean Gould told media that the decision was made by a 'junior manager' who had made 'an unfortunate show of judgment' in cancelling the visit.

"It doesn't reflect the university's position on visiting MPs," he said.

Ms Price said she had been looking forward to meeting the students and felt it was 'rude' to have been barred.

She said, however, that she would consider revisiting the Gumurrii facility once she had received an apology from the director of the facility, who was absent when the decision to bar her was made.

First centre in Gunnedah



WINANGA-LI, the first of nine planned specialist Aboriginal child and family centres in NSW, opened in the north-west centre of Gunnedah last week.

Winanga-Li translates as 'to hear, to listen, to know, to remember'.

NSW Family and Community Services Minister Pru Goward said Winanga-Li would be a place of belonging for all children, their families and the Gunnedah community.

"The opening of Winanga-Li Aboriginal Child and Family Centre in Gunnedah will improve services and lives for vulnerable and disadvantaged Aboriginal children and their families," she said.

The centre will provide early childhood education and care, parent and family support, and early childhood health advice.

The services provided will include speech pathology, hearing and referral to specialist services, educational programs for parents and cultural knowledge.

Winanga-Li will initially be jointly managed by Relationships Australia NSW and UnitingCare Children's Services.

Once established, Winanga-Li will transition to local Aboriginal management.

UnitingCare children's services director Trish Brown



Staff and officials at the opening of the new Aboriginal Child and Family Centre in Gunnedah.

said access to early childhood education and care services was critical to giving children the best possible start.

"Aboriginal staff will have a key role to play in delivering

these services. This is an important acknowledgement that Aboriginal people are best placed to deliver Aboriginal services," she said.

The nine planned centres

are a joint initiative of the Federal and State Governments.

A local reference group, including Elders, community service workers and families,

played a critical role in establishing the centre and ensuring that the services are responsive to and reflect the needs of the local community.

Warning on antibiotic resistance



AUSTRALIA's Chief Scientist, Professor Ian Chubb, has warned that antibiotic resistance is a looming public health risk that could lead to a

rise in deaths from common infections, particularly for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

According to a recent report, an increasing number of antibiotic-resistant infections, including tuberculosis and staphylococcus aureus (golden staph), once confined to hospitals are appearing in the broader community.

"The current drug-resistant tuberculosis situation in Papua New Guinea also presents a risk to Australia's public health, particularly in Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population," the report said.

The report also said there had been a collapse in new antibiotics due to pharmaceutical companies abandoning the field or reducing research commitments.

"There is now a genuine threat of humanity returning to an era where mortality due to common infections is rife," the report said.

The chief scientist's office called for a global revival in antibiotics research and development and for alternative treatments to be developed to combat resistance. — AAP

Vic gets new commissioner

By DARREN COYNE



IT takes a strong heart to advocate on behalf of disadvantaged

Aboriginal children, so Andrew Jackomos reckons he should be well placed for his new job — a first for Australia.

As Victoria's newly appointed Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People, the Yorta Yorta/Gunditjmarra man told the *Koori Mail* he was 'good to go for another 20 years' after open-heart surgery to repair a faulty valve last year.

Mr Jackomos, who is married to Luseane and is a father to four daughters and a grandfather, believes strongly in strengthening Victorian families and communities.

It's a passion which has held him in good stead during his 30-year career working for Aboriginal people, based in Victoria, Queensland and Canberra.



'It's a huge task, but I believe there is goodwill from the government to tackle ... problems'
— Commissioner Andrew Jackomos

For now, though, he is again focused on his home state.

"There was a review done in 2011 and it reaffirmed what the Koori community already knew ... that there was a high representation of our children in out-of-home care and the youth justice system," he said.

"It's a case of if we don't do anything about it we will have another lost generation.

"It's a huge task, but I believe there is goodwill from the government to tackle these

problems."

Mr Jackomos said some of the key challenges would be building a stronger network for people working with children, and developing a Koori-specific out-of-home-care plan.

"Often they don't get the best education outcomes and they also have poorer health. And the majority are not placed in the Koori community," he said.

"It's about building the capacity of the Koori community to play a greater role in

addressing these challenges."

To take up the position, Mr Jackomos is leaving his post as director of the Koori Justice Unit in the Victorian Department of Justice, after notching up a significant record of achievement in areas such as housing, justice, and education and training.

The 60-year-old has also been at the forefront of developing and implementing the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement, including the Koori Court system.

State Community Services Minister Mary Wooldridge said the appointment was an historic step which recognised 'the vulnerabilities and significant over-representation of Aboriginal children and young people in the child protection system'.

"As the Protecting Victoria's Vulnerable Children Inquiry highlighted, Aboriginal children are around 10 times more likely to be the subject of a substantiation of abuse or neglect compared with non-Aboriginal children," she said.



Kenny Bedford

Bedford joins the RA board



KENNY Bedford has been appointed to the board of Reconciliation Australia (RA) as the Torres Strait Islander representative.

Mr Bedford is known in the Torres Strait for playing a key role in negotiating management arrangements in the Torres Strait Fisheries.

Representing the remote island of Erub on the Torres Strait Regional Authority, Mr Bedford has held the executive position of portfolio member for fisheries since 2008.

He is also president of the Erub Fisheries Management Association, a member of Erubam Le Traditional Land and Sea Owners (TSL) Corporation and sits on far north Queensland's Abergowrie College Community Consultative Committee.

Mr Bedford will replace the long-serving Terry Waia as a director.

Reconciliation Australia co-chairs Melinda Cilento and Tom Calma announced the appointment.

"Mr Bedford brings a wealth of experience successfully representing his people and playing a key role in negotiating challenging management arrangements in Torres Strait Fisheries," Dr Calma said.

"The return of ownership of the Torres Strait fin fish fishery to the traditional owners has been one of the great success stories in amicably resolving competing interests between Indigenous and other Australians."

Ms Cilento said Mr Bedford's role in supporting Torres Strait Islander engagement in commercial fisheries would add value to RA's focus on First Peoples' employment and education.

"His advisory role at St Theresa's Abergowrie College will also be of benefit to this target," she said.

Mr Bedford said he wanted to improve living standards for his people and ensure access to the same level of service delivery available to mainland Australians.

"I see Reconciliation Australia as a vehicle for developing national solidarity and for harnessing the goodwill of all Australians towards the goals of improved housing, employment and education for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," he said. "I want to contribute to reconciliation between all Australians."

Looking to score a career



STUDENTS Tayla Luta-Cloudy, Rebecca Kaniu and Lydia Saunders had more than one reason to smile at this month's Former Origin Greats (FOGS) Careers Expo in Townsville. As well as getting the lowdown on lots of career opportunities, the Queenslanders could bask in the glory that their state won the State of Origin rugby league trophy they're standing with for the eighth straight year. See more on the FOGS expo on page 39. Photo by Alf Wilson

Protest targets NT mining plan

By MARGARET SMITH



A DELEGATION of traditional owners from Arnhem Land travelled to Sydney last week with a message for oil company

Paltar Petroleum: "We don't want you polluting our country, food or water."

The Northern Territory Government is considering an application by Paltar for oil and gas exploration licences in the seas along the Arnhem Land coast, from Coburg Peninsula to Gove, the south-east to Borroloola in the Gulf of Carpentaria.

Traditional owners protested outside Paltar's Sydney office in Martin Place, saying they only found out about the application from a small advertisement in the NT News and that they have concerns about hydraulic fracturing, the invasive process where toxic chemicals and sand are blasted into the rock bed to release gas flows.

Burarra Elder Eddie Mason



Eddie Mason, Rosita Ankin, Ross Brian and Elton Maxwell protesting in Sydney about oil and gas mining in Arnhem Land.

told the protest he doesn't trust mining companies, and if oil spilled in the region all the waters and seafood would be ruined.

Delegation members Ross Brian and Elton Maxwell played

music for onlookers, who dipped their hands in blue paint to show their solidarity.

Alice Eather said Maningrida was her grandmother's country, where family went hunting and

fishing every day. "We need to stand side by side as one big family," she said.

"All our mob at Maningrida say no to exploration of oil and gas."

After the protest, Mr Mason told the *Koori Mail* he was disappointed with the reaction of the Northern Land Council.

"There are 12 tribes who are together on this protest," he said.

"My land is precious to me. It's the land of my forefathers, who left it to me to carry on and protect."

"I'm inspired by (Djok Elder) Jeffrey Lee (who successfully opposed uranium mining in Koongarra, NT, in Kakadu National Park), Nelson Mandela, and the late Charlie Perkins."

"I listen to the people who understand what we are fighting for."

"One voice, one people, one land; it's the way we get people together."

Paltar Petroleum refused to meet the delegation, but sent a text message to Mr Mason saying that they would come and meet his community on their homeland.



Children from the community of Bagot will take festival participants on a walking neighbourhood tour.

Bagot kids will be festival tour guides



AS part of the Darwin Festival, members of the city's Bagot community are inviting visitors to see their home

through the eyes of a child.

The 'Walking Neighbourhood' is a collaboration between an artistic team from Contact Inc and a group of Bagot children, who have created a participatory performance for all ages.

Each child tour guide will take participants on a walk that shares their interests and experiences of their community. The adventure

could include storytelling, music, art, history or just a stroll to take in the pace and vibe of Bagot.

The Bagot Festival runs from 10-11 August, and festival director Kieren Sanderson says arts workers from Contact Inc have been working with the children for the past six months, building a series of walks. "It's a fantastic idea," she said.

Highlights

Other highlights of the festival include the Rainbow Serpent project, where artist Anthony Duwun Lee and Erth Visual have been working with children from Bagot

community, Ludmilla and Parap primary schools to create a giant Rainbow Serpent puppet, which will be unveiled at the Bagot Festival.

Exhibitions during the festival include *Art in the Trees*, where works on canvas by local artists will adorn the local vegetation, and the *History of Bagot Now and Then* photographic exhibition.

Larakia Elders will open the festival at 3pm on Saturday, 10 August.

The Bagot Festival is part of the Darwin Festival, which runs from 8-25 August.

For a full program and more information go to www.darwinfestival.org.au

Research network is launched



Australia has been launched in Canberra.

The National Indigenous Research and Knowledge Network (NIRAKN), comprised of Indigenous researchers from 22 universities and research institutes across the country, will support Indigenous postgraduates to fill research positions and create new Indigenous knowledge. It will be headed by Professor Aileen Moreton-Robinson, from QUT.

The Federal Government has provided \$3.2 million over four years for the new network, which was opened this month by Australian Research Council chief executive Aidan Byrne.

Prof Byrne said Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were under-represented among researchers, higher degree research student enrolments and completions.

"This highlights a need for a strategic investment to support Indigenous researchers to pursue research degrees and research careers," he said.

QUT vice-chancellor Professor Peter Coaldrake said the network was an important step in growing the collective knowledge of Indigenous academics from varying



Aileen Moreton-Robinson

stages of their careers.

"We are looking to connect Indigenous researchers across disciplines nationally and internationally to develop a culturally supportive, inclusive research environment," he said.

"There's a discrepancy between the number of established Indigenous and non-Indigenous researchers in the higher education sector and it continues to grow. This network is an important step toward reversing this trend."

Prof Moreton-Robinson said funding a network that would support Indigenous postgraduates to fill research positions and create new Indigenous knowledge was

critical to meeting promises to 'close the gap'.

"In 2012, closing the gap would require Indigenous postgraduate numbers and completions to increase by 600 per cent to attain parity with population proportions," she said.

"It has been well documented that the universities hitting population parity figures are the universities that have strong Indigenous research role models, methodologies and mentors available to students within their field of study."

The nine universities involved in the network are Central Queensland University, Charles Darwin University, the Australian National University, the University of Newcastle, the University of Western Australia, the University of Tasmania, University of Technology, Sydney, the University of Melbourne and University of Wollongong.

Five partner organisations have committed a further \$2.1 million in money and \$3.4 million in kind towards the new network.

They are the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation, National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, Ninti One Ltd, South Coast Women's Health and Welfare Aboriginal Corporation, and the United Nations University.



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Ngunya Jarjum Out of Home Care Service is looking for foster parents with the capacity to offer love and stability to a 10 year old boy who has experienced trauma and whose behaviours may be challenging. This means some of our children have experienced significant trauma through loss, neglect, abuse and other family problems including drug and alcohol abuse.

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If you come from a strong cultural and compassionate background and feel that you would like to provide intensive support as a foster carer we want to hear from you. Being a foster carer can be a deeply rewarding experience for all involved. Please contact Lester Moran at Ngunya Jarjum for more information on 66263 700 or email on lester.moran@ngunyajarjum.com



Want to be part of a new Aboriginal community governance and leadership program?

The NSW Government is investing in Aboriginal community governance and leadership through Local Decision Making. This initiative is part of OCHRE - the new Aboriginal affairs plan for NSW.

Existing or new regional alliances of Aboriginal community organisations who want to be part of the initial phase of the program are invited to apply.

Communities will be selected to be a part of Local Decision Making based on the information provided in the Expression of Interest Application Form, and a set selection criteria.

Information and the application form can be found at the Aboriginal Affairs website at www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au. For enquiries email ldm.enquiries@aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au or call the designated contact officers Angela Langdon on (02) 9219 0793 or Rachel Ardler on (02) 9219 0731.

Only applications lodged using the application form will be considered.

Applications close at 5pm on Wednesday 25 September 2013.

Applications should either be emailed with the subject "Local Decision Making Tender Box" and addressed to AANSW.Tenderbox@dhs.nsw.gov.au or posted to:

"Local Decision Making Tender Box"
Aboriginal Affairs, Level 13, Tower B, Centennial Plaza
280 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills NSW 2010.

Late applications will not be considered.

Group to target violence

By DARREN COYNE



A NEW national foundation has been launched which aims to prevent violence against women and their children.

The foundation, which includes Victorian Child Care Agency CEO Professor Muriel Bamblett on its board, has received \$6.5 million over two years to drive initial projects.

Federal Minister for the Status of Women Julie Collins and Victorian Minister for Community Services Mary Wooldridge officially launched the foundation, which will be based in Melbourne, on 26 July.

"Violence against women is one of the most significant issues facing our community," Ms Collins said.

"Any form of violence is unacceptable and this is why we are taking action.

"In addition to the personal cost, domestic and family violence costs the Australian community more than \$13 billion a year."

Ms Collins and Ms Wooldridge said the Commonwealth and Victorian governments had joined forces to establish the new foundation because they understood how critical the situation regarding family violence was across the nation.

The foundation will promote best practice prevention strategies based on research; undertake prevention and early intervention projects through communities, schools and media; deliver information sessions, forums and conferences; and run targeted social marketing and online campaigns.

"The Federal Government, together with state and territory



Muriel Bamblett

governments, share a policy of zero tolerance for violence against women," Ms Collins said.

Meanwhile, a gathering of Aboriginal men in the Northern Territory appears to have reached the same conclusion.

Participants have called on all political parties to show bipartisan support to efforts which would improve men's health and, as a result, the health of their families and communities.

Central Australian Aboriginal Congress deputy chief executive Des Rogers said Aboriginal men wanted to be included in efforts to tackle issues such as domestic violence.

He said Aboriginal men had been demonised as a result of the Northern Territory intervention, but were ready to play a part in tackling important issues such as violence towards women.

● Men's summit coverage on page 26

Big names on bill for new festival



FIFTY-ONE artists from 11 countries will deliver 103 performances at the inaugural

Boomerang Festival in Byron Bay, northern NSW, over the October long weekend.

Festival artistic director Rhoda Roberts last week detailed the full festival program, promising it would be 'the first of its kind'.

"This is a festival experience where audiences have the opportunity to be personally touched by the experience of connecting and embracing the social, cultural and spiritual aspects of Australia's First Peoples' traditional lives and contemporary practices from across the globe," she said.

To be held on Bundjalung country at the Tyagarah Tea Tree Farm near Byron Bay, which is the home of the Bluesfest, the Boomerang Festival will bring together artists from Australia, New Zealand, Chile, Canada, Scotland, Papua New Guinea, Fiji, Rotuman, Tonga, Samoa and the Cook Islands (Rarotonga).

Some of the Australian Indigenous acts on the bill include Gurrumul, Archie Roach, Thelma Plum, The Medics, Wantock Sing Sing, Lou Bennett and Emma Donovan.

Some of the international acts include Quique Neira (Chile), Moana and the Tribe (NZ), Rako Dancers (Fiji), Breabach (Scotland), Digging Roots (Canada), Nga Tae (NZ), Ray Beadle (NSW/NZ), Pacific Curls (NZ) and TsuuT'ina & Anishnaabe (Canada).

As well as the music, there will also be a program of dance, theatre, comedy, film and visual arts.

Ms Roberts said the Boomerang Festival would host three stages.

The main stage will be



Boomerang Festival artistic director Rhoda Roberts holding the program. Photo by Dave White

reserved for the headline acts, the cabaret stage is to be a more intimate venue, while the alterNative stage will host discussions, films, theatre, poetry and an assortment of speakers.

Each night at 9pm, Troy Brady will host a fire circle with various guests dropping by for conversations.

Ms Roberts said there would be Elders talks, a speakers program, various circles and activities including some of the world's oldest instruments, along with dance and rituals.

As well, there would be traditional arts practices and workshops, with a focus on mother tongues and first instruments.

"Language, it has been said, is the light of the mind," Ms Roberts said.

"Combine that with the revitalisation and return of some ancient traditions and practices from an eclectic line-up of artists and you have a unique festival experience."

The festival will run from 4-6 October. For the full program, go to www.boomerangfestival.com.au

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City paramedic is a busy man



A SYDNEY Indigenous paramedic has been helping to find out why some senior Aboriginal people are not calling 000 in an emergency. He's also been encouraging young Indigenous people to consider health as a career – and that's on top of his day job saving lives.

Liam Harte, based at the Sydney Ambulance Centre at Redfern, said his aim was to look after his community, while acting as a liaison between Indigenous people and government health services.

Last September, he was one of 40 participants in the National Indigenous Health Plan Youth Forum.

Mr Harte said the health plan recognised that health for Indigenous people was not just about physical wellbeing, but encompassed cultural, social, emotional and spiritual considerations.

He is also working with the NSW Ambulance Cardiac Care Team to determine why some senior members of the Indigenous community are not calling triple zero (000) in an emergency.

He has also been working with Indigenous youth, telling them of career options.

"I tell them they might not make it as a footballer, but there are a lot of good professional, society-contributing jobs that they can be a part of," Mr Harte said.

"In this modern climate, there's that many opportunities for these kids, there's so many programs running for scholarships, for pathways, it's really up to them.

"The health industry, in



Paramedic Liam Harte wants more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth to consider a career in health.

particular, offers a fantastic career pathway for any Indigenous person, not just in NSW Ambulance and its offshoots, but NSW Health as a whole. It's a place where your cultural background is sought after."

NSW Ambulance employs 96 Indigenous people, including 64 paramedics (including intensive care paramedics), 15 patient transport officers, seven frontline managers, five control

centre roles, three corporate or other roles and two flight nurses.

"There's a very healthy two-way respect between the Indigenous community and paramedics, but these things can always grow better," Mr Harte said.

"You need to have engagement outside of stressful situations – the time that you meet people from the emergency services doesn't always have to be in times of an emergency."

Vic lake project a finalist



A WATER restoration project by the Gunditj Mirring Traditional Owners Aboriginal

Corporation (GMTOAC) has been named as a finalist in the Australian Riverprize, the largest prize for environmental achievement in Australia.

The Lake Condah Restoration Project, in south-west Victoria, has involved ten years of scientific study and community engagement, leading to the construction of a weir on Darlots Creek to restore water to the previously drained Lake Condah, a culturally and environmentally significant wetland.

Since the weir was finished in 2010 the lake has received significant inflow, leading to a revival of ancient aquaculture systems, dated to at least 6600 years old, with the lake itself 8000 years old.

The project has also dramatically boosted the conservation significance of the lake.

GMTOAC project officer Damein Bell said the return of water to the lake also allowed Gunditjmarra people to tell the traditional story of the lake in its broader context to tourists and visitors, helping to generate economic activity through their tourism operation.

"We are now witnessing the

reactivation of our ancestors' ancient aquaculture systems, the return of important bird species to the lake, and a dramatic change in vegetation with the return of water," he said.

Lake Condah was returned to Gunditjmarra ownership in 2008 after a native title consent determination.

"It is vital for Gunditjmarra to honour our cultural obligations to protect and care for the lake in accordance with traditional law, and this restoration project has been a crucial step in meeting these obligations," Mr Bell said.

Successful

"The weir construction also employed 25 Gunditjmarra and became a highly successful example of cross-cultural engagement between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians."

The other finalists are the Glenelg River Project and NSW's Tweed River Project.

The winner of the 2013 Australian Riverprize will be announced on 24 September at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, during the 16th International Riversymposium.

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A view of Lake Condah in Victoria.

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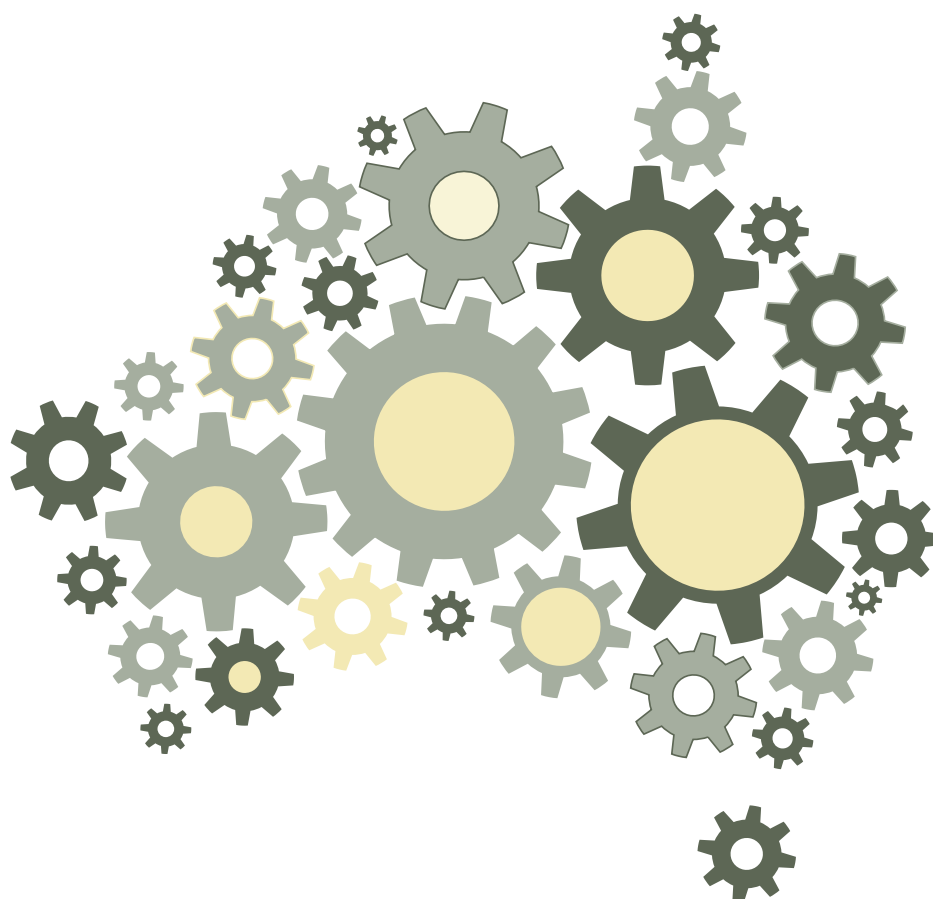
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Judy Atkinson

Report looks at trauma



A NEW report looking at care and services for Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander children who have suffered trauma has found culturally appropriate intervention can help with recovery.

Professor Judy Atkinson's report for the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare investigated responses to inter-generational trauma and distressing life events that can cause childhood trauma.

"Although childhood trauma is a real problem that demands urgent action, it is important to acknowledge the strength and resilience of Indigenous people and culture in Australia in the face of extreme adversity," her report concluded.

"Protective attributes (such as strong kinships systems and connection to country) have enabled many people to transcend painful personal and communal histories."

Important

The report said it was important for service and care providers to be 'trauma-informed', whereby they understand trauma and its effects, create safe environments for children, are culturally appropriate, support victims to regain control, involve community members, look at children's needs holistically and support building safe relationships.

Prof Atkinson found there was no single way to help children who have faced trauma, but that often a combination of approaches informed by Indigenous culture showed promise in supporting healing.

"Practitioners and service providers write of providing education and therapeutic and enrichment initiatives designed to respond to children's needs, including their neurodevelopmental growth," she wrote.

"Many of their reported practices are grounded in the richness of children's cultural and spiritual heritage.

"Such culturally informed approaches recognise Indigenous worldviews for strengthening cultural and spiritual identity in early childhood and across the lifespan."

The report included several models and case studies.



Yamba is heading for strait



YAMBA the Honeyant and his best friend Jacinta are heading to the Torres Strait to bring healthy living messages to children through song and dance.

The Alice Springs-based *Yamba's Roadshow*, a healthy living musical based on the hit preschool television series *Yamba's Playtime*, performed as part of the pre-match entertainment for the Northern Pride versus Sunshine Coast Eagles rugby league match in Cairns on 27 July.

The messages in the musical include getting a good night's sleep, water is the best drink for you, blowing your nose, washing your face and hands, brushing your teeth twice a day, eating bush tucker, eating fruit and vegetables, eating a healthy breakfast, playing sport and doing exercise and visiting the doctor and dentist.

The roadshow will return to Cairns for National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day on 4 August and International Day of World Indigenous People celebrations, then head north to tour communities and towns of Cape York Peninsula.

Yamba and Jacinta said they were 'ANTastically excited' about singing and dancing with more children and sharing ways to 'stay healthy and strong'.

● **Pictured: Yamba the Honeyant and Jacinta are set to tour the Torres Strait and far north Queensland.**

SNAICC concern over Qld report



AUSTRALIA'S peak body representing Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander children has criticised a report into

Queensland's child protection system. SNAICC (the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care) chairperson Sharron Williams said Commissioner Tim Carmody's final report into the system had 'failed to acknowledge the under-investment in Indigenous organisations'.

She said that while SNAICC welcomed most of the important recommendations, it was concerned with the report's position on adoptions.

"Clearly the system has failed children in Queensland, and an overhaul of the type Commissioner Carmody is recommending was needed," Ms Williams said.

"SNAICC applauds Commissioner Carmody's approach to reduce contact of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children with the protection system by providing much more support to vulnerable families and parents under multiple levels of stress."



'There must be further engagement with our communities and organisations to explore options for stability and permanency that maintain cultural and family connections for our children in out-of-home care'

– SNAICC's Sharron Williams

Ms Williams said the current system was heavily skewed towards identifying children at risk and supporting them once they had been removed from their families.

"If this shift towards prevention is to be taken seriously, however, experience demonstrates that it will need to be embedded in legislation," she said.

Ms Williams said SNAICC was concerned that Mr Carmody had recommended increased use of adoption as a permanency option

without properly considering the impacts that this could have on vital connections to family, community and culture for Indigenous children.

"There must be further engagement with our communities and organisations to explore options for stability and permanency that maintain cultural and family connections for our children in out-of-home care," she said.

Mr Carmody made 121 recommendations centred around reducing the number of children in the child protection system,

revitalising child-protection frontline services, and refocusing the oversight on 'learning, improving and taking responsibility'.

His report said that the number of children in state care in Queensland had doubled over the past decade and the budget for child protection in Queensland had more than tripled over the same period to keep up with demand, a situation he described as unsustainable.

"That trajectory has to be arrested and, once it's arrested, the cost to society for looking after children whose parents can't should rise only in accordance with population increase and CPI," he said.

Another of the recommendations was that a 'secure care' model be introduced as a last resort for children who presented a significant risk of serious harm to themselves or others.

Ms Williams said SNAICC particularly welcomed the plan for developing the service capacity for integrated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander family services over a 10-year period supported by the statewide Indigenous peak body.

Lands office wins praise



A MUSEUM for the Kowanyama is closer to reality thanks to the efforts of the Cape York community's

Aboriginal Land and Natural Resources Management Office, known as the lands office.

The office, owned by traditional owners since 1990 and supported administratively by the Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council, has been active in areas including cultural heritage maintenance and recording oral histories through to national park, pests, weeds, fire, fisheries and waterways management.

For the past couple of years, the office has taken a different approach to raising funds for a museum, which it is hoped will also become an arts and culture research centre for the community.

Manager Viv Sinnamon said the lands office needed about \$7 million for the project, but



Charlotte Yam

rather than seek government grants, management decided to raise the money through donations and philanthropy.

Traditional owner Charlotte Yam said it was about country coming first.

"Your country comes first, the money comes after; that's what we always say," she said.

"It's important to have a lands office."

Kowanyama councillor Teddy Bernard said the lands office was known for taking a leading role.

"The artifacts and things we have in the office are unique to us," he said. "I was part of a team there for three years and it was a privilege working there."

"The board of directors is a council of Elders and if there's something going on directors get together and they'll make a decision on what can and can't be done."

"Viv is the person ... looking outside of government money and looking for all this funding; he's been doing this for a long time and I praise the man for what he's done."

"Kowanyama is like a model community. Everyone is looking at us, what we're doing, and then they follow us."

"Whenever we go to a land and sea conference, Kowanyama always comes up in the conversations, so we're really privileged and get excited when this happens."

New cataloguing system welcomed



ABORIGINAL communities have welcomed a new system of cataloguing artefact collections, which

was the focus of a recent workshop in Cairns.

Brad Higgins and Vanessa Gillen, from Yarrabah, and Viv Sinnamon, from Kowanyama, praised the Mosaic system as being useful for their mainly Aboriginal communities.

Mr Higgins, the archivist at Yarrabah's Menmuni Museum, said it would mean local material could be stored professionally.

"We have a huge collection, but a lot of stuff in our archival room is yet to be catalogued," he said.

"So I'm hoping to bring these skills back to the community museum so I can put them to use with all the old artefacts, photos, and a lot of documents from the Mission Protector days. We have a lot of stuff that needs to be digitised and the program will help us store it professionally."

The Mosaic system is produced by Information Services and Technology, and company director Sally-Anne Whittington said an item in a museum was 'nothing' without subject information, especially for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Ms Whittington said Mosaic addressed all relevant cataloguing information in a



Viv Sinnamon and Brad Higgins on the course.

readily accessible way.

Mr Sinamon, who has worked in Kowanyama since 1972, also praised Mosaic.

"We've had a workshop in Kowanyama for five of us," he said.

"We're hoping that other communities in the north will take an interest in actually preserving the history and culture and finding new and innovative ways to transmit cultural knowledge, because that's basically the purpose of Menmuni in Yarrabah and Kowanyama's collections."

"It's not about collections of objects. It's about the stories, place, people, the stories and

information behind those objects."

"We've got thousands of objects that require documentation."

Mr Higgins said working at the museum was 'definitely his thing'.

"I love history and all things about history, especially the community history," he said.

"I will take these skills back to the community and hopefully get everything up to scratch on our computer."

"I see this as a really good opportunity and good way to improve your skills through storing your culture and heritage."



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Favourite music?
Kenny Chesney, Alan Jackson, Tim McGraw – anything country.

Favourite sport/leisure?
AFL – watching it these days. I used to think I was a backyard legend.

Favourite read?
I just finished (fallen AFL star) Ben Cousins' autobiography and *50 Shades of Grey* – recommended reading for all women.

Favourite holiday destination?
New York. I am going in November.

What are you watching on TV?
Sons of Anarchy.

What do you like in life?
Seeing happy people.

What don't you like?
Debt and politics.

Which black or indigenous person would you most like to meet?
(NRL star) Johnathan Thurston.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Singer Kenny Chesney and actors The Rock and Shemar Moore.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
I'd wave a magic wand and take away all the nastiness and prejudice.

Quote



'It's a case of if we don't do anything about (the situation) we will have another lost generation'

– Victoria's new Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People
Andrew Jackomos

● See page 10

Unquote

Men must be a part of solution

ABORIGINAL men from across Australia have sent out a clear message from their bush camp near Alice Springs, where they met recently to discuss ways to improve men's health.

They say it is 'Time for Action', and they want politicians of all persuasions to put aside their differences and work with them to improve their lives.

Given that many Aboriginal men were left feeling disempowered as a result of the NT intervention, it is good to see many of those same men are finding their voices and demanding to be heard.

Central Australian Aboriginal Congress deputy chief executive Des Rogers told the *Koori Mail* that next year he wanted to bring men and women together to tackle issues.

"If we want safe and harmonious communities we've got to engage both the males and the females and I believe that this is a major turning point," he said.

Meanwhile, the release of a 10-year plan aimed at closing the life expectancy gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people has been described as a 'first' because it was developed collaboratively with Aboriginal people.

This is something that Aboriginal health advocates have been calling for for years, so it not surprising that the plan has been widely praised.

But creating plans is one thing; putting them into practice is another. That's why it is so important for all states and territories to get on board and support the various actions outlined in the plan.



OUR SAY

Without a true bipartisan approach, which is supported at all levels of government, the gap will never be closed.

The fact that the Opposition has argued that the plan does not go far enough and has too little detail is actually a cause for celebration because it shows that both sides of politics are taking this commitment seriously.

At least whoever wins at the next election will have a long-term plan in place. The current Government has expressed its commitment to the plan, advocates have welcomed it, and the Coalition appears to be saying it could do it even better. Seems like a win-win situation for those trying to improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

But some health improvements will only come about as a result of personal choice. For example, if a good portion of the 50 per cent of Aboriginal smokers decided to quit, chances are the life-expectancy gap would begin to improve overnight.

As with everything, however, people need to be supported through change – but where there's a will there's always a way. Let's find it.

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Uncle Richard Archibald at the grave of Harry Saunders in Papua New Guinea.



Uncle Martin Ballangarry, of Bowraville in NSW, performs a ceremony last year in the Bomana Cemetery at the grave of Digger Frank Archibald.

Diggers' spirits at rest

By DARREN COYNE



THE spirits of six Aboriginal soldiers who died in the highlands of Papua New Guinea have finally been honoured in their homelands back in Australia.

In a moving ceremony on 21 July, soil from the grave of Harold West was returned to his country at Weilmoringle near Goodooga, northern New South Wales.

It was the last of six services honouring Aboriginal diggers who died on the Kokoda Track in PNG during 1942, in the most desperate days of World War II.

The other soldiers were Frank Archibald, Herbert Mallard, George Leonard, Harry Saunders and Ronald T Smith.

The journey began in April last year when relatives of the soldiers travelled to the Bomana Cemetery in Port Moresby, PNG, to visit the graves of the diggers, and to perform ceremonies to bring their spirits home. Soil from each grave was also collected and returned to Australia.

The final ceremony, conducted by the Rev Ray Minniecon, who coordinates Redfern's Coloured Diggers March, was

held late this month. "To the grief of their families, unable to mourn at their graves, none of the dead Australian soldiers were brought home," he said.

"The relatives of the Aboriginal soldiers were unable to perform the ceremonies to bring the spirits of their men back to country."

Mr Minniecon said many Australians remained unaware of the contribution made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people during wars.

"Few people know that thousands of Aboriginal soldiers went to fight in the world wars, despite the formal refusal to recruit them," he said.

"Fewer still realise that Aboriginal diggers lie buried alongside their mates at Gallipoli, on the Somme (a World War I battlefield in France), and on the Kokoda Track."

Kokoda Aboriginal Servicemen's Campaign organiser Rod Plant told the *Koori Mail* the services had been incredibly moving for everyone who attended.

"The whole community turned out for the service," he said.

"These servicemen were heroes, so it was fitting to honour them in this way."



● Above: Les Beckett invited the mob to spread a little of the soil returned from his uncle Harold West's grave at Bomana Cemetery in Papua New Guinea. Pictured is where five Wests are lying together at the Weilmoringle Cemetery, including Harold's brother Herbie 'Skipper' West, his wife Elizabeth and three of their children, Lawrence, Manny and Gwen.

● Left: Goodooga Elder Phyllis Cubby telling the Goodooga Central School students where Harold West and his cousin George Leonard lived. Warrant Officer Colin Watego, representing the Australian Defence Force, is in the background.



Euahlayi man Michael Anderson reading *The Coloured Digger* poem about Harold West to the Goodooga gathering under the flag of the Murrawarri Republic.

GenOne signs memorandums



GENERATIONONE has signed memorandums of understanding with youth employment providers BoysTown in Brisbane and Marist Youth Care in Blacktown, Sydney.

GenerationOne national ambassador Jeremy Donovan said it was a 'joyful task' to recognise the work of BoysTown and Marist Youth Care.

"BoysTown is not just another option for a young child with the whole wide world at their feet; places like BoysTown are the only option for many of these kids," he said.

"The event was a tremendous success, with employers and government dignitaries in attendance very upbeat about partnerships and the need to no longer keep investing in training's sake and really invest in programs that work."

Mr Donovan said his organisation

believed vocational training and employment centres (VTEC) helped young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people get jobs.

"When you walk into the front doors of Marist Youth Care or BoysTown, you get a complete wraparound service, which is why the partnerships with GenerationOne exemplifies everything we talk about with VTEC," he said.

"Any barriers to work are addressed and people are trained with specific roles that support them into the workforce.

"One young guy told me after he left school he'd been unemployed for three years and in and out of Centrelink, then he moved to Logan and came to BoysTown. Within six months they supported him to address his numeracy and literacy barriers. He got employment in fencing and now he's started an apprenticeship.

"You could hear the upbeat tone in

this young fella's voice, but he told me how hard it was initially. He said to me, hopelessness almost got the better of him."

Mr Donovan said BoysTown represented the 'model of hope' that provided support and training for the most marginalised job-seekers.

"For some young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people literacy and numeracy are the biggest battles that they face," he said. "If you cannot read and write, it makes getting a job difficult, and a lot of young people feel shamed. They go into a centre, they can't read and don't want to ask for help and then people start to disengage.

"Somewhere like BoysTown does address barriers in a way that makes them feel culturally safe."

The Australian Government has provided funding for these programs.

For more information, check out GenerationOne on Facebook.



GenerationOne founder Andrew Forrest, ACH Clifford apprentice and Marist Youth Care graduate Brody McStay, ACH Clifford director Marina Comino and GenerationOne ambassador Jeremy Donovan at the signing of a MOU between GenerationOne and BoysTown.

Answers to our Edition 555 Crossword. How did you go?

ACROSS

1. Batchelor
4. Tennis
6. Youth
8. NAIDOC
10. Tasmania
13. Melbourne
14. Titans
16. Beanies

DOWN

1. Bunbury
2. Elders
3. Rudd
4. Tiwi
5. Calendar
7. Titans
9. Queen
11. Medicine
12. Turtle
15. Town

Our brainteasers

Edition 556 Koori Mail Word Search



WORDS

NAIDOC
Hostels
Yirrkala
winter
Thurston
designer
safety
tram
cloud
dindal
patrols
Wimmera
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dingo
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painting
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Mallee
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SOLUTIONS IN OUR NEXT EDITION

ACROSS:

2. Complete the following.
Yirrkala
Bark ...
3. Torres Strait celebration.
Coming of the ...
4. Place of higher learning.
7. Mossman Gorge is in this state.
9. Indigenous people of New Zealand.
12. Groote Eylandt is in this gulf.
14. Minister Jenny Macklin is a member of this political party.
15. Ashleigh Barty was a tennis doubles finalist at this tournament.

16. Capital city of the Northern Territory.

DOWN:

1. Politician in charge of a government department.
2. This year's national NAIDOC focus city.
5. People who patrol their country.

6. Wooden spear-throwing device.
8. Palawa people live in this state.
10. IBA stands for

- Indigenous Business ...
11. AFL's Crows are based in this city.
13. Native Australian dog.



The Stolen Generation

It began in the early 1900s, when Aboriginal children were forcibly removed from their families. Many innocent kids were never returned. Most suffered unspeakable physical and emotional damage which then resulted in other personal tragedies. Lots of stolen kids were called 'half-castes'. They were the end result of some white man's shameful past.

Decades went by and still these kids asked why? Mothers and fathers tried desperately to search for their kids. Most were institutionalised and from prying eyes they were purposely hid. Although separated from their loved ones for years on end, These kids never gave up hope. Their Aboriginal spirituality somehow made them strong enough to cope.

The 'Stolen Generation' is a black mark on the Australian nation. Some say that it never happened. But government records tell a different story. Breaks your heart when you see photos of those kids, With great sadness in their eyes. These same innocent kids were treated like animals and were told countless lies.

Most of our Stolen Generation have now been reunited with their families. However it will take a long, long time to restore their faith, trust and that loving bond that we call our Aboriginal spirituality.

On the 13th February, 2008, Prime Minister Kevin Rudd said 'Sorry'. This event was televised Australia-wide. The apology was heartily welcomed by the Stolen Generation that previous governments had attempted to hide.

CORALIE CASSADY
Townsville, Qld

Cultural practices of the Adnyamathanha Nation

I BRING to the attention of the Adnyamathanha Nation and the broader community that, in the tourist industry, body painting of women by Aboriginal men on Adnyamathanha land/community is a cultural offence (taboo) and can lead to sexual harassment.

Ochre is sacred and should be used for tribal ceremonies only.

Smoking ceremonies during funerals is not a traditional Adnyamathanha custom or culture.

This also applies to hospitals.

Hospitals on Adnyamathanha land must seek proper consultation from the custodians of the land before allowing for this to happen.

I repeat, smoking ceremony is not an Adnyamathanha practice. It is not the legacy of the Willyaru Law.

WILFRED STRANGWAYS
Banggarla /Adnyamathanha Elder
Stepson of the late lawman Rufus
Wilton Willyaru
Flinders Ranges, South Australia

Where is that native war cry?



WHEN the Australian Constitution was enacted and federal governments empowered to govern this Commonwealth, the Aboriginal people fought valiantly to obtain the right to vote and so participate in government.

Yet almost half a century after getting the right to vote, and more than a century beyond the beginning of federation, fight is still required from our Indigenous (and other Australians) against the tyranny of a foreign head of state before this nation can be free.

Most Australians are apparently so intimidated by British sovereignty that even when the opportunity arose in 1999 by way of Constitutional referendum (for an Australian republic), the yes vote faltered and a majority simply did not have enough guts to be rid of foreign sovereignty.

Where is that native war cry against the old enemy? We urge all to fight the good fight. We shall do so valiantly in the federal election soon to come.

Other Australians are unwilling and uninformed on Indigenous issues, but let their ignorance and malice trumpet as a rallying cry.

BRUCE SAMPSON,
National Congress member Quirindi, NSW

DARREN SIEMS
Quirindi, NSW

AMANDA GORDON
Secretary, Aboriginal
First Party
Waterloo, NSW,

POETRY

The Second Dispossession

That fateful day when oak
and sheet
did bring ashore a man of
lighter hue
to cast his eye across the
land
and deem it to be his.

He'd raped the forests of
his home
and here he did the same,
he cleared the land of
native man
without a pang of shame.

And moving on a century
or so
we find young Mister White
perceive his purloined land
as a nation in itself,
but he had not the guts to
let go mummy's tit
hence Britain ran the
show.
Here we see Australia as a
notion!

Moving on again another
century
we hear much talk about
republics,
but talk is all it is
because the mother
country asked us
if we'd like a country of
our own,
whence we declined the
offer,
preferring not to let go
Marm's pink petticoats.
Here again we see
Australia as a notion!

Let us now peruse a very
nasty attribute
of the body governing
this notion.
The selling off of land, that
firm foundation
underpinning nations,
and the selling off of
things belonging to
the people,
services, utilities and
infrastructures,
all to foreign corporations,
and done without the
courtesy of referendum...

Does anyone recall that
there is such a thing as
treason?
Why should I pay tax when
all the things my taxes
built have been sold off,
without my consultation?
This I call 'The Second
Dispossession',
Australia is a notion,
not a nation.

GRAHAM SPARKS
Turondale, NSW

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A strong advocate

Neil Gillespie praised as dedicated, passionate

HUMAN rights campaigner Neil Gillespie has been remembered as a strong advocate for Aboriginal people following his recent death in England.

Mr Gillespie, the former chief executive officer of the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) based in South Australia, died following a heart attack in Leeds while staying with his son Jason, a former Australian cricketer who now coaches Yorkshire.

As well as heading up ALRM for years, Mr Gillespie was also a member of the Indigenous Peoples Organisation (IPO) Network Australia, and was also a national director with the Australian Taxation Office.

IPO co-chairs Bryan Wyatt and Dea Thiele issued a statement following his death, describing Mr Gillespie as a passionate, dedicated and tireless individual.

"His strong advocacy and outspoken nature was both an asset and at times cause for concern to some, in his representations at various levels in his home state, Canberra and internationally, as he saw no barriers to addressing the rights of Indigenous people," they said.

"During his time with the IPO he was an active participant delivering interventions and reports highlighting the need for Indigenous people to access justice and fairness in Australia's legal systems at the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in New York and the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Geneva.

"He held no fear of the parliamentary

processes and through strong advocacy would tackle Members of Parliament in Australia and internationally to have his voice heard.

"He also met with MPs in England to lobby for compensation for Aboriginal people affected by the British nuclear tests at Maralinga between 1955 and 1963, part of the Woomera Prohibited Area."

The co-chairs said Mr Gillespie's tenure as CEO of ALRM was marked by his strong criticism of state and federal governments over low funding levels for Aboriginal justice support services.

In 2008, Mr Gillespie lodged a formal complaint of discrimination with the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

(CERD) over the lack of federal funding to ALRM.

ALRM chairman Frank Lampard said everyone who had known Mr Gillespie had been shocked to hear of his death.

"He was with us for ten years and he was an outstanding human rights advocate both locally, nationally and internationally. We wish the family the best at this time," he said.



The late Neil Gillespie

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If you think you may be interested, or want to find out more or register for a session, please call Carers NSW on **1800 242 636**.

The sessions will start at 10.00am and go through to 12.15pm – lunch will be supplied.

Session details follow:

Location	Date
Canterbury (Sydney)	Wednesday 3 July
Campbelltown (Sydney)	Thursday 4 July
Lismore	Thursday 11 July
Penrith (Sydney)	Monday 15 July
Hornsby	Wednesday 17 July
Gosford	Friday 19 July
Nowra	Tuesday 23 July
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Albury	Tuesday 30 July
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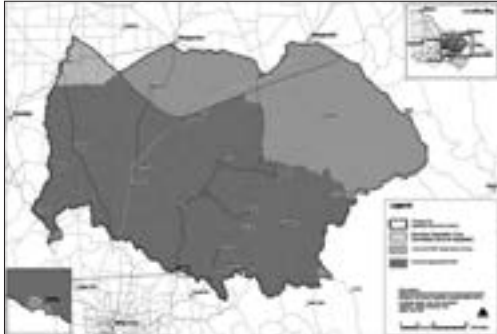
Native Title Services Victoria Ltd

NATIVE TITLE MEETING IN CENTRAL VICTORIA

The primary purpose of this meeting is to authorise a threshold statement for a claim of the Taungurung people under the *Traditional Owner Settlement Act 2010* (Vic) (**TOS Act**). Lodgement of a threshold statement is a prerequisite to entering negotiations with the State of Victoria under the TOS Act. A settlement under the TOS Act provides for recognition of an indigenous group as the traditional owners of the agreement area, various benefits, as well as other matters relating to management of the land and waters in the agreement area. It is also intended to settle all claims to native title over the agreement area under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). Boundary negotiations with neighbouring groups and a number of other issues related to the TOS Act negotiations will also be on the agenda.

All people who hold or may hold native title rights and interests in the area of the proposed claim area shown in the map below (which largely includes the registered Aboriginal party appointed and application areas of the Taungurung Clans Aboriginal Corporation) are invited to attend a meeting as follows:

Date: Saturday 10 August 2013
Time: 9.30am – 4.00pm
Venue: Kilmore Community Centre,
12 Sydney Street, Kilmore



Native Title Services Victoria (**NTSV**) is the organisation that assists traditional owners in relation to native title and related matters across Victoria, including negotiating native title settlements. NTSV is organising this meeting. Please contact Drew Berick on **(03) 9321 5800** or freecall **1800 791 779** to register your intention to attend this meeting or for further information about the meeting (including assistance to attend).

Grog abuse grant for Coober Pedy



INDIGENOUS Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin has announced a \$367,000 grant over two years to tackle alcohol abuse in Aboriginal communities in the South Australian town of Cooper Pedy. Ms Macklin said the funding would

be used to implement the Coober Pedy Alcohol Management Plan (AMP) with the District Council of Coober Pedy and local service providers.

The money will fund an AMP facilitator and a regional forum to develop projects to reduce alcohol abuse and alcohol-related harm, including family violence.

“Alcohol continues to devastate the lives of too many Aboriginal people in South Australia, particularly here in Coober Pedy,” Ms Macklin said.

“It can lead to violence, make it hard to hold down a job and get the kids to school, and can destroy the health of families and communities.”

Summit call to tackle issues



Participants gathered at this year's Aboriginal Men's Health Summit.

By **DARREN COYNE**



A NORTHERN Territory Aboriginal leader believes it is time for Aboriginal men and women to gather at a summit near Alice Springs next year to tackle issues such as domestic violence.

Central Australian Aboriginal Congress deputy chief executive Des Rogers, a major organiser of the Aboriginal Men's Health Summit held recently near Alice Springs, said it was imperative that men and women tackle issues together.

Mr Rogers said the 120 Aboriginal men who gathered from remote communities across Australia at Ross River, east of Alice Springs, had enjoyed a 'fantastic time' in the bush setting.

But they also dealt with tough issues, such as maintaining healthy relationships, alcohol abuse, prison, violence and suicide.

For many it was cathartic.

"I had one fella from Tennant Creek who runs a men's program up that way ring me to say, 'I've been doing this work for a long time and I've never seen such a positive effect on people... All of the blokes who came out of rehab (before attending the summit) were talking like they've never talked before when they were going home on the bus,'" he said.

Mr Rogers said that reaction was typical of many who had attended.



Des Rogers and Federal Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon with one of the bark petitions produced at the men's health summit.

"I tried to get around most of the campfires and talk to the fellas and everyone was relaxed and communicating well with each other. Males felt safe and secure in the bush and it was a fantastic setting," he said.

"It's a place where the women would also be comfortable.

"I've always held this view that Aboriginal men have been

disenfranchised, in some cases unintentionally, but it has happened, especially during the intervention."

Mr Rogers said the intervention demonised Indigenous men as abusive and violent, and excluded them from government policy-making in the Territory.

"We want to set the agenda straight and demonstrate there are good Aboriginal males out

there, and plenty of them," he said.

"If we want safe and harmonious communities we've got to engage both the males and the females and I believe that this is a major turning point."

Mr Rogers said there was no argument that violence and alcohol abuse were still major problems, especially in central Australia.

"Aboriginal women in the Northern Territory are 80 times more likely to be hospitalised as a result of an assault than the national average," he said.

"Aboriginal mothers of NT children are more likely to be hospitalised as a result of assault than all other Australian women."

Mr Rogers said the Central Australian Aboriginal Congress did its best to tackle health and social problems in its region, with its main focuses being 'to fix the sick and help the elderly', but it could only do so much.

He welcomed a funding pledge for next year's summit, along with money for a health promotion vehicle.

"We want to develop a grassroots program that can really change people's lives," Mr Rogers said.

Towards the end of the summit, and in recognition that it was 50 years since the Yirrkala Bark Petitions from the Yolngu people of Arnhem Land to the Australian Parliament, the men drew up their own petition on bark. It's message was 'Time for Action'.



Stamp of approval



FIVE famous Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have been honoured in an 'Indigenous Leaders' stamp issue by Australia Post.

Pictures of Shirley Smith, Neville Bonner, Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker), Eddie 'Koiki' Mabo and Charles Perkins appear on new 60c stamps (shown on this page).

Shirley Smith AM (1921-98), known as 'Mum Shirl', a Wiradjuri woman, was a committed activist for the justice and welfare of Aboriginal people. She was a founding member of several important organisations including the Aboriginal Legal Service and the Aboriginal Medical Service in Redfern.

Neville Bonner AO (1922-99), a Jagera man, became the first Aboriginal person to sit in the Federal Parliament in 1971, when he filled a casual vacancy for the Senate for the Liberal Party.

He also became the first Indigenous Australian to be elected to the Parliament by popular vote.

Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) (1920-93), a descendant of the Noonuccal people of Minjerrabah, North Stradbroke Island, Queensland, was a poet, political activist, artist, educator and environmentalist.

In 1962, she was instrumental in

advocating for citizenship rights for Indigenous people.

She received many awards in recognition of her lifetime commitment to Indigenous people and her contribution to Australian literature.

Eddie 'Koiki' Mabo (1936-92) was born in the Meriam community of Las on Mer, known as Murray Island, in the Torres Strait.

In 1982 he challenged land ownership laws in the High Court of Australia and won.

Charles Perkins AO (1936-2000)

was born at the Alice Springs Telegraph Station Aboriginal Reserve in the Northern Territory.

His parents were Arrernte and Kalkadoon people.

In 1965, Mr Perkins led the Freedom Rides, exposing racial discrimination throughout country NSW. From 1984 until 1988 he was secretary of the Department of

Aboriginal Affairs, the first Aboriginal person to attain such a position in the public service.

He was a member of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC), serving as deputy chair from 1994-95, and a member of the Arrernte Council of Central Australia.

The Indigenous Leaders stamp issue is available at participating Australia Post retail outlets, via mail order on 1800 331 794 and online at auspost.com.au/stamps



PUBLIC NOTICE

WOPPABURRA PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Woppaburra People include the descendants of the following apical ancestors:

1. Yulowa "Weerobilling"
2. Nellie "Ooroong-ooran"
3. Oyster Maggie
4. Franny Lohse (Mother of Fred Ross)

This Notice invites all members of the **WOPPABURRA PEOPLE** (as described above) to attend a native title authorisation meeting ("the Authorisation Meeting") at the time and location outlined below:

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 31 August 2013

Time of Meeting: 9.30 am registration (for a prompt 10.00 am start)

Venue of Meeting: Alexander Room, Brisbane International Virginia, Cnr Sandgate and Zillmere Road, Boondal, Brisbane

The purposes of the Authorisation Meeting are to:

1. authorise the making of a new Woppaburra native title determination application on behalf of the Woppaburra People, seeking the recognition of native title rights and interests over the lands and waters depicted in the map below; and
2. authorise an Applicant to make that native title determination application and deal with all matters arising under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to it.

All members of the Woppaburra People are requested to contact the QSNTS Client Relations Unit on freecall 1800 663 693 to register their intention to be present at the meeting.

QSNTS regrets that it is unable to assist with travel to or from the venue, however morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided to participants at the meeting.

The map is indicative only for the purposes of the Notice of the Authorisation Meeting.



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This is an exciting opportunity to influence policy reforms. You will be required to commit 10 to 12 days a year to attend meetings, generally held in Sydney. Expenses will be covered by ADHC. Appointment to the Committee would be up to June 2015.

Want to find out more about the ADHC Aboriginal Advisory Committee?

Please contact Warren Steadman, on (02) 4946 3779 or by email to AAAC.Secretariat@facns.nsw.gov.au for an application package.

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At the launch of the new joint Sydney office, from left, Chris Maguire and Lindie Matthews, from Show Me The Way (SMTW), Kate Russell and Heather Thompson, from Maxima, NSW Governor Marie Bashir, SMTW's Robert Frohlich, NSW Deputy Opposition Leader Linda Burney and SMTW's Lola Forester.

Joint office to show the way



NOT-FOR-PROFIT groups Show Me The Way and Maxima have jointly

launched a new Sydney office.

Both organisations work to benefit Indigenous Australians. Show Me The Way supports Aboriginal students to stay at school and continue to tertiary education at university, TAFE or vocational education, while Maxima has a goal of providing meaningful employment and vocational training opportunities for Indigenous Australians and positive outcomes for employers.



Account manager at the Australian Business Apprenticeships Centre Jeff Cooke, left, and acting president of the NSW AECG Ken Weatherall.

A special guest at the office launch was NSW Governor Marie Bashir, who has had an interest in Show Me The

Way for several years.

Both organisations welcomed the new shared office in inner-suburban Glebe.

Show Me The Way developed the first national secure social networking sites for Indigenous students, and its e-mentors from Australian businesses have online conversations with students.

Maxima's Indigenous employment activities are funded through the Federal Government's Indigenous Employment Program (IEP). Its Sydney traineeship program has grown from six in 2010 to 23 this year.



● **Above:** From left, Eloise Watego, Qantas Indigenous advisory staff Jason Timor and Wayne McEwen, and education consultant for Show Me The Way Associate Professor Peter Howard.



● **Left:** From left, Souths Cares general manager Shannon Donato and program manager Rebecca Edwards, Aboriginal programs officer for the Canterbury Bulldogs School to Work program Dean Feeney and NRL programs manager Michelle Baillie.

Aboriginal Reference Group - Call for Members



Expressions of Interest are now called from people keen to join the Mallee Catchment Management Authority's (CMA) Aboriginal Reference Group (ARG)

This is a group established to further develop two way communication between the Mallee CMA and Aboriginal stakeholders within the Mallee CMA region. The ARG will help to maintain and build links with the broader Aboriginal community to ensure Natural Resource Management (NRM) outcomes are delivered in a way that both benefits the environment and respects their culture.

The specific role of the ARG is to advise the Mallee CMA on a range of issues relating to the management of Aboriginal values in the Mallee, including:

- guidance on how to engage Aboriginal stakeholders in relevant NRM project planning;
- communicating Aboriginal stakeholder needs and understanding of the environment and how these may be met; and
- advising on emerging Aboriginal stakeholder issues and perspectives as relevant.

The committee will meet four times each year. Applications close Friday, 9 August at 5pm.

Applicants must reside in the Mallee CMA region.

For more information and an application pack, contact Ben Parker, Indigenous NRM Facilitator for the Aboriginal Reference Group on **0428 332 139** or email to benjamin.parker@depi.vic.gov.au

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Notice Request for submissions on A Report on Progress with Implementation of the Regional Forest Agreement for the South-West Forest Region of Western Australia

The Western Australian and Australian Governments are reporting on the progress made to implement the Western Australian Regional Forest Agreement. The reporting period covers the first (Period 1 - 1999 to 2004) and second (Period 2 - 2004 to 2009) five years of the Agreement. The report considers the performance of the Agreement and provides an assessment of progress of the Agreement against the milestones and commitments. The reporting process does not open up the Agreement for re-negotiation, however, both Parties may agree to some minor modifications to incorporate the results of the process.

The public are invited to make submissions on A Report on Progress with Implementation of the Regional Forest Agreement for the South-West Forest Region of Western Australia. The report provides: background information on the Agreement; an outline of the key changes impacting on the Agreement; a detailed consideration of progress against the milestones and commitments contained in the Agreement.

Enquiries and Written Representations

A copy of the report is available online at www.dpaw.wa.gov.au or for enquiries phone 08 9442 0300 or email Forest.Info@dpaw.wa.gov.au

Written submissions should be mailed to: Regional Forest Agreement for the South-West Forest Region of Western Australia, Project Officer, Office of the Director, Sustainable Forest Management, Department of Parks and Wildlife, Locked Bag 104, Bentley Delivery Centre, Western Australia, 6983 or emailed to Forest.Info@dpaw.wa.gov.au

Submissions must be received by mail or email as indicated above by no later than Friday 13 September 2013. All submissions should include your contact details.

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Taree program tackling violence



A PROGRAM in Taree, on the mid north coast of NSW, is helping Aboriginal families tackle violence.

Over the past year, the Education Centre Against Violence has been visiting Taree as part of its Weaving the Net program, conducting workshops on child protection and family violence topics as part of a joint project between Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service, NSW Aboriginal Affairs, Taree Community Health and Mission Australia.

Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service sexual assault worker Karen Bradley said up to

50 people had attended each three-day workshop.

"It's been really deadly to see Aboriginal people working alongside the police, child protection agencies, counsellors and other mainstream services," she said

"We all want the same thing – to make our community safer for our women, children and families. Unfortunately, Aboriginal children are still suffering from all kinds of abuse, and the scars they carry stay with them for life.

"It takes a whole community to raise a child. Sexual abuse is a serious crime, and all adults have a responsibility to report it if they have any concerns.

"Even if your suspicions turn out to be unfounded, it is better to be safe than sorry."

To report child abuse or neglect, call the Child Protection Helpline on 132 111.

To report sexual assault or domestic/family violence in the Manning River region, call Taree Police on (02) 6552 0399.

For sexual assault counselling in the Manning River region, call Taree Sexual Assault Service on (02) 6592 9315

For support with sexual assault, child protection and domestic/family violence issues in the Manning River region, call Karen Bradley at Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service on 0499 104 673.



Participants in Weaving the Net, a collaborative program running workshops on child protection and family violence in Taree.

Freeman runs for diabetes



CATHY Freeman has run to help the 1.5 million Australians with diabetes in a Melbourne fun event this month. The Olympic gold medalist and former Australian of the Year ran in a 5km fun run on behalf of Diabetes Australia Victoria.

She says she is living proof that diabetes can affect anyone, regardless of how fit they are.

"I live with type 2 diabetes. As someone who exercises regularly and takes care of what I eat, it was a bit of a shock to find out about my diagnosis," she said.

"It highlights how indiscriminate and common the condition is. Everyone should look out for the warning signs, know the risks and have regular checks with their doctor."



Cathy Freeman

The 40-year-old said that although she had immediate family members with type 2 diabetes, she didn't realise that increased her risk.

She was diagnosed with pre-diabetes in 2011 just before becoming pregnant with her first child, Ruby. She later developed type 2 diabetes.

"I was proud to be running with more than 160 fellow Australians who are either living with, or have family members or friends impacted by, diabetes," she said.

The rate of type 2 diabetes for Indigenous Australians is estimated to be three times higher than for other Australians.

Other risk factors include family history, obesity, high blood pressure, high cholesterol and cardiovascular disease.

Diabetes Australia Victoria CEO Craig Bennett said about 280 Australians are diagnosed with diabetes every day. "That is more than 100,000 Australians diagnosed every year. Reducing this number is vital," he said. – AAP

Stolen Gens forum



AN alliance of Aboriginal groups has organised the first Western Australian Stolen Generations forum, to be held in Perth on 17 August.

The forum is for members of the Stolen Generations and their direct descendants to discuss advocacy and their needs.

Groups involved include Bringing Them Home WA, the National Stolen Generations Alliance, the Kimberley Stolen Generation Aboriginal Corporation, Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service, Yorgum Aboriginal Corporation, the Aboriginal Alcohol and Drug Service and Reconciliation WA.

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Amelia fights for the future

By RUDI MAXWELL



YOUNG Bundjalung woman Amelia Telford's passion for the environment

began when she saw how severely erosion was affecting the Tweed coast in northern NSW.

Ms Telford was born at Tweed Heads and moved 100km south to Rileys Hill when she was an infant.

"Dad's family lives up there on the Tweed so we were always going back and forth visiting family," she said.

"Mum and dad always told my brothers and I to respect the environment, when we were at the beach not to take shells home because they belonged where they were.

"Going back and forth I saw massive changes, Kingscliff beach has completely changed in the past ten years, due to erosion and storms. The changes had a big impact on me, and there are changes happening all over the country, and if that's happened in my lifetime, imagine the changes my parents and grandparents have seen.

"Dad always said to us, 'Think of the seventh generation after us. Are they going to be able to see what we see?'"



More than 1000 young people gathered for Power Shift in Melbourne this month to tell politicians to aim higher on climate. Inset: Young Bundjalung woman Amelia Telford.

Ms Telford's commitment to the environment saw her defer her university medical degree this year to become the Indigenous co-ordinator for the Australian Youth Climate Coalition (AYCC).

She was recently involved in Power Shift in Melbourne, a youth climate summit that brings together young people who want to promote action to mitigate climate change.

They aimed to send politicians

a message ahead of the federal election: 'Aim higher on climate – our future is your mandate.'

Ms Telford ensured Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives were considered at the summit, organising workshops where Indigenous youths had the opportunity to speak.

"We were able to sit and discuss issues that we feel are important, not just climate

change, but anything that matters to the Indigenous community," she said.

"From there we talked about how everything is interconnected, and in order to solve one thing, you might need to work out how to solve something else."

Early this year Ms Telford spent two weeks on an expedition as one of 30 people chosen for the Antarctic Youth Ambassador Program.

"Being in the Antarctic, I really didn't feel like I belonged there – it was beautiful and seeing the whales and penguins was amazing, but it was almost alien seeing the harsh conditions and man-made materials in this pristine environment," she said.

Ms Telford returned from the Southern Ocean even more determined to do what she can to fight for and protect the environment.

Her role at AYCC includes talking to and inspiring other young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"Everyone I talked to in the lead up to Power Shift was extremely interested, but it can be a challenge to get involved when there are so many other issues that Indigenous youth are concerned about like constitutional recognition, equality and racism," she said.

"It is hard, but people want to care for country and are very supportive.

"We've had great support from the non-Indigenous community. A lot of people in the climate movement want to see diversity, because the more diverse it is, the stronger it is.

"The main thing is that it's genuine, not tokenistic. It's something that I and my colleagues are really passionate about."

Vicky flies flag for the Power and her people



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THE AFL's multicultural round provided Adnyamathanha woman Vicky Welgraven with the opportunity to represent two of her passions: her people and the Port

Adelaide Power. Ms Welgraven had the honour of carrying the Aboriginal flag around Port Adelaide's AAMI Stadium next to her daughter Khyleesha, in what she said was one of the proudest moments of her life.

"The moment I stepped out on to AAMI Stadium I felt very proud, honoured and became very emotional because to carry the Aboriginal flag means not only was I representing my own Aboriginal group, the Adnyamathanha people, but all Aboriginal groups nationwide," she said.

"The Aboriginal flag means so much to me because it's a flag that is enriched with culture and history and it represents all those Elders, past and present, who have fought for the rights of Aboriginal issues.

"During my lap of honour, I felt privileged to be chosen by a club that, too, is rich in culture and history and is one of the most successful clubs in Australia.

"Whilst doing the lap of honour I also ... had ... people from all cultures coming up to me, clapping and giving me a hug or a high five – now this has to be the true spirit of reconciliation."

Ms Welgrave volunteers as secretary of the Power's supporter group, the Outer Army, which also has a community service arm, helping fund



Vicky Welgraven and her daughter Khyleesha carried the Aboriginal flag around AAMI Stadium for the AFL's multicultural round.

tobacco research in Aboriginal communities and assisting disadvantaged families.

Adnyamathanha Elder from the Flinders Ranges Charles Jackson said the multicultural round was even more significant because it was held in NAIDOC Week.

Emotions

"For Aboriginal people it was a day of emotions and celebration that together we can stand with our fellow Australians and promote reconciliation," he said. "Well done to the AFL, the Port Adelaide Football Club and Vicky, which makes me

proud to be an Australian."

Adnyamathanha Elder Vivianne McKenzie said Port Adelaide had done well recognising the importance of the multicultural round.

"Vicky represented the Adnyamathanha peoples of the Flinders Ranges and also carried it with pride and acknowledgement of all other groups who make up the First Peoples of this great southern land of ours," she said.

"We must never forget our identity and moiety of who we are: the First Peoples of this nation, Australia.

"United we stand, divided we fall. "Go the Power!"

Women in jail pledge



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VICTORIAN Premier Denis Napthine has

promised to investigate ways of reducing the number of Aboriginal women in jail.

Speaking at a recent Aboriginal Justice Forum (AJF) in Portland, Dr Napthine said the Government was implementing a series of measures aimed at ensuring the justice system was more responsive to, and inclusive of, the needs of Aboriginal people.

In March, the Government signed the third Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA), which aims to reduce the over-representation of Aboriginal Victorians in the justice system.

"I am proud that the Coalition Government's strong partnership with the Aboriginal community

through the AJA has resulted in Melbourne's first Koori County Court," Dr Napthine said.

"The Koori County Court will now sit regularly, following a successful pilot in the Latrobe Valley."

Dr Napthine said the AJF would explore a diversionary project in order to address alternatives to imprisonment for Aboriginal women.

Rights

"Aboriginal Victorians, like all Victorians, have a right to enjoy civil and legal rights free from racism and discrimination," he said.

The AJF is the peak mechanism responsible for overseeing the development, implementation and direction of the AJA and meets three times a year. It is attended by senior representatives from the Aboriginal community, the justice system and government.



Saibai Islanders doing their Boat Dance at the reopening ceremony.



Iama (Yam) dancers add to the colour of the reopening.

Gab Titui reopens

Photos by HEIDI GIBSON



CELEBRATIONS have marked the reopening of the new-look Gab Titui Cultural Centre on Thursday Island. A major refurbishment for the centre has transformed the site into a modern space designed to highlight Torres Strait Islander cultural and artistic expression.

First opened in 2004, Gab Titui is the Torres Strait's first keeping place for historical artefacts and contemporary Indigenous art, dedicated to preserving, revitalising, developing and promoting the culture and art of the region.

Celebrations were held over three

days, and a feature was the sixth Gab Titui Indigenous Art Award, an annual exhibition which presented 77 new works of art by locally residing Indigenous artists.

Other highlights included the local launch of the biography of Henry 'Seaman' Dan and the Torres Strait documentary *Ailan Kastom*, which featured with several short films in a Torres Strait film night.

Milestone

Torres Strait Regional Authority chairman Joseph Elu said the reopening was a milestone event for the region.

"Gab Titui's reopening is about celebrating our successes and moving forward with the growing profile of Torres Strait Islander and

Aboriginal culture and art," he said.

This year's Gab Titui Art Award major winner was Tom Stephen, with runner-up Angela Toronbeek. Other winners: Billy Missi Award, Weldon Matasia; best craft work, Wasie Tardent; best craft cultural artefact, Torrence Gizu; best work on canvas, Ceferino Sabatino; best secondary student work, Latisha Majid; best work on paper, Florence Gutchen. Highly commended were Vincent Babia, Joseph Banu, John Sailor Gabey, Gordon Hammond, Tony Harry, Michael Mosby, Laurie Nona, Ella Rose Savage and Maria Ware. Commended were Nathan Bob, Emma Gela, Rosabel Gela, Robert Meddy Kaigey, Harry Lui, Dennis Newie, Anita Nakata and Andrew Passi.



A Saibai Island dancer.



● Above: Iama (Yam) men perform at the reopening of the Gab Titui Cultural Centre.



Torres Strait Regional Authority chairman Joseph Elu speaks at the reopening ceremony.



● Left: Saibai Island women perform their Broom Dance. The dancing was a highlight of the cultural centre reopening celebrations.

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31ST JULY TO 13TH AUGUST



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8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
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10:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)
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5:00 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Marrka Wangka G (Documentary)
7:45 Micky And Frankie G (Documentary)
8:00 Surviving G (Series)
8:15 Desperate Measures G (Series)
8:30 Leading The Way G (Documentary)
9:30 Art From The Heart M (Documentary)
10:30 Dreamtime To Dance PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Our Footprint G (Series)

THURSDAY 1ST AUGUST

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
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6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
7:30 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)

FRIDAY 2ND AUGUST

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
6:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
6:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:45 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
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8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
12:30 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)
1:00 Cool School Antarctica G (Documentary Series)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
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4:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps 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 Leading The Way G (Documentary Series)
10:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Series)

SATURDAY 3RD AUGUST

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 Rural Health Education PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
3:00 Marrka Wangka G (Documentary Series)
3:15 Micky And Frankie G (Documentary Series)
3:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
4:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current Affairs)
7:00 Unearthed G (Series)
7:30 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
9:30 The Fringe Dwellers M (Drama)
11:00 My Mother, My Son PG (Documentary)
11:30 Unearthed G (Series)

SUNDAY 4TH AUGUST

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
2:00 Bush Bands Bash G (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 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)
7:15 Spear G (Entertainment)
7:22 The Bat and the Butterfly G (Entertainment)
7:30 Shaq Vs G (Entertainment)
8:30 The Blues M (Documentary Series)
10:00 On The Ice MA (Drama)
11:30 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)
11:45 Spear G (Entertainment)
11:52 The Bat and the Butterfly G (Entertainment)

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10:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
10:30 Around The Traps G (Series)
11:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (Lifestyle)
11:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 Larger Than Life PG (Series)
12:30 Shaq Vs G (Entertainment)
1:30 Fish: An Unborn Soul G (Entertainment)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving PG (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Trudell PG (Documentary)
9:30 Strong Men Of Ngulu G (Documentary)
10:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
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TUESDAY 6TH AUGUST

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
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7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 Burned Bridge PG (Drama)
9:30 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
10:00 Rural Health Education PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Desperate Measures (Series)

WEDNESDAY 7TH AUGUST

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6:00 The Best Of Grounded G (Series)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Shepherd's Pie G (Entertainment)
7:40 Through Our Eyes PG (Series)
7:50 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Surviving PG (Series)
8:15 Desperate Measures (Series)
9:30 The Kimberley Mob PG (Documentary)
9:30 Characters Of Broome (Documentary Series)
10:00 Stone Country PG (Documentary)
10:30 Dreamtime To Dance PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Our Footprint (Series)

THURSDAY 8TH AUGUST

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
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11:00 Shepherd's Pie G (Entertainment)
11:10 Through Our Eyes PG (Series)
11:20 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Doc Series)
11:45 Desperate Measures (Series)
12:00 The Kimberley Mob PG (Documentary)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
9:00 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire (Series)

FRIDAY 9TH AUGUST

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
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10:30 Around The Campfire (Series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
12:30 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)
1:00 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
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3:50 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
4:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps 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 Trudell PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 The Kimberley Mob PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Series)

SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST

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3:10 Through Our Eyes PG (Series)
3:20 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Doc Series)
3:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
4:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current Affairs)
7:00 Unearthed (Series)
7:30 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Doc Series)
8:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
9:30 The Chant Of Jimmie Blacksmith M (Drama)
11:30 Unearthed (Series)

SUNDAY 11TH AUGUST

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
4:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Doc Series)
2:00 Bush Bands Bash G (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 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)
7:15 The Mimis G (Entertainment)
7:22 The Curse G (Entertainment)
7:30 Shaq Vs G (Entertainment)
8:30 The Blues M (Documentary Series)
10:00 Beneath Clouds (Drama)
11:30 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)
11:45 The Mimis G (Entertainment)
11:52 The Curse G (Entertainment)

Due to popular demand
THE MARNGROOK FOOTY SHOW
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MONDAY 12TH AUGUST

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
4:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:45 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:50 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:55 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Ora G (Kids)
10:30 Surviving G (Series)
11:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Series)
12:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
11:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 Larger Than Life PG (Documentary Series)
12:30 Shaq Vs G (Entertainment)
1:30 My Uncle Bluey PG (Documentary)
2:00 Wanja PG (Documentary)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)
3:50 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
4:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
8:00 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
8:30 Mi Chacra (My Land) PG (Documentary)
10:05 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
10:35 By The Rapids PG (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Surviving G (Series)

TUESDAY 13TH AUGUST

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:45 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:50 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:55 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Ora G (Kids)
10:30 Surviving G (Series)
11:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
11:30 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
12:00 Mi Chacra (My Land) PG (Documentary)
1:30 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
2:00 By The Rapids PG (Series)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:45 Bobtales G (Kids)
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4:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures G (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 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
10:00 Rural Health Education PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)

Old and new on job



TRADITIONAL and modern knowledge systems are working together in far north Queensland to

gather information about wildlife.

A group of environmental scientists has been welcomed to the Northern Peninsula by Injinoo traditional owners, Elders and rangers with a smoking ceremony at Injinoo lookout.

The scientists are working with Northern Peninsula Indigenous rangers to gather data.

From their base camp just south of the Jardine River, team members will conduct surveys of the land, sharing methods of data collection and project management.

During their visit to the region, they hope to assist rangers in sighting the endangered Jardine turtle. This freshwater turtle, distinguishable by the red markings on its face and shell, has not been officially sighted for years, and it is unknown if the species still inhabits the region.

● **Pictured: A team of scientists is welcomed with a smoking ceremony by Injinoo Elders. Photo by Jess Saxton, NPARC Media**



Our flags fly for clean-up



NORTHERN Territory Fisheries Indigenous Development Team members recently flew the flag for

Torres Strait Islander people while helping clean up Darwin Harbour.

Team manager Bo Carne, from the Jabirr Jabirr and Bardi tribes in WA and raised on Larrakia country, and Fisheries Indigenous cadet Rhys Muholland, who is Mr Carne's nephew and has links to the Torres Strait islands, joined in the annual Darwin Harbour Clean-Up day.

"I had originally planned to attend the NAIDOC march in Darwin, so to make up for missing out on the march, the Director of Fisheries said I could fly the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags on the Fisheries boat," Mr Carne said.

"It was a proud moment cruising around the harbour in an NT Fisheries boat flying our flags."

It was estimated that 4.5 tonnes of rubbish were picked up, including 20 shopping trolleys and 14 abandoned recreational crab pots.

"I'm doing a degree in environmental science as part of my cadetship with NT Fisheries, and I was really glad to spend most of the day on the water, especially showing off our flags,"



The Aboriginal flag flies as NT Fisheries Indigenous Development team members Bo Carne and Rhys Muholland help clean up Darwin Harbour.

Mr Mulholland said.

The clean-up attracted about 140 people and 12 boats from a number of government and other agencies including the Department of Defence, Northern Territory Seafood Council, seafood suppliers, commercial fishermen, the Amateur Fishermen's Association of the NT and Surf Life Saving NT.

The event is organised by the

Northern Territory Seafood Council through funding from the Federal Government's Caring for our Country initiative and NT Natural Resource Management's Coastcare program.

"The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags certainly turned a few heads on the day, and I was grateful we have a great boss that supports Indigenous culture," Mr Carne said.

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You are invited to participate in a research project on:

How is Aboriginal cultural identity developed, understood and experienced by young Aboriginal people with light skin colour and/or lack of kinship ties and/or community links?

I am an Aboriginal PhD student completing my thesis project. I would like to invite you to participate in this interesting study.

What are participants required to do?

- You will be asked to participate in an interview about your thoughts and experiences around the topic which will take approximately 60 minutes.
- It will be held at a mutually convenient place and time or via skype / phone.
- Responses are confidential.

Who can participate?

- Anyone who identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander; and,
- Who is aged between 18 and 35 years.

The project has been approved by the Australian Catholic University Human Research Ethics Committee (Registration Approval Number 2012 196N) and has community support.

To participate in this research, please contact:

Bindi Bennett: bindi.bennett@acu.edu.au or (02) 4392 2992 or Supervisor, Morag McArthur: morag.mcArthur@acu.edu.au or (02) 62091225.



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

COMMONWEALTH HACC PROGRAM FUNDING ROUND

TO ENHANCE, EXPAND OR ESTABLISH NEW SERVICE DELIVERY

The Commonwealth Home and Community Care (HACC) Program provides funding for basic maintenance, care and support services for older people and their carers, who live in the community and whose capacity for independent living is at risk, or who are at risk of premature or inappropriate admission to long term residential care. Older people are people aged 65 years and over and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 50 years and over.

The Department of Health and Ageing is seeking applications from organisations to enhance, expand or establish new service delivery under the Commonwealth HACC Program. The grant application round is now open, with \$281.2 million available for provision of services from early 2014 until 30 June 2015.

Organisations interested in applying for funding must address the assessment criteria in the format outlined in the application form. Documentation providing further details on the application and assessment process, including funding priorities, is available for downloading after completing the Applicants Register on the Department of Health and Ageing website at <http://www.health.gov.au/tenders>.

All enquiries for information or clarification by potential applicants should be emailed to Commonwealth.HACC.Funding@health.gov.au.

Applications for funding must be received by the Department of Health and Ageing by 2.00pm on 2 September 2013.

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Australian Government

**Department of Regional Australia,
Local Government, Arts and Sport**

INDIGENOUS REPATRIATION PROGRAM

NATIONAL KEEPING PLACE FOR ANCESTRAL REMAINS

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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Grants to help manage turtles, dugongs



THE Federal Government has granted \$930,000 to Aboriginal organisations and traditional owners in Queensland to help manage marine turtles, dugongs and sea country under the Caring for our Country program.

Administered in partnership with the Queensland Government, the grants will

support eight projects, including sea country planning, managing threats to species, leadership forums and raising sustainability awareness in the community.

Environment, Heritage and Water Minister Mark Butler said Indigenous rangers in Queensland were doing great work protecting turtles and dugongs from threats such as debris and illegal hunting.

"Our continued support for traditional

owners to manage their sea country is resulting in real environmental improvements and a better understanding of the sustainable use of resources in our Indigenous communities," he said.

The initiative builds on the Working on Country Indigenous Ranger and Reef Rescue programs, and is being undertaken in conjunction with the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. The organisations to

receive funding are Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation, Indigenous Sea Country Strategic Policy Group (Girrigun Aboriginal Corporation), Dawul Wuru Indigenous Corporation, Juunjuwarra Aboriginal Corporation Land Trust, Kapay Kuyan Steering Committee, Darumbal Charitable Trust, Jabalina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation and Port Curtis Coral Coast Traditional Owners.



Trade & Investment Crown Lands

Application for the Appointment of Trust Board Members

Bidjigal (D1010489) Reserve Trust

Bidjigal reserve located at West Pennant Hills, North Rocks, Baulkham Hills and Castle Hill, was dedicated for the purposes of the Preservation of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, the Preservation of Flora and Fauna and Public Recreation on 22 October 2004. The reserve is managed by the Bidjigal (D101489) Reserve Trust under the provisions of the *Crown Lands Act, 1989*.

Members of the trust boards are responsible for the care, control and management of the reserve.

The term of office for the current members will expire on 6 January 2014 and applications are now invited from persons interested in being considered for appointment as a board member for a period of five years. At least two of the appointments will be Darug descendants and at least two must be local residents.

Duties are performed as a voluntary service for which no payment is received by the members.

Applicants will be required to demonstrate that they have experience, skills or qualifications in one or more of the following:-

- Asset management
- Business and/or Financial management
- Management experience and/or related Professional training
- Member of special interest group relevant to the management of this reserve
- Ability to perform voluntary work out of business hours.

Application forms may be obtained from www.lpma.nsw.gov.au/trusts/join_a_trust or telephoning (02) 6883 3385.

All applications are required to be lodged before **Friday 30 August 2013** by email at reserves@lands.nsw.gov.au or posted to Department of Trade and Investment, Crown Lands Division, PO Box 2185, Dangar NSW 2309.

For further information contact Ms E. Lobo on (02) 8836 5330. File References: 9/10382-01.

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Call for Submissions

Catchment Audit 2013 -

Sydney Water Catchments

In accordance with the Sydney Water Catchment Management Act, the Minister for Primary Industries and Small Business has appointed GHD as the Catchment Auditor to conduct the 2013 Audit of Sydney's Drinking Water Catchment. The Catchment Audit is undertaken once every three years to provide a snapshot of the health of the catchment.

This Audit will use a 'pressure-state-response' model that will examine the impacts of human pressures on the condition of the various sub-catchments that make up Sydney's Drinking Water Catchment. The Audit will assess the condition of the sub-catchments, using multiple indicators, relevant to monitoring changes in the quality of raw water supplies, management of water resources, waterways and land condition and ecosystem health.

GHD is now inviting interested parties, individuals, groups, or organisations, to make submissions, presenting any information, or data, that may assist in the conduct of the Audit. The submissions may also be on specific issues of concern.

Please send submissions to:

Sydney Drinking Water Catchment Audit
C/O Danielle Baker
GHD Water Sciences Group
Level 6, Smith Street
Parramatta, NSW 2150

Or email them to:
Danielle.baker@ghd.com; and
Nimal.Chandrasena@ghd.com

The closing date for submissions is 23 August 2013.

Inquiries regarding the Audit and its terms of reference can be made to:

Danielle Baker on (02) 8898 8806, or
Nimal Chandrasena on (02) 8898 8804



Project participants Barry Dargun, Lionel Gowl and Kora Saunders with Sydney MP David Bradbury.

Jobseekers are fired up



ABORIGINAL jobseekers in western Sydney are training for work in bushfire management as part of a new \$55,000 project funded by the Federal Government.

The training, provided by Muru Mittigar Aboriginal Cultural and Education Centre, will give participants qualifications in bushfire fighting.

At the end of the course they will then have an opportunity to work with local councils, the mining sector, National Parks and Wildlife Service, Rural Fire Services and other landowners to manage bushfire risks.

Aboriginal ranger coordinator and Darug traditional owner Leanne Watson said it was important the Darug community was actively engaged in management practices.

"This helps our people learn about natural and cultural heritage, but just as importantly it develops sought-after skills to secure employment and economic independence," she said.

"It's probably one of the best

ways for our younger generation to learn about history and use this knowledge for the benefit of people and the environment."

Employment coordinator Narelle Wheatland helped to develop the project and has been helping to tailor the training to local needs.

Funding for the project was part of the Federal Government's \$45.2 million Priority Employment Area initiative, which delivers programs in 20 regions across Australia.

Federal MP for Lindsay David Bradbury met recently with some of the jobseekers currently undertaking training in the Mulgoa Nature Reserve.

"This project is providing training for 15 local Aboriginal jobseekers, with guaranteed jobs at the end of training which have already been negotiated with local employers," he said.

"This is a field struggling to get qualified workers, so this project has the dual benefit of giving local Indigenous people job opportunities, whilst also helping with the skills shortage in bushfire management."



Sharing Our Way in Community NSW Roadshow series

For non- Aboriginal and Aboriginal workers from all levels of service provision

The NSW Aboriginal Gathering Committee is an established peak providing advocacy support and advice on issues relevant to Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander people, families and communities to improve access to and delivery of culturally appropriate services through policy development, capacity building, consultation, innovation, partnerships and collaboration

We welcome you to our Roadshow events across Regional NSW that focus on strengthening engagement and services and supports that are culturally safe for Aboriginal people

Come listen, network, to share and learn about policy and practice that engages and supports Aboriginal people who are older, or live with disability, their families and carers

The events are free but registration is essential. Lunch is provided

BOURKE: 22st August – Bourke Bowling Club

DARETON: September (date and venue to be advised)

BEGA: October (date and venue to be advised)

CONTACT for information and registration

Sue Gillett, NCOSS Ph: 9211 2599, ext 102; email: gathering@ncoss.org.au

These events have been made possible with funding provided by Ageing Disability & Home Care, an agency of the NSW Department of Family & Community Services.



Congress delegates gathered in Cairns.



Gimuy Walabura Yidinji dancers paid homage to their Elders past in a touching ceremony at the National Congress meeting.



Delegate Isabelle Adams and Congress Ethics Council member Mary Ann Bin-Sallik.



Delegate Richard Weston, left, with Congress director Rod Little.

Issues on the agenda

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



MORE than 120 delegates and staff from around the country gathered at the Cairns Convention Centre last week for the third annual meeting of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

This year, Congress invited all to an opening ceremony with a welcome to country by Gimuy Walabura Yidinji traditional owner Henrietta Marrie, attendance by traditional owner Gudju Gudju, traditional dancers and a market offering local arts and craft as well as stalls by community and non-government groups.

People were also invited to get more involved in Congress proceedings by signing up as an 'observer' at the rest of the meetings, to further their knowledge of its business.

A major issue up for discussion over the three-day meeting included how to address the low voter turnout

for the national elections, with just over 800 of the organisation's 5000-plus members choosing to vote.

Other issues included sovereignty, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, political, social, cultural and economic development and Indigenous youth issues.

Chief executive officer Lindon Coombes welcomed some new faces to the national board, with *Koori Mail* editor and female co-chair-elect Kirstie Parker taking up a position alongside re-elected male co-chair Les Malezer. Ms Parker, who will replace co-chair Jody Broun, paid tribute to outgoing members of the board. New delegates were welcomed to the organisation.

Congress also has six other directors, who serve four-year terms. Sitting director Venessa Curnow was re-elected, and will serve with new board members Gerry Moore and Mark McMillan. The three continuing directors are Rod Little, Daphne Yaram and Tammy Solonec.



Girringun Aboriginal Corporation's Philip Rist with delegate Jim Morrison.



Delegates Todd Fernando and Amala Groom.



Delegates Jayde Geia and Melissa Ellis.



National Congress staff policy worker Eloise Schnierer, Paris Gooda, Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda and Congress staff policy worker Max Edwards at the meeting.



Lowitja O'Donoghue catches up with old friend Alfred Neal Snr.

National Congress annual meeting



Delegate David Claudie, from Cape York, addresses the Congress meeting in Cairns.



The Gimuy Walabura Yidinji dancers.



Congress Co-chair Les Malezer talks with local Indigenous radio Bumma Bippera Media.



Congress director Tammy Solonec, delegate Carla McGrath, delegate Charles Prouse and staff director Katie Kiss.



Congress CEO Lindon Coombes.



Josephine Bourne with Michelle Deshong at the National Congress annual meeting.



The National Congress's Akazee Whaleboat.



Megan Davis at the Cairns gathering.



Congress director-elect Gerry Moore.



● Above: Delegate Mary Graham and National Congress staff member Luke Briscoe.

● Left: National Congress policy officers Summer Finlay and Tenille Lamb.



Outgoing co-chair Jody Broun.

National Congress annual meeting



Young Yarrabah dancers were well received.



Yarrabah's Jaban Vincent Schrieber addresses Congress delegates.



Delegates Priscilla Collins, Sandra Miller and Amala Groom with Congress director Tammy Solonec.



Yarrabah Mayor and delegate Errol Neal and delegate Philip Rist.



Gimuy Walabura Yidinji traditional owner Gudju Gudju and director Rod Little.



● Above: Former Congress co-chairs Kerry Arabena and Sam Jeffries in Cairns.

● Left: Congress director of corporate affairs Aaron Ross with delegate Isabelle Adams.

● Right: Congress community engagement officer Craig Greene with delegate Mark Munnich.



Teela Reid and Roy Ah-See.

Whales a drawcard



SA SOUTHERN right whales and their calves are proving a popular attraction for tourists visiting the far west coast of South Australia.

And every visitor to the Head of the Bight Visitors Centre not only has the chance of seeing whales up close, they are also contributing to the economic development of the region's Aboriginal communities.

The visitor centre is on land held by the Aboriginal Lands Trust (ALT).

ALT spokesperson Katrina Wood told the *Koori Mail* the ALT had held the Head of Bight area in trust since 1966, and had been involved in its development. However, the ALT took over management of the centre in December 2011.

Ms Wood said most of the benefits from the development flowed to the Yatala community, just off the Nullarbor, about an hour's drive from the centre.

She said the ALT managed land 'all over South Australia', and operated many learning-on-country and other programs.

South Australian Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Ian Hunter said the centre was becoming a signature tourism destination for SA, as the whales often passed close to its viewing platform.

"The majority of the income generated by the centre is invested back into maintenance and upgrades, as well as other ALT initiatives," he said.

"Much of the repair and maintenance work is undertaken



Two Ceduna Aboriginal Corporation workers on the job with Head of Bight Centre manager Terry Hardy.

by local Aboriginal people, creating sustainable job opportunities for the region's Aboriginal communities.

"There is now a great opportunity to build on the success of the visitor centre by taking advantage of the 400,000

tourists that travel across the Nullarbor Plain every year.

"This part of our state is rich in Aboriginal dreaming stories and several unique species of flora and fauna including ospreys, wedgetail eagles, blue-breasted fairy wrens,

scarlet-chested parrots, wombats, several species of reptiles and snakes, and some rare species such as the native apricot."

The ALT was established under the *Aboriginal Lands Trust Act 1966*. The Act was the first in

Australia to ensure that titles to existing Aboriginal reserves were held in trust on behalf of all Aboriginal people in South Australia.

Find out more about the Head of Bight Visitors Centre at www.headofbight.com.au

New Zealand course inspires facilitators



TWO Indigenous women have come back so enthused from a training course in New Zealand that they

want to share the joy and encourage more Indigenous people to join them as professional facilitators.

Lenora Thaker, from far north Queensland, and Veronica Williams, from the central coast of NSW, completed training by internationally renowned author Dale Hunter that will enable them to apply for accreditation with the International Association of Facilitators (IAF).

Ms Thaker and Ms Williams have been facilitation consultants for several years, running training courses and events for government, community and corporate clients.

They have developed an interactive facilitator training program specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, which provides tools and strategies for becoming strong speakers, working in cultural contexts and managing group conflict.

The first two-day workshop takes place on 15-16 August in Cairns. To find out more contact Ms Thaker on 0408 774 342 or email lenorat@bigpond.com



Veronica Williams, left, and Lenora Thaker in New Zealand.

Orange council lands management award



ORANGE Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) has won the Indigenous land

management category in the Central West Catchment Management Authority Awards.

Central West CMA board member Christine White said the award recognised an outstanding Indigenous community group working towards improving land use and protecting an area on behalf of the community.

"We have people and organisations throughout central-west NSW making real contributions to natural resource management and sustainable farm production," she said.

"It is important that we recognise and celebrate those who are committed to making a difference.

"Leadership in the community can take many forms. The champions awards are a way of encouraging those who are leading change."

Orange LALC received \$1000 in prizemoney for the award.



Orange Local Aboriginal Land Council's Peter Moore and Joedie Davis with Central West CMA board member Christine White.

FOGS Careers Expo in Townsville



Romeenah Baira checking out job vacancies on the expo notice board.



Calvary Christian College students, from left, Janice Inkerman, Tanja Pompey, Ronnie Pompey, Rehmond Pompey, and Rehannon Pompey with Moses Nelliman from the Department of Education, Training and Employment.



Twins Tayla, left, and Tyla West-Chong, with former State of Origin great Sam Backo.



Palm Island students Joseph Murgha, left, and Renzi Watson with former Origin greats Colin Scott and Allan Langer.

Footy starts on the job for students

By ALF WILSON



SEVERAL thousand Indigenous students turned out for this year's fifth Former Origin Greats (FOGS)

Careers Expo, held on 24 July in Townsville.

The FOGS organisation holds the expos designed to help students find their ideal career, across Queensland.

Former State of Origin rugby league champions at the Townsville expo included Gene Miles, Greg Dowling, Colin Scott, Sam Backo, Steve Price, Gary Belcher, Steve Renouf and Allan Langer.

The expo attracted a range of employers and training providers, with exhibits covering mining and construction, business and hospitality, as well as government and health.

Students said they were pleased to have the opportunity to visit the expo.

Diving

Koipe Castors, a 15-year-old from Bwgcolman State High campus on Palm Island, was interested in a career related to diving. "I do a lot of diving and snorkeling back on Palm and it would be good to get a job in the tourism industry using those skills," he said.

FOGS Qld events and media coordinator Lucy Cooper said the

expos focused on building the aspirations of Indigenous school-leavers and mature-age jobseekers. "It aims to assist them into career pathways, employment opportunities and training placement," she said.

FOGS executive chairman Gene Miles said the expos, which started in 2008, allowed those attending to 'talk to real people who are able to provide guidance and fundamentally an idea or direction for their future'.

"FOGS are proud to be playing a role in helping create opportunities for the local Townsville Indigenous community, with this year's event seeing the broadest range of employment and training opportunities to date," he said.



Arnhem Land boarding students at Shalom Christian College, from left, Merryl Nyikalawui, Troy Wunnugmurra, Merinda Gondarra, Andrea Dhurrkay and Bethany Gondarra.



Sean Stanway, from Wyndham in Western Australia, checks out the simulated welding at the TEC NQ stall with Logan Abercrombie.



Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery (IPROWD) graduates with NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione.

Proud students graduate from program



WHEN student Jason Heath told Canterbury Bulldogs School to Work (S2W) project officer Dean Feeney he wanted to be a copper, Mr Feeney got back to him within half an hour with details of the Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery (IPROWD) program.

Mr Heath was one of 13 Aboriginal people who

graduated recently from IPROWD at the TAFE NSW Sydney Institute, Eora College.

IPROWD is a joint project between TAFE NSW, the NSW Police Force, Charles Sturt University and the Federal Government that was created to give young Indigenous people the skills, confidence and knowledge to pursue a variety of careers in the NSW Police Force.

And rugby league is helping

the S2W program too.

A combined initiative of the Canterbury Bulldogs, Parramatta Eels, Penrith Panthers, Wests Tigers, Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and the NRL, the Learn Earn Legend! S2W helps create successful careers for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students in Years 11 and 12.

NRL S2W program manager Michelle Baillie said the

IPROWD program delivers what it sets out to achieve.

"It was inspirational to hear the participants share their experience and the words should make you all feel very proud of the work you do," she said.

"We are looking forward to continued collaboration with IPROWD (and all its very relevant stakeholders) in order to enable us to assist our young people achieve their dream."

Also attending the graduation was former Bulldogs player and S2W ambassador and mentor Michael Lett, who expressed his desire to join the IPROWD program next year.

NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione said 27 IPROWD graduates had taken up employment within the NSW Police Force, and another 18 IPROWD graduates were currently at the Goulburn Police Force Academy.

Helen makes final of retailer award



TORRES Strait Islander retail worker Helen Kepa, who works at the Islanders Board of Industry and Service (IBIS) on Yam Island, is a finalist in the Young Retailer of the Year Award.

Ms Kepa was selected from a large number of entrants from across the country because of her innovative business acumen and outstanding career achievements in the far north.

"I am overwhelmed and extremely proud to be a finalist for this prestigious award where I'm up against other young retailers from nationally and globally recognised organisations," she said.

The competition provides a platform to recognise and reward excellence amongst retailers aged under 25.

The 2013 Young Retailer of the Year event will be held at the Melbourne Hilton on the Park tonight (31 July) and is open to the public.



Helen Kepa is a finalist in the Young Retailer of the Year Award.

Former Mt Isa chair faces court



THE former chairperson of an Aboriginal corporation in Mt Isa is facing Federal Court proceedings for alleged mismanagement.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven has started civil penalty proceedings in the Federal Court against Leigh Kerkhoffs, who headed up the corporation that managed about 30 rental properties in Mt Isa.

Mr Beven has applied to the Federal Court for declarations and orders disqualifying Ms Kerkhoffs from managing corporations registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act)*. If made, the disqualification order will also apply to companies registered under the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The action follows an investigation by the Registrar into the affairs of ATSI Welfare Services after the corporation was placed under special

administration on 15 October, 2012.

The registrar alleges that the books and records of the corporation were in complete disarray and, at a time when the corporation was insolvent, Ms Kerkhoffs used her position to write off a significant amount of rent owed to the corporation by her and by members of her family.

The registrar's action also seeks a monetary penalty and compensation for ATSI Welfare Services.

Mr Beven said the Federal Court proceedings formed part of a continuing drive to improve governance standards in Indigenous corporations registered with his office.

"Those who serve as directors must at all times act in the best interests of their corporations and not in their own interests," he said.

"Action will be taken in appropriate cases where this does not occur."

A directions hearing will be held later this week before Justice Logan in the Federal Court in Brisbane.



● Above: Representatives of the Menindee Fantastic Wedgies, the Menindee Fat Yabs and the Warra-Li team, from Moree, received cheques for their communities for losing the most weight in the NSW Knockout Health Challenge.

‘Losers’ are big winners



MANY people in Menindee are looking a lot trimmer these days after two teams from the western NSW town took out first and third in an innovative Aboriginal weight-loss challenge.

After 16 weeks of running, boxing, pilates and circuit training in 22 communities across NSW, the 580 participants who took part in the NSW Knockout Health Challenge lost more than 1100kg in total.

Healthy Lifestyles Minister Kevin Humphries congratulated the winning teams, with the Menindee Fat Yabs picking up \$40,000 for their community.

“With an incredible total weight loss percentage of ten per cent and a collective weight loss of 227kg, the Menindee Fat Yabs have taken out the Knockout Health Challenge for the second year in a row,” Mr Humphries said.

“I also congratulate the Warra-Li team from Moree, who came second with a total weight loss of 110kg, and the Menindee Fantastic Wedgies, who came third after losing 83kg.

Culture

“However, the Knockout Challenge is about far more than losing weight; by linking Aboriginal culture with an individual’s participation in their own weight loss, the challenge is also about building healthy families and communities.

“Importantly, not only have this year’s participants increased their exercise levels and developed healthier eating habits, they have reduced their risk of developing a range of chronic diseases such as heart disease, stroke and diabetes.”

Teams were mentored throughout the challenge by NRL ambassadors including Nathan Merritt, George Rose, Timana Tahu, Brad Tighe and Andrew Fifita.

Fifita said the key to losing weight was making exercise fun.

“The mind can do terrible things to you, but if you are having fun exercising then it is easier to overcome those barriers,” he said.

Get Healthy, a NSW free confidential health coaching telephone service, helped support participants to set goals, maintain motivation, and provided information and advice on physical activity and healthy eating.

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Warning on high risk of diabetes



AUSTRALIANS show a remarkable complacency towards diabetes, according to a new survey.

Nearly 80 per cent of Australians don't think they are at risk of developing diabetes despite evidence that more than two million Australians have pre-diabetes and are at high risk, and many more Australians are at medium risk of developing type 2 diabetes.

Indigenous Australians are at particularly high risk.

Diabetes Australia CEO Professor Greg Johnson said the disconnect between public perception of risk and reality was a major concern.

"A total of 280 Australians develop diabetes every day, so nearly 100,000 Australians developed diabetes in the past year. The continuing rise of this epidemic and the high impact on everyday Australians cannot be ignored," he said.

To coincide with National Diabetes Week this month, Diabetes Australia launched a new campaign urging all Australians and governments to act.

The campaign aims to raise awareness of all types of diabetes, the continuing rise of the epidemic, and the significant financial implications of diabetes and the need for the Federal Government to urgently develop and implement a new national diabetes strategy.

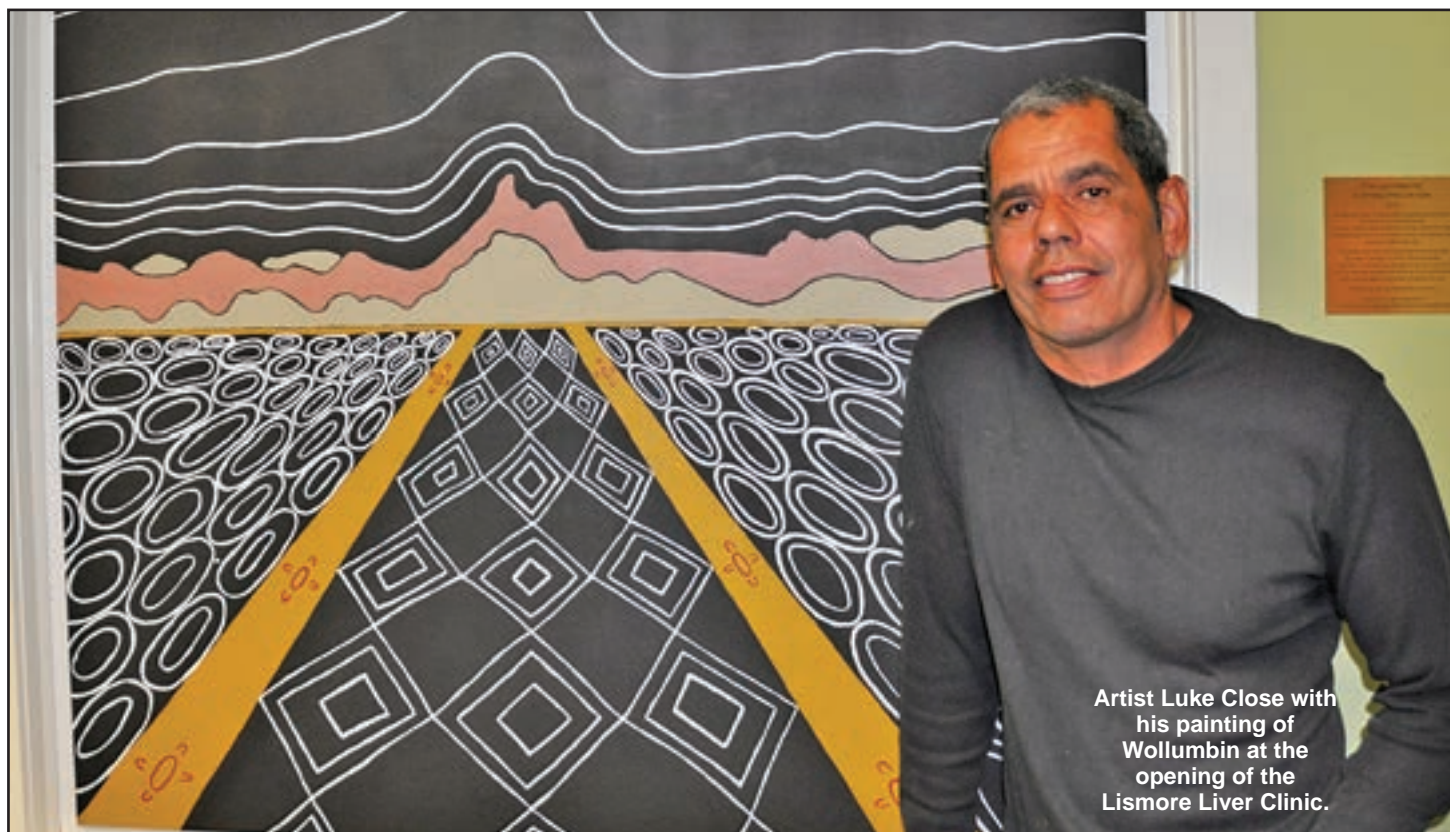
"All types of diabetes – type 1, type 2 and gestational diabetes – show worrying increases in prevalence," Prof Johnson said.

"There is no such thing as 'mild' diabetes. All types of diabetes are serious and can lead to serious complications. For example, heart attacks and strokes kill people with diabetes early and are four times more likely in people with diabetes.

"On current trends, diabetes will become the number-one burden of disease in Australia in the next five years.

"Type 2 diabetes currently costs the Australian community \$14.6 billion a year. This will double to \$30 billion in 12 years if we don't adopt stronger approaches to preventing diabetes and its complications."

Details about the campaign are at www.faceofdiabetes.org.au



Artist Luke Close with his painting of Wollumbin at the opening of the Lismore Liver Clinic.

Artist's message of hope on hepatitis



GITHABUL artist Luke Close had a message of hope during Hepatitis Awareness Week this month. "There is life after hep C," he said at the opening of the Lismore Liver Clinic.

More than 26,000 Indigenous people have chronic hepatitis B, and another 16,000 have chronic hepatitis C.

Manager of HIV and Related Programs (HARP) Jenny Heslop said there were new and effective treatments for hepatitis C, but uptake rates were very low, especially among Indigenous communities.

"Hepatitis C can be treated, and in many cases cured, allowing people to live healthy, virus-free lives," she said.

"Public health strategies such as blood-donor screening, hep B vaccinations, health promotion programs and the well-utilised needle-syringe program have contributed to significantly minimising the rates of transmission, but we still have a

long way to go to get on top of this issue.

"We urge all people who inject drugs to get tested at least annually and to access the free and confidential services provided by the needle and syringe program to reduce the risk of transmission of hepatitis B, C and other blood-borne viruses such as HIV."

At the opening of the liver clinic, Mr Close unveiled a painting of Wollumbin, a significant mountain for Bundjalung people.

"I painted Wollumbin as the liver itself, the song lines as antibodies with lines representing white blood cells and red blood cells," he said.

The main treatment for hepatitis C involves a combination of weekly injections of a drug called Interferon, and daily tablets called Ribavirin.

"When I was working at the needle and syringe exchange program in Nimbin I met the whole community," Mr Close said.

"I saw a lot of people undergo treatment for hep C and it transformed their lives."

Untreated hepatitis C can cause cirrhosis, liver failure and liver cancer.

Many people may not know they are infected with hepatitis C virus because symptoms rarely occur at the time of contracting the disease.

Hepatitis NSW CEO Stuart Loveday said that with the listing of Interferon on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme in April, almost all people in Australia with hepatitis C had cure rates of about 75 per cent to 80 per cent.

"Now is the right time for people who may have been living with hepatitis C for years, or even decades, to visit their doctor to get a referral to have their liver health assessed," he said. "This will help them decide whether they should go on to treatment sooner rather than later."

For free and confidential information and support, call the NSW hepatitis helpline on 1800 803 990 or 1300 437 222 or visit www.hep.org.au

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Resources aimed at helping kids



FEDERAL Health Minister Tanya Plibersek and Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon have

launched a new range of resources that promotes healthy food and physical activity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children.

The Get Up and Grow: Healthy Eating and Physical Activity for Early Childhood resources are being distributed to assist childcare workers, families and carers.

Ms Plibersek said the range included a handbook for childcare workers, brochures on child health issues for parents and posters to display in childcare centres.

"Nutritious food and regular physical activity not only support the normal growth and development of children, but also help to reduce the risk of developing chronic lifestyle-related diseases later in life," she said.

Mr Snowdon said the resources covered topics such as breastfeeding, infant formula, introducing first foods, healthy food and drinks and physical activity.

"While parents and carers have the most important role in shaping their child's healthy behaviours, childcare staff also have an opportunity to show children that the food they eat and exercise can help them to be healthy and happy," he said.

Psychology to benefit from funding



A PROJECT to increase the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people studying psychology and improve non-Indigenous psychologists' abilities to work with Indigenous communities has received \$350,000 from the

Federal Office of Learning and Teaching. The Australian Psychological Society will join Australian universities for the project titled 'Curricular approaches to increasing cultural competence and Indigenous participation in psychology education and training'.

Aboriginal psychologist

Professor Pat Dudgeon, from the University of Western Australia, who is a fellow of the Australian Psychological Society, will lead the project, which aims to integrate Indigenous studies in psychology courses for all students and assist Indigenous mental health workers.

"There are insufficient

numbers of Indigenous psychologists, and often non-Indigenous practising psychologists have not received adequate education in cultural competence either during or after their university training," she said.

"Undergraduate psychology education generally does not take the opportunity to develop

cultural awareness as a key competency, which is valued by contemporary employers in multicultural societies."

Project partners include the University of WA, Charles Sturt University, Macquarie University, the University of NSW, the University of Notre Dame and the Western NSW Local Health District.

Elder role for CSU



CHARLES Sturt University's (CSU) Centre for Indigenous Studies in Dubbo has its first Elder-in-residence.

He is Ray Peckham, a man with decades of experience working to improve education and social justice for Indigenous Australians.

A delighted Mr Peckham has welcomed the appointment. CSU deputy vice-chancellor (academic) Professor Garry Marchant said Mr Peckham would bring proven dedication and valuable experience to his new role.

"He has worked to improve Indigenous conditions and opportunities since the early 1950s when he moved from Dubbo to Sydney and joined Auntie Pearl Gibbs to help re-form the Aborigines Progress Association started by William Ferguson in Dubbo in 1937," Prof Marchant said.

"As Elder-in-residence, Mr Peckham will help guide CSU to achieve its commitment to increase the number of Indigenous students at the university, as well as build its profile on Indigenous research, teaching and learning for all our students."

Many years of work

Mr Peckham said his position resulted from many years of work to ensure equal opportunities for Indigenous people.

"In this role I promote CSU as an institution where our culture and protocols are respected and our people can continue their learning journey to share knowledge with all people," he said.

"I offer knowledge, mentoring and support to those in need of assistance, and uphold and share our culture and spirituality for the betterment of our people.

"I act as an adviser to the university, and welcome and liaise with Indigenous and non-Indigenous students and staff. I also attend meetings and events, and travel to various campuses of the university and other institutions as required."

The Elder-in-residence position is one of 36 recommendations outlined in CSU's Indigenous Education Strategy as part of the university's commitment to improving Indigenous education. The university says the role highlights the valuable contribution of Elders to the learning environment and actively encourages the involvement of Indigenous people in the operation, governance and community of the university.



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Inverell students win



SENIOR Aboriginal students from Macintyre and Inverell high schools in northern

NSW have held their annual public speaking exhibition as part of NAIDOC celebrations.

This year's winner of the NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge Trophy was the Inverell High team of Alex Jeffery, Ebony Adams and Jack Jeffery.

They proved a little too good for Macintyre speakers Jasmine James, Lea Jerrard and Jessica Loftus, with support from Miranda Boney and Tarnia Jerrard.

The subject was this year's NAIDOC theme 'We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963'.

Showcase

"The public speaking challenge is a showcase for the future leaders of our community as they present their thoughts on the NAIDOC theme," organiser Harry White, the Border Rivers-Gwydir CMA catchment officer Aboriginal support, said.

"All six speakers were very well informed. They certainly enlightened us all with their knowledge. Everyone at the event ended up learning a lot more about the significance of the Yirrkala Bark Petitions than we knew before the speeches began."

Border Rivers-Gwydir CMA chair Hans Hietbrink and Inverell manager of library services Sonya Lange presented the trophy.



At the NAIDOC Public Speaking Challenge in Inverell, northern NSW, back from left, Hans Hietbrink, Ebony Adams, Jack Jeffery, Alex Jeffrey and Sonia Lange and, front from left, Lea Jerrard, Jasmine James and Jessica Loftus.



The Pharmacy Guild of Australia

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The aim of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Scholarship Scheme (ATSIPSS) is to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to undertake studies in Pharmacy at University. It is acknowledged that if the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities are to be adequately met by pharmacists, there is a need for more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander pharmacists to be working in the industry. A total of 3 scholarships valued at \$15,000 per annum for a maximum of four years are offered annually.

Students interested in studying pharmacy at university need to have an interest in health, communication and science. Some universities offer students from rural areas extra credits to assist them into the pharmacy degree course. Talk to your school careers counsellor or contact the Pharmacy School at one of the universities to find out more.

Rural and regional Australia offers trained pharmacists the ideal mixture of work and a rewarding lifestyle in an environment where graduates have the chance to make a real contribution to the community.

To find out more about the scheme visit www.ruralpharmacy.com.au or contact the Rural Pharmacy Workforce team on 02 6270 1888 or via email ruralpharmacy@guild.org.au

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Pharmacy Assistant Traineeship Scheme is funded by the Australian Government under the Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement (SCPA) and is administered by the Pharmacy Guild of Australia.

www.ruralpharmacy.com.au

Class act at Cherbourg



CHERBOURG State School's Budburra prep class has celebrated a 'brilliant big win' simply by coming to school. The prep students won a 'Let's Read' bag with a colouring-in kit and a book for having the highest attendance rate of all the school's classes for term two. Pictured are, front from left, Summer Sullivan, Jarvanda Byers-Bond, Josiah Graham, Jacqueline Fisher and Bella Barrett. Middle, from left, Cornellis Lea, Draysharn Arnold, Elaine Chambers, Benjamin Walsh and Kaylynn Malone (teacher aide) and, back from left, Vanessa Sansby (teacher), Ian Saltner, Bo'Sheikah Davidson, Laticia Bond, Alexandra Saunders-Dynevor, Karen Jacobs, Harry Colonel, Gilbert Collins and Pam Purcell (teacher aide).



The cast of *Spirit of the Lore* on stage.

Brisbane will get festive



SPIRIT of the Lore, a collaborative work by the Aboriginal Centre for the Performing Arts (ACPA) and the Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC), will be staged for the first time at the Brisbane Festival from 11-19 September in the Cremorne Theatre.

The production is a mix of Indigenous theatre, music and

dance that examines the challenges and responsibilities faced by contemporary youth left to their own devices without the guidance of Elders.

Gomerioi country music star Roger Knox will open the Spiegelent music program at the festival on 8 September.

Born in Moree, northern NSW, and raised in the Toomelah Aboriginal Mission, Mr Knox grew up on gospel music. Noted for his regular tours of NSW and

Queensland prisons systems and counselling young people, his advocacy was recognised at the 2006 Deadlys, when he received a Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Music.

In February, Mr Knox, who is sometimes called 'Australia's Black Elvis', released his first album in nine years *Stranger in My Land*, a collection of folk tunes and handed-down songs

that included a roster of guests including Bonnie 'Prince' Billy, Kelly Hogan and The Sadies.

At the Spiegelent performance, Mr Knox will play tracks from his new album alongside family members.

The Brisbane Festival, an initiative of the Queensland Government and Brisbane City Council, runs from 7-28 September.

For more information visit www.brisbanefestival.com.au



Country music star Roger Knox.

Poetry flows at Lake Tyers



ON the shores of Lake Tyers in south-east Victoria, students have written dozens of poems and selected some for a small publication.

Members of the Lake Tyers Aboriginal Trust in Victoria took part in a three-day poetry workshop, organised by the Australian Poets Union and under the guidance of writers Paul Mitchell and Bruce Pascoe.

Margaret Pearce and Leanne Edwards coordinated workshops in music, art and poetry.

With the help of T K Edwards on guitar, some poems were recorded as performance pieces as the art group worked on a mural of animals of the area, including the giant moray eel.

Elements of the mural were used to illustrate the writing.

"The work of the group is continuing as poems are shaped and refined by email exchanges," Mr Pascoe said.

"Everyone has a story to tell and a song to sing, and Aboriginal people, of course, have more than most.

"In poetry you can dream what you want and say what you like, it's a lawless country... totally free.

"So, if we want to tell the world the truth of our



Writer Paul Mitchell reads some of the students' work at Lake Tyers.

culture, it's up to us to tell it; in poetry, fiction, history or song, it's up to us to ensure both our history and future are told right way."

In examples of some of the work produced, Margaret Pearce wrote: *To walk proud or tall / Never let anyone bring you down.*

Leanne Edwards wrote: *Today I sit and watch days go by with all this heartache inside. Heartache of my peoples and our struggles.*

VICTORIAN INDIGENOUS ART AWARDS 2013

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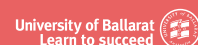
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Films coming to Pilbara communities



REMOTE Aboriginal communities in the Pilbara region of Western Australia will

have the opportunity to see films by Indigenous filmmakers on the big screen for free, thanks to the National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA).

The NFSA's Black Screen program will present short films like Dennis Simmon's *Ace*

of *Spades* and SF Tusa's *Blackbuster*.

Another highlight will be director Catriona McKenzie's latest feature film *Satellite Boy*, a heartfelt story of a young boy's triumphant spirit and a testament to the joy of family and belonging.

Black Screen coordinator Andrea Briggs said the tour had been funded with the assistance of to Wawil Pitjas, ScreenWest, Lotterywest and local communities.

"Screening tours like this help strengthen our cultural heritage," she said.

Starting today (Wednesday) in Marble Bar, the tour will move to Newman on 2 August, Roebourne on 7 August and South Hedland on 16 August. All screenings are free to the community and include a sausage sizzle or food stall.

● Pictured left: A scene Catriona McKenzie's film *Satellite Boy*.

'Stolen' artworks on show at uni gallery



AN exhibition of rediscovered artworks by members of the Stolen Generations will open at John Curtin Gallery, Curtin University in Perth, tomorrow (1 August). The works in the *Koolark Koort Koorliny (Heart Coming Home)* exhibition were created at the Carrolup Native Settlement in WA's Great Southern region between 1945 and 1951.

The Herbert Mayer Collection of Carrolup Artwork was formally transferred to Curtin University from Colgate University, Hamilton, New York in May 2013 after consultations involving senior Noongar Elders and the Mungart Boodja Art Centre. The exhibition will run until 6 October.

Gondwana Choir is holding auditions



CAMPBELLTOWN Gondwana Indigenous Children's Choir is holding auditions for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island boys and girls aged 10 and over today (31 July) at Briar Road Public School, Airds, NSW.

The newly established choir follows the model developed by Gondwana Choirs in its work with the Cairns Gondwana Indigenous Children's Choir and the flagship Sydney Children's Choir.

Artistic director and founder Lyn Williams said young people wanting to audition would need to come with a great attitude. Ongoing rehearsals take place weekly on Tuesday afternoons from 4-6.30pm at Briar Road Public School.

Culture theme for Goldfields program



YIRRA Yaakin Theatre Company is presenting a free schools and communities program in the Western Australian Goldfields that aims to help young people explore what culture means to them. The Culture 2.0 Respect Yourself Respect Your Culture program will run until 23 August.

Yirra Yaakin will provide a team of professional artists including performers, writers and musicians, who will visit Wiluna, Leinster, Kalgoorlie and remote communities such as Kurrawang.

Call to get involved



THE city of Fremantle is calling on artists, schools, organisations and community groups to get involved in the Wardarnji Aboriginal Cultural Festival. The annual festival is a celebration of Nyoongar people and features music, dance, art, displays, performances, workshops and much more. It runs as part of the Fremantle Festival from 27 October-10 November.

Applications close Friday, 16 August. Details at www.fremantle.wa.gov.au/festivals/ or call (08) 9432 9999 to find out more.



Martu Elder Timmy Patterson in the Western Desert. He features in *First Footprints*.

Focus is on our first footprints

By MARGARET SMITH



A NEW series screening on Sundays on ABC TV 1 examines how Aboriginal people lived in Australia for more than 40,000 years before the coming of the white man.

Called *First Footprints*, the four-part series, narrated by Ernie Dingo, includes rock art and sites never shown before on television, Dreaming and creation stories, archival and artefact research, and the more recent partnerships between archaeologists and Elders and park rangers.

The first episode showed the lifestyles of the First Australians; the second episode features how they



Gunditjmara Elder Ken Saunders will appear in *First Footprints*.

survived the Ice Age and the end of the mammoths, the third details the great flood of about 18,000 years ago and the invention of boomerangs and other

tools; and the fourth covers the time about 9000 years ago when sea level rises separated Australia from our northern neighbours and Tasmania became an island.

Series co-producer Martin Butler told the *Koori Mail* how the project developed.

"We were out there in the desert with the Martu people for our *Contact* documentary," he said.

"We'd meet all these people round the campfire at night and hear so many stories from the past that were important. We then took three years to research *First Footprints* and this involved a lot of travel to some incredible sites."

First Footprints screens at 9.30pm on Sundays on ABC TV 1.



Inmates watching the official opening at Townsville Women's Correctional Centre.



From left, visitors Jeff 'JT' Timor, Jenny Pryor, Lyn Irving and Harold Doyle.

Inmates take part

By ALF WILSON



NAIDOC Week celebrations at the Townsville Women's Correctional Centre on 17 July proved highly successful.

Many of the inmates are Indigenous, and more than 100 joined in the celebrations.

Centre general manager Andrew Pike said inmates came from a wide area of north Queensland. "Our area covers from Mackay to Mount Isa and the Northern Territory border and up to Cape York and the Torres Strait Islands," he said.

Guests were welcomed to country by Jenny Pryor on behalf of the Bindal people, and she also acknowledged the Wulgurukaba tribe.

"We should celebrate our culture and who we are every day and not just during NAIDOC. We love you our sisters," Mrs Pryor said.

Centre cultural development officer Dean Saunders said the celebrations were special.

Entertainment was provided by the centre's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander dancers.

The Aboriginal dancers performed several dances from the Napranum and Weipa region of Cape York. TSI dancers consisted of inmates of Boigu and Yam Island descent.

Artwork by inmates was on display, and lunch was provided.

Mackay Binga Birry Justice Group Elders Harold Doyle, Jeff 'JT' Timor and Lyn Irving were among the visitors. Group members have been visiting the women's centre each month for 15 years.

Audience

Mr Timor, of Badu Island descent, played his guitar and sang for the audience, which included custodial officers Michelle Hegarty and cultural liaison officer Drue Ross, of Darnley descent.

Palm Island Elders Cynbell Pryor-Musu and Elizabeth Larry enjoyed talking to inmates from the north Queensland Aboriginal community.

Acting deputy general manager Barrie Emanuel said the centre was working to ensure women did not find themselves returning to custody.

He detailed schemes and praised staff involved in schemes designed to help inmates.



Palm Island Elders Cynbell Pryor-Musu, left, and Elizabeth Larry get a hug from one of the inmates at the Townsville celebration.



Torres Strait Islander inmates dressed up and ready to perform.



Correctional Services officers Drue Ross, Michelle Hegarty and Dean Saunders with a NAIDOC celebration artwork made in 2009.



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NAIDOC Week 2013



Flags fly in Lismore

Pictured are some of the locals and officials gathered for the NAIDOC Week flag-raising in Lismore, northern New South Wales. The event, held for the first time at the Lismore TAFE, was hosted by Lismore Mayor Jenny Dowell, with special guest local Elder Aunty Dorrie Gordon.

Palm Island has a packed program



FOR the north Queensland centre of Palm Island,

NAIDOC Week is a special event on the annual calendar.

Government funding cuts did not dampen the spirits of people in the community.

Opening day on 7 July saw a combined church service and a barbecue in the town square.

A day later the official opening was held, with a smoking ceremony, flag-raising by local school captains, morning tea, entertainment by dance groups and lunch. There were stalls in the local cultural precinct and other events.

On 9 July there was an Elders yarning circle along with other entertainment and a night movie.

The next day featured a fete at Bwgcolman Community School and plant stalls.

Cr Eddie Walsh said everybody enjoyed themselves.

"The Elders gatherings were well received and were amongst the best events during our NAIDOC Week," he said. — by Alf Wilson



Takahni Ryan and her little cousin Colyning Oui at NAIDOC on Palm Island.



Kerrie and Dana Nallajar at the stall they ran during NAIDOC Week.



The annual NAIDOC touch carnival in Canberra is a major part of ACT NAIDOC celebrations.

Capital in touch



THE weather was cold but the action was hot at the 11th annual NAIDOC Touch

Football Competition held last Wednesday in Canberra.

This year's event, again supported by the Australian Public Service Commission, attracted about 300 public servants from 24 government agencies.

The Australian Sports Commission downed the Department of Defence 7-4 in the Trophy Final.

In the Cup Final, the Attorney-General's Department pipped the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport 7-5.

And the Plate Final went to the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), who defeated the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs 7-3.

The event is a major part of the ACT NAIDOC Week celebrations and has grown substantially since the first competition in 2003, which



Action from the Canberra touch carnival. Photos by Dexter Cruetz featured just four teams in a lunchtime competition.

Organiser Cris Castro, from the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, said the competition was a fun event enjoyed by all in the spirit of NAIDOC.

"It was great to see so many men and women from the Australian Public Service participate," he said.

"The event continues to grow and puts a spotlight on the celebration of NAIDOC Week in Canberra."



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NAIDOC Week 2013 – Canberra



The scene at this year's NAIDOC on the Peninsula in Canberra.
Photos by Andrew Babington (AIATSIS)



Sydney-based singer/songwriter Marcus Corowa headlined a free concert featuring local and national performers.

Peninsula a popular place



THOUSANDS of people joined in the festivities at this year's NAIDOC on the Peninsula in Canberra.

Held at the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), the annual free family day featured a concert of national and local Indigenous musicians, children's activities and many information and market stalls hosted by Territory and Federal Government departments, non-government and community organisations, Indigenous arts and crafts outlets.

Now in its eighth year, the event started NAIDOC celebrations across

the region and highlighted the cultural heritage of Indigenous peoples and their contributions to Australian society.

Visitors to the Peninsula enjoyed a diverse range of Indigenous entertainment including Sydney-based singer/songwriter Marcus Corowa and local performers including Hung Parliament, Johnny Huckle, Conversation, Stik N Move, and The Riverbank Band.

'Seaman Dan'

Iconic 84 year-old singer-songwriter Henry Gibson 'Seaman' Dan travelled from the Torres Strait to perform a special 45-minute interactive session with Karl Neuenfeldt. The session

featured songs as well as reflections through stories and photos from the recent published book *Steady Steady – The life and music of Seaman Dan*.

This year's NAIDOC on the Peninsula also featured a special 'kids zone' with performances from celebrated Indigenous hip-hop dancers *Move it Mob Style*, the Yirri Dancers from Canberra's Weetangera Primary School, the Wiradjuri Echoes and Johnny Huckle's *Wombat Wobble*.

The day was hosted by guest MC Kevin Kropinyeri, an Indigenous comedian fresh from his recent performances at the Melbourne International Comedy Festival.



Darren Compton from NITV's *Move it Mob Style* demonstrates a few moves.



Veteran songman Johnny Huckle got the crowd participating with a rendition of *Wombat Wobble*.



The Yirri Dancers from Canberra's Weetangera Primary School.



Australian Capital Territory dance group the Wiradjuri Echoes entertained the crowd with traditional dances.



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Members of the women's rights group Women Arise Cairns were among the many people at this year's NAIDOC dinner in the far north Queensland city.



Torres Strait Islander dancers perform during the NAIDOC dinner in Cairns.



Gimuy Walabura Yidinji traditional owner Gudju Gudju delivers a welcome to country at the dinner.



Flora Pondrilei ready to join in the Cairns NAIDOC dinner festivities.

Busy time in far north

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



CAIRNS NAIDOC celebrations wound up for another year with the annual dinner. The popular event rounded off what the Cairns NAIDOC committee said was another successful celebration in Queensland's far north.

Activities included a community day organised by Tjapukai, a corporate breakfast, and open day celebrations at Wuchopperen Health Clinic and Cultural Place.

A Deadly Speed Dating event for the over-30s allowed single brothers and sisters to get out and mingle; performer Constantina Bush had the crowds getting down at Bama Boogie; and NAIDOC in the Park remained one of Cairns' most popular events.

Hosted by Cairns funnyman and motivational speaker Trevor Tim, the NAIDOC dinner included a welcome to country by Gimuy Walabura Yidinji traditional owner Gudju Gudju as well as traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander song and dance, and live bands later in the night.

Cairns NAIDOC organising committee members praised locals for coming out in big numbers to support the events, and said NAIDOC week in the far north was all about bringing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people together to celebrate and keep culture alive.



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The Bumma Bippa Media crew in party mode at the NAIDOC dinner.



Denise Newman and Mercy Baird at the NAIDOC dinner in Cairns.



Above: Lynda Ah Mat, Richard Blackman, Irene Hocke and Lenora Thaker at the dinner.



Sandi and Peter Taylor.



Torres Strait Islander dancers.



One of the Torres Strait Islander dancers.



Yidinji dancers performing the crocodile dance.



The Cairns NAIDOC organising committee members ready to party.



Louise Hunter and Lynette Dewis.



Cassie Auda, Carrie-Lee Garcia and Regan Davis at the dinner.

Flash mobs in Kempsey



FLASH mobs were a feature of NAIDOC celebrations at the NSW mid-north coast centre of Kempsey. Twenty local

Aboriginal dancers performed in the flash mobs as part of the Saltwater Freshwater Festival-backed NAIDOC celebration.

Six surprise six-minute performances of (Our) Flash Mob were held over four days.

People in the queue at Kempsey Centrelink were surprised when 18 young dancers came in doing the emu dance, and then performed to an OKA and Last Kinection mash-up. The moves were repeated in the Clyde Street Mall, at the Kempsey Shire Council, the NAIDOC Ball and two pop-up performances at the Burrun Dalai family fun day. The dancers, aged 13 to 17 and from Coffs Harbour, Macksville and Kempsey, learned the dance during a Saltwater Freshwater dance and culture camp at Scotts Head.

Another feature of NAIDOC in Kempsey was the city's first awards and celebration ball. A highlight was the presentation of NAIDOC Week awards to 17 Aboriginal community leaders, volunteers and achievers, selected from more than 30 nominations.

Local band the *Sage Muses* proved a crowd favourite at the ball.

This year's Kempsey NAIDOC Award winners:

Person of the Year: Uncle Claude Roberts.

Employee of the Year: Laurie Clay

Elder of the Year: Michael Kelly

Youth of the Year: Taylor Kelly-Scholes

Junior Male Sportsperson of the

Year: Aaron Kelly-Parsons

Junior Female Sportsperson of the

Year: Tjarra Kilpatrick

Senior Male Sportsperson of the

Year: Anthony Cowan.

Senior Female Sportsperson of the

Year: Tommaya Kelly-Sines

Junior Team of the Year: The Saffyres

Netball Team

Senior Team of the Year: The Macleay

Valley Mustangs

Rising Star Awards: Judah Fatnowna,

Serenity Clancy and Tshintia Bayles

TAFE Tertiary Award: Sue Holten,

Marsha Blunden-Holten and Deb Wright

Wollotuka Tertiary Award: Anthony

Griffen, Emma-Maree Russell and Janita

Smith.

More details on next year's Saltwater

Freshwater Festival at the website

www.saltwaterfreshwaterfestival.com.au



Some of the young Aboriginal dancers who performed in flash mobs as part of the NAIDOC celebrations in Kempsey, northern NSW.



The Adelaide NAIDOC march coming down King William Street in the rain. Photo by Colleen Raven Strangeways

Rainy weather doesn't stop Adelaide marchers



A LARGE crowd turned out for the South Australian NAIDOC march and celebrations, despite heavy rain.

Aboriginal Elders and youth led the marchers from

Victoria Square to the Torrens Parade Grounds, where SA Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Ian Hunter and Opposition Leader Steven Marshall addressed the crowd.

The SA NAIDOC Committee said the family fun day at the

parade grounds was a success, with more than 1000 people enjoying the entertainment, overseen by NAIDOC ambassadors Patricia Waria Reed, David Rathman and lead performer of the Binnanendi Traditional Dance Group Robert Taylor.

Fun day performers included Bec Gollan, Binnanendi Traditional Dance Group, the Kurruru Dancers, Matty Johnson, Big Sexy and beatboxer Kai Ellis.

The gala ball was held in the Adelaide Hilton Grand Ballroom, with Casey

Donovan headlining a bill of performers that included local artists Nancy Bates and Allan Sumner, the Warren Milera Band and the Tony Minniecon Band.

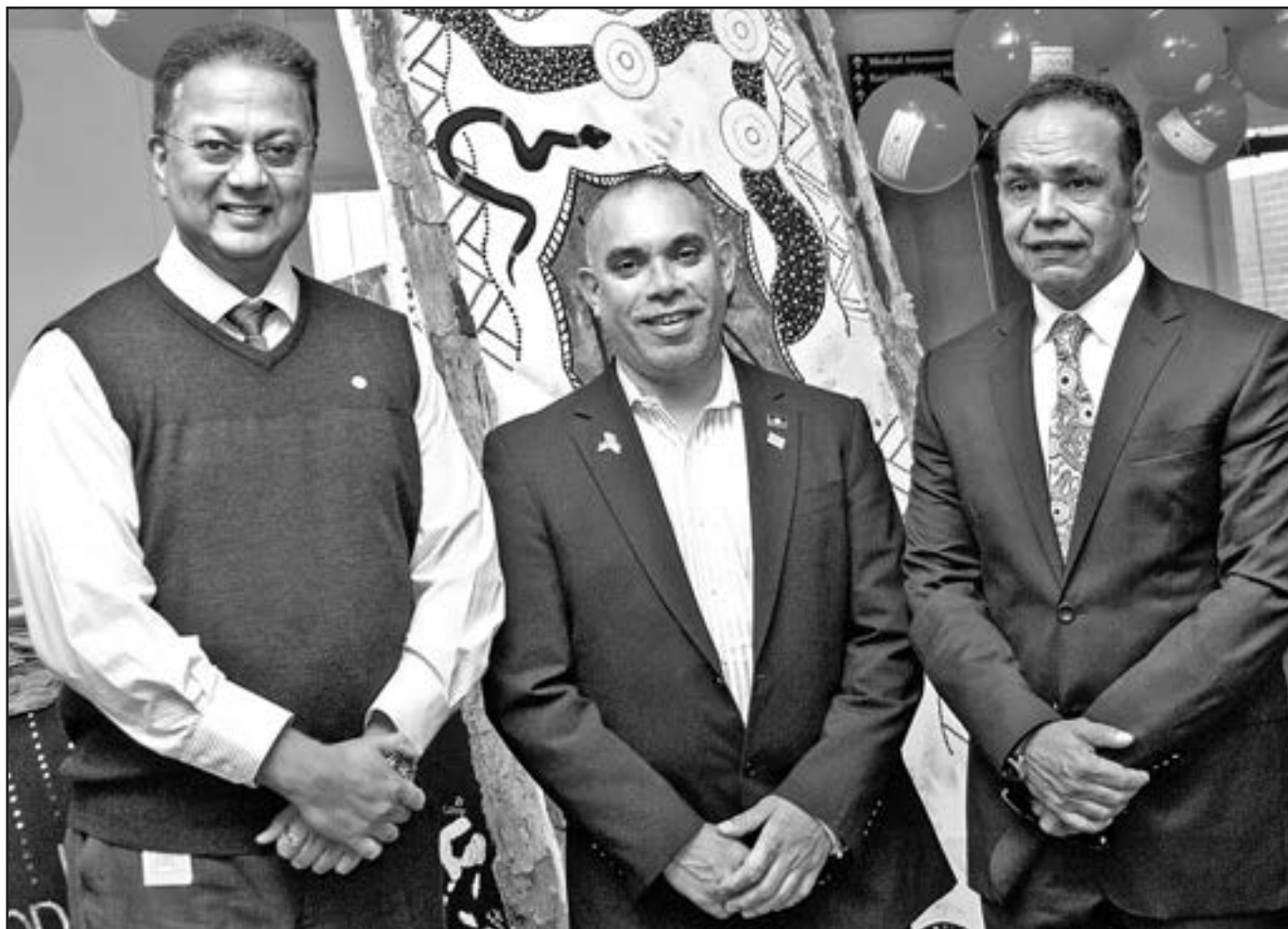
Master of ceremonies was Paul Vandenberg, together with David Rathman.



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Health district celebrates



SYDNEY Local Health District celebrated NAIDOC Week with a gathering at Canterbury Hospital.

The event included cultural performances, speeches and a barbecue.

Sydney Local Health District Aboriginal health director George Long said the event demonstrated the organisation's commitment to health equity.

"With one of the largest urban Aboriginal populations in NSW, our district plays a pivotal role in delivering accessible, culturally appropriate, holistic health services to the community," he said.

"Working in partnership with Aboriginal services and government agencies, our district is committed to closing the 10- to 17-year health gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

"We're calling on the community's participation to help us achieve this mission.

"Everyone in the community has a role to play, and by working together we hope to achieve greater access to healthcare by matching our services to community needs."

A suggestion box in the foyer of Canterbury Hospital was unveiled for community submissions.

● Pictured left: Clinical director of the Sydney Dental Hospital and Oral Health at Sydney Local Health District, Associate Professor Sameer Bhole, Michael West from the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council, and Aboriginal health director for Sydney Local Health District George Long.

Winners in Bowen



NAIDOC celebrations in the North Queensland city of Bowen included a street march and a dinner and awards evening.

More than 90 people attended the dinner, with entertainment provided by Lonnie Fewquandie. Guests included Whitsunday mayor Jennifer Whitney, councillors Jan Clifford, Andrew Wilcox, and Dave Clarke and Federal Member for Dawson George Christensen.

The street march was followed by a family day at the Bowen Junior Rugby League Club.

Bowen's NAIDOC award-winners for 2013: Miss NAIDOC Jean Andersen, runner-up Kayla White; Mr NAIDOC Luke Parter, runner-up Jermaine Prise; NAIDOC Elder Aunty Joyce MacDonald, runner-up Uncle Jim Gaston; Community Person Charmaine Mansfield, runner-up Vivian Mook; Senior Sportsperson Noel Upkett, runner-up Troy Querro; Junior Sportsman Tyrese Parter; Junior Sportswoman Lukeisha Sawers; Junior Community Person Davian Yasso.

● Pictured right: Bowen award-winners, from left, Luke Parter (Mr NAIDOC), Charmaine Mansfield (Community Person), Joyce MacDonald (NAIDOC Elder), Jean Andersen (Miss NAIDOC) and Noel Upkett (Sportsperson).



NATIONAL CALENDAR



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. 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

4 August: National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day (NAICD). This year's theme is 'Right Here, Right Now, Our Rights Matter'.

9 August: UU International Day of the World's Indigenous People. To promote and protect the rights of the world's Indigenous population.

25-27 November: National Indigenous Health Conference. The conference is designed to bring together government and other agencies working in Indigenous health. Held at the Pullman Cairns International Hotel, Cairns. Registration fees apply. Details: www.indigenoushealth.net or email admin@indigenoushealth.net

NSW-ACT

Permanent Exhibition: *Resistance*, National Museum of Australia, Canberra. The lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples were changed by the arrival of British colonists in 1788. This exhibition includes four of these stories. For further information visit www.nma.gov.au/exhibitions/first_australians/resistance

Until 10 August: *Tjukurpa nganampa kunpu kanyintjaku – Stories that keep Culture Strong* exhibition. Showing the works of artists who paint their traditions and stories in expressions of their country. Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St, Waterloo, from 11am-5pm, Tues-Sat. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 9699 2211 or visit www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au

Until 11 August: Richard Bell's *The Dinner Party* exhibition. A significant solo exhibition of work by Brisbane-base artist Richard Bell. Held at Artspace, 43-51 Cowper Wharf Road, Woolloomooloo, from Tues-Sun, 10am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 9356 0555 or visit www.artspace.org.au

Until 25 August: Grafton Gallery Indigenous Collection. New acquisitions to the Indigenous collection on show. Held at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton, from 10am-4pm, Tues-Sat. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 6642 3177.

Until 25 August: *Black on White* exhibition. 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 opinions. Held at the State Library of NSW, Macquarie St, Sydney. Details: (02) 9273 1414 or www.headon.com.au/event/black-white

Until 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. 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 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, from 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. Held once a month at the Redfern Community Centre, 29-53 Hugo St, Redfern from 10am-2.30pm. Details: (02) 9288 5713.

5 August-7 September: Multi-media exhibition *I Do Have A Belief II: Kevin Gilbert, 1933-1993*. See original manuscripts, galleys, photo murals, website, videos and more. Held at Civic Library, Civic Square, ACT from Mon-Thurs, 10am-5.30pm, Fri, 10am-7pm, Sat, 9am-4pm. Free event, bookings recommended. Details: (02) 6205 9000 or visit www.library.act.gov.au

7, 14, 21 and 28 August: *Building Bridges 2013*. Includes Indigenous and other presenters sharing their knowledge, expertise and personal experience in an informal and relaxed atmosphere. Held at the Jubilee Room, Parramatta Town Hall, from 7.30pm. Free entry, donations welcome. Details: Lyn on (02) 9639 8394 or Tom (0425) 250 360 or visit www.reconciliation4westernsydney.org

8 August: UN International Day of the World's Indigenous People 2013 event. Hear a spoken word performance by Aboriginal performer Gumaroy and others. Held at the Museum of Contemporary Art, 140 George St, The Rocks, from noon-1pm. Free. Details: (02) 9245 2400 or visit www.mca.com.au

9 August: *Stories about Kevin Gilbert; Stories by Kevin Gilbert*. A lunchtime event. Members of Kevin Gilbert's family will reminisce and read from his work. Held at Civic Library, Civic Square, ACT, from 12.30-1.30pm. Free event, bookings recommended. Details: Eleanor Gilbert on (0421) 795 639 or visit www.eventbrite.com

10 August: Women's Football Knockout. Includes barbecue and health checkups. Held at Brewarrina Oval, Brewarrina, from 10am. Team nomination \$500. Admission – Adults \$5, children \$2. Details: Kim Hardy on 0428 402 141

13 August: Finding Your Mob Information Day. An information day on the Stolen Generations and the removal of Aboriginal

children in NSW from 1883 to 1969. Anne Wright from Sydney Family Records will be available to assist. Held at YWCA, 101 Rous Rd, Goonellabah, from 9.30am-3pm. Free event. Details: (02) 6622 5534.

14 August-18 September: Yarning Circle. Mirrung Ngu Wanjari and Buyinbin Family Support Service are convening a yarning circle for Aboriginal women in Casino. Held at the Casino Community Centre every Wednesday for six weeks from 10am to 1pm. Details: Nancy Walke (Bolt) on (02) 6621 1006 or Amanda on (0409) 793 225

18 August: Keep Left 2013 conference. Two days of discussion, debate and ideas. Includes talks by Marcia Langton and Sue Gillett. Held at Building 6, The University of Sydney, Harris St (near Central Station) from 9am-5pm. Registration Fees apply. Details: Amy on (02) 9211 2600 or (0430) 554 263 or visit www.keepleft.info/full-timetable

20 August: The Call for Recognition of the Australian South Sea Islander Peoples Forum. Featuring guest speakers including Bonita Mabo, Emelda Davis, Jeff McMullen and more. Held at the Law School Foyer, Eastern Avenue, The University of Sydney, City Rd, Darlingtown from 6-7.30pm. Free event, registration required. Details: (02) 9351 2943 or visit www.sydney.edu/sydney_ideas

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: Rachel Wallace, Priscilla Boota and Joanne Norton-Bajer on (02) 6492 0011, email healingthescars@lyndoncommunity.org.au or visit www.lyndoncommunity.org.au

Queensland

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 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 24 August: *Mwerr-angker Alpert (Pretty Flower)* exhibition. Featuring artists of Ampilatwatja, a remote community 330km north-east of Alice Springs. Held at Woolloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Woolloongabba, from Tues-Sat 9am-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (07) 3891 5551 or visit www.wag.com.au

10 August, 7 Sept, 9 Nov: Ration Shed Tours. Visit the Cherbourg Ration Shed and hear first-hand what life was like living 'under the Act' on the government -controlled mission formerly called Barambah. Costs Apply. Includes two-course meal and wine tasting. Departing from Ettamogah Pub at 6.30am returning 6pm. Details: Grace O'Brien on (0417) 198 354 or email Sarah.Larsen@dete.qld.gov.au

Until 1 September: *Death and Life: Rakunky 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 10am-5pm, Mon-Fri and 9am-5pm, Sat-Sun. 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 present through interviews, personal items, lyrics and music. Held at Kuril Dhagun, level 1, State Library Queensland, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane, from 10am-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 Australian 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 10am-5pm Mon-Fri and 9am-5pm Sat-Sun. Free gallery entry. Details: (07) 3840 7303, email mycountry@qagoma.qld.gov.au or 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 Place, South Bank, Brisbane, from 10am-5pm Mon-Fri and 9am-5pm Sat-Sun. Free admission. Details: (02) 3840 7303 or visit www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/exhibitions

6 August: A night by the fire with Classik Nawu. Join the Classik Nawu band for a night as they share 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

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 family fun day. Free and all welcome. Details: Donna Hunter on (08) 8947 9171 or visit www.ntsgac.org

9-13 October: Mbantua Festival – Awakening the Desert 2013. This Indigenous cultural festival will include exhibitions, stories told through song and dance, arts and crafts, food, music, healing and harmony, tours, exhibitions, environment and sustainable desert living projects and more. Held at the Old Telegraph Station and Todd River bed, Alice Springs. Tickets available now. Details: (08) 8953 4000 or www.mbantuafestival.com.au

Victoria

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

2 August: 151st Justice and Peace Candle Light Walk. Join the walk to call for a treaty and bill of rights, and to support the Ngarrindjeri and all other Aboriginal people and the Stolen Generations. Held around Government House, cnr North Terrace and King Rd, Adelaide. Gather at dusk. Free and all welcome. Details: (08) 8227 0170 or visit antarsa.auspics.org.au

Western Australia

Until 21 August: *Yinjaa-Barni Artists and Tjuntjuntjara Punu Project* exhibition. Featuring works by 10 artists. Held at Japingka Gallery, 47 High St, Fremantle from Mon-Fri, 10.30am-5pm or Sat-Sun, 12-5pm. Free Gallery entry. Details: (08) 9335 8265 or visit www.japinka.com.au

Until 25 August: *Third Space* exhibition. Works by eight Western Australian female Aboriginal artists who work within the space between Traditional and Western cultures. Held at Mundaring Arts Centre, 7190 Great Western Hwy (corner Nichol St) Mundaring from Tues-Fri 10am-5pm & Sat/Sun 11am-3pm. Free entry. Details: (08) 9295 3991 or visit www.mundaringartscentre.com.au

Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Indigenous students Gabriella Gaidan, Moewaiya Youngblutt, Isa Anau and Baina Anau at the Townsville FOGS Careers Expo this month.

Sisters look ahead

By ALF WILSON



ISA and Baina Anau, from Boigu Island in the Torres Strait, may be close-knit sisters, but the career paths they want to follow are very different. Isa, 17, wants to join the Australian Defence Force, preferably the Army, when she leaves school, while 15-year-old Baina is hoping to get a job in child care.

Both boarding students at Townsville's Cathedral School, they were among thousands of students at the Townsville Former Origin Greats (FOGS) Careers Expo on 24 July.

"I really would like to get into the Army as it provides a good career, and having an education is great," Isa told the *Koori Mail* as she checked out more than 50 stalls at the expo.

Baina feels strongly that her future is in child care.

Both realise they probably

won't find employment on Boigu Island, one of the northern-most of the Torres Strait Islands.

"We get back to Boigu all the time in the school holidays and love it, but there are not many jobs there," Baina said.

Family

With them at the careers expo was fellow student Gabriella Gaidan who has family on equally isolated Dauan and Saibai islands in the Torres Strait. She is torn between two

choices as a potential career.

"I would like to be a hairdresser, or if not that then I'd like to get into business administration," she said.

If Gabriella did opt to become a hairdresser, she believes the chances of setting up her own small business in the Torres Strait islands will be high.

The enthusiastic Gabriella took the opportunity to check out the expo's TAFE career stall, which featured a hairdressing demonstration

by local teacher Trish Nielsen.

Fellow student Moewaiya Youngblutt, from Palm Island, is hoping for a job in human resources.

"I have really enjoyed this expo and seeing all the jobs that are on offer," she told the *Koori Mail*.

Cathedral School teacher's aide Velma Gara said the girls were all wonderful students who had the ability to fulfil their career goals.

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Aboriginal Health & Medical Research Council

The Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council is the peak Aboriginal health organisation in NSW representing Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services. The AH&MRC is currently seeking applications for a trainer at the Aboriginal Health College.

Vocational Educator & Assessor
identified position

Fixed term, full time for 1 year (located at Little Bay, Sydney)

The VEA will be required to teach and assess in the area of Aboriginal Primary Health Care (Community and Practice) and *Good Medicines, Better Health*.

Applications close at:
5:00am on Monday, 5 August 2013.

For further information on this position or other positions within the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health sector in NSW, ring 02 9212 4777 or visit:
www.ahmrc.org.au

Indigenous Community Volunteers

Senior Community Development Officers
2 vacancies in Canberra & Adelaide

- Are you passionate about closing the gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander disadvantage?
- Do you have experience in community development?

We currently have exciting and challenging opportunities for suitably experienced Senior Community Development Officers to join our team. Based in Canberra and Adelaide, the position involves working at the grassroots level with communities and volunteers to manage and implement development and capacity building projects. The total remuneration package for the position is approximately \$71,000.

Applicants should have a demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with people from diverse backgrounds, be flexible and have excellent organisational and facilitation skills. Experience engaging with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities on development projects is an advantage.

The ability to work independently and as part of a team is important. Both positions will require regular travel to communities.

For a full position description and selection criteria or further information please email Mien Nguyen mnguyen@icv.com.au or visit www.icv.com.au/about-us/jobs

Applications must include a statement addressing the selection criteria and should be sent to mnguyen@icv.com.au by 5pm Friday, 16 August 2013.

ICV values a diverse and flexible workforce. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people of diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds and women are strongly encouraged to apply.

ICV implements a family-friendly workplace environment and supports its staff to achieve a healthy work-life balance.

Australian Government
Private Health Insurance Administration Council

Actuarial Analyst / Actuary
APS 4/5/6 Equivalent (\$64,229 - \$86,943 depending on experience)

The Private Health Insurance Administration Council (PHIAC) is the prudential regulator of Australia's private health insurance industry. We ensure that private health insurers are well run and that consumers are protected.

We are seeking an actuarial analyst / actuary (graduate to AIAA-qualified), with strong modelling and communication skills, to enhance the quality of PHIAC's internal actuarial analysis as well as promoting best practice actuarial techniques across the industry.

This role supports PHIAC's actuarial team through the development and operation of its stochastic projection model of insurers, and through performing other actuarial analysis, to enable Council to understand the risks and challenges faced by the industry. Other key responsibilities include communicating with internal and appointed actuaries, and performing analysis underpinning PHIAC's advice to the Minister for Health in relation to insurers' applications for premium increases.

Applications close 9 August 2013.

For further information: Matthew Crane on 02 6215 7956
Position Statement and Selection Criteria are available at www.phiac.gov.au/about-phiac/careers/
Protecting consumers of private health insurance by ensuring an industry which is competitive, efficient and financially sound.

NSW GOVERNMENT

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.

Ward Clerk - Admin Officer
Manning Rural Referral Hospital
Enquiries: Judith Moddero 02 6592 9317
Reference ID: 146061

Administration Assistant
John Hunter Hospital, New Lambton
Enquiries: Sandy Brown 02 4922 3104
Reference ID: 130254

Wait List Clerk
John Hunter Hospital, New Lambton
Enquiries: Michelle Kirk 02 4985 5486
Reference ID: 144951

Clinical Information Clerk - Reliever
The Maitland Hospital
Enquiries: Karin Ravazdy 02 4939 2479
Reference ID: 148549

Administration Officer
Belmont District Hospital
Enquiries: Karen Dixon 02 4921 3671
Reference ID: 147063

The above positions are targeted Aboriginal positions. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Part 9A, Section 122J of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*.

Closing Date for the above positions:
11 August 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

Chief Executive Officer
Victorian Aboriginal Health Service Cooperative Ltd

Pioneering Aboriginal health service
Community controlled organisation
Attractive remuneration package

Our client, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service Cooperative Ltd (VAHS), offers a comprehensive range of primary health care and family services to the Aboriginal community. The organisation is conveniently located close to the CBD near the vibrant cafes and restaurants of Brunswick St and Lygon St. This is an excellent opportunity for a high calibre professional to lead this unique and innovative organisation.

The VAHS is a Community Controlled organisation operating since 1973 and receives funding from federal and state governments. VAHS is a viable and growing organization with an operational budget of around \$10 million, employing 140 staff across three sites in Fitzroy, Preston and Thornbury.

The CEO is responsible to the Board of Directors for the operational management of VAHS and will provide leadership and management in the development & delivery of quality health and community services. The CEO will work to achieve the organisation's aim to create and inspire healthy Aboriginal people and families through quality, effective community health services, education and training.

To meet the requirements of the role you will have at least 5 years experience in a senior management role developing and delivering Aboriginal services and a knowledge of health services. You will hold relevant tertiary qualifications and should also be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the principles of Aboriginal Community-Control.

Full position details can be obtained from our website at:
www.hrsa.com.au

Enquiries should be made in the first instance to John Cross on 0417 332 598 or applications including Cover Letter, your CV and a document addressing the KSC can be forwarded to: hrsa@hrsa.com.au

Applications close Friday 16 August 2013

HEALTH RECRUITMENT SPECIALISTS



VACCA
Connected by culture

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services. VACCA is looking for an experienced policy officer to join its Social Policy and Research team.

Senior Project Officer

Applications are sought from interested persons to fill this exciting position. The Senior Project Officer position will provide high level advice and support to our social policy and research work in accordance with VACCA's principles and vision for Aboriginal children and families.

This is a full time position and is based in VACCA's East Brunswick office.

For further information and a copy of the position description and selection criteria please contact Peter Lewis on (03) 9385 9000 or by email: peterl@vacca.org

Applications close: Monday 19th August.



**ST VINCENT'S
HOSPITAL**
MELBOURNE

Aboriginal Mental Health HARP Liaison Officer (AMHHLO)

- Fixed Term to June 2016
- 0.4 EFT (Flexible hours including some weekend work)
- St Vincents Hospital Mental Health (SVMH)

St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne (SVHM) is part of St Vincent's Health Australia and a leading teaching, research and tertiary health service which employs more than 5,000 staff across 18 sites throughout Melbourne. SVHM provides a diverse range of adult clinical services including acute medical and surgical services, sub-acute care, medical diagnostics, rehabilitation, allied health, mental health, palliative care, correctional health and community residential care. SVHM is one of Australia's leading Catholic not-for-profit healthcare providers.

An exciting opportunity exists for an Aboriginal Mental Health HARP Liaison Officer (AMHHLO) to join a newly developed Mental Health Hospital Admission Reduction Program (MH HARP). This position is based at St Vincent's campus and works closely with the Emergency Department.

The AMHHLO is responsible for supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients who are dealing with mental health related issues initially within the Emergency Department and then in the community setting. The AMHHLO assists St Vincent's staff to provide culturally safe/respectful care to Aboriginal patients and families.

The role carries responsibilities for effective liaison and linkage with key community controlled organizations in line with the Improving Care for Aboriginal Patients (ICAP) strategy. The AMHHLO works collaboratively on care planning with VAHS Family Counselling Service and other health professionals.

To be successful for this role you must have qualifications in Health, Community Development, Social Work or Nursing and a demonstrated knowledge of Aboriginal culture and values and social health issues

For further information please contact John McLaren, Manager, Hawthorn Community Mental Health Service on Ph: 9882 9299.

Join us. Your reward is a career structure with opportunities for training and development in a value based organisation. Benefits include salary packaging, onsite gym, employee assistance program and Staff health centre.

All appointments are made subject to the candidate providing a current satisfactory National Police Certificate conducted by The Victoria Police.

To apply please go to:

<http://stvincents.mercury.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?id=11150&k>

Closing date is 14/8/13

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Phone: 07 5334 9911

Caseworker - Aboriginal Identified: Get a career that matters.

Jaanimili is seeking a Caseworker to join our Birrung Gurung team located in Minto. The successful candidate will be responsible for the overall case management and case coordination; for Aboriginal families with a child or young person with a Disability.

Applicants will require:

- Aboriginality
- Relevant tertiary qualifications in the social sciences or evidence of enrolment in relevant tertiary qualifications.

There is a Full time and Part time position available.

getacareerthatmatters.com.au

Apply online by 5pm, Thursday 8 August. Please go online to view full details

We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.



CAREER
OPPORTUNITY

Aboriginal Health Safety, Environment and Quality (HSEQ) Coordinator Darwin, NT

We have a new and exciting opportunity for an experienced HSEQ professional to join our team.

Reporting to the HSEQ&R Manager, you will work closely with the senior management team, coordinate, implement and manage documentation, site safety inspections and employee inductions, investigate accidents and recommend remedial actions, advice, consult and guide the business in relation to changes in legislation, business improvement and best practice.

As a HSEQ Coordinator you will be responsible for implementation of the Toxfree integrated management system and strategies within your region and area of responsibility. You will help to achieve key business objectives and assist stakeholders to facilitate cultural change in relation to health, safety, environment and quality. In addition, you will deliver high quality training and consulting services and employ successful business development strategies to drive our business.

You will be based in Darwin however will be there to support sites across Western Australia at our Broome and Kununurra offices. Consequently the ability and willingness to travel regularly is essential.

You will have tertiary qualifications and vocational experience in HSEQ. A Certificate IV in Training & Assessment and knowledge of workers compensation legislation would be advantageous. You will be a great communicator with a drive for results, a client focus and a professional but friendly demeanour.

The ability to self-manage is key, along with exceptional organisational skills, robust and can-do attitude. Above all, you will have demonstrated the ability throughout your career to operate, influence and add value across all levels within a business.

In return for your experience, skills and positive attitude you will be rewarded with the opportunity to really get involved and work within a dynamic and progressive environment which promotes career progression and development.

If you are interested in applying for this position or would like to know more, contact Reg Yarran Indigenous Engagement Advisor on (08) 62167000 for a confidential discussion, alternatively send your CV to careers@toxfree.com.au

As a matter of courtesy please speak with your line manager prior to applying.



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR NON-TEACHING STAFF IN NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS

We invite applications from people who are interested in working in a non-teaching role in NSW public schools. These positions are available only to Aboriginal people.

Vacancies currently exist at the following schools. Contact the Principal for further information:

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION OFFICER

- Induna School - (02) 6643 0008
- Hebersham Public School - (02) 9625 9133
- Macksville High School - (02) 6568 1025
- Moree East Public School - (02) 6752 1798
- Riverstone Public School - (02) 9627 1517
- St Marys North Public School - (02) 9623 1443

For full position criteria and to apply for these positions go to www.dec.nsw.gov.au/careers

Closing date for applications is **Friday 16 August 2013.**

Please note that it is an offence for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for these positions. Relevant screening checks will be conducted on recommended applicants.



PUBLIC EDUCATION



**Murdoch
UNIVERSITY**
PERTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA

STUDENT SUPPORT COORDINATOR EN: 080411

- **Eligibility to Apply:** Pursuant of Section 50(d) of the Equal Employment Opportunities Act 1984, the occupant of this position must be of Aboriginal descent.
- Full-time continuous position
- \$71,394 to \$79,707 including employer superannuation contributions and an opportunity to salary package.

Murdoch is a University striving to make a difference to the way we live, think and understand each other and the world around us. We are home to internationally innovative research in fields as diverse as Veterinary and Health Sciences, Asian Politics and Governance and Renewable Energy.

With a leadership team led by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Richard Higgott and three internationally respected Deputy Vice Chancellors, Murdoch has gone 'back to the future' to re-establish its heritage of research excellence and research-informed teaching.

We have embarked upon a bold restructure which will allow the University to achieve and surpass its ambitious aims across research, teaching and learning and engagement.

The Kulbardi Aboriginal Centre was established at the Murdoch Campus in 1988. The Kulbardi Centre offers more than just student support, it offers friendship and cultural strength in a warm and comfortable environment. One of Kulbardi's main objectives is to encourage increased participation in tertiary education by indigenous students. The Kulbardi Aboriginal Centre is ultimately designed to foster student interaction, group solidarity and cultural support.

The Kulbardi Aboriginal Centre is seeking to appoint a Student Support Coordinator on a full time basis. This position assumes overall responsibility for the delivery of student support services to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) student population at Murdoch University.

The successful candidate should have:

- Completion of a relevant degree or an equivalent combination of relevant experience and or education/training
- Be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Descent.
- High level of organisational, time and workload management skills, including the ability to prioritise workload to meet strict deadlines.
- Highly effective communication, customer service and interpersonal skills, and the demonstrated ability to interact constructively and collaboratively with staff at all levels of the organisation.
- A demonstrated understanding and experience in administration of ITAS.

For further information about this position please contact Steven Dhu, Manager Kulbardi Centre, by phone on +61 8 9360 2227 or email on s.dhu@murdoch.edu.au

Application procedures and a position description with detailed selection criteria is available from the Murdoch University web site <http://jobs.murdoch.edu.au/>

All applicants are required to address the selection criteria within their application. Please send applications to recruitment@murdoch.edu.au

Closing date: Monday 5th August 2013



Family &
Community Services

Senior Executive District Directors

- 15 new FACS District Director positions
- Lead major reform in local service delivery

The Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) is improving services and lives for over 800,000 people in need in NSW. In 2013-14, the NSW Government is investing \$5.2 billion for services and to continue to implement reforms to improve people's lives.

FACS is undergoing structural and service reform involving innovative localised strategies to better support people, including the most vulnerable.

Current regional structures across the FACS divisions are being replaced to align with local Area Health Districts. The creation of fifteen new FACS Districts will enable more localised planning, decision-making and service delivery.

The changes better place people and local communities at the centre of everything FACS does.

Fifteen District Director positions have been created across rural and regional NSW and metropolitan Sydney to replace existing regional management. The roles will be based within the Districts.

High calibre candidates will have strong leadership experience in a complex service environment, be able to drive reform and high performance service delivery. They will negotiate, influence and partner with other government and non government agencies. They will be highly motivated, innovative, creative and able to build effective relationships with colleagues in the planning, improvement and delivery of services. Superior communication, change management and interpersonal skills are essential.

Note: This position will be subject to the new executive structure and employment arrangements for the NSW public sector. These reforms are expected to be introduced over the next three years. Details of the proposed reforms can be found at the following link: <http://www.psc.nsw.gov.au/Sector-Reform/Public-Sector-Reform>.

Interested
Applicants

For further information, please access the candidate briefing material at ewki.com/asia/arbitr. For any further clarification, please contact ewkaustralia@ewki.com. When applying, please indicate (in order of preference) which District or Districts you are applying for. Applications close on Monday 19 August 2013.

EWK International



Australian Government
Indigenous Business Australia

making a difference
www.iba.gov.au

Senior Manager, Network (on-going) Canberra - or as negotiated

Salary: \$120,555 - \$141,250 plus 15.4% superannuation

Are You:

- + A people person able to get the best out of a team of people who operate in a range of locations
- + Experienced in the financial sector
- + Keen to make a difference for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people wanting to buy their first home

We are seeking a high calibre and motivated professional person with experience in the finance sector to manage a network of approximately 40 skilled home loan lenders who deliver a range of tailored housing loan products to eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

This Senior Management position involves:

- + Providing strategic management of IBA's Network of home loan lenders
- + Achieving high quality, client focused service delivery outcomes; and
- + Implementing continual process and program improvement and responding to operational challenges as the operating environment evolves

IBA's home loan lenders are located in 12 offices situated in capital cities and regional centres. IBA's Indigenous Home Ownership program currently has a portfolio of over 4,100 accounts with a value of \$800 million.

This is a unique opportunity for candidates to join a dynamic, successful and outcome focused Australian Government organisation. For further information including Position Statement, selection documentation and how to apply go to www.iba.gov.au/about-us/working-at-iba/current-vacancies/.

Applications close 5pm on 14 August 2013.

IBA is a progressive, commercially focused organisation that promotes and encourages self-management, self-sufficiency and economic independence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



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Early Childhood Teacher (Aboriginal) Blacktown, Sydney



- * Are you looking to take the next step in your teaching career!
- * Attractive remuneration circa \$50,000 + super, RDOs & much more!
- * Great opportunity to really make a difference!

Yawarra Community and Child Care Centre has an exciting opportunity for an **Early Childhood Teacher (Aboriginal)** to join its brand new service set up as part of the Closing the Gap initiative.

You'll provide high quality early childhood education and care to children. As a part of this new Closing the Gap initiative, you will be involved from the set up phase, allowing you to have a real say in what is important to the community.

Enjoy an attractive salary circa \$50,000 plus super, uniform allowance, RDOs, excellent work/life balance, ongoing training and development opportunities and much more!

Playing an integral part on the Closing the Gap initiative, you'll have the opportunity to really drive change in the area of early childhood education while making a positive contribution to the community. *Apply Now!*



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Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573



Health
South Western Sydney
Local Health District

The following positions are targeted for **Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Employment**.

These are targeted positions in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply and greater consideration will be given to suitable Aboriginal applicants, in order to improve access to employment and career opportunities. Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criterion.

Liverpool Hospital – Various positions

Enrolled Nurse

Ref: 139548

Enq: Debbie Rowlinson, (02) 8738 7524

Enrolled Nurse

Ref: 139560

Enq: Vinita Singh, (02) 8738 7314

Enrolled Nurse

Ref: 139567

Enq: Helen Van Leunen, (02) 8738 7324

Closing Date: 16 August 2013

For further enquiries: Helen Orcher, Aboriginal Employment Coordinator on (02) 9828 5933 or helen.orch@ssw.wahs.nsw.gov.au

Please apply online by visiting:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Oral Health Coordinator Yirrkala, NT

- * Pivotal role with a major indigenous organisation!
- * Enjoy attractive remuneration + super + salary sacrificing!
- * Live and work in the glorious 'Top End'!



Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (LHAC) has an exciting opportunity for an **Oral Health Coordinator** to join their health team in Yirrkala on a 12 month contract. In this role, you will be responsible for planning and coordinating the delivery of oral health services to communities in the Homelands. This is a great role which offers you the opportunity to advance your career in a highly respected organisation. You will enjoy an excellent salary (dependent on experience and qualifications) plus super and salary sacrificing benefits that allow you to maximise your take home pay!

You'll also receive 6 weeks annual leave with loading at 17.5%; relocation assistance and professional development opportunities.

If you're looking for variety and satisfaction in your daily work, then this rewarding position could be what you have been waiting for...Don't miss out - APPLY NOW!

To apply visit <http://applynow.net.au/job47602>

Youth Development Coordinator Nhulunbuy, NT

- * Relocation allowance and subsidised housing to help on your transition
- * Enjoy attractive remuneration + super + salary sacrificing!
- * Live and work in the glorious 'Top End'!



Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (LHAC) has a fantastic opportunity for an adventurous and experienced **Youth Development Program Coordinator** to join their team in Nhulunbuy, NT. In this pivotal role, you'll be responsible for coordinating and facilitating the LHAC youth development program in the Homelands as well as supervising and supporting another team member and trainees. This is a role with many benefits attached, and LHAC will reward your commitment with an excellent remuneration (dependent on qualifications and experience) plus an additional 9% superannuation, plus the ability to salary sacrifice up to \$16,050 of your income!

You will also enjoy multiple benefits including 6 weeks annual leave with loading at 17.5%, shutdown over Christmas, annual airfare assistance, relocation assistance and professional development opportunities.

If you're looking for variety and satisfaction in your daily work, then this rewarding position could be what you have been waiting for...Don't miss out - APPLY NOW!

To apply visit <http://applynow.net.au/job47740>



Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573



**BULLINAH ABORIGINAL
HEALTH SERVICE (BAHS)
BALLINA**

BAHS is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service that provides comprehensive primary healthcare services to the Aboriginal Communities in the Ballina and surrounding regions

We are seeking suitably qualified persons to fill the following position:-

Healthy Lifestyle Worker Tackling Smoking and Healthy Lifestyle Program (full-time)

For further information on the Healthy Lifestyle Worker position, please contact the Co-ordinator, Jody Irwin phone 02 6686 3607 or 0457 977 797 or via email to: jody@bullinahahs.org.au

For the Selection Criteria please email admins@bullinahahs.org.au

Written applications containing:

1. Résumé
2. Statement addressing the Selection Criteria
3. Referees

Applications should be sent to:

CEO (Marked Confidential)
BAHS

P.O. Box 148, BALLINA NSW 2478

Applications Close: 5pm Wednesday, 14th August 2013



TOBACCO ACTION WORKER (Full Time – fixed contract until 30th June, 2013)

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service is looking for someone to join our Healthy Lifestyles Team and Tackling Tobacco team.

This role is to implement local health promotion activities e.g. community forums, supporting creation of smoke-free homes and workplaces, sharing information about smoking cessation, to increase community understanding of the dangers of smoking, benefits of cessation and benefits of smoke-free environments.

The successful applicant will possess certificate III or IV in Health or equivalent qualifications, with health promotion experience and be a non-smoker.

Aboriginal and Torre Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply

Great salary packaging benefits (\$16,050 tax free pro-rata)

For a copy of the Key Selection Criteria and Position Description please contact Lesley Day in HR on (03) 9403 3300 and if you wish to find out more about the position please contact Laura Thompson on (03) 9403 3300

Closing Date: 9th August, 2013

Applicants should address the key selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including referees to:

Ms Christine Ingram, Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service, 186 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy 3065 or via employment@vahs.org.au

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OPERATIONS CO-ORDINATOR

- 17% Superannuation
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- Central to all public transportation

UTS, Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning is that little place within a big place where our students know they belong. At Jumbunna, our students are not one in tens of thousands, they are one of a highly valued few hundred.

As an Operations Co-ordinator you will provide assistance to the Director, Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning in all matters relating to the overall operations of Jumbunna IHL. This will include financial management, internal and external compliance and reporting and any other administrative matters relevant to the management of Jumbunna IHL. This is a great opportunity for an Operations Co-ordinator to provide executive support to the Director.

Applicants should demonstrate in their CV and Cover Letter the following knowledge, skills and attributes:

- Knowledge and experience with committee structures and procedures
- Financial management experience e.g. (budgeting, financial reporting etc.)
- Experience in a large complex organisation
- Excellent interpersonal skills both verbal and written communication
- Demonstrated understanding of administrative functions and office procedures and practices
- Ability to work as part of a team and also demonstrate initiative

To be a part of our team and to help us achieve our objectives you will come from an Indigenous Australian background and have a proven knowledge and commitment to the betterment of Australian Indigenous peoples.

In return for your dedication and hard work you will reap the rewards of working in a friendly, supportive, respectful and flexible environment with many employee benefits for you to ensure a successful career at UTS.

Salary: \$76,257 -84,359 + 17% Superannuation

Application procedure:

For SEEK.COM applicants please click the 'Apply' button below which will take you to Careers@UTS online application system. Review the position description via the View Additional Information link.

Obtain the selection criteria, which you need to address in your application, by clicking on the Additional Information link above.

Please include details of two referees in your CV.

To send through your application please click on the Apply Online button below.

For further information please contract Lori Parish on 02 9514 1913

Caseworker: Get a career that matters.

UnitingCare Burnside is seeking a Caseworker experienced in working with young people and their families to join our new Bridges for Youth program in Campbelltown.

Applicants will require:

• Relevant tertiary qualifications in social sciences and/or with relevant life work experience with young people and their families.

Please view job description for all details
getacareerthatmatters.com.au

Apply online by 5pm, Tuesday 6 August 2013

We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Indigenous Identified Position
(Attractive Remuneration Package
Negotiable)

The Jali Local Aboriginal Land Council (JLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of **Chief Executive Officer**.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the JLALC'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.

Applicants are required to meet the selection criteria. All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

To obtain a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer Veronica Williams phone (02) 6686 7055 or reception@jalilalc.com.au

Position was advertised under s.14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Applications marked "Confidential" and posted to:
The Chairperson
Jali Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1677
BALLINA NSW 2478

Applications close:
Friday, 30th August 2013



NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR SUPPORT OFFICER

Part-time 21 hours per week
Walgett

Attractive Remuneration Package and Benefits

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Councillor Support Officer at our Councillor Office in Walgett.

The position holder will be responsible for providing a comprehensive range of administrative support services to the elected Councillor for the Region. Managing the day-to-day office requirements; providing professional receptionist services and responding to client needs together with assisting the Councillor in meeting their electoral and administrative responsibilities are key functions of the position.

The successful applicant will have the capacity to manage a small office environment, competency with a range of computer software applications, the ability to work independently and prioritise work to meet competing deadlines. The ability to communicate effectively and a sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues is essential.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Human Resources Coordinator, Diane Lee by email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4499.

Applications can be forwarded to diane.lee@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Human Resources Coordinator
NSW Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1125
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Applications close Friday 16 August 2013



Community Engagement & Translational Officer

\$62,868 - \$75,875 + salary packaging
2 Year Contract based in Brisbane

This position will provide support to a research program aiming to reduce disparities in treatment and survival for Indigenous Australians with cancer.

Contact: Jenny Brands on 07 3309 3424 or
Jenny.Brands@menzies.edu.au

Closing Date: 12th August 2013

This position is identified for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person

For information on how to apply for this position and to obtain the Position Description and Selection Criteria please visit www.menzies.edu.au/careers or phone 08 8943 5052.

discovery for a healthy tomorrow



WALGETT LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

Walgett Local Aboriginal Land Council (WPLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The CEO will be required to assist and support the LALC Board in implementing the LALC Community Land Business Plan.

The successful applicant will have to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW), 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. An in-depth knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues, including culture and heritage and social housing, would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the position description, selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

Recruitment package – Steve Rutley 02 96828 2426
srutley@sasl.org.au

Applications can be forwarded to srutley@sasl.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

The Chairperson
Walgett Local Aboriginal Land Council
87 Fox St, Walgett NSW

Applications close Wednesday 14 August 2013

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.



Meminar Ngangg Gimba

My Safe Place

is a 24 hour purpose built residential complex that provides short stay accommodation for women and their children dealing with family violence; including case management and healing services.

We are seeking applications for the following positions:

Casual Shift Workers Meminar Ngangg Gimba

Case Manager Meminar Ngangg Gimba

Full Time, Ongoing, Mildura

Community Engagement Worker (Northern)

Full Time, Ongoing, Mildura

**Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for these positions.*

**Closing date: COB Monday
5th August 2012**

Application information and position descriptions for all vacancies are available on our website www.haven.org.au.



Meminar Ngangg Gimba is a specialist program managed by Haven; Home, Safe

Straight Talk Program Coordinator

- Excellent Salary Packaging On Offer
- Permanent Position
- Melbourne Based

The Straight Talk program connects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women with the political system and builds women's capacity as change-makers. Including a focus on practical tools and confidence, Straight Talk brings people together to share, learn and be effective in making a difference. The program includes opportunities for relationship-building between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and parliamentarians, information-sharing and developing strategies for change in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The Straight Talk coordinator is responsible for coordinating the Straight Talk program, regional gatherings and the national summit.

We need your knowledge and proven experience of program coordination and community development to support our programs. This will include working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities, supporting people to self-determine their own solutions, exercise their rights and to have a strong voice in decisions that affect their lives.

Salary \$68,429 plus super, benefits and access to salary packaging.

Applications close: 23rd of August 2013.

Please visit <https://www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs> for application details.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.

To be eligible for this position, you must have an appropriate Australian and New Zealand work visa.

We promote diversity and practice equity



Director

Koori Justice Unit

If you are passionate about government working in partnership with the community to achieve improved justice outcomes for Aboriginal Victorians, this role may be for you.

The Koori Justice Unit (KJU) has the lead role in delivering the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement, which in its third phase is making fundamental positive impacts on outcomes for our Koori community. It is the primary point of contact for the Victorian Koori community in relation to justice portfolio issues and works closely with Koori units within justice, Koori community organisations and government departments to improve accessibility to justice and assist in achieving positive outcomes for Koories.

The Director is responsible for leading and managing the KJU, and providing strategic policy advice to the Executive and Ministers on issues impacting the Koori community. In addition, the Director has a senior role in participating at the community level to support the resolution of issues, and identify opportunities for initiatives and system improvements for Koori clients.

Applications are sought from candidates who ideally should have:

- Knowledge and understanding of the Koori community from a society and cultural perspective and the issues impacting it
- Leadership capability demonstrated in the development and implementation of significant indigenous programs and policies
- Well developed communication, consultation and negotiation skills at the executive or senior management level
- Energy, resilience and optimism and a drive to achieve.

For further information, please visit the Department of Justice website at www.justice.vic.gov.au

Initial enquiries and requests for further information may be directed in confidence to **Dr Sean Davies** or **Caroline Dever** of **Amrop Cordiner King** on **+61 3 9620 2800**.

Applications will be treated in strict confidence and should be forwarded to kju@amrop.com.au or by post to Amrop Cordiner King, Level 44 Rialto, 525 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000. **Applications close Friday 30 August 2013.**

This is an Identified Position and Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.



Amrop Cordiner King

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- Do you want to be part of and contribute to a University that is educating tomorrow's Doctors, Nurses, Psychologists, Teachers, Engineers, Architects and Leaders of Industry?
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If YES then the University of Melbourne is a great place for you to consider as your employer of choice!

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.

Indigenous Australians seeking support to apply for a vacancy are encouraged to contact the University. Email your contact details, quoting the position number, to hr-careers@unimelb.edu.au

For more information about our University and current vacancies visit www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers

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Senior Child Protection Practitioner or Practice Leader (Aboriginal Family Decision Making)

**West Division - Ballarat
Child Protection Operations
Salary Range: \$81,093 - \$98,116 + Superannuation**

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.

For further information please contact Anna Ashton on telephone (03) 9275 7579.

To apply visit our careers site below where you can obtain further information or submit your application. Please quote reference number DHS/W/380029.

Closing Date for application is Friday, 2 August 2013.

Rewrite tomorrow, one child at a time.



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**To apply, please go to
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Community Services

Community Services

Office for Children, Youth and Family Support Youth Services Branch

Youth Justice Case Management

Case Manager

Health Professional Level 2

Salary Range: \$54,414 - \$75,477 (PN: 44588, several)

The position entails the supervision of a team of Case Managers who deliver quality assessments and supervision to a caseload of children and young people subject to criminal justice orders, both in the community and in custody.

You will be responsible for providing culturally appropriate service provision to young people and their significant others in accordance with relevant legislative frameworks, including the *Children and Young People Act 2008* and other relevant legislation regulating Court and criminal justice procedures within the ACT. Your work will also promote the core values outlined in the Blueprint for Youth Justice in the ACT 2012-22, including community safety; early intervention and diversionary practice; evidence-based practice; family engagement; and the promotion of young peoples' best interests.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Relevant tertiary qualifications. At least twelve months experience in case management roles. Prior to commencing in this role, a current registration issued under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) ACT 2011* will be required. For further information on Working with Vulnerable people registrations refer to:

**www.legislation.act.gov.au/a/2011-44/default.asp and
http://www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working_with_vulnerable_people.**
Current driver's licence.

Notes: Selection maybe based on written applications and referee reports only. There are several temporary positions available for periods of three months initially with the possibility of extension and or permanency from this process.

Contact Officer: Janice Pearcey (02) 6205 4800 janice.pearcey@act.gov.au

Applications Close: 13 August 2013

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Department of
Justice & Attorney General

Community Resource Officer

Youth Detention Operations and Outlook Services

(Specified - Applicants will need to provide a reference from a member of an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander community.)

Department of Justice and Attorney-General

Salary: \$71 435 - \$77 644 p.a.

Location: Boonah

REF: QLD/25266/13

Key Duties: Deliver training and programming in adventure based learning for community and youth justice agency staff. Deliver programs for young people who offend or are identified as being at risk of offending.

Skills/Abilities: Must have experience in adventure based learning and qualifications in outdoor recreation activities and leadership. Relevant tertiary qualifications or experience in human services.

Enquiries: Terry O'Brien (07) 5463 1900. To apply please visit www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 12 August 2013

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Early Childhood Educator Traineeships (Indigenous)

Position Nos: EPS099 (Eden)/BCS099 (Bega)

Bega Valley Shire Council has an exciting traineeship opportunity for two part-time indigenous educators to join their children's services teams.

One position is located in Eden Preschool (4 days per week) and one in Bega at Bandara Children's Services (3 days per week).

- Are you interested in a career in children's services?
- Do you have the ability to complete additional studies as well as attending necessary workplace training courses?
- Are you willing to work as a member of a team with a children's services focus?
- Are you eligible for a working with children check clearance?

These positions will give you the opportunity to complete early childhood studies. Ongoing full-time employment will be subject to successful completion of the traineeship, attitude and work ethic together with the availability of a position at the time.

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a prerequisite for these positions as described under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW)*.

Salary: From \$603.80 per week (pro rata).

Enquiries: Sheralyn Campbell, 0428 188248.

Closing Date: 5pm, Friday 23 August 2013.

The Bega valley is a community that works together achieving a balance between quality of life, enterprising business, sustainable development and conservation of the environment.

For more information visit our website. Applicants are required to address the selection criteria outlined in the Position Description.

The Shire

The Bega Valley Shire is located in the south-east of New South Wales, approximately half-way between Sydney and Melbourne. The Shire's coastal fringe extends from Wallaga Lake (Bermagui) in the north to Cape Howe and the Victorian border in the south. Collectively, this 106-kilometre section of coastline forms the beautiful Sapphire Coast. Inland, higher peaks of the Great Dividing Range give way to rolling hills, and numerous rivers and streams. Undoubtedly it is the natural environment that attracts residents and visitors to the area. The Shire covers an area of 6,277 square kilometres and has a relatively small population of around 33,000 people.



To download a
position description
visit our website:
www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au

SOLICITOR

**Second Solicitor required for the
Many Rivers Family Violence Prevention & Legal Service
KEMPSEY**

The Family Violence Prevention & Legal Service provides legal advice and representation to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people in regard to family violence and sexual assault and related areas of law and in accordance with the FVPLS operational framework and any casework guidelines as established by the FVPLS.

The FVPLS is seeking an enthusiastic and self motivated person to join a challenging work environment. You will deal with a wide range of stakeholders across the public and private sectors and draw upon strong analytical, communication and people skills to achieve desired objectives.

Salary in the range of \$50,000 plus superannuation with salary packaging offered.

People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Descent are encouraged to apply.

For the position package, please ring Clarissa or Kylie on 02 6562 5856 or contact kylief@gurehlgam.com.au

Applications Close:

Friday 9th August 2013

ABORIGINAL PROGRAMS OFFICER

The Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne rests on a traditional camping and meeting place for the local custodians of the area, the Kulin people. The Aboriginal Heritage Walk and Connecting to Country are amongst our most popular programs. They provide a rich and vibrant cultural experience for local and international visitors and students, and promote understanding of and respect for the customs and heritage of the local people.

This is your opportunity to share your culture and inspire others - to speak from your own experience as you make links to the wealth of local plant wisdom. You will need well-developed oral communication skills and ideally education training and /or experience. You have experience consulting with indigenous communities, training and/or supervising staff and developing programs. You enjoy working outdoors and have an interest in and/or knowledge of plants and their uses by indigenous people. You have a strong customer service focus and are a team player with an ability to interact with a wide range of people.

This is an Aboriginal/Koori designated position (VCAT interim exemption application No. H16/2013).



For a position description and to apply for this position, please go to:
<http://www.rbg.vic.gov.au/about-us/job-opportunities>.

Enquiries to: Roslyn Semler, Visitor Programs Coordinator, (03) 9252 2338

Applications required by:
COB Monday 12 August 2013

The Eden Local Aboriginal Land Council (ELALC)

BUNDIAN WAY PROJECT MANAGER

**Full time position for Two Years
\$64,500 p.a (plus superannuation, car allowance)**

The Eden Local Aboriginal Land Council (ELALC) is seeking an enthusiastic, experienced project manager for the exciting role of establishing the Bundian Way as a vital regional tourism initiative with important employment and cultural opportunities for the local Aboriginal communities. The role will assist in implementing the Bundian Way Strategic Plan 2012-2015.

The successful applicant will be an experienced project manager with strong communication skills and will have responsibility for liaising with Aboriginal community members, the business sector and the broader community. Financial experience would also be an advantage. The position will work closely with the Bundian Way Management Advisory Committee, which includes ELALC representatives as well as those from key State and Commonwealth agencies.

Applications close 9th August 2013

Applications should respond to selection criteria outlined in the position description available from
http://www.bundianway.com.au/TBW_Manager_Emplmnt_Pack.pdf

or John Blay on 0433110165 or info@bundianway.com.au

Further information on the Bundian Way is available at:
<http://www.bundianway.com.au/>



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TRACI McCORMICK, SENIOR PROGRAM MANAGER
P: [03] 8413 3539 | E: traci.mccormick@aflsportsready.com.au

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CIRCUS OZ FINANCE MANAGER

Reporting to the General Manager, the Finance Manager is a key leadership position in the admin team, responsible for day-to-day operations in the areas of financial management, human resource management, systems and processes and programming. An ability to support the integrity of creative processes should be demonstrated by experience in similar environments.

For full job description and contact details go to www.circusoz.com/employment

Applications close 14 August 2013.



VACCA Connected by culture

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services. We are looking for an enthusiastic and committed person to fill the following position:

Community Development Worker within Koorie Connect

The position will undertake a range of duties including supporting Aboriginal community members and their families by providing referrals to a range of mainstream and Aboriginal services and ensuring coordinated and integrated support. This position also involves promoting information within the Aboriginal community about supports and resources. Undertaking project work will also be required.

For further information and a copy of the job description and key selection criteria, which applicants must address, please contact Megan Van Den Berg on (03) 9385 9000 or by email meganv@vacca.org

Applications close: Wednesday 14th August 2013.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Fixed term appointment



Coomealla Health Aboriginal Corporation (CHAC) is seeking suitable applications from experienced and motivated people interested in undertaking a challenging role in leading and managing the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service in Dareton.

The CEO will be responsible to the Board for leading the organisation in meeting the strategic goals and directions in providing holistic and cultural appropriate health services to the Aboriginal community.

The successful candidate will have proven experience at a senior management level, that demonstrates your ability to lead, motivate and manage a team in health service delivery.

A competitive salary package will be negotiated with the successful applicant based on skills, abilities and experience.

For more information on this opportunity and the application process, please visit the website: www.chac.org.au or contact the Acting CEO, Glen Schrader by phone on 03 5027 4824 or email ceo@chac.org.au

Applications should be received by:
5:00pm on **Friday,**
2 August 2013.



Editor

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Base: \$62K - \$70K pa | Ref. 9537 KM
The Indigenous Law Centre (ILC) is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated Editor for the Indigenous Law Bulletin (ILB). The ILB is a leading journal that produces accessible, accurate and timely information about Australia's Indigenous peoples and the law.

For more information, application procedures and other vacancies, visit: www.hr.unsw.edu.au



NATSIHWA National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Association

NATSIHWA the national peak body for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health Workers currently have two vacancies. These positions are based within the NATSIHWA Secretariat in Phillip ACT with occasional interstate travel required.

Senior Policy Officer Fulltime

The Senior Policy Officer is responsible for promoting NATSIHWA, and undertaking policy development, coordination and advocacy on behalf of NATSIHWA and under the direction of the CEO. The Senior Policy Officer has a high level of organisational responsibility for ensuring NATSIHWA is abreast of all developments in health and related policy areas that impact on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers (ATSIHWs).

You will have senior policy experience in the health sector and be able to demonstrate experience in dealing with the key issue facing the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Health workforce. You will also be able to bring out the big issues and communicate this to others. You will be able to demonstrate your ability to work within a fluid and responsive team environment.

Partnership and Innovation Project Officer Fulltime

Working with NATSIHWA Members and key stakeholders the Partnership and Innovation Project Officer is to identify and develop options with relevant stakeholders that support professional networking in the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Health workforce. Liaising with relevant stakeholders that help address NATSIHWA Member's professional needs and to plan and facilitate national forums on professional development and provide input into educational events, resources and learning opportunities for ATSIHWs that contribute to their professional development.

You will have project management experience in the health workforce sector and an understanding of the varied roles of the ATSIHWs and, to be able to demonstrate experience in dealing with the key issue facing the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Health workforce. You will have excellent oral and written communication skills with experience in networking and consultation and to be able to demonstrate your ability to work within a fluid and responsive team environment.

Applications for these positions close on **14th August 2013**

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Island Peoples are encouraged to apply.

For further information, job description and selection criteria contact:

Mr Clarke Scott, NATSIHWA CEO 0431 152559
or email ceo@natsihwa.org.au

Jobs that make a difference

Koori Intensive Support Practitioner - Youth Justice

Barwon Area, West Division
\$67,868 - \$76,341

This position is a specialist role, acknowledging the over-representation of Aboriginal young people in the criminal justice system and the need to provide a culturally based approach with a commitment to diversion, rehabilitation and re-integration into the community.

This position is to provide intensive and innovative culturally based assessment and casework support for young Koori people subject to bail conditions or community based orders.

Are you:

- Committed to working with young people and their families to achieve best outcomes?
- Able to engage effectively with multi-disciplinary professionals to provide young people with the optimum capacity for change?
- Continually improving your skills and knowledge to further develop your professional practice?

To view the Job Description please go to <http://careers.vic.gov.au/> and search by the reference number provided below.

for further information contact:

Leah Martella Ph. 03-5226-4832

Please quote position number DHS/WEST/379290

Closing date for applications is 13 August 2013

www.careers.vic.gov.au



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VACCA'S Early Intervention and Family Support Service

The **Early Intervention and Family Support Service** offers family services across a range of program areas designed to support and assist families.

Please contact **Narelle Slater** for more information:

Ph: (03) 8388 1855

Email: narelles@vacca.org

Website: www.vacca.org

VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL CHILD CARE AGENCY

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family services.

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Manager

Indigenous Coordination Centre & Regional Operations Centre
Executive Level 2 - \$113,464 - \$128,819 pa

Western Region, Dubbo

- Do you want to make a difference in Closing the Gap on Indigenous disadvantage?
- Are you an excellent people manager?

An exciting opportunity exists for a professional and motivated person to lead whole-of-government service delivery arrangements for Indigenous people in the Dubbo region.

The ICC/ROC Manager drives close cooperation between Australian Government agencies, state and local government agencies, Indigenous organisations, communities and stakeholders and leads a collaborative approach to Indigenous program management, service delivery and the implementation of the Remote Service Delivery National Partnership Agreement in the region. This is a great opportunity for the successful candidate to contribute to the delivery of important government outcomes.

This is an identified position and Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

For further information on the position, contact: Louise Bye on (02) 5852 1005 or 0419 997 285

Applications close 11 August 2013

How to apply

For further information visit "Careers in FaHCSIA" at **www.fahcsia.gov.au/careers/job-vacancies**. We welcome and encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with diverse culture and linguistic backgrounds and people with a disability.

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Bimberi Youth Justice Centre

Family Engagement Officer

Administrative Services Officer Class 6 / Health Professional Level 3
Salary Range: \$70,913 - \$81,995 (up to \$86,165 on achieving a personal upgrade) (PN: 07829)

Bimberi Youth Justice Centre provides a state of the art youth detention facility which complies with human rights requirements. The Family Engagement Officer assists the engagement of families of young people and promotes Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives in the day to day functions of Bimberi Youth Justice Centre, they are also a pivotal point of contact and communication for services wishing to engage and support young people in custody. The position occupant will have the opportunity to utilise their understanding of and connection with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the ACT.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Current driver's licence. Health Professional Officer Level 3, essential requirements are relevant tertiary qualifications and a minimum of two years relevant experience. Administrative Service Officer Level 6, tertiary qualifications and a minimum of two years relevant experience highly desirable.

Notes: This is an Indigenous Identified position. This position will be filled at either the Administrative Service Officer Level 6 or Health Professional Officer Level 3 depending on the qualifications, skills and experience of the successful applicant.

Contact Officer: Leonie McKenna (02) 6207 3512 leonie.mckenna@act.gov.au

Applications Close: 14 August 2013

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Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
WITNESS ASSISTANCE OFFICER
(INDIGENOUS IDENTIFIED)
Prosecution Officer (Administrative)
Level 4

Provide professional support and assistance to victims and witnesses in criminal matters prosecuted by the Office, with a focus on victims and witnesses from an Indigenous background.

This is an identified position for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. This is a Permanent Full-Time position based in the Sydney CBD and the position covers Sydney and the greater Metro areas, South Coast and South Western region of NSW.

Salary of up to \$79,711 per annum plus annual leave loading and superannuation.

For further information and to apply visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au (Job Reference No: 00001S3D)

Closing Date: 12 August 2013

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BULLINAH ABORIGINAL
HEALTH SERVICE (BAHS)
BALLINA

BAHS is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service that provides comprehensive primary healthcare services to the Aboriginal Communities in the Ballina and surrounding regions

We are seeking suitably qualified persons to fill the following two positions:-

1. Receptionist

Bullinah Aboriginal Health Service (full-time)
Expected Vacancy

2. Receptionist

Child & Maternal Health Program (part-time)

Bullinah Aboriginal Health Service considers that being Aboriginal and / or Torres Strait Islander is a general occupational qualification for these positions under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)

For further information on the Reception positions, please contact the Practice Manager, Marilyn Bailey phone 02 6681 5644 or via email to: pm@bullinahahs.org.au

For the Selection Criteria please email adminsupt@bullinahahs.org.au

Written applications containing:

1. Résumé
2. Statement addressing the Selection Criteria
3. Referees

Applications should be sent to:

CEO (Marked Confidential)
BAHS
P.O. Box 148, BALLINA NSW 2478

Applications Close: 5pm Wednesday, 14th August 2013



Policy & Programs Manager

Salary Range \$96,250 to \$102,250

Plus Statutory Superannuation & opportunity to Salary Sacrifice

AIDA is the nation's peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander doctors and medical students, and advocates for improvements in Indigenous health in Australia. We are working towards improving the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, reaching parity of Indigenous health professionals across the entire health sector and creating a health system that is culturally safe, high quality, reflective of need, and respects and integrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural values.

Reporting directly to the CEO, the Policy and Programs Manager is a key member of the AIDA Management Team. If you are an effective communicator, experienced in leading teams and deliver quality outcomes, then we want to hear from you.

The AIDA Secretariat is based at Old Parliament House, Canberra, ACT.

Consistent with AIDA's obligations under the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) and the Discrimination Act 1991 (ACT), this position is only open to an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person

If you would like to discuss the position please do not hesitate to contact Mr Romlie Mokak on (02) 6273 5013 or via email at romlie@aida.org.au.

Applications marked "Confidential" should be addressed to:

Mr Romlie Mokak
Chief Executive Officer
PO Box 3497
MANUKA ACT 2603
or by email to: romlie@aida.org.au
by Close of Business **Monday 12th August 2013**

Selection documentation for this position is located at <http://www.aida.org.au/positionsvacant.aspx>

AOD Outreach Worker (Male)

Bega, NSW

- * Make a real tree change - live and work in this thriving regional centre of Bega!
- * Make a difference to local Aboriginal communities!
- * Attractive remuneration circa \$48,927.13 - \$64,619.19 + super!



The Lyndon Community has a fantastic opportunity for a full time AOD Outreach Worker (Male) to join the Wandarna Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Service team in Bega. Reporting to the Program Manager, it will be your responsibility to work as part of a professional team, providing specialist Aboriginal drug & alcohol outreach programs, groups and casework services to Aboriginal communities within the local area, with a specific focus on male participants. In return for your hard work and commitment you will enjoy attractive remuneration circa \$48,927.13 - \$64,619.19, commensurate with your experience. You will also receive generous salary packaging and be provided with a mobile phone, laptop and access to a work vehicle. Enjoy extensive support as well as access to an employee assistance program and ongoing training! Best of all you will be joining a friendly, close-knit team dedicated to the provision of high quality health care. Apply Now!

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Civil Law Solicitor

Grade I-III, Outreach,
Sydney Metropolitan area (Aboriginal Targeted)

- Temporary position up to 12 months
- Package to 107K

Applications must be submitted online through www.jobs.nsw.gov.au to be considered.

Enquiries: Monique Hitter on 9219 5828 or monique.hitter@legalaids.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 14 August 2013

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Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

Solicitor

Legal Officer I-III, Aboriginal Targeted,
Grants & Community Partnerships

- Permanent vacancy
- Package to 107K

Applications must be submitted online through www.jobs.nsw.gov.au to be considered.

Contact: Tracey Bosnich on 9219 5863

Closing Date: 14 August 2013

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Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

Legal Cadetships
(Aboriginal Identified)

Crime/ Civil/ Family
Various Locations

We are looking for two committed undergraduate law students who are interested in undertaking a Legal Cadetship with Legal Aid NSW. The cadetships comprise of 40 weeks of Full-Time study and 12 weeks work placement per year. The work placement will involve assisting with the preparation of legal cases within the areas of criminal, family or social justice/civil law.

Applications close on 14 August 2013.

Applicants must go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au for the full ad and to obtain a "Cadetship Application Form" to forward with their application.

Enquiries: Scott Hawkins on 9219 5109
Janelle Clarke on 9219 5146
Khaila-Rose Prior on 9219 6316

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Operations Officer, Aboriginal –
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Would you like to join a diverse and dynamic team in a flexible work environment? We are seeking three motivated, enthusiastic and team oriented individuals with a focus on providing excellent client service.

Parramatta

Salary package up to \$67K

3 x Permanent positions available

In this position Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by S14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

For more information on these positions please visit the www.jobs.nsw.gov.au website.

All applications are to be submitted through the JobsNSW website by midnight Tuesday 13 August 2013.

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Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program Officer

- Opportunity for professional and career development
- Excellent salary packaging
- Melbourne based

We need your administrative and organisational skills to support Oxfam's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program (ATSIPP) Unit.

You will support the implementation of programs that work with Indigenous Australians through acting as a central communications point and providing high level administrative support.

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Please visit <https://www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs> for application details.

Salary \$56,069 plus super, benefits and access to salary packaging.

Applications close: 23rd August 2013.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.

To be eligible for this position, you must have an appropriate Australian and New Zealand work visa.

We promote diversity and practice equity



Aboriginal Health Network Coordinator (Full-time)

We need a dynamic, forward thinking leader for our team!

The New England Medicare Local (NEML) is looking for a suitably qualified, enthusiastic and passionate person to lead the Northern Network Aboriginal Health team in this newly created role. Based in Armidale, NSW, this role is responsible for the day to day operations of the team in our offices across the Northern Network of NEML. This team delivers of a broad and diverse set of primary health care activities and programs, working with local Aboriginal communities to improve health outcomes, both now and into the future.

A copy of the Position Description including Selection Criteria can be found at www.neml.org.au. For further information please contact Natalie Green, Director of Aboriginal Health at natalie.green@neml.org.au or on 02 6771 1146.

Applications addressing all Selection Criteria, along with accompanying CV and details of 2 professional referees need to be submitted in full by COB 9th August 2013 to Kirby Stacey, HR Manager at kirby.stacey@neml.org.au

Applications close 5pm 9th August 2013

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INDIGENOUS RESEARCH OFFICER

The role An exciting opportunity exists for an Indigenous Research Officer to contribute to a research project on people-environment relationships on Moreton Bay and its catchments, SE Queensland. This is an identified position and the occupant must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent under sections 25 and 105 of the Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act 1991.

Remuneration \$57,330 – \$77,764 plus 9.25% super. Fixed-term appointment at Academic Research Level A.

Applications close 25 August 2013

Job No. 494862

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Child & Family Counsellor: Get a career that matters.

- Dubbo Location
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- \$43,756 per annum + Superannuation + Salary Packaging Benefits

UnitingCare Children, Young People and Families is a not-for-profit organisation who provide a range services for children, young people and families in New South Wales.

UnitingCare Burnside is seeking a Counsellor to join our Family Options program within the Child and Family Team. The Child and Family Counsellor will provide a range of therapeutic and group work services to individuals, children and families aimed at improving health and wellbeing and an increased capacity to manage and experience relationships positively.

This is an Aboriginal targeted position with Aboriginal people strongly encouraged to apply. The successful applicant will be joining an integrated service team with over 60% Aboriginal representation amongst staff.

Applicants will require:

- Tertiary qualifications in Psychology, Social Work or Counselling or minimum 3 years relevant professional experience qualifying as recognition of prior learning toward a suitable tertiary qualification.
- Proven ability to engage Aboriginal families and communities in the development and delivery of culturally sensitive interventions.

Applications Close: 9am Monday 12 August 2013

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Please call Margaret Ann Mould on (02) 6885 2353 for more details

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Jobs that make a difference

Senior Aboriginal Partnerships and Planning Officer - Bendigo location

North Division, Planning and Strategy Unit
\$81,093 - \$98,116 (+ Superannuation)
Full Time/Ongoing

Do you want to contribute to "closing the gap" and improve outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities?

The Senior Aboriginal Partnerships and Planning Officer is responsible for coordinating and delivering a range of strategic projects to assist the division to develop and implement approaches to improve outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities living in the North Division of Victoria; improve the cultural competence of divisional staff and service providers and focus on achievement of State priorities for Aboriginal people.

Contact info:

Andrew Weightman 03 5434 5861

Position Reference number: DHS/ND/377579

Closing date: Wednesday 14th August 2013

Note: Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander People only can apply for this position as it has been identified by a VCAT exemption under section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1995

www.careers.vic.gov.au



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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of Queensland

Notification day: 14 August 2013



National
Native Title
Tribunal



This application is a 'non-claimant application', an application made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves. The applicants have an interest (which is not a native title interest) in the area, set out in their application as described below. They want the Federal Court to determine whether anyone has a native title interest in the same area.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. **Becoming a party to the application may be the only opportunity for people who claim native title rights and interests in the area to have their rights and interests recognised in the Federal Court's determination.**

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, Brisbane, QLD, 4003 **on or before 13 November 2013**. After 13 November 2013, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before 13 November 2013 the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.



Applicant's name: Peter Harvey & Margret Rose Wolland

National Native Title Tribunal Number: QN2013/001

Federal Court File Number: QUD342/2013

Non-native title interest: Unallocated State Land, Lot 55 USL50073.

Location: The area subject to this application covers about 1800 sq metres on the corner of Pilkington and Bolam Streets, suburb of Garbutt, City of Townsville.

The application falls within the Local Government Authority of Townsville City Council.

Data statement: Non-claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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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
15/1094	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410790	137.55HA	29km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 38' S Long: 121° 49' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1094	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410803	10.77HA	29km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 39' S Long: 121° 51' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1117	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410800	59.42HA	32km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 39' S Long: 121° 49' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1117	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410788	11.60HA	32km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 40' S Long: 121° 52' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1160	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410802	33.15HA	12km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 30' S Long: 121° 43' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1160	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410791	132.63HA	12km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 33' S Long: 121° 42' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1189-I	CLIFFS ASIA PACIFIC IRON ORE PTY LTD	391901	25.62HA	61km E'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 46' S Long: 120° 9' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1223	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410792	87.09HA	21km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 33' S Long: 121° 44' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1297	GASCOYNE RESOURCES (WA) PTY LTD	410878	728.15HA	23km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 36' S Long: 121° 45' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1304	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410801	104.53HA	25km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 37' S Long: 121° 48' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1304	AVOCA RESOURCES LTD	410793	43.29HA	25km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 36' S Long: 121° 47' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/911	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	411106	59.96HA	23km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 34' S Long: 121° 45' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/911	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	411110	34.99HA	23km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 35' S Long: 121° 46' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/985	DIORO EXPLORATION NL	413539	97.95HA	22km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 56' S Long: 121° 23' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 31 July 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 **31 October 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. 30 November 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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Aboriginal Family Led Decision Making
and Cultural Support Plans.

Do you want to work with young people to ensure that they can keep contact with their Cultural identity?

GEGAC has an opportunity for Aboriginal people to implement and co-convene a culturally responsive model of family decision making with Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander children, young people and families who are registered by the Regional Child Protection Service

We have the opportunity to employ two people in this position and we can look at job share arrangements so as to ensure an even work load.

The primary role of this position is to meet and work with children, young people and families already in contact with the Child Protection system and to support them in developing and maintaining a strong cultural identity.

If you think you would be a great fit for the CYFSU team and would like to discuss this further please contact Children Youth and Family Services about the job and how to apply. You can ring on 03 5150 0712 or drop in to Shop 3/107 Nicholson Street.

Applications must be addressed in writing to:

Children, Youth and Family Services Unit Roles

GEGAC

P.O. Box 634, BAIRNSDALE, VIC 3875

Applications close Friday 2nd August 2013

Under the Special Measures provision of the Equal Opportunity Act this position is restricted to Aboriginal Persons only.

Internal applicants are eligible to apply.

Case Manager Homelessness

Full Time based in Mt Isa
\$57,450 - \$65,675 TEC (Includes super, leave loading & remote allowance)



The Role

A challenging, rewarding and stimulating role where you will be primarily responsible for providing case management through a range of strategies, education and support services.

The Person

- Degree qualified in Social Work, Psychology or Behavioural Sciences or substantial experience
- Highly developed written & verbal communication skills
- Experience working with families

The Benefits

- 5 weeks Annual Leave
- Salary Sacrifice Options
- A Paid day off on your birthday
- Remote Allowance

Further information and/or to apply please visit our website www.centacarenq.org.au or email hr@centacarenq.org.au.

Closing Date: Monday 12 August 2013.



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Life Without Barriers is a national not-for-profit organisation. We provide innovative community based services that support and enhance independence and well-being for children and young people in out-of-home care, people with disabilities, the frail aged and people with mental health issues.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Disability Support Workers

We are looking for dedicated Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Disability Support Workers on a part time and casual basis, who are interested in providing high quality, flexible support with a focus on enhancing the lives of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people living with a disability in the Cairns region.

The role of Disability Support Worker is to actively support the individual needs of people who access Life Without Barriers' disability services through supporting and promoting their skills and abilities, providing support with activities of daily living and developing, implementing and monitoring their Individual Plan. We offer a range of services including household and domestic duties, personal care, support with health and exercise regime and community based support. A range of shifts are available and we are looking for flexible workers.

Requirements:

- Identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- Certificate III in Community Services or similar or 6 months Disability Support work experience
- Current Drivers Licence
- Current First Aid Certificate or willingness to obtain

If you wish to be part of an enthusiastic team that is dedicated to providing high quality support to people with a disability, we encourage you to apply.

Applications Close: Wednesday, 7th August 2013

HOW TO APPLY:

Go to www.lwb.org.au to access the application package. Applicants must address the selection criteria and return to qld.recruitment@lwb.org.au Life without Barriers considers that being from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander decent is a genuine occupational qualification under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (QLD)

The successful applicant will be required to undertake suitability checks and a probationary period. Life Without Barriers is committed to the principles of EEO and we encourage people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background or people with disabilities to apply.





Teacher (Aboriginal)
Literacy

Various Locations
Vacancy Number: 00001RFW

Primary Purpose of the Position: Responsible for delivering Education and Vocational Training courses to offenders and providing administrative & case management support for these courses.

Current Locations including but not limited to: Berkshire Park, Tamworth, Wellington and Mid North Coast

For enquiries contact:

Katrina.Curry@dcs.nsw.gov.au on (02) 8346 1451

For further information or to apply for the advertised vacancy go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 25/08/13

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Health
Sydney
Local Health District

**Aboriginal Mental Health Worker
(Aboriginal HEO Graduate)**

Ref: 143857, P/T 16 hpw at Camperdown

Salary: \$26.61–\$39.41 ph

Enq: Joanne Blake, (02) 9515 9000

Closing Date: 16 August 2013

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

**Please apply online by visiting:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>**

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**PIUS X ABORIGINAL
CORPORATION
MOREE**

Practice Nurse

Full time

Pius X Aboriginal Corporation requires the services of a Registered Nurse with at least 3 years experience to take the role of **Practice Nurse** at our Accredited General Practice. Experience in a general practice is preferred as well as certificates in Immunisation and Women's' Health. The role involves working with GP's, triage, and provision of clinical leadership and direction to health workers involved in clinic and community health promotion. Knowledge of and experience in Aboriginal primary health would be highly regarded.

For further information and package including selection criteria and position description please contact Mrs Kim Connors, Administration Officer phone 02 6752 1099 or; email admin@piusx.com.au

Written applications including detailed resume, letters of application and names of referees should be marked "Confidential" and be addressed to CEO, Pius X Aboriginal Corporation PO Box 363 MOREE NSW 2400

Applications will close on:

Friday 23rd August 2013

Pius X Aboriginal Corporation promotes EEO principles and provides a smoke-free work environment. Relevant Criminal and Working with Children Checks will be conducted prior to appointment.

**New England Tackling Smoking &
Healthy Lifestyles Program (TS&HL)**

(Funded by the Commonwealth Department of
Health & Ageing - DoHA)

Tobacco Action Worker

(One Full-Time Position)

Healthy Lifestyles Workers

(Two Full-Time Positions)

The TS & HL program spans three regions; New England based in Tamworth, Central West and Far West based in Dubbo. The TS&HL team are engaged in community education, marketing and promotional activities designed to reduce chronic disease through smoking prevention, smoking cessation, and healthy lifestyle choices. A range of support and follow up services are also offered in order to assist in sustaining positive change for Aboriginal people.

All TS&HL positions are funded by the Commonwealth Department of Health & Ageing and managed by Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service. The New England positions will be based in Tamworth and extensive travel throughout the region will be required.

Interested persons will need to contact Erin Sutherland, Tackling Smoking & Healthy Lifestyles Coordinator on **0417 861 421** or by email erins@wachs.net.au for an information package which details the "Essential & Desirable Criteria" to be addressed in the application.

Note: *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above positions and is authorised under section 14D of the Anti – Discrimination Act 1977.*

Applications close on:

Friday 16 August 2013

No late or faxed 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	04/2195	WESTERN AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES LTD	200BL	53km SW'ly of Broome	Lat: 18° 22' S Long: 121° 59' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2319	142 EAST PTY LTD	51BL	88km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 18° 3' S Long: 123° 54' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2320	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	16BL	113km W'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 18° 25' S Long: 124° 33' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2453	RUMBLE ASHBURTON PTY LTD	18BL	141km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 53' S Long: 116° 5' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2484	NEWSEARCH PTY LTD	130BL	161km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 29' S Long: 116° 8' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2044	COSMOPOLITAN MINERALS LIMITED	128BL	151km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 22' S Long: 116° 54' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	27/510	LAWSON GOLD LIMITED	4BL	56km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 121° 38' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	37/1152	KIN MINING NL	5BL	15km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 121° 18' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2859	T2 GOLD PTY LTD	45BL	114km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 45' S Long: 123° 40' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	40/323	KIN MINING NL	3BL	27km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 7' S Long: 121° 16' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4051	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	16BL	21km NW'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 20° 23' S Long: 119° 59' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4185	SPITFIRE AUSTRALIA (SWW) PTY LTD	63BL	104km W'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 121° 15' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4197-8	MT STEWART RESOURCES PTY LTD	130BL	78km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 30' S Long: 120° 45' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4202-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	3BL	53km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 14' S Long: 119° 14' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4203-4-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	139BL	62km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 24' S Long: 120° 25' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2728	ATLAS IRON LIMITED	4BL	63km SE'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 58' S Long: 116° 49' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1573	DUKETON CONSOLIDATED PTY LTD	3BL	79km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 52' S Long: 118° 31' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1578	ATTGOLD PTY LTD	14BL	95km E'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 27' S Long: 119° 26' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2867	RUBIANNA RESOURCES LTD	1BL	193km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 6' S Long: 119° 49' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2889	GREENWOOD RESOURCES PTY LTD	8BL	90km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 20' S Long: 120° 36' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2891	AURORA RESOURCES PTY LTD	85BL	177km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 44' S Long: 117° 12' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/934	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	5BL	80km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 37' S Long: 118° 53' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1911-I	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	21BL	4km NW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 19' S Long: 116° 39' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1965	ALPHABRASS RESOURCES PTY LTD	5BL	61km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 3' S Long: 117° 6' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1616	FRASERX PTY LTD	3BL	96km E'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 5' S Long: 122° 47' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1638	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	21BL	10km SE'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 1' S Long: 121° 44' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1639	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	32BL	26km SE'ly of Salmon Gums	Lat: 33° 9' S Long: 121° 50' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1640	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	20km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 3' S Long: 121° 54' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1641	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	7BL	21km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 2' S Long: 121° 53' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1642	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL	22km NW'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 3' S Long: 121° 37' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1643	ATRIPLEX PTY LTD	70BL	56km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 0' S Long: 122° 19' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3181	SHEFFIELD RESOURCES LIMITED	87BL	158km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 37' S Long: 125° 5' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3183	VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD	33BL	205km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 10' S Long: 122° 9' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3184	VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD	200BL	211km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 18' S Long: 122° 24' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4458	TATTERSON, Timothy Vincent	70BL	44km SE'ly of Jerramungup	Lat: 34° 15' S Long: 119° 13' E	JERRAMUNGUP SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4484	SHEFFIELD RESOURCES LIMITED	5BL	28km SE'ly of Dongara	Lat: 29° 26' S Long: 115° 7' E	IRWIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4496	CABLE SANDS (WA) PTY LTD	6BL	10km E'ly of Busselton	Lat: 33° 39' S Long: 115° 27' E	BUSSELTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2135-I	CAZALY IRON PTY LTD	3BL	58km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 43' S Long: 119° 32' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4751	REGENT POINT PTY LTD	3BL	134km N'ly of Wyndham	Lat: 14° 26' S Long: 127° 50' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4754	REGENT POINT PTY LTD	3BL	134km N'ly of Wyndham	Lat: 14° 27' S Long: 127° 49' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4785	KIMMINCO PTY LTD	36BL	149km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 16° 53' S Long: 127° 34' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE, HALLS CREEK SHIRE, WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4786	KIMMINCO PTY LTD	71BL	114km NW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 24' S Long: 127° 1' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE, HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4787	KIMMINCO PTY LTD	21BL	77km W'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 9' S Long: 126° 56' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4788	KIMMINCO PTY LTD	87BL	166km NE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 2' S Long: 126° 36' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4791-I	VALPERLON BULK COMMODITIES PTY LTD	52BL	208km NW'ly of Wyndham	Lat: 14° 23' S Long: 126° 44' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4792	MINGS MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	8BL	114km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 19° 4' S Long: 127° 3' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5798	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	40.66HA	14km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 35' S Long: 121° 39' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2799	COGGINS, Paul	122.32HA	38km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 121° 0' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2802	MAYALL, Paul Gregory	153.49HA	55km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 120° 52' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2803-4	STONE, Graeme John	392.09HA	53km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 120° 54' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2805-6	GRILL, Stefan James	382.53HA	46km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 37' S Long: 121° 51' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4748-S	DALLA-COSTA, Troy Gavin BOWDEN, Graeme Fredrick HOOPER, Jamie Gavin NEVE, James Mervyn	9.10HA	54km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 17' S Long: 121° 17' E	KALGOORLIE- BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	29/2334	AURUM RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	26.92HA	87km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 5' S Long: 120° 28' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2889-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	40.56HA	52km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 14' S Long: 119° 15' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	45/2890-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	23.62HA	52km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 15' S Long: 119° 15' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/1812	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	23.70HA	103km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 42' S Long: 120° 34' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/1813	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	23.68HA	106km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 44' S Long: 120° 33' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/1814	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	23.67HA	105km NE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 46' S Long: 120° 32' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/1815	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	23.65HA	101km NE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 48' S Long: 120° 31' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	46/1816-7	REDSTONE MINERALS PTY LTD	286.76HA	7km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 52' S Long: 120° 10' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2798-S	CLATWORTHY, Mark Roy	10.00HA	94km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 47' S Long: 118° 9' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2800-S	CLATWORTHY, Mark Roy	10.00HA	97km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 46' S Long: 118° 9' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2801-S	CLATWORTHY, Mark Roy	9.97HA	96km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 46' S Long: 118° 10' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2826	CAMPBELL, Ernest Edward MOLLOY, Laurence John	10.00HA	49km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 56' S Long: 118° 11' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2833	WILTON, Anthony Charles TONKIN, Paul Murphy	88.53HA	6km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 35' S Long: 118° 26' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1438-41	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	621.20HA	172km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 21' S Long: 119° 32' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1442-6	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	906.57HA	165km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 25' S Long: 119° 31' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1447-52	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	1134.99HA	165km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 22' S Long: 119° 27' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1453-5	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	563.42HA	161km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 22' S Long: 119° 22' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2025	KALAMAZOO RESOURCES PTY LTD	6.66HA	76km NW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 116° 2' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2026	HARGREAVES, Mark Denis	199.80HA	17km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 116° 42' E	YALGOO SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 31 July 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 **31 October 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.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 30 November 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.

* - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²

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Brewarrina to host women’s rugby league knockout

A WOMEN'S rugby league knockout carnival will be held on Saturday, 10 August, at Brewarrina.

Nominations for the Pink Ribbon Day carnival close on Thursday, 8 August.

Admission to the drug- and alcohol-free event will be \$5 adults and \$2 children.

The carnival will start at 10am and a canteen will operate. Details: Kim Hardy 0428 402 141.

Visit angers ‘JT’



DESPITE facing a backlash, rugby league star Johnathan Thurston has maintained the rage over a 6am Australian Sports Anti Doping Authority (ASADA) visit to his Townsville home that woke up his six-week-old daughter.

The Test pivot was ropable when his baby Frankie was awoken by ASADA officials ‘bashing down the front door’ early last Wednesday morning.

The North Queensland

co-captain posted three photographs on Instagram of the officers in his home and wrote: “Thanks ASADA for the 6am visit for a urine and blood test!

“I nearly forgot to say thanks for bashing down the front door and waking Frankie up too! #effingtorture.”

His reaction raised the eyebrows of past and present Australian Olympians on Thursday who agreed early-morning visits were inconvenient, but could only be a good thing if it ensured the sport remained clean.

The visit wasn’t related to the ASADA investigation into the code over alleged doping offences that occurred at Cronulla in 2011.

Interviews with 30 NRL players will resume tomorrow (Thursday).

But Thurston still sounded irritated when he spoke about the visit for the first time.

“I’ll get tested every day of the week, that doesn’t faze me,” he said.

Irritated

“But bashing down my door at 6am when I’ve got a six-week-old baby, that’s what really irritated me.

“Really, what’s the difference between 6am and 7am – we would have been up and awake then.

“Look, they are doing their job and I understand that. It’s just the timing of the testing.

“I have got a six-week-old baby in a routine and they messed that up – I wasn’t happy.”

Thurston said the knocking was so loud he thought the police were at his door.

“It wasn’t a normal knock on the door at all,” he said.

“I thought it was the police.


“I thought I was dreaming at the start.

“As soon as ... I knew it was ASADA I went running down the stairs, opened the door and said, ‘Whoa, whoa. I’ve got a six-week-old baby sleeping here. No need to bash it down.’”

Thurston added that once inside, the ASADA officials were ‘very professional in what they did ... but waking up the baby really irritated me’.

There was one benefit to the early morning call.

“I was actually holding on while I was asleep so it was perfect timing really – I could go straight to the toilet and do the test,” Thurston laughed. – 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	25/354	BULONG MINING PTY LTD	647.06HA	34km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 39' S Long: 121° 48' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	47/1488	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	163.25HA	106km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 34' S Long: 116° 29' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	47/1489	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	1108.38HA	103km Sly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 33' S Long: 116° 26' E	ASHBURTON 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: **31 July 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 **31 October 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. 30 November 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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November carnival approaches

THE eighth annual Australian Indigenous basketball championships will be held at the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS), Canberra from 18-22 November.

The carnival will feature men’s and women’s A grade and under 18 and under 16 grades for boys and girls.

Playing times will be from 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday.

Registration fees are \$500 for

A grade divisions and \$250 for junior grades.

The carnival is being organised by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Basketball Association.

Last year’s titles were to have been held in Hobart, but were called off at the last moment.

Details on the Canberra tournament are available at www.natsiba.com

NOTICE OF INITIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971 SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that DAKTYLOI METALS PTY LTD (ACN 123 121 273) (“Daktyloi”) of c/- GDA Corporate, 14 Emerald Terrace, West Perth, Western Australia proposes to undertake mineral exploration activities in an area located within Exploration Licences Nos 4771, 4821, 4955, 4956 and 5014, held by Daktyloi and described below.

EL 4771 – MOUNT CRAIG AREA - Approximately 100 km northeast of Port Augusta, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°48’S and longitude 138°39’E, thence east to longitude 138°45’E, south to latitude 31°49’S, west to longitude 138°43’E, south to latitude 31°50’S, west to longitude 138o41’E, south to latitude 31°51’S, west to longitude 138°40’E, south to latitude 31°56’S, west to longitude 138°39’E, south to latitude 31°59’E, east to longitude 138°40’E, south to latitude 32°01’S, west to longitude 138°36’E, north to latitude 31°50’S, east to longitude 138°37’E, north to latitude 31°49’S, east to longitude 138°39’E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

AREA: 157 square kilometres approximately.

EL 4821 – MOUNT CAERNARVON AREA - Approximately 95 km SSE and 120 km south of Leigh Creek, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°48’S and longitude 138°40’E, thence west to longitude 138°39’E, south to latitude 31°49’S, west to longitude 138°37’E, south to latitude 31°50’S, west to longitude 138o35’E, north to latitude 31°46’S, west to longitude 138°33’E, north to latitude 31°43’S, east to longitude 138°34’E, north to latitude 31°42’S, west to longitude138°33’E, north to latitude 31°38’S, west to longitude 138°32’E, north to latitude 31°37’S, west to longitude138°31’E, north to latitude 31°36’S, east to a western boundary of Flinders Ranges National Park, thence generally southeasterly, northeasterly and easterly along the boundary of the said National Park to longitude 138°40’E, and south to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

AREA: 244 square kilometres approximately.

EL 4955- MOUNT HAVELOCK AREA - Approximately 130 km northeast of Port Augusta, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°40’S and longitude 138°40’E, thence east to longitude 138o49’E, south to latitude 31°42’S, west to longitude 138°46’E, south to latitude

31°44’S, west to longitude 138°43’E, south to latitude 31°45’S, west to longitude 138°40’E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

AREA: 96 square kilometres approximately.

EL 4956 – ARKABA HILL AREA - Approximately 110 km northeast of Port Augusta, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°35’S and longitude 138°28’E, thence east to longitude 138o31’E, south to latitude 31°37’S, east to longitude 138°32’E, south to latitude 31°38’S, east to longitude 138°33’E, south to latitude 31°42’S, east to longitude 138°34’E, south to latitude 31°43’S, west to longitude 138°33’E, south to latitude 31°46’E, west to longitude 138°31’E, south to latitude 31°47’S, west to longitude 138o27’E, north to latitude 31°46’S, east to longitude 138o28’E, north to latitude 31°43’S, east to longitude 138°29’E, north to latitude 31°42’S, east to longitude 138°30’E, north to latitude 31°39’S, west to longitude 138°29’E, north to latitude 31°38’S, west to longitude 138o28’E and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

AREA: 137 square kilometres approximately.

EL 5014 – MOUNT PLANTAGENET AREA - Approximately 100 km northeast of Port Augusta, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 31°46’S and longitude 138°43’E, thence east to longitude 138o47’E, south to latitude 31°51’S, west to longitude 138o45’E, south to latitude 31°52’S, west to longitude 138o42’E, south to latitude 31°59’S, west to longitude 138°39’E, north to latitude 31°56’S, east to longitude 138°40’E, north to latitude 31°51’S, east to longitude 138°41’E, north to latitude 31°50’S, east to longitude 138°43’E, north to latitude 31°49’S, east to longitude 138°45’E, north to latitude 31°48’S, west to longitude 138°43’E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (**AGD66**).

AREA: 122 square kilometres approximately.

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

Daktyloi proposes to carry out exploratory and drilling operations

on the Land to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation. Those operations may include: reconnaissance; gridding; geological mapping; aerial photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical soil, calcrete and rock chip sampling; shallow trenching; auger, rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation or diamond core drilling and include all things necessarily incidental to any such operations.

The proposed operations are or will be authorised by the Exploration Licence Nos 4771, 4821, 4955, 4956 and 5014 (including any extensions or renewals of the exploration licences and any future exploration authority under the Mining Act over the Land or any part of it).

Daktyloi seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

TAKE NOTICE that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the Land, there are no native title parties in relation to the Land to which this notice relates, Daktyloi may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of the Mining Act 1971 (SA) authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land.

ANY PERSON who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the proponents, **Daktyloi**, for the purposes of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

TAKE NOTICE that if within four (4) months of the initiation of these negotiations, Daktyloi and any native title party or parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the *Mining Act 1971* (SA) for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining operations on the Land.

If you require further information, please contact:

Teneman Consulting
PO Box 115 KENT TOWN SA 5071
Ph: 08 8342 4914 or 0415 397 870
Contact person: Teena Coppin

Or

Daktyloi Metals Pty Ltd
PO Box 389 WEST PERTH WA 6872
Ph 08 9322 2700, 0438 521 312
Contact person: Peter Andrews

Kate Malpass



Kate defies the odds

By CHRIS PIKE



KATE Malpass was recently named the Youth of the Year at the 2013 National NAIDOC Awards in Perth as the star basketballer

continues to shine on and off the court.

Nothing has ever come easy for Malpass and that began early in her life when she was told she would never have full strength in one of her arms.

However, dedication and hard work has been the hallmark of everything she has done and she continues to defy the odds on the basketball court and in a professional sense.

Malpass has always been a star basketballer after overcoming that early hiccup. As a 13-year-old she was part of the under 16 national championships and she went on to have an outstanding career as a senior player in WA before an opportunity came up to move to Melbourne.

That was with the Wirrpanda Foundation where Malpass was able to help set up the foundation's program at Worawa College in Victoria.

While still in Perth, Malpass completed a four-year physiotherapy degree at Curtin University. This has now led to a job as a physio at the Richmond Football Club in the AFL.

The 24-year-old is the first Aboriginal physiotherapist to work for the famous Richmond Tigers as she continues to break down barriers in everything that she does.

It was a big decision for Malpass to decide to leave Western Australia where she had not only done outstanding community work largely with the Wirrpanda Foundation, but also being a star basketballer with the Willetton Tigers in the State Basketball League and the Perth Lynx-West Coast Waves in the Women's National Basketball League (WNBL).

Work now main focus

Her basketball has continued to shine even though her work has been her focus since making the move to Melbourne.

Malpass is now nearing the completion of her second season in the South Eastern Australian Basketball League (SEABL) with the Sandringham Sabres.

Malpass has been a key player in Sandringham sitting in third position in the standings with a month of the season remaining before finals. This season, she has averaged 14.9 points, 4.3 rebounds and 2.8 assists a game to be one of the best players in the competition.

She has never been afraid of any

challenges thrown her way and is proud of everything she has been able to accomplish.

"You might say I have defied the sceptics and the odds from birth. I was born with Erbs Palsy and the neurologist told Mum I would never have full strength in my arm and as a youngster I often dislocated my elbow and surgery was a real option," Malpass said.

"However, my parents were always playing some type of sport or coaching so I spent a lot of my young development years training with my older sisters or sitting around playing grounds waiting until quarter-time so I could shoot a hoop, kick a ball or flog someone in a game of something.

"Growing up, I played every sport, but basketball is the one game that I really get. I like the teamwork, fast pace and physicality compared with other female sports.

"While playing basketball, I completed my TEE at Mercedes College to give me a score high enough to study physiotherapy, and I completed a four-year degree at Curtin University before deciding to leave WA.

"I am now working as a physiotherapist in Melbourne at Richmond, which is great, and working with the Foundation at Worawa College in Victoria, which I want to continue doing."

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

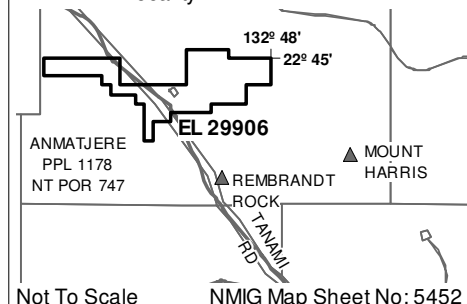
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

A Notice of Proposed Grant of Exploration Licences in relation to the exploration licences the subject of this Notice was published in this publication on 17 July 2013. That Notice is hereby withdrawn and this Notice is published in its stead.

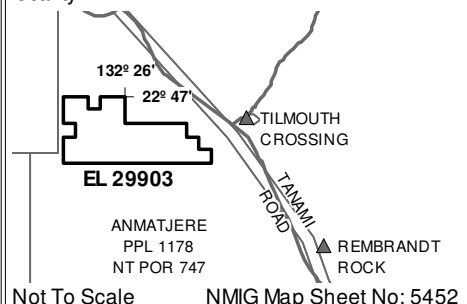
The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

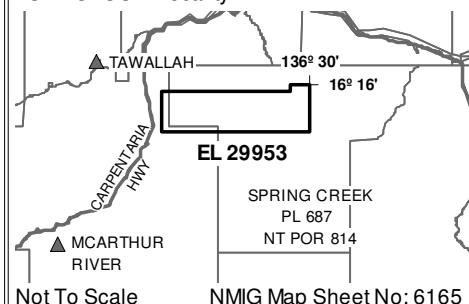
Exploration Licence 29906 sought by OZ URANIUM (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 161 904 847 over an area of 97 Blocks (308 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NAPPERBY locality.



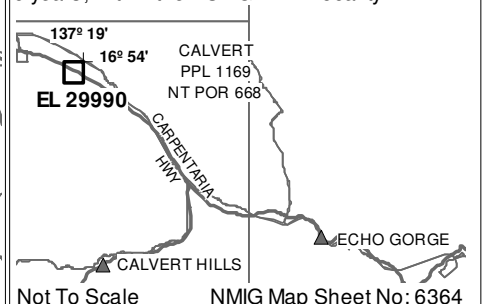
Exploration Licence 29903 sought by PIPER PRESTON PTY LTD, ACN 142 962 409 over an area of 41 Blocks (130 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NAPPERBY locality.



Exploration Licence 29953 sought by RIPPLE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 127 022 068 over an area of 141 Blocks (465 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BORROLOOLA locality.



Exploration Licence 29990 sought by UNIVERSAL SPLENDOR INVESTMENTS PTY LTD, ACN 132 522 715 over an area of 4 Blocks (14 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PUNGALINA 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 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: 17 July 2013

Swag of medals proof of Isaiah's ability



Isaiah Daley, from Goonellabah, Lismore, with some of his medals.

By GRAHAM HUNT



HE'S only 12 years old, but Lismore lad Isaiah Daley is forging a pathway in track and field and cross-country athletics.

The sport has already taken him to state and national titles around Australia and his next mission is to tackle the secondary schools national track and field championships in late August in Hobart.

Isaiah will be competing in the 12-14

years shot-put and 200m.

He proudly declares himself to be a young Bundjalung warrior and is something of an athletics all-rounder, competing in 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, javelin and shot-put.

But his pet event is cross-country.

To his way of thinking, track and field events are over too quickly. He prefers the longer distance that cross-country offers.

Isaiah is in Year 7 at Lismore High School and already is making a name for himself in Combined High Schools (CHS) athletics after shining for Lismore Public

School in his primary school days.

He has a swag of medals as proof of his successes in Primary School Sports Association (PSSA) carnivals at regional, state and national levels.

This year, at the North Coast CHS regional carnival in Lismore, Isaiah finished first in the 100m, second in the 200m, second in the 800m, second in the shot-put and second in the javelin.

That was good enough to qualify for the NSWCHS carnival at Olympic Park, Sydney, where he finished second in the 200m and third in the shot-put.

Those placings earned him a trip to Hobart.

Since moving on to high school, Isaiah won the cross-country at regional level and finished second in a field of 41 at the NSWCHS titles at Eastern Creek, west of Sydney.

But success comes at a price and his mum and dad Marie Daley, a Bundjalung woman, and Eddie Boney (Murdi-Paaki) constantly have their hands in their pockets.

They would appreciate any assistance. Eddie Boney can be contacted on 0427 680 466.



Ben Barba leaves the field with a sprained ankle on Friday night.

Photo: Action Photographics

Ben Barba injury a bitter Bulldogs pill



CANTERBURY'S National Rugby League (NRL) premiership aspirations could be rocked by an ankle syndesmosis injury to

Ben Barba sustained in last Friday's facile 40-12 win over struggling Parramatta.

Barba limped off just ten minutes into the game after damaging his right ankle while scoring the Bulldogs' third try to put a dampener on a good night at the office for Des Hasler's men.

"He's probably got what they call a syndesmosis and it will be weeks," Hasler said.

Canterbury were helped to a comfortable win by some hapless defending by the cellar-dwelling Eels who

look destined to claim the wooden spoon for a second successive year.

Although the absence of Barba didn't affect them too much, losing the reigning Dally M Medallist for a long period would be a big blow to their hopes of a top-four finish.

There have been cases of syndesmosis injuries keeping players sidelined for up to three months – which is what happened to Sydney Roosters skipper Anthony Minichiello in 2009.

The win took Canterbury to within a point of fourth-placed Manly, who were to play on Monday, but Hasler said it was too early to rule Barba out for the year.

"If he was out for a couple of weeks and we were near the end of the season, it would be a big concern, but we still have six weeks to go," he said.

Veteran Sam Perrett filled in at fullback for the remaining 70 minutes at ANZ Stadium and Hasler said he would almost certainly remain there while Barba was out.

The Bulldogs ran in seven tries with Parramatta grabbing two consolations late in the game to avoid a second successive shut-out after the previous week's 14-0 loss to Canberra.

But the defeat was their ninth in a row and their cause was not helped by an embarrassing opening ten minutes when they conceded three soft tries, kicked out on the full and also botched a short kick-off attempt from the opening whistle.

Beleaguered coach Ricky Stuart said his side was at a stage of their season where they had to take gambles. – AAP

Deadly runners at Uluru



Skyeisha Rigney, from Murray Bridge, SA, who won the junior girls' event.



Nadine Hunt and Rob de Castella at the recent Gold Coast Marathon Festival.

Nadine to line up in half-marathon

INDIGENOUS Marathon Project (IMP) employee Nadine Hunt will contest the half-marathon as part of Brisbane's Marathon Festival on 4 August.

The 24-year-old ran the New York Marathon as part of Rob de Castella's IMP team in 2011 and has since joined the IMP as its deadly fun run coordinator.

She moved from Cairns to Canberra to take up her new position.

She will use the Brisbane half-marathon as part of her preparation for the Frankfurt Marathon in October.

Nadine's seven-days-a-week training schedule covers about 80km a week in a variety of speed sessions, long runs and recovery jogs.

Her inspiration is to run for her family and friends. She said the pride that they gained from seeing her improvement kept her on track to achieve her goals.



THE small South Australian community of Murray Bridge lays claim to being the home of rising Australian football star Chad Wingard, and now has a new claim: winning the second annual Deadly Fun Run at Uluru.

More than 50 athletes between the ages of nine and 56 and representing five Indigenous communities across Australia descended on the national landmark for the all-Indigenous running festival, with juniors taking on a 3km course, and seniors tackling 5km.

Participating communities included Alice Springs, Yirrlaka and Tiwi Islands from the Northern Territory, Mossman from Queensland, and Murray Bridge.

For the first time, a number of corporate teams also participated including Accor Hotels.

Murray Bridge, who joined the series late last year, took out the event, with Reece Knitschke the first male to cross the finish line, and nine-year-old Skyeisha Rigney the first woman.

The East Arnhem community of Yirrkala – last year's winners – finished second, closely followed by Alice Springs.

Tiwi success

Highlights included 50-year-old Marina Petersen from Mossman, who only took up running earlier this year, completing the 5km course, and eight junior runners from the Tiwi Islands all finishing the 3km event.

The championships also included three members of the 2013 Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) team training for November's New York Marathon – Nathan Djerrkura from Yirrkala, Colin Sampton from Yulara, and Luke McKenzie from Murray Bridge.

The Deadly Fun Run Series is an initiative set up by Rob de Castella's IMP to



The successful Murray Bridge runners.

promote healthy living and increase participation in running in remote Indigenous communities.

De Castella said that following the successful weekend, the event was set to grow into a major event.

"The enthusiasm and support for fellow athletes demonstrated by everyone involved in the weekend was inspirational," he said.

"If we can take that enthusiasm home and help it grow, then we are going to continue to deliver an event that is amazing.

"Communities are already planning their next series of fun runs and looking ahead to next year's Uluru event.

"I have no doubt that the level of community participation is going to get bigger."

Winning athletes and communities were presented trophies by de Castella on Saturday evening with Uluru as a backdrop.



The team from the Tiwi Islands.

Athletes also took part in a guided tour of Uluru and the Sounds of Silence dining experience.

Tiwi Island Sport and Rec worker Mick Rees, who was integral in organising the series in three Tiwi communities, said the opportunities that the series had given children on the islands were invaluable.



All the runners who took part in the Uluru Deadly Fun Run.

Bamaga hosts NPA basketball finals

Story by ALF WILSON
Photos by JESSICA SEXTON



EIGHT men's teams and seven women's sides competed in the Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) Hoops basketball summer season that climaxed with grand finals at Bamaga.

Some top-class basketball was played on 11 July for the season deciders at the Reginald Sebasio Regional Hall.

Hornets defeated West End Gurlz 15-13 in the women's final, while Alley Oops beat Gonski 36-24 in the men's showdown.

The NPA area included the communities of Bamaga, Injinoo, Seisia, Umagico and Mapoon, in the far north of Queensland.

Finals night showcased local sporting talent. The NPA basketball competition runs solely because of the dedication of volunteers and the goodwill of the teams involved.

In such a remote region, there are limited resources and training, but local sporting enthusiasts have overcome this to host the NPA Hoops competitions that have been running since 2012.

Last year a group of community members came together with an idea to host a local sporting competition to promote healthy lifestyles, community pride and sportsmanship. The support they received from the NPA communities was overwhelming.

It was the first time a regional basketball competition had been held here in more than a decade.

The popularity of the sport continued, and the NPA Basketball Association Committee members decided to run a year-long competition.

Bamaga is the home of basketballer Nathan Jawai. He has gone on to become an international star.



Zach Mara and Sineva Phineasa were scorers for the grand final night



Men's champions Alley Oops.



Women's grand final victors Hornets.

Wallabies leap ahead

By ALF WILSON



KOWANYAMA hosted its first complete round of the Cape York Cluster rugby league competition on 13 July and more than 1000 spectators turned out.

Lockhart River will host round three on 10 August and will be confident of more wins after strong performances in round two at Kowanyama.

Coen will host the last round on 24 August and the finals series on Saturday, 7 September.

In round two at Kowanyama, Lockhart River beat Weipa Raiders 42-8. Chris Johnson Jnr scored two tries for the Scorpions, with singles to Lionel Hobson, Solomon Accoom, David Mooka, Scott Accoom and Chris Johnson Snr. Isaac Rokeby booted four goals.

For Weipa Raiders, Chris Namok and William York scored tries.

Raiders were under-strength taking only 11 players in three vehicles on the 600km nine-hour trip over rough dirt roads.

In their other game, Lockhart River Scorpions beat Coen Colts 26-22.

Wayne Butcher scored two tries for the Scorpions, with one each to Solomon Accoom, Scott Accoom and Chris Johnson Jnr. Isaac Rokeby kicked three three goals.

For Coen, Darby Sellars scored two tries, with singles to Dion Creek and Eldine Creek. Darby Sellars snared two goals and Gabriel Creek one.

Coen Colts showed they will be a force in the last two rounds when they beat Pormpuraaw Crocs 34-24.

Gabriel Creek (two), Jake Finlay, Eldine Creek, Dylan Creek and Darby Sellars were try-scorers for Coen. Stephen Gibley kicked four goals and Darby Sellars one.

Pormpuraaw Crocs try-scorers were Raymond Coleman (two), Peter Tybingoompa, Kiren Tarpencha and Wesley Coleman. Paul Bernard kicked two goals.

Ladder leaders and reigning premiers Kowanyama Wallabies defeated Pormpuraaw Crocs 28-0.

Elron Lawrence, Terry Tommy, Raymond Goggleye, Tyson Smiler and Tony Daniels scored four pointers for Kowanyama. Elron Lawrence chipped in with four goals.

Kowanyama won their other match by forfeit over Coen, who had too many injured players to field a full side.

In another close match, Pormpuraaw Crocs beat the Weipa Raiders 26-22. For the Crocs, Paul Bernard scored two tries, with singles to Brendan Coleman, Clinton Holroyd and David Wilson. Paul Bernard three kicked three goals for a personal tally of 14 points.

Weipa Raiders try-scorers were Stewart Pryce (two), Karl Adams and Michael Yam one. Ever reliable Chris Namok booted three goals.

Clear leaders

The ladder after round two was: Kowanyama Wallabies 8, Lockhart River Scorpions 4, Napranum Natives 2 (+10), Pormpuraaw Crocs 2 (-34), Coen Colts 2 (-36), Weipa Raiders (-38).

This was the first full round of the Cape Cluster to be held in Kowanyama since the inception of the new format.

Maiden was glowing in his praise for the Weipa Raiders, who did well to field a side after running out of vehicles to get all their players down for the nine hour journey to Kowanyama.

"However, they did get on the paddock despite being a few short and they came up against the very entertaining Lockhart River Scorpions," he said.

"The Scorpions won both of their matches over the weekend and if they get all their team together, they have a formidable side that can beat any side on the Cape."

The Weipa Raiders at Mitchell River, on the way to Kowanyama.



The Kowanyama team.



Weipa Raiders players Walter Convent, 46, left, and Freddy Clermont on their way to Kowanyama.

Boost for cricket



CRICKET
Australia has secured \$100,000 in Federal Government

funding to support two new Indigenous cricket officer positions.

Cricket Australia's Paul Stewart, and Cricket New South Wales' Josh Lalor have been appointed to these positions to help grow Indigenous participation in cricket.

Federal Sports Minister Don Farrell said Australia had a great history of Indigenous involvement in cricket.

"I'm proud that this government is supporting Indigenous participation in cricket and potential stars of the future by helping enable these two new positions to be created," Senator Farrell said.

The funding, courtesy of the Australian Government's Indigenous Sport and Active Recreation Program (ISARP), was announced by Senator Farrell with Cricket Australia's executive general manager of game and market development Andrew Ingleton.

He said the money would help Cricket Australia appoint Paul Stewart as national Indigenous cricket officer, and Cricket New



From left, newly appointed Indigenous cricket growth officer Josh Lalor, Federal Sports Minister Senator Don Farrell, Cricket Australia's national Indigenous cricketer officer Paul Stewart, and Cricket Australia's executive general manager of game and market development Andrew Ingleton. Lalor is a contracted NSW cricketer.

South Wales appoint Josh Lalor as Indigenous cricket growth officer.

"Cricket Australia is investing heavily in developing participation and talent development programs specifically tailored to Indigenous

Australians, so to be here in Redfern today watching Josh and Paul interact with students from Jarjum College in a friendly cricket match is wonderful," Ingleton said.

Cricket NSW chief executive Andrew Jones said he was

delighted that Josh Lalor had been appointed.

"Josh is not just an elite cricketer, he is an exceptional young man and role model to young Indigenous cricketers, and I am confident he will do very well in this role," Jones said.

Cricket Australia said these appointments were part of a raft of measures that reflected a significant overall investment in Australian cricket in the creation of more participation pathway opportunities and heroes for Indigenous Australians, especially in rural and remote communities.

"Our objective is to be Australia's favourite sport and to do that we need to be a sport for all Australians, so this funding further enables us to do more to grow Indigenous participation in cricket and identify and develop the next wave of Indigenous cricket heroes," Ingleton said.

Paul Stewart is from central Victoria, and has previously worked at the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service and in the Koori Health Unit at the University of Melbourne. He has been chair of the Victorian Indigenous Advisory Committee at Cricket Victoria for the past eight years.

Lalor is from Sydney's western suburbs and made his debut for New South Wales in the Sheffield Shield in November 2011, having previously represented New South Wales at under 17, under 19 and under 23 levels. In five first-class matches, he has taken 18 wickets at an average of 27.

Indigenous team in tournament



AN Indigenous XI will take part in the four-team Asia-Pacific Rising Stars Trophy cricket

tournament starting in Brisbane on 12 August.

Other teams will come from Papua New Guinea, East Asia-Pacific and the Australian

Armed Forces.

The teams will meet each other twice in a T20 format between 12 August and 17 August at Redlands.

The top two teams will meet in a final on 17 August.

The Australian Indigenous team is actually the 2013 Imparja Cup under 23 Development Team chosen last February in Alice Springs.

Players to look for in the Indigenous team are Ayden

McGregor-Baptista, Adam McDermott, Ryan Lees, Michael Bailey, and Bradley Stout.

South Australian McGregor-Baptista and Tasmanian Lee are not long back from Cricket Australia's Centre of Excellence in Brisbane; Queenslander McDermott, an Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) scholarship holder, has not long returned from Sri Lanka, while West Australian Bailey and Queenslander Stout are just back

from the Global Cricket School in Mumbai, India.

The Australian Indigenous team to play in Brisbane is: Aaron Muir (NSW, LHB/WK – Wiradjuri), Adam McDermott (Vic-Qld RHB/RALS), Harrison Kelly (NSW, LHB/LAOS – Kamillaroi), Ryan Lees (Tas, RHB/RAMF – Palawa), Michael Bailey (WA, RHB/LAM – Yamatji), Nathan Gardiner (Vic, RHB/RAM – Wurundjeri), Bradley Stout (Qld, LHB/RAM – Bindal), Ayden McGregor-Baptista (SA,

RHB/RAOS – Yawuru), Josh Eaton (Vic, LHB/LAMF), Jake Turner (NSW, LHB/LAF – Ngarabal), Dylan Fuller (NT, RHB/RAM – Jawyoni), Mark Thompson (Qld, RHB/RAMF – Dungatti), Alistair Bivens (WA, RHB/RAM – Noongar), Hayden Collard (WA, RHB/RAM – Noongar), Ben Abbatangelo (Vic, RHB/RAOS – Yorta Yorta/Gunai Kurnai).

Coach, Barry Weare (Qld); manager, Peter Hill (WA).



Ayden McGregor-Baptista in action for South Australia at the 2012 Imparja Cup.



Adam McDermott (Qld) out caught against Victoria during the 2012 Imparja Cup.



Stout is out... Bradley Stout is bowled by NSW's Jake Turner in the 2012 Imparja Cup final in Alice Springs.



Western Australian Alistair Bivens in action in the Imparja Cup.



Victorian captain Ben Abbatangelo bowling against Queensland at the 2012 Imparja Cup.

Is Steven the best of Motlop bunch?

By PETER ARGENT



STEVEN Motlop – the youngest of the Motlop brothers – is showing signs that he could develop into the best of the trio.

Each of the Motlop brothers has superb skills, an innate understanding of the nuances of the game, and an wow factor that brings patrons though the gates.

Shannon – the oldest – was a premiership player in his first year of AFL football (the Kangaroos' last triumph), while the middle brother, Daniel, was one of the most mercurial players in the competition, playing in the 2007 grand final, and was Port Power's leading goal kicker the following year.

Steven is one of the young guns in the Geelong Cats midfield, seen as an integral part of the new breed at Kardinia Park.

There is a chance, on his club form this season, that he may become the third Motlop to play on that final Saturday in September (28th), in this year's AFL grand final.

They are Larrakia men, from the area in and around Darwin, like Steven's Cats teammate Mathew Stokes, and the Clarke siblings from St Mary's and St Kilda – Raphael and Xavier.

Steven Motlop is obviously proud of his heritage and that he has followed in his brothers' footsteps.

"It's pretty handy having two older brothers playing AFL footy," Steven Moltop said.

Role models

"While there was a bit of expectation, Shannon and Daniel are huge role models.

"They also gave me the self belief that I could make it.

"I actually started playing club rugby before Aussie rules back home in Darwin.

"And then by about under 14s, I had to make a choice.

"Back in Darwin, I was always close to my cousin Marlon growing up.

"With Marlon and other Motlop cousins Thomas, Aaron, Jarrod and Brenton, we were always kicking the footy around.

"There is certainly a sense of pride and competitiveness being a member of the Motlop clan, and this is shown through my

dad and uncles still being involved in sport in the Top End."

Steve, Shannon and Daniel's dad, Eddie, along with uncles Maurice ('Mo' to all and sundry), Mark and Paul, has a rich history in Aussie rules and rugby league in the Top End.

Shannon Motlop played in the Kangaroos' 1999 flag and finished with 64 AFL games with North Melbourne and the Melbourne Demons.

He went across to North Adelaide in the SANFL competition and played in the 2007 grand final when the Roosters lost to Central District.

A number of this generation of the extended Motlop clan travelled down to Prospect Oval in the inner northern suburbs of Adelaide from Darwin and play with the Roosters.

Daniel, the second sibling, also started with North Melbourne and had four years at Arden Street before moving to the city of churches and Alberton.

With upwards of a decade in the AFL system, Daniel played 130 games, kicking 208 goals, being one of the most enigmatic players in the code.

Blossomed in 2013

Steve Motlop took three years to play his first five games at the top level with Geelong, but at 22, has blossomed into an elite young AFL talent.

The Motlop trio's sister Lauren also was a member of the NT Thunder women's team during the national championships in Adelaide in 2011.

During that tournament, she displayed the same talents as her brothers.

Steven's older siblings – Shannon (2005) and Daniel (twice – 2007 & 2009) – have played in Indigenous All Stars games, along with cousin Marlon (2009) and while Steven was in the squad this year for the game against Richmond, he didn't play.

The boys' cousin Marlon Motlop is playing with Peel Thunder in the WAFL

competition, and is keen to get a second opportunity in the AFL.

He won a place in the WAFL state team in a clash against the VFL at Northam Oval, being among the best players in their victory over the VFL.

Other cousins Thomas and Aaron have also travelled south and played a handful of league games in South and Western Australia.



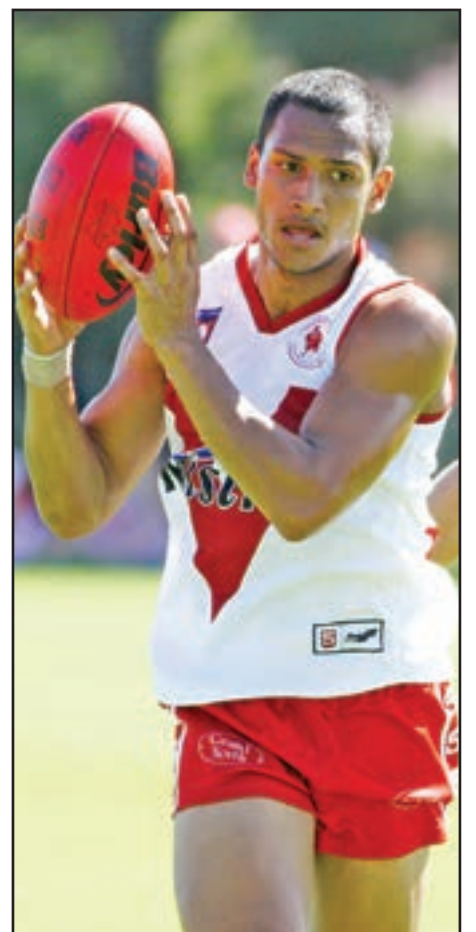
Steven Motlop celebrates a goal for the Geelong Cats. Photos by Peter Argent



Daniel Motlop in the colours of the Port Adelaide.



Wanderers player Shannon Motlop and his son Brodie in Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) premiership celebrations in Darwin in 2011.



Marlon Motlop

Redtails likely to join NTFL



THE Australian Football League Northern Territory (AFLNT) has recommended that the Central Australian Redtails be admitted into the TIO NTFL Premier League for season 2013-14 on an eight-game trial basis.

Full-time admission into the league thereafter is subject to successful completion of the trial in addition to a further five years of federal funding being committed to existing AFLNT and NT Thunder Central Australian operations.

"The Redtails may well become an integral part of the overall Central Australian football structure which will enhance the NT Thunder's presence and align with AFLNT development programs in the region," AFLNT CEO Tony Frawley said.

"However, AFLNT is awaiting confirmation of ongoing Federal Government funding to underpin these structures.

Positive outcomes

"Federal funding via the Australian Sports Commission has allowed AFLNT and NT Thunder deliver a myriad of positive outcomes for Centralians in the past five years, most notably the Central Australian Football League (CAFL) has evolved into a well-run, financial and competitive league enjoyed by players and spectators alike.

"It is critical that the progress made continues for the next five years and beyond. We are particularly focused on ensuring that the CAFL continues to thrive.

"We see the Redtails as a meritorious concept, however without Federal funding underpinning a strong AFLNT development presence and a continuation of the NT Thunder program in Central Australia, we will not have the necessary structures or resources in Alice Springs to support the admission of the Redtails on a full-time basis into the NTFL.

"The Redtails are aware of our efforts to secure ongoing funding for the AFLNT and NT Thunder programs in Central Australia and we will continue to work with the Redtails to map out a feasible future direction for the club."

Milera's season comes to end



ST KILDA forward Terry Milera (pictured) will miss the rest of the season after undergoing surgery for a broken ankle last week.

Milera was injured in the third quarter of the Victorian Football League (VFL) clash between Sandringham and Bendigo, leaving the ground on a stretcher after his leg was caught awkwardly in a tackle.

The 25-year-old had been used in the midfield, winning 22 possessions and kicking a goal before injury struck.

Coach Scott Watters said Milera should make a full recovery and he was expected to be back running in time for day one of St Kilda's 2014 pre-season campaign.

"It is disappointing to lose Terry for the remainder of the season but we look forward to him being back fully fit for 2014," Watters said.

Milera has played 25 games since he was pre-listed by Greater Western Sydney and traded to St Kilda in 2011.

He kicked seven goals in ten games for the Saints this season. — **AFL.com**



Garlett back on course

By CHRIS PIKE



DAYLE Garlett has always shown that he has the talent to be a genuine Australian football star, but clubs were scared off for other reasons and now that he has those sorted, his form in Perth this season with Swan Districts should see him taken high in this year's national draft.

The lightning quick and incredibly skilled left-footer is in the middle of an outstanding West Australian Football League (WAFL) season with Swan Districts where he has played mostly as a permanent forward which has seen him kick 36 goals in just 13 matches while also averaging almost 17 possessions a game.

However, it isn't that talent that saw AFL clubs overlook him in the draft last year.

Garlett was a renowned party boy who was struggling to show the discipline required to play WAFL football, let alone in the AFL.

He was overlooked in the national draft last year, but then Essendon offered him a lifeline to train with them ahead of the pre-season draft.

Went on bender

Things were going well until Garlett went on a bender back in Perth just three days before the draft. That sealed his fate.

Garlett then went off the rails again for some time and didn't rejoin Swan Districts for pre-season training until the season was approaching, but now he has his life on and off the field sorted and the result should see him tearing up the AFL come next year.

Garlett was forced to start his season in the WAFL reserves with Swan Districts because of his belated opening to his pre-season training, but since he came into the league side in round four he has been in simply brilliant form.

After three solid games to start his league season, Garlett had a breakout performance in round seven against West Perth with 29 possessions, 13 marks and two goals.

He backed that up with two goals, 27 disposals and 13 marks against East Perth.



Dayle Garlett

Garlett then settled as a permanent forward for Swan Districts, where he has remained for the rest of the season, proving virtually unstoppable from opposition defenders, and also incredibly dangerous any time he gets the ball within goal range.

The 19-year-old kicked four goals against Subiaco in round ten, a career-best six in round 11, three in round 13 and five in round 14.

He had a quiet match in round 15 against West Perth, but has bounced back strongly with another four goals against Perth in round 16 and then five in round 18

against East Perth as he does all he can to try to get his Swan Districts team into the 2013 finals.

Garlett now can freely admit that he wasn't ready or mature enough last year to handle being in the AFL system. However, he has been able to get his personal life under control throughout 2013 and he certainly now feels ready to grab a chance in the big time.

"Football-wise, I was probably ready last year, but maturity-wise, probably not, but I feel better than ever now with my life and football," Garlett said.

"I have got a girlfriend

now and things are going great. I feel like a weight has been lifted off my shoulders and my main focus is to make the AFL at the end of the year and I'm going to give it 100 per cent."

Garlett is now confident any off-field issues he has had in the past are well and truly in the past, and won't pop up again.

"Definitely, those off-field issues are gone and I'm making progress step by step," Garlett said.

"I'm studying and playing good footy, but it's not just going well on-field for me, things are now good off-field as well."

Abbott retirement a blow for Kookaburras



Indigenous Kookaburras Des Abbott, left, and his cousin Joel Carroll.



KOOKABURRAS coach Ric Charlesworth admits his team has lost one of its most potent weapons after injury forced the premature retirement of star hockey striker Des Abbott.

Abbott, who scored 61 goals in 111 internationals for Australia, made the tough decision to retire from international ranks last week after failing to overcome a degenerative knee injury.

The 26-year-old will be remembered as one of Australia's most talented players, and Charlesworth says the 2008 Beijing Games bronze medal winner will be sorely missed.

"He was a player of the highest

quality. He was a game-changer, a match-winner," Charlesworth said of Abbott, who is keen to play on in club ranks in Perth.

"The quickness of his hands and his ability to navigate himself through traffic was exceptional.

"Certainly our team is now diminished by losing someone of his quality."

Charlesworth said Darwin-born Abbott would have been able to establish himself as one of the game's greats had injuries not hampered him throughout his career.

Abbott's biggest heartbreak came last year, when he was left out of the London Games squad due to concerns over his worsening knee. — AAP

Abbott's profile

Age: 26
Internationals: 111
Goals: 61
Debut: 2007
Won gold medals at the Champions Trophy, World Cup and Commonwealth Games.
Won Olympic bronze in 2008.
Named in FIH World All Star Team 2010.
Three-time winner of Northern Territory Sportsperson of the Year Award. — AAP

Respect, recognition

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL



From left, Flt-Sgt Don Taylor, Preston Campbell, Uncle Rick Gross and Jamal Idris at the announcement that Preston Campbell has become an ambassador for the Department of Veteran Affairs Indigenous Champion Project.

THE intensity of the recent State of Origin series was great as two passionate sides went to battle in a gladiatorial contest.

The words I have just used are appropriate and often lead to an analogy between sporting battles and the conflicts of war.

But in reality, the two could not be more distant from each other.

During the Indigenous Players' Cultural Camp, all of us learned a little about the involvement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and women in all conflicts involving Australia since the Boer War.

There are many inspiring stories of bravery and sacrifice that stand beside the combined service of all Australians in these conflicts.

This week I was proud to be announced as an ambassador for the Department of Veteran Affairs Indigenous Champion Project.

And I was proud to stand alongside two people who brought the meaning of the program to life — Uncle Rick Gross and my good mate Jamal Idris.

Uncle Rick is a proud Nunukul man of the Quandamooka Nation and is a Vietnam veteran who served from 1966 to 1967.

He was involved in one of the most well-known Australian engagements of the Vietnam war — the Battle of Long Tan on 18 August 1966.

The battle saw the action of 108 Anzacs against a Viet Cong force estimated at between 1500 and 2500.

The battle was one of the heaviest conflicts of the Vietnam war as well as one the few battles in the recorded history of the world to be won against such odds.

Uncle Rick's personal account of the battle brought home the true horror of war and left us inspired by the courage of those who fought to protect us.

Equally inspiring was Jamal's emotional response to receiving an official copy of his relatives' service records.

Jamal has always been well aware of his family's proud history of serving the nation.

The actions of Private William Simon, who fought on the western front in World War I; Private Toki Simon, a Rat of Tobruk who took five bullets before returning to the front line; Private Bob Simon, a prisoner of war in Chang; and

Private Victor Simon, who served in Vietnam, are a central part of the oral history of his mob in Forster.

Jamal is a burly gladiator on the field, but he was close to tears when presented with the official records of his relatives — concrete evidence of their proud service he can take back to Forster to share with his family.

"It was all stories we used to hear as kids, but now to actually have documents and have it all in front of you is definitely a big thing for my family," Idris said.

There to help

This is what the program is about.

The Department of Veteran Affairs wants to help Indigenous ex-servicemen and women receive the support and recognition they deserve.

As Jamal said on the day, it is disappointing the stories of indigenous servicemen had not been officially recognised in the past.

"But it more hurts on a personal level," he said.

"Official recognition is definitely a big step towards the future and

I'm hoping a lot of the young kids can see their grandfathers and their uncles get recognised now and take a leaf out of their book and take a bit of pride in themselves."

I am relishing learning about the history of Indigenous servicemen, but because most of their efforts came before 1967, the Indigenous soldiers were not recognised as part of the Australian population.

Federal Veterans' Affairs Minister Warren Snowdon takes a great personal interest in the program.

I first met Warren during the All Stars game in his role as Minister for Indigenous Health and I understand his commitment to Indigenous people.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and women have a long and proud history of serving Australia in all wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations from before federation through to current conflicts in Afghanistan," Mr Snowdon said.

"The DVA Indigenous Champion Program encourages veterans and current servicemen and women to contact DVA if they

think they may be eligible for support.

"Through Preston and the Titans, and the Raiders in Canberra, we're helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander veterans and their families who may not be aware that there are services and support available, link up with the Department of Veterans' Affairs."

Mr Snowdon said that as there was not a requirement to identify ethnicity on enlistment, there was no definitive record of how many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders had served Australia.

"The Australian War Memorial is gathering a list of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander servicemen and women, or those who served the nation in an auxiliary capacity, to ensure their contribution is appropriately commemorated. I encourage those interested in being on the list to get in contact with Gary Oakley on (02) 6243 4532," he said.

Let's get the message out there.

Let's show our Indigenous servicemen and women the respect and recognition they deserve.

The power of one

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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THE importance of the team ahead of the individual has been a common theme of many of my columns.

A strong team culture will always be required if a team is to be successful.

But there is no doubting the impact that a true superstar can have on the performance of the team and the outcome of a match.

I am talking about the likes of Buddy Franklin for the Hawks, Chris Judd for the Blues, Adam Goodes for the Swans, and Gary Ablett for the Suns.

These are the players that can turn matches by themselves.

Just as importantly, they can inspire their teammates to reach greater heights though their brilliance and sheer competitiveness.

So it was for Ablett in the recent upset victory for the Suns against the might of the Collingwood Magpies.

Ablett has been in stellar form all year and is odds-on to win the Brownlow Medal.

There can be no underestimating his impact on the fast-improving Suns.

Many have declared him to be the best player ever.

Best to come?

He is certainly among the game's elite, but it is probably a bit premature to make such calls as his best may still be to come.

Such is the ultra competitiveness of these icons of the game that they are constantly looking for ways to improve.

And each year they train harder to ensure they can continue to compete at the highest level of performance at the highest level of the game.

This work ethic is the key to success, even if you are an acknowledged champion.

And underpinning this is a respect for each other and the game.

If imitation is the sincerest

form of flattery, Carlton star Chris Judd once paid Gary Ablett the ultimate compliment.

So impressed by Ablett's form a few years ago, Judd studied vision of the champion onballer to help improve his own game.

Gold Coast midfield coach Mark Riley transferred from the Blues in the off-season and said Judd's hunger to improve drove him to analyse Ablett and other elite midfielders in the AFL.

Ablett's running patterns came under close scrutiny.

"He (Judd) is the most incredible professional footballer and we certainly looked at some methods that some other great midfielders like Gary used," Riley said.

"Chris is always looking to grow his game and become a better player and looking at Gary and others was a big part of that.

"He could be coached. He wasn't content with what he was.

"Gary is pretty amazing as well. I've coached against him and I've enjoyed being on the other side of the fence this year."

However, it was the hardened wisdom of Carlton coach Mick Malthouse who brought the whole issue back to my main point.

Greater forces

As exciting as it was to speculate about the clash between two greats of the game, there were greater forces at play.

"Give up the romanticism about football. It doesn't win games of football," Malthouse said.

"They (Gold Coast Suns) are a side we need to take very, very seriously.

"If Bluey (Guy McKenna) had his way, he would love everyone to focus on Ablett and forget the rest of the team and he knows me and (I) can categorically say that will not happen

"If it was just Ablett, I'd be quite happy ... it's no longer just Gary Ablett. It is the team."

And it is the team culture at the Swans that Adam Goodes will always come back to as the basis for his own personal form and development as a leader.

The dual Brownlow Medal winner had been part of the leadership group at the club for six years before being made a captain and says the Swans set-up encourages players to take on responsibility.

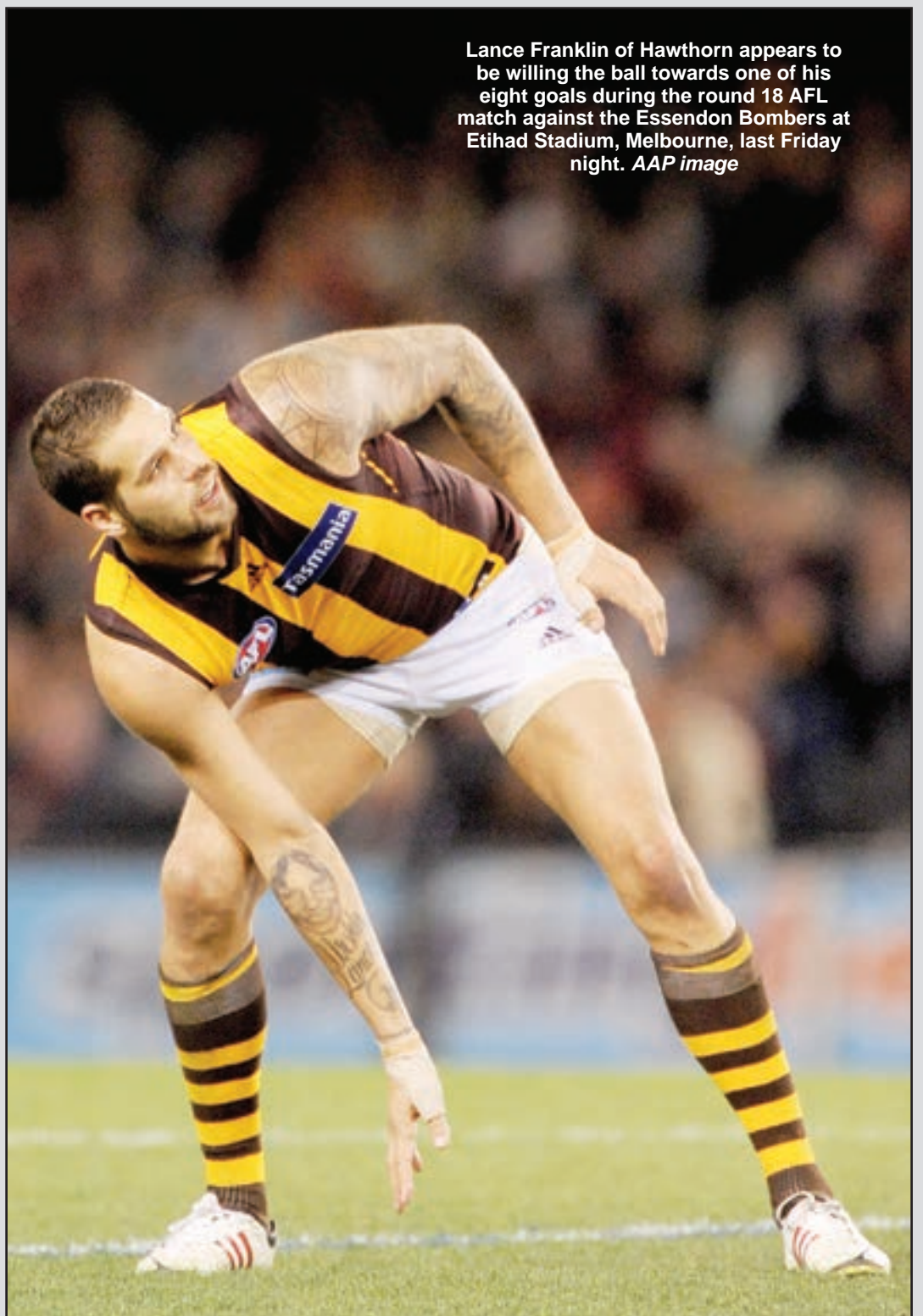
"That's what the point of our whole system is," he said.

"It's about succession and if you perform well, do the behaviours right at our football club, you're going to be rewarded for those behaviours.

"You start as a young kid, you do those behaviours, you get the respect, you get the votes to come into the leadership group and if you continually do the right thing then you'll earn more respect."

Goodes said he is happy to have the support of other senior players at the club.

"I've still got things to work on with my leadership," he said.



Lance Franklin of Hawthorn appears to be willing the ball towards one of his eight goals during the round 18 AFL match against the Essendon Bombers at Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, last Friday night. AAP image

Buddy's eight-goal haul



LANCE Franklin kicked eight goals and Jarryd Roughead four as the Hawthorn Hawks marched towards the Australian Football League 2013 minor premiership at

Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, on Friday night.

Roughead and Essendon's Jake Melksham added another chapter to their clubs' fierce rivalry, but Hawthorn were far too strong.

The Hawks withstood an early challenge from the Bombers in the blockbuster and then dominated to consolidate top spot with a 56-point win.

The 22.11 (143) to 13.9 (87) result is the third time this season that the second-placed Bombers have been found wanting against another top-four side.

Franklin tormented the Bombers with his eight goals.

Roughead, who kicked four goals for the Hawks, and Melksham are certain to come under video review for two clashes during the third term.

The Essendon midfielder first collected Roughead high ten minutes into the quarter as the Hawks utility tried to shepherd him.

A couple of minutes later, the emergency umpire ran out to separate the pair as they clashed again off the ball. — AAP

"It's great that I have got other leaders here at the football club to help me through those things."

Shared responsibility frees up each player to perform at their best and when that player is one

who possesses the qualities of Adam Goodes, you are letting the genie out of the bottle.

As we approach the finals, it will be players of this calibre who well might be the difference

between winning and losing.

But they will all acknowledge they can't do it without their teammates.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Talent to burn

By PETER ARGENT



THERE was no shortage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander talent spread across the three pools of the 2013 national under 16 Australian rules football championships in suburban Sydney earlier this month.

The matches were played between 6 July and 13 July.

For the victorious Victorian Country side in division one, Aidyn Johnson was a consistent performer.

"He is an exciting wingman from the Bendigo Pioneers and has agility and pace," title-winning Country coach Paul Henrikson said.

"Aidyn loves the physical side of the game, including the tackling and the body-on-body contests.

"He's a smart lad, always wanting to learn – he is a Scotch College student in Melbourne."

Ace goal-kicker

South Australia, who finished second in the division one, had goal-kicking ace Kieran Aguis in their squad.

For the Western Australian side, among their Indigenous standouts were South Fremantle lad Callum Ah Chee and Swan Districts' Yestin Eades.

AFL talent manager Kevin Sheehan described Ah Chee as a gifted and agile footballer who could play a number of roles.

He called Eades a talented medium forward with lightning reflexes and good goal sense.

In division two, the Northern Territory had about 60 per cent Indigenous participation, according to coach Andrew Hodges.

"We had a solid win first-up and just ran out of legs in the last game after being within striking distance at three-quarter time," Hodges said.

The Nightcliff Tigers' Brandon Parfitt was the NT Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the tournament.

"Brandon is the son of a quality NTFL football David and as a 15-year-old in this competition averaged 20 touches and seven tackles over the three games.

"He was our standout.

"We played him on the wing and his ball use was strong.

"Others who were noteworthy included Ralph Dhamarrandji, who comes from Elcho Island, and Big River Hawks lad Marcus Hamilton."

Small, but electric

Dhamarrandji was one of the smallest and lightest players at the carnival, but was electric at times with his pace and mercurial traits.

His coach described a goal he kicked against Tasmania as the goal of the championships.

Hamilton also played in the under 18s, and was an over-age player in this competition. He displayed

leadership qualities and was strong over the ball.

Queensland had three players – Adam Tipungwuti, from the Tiwi Islands, who is playing in Brisbane; Cairns-based Glendon Woosup, and Cape York lad Didymus Blanket – in their side.

"All are ripping kids – Adam is a elusive small forward in the Steve Motlop mode," Queensland coach John Rankin said.

"Glendon is a medium-range forward who plays tall and small.

"Diddy is a strong lad who is capable of playing key position roles or through the midfield.

"A natural right-footer, his skills are equally as brilliant on his left side."

Flying Boomerangs

In the division three competition, the Flying Boomerangs enjoyed their first win at this level.

Coached by former SANFL footballer Eugene Warrior, they beat South Pacific by 14 points.

Jade Gresham, a tough inside midfielder, won the MVP honours for this side, while other standouts included power forward Sam Powell-Pepper and Matthew Wilkes and lightly-framed midfielder-forward Anthony Young.

"Jade was excellent in all three games, averaging about 25 possessions," Warrior said.

"Powell-Pepper is a player to watch in the future, while Wilkes is a high-leaping utility with heaps of agility.

"A couple more players with strong footballer heritages in the Boomerangs team are Jordan Jeffery, the son of former St Kilda footballer Russell, who is also a defender like dad, and Jamie Hampton, the younger brother of Curtly at the Greater Western Sydney Giants."

Former Swan Districts, St Kilda and West Coast Eagles champion Phil Narkle coached the WA North-West side.

Runners-up

This side won the division three crown in their first year and were runners-up this campaign.

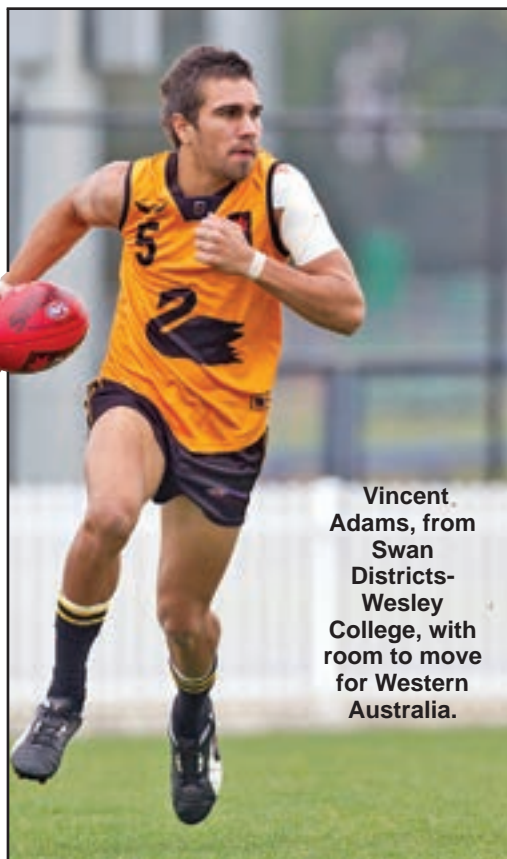
Hall Creek lad Sam Seton, who is zoned to Claremont, won their MVP and was also honoured with the Mark Browning Medal as the fairest and most brilliant player in this competition.

"Sam is smooth football with strong skills on both sides of his body," Narkle said.

"He is also strong overhead and a good vertical leap and has good running patterns in the midfield.

"Our players came from the Gascoyne, Pilbara and Kimberley regions of Western Australia.

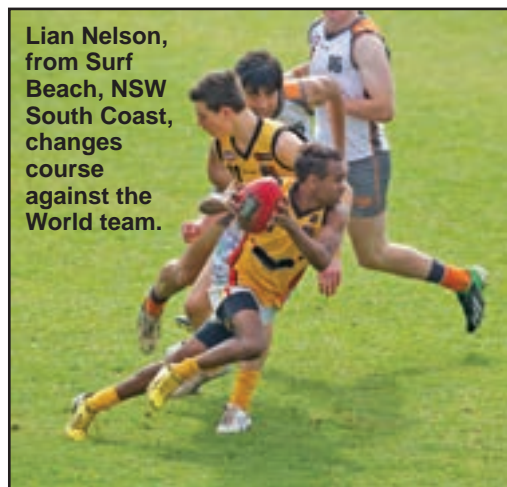
"Other players from our squad who had an impact were Brent Gore, a wingman from Broome, and utility Lawrence Evans, from Kununurra, and the strongly-built big forward Samuel Petera."



Vincent Adams, from Swan Districts-Wesley College, with room to move for Western Australia.



Jade Gresham, from Melbourne, playing for the Flying Boomerangs against the World team.



Lian Nelson, from Surf Beach, NSW South Coast, changes course against the World team.



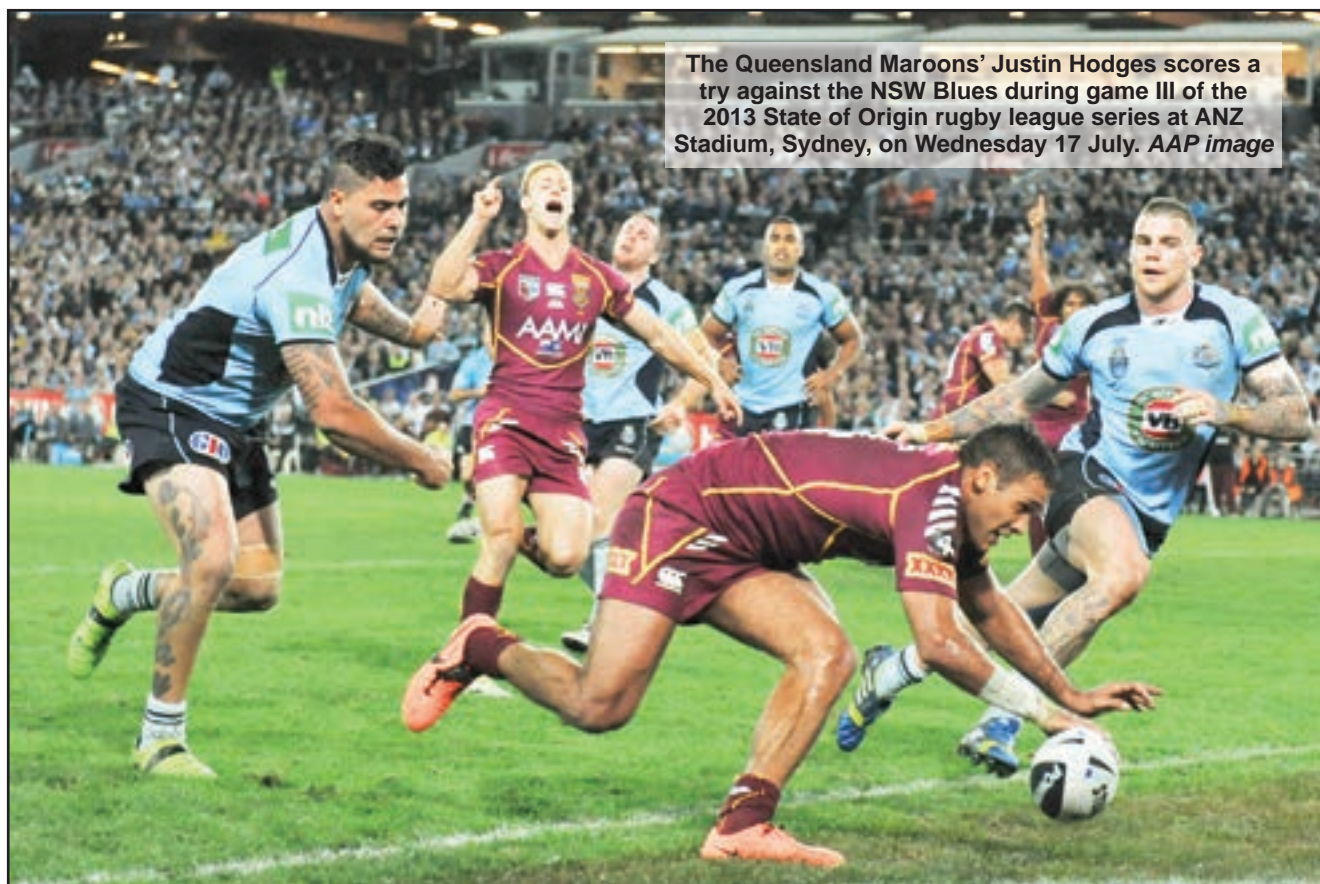
Queenslander Lenny Christie spoils for the Flying Boomerangs against the World side.



Sam Powell-Pepper, from Perth, takes a mark for the Flying Boomerangs in a game against the World team.



Cedric Cox, a product of the Halls Creek Hawks, but now with Claremont, in action for Western Australia. Pictures: AFL Media



The Queensland Maroons' Justin Hodges scores a try against the NSW Blues during game III of the 2013 State of Origin rugby league series at ANZ Stadium, Sydney, on Wednesday 17 July. AAP image

A decade of the blues?



A DECADE of State of Origin dominance stands before Queensland after the Maroons overcame NSW and an untimely

streaker to secure an eighth straight series win with a 12-10 victory in Sydney on 17 July.

Hailed as one of the most talented sides ever assembled, the Maroons relied on grit to withstand a NSW team that punched away but struggled to take its chances.

Hammered in the penalty count before a game three record crowd of 83,813 at ANZ Stadium, the qualities that had carried the Maroons to seven series wins came to the fore.

The Blues wasted opportunity after opportunity, while the Maroons' three scoring plays, including the crucial Justin Hodges try just after the hour mark, all came on the back of the only penalties they had received to that point.

Even when Trent Merrin scored to close the gap to just two points nine minutes from time, Queensland stood firm, and not even the controversial intervention of a streaker – whose length-of-the-field run denied Maroons prop Matt Scott a try – could deny them their first win in Sydney since 2010.

"I just gave them a quick reminder of who we are, where we come from and what we're about," skipper Cameron Smith – who claimed the Wally Lewis Medal as player of the series – said of his pep talk post the Merrin try.

"Queensland's built on never giving up no matter what's tossed in front of them – you just keep turning up for each other... that's what we built this side around.

"We've been in that situation many

times before as a team and we knew we're a good enough side to withstand that last nine minutes of whatever NSW were going to throw at us.

"We didn't play our best football... but what we did was tough."

Added coach Mal Meninga: "We understood we had to handle adversity to its utmost tonight – I was very proud of the players in the way they played and the way they committed to each other.

"That was a true Origin game – true grit, showed fantastic character and desire to get the result we were after."

One that got away

For the Blues it was the one that got away, and it will do little to quell the criticism that has been aimed at halfback Mitchell Pearce, who said before the game this was make or break for his Origin career.

"It felt like we were coming to get them for the last 60 minutes, but we just weren't clinical enough to get there," NSW coach Laurie Daley said.

"When Trent scored that try with ten minutes to go I was feeling very confident.

"But then a couple of silly penalties took the momentum away from us.

"We're disappointed, it's another loss – what do you do?"

In a game that stood on a knife's edge for much of the contest, the Maroons jumped out of the gates quickest when Johnathan Thurston ducked past both Blues props to dive over next to the posts, before adding a penalty after a careless James Maloney shoulder charge.

The momentum changed with the injection of bench forwards Anthony Watmough and Andrew Fifita, with James McManus, playing his first Origin

game since 2009, scoring what was just NSW's second try in 150 minutes of football.

With NSW not hosting two games in a series again until 2016, the Maroons will now fancy their chances of a decade-long streak.

Thurston, who scored all but four of Queensland's points in their 12-10 win, said the Maroons went into robot mode to deny NSW.

Thurston said Queensland knew what they had to do after Merrin and Maloney galvanised the home crowd.

"Every time our backs are against the wall, it's like we go into robot mode and we know what we need to do to dig ourselves out of it," Thurston said.

Queensland forward Sam Thaiday isn't sure how year after year Queensland find the desire to beat a hungry NSW.

"I don't know. If I could bottle it I'd be a millionaire," Thaiday said.

"But we've just formed such a great bond and have such a great mateship we don't want to let each other down."

Thaiday was adamant Origin was alive and well despite Queensland's continued dominance and predicted an even fiercer challenge from the Blues next year.

"Origin is not dead; a lot of people do say that," Thaiday said.

"Last year was a tough series but this year was even tougher.

"It took a great effort on our behalf to win that game tonight, to secure the series.

"I know NSW won't go away. They are going to be even more hungry next year.

"They will find some more great talent that they can pick in their side and our job is going to be even tougher again." – AAP

Jillaroos the world's best



THE Australian Jillaroos have broken New Zealand's 13-year reign, winning the 2013 Rugby League World Cup at Headingly Stadium, UK, on Sunday, 14 July.

Two Hunter Valley Indigenous players, Emma and Rebecca Young, played in the final, while another Hunter Valley Young – Julie – was in the Jillaroos squad, but didn't play in the final.

The Jillaroos went ahead early in the second half of the final and then withstood a punishing period from New Zealand as they tried to get back into the game.

However, the Aussies stayed strong and finished all over their opponents, running out 22-12 winners.

This was Australia's first women's World Cup win and the first defeat ever for New Zealand.

The Jillaroos opened their campaign with a 14-6 win over England, then booked their passage to the final with an impressive 72-0 win over France, then were beaten 14-6 by New Zealand in a game that had no bearing on the composition of the final.

The win by the Jillaroos was just one of four in the Rugby League's Festival of the World Cups in the UK.

The Armed Forces and the Student and Police teams also won gold.

Australia's Police defeated defending world champions Fiji, 18-16 in a physical contest where the result was in doubt until the final siren.

Australia then lifted the World Cup trophy again with an excellent performance by the Armed Forces against New Zealand with a 32-22 win.

Then came the Jillaroos' win over New Zealand.

To cap off the tour, Australia Students beat England 26-16 in the Student World Cup final.



The Jillaroos' Emma Young breaks into a celebratory dance after Australia won the women's rugby league World Cup at Headingly on 14 July.

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Season over for Bulldogs' Brett Goodes



A DOUBLE arm fracture has ended the debut AFL season of Western Bulldog Brett Goodes.

Goodes, the younger brother of Sydney superstar Adam, sustained the double fracture of his left forearm during the 20 July loss to Hawthorn in Launceston.

The injury was confirmed by X-rays that night and Goodes later underwent surgery.

Goodes is the second Bulldog to suffer a season-ending injury in as many games, with tough young midfielder Clay Smith needing a knee reconstruction after going down the previous weekend.

Goodes, 29, has played 13 AFL games this year.

He provided one of the feelgood stories of last December's rookie draft, when the Bulldogs snaffled him after he had been working at the club as player welfare manager. —AAP



Happier days for Bulldog Brett Goodes as he marks the ball against Josh Green of the Lions during the AFL round one AFL match at Etihad Stadium, Melbourne, last March. Getty image

Jaded Socceroos find the going tough



Indigenous Australian Jade North lines up before the East Asian Cup soccer match against South Korea in Seoul, South Korea, on Saturday, 20 July. The match ended in a scoreless draw, thanks to an extraordinary display of goalkeeping by Australian Eugene Galekovic, who single-handedly saved the game as South Korea laid siege to Australia's goal for all of the first half and much of the second before 31,000 passionate fans. Australia then lost its second match 3-2 to Japan at the Hwaseong Sports Complex on Thursday, leaving them at the bottom of the table with one match to play. Australia, relatively toothless for most of the match, suddenly drew level, bagging two goals in the space of three minutes, but Japan responded a minute later with the match-winning goal. The Socceroos were to play China in their third game last Sunday. AP photo

Injury set to dog Buddy's career



LANCE Franklin will have to manage his knee condition for the rest of his career, says leading sports medico Dr Peter Larkins.

The 26-year-old recently missed two games with the knee issue that is causing soreness in his calf.

Larkins believes the issue that stems from an injury sustained in the 2011 finals will haunt him for the rest of his playing days.

"I think it's an ongoing management concern, whether he's at Hawthorn or GWS or playing in the bush," Larkins told AFL.com.au.

"It's a chronic low-grade knee condition — not a serious knee condition but it's a chronic condition.

"This is his third or fourth episode since 2011 of the same thing happening.

"They can't stop it; they have to deal with it and it will keep happening the rest of his career, I believe.

"It really just goes with the fact he's got some vulnerability in that knee from that 2011 incident."

Franklin injured his knee in the Hawks' qualifying final loss to Geelong that year in a dramatic hyperextension incident that left him in doubt for the following week.

He got up for the next two games — the Hawks' semi final win over the Sydney Swans and their preliminary final loss to Collingwood — but has had to manage his training load since.

The the injury has left 'residual inflammation' that occurs from time to time, and allows synovial fluid — the joint's natural lubrication — to build up into what's called a Baker's cyst.

The cyst is at the back of the knee, which can then leak down into the calf and cause irritation.

The same thing happened to Franklin in February this year when he was ruled out of the Indigenous All-Stars clash with Richmond in Alice Springs.

The condition is related specifically to a Baker's cyst and not a bursa, which was recently suggested.

"A bursa is usually attached to a joint. A cyst can occur in isolation," Larkins said.

"You can have a fluid-containing cavity and it can be called a cyst. They're all fluid cavities; they're a bit like internal blisters.

"The problem is, he gets fluid in his knee from his old 2011 knee injury, the fluid builds up the Baker's cyst and it can leak the fluid into the back of his leg.

"Once they get all the fluid down, there's no new injury at all in Buddy."

Larkins said the issue would usually subside within a week to ten days when it flared up.

—AFL.com.au

Meanwhile, Lance Franklin's manager is confident the Hawthorn star will not go to another AFL club.

Liam Pickering's comments follow weeks of growing speculation that Franklin would in fact

leave Hawthorn.

He qualifies for free agency later this year and put off contract talk with the Hawks until the end of the season.

Greater Western Sydney have opened talks with Pickering about Franklin.

"To be honest, there's only really one in it, which is Hawthorn," Pickering told SEN.

"They're the ones I've got the offer from and it's where he plays.

"The better they go, the more chance he is of staying, in my view.

"I'm very confident that he'll stay.

"At the moment I'm dealing with Hawthorn, and I have had discussions with the Giants obviously."

Greater Western Sydney's list manager Stephen Silvagni said the Giants were considering offering the AFL's top draft pick in a bid to recruit Franklin.

"It might be free agency if he does decide to become that free agent or it might be a trade situation," Silvagni told reporters.

"We just don't know. I guess it's still too early in the season to give you the right answer.

"Anything is possible."

Silvagni said the Giants were talking to the management of several players, including four-time All-Australian Franklin.

"There are a number of players who are out of contract who are going to be free agents," Silvagni said. —AAP



Australia's Vanessa Stokes pitches against Canada in the fifth inning of the World Cup of Softball tournament third-place game in Oklahoma City, on Sunday, 14 July, before heading to the Canadian Fastpitch International in British Colombia. AP photo

That's the Spirit



THE Australian women's softball team, with Indigenous stars Stacey Porter and Vanessa Stokes as key players, frightened the life out of world champions Japan in the final of the Canadian Fastpitch International Championships in British Colombia last week.

The Australians played 16 brilliant innings in a day that saw them defeat the USA in extra innings – their first win in international competition against the world number two since the 2000 Olympic Games – and go down, after an international tie-breaker, to the world champions, Japan, 2-0.

Head coach Kere Johanson was delighted to see the team grow in stature and self-belief over the past two weeks, culminating in two brilliant performances.

International respect

"Our performance earned Aussie Spirit a lot of international respect. Coaches from world powerhouses USA and Canada believe that Aussie Spirit was the only team that had the ability to match the Japanese team, led by Yukiko Ueno, and our team proved that today," said Johanson.

The Aussies faced long-time foes USA in the first game of the day to decide who would face Japan in

the final.

After losing to the USA earlier in the tournament in an extra innings thriller 5-4, Aussie Spirit reversed the result and did so with some of the most exhilarating softball, winning 2-1.

The Australians were under enormous defensive pressure with the USA having 16 base-runners through eight innings. They collected 11 hits off Aussie Spirit pitchers Kaia Parnaby and Vanessa Stokes. Outstanding defence by Australia held the USA scoreless through six innings, with a late run coming in the seventh to tie the game.

Parnaby started for Aussie Spirit, pitching four innings and allowing seven hits.

Scintillating

Stokes relieved Parnaby in the fifth and continued her scintillating form to finish the game.

For the second time in a week, the game between the two teams went into extra innings.

In the bottom of the eighth, Stokes led Australia to victory with some great pitching, backed up with solid defence.

Australia had just 30 minutes to prepare for their first major international final since the 2012 World Cup.

The Australians knew what they were up against – the world number one softball team, led by the best pitcher in

the world, Yukiko Ueno.

The game quickly turned into a pitching duel between Ueno and Stokes. Playing professionally in Japan, Stokes was no stranger to the Japanese hitters. Outstanding on the mound through four innings, she allowed no runs and gave up five hits.

Parnaby replaced Stokes in the fifth inning.

Parnaby held the Japanese team for the remainder of the regulation game aided by some great defence. Parnaby gave up only one hit in the three remaining regulation innings to send the game into an international tie-breaker.

Unfortunately for Australia, an error by Stacey Porter at third base in the top of the eighth inning allowed Japan to score. Japan scored their second run, sealing victory when Australia was held scoreless in the bottom of the eighth.

Mercy rule

In earlier qualifying games, the Australians beat Venezuela 9-2 and Canada 6-4 after an earlier 7-0 loss to Japan where the international mercy rule was invoked.

At the conclusion of the tournament, Johanson described Stokes and Parnaby as the 'best right-left combination in world pitching'.

The team returned to Australia last Thursday to prepare for the domestic

season starting in December.

Johanson will be looking for gold when the Australians take on the world at the 2014 ISF XIV World Championship, Haarlam, Netherlands in August 2014.

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NSW Knockout meeting on 10 August

By GRAHAM HUNT



A DELEGATES meeting for the 2013 NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival will be held in Newcastle on Saturday, 10 August.

This year's Knockout will be hosted by the Newcastle Yowies, who won the 2012 Knockout.

The Yowies have decided to hold the carnival at the same venue as the 2012 Knockout – Lakeside Oval, Raymond Terrace, from Friday, 4 October, to Monday, 7 October.

Two delegates from clubs entering the 2013 Knockout can attend the 10 August meeting at the Yamuloong Centre, 71 Prospect Road, Garden Suburb, at 10am. Yowies spokesman Jimmy Wright said

the 10 August meeting would bring delegates up to date on planning for this year's event.

Wright said the Knockout was much more than a football carnival, and this year there would be a greater focus on children, Elders and Christians.

He said a Christians' tent would be available to the various denominations. He said the size of the Elders' tent would be doubled.

Children's activities

For the children there would be a craft and games tent and lots of children's rides.

The carnival will kick off at 8am on Friday, 4 October, and will feature an under 11 game at 8.30 between the Newcastle Yowies and the Redfern All Blacks.

Women's and 15 and under and 17 and under boys' games will follow.

These competitions will be capped at 16 teams.

There will be no nomination fees for the boys' events.

The men's open competition will be capped at 64 teams, but if more than 64 entries are received, late entries will play off on Friday, 4 October, to determine which teams can enter the main competition beginning the following day.

It will cost each team \$1500 to enter, with all fees going towards prizemoney.

Nominations close at 5pm on Friday, 20 September. Nomination forms are available at the Yowies' website www.newcastle.yowies.com.au

The draw will be made at the Raymond Terrace Bowling Club on Thursday 3 October.

Other features will include Saturday night entertainment featuring hip-hop, rap and country and western live music.

Wright told the *Koori Mail* that organising the Knockout was big business. He said the Yowies would not get much change out of a \$400,000 Knockout budget.

Security necessity

He said one of the biggest budget blowouts was security, but it was necessary.

"You wouldn't believe how much that costs," he said.

A Knockout logo design competition was won by artist Ronald Gordon.

His design will be made available to teams entering the competition so they can have it incorporated into their jumper designs.

Back in the ring

Daniel Geale to defend world title in Atlantic City



WORLD International Boxing Federation middleweight champion Daniel Geale is to defend his title against Englishman Darren Barker in Atlantic

City, New Jersey, on 17 August.

It will be Geale's first fight since he defended his title with a points win over fellow Indigenous Australian Anthony Mundine in Sydney last 30 January.

Argentinian Sergio Martinez knocked out the Londoner Barker in the 11th round of his maiden world title tilt in 2011.

Geale said Barker had put in a great performance against Martinez.

"He (Barker) was stopped late, but up until that stage he was doing really well. He was probably ahead on points," Geale said.

Barker, 31, then boosted his stock by stopping Italian Simone Rotolo in March and Welshman Kerry Hope in 2012.

Australian Geale now awaits on 17 August and Barker said, "This is a golden opportunity for me."

Geale, 32, became a world champion in May 2011 by beating Sebastian Sylvester.

Four successful defences have followed,



Daniel Geale and promotor Gary Shaw at the press conference after Geale defended his IBF world middleweight crown against Anthony Mundine at the Sydney Entertainment Centre last January.

the last a re-match points win against Mundine, who inflicted the only professional defeat of Geale in 30 contests in 2009.

"He's the best middleweight in the UK, and he's got some physical advantages over me," Geale said of Barker.

Tough fight

"It's a tough fight, but that's what I want. I want to defend my title against the best in the world and continue to establish myself as one of the leaders in this sport."

The Englishman has been beaten just once in his professional career – in his only foray into the lucrative US market, against leading middleweight Sergio Martinez.

Geale believes that Barker has improved in his two fights since that loss, but the 'Real Deal' is confident he has the skills to overcome the Englishman's edge in height and reach.

"I know I can dominate this fight. He's bigger than me, but I'm used to fighting bigger opponents – I quite enjoy it," said Geale.

"I think I can outwork him and outbox him on the inside and I believe we'll get a good result."

The fight will be the Australian's third trip overseas as a professional after two successful world title fights in Germany. Importantly though, this is his first bout on

US soil, with the event to be held at the Rebel Casino-Hotel, Atlantic City, New Jersey, and carried live on US television network HBO.

"That's a big opportunity obviously. I've been thinking about getting into the US for a long time and this is a great fight to do it with," Geale said.

"Darren Barker is a quality opponent and I think it's a really good chance to show my skills on HBO and set up some more big fights in the US."

"Whether it works out that my next fight is over there against Martinez or not, I'd be very comfortable basing my fights in America for a while if that's what's best for my career."

Geale said there was a belief that he was one of the weaker world middleweight champions.

"But I love being the underdog – the person who gets overlooked. That's how it always has been," he said.

"America is the next step for me."

"The middleweight division is very strong at the moment, but all I have to do is go over there and do my job."

"It doesn't matter where I am in the world. I am in that one space – in the ring. I know what I have to do."

Geale and Barker were gold medallists at the 2002 Manchester Commonwealth Games. Geale won the welterweight division, while Barker was the leading light welterweight.

"This is the fifth defence of my title and I have no intention of losing it," Geale said.

"I'm in the prime of my career and, like with every fight I have, I think you'll see some little bits and pieces of improvement in what I do."

"I'm only 32 years old now and I've had a nice break since January, but I've been training really hard. I'm going to be in perfect condition."