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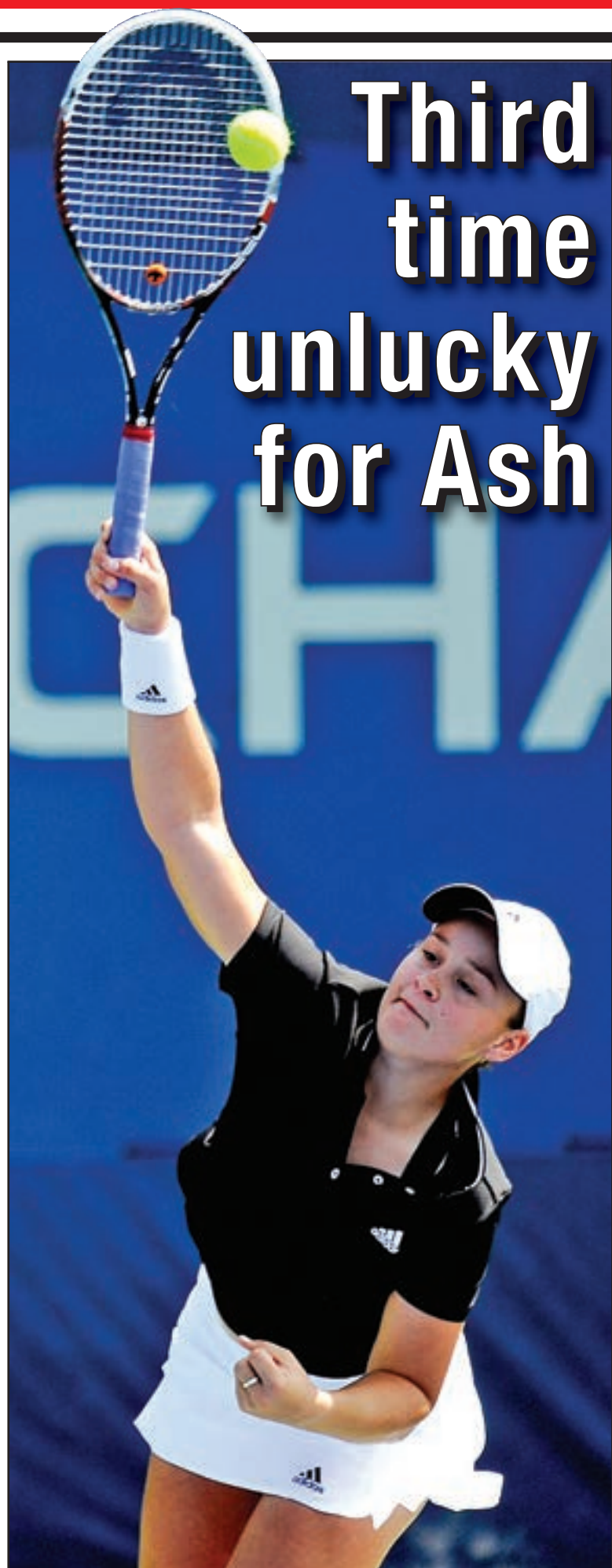
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Third time unlucky for Ash

IT seems Aboriginal tennis star Ashleigh Barty just can't take a trick at the sport's top level. With playing partner Casey Dellacqua the 17-year-old made the final of the prestigious US Open women's tennis doubles, only to go down last Sunday. It was the third Grand Slam doubles final the pair have lost this year. Mind you, the prizemoney was still pretty good. Get the full story on page 71. Getty image

Abbott takes the reins Coalition to shake things up



ABORIGINAL Affairs looks set for a shake-up under the new Liberal-National Government, with

Prime Minister Tony Abbott saying Australia will, in effect, have a 'PM for Aboriginal Affairs'.

Mr Abbott has said he will bring Indigenous affairs under the responsibility of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet; appoint Bundjalung man Warren Mundine as head of an Indigenous affairs advisory committee; support the Jawun Empowering Communities Initiative, as led by Noel Pearson; appoint billionaire miner Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest to oversee a review of Indigenous training programs; and provide up to \$45 million to support training company GenerationOne.

There is already fear in



Tony Abbott

Aboriginal legal and social justice organisations that funding will be cut to already over-stretched programs.

Former Olympian Nova Peris will become the first Aboriginal woman in Federal Parliament, when she is sworn in as a senator for the Northern Territory.

And the first Aboriginal person elected to the House of Representatives, Ken Wyatt, was



Nova Peris

re-elected with an increased majority to the Western Australian seat of Hasluck, becoming the first person to win it twice since the electorate's formation in 2001.

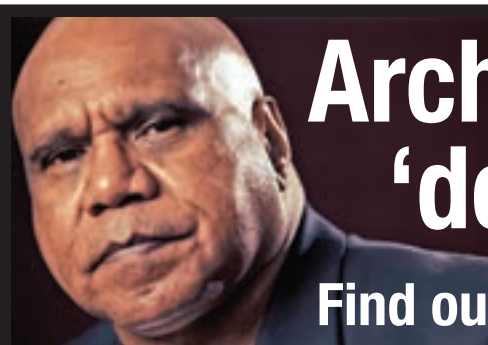
Mr Wyatt has put his hand up to take on more responsibilities.

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Ken Wyatt



Archie Roach still 'doing his stuff'

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My FAMILY

Maggie Raymond – Katherine, NT



THIS is a picture of me and some of my family in Katherine, Northern Territory.

In the picture are my children Richard and Assan, my partner's Aunt Crystal, and my partner's nephew Richardo and his girlfriend Jenette. We're born and bred here in Katherine; we're a big family.

My partner Roy is originally from Groote Eylandt, but grew up in Darwin and the Numbullwar community. His mum and dad always go hunting and they bring a lot of bush food back to us.

Richardo's girlfriend is from Halls Creek. They both live with us, so does my son in-law.

In our home we speak four languages – Wardaman, English, Creole and my partner's mother's language.

When we're at home we all help each other clean the house. We're supportive of each other.

We just love camping out together, hunting, fishing and eating bush food.

Richardo and my partner always go fishing. They love catching barramundi.

When I was 18 I used to drink, walk around town and feel lost. I don't worry about drinking any more. I just think about my kids and my partner. When I stopped drinking and had kids, I felt much better.

In my family and Roy's

there's about 30 or 40 nieces and nephews, all in Katherine.

Out of my mum and dad there's six of us. We have a lot of twins in our family. My big sister Megan is my identical twin. She was born a couple of minutes before me.

We catch up all the time, talk and the kids play together. She'll be looking after my kid and I'll be looking after her kid.

We live about ten minutes' walk away from each other. I live in the top camp, Megan lives in the bottom one.

If I didn't have my family around me I'd feel lost. You've got your family there all the time for you.

As told to Jillian Mundy

Pictured: Crystal Morrison holding Richard Assan, Maggie Raymond holding Tarlisa Assan, Richardo-Jordan Ferrar (back) and Jenette Gordon.

Share your family with our readers

If you would like to see your family featured in the 'My Family' section of the *Koori Mail*, email a digital photo to myfamily@koorimail.com along with a full caption (always reading from left to right) and between 350 and 400 words about your family. Tell us who is in your family, what you like to do as a family, your traditions and achievements, and what is important to you.

OUR CHILDREN



Cherbourg State School pre-prep students Shari Dynevor, Erwin Carlo, Mary Aubrey and Rosetta Sandow pictured with pre-prep Barambah PaCE mentor Mariah Saltner. Ms Saltner spends each school day helping children with play dough, playing sport, singing, reading, counting and sounding out letters, among other things. She has won praise from class teacher Shelley Miller. And apparently the kids just love her.

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Rachel a polocrosse sensation



NT WHEN Rachel Stringfellow (pictured centre) missed

selection in a Queensland polocrosse team in 2011, she didn't dwell on the disappointments.

That was the incentive to try even harder.

Then along came a call from Northern Territory coach Brendan Beck inviting the Aboriginal teenager to be part of the NT team to contest the Australian under 16 mixed titles at Warwick, not far from Rachel's home at Milbong, in Queensland's Fassifern Valley.

From that point, it's been a hectic ride and the youngster is now up there with the best of her age in Australia.

● Read about Rachel on page 70

Picture: Joe McInally Photography

Close gap, Govt urged



A RENEWED Council of Australian Governments (COAG) National Partnership

Agreement on Closing the Gap and action on the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan should be key priorities for the new government, the Close the Gap Steering Committee says.

The committee has outlined what it says are key steps needed in the next Parliament to ensure progress on closing the life-expectancy gap between Indigenous and other Australians.

It says that within its first 100 days, the Abbott Government should:

- reaffirm the commitment for the Prime Minister to annually report at the beginning of Parliament on progress towards closing the gap;
- secure a new COAG National Partnership Agreement on Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes, with a minimum Commonwealth spend of \$777 million over the next three years; and
- begin the implementation



Justin Mohamed

of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their representatives.

Campaign spokesperson and National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation chair Justin Mohamed said closing the gap was literally a life-or-death issue for Indigenous people.

"We're only at the beginning

of the journey to close the gap in life expectancy by 2030," he said. "We can't turn back now because closing the gap needs long-term commitment and policy continuity. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health in our hands is having an impact and we must keep supporting our people to deliver their own health outcomes."

Australian Medical Association president Dr Steve Hambleton said it was important that momentum towards closing the gap was maintained.

"Closing the gap is a generational effort and we are beginning to see signs of progress," he said.

The Close the Gap Campaign was launched by Olympians Cathy Freeman and Ian Thorpe in April 2007. Since then, almost 200,000 Australians have signed up to the campaign, which has also received multi-party support by all federal, state and territory governments.

Building on the Close the Gap platform can be downloaded from www.humanrights.gov.au/close-gap-indigenous-health-campaign

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Heat strikes Cobra cyclists



Frankie Wonga, above, is all smiles after receiving his gear for the Cobra bike ride and, right, Cobra riders set out from Oodnadatta. Pictures by Dave Laslett UTHSAC



SIXTEEN Aboriginal teenage boys may not have finished what they set out to do, but, according to event organiser George Laslett, what they accomplished and learned on the journey was worthwhile.

All participants in the Cobra Bike Ride, they planned to pedal 200km across dirt roads from Oodnadatta to Coober Pedy in South Australia, but were unable to complete the trip due to high temperatures.

The ride was organised by Umoona Tjutagku Health Service Aboriginal Corporation as an

early-intervention exercise, where the boys rode with drug and alcohol workers and local Aboriginal police officers, backed up by support cars.

They rode a short distance each day, but when temperatures hit 37 degrees, the decision was made to pull up.

Discuss issues

Mr Laslett said that camping first at Mount Barry Station and then at Lora Creek, the riders were able to 'chill out' around the campfire and discuss a range of issues including harm minimisation, foetal alcohol syndrome, binge drinking and the effects of smoking

marijuana on teenage brains.

"During that time we made great connections with the young fellas that we would never really have been able to develop in a more formal setting," he said.

"We tried to build an atmosphere of acceptance and non-judgmental approach, and while the boys were initially reticent, they did begin to open up and on the second night asked intriguing, in-depth and intelligent questions."

Umoona Health now plans to run a series of short rides aiming to build connections with young Aboriginal people and educate them about healthy lifestyles.



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New fund is in business



A PILOT program is aiming to help Indigenous social enterprises become more effective and

financially sustainable.

A social enterprise is an organisation that applies commercial strategies to improvements in human and environmental wellbeing.

The Indigenous Social Enterprise Fund (ISEF) is a partnership between Indigenous Business Australia (IBA), Social Ventures Australia (SVA) and Reconciliation Australia (RA) that aims to develop and nurture Indigenous social enterprises with a commercial focus, so that they can successfully access further investment.

The pilot will run for two years, offering investment packages tailored to the needs of each organisation, potentially consisting of a combination of grant funding and concessional business loans.

ISEF will be open to social enterprises that are Indigenous owned, non-profit organisations at start-up or growth stage that have appropriately qualified board members and



'I am pleased that the ISEF is to be governed by an advisory committee made up of a number of prominent Indigenous Australians...'

– IBA CEO Chris Fry

management teams.

IBA will allocate \$1 million for the fund, with SVA responsible for its management and transition to an Indigenous-owned organisation.

IBA CEO Chris Fry said the plan was to help social enterprises increase their effectiveness, as well as their long-term financial sustainability.

"I am pleased that the ISEF is to be governed by an advisory committee made up of a number of prominent Indigenous Australians such as Leah Armstrong, from RA, and Jason Glanville, from the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence, who will provide

expert guidance and ensure the fund is managed with the aspirations of the Indigenous community at the forefront," he said.

"I believe the involvement of Reconciliation Australia in providing Indigenous governance expertise will position it well for success."

SVA CEO Michael Trail said the ISEF would help Indigenous social enterprises to grow and become more sustainable.

"It will also build a strong pipeline of investment-ready Indigenous-led enterprises that have the potential to create employment and change lives in Indigenous communities," he said.



Palm Island it sure isn't



EIGHT top-achieving students from Palm Island in north Queensland have spent the past week enjoying the snowfields of Mt Buller in Victoria, thanks to the Cathy Freeman Foundation (CFF).

The Grade 6 and Year 7 students made the trip courtesy of CFF

Horizons Program, which recognises academic achievement and rewards students with interstate excursions based on merit, attitude and a demonstrated desire to achieve.

In between throwing snowballs and learning how to snowboard, the children also attended a mentoring and goal-setting workshop with Australian Winter Olympics ski

representative Ramone Cooper.

"For some of these kids, it is the first time they have ever seen snow!" Cooper said. "It's an incredible reward for their hard work in school."

CFF supports the education of over 600 school-aged children living on Palm Island each year.

● **Pictured: Brandon Castors in the snow. Picture by Andrew Railton**

669,900 of us



THE Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population is young, urban and growing, both in raw numbers and as a percentage of the total Australian population.

According to new figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), the Indigenous population has reached 669,900 (3 per cent of the total population), as of August 30, up from 455,030 in 2006.

ABS director of demography Bjorn Jarvis said Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples mainly lived in urban areas.

"Contrary to popular belief, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population predominantly lives in Australia's most populous areas, with about 60 per cent living in major cities and inner regional areas, and just over 20 per cent living in remote and very remote areas," he said.

NSW has the largest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population (208,500), followed by Queensland (189,000) and Western Australia (88,300).

About three-quarters of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people live in these three states.

The smallest population of Indigenous people (6200) live in the ACT.

"Almost a third (30 per cent) of the Northern Territory's population were Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the highest of any state or territory," Mr Jarvis said.

"Victoria had the smallest proportion of

Population facts at a glance

● Indigenous population 669,900 as of August 30.

● That's 3 per cent of the total Australian population.

● The Indigenous population was 455,030 just seven years ago.

● Most Indigenous people live in major cities.

● NSW has the most Indigenous people (208,500), followed by Queensland (189,000) and Western Australia (88,300).

● The median age of the population as of June 2011 was 22, compared to 38 generally.

● 10 per cent of people identify as Torres Strait Islander and both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, at just under 1 per cent."

The three biggest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations of Indigenous regions, which are loosely based on the former ATSIC boundaries, were measured on the eastern seaboard: Brisbane (64,993), Sydney-Wollongong (64,184) and NSW Central and North Coast – north of Sydney to the Queensland border (62,896).

The age statistics show there are more older Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people than in previous censuses and the birth rate is higher than for the rest of the population.

"The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population has a younger age structure than the non-Indigenous population, with larger proportions of young

people and smaller proportions of older people," Mr Jarvis said.

"The median age (statistical middle) of the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander population as of June 2011 was 22 years, compared to 38 years for the non-Indigenous population."

Around one third of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people live in major cities (233,100 people).

A further 147,700 people live in inner regional Australia and 146,100 people in outer regional areas.

The remainder live in remote (51,300 people) or very remote areas (91,600 people).

Of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population in 2011, 90 per cent (606,200 people) identified as being of

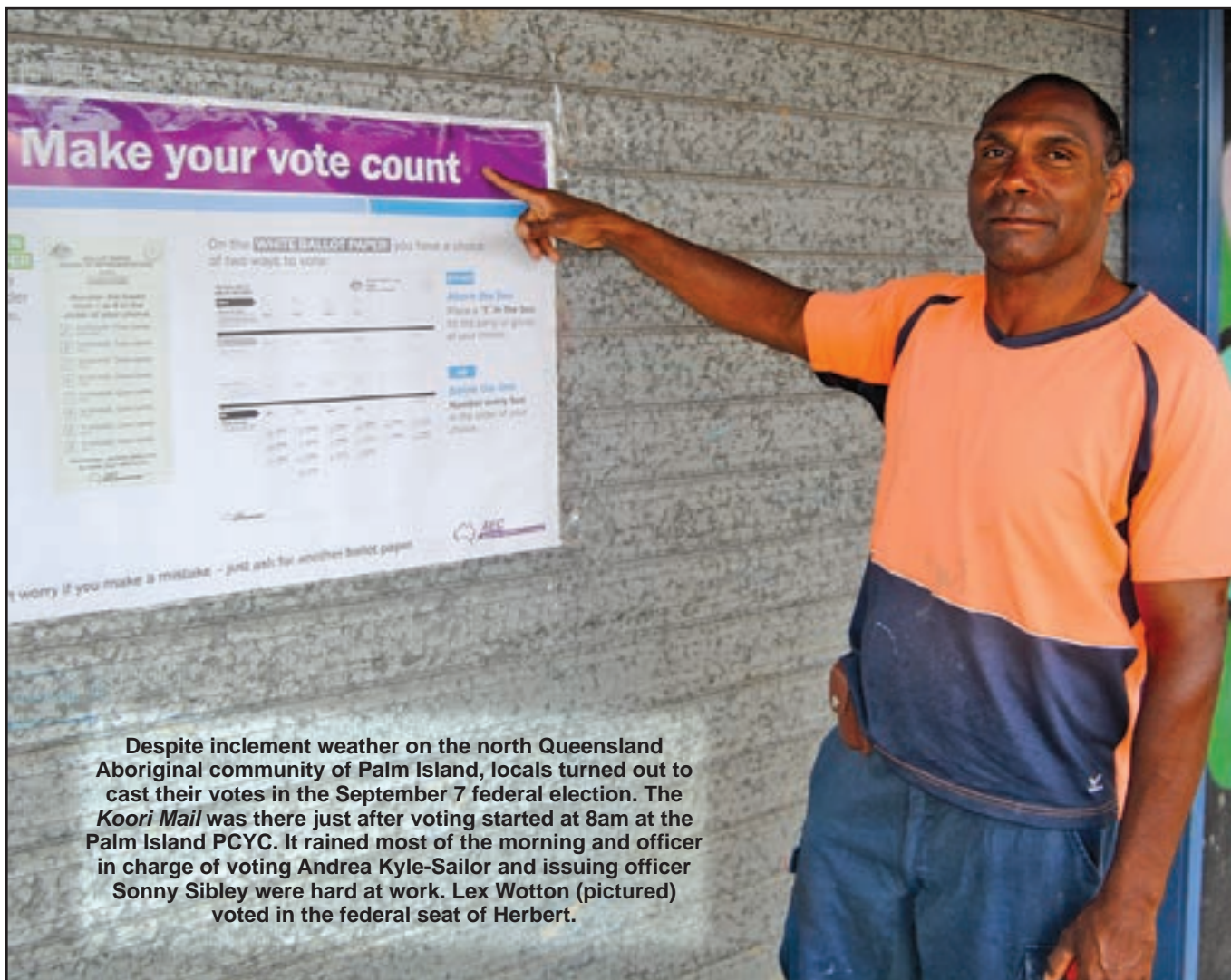


Still well on track... The *Koori Mail* front page from September 2009 where we reported ABS projections of 721,000 Indigenous Australians by 2021.

Aboriginal origin only, 6 per cent (38,100) of Torres Strait Islander origin only, and 4 per cent (25,600) as both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander origin.

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Shake up ahead after



Despite inclement weather on the north Queensland Aboriginal community of Palm Island, locals turned out to cast their votes in the September 7 federal election. The *Koori Mail* was there just after voting started at 8am at the Palm Island PCYC. It rained most of the morning and officer in charge of voting Andrea Kyle-Sailor and issuing officer Sonny Sibley were hard at work. Lex Wotton (pictured) voted in the federal seat of Herbert.

Victorious Coalition's key policies

THE key points of the Liberal-Nationals Coalition Indigenous Affairs policies are:

- establishing a Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council, to be chaired by Aboriginal businessman and former Labor Party president Warren Mundine
- within 12 months putting forward a draft amendment for constitutional recognition and establishing a process to assess chance of a successful referendum
- providing support for the Jawun Empowered Communities initiative (led by Cape York's Noel Pearson)
- a review by mining magnate Andrew Forrest of Indigenous training and employment programs
- up to \$45 million for GenerationOne, an Indigenous training and employment company
- transferring responsibility for Indigenous programs to the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. There will also be a dedicated Indigenous Affairs Minister.

\$42m threat to legal services



THE Coalition's costings, released two days before the election, included a \$42 million cut to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Legal Services across the country.

The cut would represent a 20 per cent reduction in funding and has been met with dismay from Indigenous legal and social justice organisations nationwide.

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services chairperson Shane Duffy said such a move would be highly disappointing.

"Given that Tony Abbott has positioned himself as the Prime Minister for Indigenous Australia, it's not a good look to start off by slashing the program that provides funding to culturally

competent legal assistance services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," he said.

"Given that our peoples are 15 times more likely to be incarcerated and that the rates of incarceration have risen by 50 per cent in the past 10 years compared to only 5 per cent for the rest of the population, access to

people would be left to face court without appropriate advice or representation – something all Australians should have a right to – and would also increase the pressure on the justice system.

"These cuts would make it harder for the Coalition to meet its commitment to reduce incarceration rates

culturally appropriate legal services."

Aboriginal Legal Service WA acting CEO John Bedford said the WA Government had finally acknowledged the need to reduce the numbers of Aboriginal people especially children, in custody.

WA has the highest rate of incarceration of Indigenous people, who are 20 times more likely to be imprisoned than other state residents.

"These cuts will have the opposite effect and will also place enormous pressure on an already stretched justice system, which begs the question – if ALSWA can't help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, who will?" Mr Bedford said.

"It is obvious that the Coalition doesn't care too much about the answer to that question."

'Given that Tony Abbott has positioned himself as the Prime Minister for Indigenous Australia, it's not a good look to start off by slashing the program that provides funding to culturally competent legal assistance services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.'

culturally competent legal assistance services is a critical issue for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," he said.

Oxfam Australia CEO Helen Szoke said the cut would mean Indigenous

and also bring into question whether the move would save money in the long run," she said.

"These services are already vastly underfunded and they play a critical role by providing access to

Constitutional recognition wins support

DESPITE the many issues that divide Australia, it seems constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples is something on which most people agree.

A telephone survey over 20 marginal seats on election day found 84 per cent of people supported constitutional recognition of the First Australians.

Recognise spokesperson and former Democrats senator Aden Ridgeway said the data confirmed Australians were uniting in their determination to fix the historical exclusion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from the Constitution.

"It's a strong signal that more and more Australians believe voting to recognise the First Australians in the Constitution in the next term of Parliament is the right thing to do," he said.

"The survey data proves that regardless of who you vote for, you are in a majority if you want to see us get this right as a nation."

The Coalition has said it will develop a draft document on recognition within a year of taking office.

"It's exciting to think that when Australians next go to the polls, it is likely to be to vote in a referendum to recognise the First Australians in our Constitution," Mr Ridgeway said.

The survey reflect the results of the ABC's Vote Compass, which showed 70 per cent of respondents believe the Constitution should be amended to acknowledge Indigenous Australians as the first inhabitants.

The ABC Vote Compass survey of more than one million respondents showed majority support for Indigenous constitutional recognition from voters right across the party political spectrum and across rural, regional and urban communities.

Look for more election coverage in our next edition

Coalition wins election

Abbott is Prime Minister

By RUDI MAXWELL



THE Liberal-National Coalition was swept to power with a sizeable majority in the House of

Representatives last weekend, making Tony Abbott Australia's 28th prime minister.

However, it looked unlikely that the Coalition would pick up the necessary 39 Senate seats to have a majority in the Upper House, meaning they will have to rely on negotiating with minor parties to pass legislation.

Former Olympian Nova Peris will become the first Indigenous woman in Federal Parliament and the first Aboriginal Labor MP when she is sworn in as one of the two senators for the Northern Territory.

The Muran woman from Kakadu told supporters that finding out she had won was similar to hearing she had made the Hockeyroos team for the 1996 Olympics.

The Coalition's Nigel Scullion received the highest number of votes in the NT Senate race, followed by Ms Peris, then Greens candidate Aboriginal country music star Warren H Williams. Senator Scullion is likely to become the Indigenous Affairs Minister.

Liberal Ken Wyatt, who became the first Aboriginal member of the House of Representatives, at the

2010 election, retained the seat of Hasluck in Western Australia with an increased majority. He is the first person to win the seat twice in a row since its creation in 2001.

During his victory speech, Mr Wyatt, a former director of Aboriginal health in WA and NSW, signalled he would be prepared to step up and take on more responsibility, if given the chance by Mr Abbott. "I would have to balance the responsibilities, but equally my commitment to everyone in this electorate would not change," he said.

Before the election, the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples wrote an open letter to its 6000 individual and 170 organisational members, asking them to consider the rights of Indigenous people when voting.

"Congress wants to work together with government on an agenda driven by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations, rather than a few select individuals, and one based on good faith, respect, accountability and constructive public dialogue," it said in a statement.

Mr Abbott has previously said he wants to be the 'prime minister for Aboriginal Affairs' and will bring the responsibility for Indigenous programs under the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

He also announced that businessman and former Labor



Theresa, left, and Jane Dalton assisted by Maryann Brown on polling day at Goonellabah.

Maryann helps our voters

MARYANN Brown jumped at the chance to join the Australian Electoral Commission's Indigenous Electoral Participation Program.

Last Saturday, Ms Brown was helping voters, explaining processes and assisting people with finding information at the polling station in Goonellabah Public School, north-

east NSW, in the electorate of Page.

"Aboriginal people before me fought for the right to vote," she said.

"It's important that Aboriginal people participate in the political process in every level, so we have our say about what happens in this country.

"Voting is the way we have our say."

Party national president Warren Mundine will head up an advisory council on Indigenous affairs.

Mr Mundine told the *Koori Mail* the job would be a 'massive' challenge and he had been meeting with representatives of Aboriginal peak bodies to seek their input.

"I would like to congratulate Nova Peris on what is a great moment for Indigenous people and wish her all the best," he said.

Under fire

One of the key points of the Coalition's Indigenous Affairs policy has already come under fire from the Sovereignty movement.

Convenor of the Sovereign Union of First Nations and Peoples

in Australia Michael Anderson was highly critical of the promise to award Jawun's Empowered Communities Initiative \$5 million, as announced by the Cape York Institute's Noel Pearson.

At the end of last month, Mr Pearson said a group of 25 prominent Indigenous leaders launched their plan to 'transform the way Indigenous policy is developed and implemented'.

However, Mr Anderson accused the group of pandering to white bureaucracy and repeating mistakes of the past, particularly top-down decision making.

Despite a swing against her of about 8 per cent, former Labor Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin held on to the Victorian

seat of Jagajaga.

In the NT seat of Lingiari, former Labor Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon looked set to hold on, polling top on first preferences, followed by Country Liberals candidate Tina MacFarlane, then Greens candidate anti-Intervention campaigner Barbara Shaw. Aboriginal candidates Trevor Hedland (Palmer United Party) and Kenneth Lechleitner (Australia's First Peoples Political Party) each polled less than 5 per cent.

At the time of going to press, it looked possible but unlikely that WA Nationals Senate candidate David Wirrpanda would get in.

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Five ACCELERATING to Britain

By RUDI MAXWELL



FIVE creative Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are heading to the United Kingdom

thanks to the ACCELERATE program, run in partnership by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board and the British Council.

Solomon Booth (Qld), Ron Bradfield Jnr (WA), Michael Cook (Qld), Andrea James (NSW) and Kimberley Moulton (Vic) were announced as the ACCELERATE award recipients during a ceremony at the Ian Potter Museum of Art in Melbourne.

They will receive specialist leadership training, support and a professional development trip to Britain, to work with some of the most respected British arts organisations.

Language

Mr Bradfield is going to visit Wales to explore how the people there have managed to preserve their language.

"Wales, which is about 5 per cent of the UK population, receives a large slice of arts funding to prop up their language," he said.

"Imagine if that happened here; how different it might be if we had that support for our languages.

"Wales manages to say, 'This is actually important, this is how we identify, this is how we show and anchor the world in our culture.'

"People celebrate language. All the signs are in Welsh and English. A relatively small



Bound for the United Kingdom... This year's ACCELERATE program award recipients, from left, Ron Bradfield Jnr, Kimberley Moulton, Solomon Booth, Michael Cook and Andrea James.

population in the UK has found a way in which to champion their culture and have invested in it.

"In Australia you might see the odd sign, but imagine if local government made the investment to tell people whose country they were entering."

After a nationwide call for applications, 14 people were shortlisted and invited to share their creative and leadership visions in a competitive round of interviews.

The final five were chosen for their ability to articulate their vision and identify how time in

Britain would help them to achieve it.

Ms Moulton, a Yorta Yorta woman and curator of the Birrarung Gallery in Melbourne, said she hoped to spend time at Pitt Rivers Museum at Oxford University.

"I'm really interested in

exploring the relationship between contemporary art and the role of historical matter, to look at artefacts in these institutions," she said.

"Having this opportunity will open pathways to promote Victorian Aboriginal culture and Australian Indigenous culture."

Group will fight for justice in Qld

By RUDI MAXWELL



A GROUP has been formed in Brisbane to address the over-representation of Aboriginal people in the Queensland criminal justice system and harassment of Aboriginal people by police.

Group spokesperson Reverend Alex Gater said members had formed a delegation to seek a meeting with Queensland Attorney-General Jarrod Bleijie and Police Commissioner Ian Stewart.

"The system sets up Aboriginal people to fail," she said after the group was formed at a meeting last week at Jagera Community Hall.

"There are a lot of Aboriginal people in prison who shouldn't be there. They've ended back in prison because of petty reasons, or failing to meet reporting conditions.

"Some people don't have the resources to report in (to authorities) three times a week, or they'll mix up their days and the next minute there's a policeman on the doorstep to take them back to prison.

"I would like to see these overly onerous reporting conditions scrapped. Once you've served your time, it should be over."



Reverend Alex Gater after the meeting.

Rev Gater said there should be greater focus on rehabilitation rather than punishment.

"Aboriginal people need healing, not prison," she said. "We need to help reconnect our people back to our culture and land."

The meeting discussed police harassment and ways to empower and educate Aboriginal people to deal with the situation in a calm manner.

"Some of our people go for a day out, go into the city, and they are stopped, questioned and searched many times by police in one day," Rev Gater said.

"Aboriginal people are being targeted, and police are abusing their positions."

An Elder told the meeting that, if stopped by police, people have the right to ask the officers to identify themselves, what station they are from, and why they are being stopped.

"It's always Aboriginal people being targeted, and sometimes they get angry at the police and swear, then they have you for obscene language," Rev Gater said.

"We've got to educate our people.

"We are going to form a group, like a tribal council, with representatives from our different nations so we can go and meet with the Attorney-General and Police Commissioner and say, 'These are the issues. We are not the problem and we want you to address these things.'

"Our people need to come forward and not be afraid, make complaints."

(Cheaper) power to the people



A SCHEME to cut power bills in more than 2000 remote Aboriginal

households in NSW has been launched. The NSW Government and Dubbo-based Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation have signed an agreement to help households access the Home Power Savings Program.

The free service provides in-home energy assessments and energy savings kits to help cut bills.

NSW Environment Minister Robyn Parker said the agreement would help Aboriginal households across the state. "Under this agreement Murdi Paaki will recruit energy experts to travel from Bourke to Broken Hill and everywhere in between to provide this program to remote communities," she said.

Murdi Paaki's Janelle Whitehead said that the partnership was a great way to build community skills and capacity to manage household power use.



Banjima native title claimants and people outside the Federal Court in Perth following their win.

Banjima jubilant at native title win



BANJIMA Elder Alec Tucker and his people were celebrating the end of a 15-year battle last week. The Federal Court recognised the native title rights of the Banjima people of Western Australia's central Pilbara region to more than 10,000 square km of their traditional lands.

Banjima country is considered the 'engine-room' of BHP's Pilbara iron ore operations and covers major project areas for Rio Tinto, Hancock Prospecting, Fortescue Metals Group and other mining companies.

It includes areas around Karijini National Park and the asbestos mining town of Wittenoom and



'We know it's Banjima country. It's my grandfather's country, my father's country. I think the old people would be happy about today.'

— Banjima Elder Alec Tucker

extends west towards Tom Price, and east towards Newman.

The Banjima people lodged their first native title claim in 1998 and have been in litigation with the WA Government since 2011 after being

unable to reach a negotiated outcome.

Mr Tucker said the day of the court announcement was joyful. "We've been looking forward to this for a long time," he said.

"We've been waiting for so long. "We know it's Banjima country. It's my grandfather's country, my father's country. I think the old people would be happy about today."

Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation CEO Simon Hawkins said it was disappointing to see one of the strongest cultural groups in the Pilbara forced into trial by their own government.

"The strength of the evidence was overwhelming; there was no need to put the Elders and community through this," he said.

"The WA Government needs to catch up with the rest of Australia, stop waging expensive legal battles and take a more collaborative approach."

Moree Baths on list



THE Moree Baths in northern NSW,

where Aboriginal activist Dr Charles Perkins highlighted entrenched racism in Australia as part of the 1965 Freedom Ride, have been added to the National Heritage List.

The ride highlighted the fact that Aboriginal people were routinely barred from places such as swimming pools, clubs and cafes.

The pool became a scene of tension and aggression as the protestors attempted to assist Aboriginal children from the reserve outside town enter the pool while locals angrily defended the race-based ban.

The Government said the baths fulfilled the requirements of the heritage list as they were a place where the student protests forced Australians to confront racial segregation.

The Freedom Ride protest was also an important contributing factor to the Yes vote in the 1967 referendum to change the Australian Constitution.

The rationale for the listing said that the events at the Moree baths in 1965 brought Dr Perkins into public prominence as a leading Aboriginal activist 'and it was here that his tactic of confronting people with awkward truths about their treatment of Aborigines first emerged in a public context'.

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Dump move going to trial



THE Federal Court has ordered a trial to begin next June over a proposed nuclear waste dump at Muckaty Station in the Northern Territory.

A group of traditional owners claims that the Federal Government's nomination of the land for Australia's first national nuclear waste dump is invalid.

They say the Northern Land Council (NLC) did not properly identify the traditional Aboriginal owners of the nominated land, in breach of its duties.

They also say the NLC did not consult adequately and did not get proper consent before recommending the site.

In 2007, the NLC nominated Muckaty as a

proposed site for the deposit of radioactive materials under the *Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Act 2005*.

Five Aboriginal clans live at Muckaty, 110km north of Tennant Creek, but only one supports the proposed waste dump.

The other clans began legal proceedings against the Federal Government and the NLC in June 2010.

The setting down of a trial date means there is some light at the end of the tunnel for the

traditional owners who have been fighting the dump, said Maurice Blackburn lawyers principal Brooke Dellavedova, who is appearing on their behalf.

"Many Aboriginal people with important connections to this land were either not consulted, or their opposition was ignored – we are encouraged by this latest step in the legal process," she said.

Justice Anthony North has requested further evidence about the health of two important witnesses, to determine whether their evidence should be taken this month in Darwin.

A further hearing to determine steps leading up to the trial will take place early next year. – AAP



Ready to help Indigenous youth... Members of the Young Healers Reference Group, from left, Mark Munnich, Jasmin Onus, Blake Tatafu, Julia Kaczmarek and Shonai Moffatt.

Young Healers to help our traumatised youth



A PROJECT aimed at helping young Indigenous people suffering inter-generational trauma has been launched.

The youth-led initiative Young Healers, launched this month in Perth, will work with young Indigenous people around the country. It is being auspiced by the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation.

Foundation CEO Richard Weston said the continuing impact of past events on young people should never be underestimated.

"The Healing Foundation acknowledges the effects past government policies, particularly the removal of children, continue to have on our young people," he said.

"Our aim is to create opportunities for our young people to support each other in dealing with the issues that are affecting them, their families, and their friends, to show them that they aren't alone and that they can address these issues from a place of resilience."

The Healing Foundation was formed on the first anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations and supports culturally strong, locally-run Indigenous healing programs as well as funding education and research on Indigenous healing.

As part of the project, the Young Healers is conducting a national survey of Indigenous youth to guide the group on the best way to support young people.

Results

The group said initial results revealed that what young people wanted most was youth-specific healing initiatives and increased interaction with their peers through youth forums and social networking.

The inaugural youth reference group members, who will lead the Young Healers initiative, are Shonai Moffatt, a Wakka Wakka woman from Brisbane, Mark Munnich, a Gunggandji/Yawuru man from Darwin, Julia Kaczmarek, a Badulaig/Italaig woman from Badu Island in the Torres Strait,

now living in Canberra, Jasmin Onus, a Bindal/Birri/Gunditjamara woman from Townsville, now living in Darwin, Blake Tatafu, a Wiradjuri/Dhungutti man from Western Sydney, and Jaeden Calyun, a Wongi/Noongar man from Port Augusta.

Ms Onus said Young Healers was about raising awareness of what healing was, what intergenerational trauma was, and how it affected young people.

"Most importantly, Young Healers is about coming up with tailored initiatives to address the healing needs of our youth," she said.

The Healing Foundation's programs aim to build resilience in children and young people, support members of the Stolen Generations, assist communities to build cultural strength, and educate and train workers in sectors such as health and childcare.

More information about Young Healers, including details about the national survey, and the Healing Foundation is available at www.healingfoundation.org.au



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Mabuiag Islanders look to lobsters

By DARREN COYNE



THE shy tropical rock lobster could be the key to improving the economic future of traditional owners on Mabuiag Island in the Torres Strait.

The islanders have come up with an ambitious plan to create a \$3.5 million seafood processing facility that could increase the value of the regional industry from \$18 million to \$34 million a year.

The plan was the brainchild of Flora Warrior, who conceived the project as part of her Masters in Business Administration degree at the Cairns campus of James Cook University.

Miss Warrior is the chair of a working party that has been developing the concept.

"We are hoping to get it going

within the next 18 months and we hope to achieve the aquaculture component within five years," she said.

Miss Warrior said the group was trying to attract money from government as well as economic development funding from the Torres Strait Regional Authority.

She told the *Koori Mail* that unlike southern lobsters, the tropical rock lobster would not take bait and therefore could not be caught in traps.

"They are more expensive because they have to be caught by hand by either free-diving or using a hookah (breathing device)," she said.

"The upside of this is that there is very little bycatch."

Miss Warrior said the islanders would be looking to sell the lobsters into the lucrative Asian market. "It's been a long-time



At home on Mabuiag Island... Elder and fisherman John Allan Repu, Goemulgaw TSI Corporation president Terrence Whap, working group chair Flora Warrior and group member Sophie Luffman. Margaret Larry, the fifth member of the working group, is absent.

coming because we've been trying to get this up for a while for the community," she said.

Goemulgaw TSI Corporation, which represents the traditional owners, is auspicing the project pending registration of the fishing cooperative and sourcing of capital for the project.

Corporation president Terrence Whap said the project would help ensure that fishing dollars stayed

in the community.

"We are mindful, however, that there needs to be a degree of balance to sustain fisheries into the future and consider ourselves to be in the best position to contribute to that balance through our long history of traditional sustainability practices as the sea has been our food basket for thousands of years," he said.

Miss Warrior said the project also presented an opportunity to build a structure to foster the growth of individual Indigenous small businesses, many of which were operated by Torres Strait Islander fishermen.

"A cooperative structure is the ideal way of meeting complex commercial and community interests in an Indigenous setting," she said.

'We are hoping to get (the Mabuiag Island rock lobster processing facility plan) going within the next 18 months and we hope to achieve the aquaculture component within five years.' – Mabuiag Islander Flora Warrior



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Artist's work is people's choice



HAMMOND Island artist Edwin Turner has taken out the People's Choice Award for his entry in the 2013 Gab Titui Indigenous Art Award.

More than 150 locals and visitors to the Gab Titui centre on Thursday Island in the Torres Strait voted to decide the award, which recognises works most favoured by the public in the annual exhibition.

Turner's work *Home Reef*, a wooden carving set on mirror, depicts traditional island lifestyle and was selected by the public for its 'intricacy', 'detail' and 'amazing craftsmanship'.

'Respect'

An anonymous voter described it as 'a true indication of life in years gone by' and another said it 'reminds us of the care and respect shown by people (towards the environment)'.

The 2013 Gab Titui Indigenous Art Award opened on July 23 during Gab Titui's reopening celebrations and features a record 77 entries from artists throughout 18 communities in the Torres Strait and Northern Peninsula Area (NPA).

All entries were inspired by this year's theme 'Ailan Style', developed to celebrate the unique ways and traditions of each community in the Torres Strait and NPA.

Winners in nine categories were announced on the opening night. As the recipient of the tenth category, the People's Choice Award, Turner receives \$1500 prizemoney.

Community members were given six weeks to cast their votes for the People's Choice Award.



Hammond Island artist Edwin Turner with his Gab Titui Indigenous Art Award People's Choice winning work *Home Reef*.

Hand signs online

By DARREN COYNE



SIGN language handed down from the Dreamtime is now online.

Hand signs used by Central Australian Aboriginal people have been well documented over the years, but are now available for anyone to learn via a website.

The project is an initiative of Aboriginal people from the Ti Tree community in the Northern Territory, the Batchelor Institute and linguists from the University of Melbourne.

The website, at iltyemiltyem.com/sign/ contains hundreds of video clips showing the various signs used by Aboriginal people.

It explains that sign language is part of everyday communications in Central Australia.

Often used instead of talking, people might use sign language when they are hunting, communicating across long distances, or for cultural reasons when they are not allowed to speak.

Sign language is also used by women during sorry business, and also by deaf people or people with aphasia, which affects their ability to speak.

Ti Tree community member Janie Pwerreri said the 'old people' had taught the sign language to the younger generations, and that it was important to keep the tradition alive.



Keeping their traditions alive... Ti Tree community signers, from left, Marie Long, Helen Ross, June Long, Clarrie Long, April Campbell, Eileen Campbell, Mandy Nakamarra and Molly Presley.

"They held that knowledge from the Dreaming and they handed it over and passed it on to us," she said.

"Now we want to pass it on to our children. We want to put our language on a website so that the children can learn sign language."

The pilot phase of the project has involved Ti Tree signers April Pengart Campbell, Clarrie

Kemarr Long, Eileen Pwerreri Campbell, Molly Napurrurla Presley, Janie Pwerreri Long, June Nakamarra Ross, Marie Nakamarra Long, Kwementyay Pengart Campbell and Seraphina Presley.

The project linguists are Dr Jenny Green, Gail Woods and Margaret Carew, from the University of Melbourne.

The website was designed and developed by Ben Foley.

Users can register free and browse different categories of signs, such as kinship, animals and plants. They can also search using local languages and English.

The project team has designed the website so that other communities can contribute sign

language material from their areas.

The Federal Indigenous Languages Support Program, the Hans Rausing Endangered Languages Documentation Program and the Australian Research Council funded the project, which was managed by the Research Division at Batchelor Institute.

Reports to help kids



THE peak body advocating for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in childcare has released two reports that reinforce the importance of Indigenous people participating in

the system. The first report 'Whose Voice Counts?' looks at whether current legislation, policies and systems are empowering Indigenous communities to make decisions about the care and protection of their children.

The second SNAICC report,

produced with the NSW peak body AbSec, profiles a groundbreaking new approach to developing the capacity of Aboriginal out-of-home care agencies in NSW through partnerships with mainstream organisations.

'Developing Capacity Through

Partnerships' details the five-phase partnership development process that is preparing Aboriginal communities across NSW to take on all placements, and the critical role being played by AbSec to facilitate partnerships.

SNAICC chairperson Sharron

Williams said the new SNAICC reports, released during Child Protection Week, provided inspiration and guidance for states and territories on some complex issues.

For more information on the new reports, go to www.snaicc.org.au

Gloria's a mum to many

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



GLORIA Sambo was little more than a baby when she and nine of her siblings were removed from her parents' care and put into a home.

Her memories of those early days are little more than a blur of children's homes until she was finally placed with an Aboriginal foster family.

She was one the lucky ones, she says.

Ms Sambo was cared for by a loving family that not only taught her to be proud of her Indigenous culture, but nurtured and supported two of her sisters as well.

It was, Ms Sambo admits, the best outcome you could hope for out of a tragic situation.

But of nine siblings who were removed, only three were placed in Indigenous foster care.

"Nine of us were taken from our home in Ravenshoe (in far North Queensland) to a children's home in Townsville and then moved on to another one in Rockhampton," Ms Sambo told the *Koori Mail*.

"I was four at the time so I don't remember much. We were all separated after that and I went with my two sisters into foster care. We didn't see mum and dad again until I turned 18 and left home."

Ms Sambo, still now reconnecting with family after all this time, concedes that some things taken can never be replaced.

"There is still a lot I don't know about our family and I'm still meeting family," she said.

"I was told different stories about why we were removed: like we were carted off to the pub and sat outside waiting for our parents."

"When I think about the kind of life we might have had if we weren't removed, I think, 'Thank God. It was for the better.'"

"But I was lucky to have the family I did."

"My reflections on my past are both good and bad. We weren't traumatised or abused in any way."

"Some of the other siblings weren't so fortunate and had different experiences



Gloria Sambo. She now has five Indigenous children in her care and is calling for more Indigenous people to take up the important role of foster carers for children and young people in Queensland.

to mine. I was lucky because we had a loving Aboriginal family, but the other siblings had white families and some of my sisters were raised by nuns.

"The priest used to make us sit on his lap and sing *Thank Heaven for Little Girls*. We found out later that the home we were living in was shut down. I saw it on the news that

the priest was exposed for abusing the children and I called my sister straight away and she said that nothing happened to us. We were lucky to escape that."

Ms Sambo met her husband Raymond and settled down to create a family of her own. Eventually, though, as her four children grew up and left home, the need to give others a second chance at life became overwhelming and she opened up her home to the most vulnerable and needy children.

"Our first were two sisters who came to us when they were small and we grew them up," she said.

"Now they have children of their own and they're like my own daughters. I don't know how many children have come into our home over the years, but if I had to estimate I'd say close to 100 children and young people. I've raised them up from babies to teenagers."

While Ms Sambo's mark on young lives is immeasurable, the fact remains that Indigenous children are removed faster than kinship carers can be found. According to the latest statistics from Queensland's leading child protection body, Child Protection Peak (CPP), 4000 of the 11,000 children subject to child protection interventions are Indigenous, with a 37 per cent overrepresentation in the system. Some 1200 children continue to be placed in non-Indigenous care with limited family contact.

Ms Sambo believes the biggest failing of the child protection system is the inability to provide early intervention to support families to stay together. She's also calling on more Aboriginal families to step up to provide loving homes to children in need of care.

"I don't believe there's enough support for families," she said.

"Aboriginal families should be given the opportunity to take care of their own first if possible, and then other Aboriginal foster families should be considered."

"I've had a lot of joy from caring for these children over the years, it's been incredibly rewarding."

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Plan to regain major station

By DARREN COYNE



ABORIGINAL people in Central Australia are hoping to regain ownership of Henbury Station, a former pastoral lease which is home to one of Australia's most controversial carbon-farming projects.

Located 230km south of Alice Springs, the 500,000ha property was bought for \$13 million and de-stocked by R M Williams Agricultural Holdings in 2011. The move attracted \$9 million funding from the Federal Government.

At the time, attempts by Aboriginal people to buy the property were unsuccessful.

But since the parent company went into receivership this year, the property has been placed on the market, with expressions of interest closing last Friday.

The Central Land Council had been negotiating with the Indigenous Land Corporation to make a bid for the site and it is understood an offer has been made.

CLC director David Ross said the property should be returned to its traditional owners, who had actively been seeking to regain ownership for more than 40 years.

He said the Pertame (southern Arrernte) people had a long association with the property, which had many sacred sites, with five of those sites, including three permanent waterholes, have major regional ceremonial significance.

"It's extremely important country for them and we have nearly completed research to lodge a claim for recognition of their native title rights to secure their interests in the future," he said.

Mr Ross said traditional owners were best placed to look after the cultural and environmental values of the property. He said traditional owners, many of whom were well versed in the important role of the pastoral industry, also saw potential for training and employment on the property.

"Given the covenants which bind the lease and impose substantial management requirements on the property, the traditional owners, with the assistance of the CLC and the ILC, are adamant that they are best placed to manage the country sustainably by developing a property management plan that balances protection with production," Mr Ross said.

He said there had been negotiations with the current owners before the receivership.

While Henbury has been operated as a cattle station, 70 per cent of the property remains largely in its natural condition, with 100km of the Finke River snaking across its boundaries.

The property is marked by gorges in the north, permanent waterholes and remnant plant species.

Because of its natural values, Henbury was supposed to become part of the National Reserve System and be regenerated after nearly 150 years of grazing.

Carbon credits sold from its natural regeneration were set to make it the world's largest carbon farm.

It can only be sold because Henbury Station was never transferred from a pastoral lease to a conservation covenant, a requirement of the National Reserve System.



David Ross



Damien Greenwool in action... Danger is never far away on the back of a 1000kg-plus bucking bull.

Riders live for the thrills – not spills

By JILLIAN MUNDY



RODEO cowboys like Damien Greenwool are willing to risk life and limb for the

carnival atmosphere of the rodeo and the adrenaline rush that comes with riding 1000kg-plus bucking bulls.

Greenwool, from the Gulf of Carpentaria community of Kowanyama and who now lives in Winton, was one of the Aboriginal rodeo riders at the recent 2013 Longreach Rodeo in Queensland.

Talking to the *Koori Mail* before the event and fresh from a week of refining his skills at the Longreach rodeo school, his excitement and anticipation was obvious.

While Greenwool admits injury is never far from his mind – after all, riders sign a public liability waiver stating they understand and acknowledge that serious injury or death may result from what they do – he's quick to add it's not going stop him.

In fact, he says he'll keep riding until he's 'really knocked out of the sport' or ready to retire.

"You never know where you'll end up after this ride. One party could be good; the next party you could



Bull-rider Damien Greenwool, from Winton, looking forward to the next adrenaline rush at the Longreach Rodeo in central Queensland.

end up in a bad situation. You could be riding a bucking bull that doesn't know when to stop. They don't understand the word stop," he said.

'Atmosphere'

"The atmosphere, the bull-riding adrenaline rush, keeps all the cowboys coming back.

"And you always get to meet heaps of good

people at the rodeo."

No stranger to cattle and horses, 25-year-old Greenwool first climbed on a bullock, a smaller version of the animals he now rides, when he was 17. He's been hooked on the adrenaline rush ever since.

"Watching my cousin, he'd always been around bull riding," Greenwool said.

"He went out of town

winning bulls rides, like at Mareeba, Mossman and down at Charters Towers. We were working together at a cattle station, a local cattle company at Kowanyama.

"We've got a few little bullocks out there, and he said why don't you try it. We were loading rodeo stocks, getting 'em in and mustering 'em. We carted that little bullock and rodeo weekend came up and I rode my first little bullock for eight seconds – that's the time you've got to stay (to score) – and I just wanted to keep on going from then."

Greenwool's had some success, too. At the recent Boulia Rodeo he walked away with second place in the men's open division.

But he wasn't so lucky at Longreach. Only hours after talking to the *Koori Mail*, he was bucked by a bull named Thing.

While Thing, who's never been ridden for the full eight seconds, was escorted back to the holding pens, Greenwool limped away and was carted off the hospital – routine for any injury, however minor.

The good news is that after spending three days on crutches and a trip home to the Gulf country to recuperate, he's raring to hit the rodeo scene again.

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Students join in the Other Election

By RUDI MAXWELL



IF Jeremy Robinson becomes Australia's first Aboriginal prime minister, he will change education so that every student learns sign language, and deaf and hearing students all learn together.

Jeremy, a Year 10 student from Kedron Sports High School in Queensland, would also improve access to health and fitness in schools.

"I am deaf and I am proud," he said in sign language. "I am Aboriginal and I am proud. I'm proud of my family because they accept me for who I am."

Jeremy is one of 600 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander high school students

participating in the Other Election, run by the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME).

Students give a speech online outlining what they will do if they become the first Indigenous prime minister.

AIME CEO Jack Manning Bancroft is hoping a million people vote in the Other Election.

"It's been amazing. They've done some pretty remarkable pieces to camera," he said.

"It's awesome to be able to share what these students are doing, which hopefully will inspire the next generation of Indigenous people coming through across the country."

The students talk about whatever is closest to their hearts, with issues including racism, education, health, feminism, asylum-seekers and stereotypes.



Jack Manning Bancroft

"Contrasted with the federal election, you can see in the Other Election the honesty and rawness

of these kids," Mr Manning Bancroft said. "It's refreshing."

The top 10 candidates will be announced today, September 11. Voting for the finalists will close on September 29 and the top three candidates will win a trip to Canberra to present their speeches to the prime minister.

"We just provided the framework and you can see a really good cross-section of the natural issues these kids are facing," Mr Manning Bancroft said.

"We always operate on the theory that if you shoot for the moon, even if you miss, you'll land on the stars, so what's the ultimate position to challenge kids to reach for: the symbol of the highest office in the land."

"If they can imagine themselves being the first Indigenous prime minister then

they'll have no worries imagining themselves as doctors, lawyers, dentists, tradespeople, teachers, or whatever they like."

Year 10 Shoalhaven High School student Aaron Stewart said he was sick of the stereotypes.

"What do you think? Do I look like the type of person who could be prime minister of Australia?" he said. "Or, do I look like the type of person who plays sports?"

"Help me prove that Indigenous Australians can be more than sportspeople; let's prove that we can be doctors, teachers, even politicians."

"Let's prove that we can do anything we put our minds to."

Check out the campaign and vote in the Other Election by going to www.theotherelection.com.au

Call to back hubs



THE NSW Government has issued a call for non-government organisations in the Dubbo and the Upper Hunter regions interested in operating 'Opportunity Hubs'.

The hubs are a part of OCHRE, the Government's plan for Aboriginal affairs, and are designed to coordinate and match Aboriginal students' aspirations with jobs.

OCHRE stands for Opportunity, Choice, Healing, Responsibility, Empowerment, and the program was launched earlier this year.

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello said the proposed hubs would assess students between Years 5 and 12 and match them with local opportunities to support them to stay at school and transition to work.

"Hubs will act as a bank for local employers, universities and TAFEs to deposit opportunities

including employment, training, mentoring, scholarships or volunteer work," he said.

"Through brokering partnerships between schools, employers and education providers, we can get smarter about matching students to jobs."

Mr Dominello said that during the development of OCHRE, the Government was told Aboriginal young people needed hands-on assistance to gain the necessary knowledge, confidence and skills to find employment.

University of Sydney deputy vice-chancellor Professor Shane Houston, a member of the ministerial taskforce that helped shape OCHRE, applauded the initiative.

"Strategies that build our young people's capability to not only stay at school but do well, to be confident and to build strong futures, must be supported," he said.

"I look forward to these young people going on to graduate from the University of Sydney and other universities, taking their place as doctors, lawyers, engineers and community leaders."

A spokesperson for the minister confirmed briefing sessions had taken place in both regions, and that expressions of interest must be lodged by 9.30am on September 23 at www.tenders.nsw.gov.au



Great result... Central Land Council ranger Terrence Abbot at the site of the survey for the central rock rat.

Rangers play role in rare rock rat sighting



THE sighting of a critically-endangered mammal in central Australia has been hailed as evidence of

the effectiveness of Aboriginal rangers.

The elusive central rock rat (*Zyzomys pedunculatus*) has been found in a collaborative project between the Central Land Council (CLC) and the Northern Territory Department of Land Resource Management's (DLRM) flora and fauna division using remote sensor cameras on the Haasts Bluff Aboriginal Land Trust, west of Alice Springs.

The species was last recorded in the area in 1960



A remote sensor camera picture of the central rock rat.

and was thought to be extinct. The rock rat is one of Australia's rarest and most enigmatic mammals.

The cameras also took footage of the rare black footed wallaby, which had not been seen locally since 1991. CLC director David Ross

said the finding indicated that there may be further populations of the rock rat and highlighted the importance of local Aboriginal ranger groups in managing key threats to native species, including predation by feral cats and wild fires.

"Rangers spend a lot of time on flora and fauna surveys for various agencies, and to find a rare animal like this is unusual," he said.

The CLC, DLRM and the Anangu Luritjiku rangers are planning a predator baiting trial in the area next year to minimise impacts on the species by feral cats, which were also captured by the cameras.

They will also undertake fire management and survey other prospective sites for further populations.

"Now we have more than 90 Aboriginal rangers in 10 groups and together they form an extremely skilled and valuable environmental workforce," Mr Ross said.

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Colleen in the fight of her life

By DARREN COYNE



COLLEEN Lavelle, of Brisbane, knows that if she loses her sight she could also lose her children.

But with the same courage that she has battled a brain tumour for the past four-and-a-half years, Ms Lavelle says she is determined to not let that happen.

Neither are her friends.

On Friday at Alexandra Hills State School in Brisbane they are holding a fundraiser to help the former Close the Gap program officer pay for urgent cataract surgery.

The deterioration of her eyes is just one of the challenges she has faced.

She told the *Koori Mail* that a mixture of chemotherapy and other drugs had taken a toll on her immune system, resulting in many fractures and other health issues, including cataracts and lupus.

"It's lucky I have wonderful friends because if I lose my sight I would lose my girls and it's my kids that keep me going," she said.

"They are the reason this tumour hasn't killed me yet."

Despite her struggles, Ms Lavelle is determined to advocate for others facing significant health issues such as hers.

She said some of the cancer medications she took to stay alive were particularly expensive.

"Some weeks my medicines are just \$10 and the next week they are \$900, depending on what I need," she said.

"Other people going through this, or breast cancer or prostate cancer, are the same, so I am an advocate for less expensive drugs.

"It's bad enough you have to go through this (illness) without the extra expense of medicines. I've got four kids – the ones aged 16 and 12 are at home, and an 18-year-old and 27-year-old who have left home.

"I've got to pay rent, food, support two girls at school, but



Colleen Lavelle: "They say I could go in a second or go in 20 years."

when you're facing all that and you can't work and are depending on Centrelink it just doesn't stretch.

"There are so many silent people out there and I know just how hard it for families to go through chemotherapy or chronic illness.

"I've had to sit watching my life going into debt."

Expensive

Ms Lavelle said there had been improvements recently, with three new drugs that used to cost \$500 now covered by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme. But many remained expensive.

"They (the Government) seriously need to look at some of the drugs because even it helps 20 people it's worth it," she said.

"There's a couple at the hospital who have mortgaged their home to pay for the meds she needs and if they don't work then they've mortgaged their life away for nothing and

they're only in their 50s."

As for the future, everything is uncertain.

"They say I could go in a second or go in 20 years," Ms Lavelle said.

"All they can do is monitor it and if it grows or moves we would be looking at some sort of surgery, but it is sitting on a vein so it's too dangerous to operate unless they really have to."

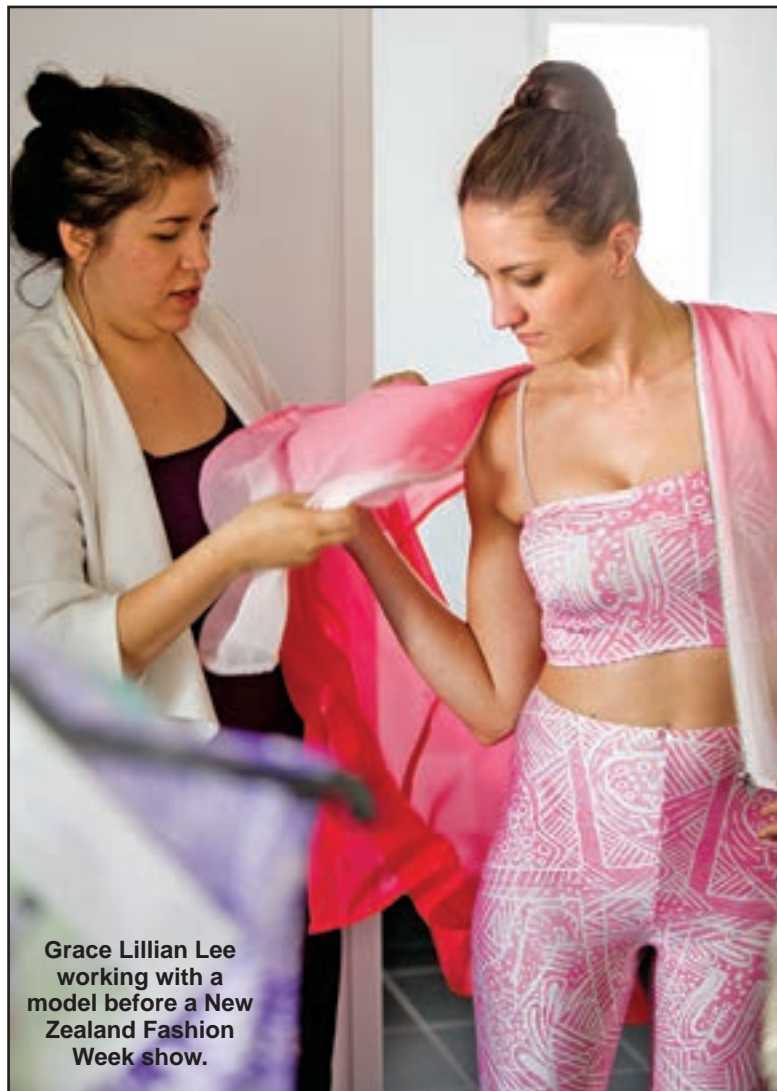
Before she goes, however, Ms Lavelle is determined to continue her efforts to raise awareness about brain tumours.

"Brain tumours are on the increase," she said.

"There are a lot of people in their 40s and 50s who are being diagnosed, with many the result of sporting injuries."

Ms Lavelle has kept a blog of her own journey since being diagnosed. On it she has written of her struggles, but also tips to get by and save money.

It can be found at clavelle.aussieblogs.com.au



Grace Lillian Lee working with a model before a New Zealand Fashion Week show.

Designers go international



TWO Australian Indigenous Fashion Week (AIFW) designers have for the first time shown their

collections on an international stage, at this year's New Zealand Fashion Week.

Mia Brennan and Grace Lillian Lee shared the limelight with renowned designers such as Zambesi and Trelise Cooper, along with established Maori designers such as Pia Boutique, at the event last week in Auckland.

Both are among 16 Australian Indigenous designers participating in the inaugural AIFW Design Training and Mentoring Program.

Ms Brennan is a Kamilaroi (NSW) designer who creates contemporary women's fashion under her label Mimi Designs.

Ms Lillian Lee's roots are in Torres Strait Islander heritage.

Her Jetty Love collection features the colours of the Great Barrier Reef.

AIFW will be held in Sydney next April. For more details, go to www.aifw.com.au



Indigenous fashion designers Mia Brennan and Grace Lillian Lee.

Heritage expert a winner



AN authority on Aboriginal cultural heritage in north-west Victoria has won the Indigenous Land Management Award at the 2013 Victorian Landcare Awards. He is Ken Stewart (pictured at right), a Wamba Wamba man who has worked in the

fields of cultural heritage and natural resource management for more than 20 years.

Mr Stewart is The Living Murray Indigenous facilitator at the Mallee Catchment Management Authority (CMA), where he has been working on major environmental projects across the region since 2006.



Ship ahoy for trainees



Uncle Glen performing a smoking ceremony at the handover of the *Wandilla*.

By DARREN COYNE



THOUSANDS of Indigenous mariners are set to be trained on a tugboat that has been donated to

Redfern's Tribal Warrior Association.

The 30m vessel *Wandilla* was handed over last week in Sydney by towage company SVITZER Australia.

Tribal Warrior Association chief executive Shane Phillips said the donation would help equip Indigenous trainees for maritime careers by giving them sea hours during their training.

The association will work with the Maritime Union of Australia (MUA) on the training project.

Mr Phillips said Tribal Warrior had already prepared more than 2000 young people for maritime careers since its mentoring programs began in 2003.

Opportunities

He said he was excited about the opportunities the project would bring to young Aboriginal people.

"It will be good to give them back a sense of ownership to caring for country and we are very grateful for the donation from SVITZER," Mr Phillips said.

"This project is going to provide work experience, skills development and potentially create employment to benefit the young Aboriginal people to build strength in their communities."

SVITZER Australia managing director Mark Malone said his company had donated the 42-year-old working boat, in a pledge worth more than \$250,000, to support Indigenous participation and establish a highly experienced workforce.

"Tribal Warrior's mission to train young mariners is a great start that



Tribal Warrior's Shane Phillips

dovetails nicely with our employment needs moving forward, especially due to the relatively high average age of our tug crews," Mr Malone said.

SVITZER's donation followed an idea that MUA assistant national secretary Ian Bray first shared with Mr Phillips three years ago.

Mr Bray said the MUA was committed to identifying, developing and supporting initiatives that helped address Indigenous disadvantage.

"This project enables them to take full advantage of employment opportunities across the maritime industry," he said.



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Jubullum crew stepping up



WILLIAM Collins reckons the Jubullum Local Aboriginal Land Council's work crew which has entered into an historic village maintenance agreement with Kyogle Council will 'open a few eyes' in the northern NSW community of Tabulam.

Mr Collins is the work crew's second in charge and is proud of the work the 25-member volunteer crew has been doing at Tabulam Cemetery over the past year.

Not only has the crew maintained the cemetery's Aboriginal area and kept it mown, the workers have planted and maintained gardens around the cemetery, replaced the fence, and cleared an area to erect a shelter for the Elders.

With the signing of the village maintenance agreement – the first between Kyogle Council and an Aboriginal group – the work crew will now be responsible for the cleaning and upkeep of facilities in the village of Tabulam.

The land council will provide volunteer labour to mow public areas in the village, clean and open public toilets, and maintain the Tabulam Cemetery, while Kyogle Council will provide the equipment and cover the cost of resources needed to undertake the work, such as mower fuel.



Kyogle Council community development officer Nicola Mercer, third from right, Jubullum Aboriginal Land Council CEO Muriel Exton, fourth from right, land council board member Joan Bell, second from right, and some of the Jubullum work crew members at the launch of the Tabulam village maintenance agreement.

Kyogle Council has also taken the 25 Jubullum crew members through induction training and will support them in getting certified in a range of skills such as the use of chemicals and chainsaws.

"This give us a chance to step up and show how proud we are of both Jubullum and Tabulam," Mr Williams said.

"I reckon it will open people's

eyes, people who have been in the dark for a long time.

"It will be like a light has been switched on for us and people will be able to see just what we can do for the community."

Thrilled

Kyogle Council community development officer Nicola Mercer is thrilled with the new partnership.

"It's such a positive move and I know that it will go a long way to helping build and strengthen community," she said.

"The work crew has done an incredible job at the cemetery and I am really looking forward to seeing what they can do in the village itself."

Jubullum council CEO Muriel Exton is also proud of the work crew, and she is hopeful the

people of Tabulam will acknowledge the positive contribution they are making.

She described the agreement as a positive step on the path to reconciliation.

"It's about ownership and being a part of the community, and hopefully the community will recognise the work crew's skills when they see what they are able to do," she said.

Kids the key to Kakadu gap scheme



AN Aboriginal group in the Top End has started its own plan to improve the health and education of its children.

Aboriginal people in Kakadu have devised their own 25-year investment scheme to close gaps themselves.

The scheme aims to improve the health and education of children through a series of grassroots programs designed to tackle everything from early childhood development to learning in language and job support.

And it's off to a solid financial start, with Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation (GAC), which manages and distributes the royalties paid to the Mirarr clan by the Ranger uranium mine in Kakadu, handing over a \$1 million cheque for the project, which will be rolled out

by non-governmental organisation Children's Ground in the coming months, first in Jabiru and then around Alice Springs.

"Would you put your child in a classroom where somebody speaks a foreign language and expect them to excel? Nowhere in the world does that happen,"

"Children should learn in their first language. That doesn't mean they won't speak English, (but) what they'll get is education in their language in a culture they understand, and that's what's different."

Children's Ground CEO Jane Vadiveloo said.

"Children should learn in their first language. That doesn't mean they won't speak English, (but) what they'll get is education in their language in a culture they understand, and

that's what's different."

The program, which will cost \$55,000 per year per family, will not only educate children in their first languages of Gundjeihmi and Gunwingku, but will have one teacher for every four students to teach them literacy and numeracy so they can be university-ready when they graduate.

Ms Vadiveloo says children will be able to access music, arts, recreation, and sport – the way kids do all around Australia, except those in disadvantaged communities.

She says they'll also be information technology and multimedia-savvy, as well as grounded in the knowledge of their local area.

Children's Ground has also received \$2 million in federal government funding to roll out its programs across the country. – AAP

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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



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ANTHONY KAPEEN

Indigenous health outreach worker
Coraki, NSW

Favourite bush tucker?
Roo.

Favourite other food?
Chinese.

Favourite drink?
Bintang – Beer from Bali.

Favourite music?
R'n'B and hip hop.

Favourite sports/leisure?
Rugby league and touch footy.

Favourite holiday destination?
Sunshine Coast in Queensland.

What are you reading?
Koori Mail newspaper.

What are you watching?
Big Brother on TV.

What do you like in life?
NAIDOC celebrations and other cultural events.

What don't you like?
Racism.

Who would you most like to meet?
Singer Justin Bieber.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
My friend Jamie Wimbus, family and other friends.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation for Indigenous Australians?
I'd work to improve health for all Indigenous Australians.

Quote



'Aboriginal people need healing, not prison.'

Brisbane's Rev Alex Gater

● See page 8

Unquote

Will Abbott be a PM for our mob?

TONY Abbott has to be applauded for saying he wants to be the Prime Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.

We hope he puts plenty of money where his mouth is. He and his Government should be given the chance to prove they really are committed to working with and for Indigenous people.

And let's also hope he's learned from the mistakes of the past, where too much power invested at the top means by the time anything trickles down it's worth nothing.

We know considered grassroots action is what works.

We know paternalistic, top-down decision making doesn't work, however well-intentioned.

We know the best-placed organisations to formulate and implement policy for Indigenous people are Aboriginal-controlled.

There are already signs that the Coalition Government is giving an awful lot of power to a few people.

It's great that Mr Abbott has close relationships with Warren Mundine and Noel Pearson. Both are intelligent and accomplished men with a lot to say and plenty to offer.

But they and billionaire miner Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest can't be the sum total of who makes decisions about Indigenous affairs.

There's been no mention of how the Coalition Government might make use of the peak elected body, the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples – an organisation committed



OUR SAY

to setting policy from the ground up.

The Coalition costings, revealed in the dying days of the campaign, show a \$42 million cut to our legal services.

Western Australia locks up Aboriginal men, women and children at the highest rate in the country.

Aboriginal Legal Service WA acting CEO John Bedford has said the cuts will place enormous pressure on an already stretched justice system.

"If ALSWA can't help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, who will?" he asks.

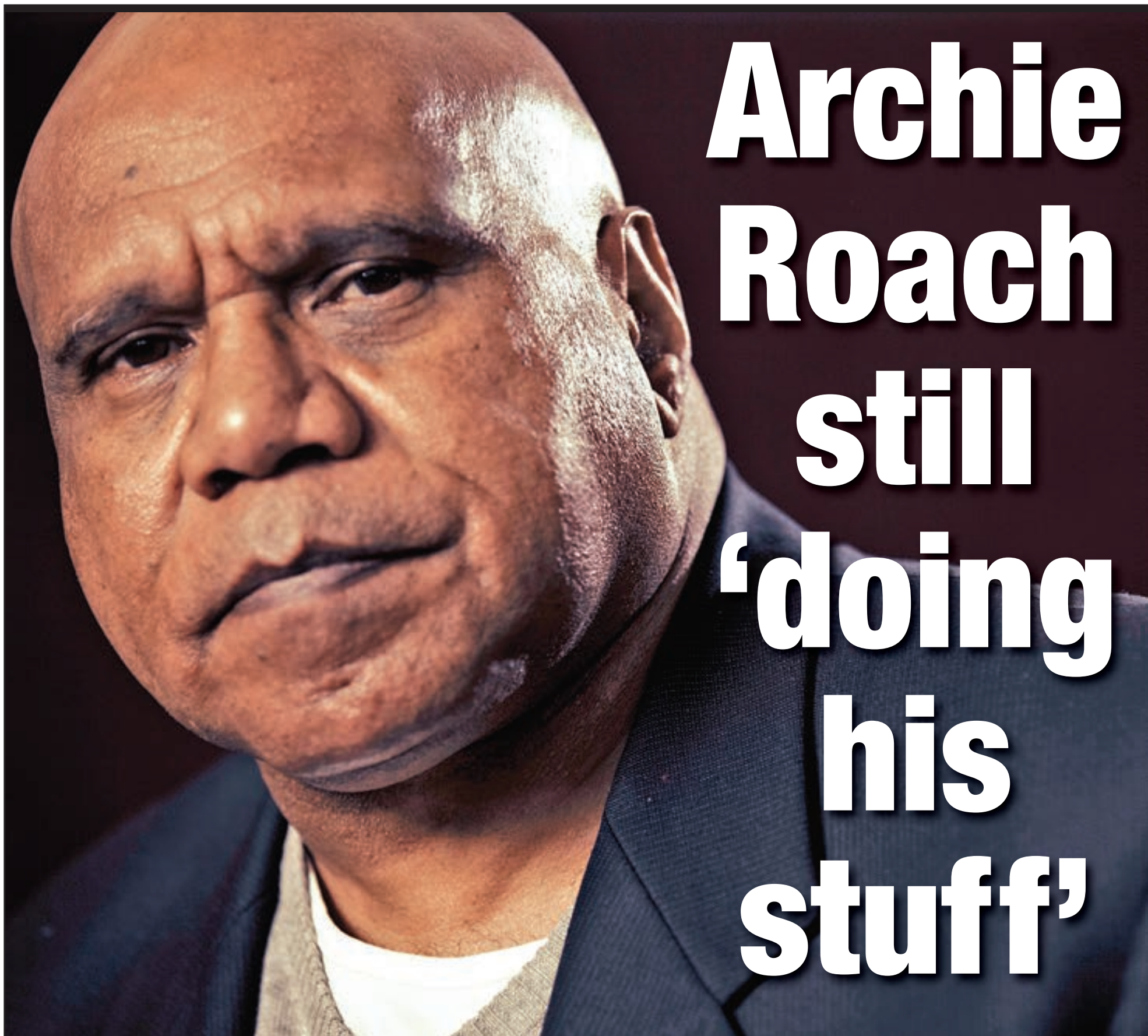
PM for Aboriginal Affairs Abbott, we really hope you've got a good answer.

BACK in 2009, we reported that the Australian Bureau of Statistics expected there would be 721,000 Indigenous Australians by the year 2021.

Given that at August 30 this year the ABS estimated there were 669,900 of us, it looks like we might just beat that projected figure.

Given the rapid growth, we hope the relevant federal and state authorities are paying attention and allocating Indigenous-specific funding and services accordingly.

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Archie Roach still 'doing his stuff'

By DARREN COYNE

ARCHIE Roach appears to be on a roll. After winning Album of the Year for *Into the Bloodstream* at the recent National Indigenous Music Awards in Darwin, the Victorian singer/songwriter has been celebrating having his song *Took the Children Away* included in the National Film and Sound Archive of Australia.

The archive is considered the major selection of sound recordings with cultural, historical and aesthetic significance. Works selected can be popular songs, advertising jingles, famous speeches, radio broadcasts, or any other sound recordings, so long as they are Australian and more than 10 years old.

Among the other nine 'sounds' chosen this year, Indigenous country singer Dougie Young has also been included with his 1964 song *The Land Where the Crow Flies Backwards*.

Big names for festival

GURRUMUL, The Medics, Thelma Plum, Casey Donovan... these are just some of the acts on the program for the inaugural Boomerang Festival, near Byron Bay in northern NSW from October 4-6.

Sales have been slow, and organisers are hoping the big names, as well as an extensive festival program, will attract more people to the event on Bundjalung country, tagged as a new world Indigenous festival for all Australians.

Roach told the *Koori Mail* it was an honour to be included in the archive.

"It's good at this age to be recognised for what you've done but also what you are doing," he said.

"I'm very much still out there and

The program features music, dance, theatre, comedy, film and visual arts, along with cultural knowledge exchanges and conversations with leading Australian 'thinkers', including Professor Larisa Behrendt and George Negus.

Four stages will operate at the site near Byron Bay, which is also used for the popular Easter Blues Festival.

More details are available at www.boomerangfestival.com.au

I hope I'll be doing this stuff for a long time to come."

The next thing Roach is looking forward to is an appearance at the Boomerang Festival in Byron Bay, northern NSW, next month.

The festival is being organised by

Bundjalung woman Rhoda Roberts and promoter Peter Noble, the man behind the hugely successful Byron Blues and Roots Festival.

The Boomerang Festival will feature Indigenous and international artists.

"I love it up that way (around Byron Bay). I've always loved it. I was at the Byron Writers Festival not too long ago and then we drove from Byron to Brisbane," Roach said.

"We (with Rhoda Roberts) have done things together before like the Dreaming up at the Woodford site, and in Sydney and Brisbane at festivals there.

"It will be really good to get to the Boomerang Festival and hopefully we'll all be able to come back."

Apart from Roach, the festival will feature 133 performances by artists representing 11 countries.

The festival runs from October 4-6 at the Tyagarah Tea Tree Farm, Byron Bay.

"It's good at this age to be recognised for what you've done but also what you are doing. I'm very much still out there and I hope I'll be doing this stuff for a long time to come." – Archie Roach



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Fair Trading has recently made some changes to the Program, outlined in the application package. An **information session** will also be held for prospective applicants to outline the Program in further detail:

5:00pm – 6:00pm, 18 September 2013,
Level 4, McKell Building, Rawson Place, Sydney.

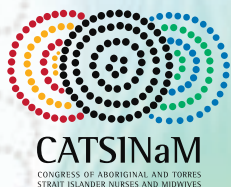
Bookings are essential and can be made via the email address below.

Application packages and information on how to apply is available online at: www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au, or by contacting Community and Industry Grants, NSW Fair Trading on 9619 8731 or email to: grants@services.nsw.gov.au

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Big Brother's Tahan



Ellie Lovegrove on The X Factor.

Reality bites for our TV contestants

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



INDIGENOUS reality TV contestants on all three current national shows have been

performing well. But last weekend Ellie Lovegrove, on Channel Seven's *The X Factor*, and *Big Brother's* Tahan, were chances – albeit seemingly distant – for elimination.

Australia's Got Talent's Dean Brady is still in the running, and preparing for the show's semifinals.

Hand-picked by judge Redfoo to be in his top three, Ellie made it through to the top 12, only go up for elimination in the show's first ever live show. She showed she was a survivor and made it through that round by belting out the classic Rolling Stones hit *Satisfaction*.

While Ellie has been criticised for having a strong voice but very little confidence to carry her forward, her live performance showed she's been working on her nerves and is bringing more game than ever.



Dean Brady performing on Australia's Got Talent.

As the *Koori Mail* went to print, she was getting ready to join fellow contestants singing a top 10 hit, with another live decider last Monday.

There are now only ten

contestants left to battle it out for the big prize, and the competition is heating up, with some firm favourites already forming among the judges.

Big Brother's Tahan also

survived her first elimination round, but was nominated for her second elimination, along with five other housemates. That elimination was to have been made on Monday night.

Unlike other reality shows, Channel Nine's *Big Brother* relies on big personalities rather than talent, and Tahan has shown that she's outspoken and not afraid of a challenge. But this has also seen her get into a few personality clashes with the other housemates.

The Aboriginal Malay beauty has certainly made the most of her time in the house.

Dean Brady has been busy preparing for the *Australia's Got Talent* semifinals. The nine-year old stole the judges' hearts with his powerful rendition of The Temptations classic *My Girl* followed up by a rousing performance by his mum, Trevalyn, at the request of judge Geri Halliwell.

Dean will once again go before the judges and is a firm favourite to make it into the next round if his audition is anything to go by.

For more updates on the contestants, see the next edition of the *Koori Mail*.



Boomerang Acts

This Is The Land Down Under
That Belongs To My Koori Brother
He Was Wealthy And Very Rich
Until Some People, He Did Kiss
He Welcomed Us Into His Land
So Our Horizons We Could Expand.

But We Weren't Satisfied, Not At All
We Got Greedy And Wanted More
We Took Them Out, One By One
Until The Aboriginals, Had No Son.

They Were Left Without A Seed
And No Politician To Intercede
Children Stolen From Every Home
And They Had No Place To Call Their Own.

Victimised Everywhere They Went,
And Persecuted Till They Were Spent
But Under Pressure, Their Spirits Formed
And Now The Warrior Is Built For War.

The Battle Set, To Be Fought With Peace,
So The Eternal Spirit Will Be Appeased,
Now That Many Are Concerned,
Just Sit Back, While The Truth Is Learnt.

Now Many Have Seen What Did Go On,
And Have Furiously Said, That It Was So Wrong
What Goes Around Will Come Again,
Just Like Their Boomerang That Has A Name.

What You Sow, You Will Always Reap,
So Listen To Your Conscience When It Beeps,
Pay Respect, To The Owners Of This Land,
And Don't You Fail To Lend A Hand.

I'm Sure You Will Learn A Thing Or Two,
From Indigenous Elders, You Will Hear The Truth,
How Can We Prosper And Really Be Blessed,
When We Came To This Country And Made A Mess.

We Need To Be Sorry, For What We've Done,
And Change Our Attitudes, So The Light Will Come,
Maybe It's Time To Use Our Spines,
Cause To Ignore These People, Is A Massive Crime.

ABI SHALALA
Eastlakes, NSW

This poem was written in honour of the late Ronnie Merritt

Fate of brumbies

BRUMBIES are being killed or culled in their hundreds. Imagine a property where these wonderful animals could be brought for young Aboriginal horse handlers to experience the life-changing interaction of 'joining up' with a wild animal.

Horse whisperer Monty Roberts has shown that these wild horses can be trained to submit to human handling. It changes the horse, and it changes the human.

Aboriginal stockmen were legendary for

their unique skills. Surely we should rediscover that skill, in a life-defining way for our at-risk young people.

Horses and blackfellas are a deadly mix. Why not play to our strengths?

The fact that there are many long-term employment opportunities in the equine industry for skilled horse people is the bonus.

WARREN CROSS
Wagstaffe, NSW

An example of systematic enslavement?

I AM an Aboriginal man born in March 1957.

According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, I have a median life expectancy of 58.5 years, while non-race-specific Australian males have a median life expectancy of 78.4 years.

The age pension for all males in Australia born after March 1, 1957, as shown on the Australian Centrelink website, is payable at 67. Therefore, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, as an Aboriginal man I am unlikely to ever receive the age pension, and therefore I am being discriminated against by the Australian Government through its agent the Department of Human Services.

Non-race-specific Australian males born after January 1, 1957 can, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, potentially expect to receive the age pension for 11.4 years

before they die, that is 78.4 years minus 11.4 years equals 67 years.

Information gathered from these facts indicate that Aboriginal males should therefore receive the age pension at 47.1 years, representing the median life expectancy for Aboriginal males as 58.5 years of age minus 11.4 years equals 47.1 years, so as to give the age pension to Aboriginal males for the same potential period as that for non-race-specific Australian males.

Discriminated

All Aboriginal males should be entitled to the age pension when we turn 47.1, but we have not been so entitled, therefore are we being discriminated against due to our race and age.

Is this not a true example of systematic enslavement of a race of people by a government?

When one looks at the

Australian Criminal Code 1999, it states quite clearly that enslavement is a criminal offence punishable by imprisonment of 27 years (knowingly) and 17 years (unknowingly). Evidence of the practice of genocide by a government is quite evident relating to all these facts.

I have initiated a complaint against the Commonwealth of Australia through the Department of Human Services.

But I am only one man. This is a case that needs to move forward with one united voice.

On one hand I have presented the facts, on the other the Australian Government states that they are closing the gap, and Constitutional reform is their platform.

Is enslavement still going to be a part of closing the gap and constitutional reform?

ARTHUR RIDGEWAY
Peak Hill, NSW

POETRY

I AM an Aboriginal teacher who has been working at Wallsend Public School, Newcastle, for the past eight years. I felt very passionate about educating my Year 2 class about the 2013 NAIDOC week theme, 'Yirrkala Bark Petitions'. We created this acrostic poem to commemorate our NAIDOC celebrations. We hope your readers enjoy it.

Karen O'Donnell

Yirrkala Bark Petitions

Yolngu people sent 2 bark petitions to Parliament in 1963

It was to try and stop mining on more of their land

Ruining of their land

Remember it was their homeland

Kept sending other petitions to government hoping they would listen

A lot of mining was already happening on their Sacred sites

Little respect for the Yolngu peoples request to stop mining

Arnhemland is home of the Yolngu people

Bark petitions had 13 different totem pictures drawn by the elders around them

Aboriginal art was painted on the bark with ochre

Really, really important to the Aboriginal way of life

Kept sending other petitions, but these were not presented in the usual way documents looked

Petitions were disregarded twice in Canberra.

Eventually the bark petitions were accepted in Parliament in 2011.

This was a memorable time for the Yirrkala people.

It took many years for their Petition to be taken seriously.

The Yolngu people done nice artwork around the Petitions and they have talented musicians too.

I have learnt so much about the Yirrkala Yolgnu people.

Our NAIDOC week 2013 respects All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People.

Now and forever!!!!!!

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Ready for the Big Dreaming

FIFTY years after Martin Luther King Jr's historic 'I have a dream' address, Aboriginal orator Mark Yettica-Paulson* tells of his own dream – for the formal recognition of his people in the Constitution.

SEE a nation ripe and ready for Big Dreaming.

I see a nation growing ready to step forward into that powerful moment, into the next chapter.

I see a nation unified more powerfully than ever before – sharing one song, one story, looking into one future. A nation where our diversity of culture enriches and unites us. We can uncover and celebrate our shared stories, shared songs and shared history. We can take possession of our common fate.

I see a nation bold and confident – standing tall amongst nations and proud of who we truly are and what we've achieved. We can do this by prevailing over the mis-steps of the past in our relationship with our first peoples and enter into our common future together.

I see a nation clever and capable – not only because we have invested heavily in research and development, but also because we have grasped the wealth of our cultures and the uniqueness of Australia's oldest living and continuing culture, that is the oldest culture of the world, of the first peoples.

I see a nation not ashamed of its past and not afraid of its future. Not mired in denial and forgetfulness, but free at last to celebrate and commemorate both the good and bad in its history. When we have woven together the differences and experiences of the chapters of our past and we've made it to create an even



Mark Yettica-Paulson

stronger national story.

I see a nation peaceful and prophetic – because we took possession of our destiny and found greater peace as a nation. Where we can be light to other nations in how cultures and ethnicities and all kinds of people can live together. We may not eradicate racism, but we might just learn how to practise not letting it spoil our sense of community.

I see a nation mature and secure – not because of the aging population or our defence of our borders, but because we have come to terms with our own identity. We woke up to the reality of our changing face of who we are as

Australian people and we looked further and stepped further into the 21st Century with deep self-knowledge and deep self-assurance.

This is my Big Dreaming. I know it's out there and it's supposed to be. I know it's beyond some of our lived reality and it's supposed to be.

I know that it may be hard to conceive but it is supposed to be. Because it elevates us to do the messy political work that we have to do every day. It orientates me. It guides me. It is a gravitational pull that centres me. To believe in this work, to believe that I can make change possible, to believe that when I vote YES that I will be making change possible.

But this is only the first step in our Big Dreaming together.

Just like Rev King's dream of 1963, it was far beyond what he could imagine, and now it's been surpassed since then. I hope that our Big Dream that we might be able to conjure up in 2013 will be surpassed by the achievements of our fellow Australians in the future.

We must take our opportunity that's here for us now. We must take possession and opportunity for our Powerful Moment. The Powerful Moment that is here for this generation is our vote on Constitutional Recognition. This will be our step into the next future together.

We must take courage from the past. We have to take courage from each other. We must be inspired by our own actions. We will be the people we have been waiting for and we will make change possible.

** This is the final section of Mark Yettica-Paulson's address at the University of Melbourne on August 28.*

South Australian Elder made huge contribution

TRIBUTES have flowed for South Australian Elder Uncle George Tongerie AM, who passed away on August 21 aged 88.

Uncle George was born in Oodnadatta and grew to be an inspiring leader.

He volunteered at a young age to serve during World War II and on his return worked his way towards creating a better life for his people.

Uncle George held a number of positions throughout his career. Notably, he became one of the first Aboriginal Justices of the Peace, was a member of the South Australian Parole Board, held the position of Aboriginal Ombudsman and was involved with the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Among those to pay tribute was SA Commissioner for Aboriginal Engagement Khatija Thomas.

"As a member of the Stolen Generations, Uncle George achieved so much in his life, really emphasising

Tribute

his true character," she said.

"He was a man who worked hard and always strove for the best for our people.

"His passion and commitment to making his ancestral place a better place for his community to live was demonstrated when he returned to his community in 1980 as the community development officer with his wife Auntie Maude.

"He managed the Oodnadatta General Store and was also elected chairman of directors of the Oodnadatta Aboriginal Community Enterprises from 1987-2002.

"Uncle George's long-term aspirations to strengthen the well-being of the community of Oodnadatta were a credit to him and Auntie Maude, who were both praised by the community."

Aboriginal Lands Trust chairperson Hayden Davey said Uncle George would be missed.

"His vast contribution to the establishment of the Aboriginal Lands Trust alongside the late Garnett Wilson OAM and his commitment to the Aboriginal community at large in his position with the SA Parole Board was, and will continue to be, appreciated and remembered by all," he said.

"The Aboriginal Lands Trust and the Aboriginal Lands Trust communities across the state pass our condolences to Uncle George's family."

Ms Thomas said Uncle George was a strong advocate of the recognition of all Indigenous people as equals in Australia.

"He was a gentle, caring human being who always carried himself with dignity and was admired and respected by all," she said.

"Condolences go to his wife Auntie Maude and all the Tongerie family and the wider community."

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METROPOLITAN LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

NOTICE Annual General Meeting

Date: Wednesday, 25th September 2013

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Redfern Town Hall, 733 Pitt Street, Redfern

Agenda Items:

1. Financial Report
2. Annual Report
3. Board Nominations and Elections

Please Note:

A person is entitled to vote in the election for Board Members if the person:

- (a) Is a voting member of the MLALC, and
- (b) Has attended at least 2 MLALC meetings in the previous 12 months (not including the 2013 AGM or scheduled meetings where a quorum of members has not been reached)

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ARE YOU AN ABORIGINAL OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PERSON WORKING AT A UNIVERSITY?

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Scholarship applications are now open for eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander higher education academic and general staff across Australia who actively encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to complete higher education qualifications.

The program provides professional development opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander scholars and reflects the Australian Government's commitment to improving education outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

How the scholarship works:

- Up to five national Indigenous Staff Scholarships are awarded each year for a 12 month period.
- Successful applicants can take 12 months leave from their job to study full time in their chosen field.
- Up to \$27,311 will be paid as a living allowance and up to \$13,542 to cover tuition fees and student contribution amounts for the year.
- Priority will be given to staff at postgraduate levels who have not previously received an Indigenous Staff Scholarship.
- Scholarships will be awarded on merit against the selection criteria outlined in the guidelines on our website.
- Scholarship recipients will be selected by the Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Science and Research on advice from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Higher Education Advisory Council.

Applications close on 27 September 2013.

No late applications will be accepted.

Want to know more?

For more information and to apply go to
www.innovation.gov.au/ISS

Yawuru's web master



WHO better to design a website for a community than a local!

Danica Manado, a Yawuru woman from Broome in Western Australia, has recently completed a website

detailing the Yawuru people's history, culture and programs in Broome.

The Yawuru website, which features two custodial Boss Lizard figures in the header, can be found at www.yawuru.com

Ms Manado said the website allowed people to gain easy access to Yawuru information.

"Not only is it important for Yawuru people but also for anyone who visits Broome to find out about our history," she said.

"A lot of information is now stored in one spot and it's very easy to use.

"You can easily find out more about Yawuru people and their stories, as well as reading up on Yawuru culture, the Yawuru six seasons, and there is more detailed information about Yawuru members."

Ms Manado has been working as a designer for nine years while juggling the demands of being a mother of three children.

She completed her design training at local Broome organisation, Goolarri Media Enterprises, and has since worked on contracts for international and national clients, including BHP, Ngarda Civil Mining, GenerationOne, and local events in Broome such as NAIDOC.

At present she is working for Nyamba Buru Yawuru, the entity that holds the settlement proceeds and lands from the recent native title settlement on behalf of the traditional owners.

"At Nyamba Buru Yawuru, it's casual work during school holidays which is very convenient and I can also work from home



Broome-based graphic designer Danica Manado was 'the perfect fit' to build the Yawuru people's website.

with the support of my partner," she said.

NBY business manager Nini Mills worked with Ms Manado on the project.

"At Nyamba Buru Yawuru we are committed to providing professional

development opportunities to Yawuru staff, and given Danica's unique creative ability as a graphic artist she was the perfect fit for the project," Ms Mills said.

"Her designs have already been well

received and she captures the Yawuru spirit and culture as well.

"I grew up and went to school with Danica and I have always admired her creative flair."



MARRICKVILLE ABORIGINAL CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (MACC)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS

Marrickville Council is calling for nominations from individuals who would like to participate on the Marrickville Aboriginal Consultative Committee. The Committee was established to advise Council on the needs of Aboriginal people living in the Marrickville local government area.

The role of the committee is to:

- Promote an increased knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal culture and society in the wider community and develop the interests of Aboriginal people in the local area;
- Advise Marrickville Council on issues relating to Aboriginal people;
- Act as a representative of Council on issues relating to the Aboriginal community;
- Work to achieve the vision of the Community Strategic Plan - Our Place Our Vision.

Members of the Aboriginal community who live, work or study in the Marrickville local government area are encouraged to apply. Suburbs of Marrickville include: Camperdown, Dulwich Hill, Enmore, Lewisham, Marrickville, Newtown, Petersham, St. Peters, Stanmore, Sydenham and Tempe.

- maximum of seven (7) Aboriginal community members will be selected and one (1) non-Aboriginal community member
- the appointment will be for two years
- membership is voluntary
- meetings will be held every two months - in the evenings, dates to be confirmed

Nominations for membership on the MACC:

- Please supply your name, address, contact phone number and/or email address, and detail whether you live, work or study in Marrickville local government area;
- An acknowledgement of your Aboriginal status by the local Aboriginal community, where appropriate;
- A short description about yourself including what skills, knowledge and experience you will bring to the MACC to serve the local community.

For any enquiries regarding the nomination and selection process, please contact Rebecca Carroll, Aboriginal Projects Officer on telephone (02) 9335 2243 or email abincl@marrickville.nsw.gov.au

Expressions of Interest should be with Council by close of business 11 November 2013.

Address nominations to MACC Committee Nominations, General Manager, Marrickville Council. PO BOX 14, Petersham 2049.

Mbantua Festival to bring 'amazing' line-up to Alice



FESTIVAL director Rachel Perkins admits that the upcoming Mbantua Festival in Alice Springs in the Northern Territory next month is a 'huge, challenging task', but

insists it's going to be 'amazing'.

The festival runs from October 9 to October 13 and will feature a musical line-up including Jessica Mauboy, Bernard Fanning, Missy Higgins and Dan Sultan, as well as many more, but Ms Perkins said the music is only one element.

"There's not another regional festival mounting the scale of the projects we are putting on," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"We are creating two major theatrical works from the ground up."

Those works, *Bungalow Song* and *Bush Mechanics Live*, are both Northern Territory-focused.

Bungalow Song tells the story of the Alice Springs institution set up between 1932 and 1942 to house Indigenous children of mixed parentage.

Many of the children were forcibly removed from their families while others were placed there by parents working on remote stations, or were born there, like Ms Perkins' father, the late Aboriginal activist Charles Perkins.

The production will be staged at the site of the original Bungalow, in association with Opera Australia, on October 9.



Mbantua Festival artistic director Rachel Perkins.

The other production, *Bush Mechanics Live*, directed by Nigel Jameson, will be a one-off event that includes dancing machinery, pyrotechnics, and metal on metal demolition.

"The *Bush Mechanics* (television series) is a cult classic and is very much coming from an Indigenous central Australian-based heritage," Ms Perkins said.

"Flogging a car across the desert and using bush ingenuity to keep it

going is something that people are very proud of up here."

She said the festival site will open on Saturday, October 12, for a program of workshops, demonstrations and forums that promote sharing between Indigenous and other Australians.

Workshops will include painting, weaving, jewellery making, bush medicine and bush tucker. Local community members will also stage a spear-throwing competition and the Great Billycan Race.

As the sun sets on Saturday, performers from the Arrernte nation will stage ceremony, song and dance that brings together 14 dance groups from communities across central and northern Australia.

The Riverbed Stage hosts the music program with Frank Yamma, Dan Sultan (solo electric), Djintu Desert Band, Missy Higgins and Bernard Fanning taking to the stage on Saturday night along with locals Catherine Satour and Small Jupiter.

The Sunday line-up features Jessica Mauboy, who will be launching her new album, the Tjupi Band, Warren H Williams and local artists Jacinta Price and Rhubee Neale.

The festival offers travel packages starting at \$411 out of Sydney and Melbourne. All packages are listed at www.territorydiscoveries.com

For further festival information go to mbantuafestival.com.au

New projects for Tjapukai park co-founder



HE helped to found the successful Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park in Cairns, north Queensland.

Now cultural consultant and entertainer David Duhwurr Hudson is behind two new

Indigenous tourism ventures under development in Queensland.

Mr Hudson is developing a hot thermal

springs attraction west of Cairns and an Indigenous cultural experience at Dreamworld on the Gold Coast.

"Dreamworld has commissioned my wife Cindy and I, through our company Didge-ralia, to work with the Yugambeh people of the Gold Coast to create a themed attraction based on Indigenous culture and wildlife," he said. "I am scripting a story for the local performers which will make up the audio-

visual component, and talking to events staff about corporate work."

Mr Hudson also has been appointed project consultant for Talaroo Hot Springs, a four-hour drive west of Cairns on the Savannah Way between the Undara Lava Tubes and Georgetown.

"Talaroo Hot Springs was open to visitors 12 years ago, but has since been operated solely as a cattle station," he said.

"It has been purchased by the Indigenous Land Corporation and the National Reserve System to be managed by its traditional owners, the Ewamian people whom I am descended from on my father's side.

"We intend to reopen the camp ground to the public in 2014 and our long-term plan is to build a high-end healing eco and cultural tourism experience utilising our airstrip to get people out there."

Rangers play valuable role in expedition

Djelk rangers Tara Rostron and Brendan Cameron using an iPad and CyberTracker to record native plants and the location of motion sensor cameras. Picture by Alys Stevens



DJELK Indigenous rangers, traditional owners, scientists and school students have returned from an eight-day

biodiversity monitoring and cultural learning expedition near Mankorlod outstation in the Northern Territory.

The group monitored native animals and feral cats, and exchanged traditional land management knowledge between rangers, senior traditional owners and students from Maningrida Community Education College (CEC).

NT Government scientist Alys Stevens said the

expedition had emphasised the importance of using local knowledge and skills such as animal tracking to complement new scientific technology.

"Fifty motion sensor cameras were installed in the fringing stone country of the Arnhem Plateau, with 25 accessible by car and foot, and 25 sites accessible by helicopter," she said.

'Valuable advice'

"The rangers and traditional owners provided valuable advice on where to place the cameras, with the goal of capturing a range of fire histories and as such animal activity as possible."

Recent signs of native animals such as echidna, emu, black wallaroo, fresh water crocodiles, water goanna and native water and rock rats were found.

"What we know from previous surveys is that native mammal numbers are very low, and many species such as the golden-backed tree-rat, northern hopping mouse, brush-tailed phascogale and golden bandicoot are in severe decline," Ms Stevens said.

The expedition was supported by the northern Australia hub of the National Environmental Research Program.

2013 YOUNG ABORIGINAL YOUTH MENTORING CAMP



Strong Fathers
Strong Families

This fun-filled, camp for Aboriginal boys 13-18 years living in the Blue Mountains and Lithgow area provides an opportunity for participants to develop anew understanding of family life, expectations of fathers involvement and the positive impact grandfathers, uncles and all Aboriginal men and boys of the community have on developing healthy families whilst enjoying cultural activities such as arts, crafts, acts and dance, bush tucker and story telling.

The camp will be held on 25-27 October 2013

at the - Lutanda Mt Victoria Recreation & Conference

This is a **FREE** camp and transport will be provided

To come along or for more information please contact:
Matthew 0408 585 183

Closing Date: 11th October 2013



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Some of the key yarns will include: Self-Care, Emotional Management, Racism, Mentoring, Expression through various cultural creative arts.

A BBQ lunch, entertainment and cultural activities will be provided on the day.

When: Friday 11th October 2013

Time: 9.30am - 3:00pm

Where: Mt Victoria Conference Centre, 6-9 Eltham Park Avenue Mt Victoria

There is no cost for this event.

Need more information or want to register phone:
Matthew (02) 4759 8700 or 0408 585 183

Registrations close: Friday 4th October 2013



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Some of the key yarns will include: Self-Care, Emotional Management, Racism, Mentoring, Expression through various cultural creative arts.

A BBQ lunch, entertainment and cultural activities will be provided on the day.

When: Saturday 12th October 2013

Time: 9.30am - 3:00pm

Where: Mt Victoria Conference Centre, 6-9 Eltham Park Avenue Mt Victoria

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Registrations close: Friday 4th October 2013



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Calling for Indigenous Artists

Anglicare Victoria is seeking to engage a Victorian Indigenous Artist to create an oil based painting representing Anglicare Victoria's Journey Towards Reconciliation.

Anglicare Victoria is a community service provider who's vision is to resource and empower children, young people and families to achieve their full potential by providing quality innovative services, promoting social justice and strengthening local communities.

The Artwork will be used as a part of Anglicare Victoria's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) and will be hung in Anglicare offices throughout Victoria, used on all RAP documentation, the Anglicare Victoria website and on other documentation, as required.

The Artist will be invited to discuss the project scope and attend a workshop to discuss Anglicare's journey towards reconciliation with the organisations Reconciliation Action Plan Steering Committee.

A launch and celebration event will also be held at Anglicare Victoria's Head Office in early 2014.

Please contact:

Jenny Potten on (03) 9421 6103 or email jenny.potten@anglicarevic.org.au to discuss or request a copy of the project scope and deliverables.

Note: Quotations addressing the project scope and deliverables are due on **Wednesday 2 October @ 5pm.**

MOVIE ROLE

We are looking for a young Indigenous girl aged 12 to 14 years to play a role in a new Australian feature film, shooting early 2014.

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CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

FROM INDIGENOUS NATIONS TO NOMINATE CASE STUDY SITES

The National Cultural Flows Research Project is a five-year research programme being undertaken by Indigenous people, for Indigenous people. It aims to secure a future where Indigenous water allocations are embedded in Australia's water planning and management regimes.

Indigenous Nations across the Murray-Darling Basin are invited to nominate sites to be used as case study areas in this transformative research project. Communities in the selected

case study areas will have the opportunity to share their stories about the critical role that water plays in the lives of Indigenous people, to help build the evidence base for proper recognition of Aboriginal water rights across Australia.

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Norman Tipiloura, Zara Stone and her daughter Trisha, 3, on the steps of their new home.

Darwin family saved from homelessness



YILLI Housing in Darwin has helped a young Bagot family from becoming homeless. Norman Tipiloura, Zara Stone and her daughter Trisha, 3, moved into a new house last week. Ms Stone is pregnant with twins.

Mr Tipiloura, who was unemployed, has been working on the Bagot housing upgrade project with Able Building Services and has been offered a traineeship with the business.

Recently, the family was facing homelessness and came to Yilli Housing,

which placed them in short-term emergency accommodation.

Yilli Housing CEO Colin Tidswell said stable housing was important for young families.

"Norman now has a job, a traineeship and a newly refurbished house that he helped fix," he said.

This house is the first of the six houses and three units being upgraded on Bagot by Yilli as part of the Capital Infrastructure Grants Program funded by the NT Government.

When complete, the project will provide an additional 25 bedrooms of affordable housing.

Higher health cost revealed



HEALTH spending per person for Indigenous Australians living in remote areas is more than double that for non-Indigenous Australians.

The figures are revealed in a report just released by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) which shows that in remote and very remote areas, \$2.22 is spent on health per Indigenous Australian for every dollar spent per non-Indigenous Australian.

"On the whole, per-person health spending rose with increasing remoteness for both Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians. But the rises were

much higher for Indigenous Australians, mainly due to higher expenditure on services for patients admitted to hospitals," AIHW spokesperson Adrian Webster said.

"This figure includes expenditure on admitted patients, and through Aboriginal community-controlled health services, the Medicare Benefits Schedule and the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

Overall

"This compares with the overall figure, for the same four types of service, of \$1.52 per Indigenous Australian for every \$1 spent per non-Indigenous Australian."

The report, 'Expenditure on health for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 2010-11: an analysis by remoteness and disease', also examines overall differences in expenditure by disease group for admitted patients.

Expenditure on genito-urinary diseases, including kidney dialysis, represented the greatest proportion of Indigenous admitted patient expenditure, and accounted for 11 per cent (\$195 million).

This was closely followed by expenditure due to mental and behavioural disorders (11 per cent), maternal conditions (8 per cent), unintentional injuries (8 per cent) and cardiovascular disease (7 per cent).



DO YOU HAVE A STORY TO TELL ABOUT THE LAND RIGHTS MOVEMENT IN QUEENSLAND?

If so, Griffith University would love to hear it.

'Our people, Our pictures, Our voices' is a research project collecting community representations of the Queensland land rights struggle from 1966 to 2010.

This project tells the story of the fight for Queensland land rights through the eyes of our community. Planned outcomes include a pictorial history of the land rights movement and a public exhibition of photos and videos.

If you'd like to share YOUR story, or find out more information, please leave a message at our toll-free number 1800 1111 5813 or email Kerrie Foxwell at k.foxwell@griffith.edu.au

This research project is jointly funded by the Australian Research Council, Waanyi Aboriginal Corporation, FAIRA Aboriginal Corporation and Griffith University.



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Bourke, Brewarrina, Condobolin, Coonabarabran, Coonamble, Cowra, Dubbo, Forbes, Lightning Ridge, Narromine, Orange, Parkes, Walgett, Wellington & Wilcannia

Awarded contracts are intended for a 24 month period.

All interested parties should contact Home Care Services to organise an information pack to be sent before submitting an EOI.

EOI, required information, supporting documentation to be submitted no later than 5pm 25th September 2013 to:

Attention - Casey Wells
Ngangana Home Care Service
Address: PO Box 1310 DUBBO NSW 2830
Email: casey.wells@facns.nsw.gov.au
Phone: (02) 6841 1570

Flotilla heading for West Papua

By DARREN COYNE



A FLOTILLA of activists including Aboriginal Elders was preparing to set off for West Papua from Thursday Island on Monday.

The Freedom Flotilla to West Papua members had passed through Customs and were carrying out last minute repairs prior to their departure.

They plan to sail to West Papua to raise awareness of human rights abuses since Indonesia took over the state in 1969.

A spokesperson told the *Koori Mail* that everyone taking part in the flotilla remained determined to carry on with the mission, despite the threat of being arrested by Indonesian authorities.

Arabunna elder Kevin Buzzacott said the members of the flotilla were exerting their 'ancient authority' for the journey.

"The Australian Government and



Members of the Freedom Flotilla show their Aboriginal passports outside Customs House on Thursday Island before sailing for West Papua.

Indonesian Government are refusing to accept our original nation passport; why should we accept theirs?" he asked

"We are from an ancient time before these borders were created, when we were one people.

"I don't know how Australians can stand by as genocide is being committed in West Papua.

"The Indonesian President needs be charged with war crimes for what has happened to the Papuan people, and

Australia is complicit in these crimes.

"By not accepting our sovereignty and right to make this cultural exchange and help our neighbours, the Australian Government is directly interfering with the peace process.

"It is time Indonesia and the rest of the world recognise Indigenous sovereignty by allowing the Freedom Flotilla safe passage so we can take these important steps to work together towards a peaceful solution."

Meanwhile, on the eve of their departure, Greens senator Richard Di Natale accused then Opposition foreign affairs spokesperson Julie Bishop of inciting Indonesia to act against the flotilla.

Ms Bishop said last month that Indonesia was entitled to use whatever means it wishes to repel the flotilla, while then Foreign Minister Bob Carr said Australian diplomats were under no obligation to support the activists since they had been warned of the dangers of entering Indonesian territory illegally.

New TSI ranger boat launched



TWO Torres Strait communities have celebrated the launch of the latest Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA)

ranger patrol boat.

The 6m *Malu Urui* is the third ranger patrol vessel to enter service. It will support ranger activities on Iama and Warraber islands.

Almost 200 people from the Iama and Warraber communities gathered at the Iama Island wharf for a coconut-breaking ceremony by Seai Warria and the blessing by Pastor Nelson Billy.

Guest speakers included TSRA Member for Iama and Torres Strait Islands regional councillor Getano Lui, Wakeyama Prescribed Body Corporate chair Ned David and Warraber Elder Harold Pearson. The welcome to country was given by traditional owner Christopher Baluz.

Rollout

TSRA acting chair Aven S Noah said the ranger boat rollout across the Torres Strait was now approaching the halfway mark. The next boats will go to Saibai and Mabuiag islands.

"The first of the boats was blessed on Badu Island 12 months ago and the second on Boigu earlier this year, so we are being very thorough with this process," Mr Noah said.

"We all know the sea can be a hostile environment and nothing is being left to chance in making sure that the boats going into service are seaworthy and ultimately safe for the crews."

New boats will also be based at Erub and Mer, making a total of seven patrol boats supporting land and sea activities for rangers in the Torres Strait.



● Top: The official party at the launch of the new Torres Strait patrol vessel *Malu Urui*, which will support ranger activities on Iama and Warraber islands.

● Above and left: Traditional dancing was part of the celebrations and blessing for the new boat.

Justice on agenda at SEW forum

By ANGUS SMITH



A LARGE group packed the Melbourne Wheeler Centre for last week's 2013 SEW Justice Forum: Economic Growth in Indigenous Australia – Challenges and Opportunities meeting.

Diversity Council of Australia CEO Nareen Young guided a conversation on current issues and future directions facing the community. She was joined by Reconciliation Australia CEO Leah Armstrong, Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance of the NT CEO John Paterson and foundation chair of Australian Indigenous Studies at Melbourne University Professor Marcia Langton.

The Justice Forum series, now in its second year, aims to educate and facilitate the wider public interest on issues related to justice and development.

SEW committee member and event co-organiser Nicholas Petrie said the forum series was established to foster intellectual debate on big ideas surrounding development and justice.

Challenge

Prof Langton said the two-fold challenge in Indigenous economic development was institutional arrangements and the capacity of business leaders.

In relation to debate about land tenure, she said a key area of focus should be on 'what works in transforming land into economic wealth, and what is replicable'.

The regulatory policy and institutional structures needed to be designed to 'ensure people are not looking to communal resources for personal wealth but rather enlarging the private sphere of individual endeavour', she said.

All panellists spoke to the opportunity for private sector engagement, drawing heavily on their own successes as entrepreneurs. But the panel members shared their frustrations that the red tape associated with government was now being faced in the philanthropic and business sectors.

"It was a timely warning, with many Indigenous commentators advocating for increased engagement with the business world," Mr Petrie said.

The forum is run by SEW (Supporting + Empowering Women), a not-for-profit organisation that offers financial independence to HIV-positive women in Tanzania through meaningful employment.

Focus on language use

By RUDI MAXWELL



PROFESSOR Diana Eades believes one of the differences between the way Aboriginal people and other

Australians use English lies in what is not said.

"Anglo-English speakers are raised to subconsciously see silence as an indication that something's not quite right and will subconsciously fill in silence. That's the social lubrication of the way we work," she said.

"Aboriginal people are often raised very differently, and as part of socialisation, learn that it's good to sit and just think and be with people.

"When we get together for intercultural communication,

whitefellas don't want to make people awkward, so rush to fill silence.

"Aboriginal people always use silence in every interaction, so a lot of white people interrupt the first part of what was going to be said, the silent part."

Prof Eades has been researching Aboriginal ways of using English since the 1970s, and Aboriginal Studies Press has just published a book of her findings.

She has done extensive work in the criminal justice system, including assisting Aboriginal people whose stories had gone unheard in court 'because the system was not listening'.

Robyn Kina, an Aboriginal woman from Queensland, was found guilty of the stabbing murder of her de facto in 1988 and sentenced to life in prison.



Diana Eades

In 1993, due in part to sociolinguistic evidence provided by Prof Eades, Ms Kina appealed and had her conviction overturned.

"The evidence showed how Kina's lawyers, who were not

aware of Aboriginal English ways of speaking, lacked sufficient intercultural communication ability to find out her story and to adequately represent her at her trial," Prof Eades writes.

"Her lawyers reported that she had been very difficult to communicate with and she reported that they had asked her questions and not waited for the answers.

"As a result of this serious miscommunication, the jury at her trial had convicted her of murder in the absence of important evidence which should have been used in her defence."

Prof Eades said information exchanges by Aboriginal people are often a two-way process, whereas Western communication is frequently centred on direct questions.

"Aboriginal interactions are a

much more two-sided thing. You give info to get info. It's much more indirect, yarning around something, which can be one reason why Aboriginal people can sometimes feel frustrated that an interviewer has their own agenda," she said.

The professor said that communication style differences could often be seen in the criminal justice system where communication was based on direct interrogation.

"It's difficult for a lot of people to tell their story in their own way, and if you consider issues around the way silence is used just aren't understood, and that if you do take time to think, white people will take that to mean that you're making up the answer," she said.

Aboriginal Ways of Using English by Diana Eades is available from aiatsis.gov.au

PUBLIC NOTICE

KULLILLI PEOPLE QUD 80/2009 NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Kullilli People are the biological descendants of:

Joe Barney, Neba Brighton, Daisy (spouse Harry Pilot), 'Gnadollie' Hekel, Ida (spouses Peter Williams, Buckley), 'Mary Ann' Jinnie (spouse William Conlan), Mary (spouses Chinese, Dick Richards and Alexander Brierty), Ippi' Mary (Bob Gray), Mary Ann (Billy Phillips), Miria' Maryann (Alick, Charlie Turner, Jack Williams); 'Munga' Maryann, Jeannie 'Jinnie' Mossman and Charlie Fitzroy, Dick 'Gunta' Richards, Kullilli' Rosie and her husband, 'Curra' Jack Thompson, 'Bunda' Tiger, Tilby and 'Djogo' Hugo, Tinda and Lollipop, Toby and Topsy, Jack 'Norley' Wallace, Monitor Wallace, Willico, Harry Willis, Harry Willy-Boy, Monday Willoughby, Harry Barney, Annie/Nellie Ardoch/ Bulloo, Jack Bulloo, Charlie Copra, Maggie, Trella/Tarella

KULLILLI AUTHORISATION MEETING #1 – 21/09/2013 (Meeting #1)

This Notice invites the following people to attend meetings at the dates, times and location set out below;

All members of the Kullilli People (as described above); and

All other people who hold or may hold native title rights and/or interests in the proposed Indigenous Land use Areas (depicted and described below).

Date of Authorisation Meeting: 21 September 2013

Venue for Authorisation Meeting: International Virginia, Cnr of Zillmere and Sandgate Roads, Boondall 4034

Time of Authorisation Meeting: Registration 9.30am, Meeting opens 10am sharp

The purpose of the meeting:

To consider amending the claim group with respect to inserting after the word "Trella/Tarella" the words "and her son Albert Hagan".

To re-appoint the Applicant or appoint different Applicant. To consider adopting terms of appointment for the Applicant in order to define their duties and the scope of the role.

Receive information on progress of the claim and provide Queensland South Native Title Services with information relevant to the connection report.

To be followed immediately by the Annual General Meeting of the Kullilli Bulloo River Aboriginal Corporation

KULLILLI AUTHORISATION MEETING #2 – 22/09/2013 (Meeting #2)

This Notice invites the following people to attend meetings at the dates, times and location set out below;

All members of the Kullilli People (as described above); and

All other people who hold or may hold native title rights and/or interests in the proposed Indigenous Land use Areas (depicted and described below).

Date of Authorisation Meeting: 22 September 2013

Venue for Authorisation Meeting: International Virginia, Cnr of Zillmere and Sandgate Roads, Boondall 4034

Time of Authorisation Meeting: Registration 9.30 am, Meeting opens 10am sharp

The purpose of Meeting # 3 will be for the native title claim group as amended by any AUTHORISATION approved at meeting #1.

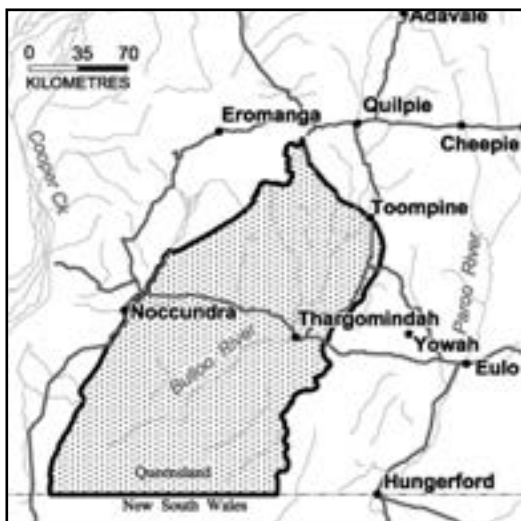
Authorise the making of an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) between the Kullilli People and Bulloo Shire Council and Quilpie Shire Council (Local Government ILUA):

A mechanism for resolving native title with Bullo Shire Council and Quilpie Shire Council;

Authorise the making of Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUA) between the Kullilli people and the owners of the following pastoral properties:

Mirintu, Bellera, Bulloo Downs, Thargomindah, Molesworth, Ardoch, Autumnvale, The Pioneers, Clyde (aka Picarilli Downs), Wongetta, Congie, Dynevor Downs, Karwalke, Kuging, Orinya, Kulki, Kyeene, Moombidary, Mulianna, Narylico, Nockatunga, Norley, Orient, Pinidary, Pyampah (aka Wompa), Talgeberry, Thargo, Tickalara, Wiralla and Zenoni

Authorise the making of an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) between the Kullilli people and Ergon Energy Corporation Limited ("Ergon ILUA")



ILUA AREAS – The areas of each of the ILUA's to be authorised relate to land and waters contained in the shaded area of the map (map 1 left).

The area covered by the **Kullilli People claim area** is located in the Thargomindah area of Queensland and covers about 32200km² as shown on the map below:

All Kullilli People are invited to contact Loyola Solien, Community Relations Officer, of **Queensland South Native Title Services**, Communities Section, on 1800 663 693 to register their intention to attend the authorisation meeting.

If you have any questions or require further information about the meeting or the business to be conducted please contact QSNTS.

QSNTS is not able to fund travel or accommodation to attend this meeting, however morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.



Public Exhibition of Revised Special Areas Strategic Plan of Management

Sydney Catchment Authority and NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service

Special Areas are the restricted lands adjacent to Sydney's drinking water storages that are managed to protect the quality of bulk water in the storages and for their ecological values. The SCA and NPWS (now part of the Office of Environment and Heritage) implement a plan of management for these areas, which is reviewed periodically.

The Special Areas Strategic Plan of Management (SASPoM) sets out the way the restricted areas surrounding the drinking water storages are managed. Since 1997, the SASPoM has been regularly revised with the previous SASPoM commencing in 2007. This plan has now been reviewed and a new document prepared to reflect the current priorities in managing the Special Areas.

The SCA invites submissions on the revised SASPoM. It is available to view and download from the SCA website (www.sca.nsw.gov.au) or, for a printed copy, email saspom@ecoaus.com.au or phone (02) 8536 8626.

Submissions will be accepted until 1 November 2013.



Department of Transport, Planning and Local Infrastructure

Grants for Community Sport and Recreation Groups

If your organisation delivers sport and active recreation activities in country Victoria, it could be eligible for support under the Country Action Grant Scheme and Victalent.

Up to \$5000 per project is available from the Country Action Grant Scheme to:

- Improve your organisation or club;
- Enhance the skills of coaches, officials or administrators; or,
- Help provide better access for all members of the community.

Eligible organisations may also apply for up to two \$500 Victalent grants to assist with travel related to competition or training for officials, coaches, athletes and teams.

Applications for both programs are open until 10 October 2013 for projects scheduled to start after 1 January 2014.

Applicants are encouraged to discuss their application with a Sport and Recreation Victoria regional representative before lodging a submission. To obtain contact details for assistance with your application, please call our Grants Information Line on 1 300 366 356 (for the cost of a local call) on any weekday between 8.30am and 10.00pm (except public holidays).

For further information and to lodge your application online, please visit:
www.grants.dtpli.vic.gov.au

High-speed internet arrives in Baniyala



THE remote community of Baniyala in north-east Arnhem Land now has internet connections as quick as those available in big cities following the arrival of a high-speed satellite service from the National Broadband Network (NBN).

Baniyala, also known as Yilpara, is a Yolngu homeland on the shores of Blue Mud Bay, about three hours' drive south from Nhulunbuy. Home to about 100 people, the community has a school, clinic, store, and growing cultural tourism industry.

Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (Laynha) instigated the NBN connection in April through an application to the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy. The Baniyala health clinic, ranger station and office are now online through



The Baniyala clinic with its new satellite dish.

new satellite dishes.

In Baniyala, the NBN allows for download speeds of up to six megabits per second (Mbps). Residents can now discuss homelands business face-to-face via video calling, and will soon be able to meet

remotely with other Laynha homeland leaders.

Laynha is in the process of establishing further NBN connections across eight homeland communities, where existing satellite connections are slow and expensive.

MoB takes out award



Luc Farago and MoB trainees check a newly planted wildlife corridor on the Glanville property.



AN environmental project in NSW's Border Rivers region employing local Aboriginal trainees has taken out the 2013 NSW Landcare Indigenous Innovation Award.

The Mungindi-based Murries on Barwon (MoB) project is a partnership between the Border Rivers-Gwydir Catchment Management Authority (CMA), the Mungindi Local Aboriginal Land Council, NSW TAFE, and the Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation.

The project focussed on land and river conservation and rehabilitation and employment

skills in the local Aboriginal community. It was funded through the Federal Government's Caring for Our Country initiative.

A highlight of the project was the establishment of an 8km wildlife corridor from the Boomi River to the Barwon River on the Mungindi Local Aboriginal Land Council-owned property Glanville.

Aboriginal trainees employed through the project harvested and propagated native seed for revegetation of the corridor, erected fencing, and planted thousands of seedlings to create shelter and habitat for native species.

CMA Strategic Land Services Team leader Luc Farago said the scale of the project was impressive, and so was the growth in self-confidence and skill among the trainees.

"The quality of the planting work was phenomenal. They achieved some of the best tubestock planting I've ever seen, evidenced by a great strike rate and excellent growth," Mr Farago said.

Murdi Paaki has since retained several of the trainees to continue with ongoing revegetation and land management works on Glanville.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CULTURAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003

Aboriginal Party

You are hereby advised that Yarrabee Coal Company Pty Ltd (Yarrabee Coal), as sponsor, intends to conduct develop a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) for the current Yarrabee Coal Mine and associated Mining Projects for Yarrabee Coal, pursuant to Part 7 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003.

The Yarrabee Coal Mine is located approximately 40km northeast of Blackwater in Central Queensland. The mine produces low volatile, high energy coal which is hauled by road to the Boonal load out facility on the Blackwater system and then railed to the Port of Gladstone for export. The associated projects for the Yarrabee Coal Mine will include all the necessary activities to expand existing pits or develop new open-cut pits and associated infrastructure, including exploration activities, environmental assessment and monitoring, haul road development, and all mining operations such as overburden removal, open-cut pit development and waste management.

Enquiries:

Mr Paul Stringer, General Manager, Yarrabee Coal Company Pty Ltd c/- Phillip Hawes

Telephone: (07) 3221 1371

Facsimile: (07) 3221 1803,

Address for service: Level 25, 288 Edward Street, Brisbane QLD 4001

For the purpose of this Notice the Notice Day is 11 SEPTEMBER 2013.

The Cultural Heritage Management Plan will be conducted over the following area which for the purpose of this notice forms the plan area where; EPC 1117, EPC 1177 and parts of EPC 1429, EPC 1668, EPC 1684 and EPC 621.

The area falls into the Parishes of Jellinbah, Goolwa, Yarrabee and Leura in the Counties of Leura and Humboldt in the Central Highlands Regional Shire. The nearest towns are Blackwater, Bluff, Middlemount and Tieri.

If you are an Aboriginal Party or you have been nominated as an Aboriginal Party (as defined by Part 4 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003) to act on their behalf and you wish to take part in the Cultural Heritage Management Plan, you must give a written notice to Yarrabee Coal Company advising that you wish to take part, by 11 OCTOBER 2013.

The Yarrabee Coal Company may elect not to endorse any Aboriginal Party if Yarrabee Coal Company is not advised in writing within the required time.

If you require any further information in relation to this Public Notice, please do not hesitate to contact Phillip Hawes on (07) 3221 1371 or email PHawes@flindersgroup.com.au.

NOTICE OF IMAN PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Applicants of the Iman #2 Native Title Claim have called an authorisation meeting for the following purposes:

1. Report to the claim group on the response of the State of Queensland to the connection of the Iman people to the claim area of the Iman #2 claim.
2. Authorise an Applicant to continue the prosecution of the Iman #2 Native Title Claim in the Federal Court (and a code of conduct and procedures for decision making).
3. Authorise an amendment to the Iman #2 claim group description.
4. Authorise a further Native Title Claim over the shaded area of the Map contained in this notice.
5. Authorise an ILUA with Banana Shire Council, Central Highlands Regional Council, Maranoa Regional Council and Western Downs Regional Council.

The arrangements for the meeting are as follows:

Date: 14 September 2013
Time: 8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
Venue: Central Queensland University, Building 32 Room 1.28, Bruce Highway, North Rockhampton, Qld 4702

Amendment of the claim group description

At the meeting a recommendation will be made to amend the current claim group description by replacing: "John/James Serico" with "the unnamed mother of John Serico" and "Dick Bundi/Bundai" with "Dick Bundi/Bundai and Alice Dutton".

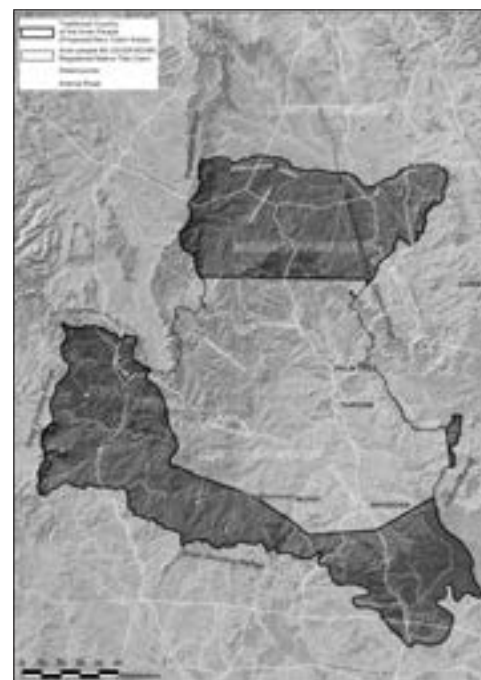
It is very important that you consider whether you are affected by the proposed amendment. If a Determination of native title is ultimately made, the claim group description will set out those who are recognised as the native title holders of the lands subject to the Iman #2 Native Title Claim.

Only the descendants of the following Iman ancestors will be entitled to participate in the meeting:

1. Mary Arwa	6. Mary Ann (mother of Maggie Dunn);
2. Jim Waterton	7. Eliza Shields
3. Ada Robinson	8. Fanny Waddy/Sandy
4. Maggie Palmtree	9. Dick Bundi/Bundai and Alice Dutton
5. Lizzie Palmtree	10. Unnamed mother of John Serico

Travel Assistance

Assistance with travel will be provided to those claim group members who register with Sandlewood on (07) 32774801 prior to 4.00pm on Tuesday 10 September 2013. Lunch will be provided.



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11TH SEPTEMBER TO 24TH SEPTEMBER



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WEDNESDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time 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 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
12:00 Women Of The Sun M (Drama)
1:00 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Wrong Side Bala PG (Documentary)
7:45 Where We Come From G (Documentary)
7:50 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
7:55 Djamban Band PG (Documentary)
8:00 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
8:15 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
8:30 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 The National Indigenous Arts Awards G (Entertainment)
10:30 Knowledge, Painting And Country PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)

THURSDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:45 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
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7:55 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Wrong Side Bala PG (Documentary)
11:15 Where We Come From G (Documentary)
11:20 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
11:25 Djamban Band PG (Documentary)
11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
11:45 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
12:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
1:00 The National Indigenous Arts Awards G (Entertainment)
2:00 Knowledge, Painting And Country PG (Documentary)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
7:45 In A League Of Their Own G (Series)
9:30 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Entertainment)
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)

FRIDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:45 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:50 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:55 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
12:30 In A League Of Their Own G (Series)
1:00 Straight Shootin' PG (Series)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Series)
9:00 Tusamituu! G (Documentary Series)
10:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)

SATURDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)
2:30 Tales Of Oceania G (Series)
3:00 Wrong Side Bala PG (Documentary Series)
3:15 Where We Come From G (Doc Series)
3:20 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary Series)
3:25 Djamban Band PG (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 (News/Current Affairs)
7:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
7:30 Global Voice PG (Series)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Doc Series)
8:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
9:30 Radiance M (Documentary Series)
11:00 Matakau M (Series)
11:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)

SUNDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
4:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (Entertainment)
12:30 Global Voice PG (Series)
1:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Doc Series)
1:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
2:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
3:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
4:30 The 42nd Koori Knockout: The Documentary G (Sport)
5:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
7:30 Balanda And The Bark Canoe PG (Doc)
8:30 Going Bush G (Documentary Series)
9:00 Blackstone M (Drama)
10:00 Blackfellas MA (Documentary)
11:30 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)

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MONDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
4:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:45 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:50 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:55 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
10:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
11:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
12:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
12:30 Balanda And The Bark Canoe PG (Documentary)
1:30 Going Bush G (Series)
2:00 Yellow Fella PG (Documentary)
2:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Down 2 Earth G (Series)
8:30 The Tundra Book PG (Documentary)
10:15 The Pearlers G (Documentary)
10:30 Finding Our Talk G (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)

TUESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
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6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
8:30 Women Of The Sun M (Drama)
9:30 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
10:00 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)

WEDNESDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
12:00 Women Of The Sun M (Drama)
1:00 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Marka Wangka G (Documentary)
7:45 Micky And Frankie G (Documentary)
8:00 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
8:15 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
8:30 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)

THURSDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Marka Wangka G (Documentary)
11:15 Micky And Frankie G (Documentary)
11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
12:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
9:00 In A League Of Their Own G (Sport)
9:30 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Entertainment)
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)

FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
12:30 In A League Of Their Own G (Series)
1:00 Straight Shootin' G (Entertainment)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Series)
9:00 Memory Tree PG (Documentary)
10:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)

SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
12:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)
2:30 Tales Of Oceania G (Documentary Series)
3:00 Marka Wangka G (Documentary)
3:15 Micky And Frankie G (Documentary)
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 (News/Current Affairs)
7:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
7:30 Global Voice PG (Series)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Doc Series)
8:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
9:30 Masai: The Rain Warriors M (Documentary)
11:00 Matakau M (Series)
11:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)

SUNDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
4:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News In Review NC (News)
1:00 Global Voice PG (Series)
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Doc Series)
2:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
3:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)
3:30 Murri Rugby League Carnival 2012 NC (Sport)
5:00 Murri Carnival 2012: The Documentary G (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
7:30 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (Documentary)
8:30 Going Bush G (Series)
9:00 Blackstone M (Drama)
10:00 Shifting Sands M (Documentary)
11:30 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)



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12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
4:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
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10:30 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
11:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
12:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
12:30 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (Documentary)
1:30 Going Bush G (Series)
2:00 Thanks For All The Fish G (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
8:00 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
8:30 Contrary Warrior PG (Documentary)
9:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Series)
10:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
10:30 Finding Our Talk G (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)

TUESDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
7:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
11:30 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
12:00 Contrary Warrior PG (Documentary)
1:00 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News/Current Affairs)
2:00 Finding Our Talk G (Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
4:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
7:30 Awaken NC (News/Current Affairs)
8:30 Women Of The Sun PG (Drama)
9:30 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
10:00 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News/Current Affairs)
11:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)



AFL champions Lance Franklin, Michael O'Loughlin and Adam Goodes with the Indigenous team's jumpers.

Stars ready to rule in Ireland

By DARREN COYNE



NOT since 1868 has an all-Aboriginal team been sent overseas to defend the national sporting honour.

Back then, the all-Aboriginal cricket team gave the 'mother country' a run for her money, playing 47 matches throughout England over six months, winning 14, losing 14 and drawing 19.

And while it has taken a while, another all-Indigenous team is about to follow in those noble footsteps, but this time they will be pulling on football boots and taking on the Irish.

The Australian Football League has named the 33-man Indigenous International Rules squad, which will be coached by former AFL star and *Koori Mail* columnist Michael O'Loughlin.

The final line-up, which will be trimmed to 21 after this month's AFL grand final, will take on the Irish in Cavan on October 19 and at Dublin's Croke Park on October 26.

The squad launch, which was attended by Hawthorn star Lance Franklin, Swans co-captain Adam Goodes, coach O'Loughlin and Irish AFL player Tadhg Kennelly, was held on August 29 at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Sydney.

After a welcome to country by Michael West of the NSW Metropolitan Local Land Council and a smoking ceremony by Uncle Max Eulo, Franklin, Goodes and O'Loughlin were presented with their team jumpers.

Goodes said the opportunity to play for Australia in an international team made up of Indigenous players was just too good to miss.

"It's fantastic to represent your country and I've done it a couple of times, but to represent Australia as Indigenous people I think is very powerful," he said.

Franklin said he was confident all of the best Indigenous players would make themselves available.

"Why wouldn't they? It's going to be an unbelievable experience," he said.

AFL deputy chief executive Gil McLachlan said the all-Indigenous team was an opportunity to reinvigorate the international series, which has struggled at



Wendy Ludwig, Mick Dodson, Craig Greene and Ursula Raymond at the launch.



Adam Goodes with Ireland's ambassador to Australia, Noel White.

times to attract senior players.

The AFL also announced a new partnership with the National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) to support the international team.

NACCHO chair Justin Mohamed said he was excited by the initiative.

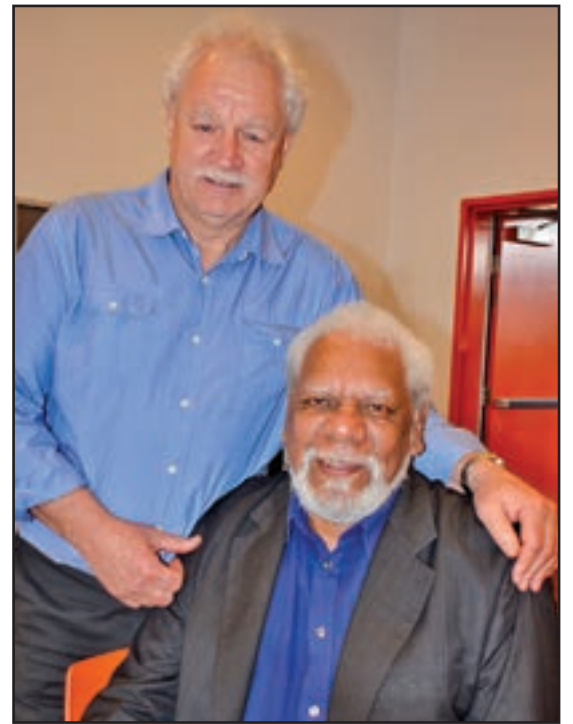
"Working with the AFL gives us another channel to spread the health

messages into Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities all across the country," he said.

"Aboriginal people are great followers of AFL and love to support their Aboriginal players.

"AFL and Aboriginal community controlled health both have at their core a local, grass roots, community focus. Combining football with a good health message makes a lot of sense."

Australia's International Rules squad: Tony Armstrong (Sydney), Harley Bennell (Gold Coast), Eddie Betts (Carlton), Shaun Burgoyne (Hawthorn), Allen Christensen (Geelong), Aaron Davey (Melbourne), Alwyn Davey (Essendon), Courtenay Dempsey (Essendon), Shane Edwards (Richmond), Lance Franklin (Hawthorn), Adam Goodes (Sydney), Curtly Hampton (Greater Western Sydney), Bradley Hill (Hawthorn), Josh Hill (West Coast), Stephen Hill (Fremantle), Leroy Jetta (Essendon), Lewis Jetta (Sydney), Michael Johnson (Fremantle), Andrew Krakouer (Collingwood), Nathan Lovett-Murray (Essendon), Brandon Matera (Gold Coast), Ash McGrath (Brisbane), Steven Motlop (Geelong), Danyle Pearce (Fremantle), Patrick Ryder (Essendon), Mathew Stokes (Geelong), Lindsay Thomas (North Melbourne), Travis Varcoe (Geelong), Andrew Walker (Carlton), Michael Walters (Fremantle), Sharrod Wellingham (West Coast), Daniel Wells (North Melbourne), Chris Yarran (Carlton).



Tasmanian Aboriginal lawyer Michael Mansell and Aboriginal Medical Service in Redfern chair Sol Bellel.



NACCHO chair Justin Mohamed.



NCIE chief executive Jason Glanville.



Metro Land Council CEO Michael West.

Business heads given firsthand view of culture



Abe Ape, Aunty Caroline Briggs and Brent Watkins.



A GROUP of Melbourne business leaders was recently

given an insight into Aboriginal culture at a gathering at the Koorie Heritage Trust in Melbourne.

The event was designed to 'change how you see the world and the world sees you'.

It was organised as an initiative of Jesuit Social Services and B.I.G. (Business Inclusive Group).

The day featured respected Indigenous Elders, Jesuit Social Services staff members and participants from the Jesuit Social Services run Artful Dodgers studio.

The Koorie Heritage Trust Cultural Centre is one of Melbourne's most iconic

cultural hubs, hosting more than 20,000 artefacts, artworks and photographs.

Elder Aunty Caroline Briggs, Artful Dodgers participant and Sudanese spoken word artist Abe Ape, and young Koori Artful Dodgers participant Brent Watkins took part.

B.I.G. director Anne Fildes said she had been developing a partnership with Jesuit Social Services in the hope that she could deliver some 'experiences' for the corporate sector as part of her organisation's offer of services.

"Our B.I.G. develops leaders, builds teams and engages stakeholders through a range of inspiring volunteering experiences, community projects and creative workshops," she said.

Leadership centre named the best



THE Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AIRC) has been named the ACT's best small Registered Training Organisation (RTO) for 2013.

The AIRC delivers programs across the nation from its Canberra base and is Australia's only national provider of accredited Indigenous leadership education programs.

More than 1200 Indigenous people have graduated with leadership qualifications, and thousands more have completed tailored Indigenous leadership and governance programs since the AIRC was established in 2001.

In June, the Federal Government announced an additional \$8.3 million in funding for the AIRC for the next four years.

"This award is a great affirmation of the success of our 1200 graduates," AIRC chair Tom Calma said.

"Education organisations are judged not for delivering courses, but for delivering meaningful change, and the AIRC is achieving that every day.

"It's not a discretionary item. Indigenous leadership is essential to deliver a better future for all Australians, enabling Indigenous people to gain access to the skills, knowledge, opportunities and support networks required to let them fulfil their potential."

Shepparton set to celebrate culture



SHEPPARTON'S annual celebration of Indigenous culture is on today and tomorrow, September 11-12. ASHEFest is expected to draw students from local schools to the Rumbalara Football Netball Club in the northern Victorian city.

Organisers say this year's ASHEfest will be bigger, with two major school events – ASHEletics and the Buroinjin Challenge – being held over two days.

ASHEfest kicks off today with an expected 300-plus Indigenous primary school students participating in a range of activities and entertainment from 9.15am and concluding at 2.30pm.

Tomorrow, secondary school students are scheduled to attend, with the highlight being the Buroinjin Challenge, with 20 teams across two championship levels – junior (Years 8-9) and senior (Year 10 and above).

Buroinjin is a mixed gender ball game originating from south-east Queensland's Kabi Kabi people.

Pilot program will aid hip hop artists



AN industry-based pilot program has been launched to help aspiring Indigenous hip hop artists further their careers in the music business.

The Bunjil Music Business Project has been developed by the Mushroom Group with Australia's only Aboriginal hip hop label, Payback Records, and Indigenous Hip Hop Projects (IHHP).

Over five months, participants will engage in aspects of the music industry, including songwriting, recording and production, video production, marketing and promotion, and performance.

Payback Records owner Nathan Lovett-Murray said the Bunjil project was named in honour of Bunjil, the great eagle and the creator for the people of the Kulin Nations (in Victoria).

"The project is bringing together music, business and leadership development as a way to tell our stories and share our culture," he said.

Dion Brownfield, the founder and co-director of IHHP, said hip hop gave young Indigenous people and their communities a voice to not only let their issues be heard but to empower them to find their own solutions.

The Mushroom Group has worked with Indigenous artists including Yothu Yindi, Jimmy Little, Christine Anu, Archie Roach, Troy Cassar-Daley and Dan Sultan.

More details on the new pilot program are available at www.indigenoushipop.com or www.paybackrecords.com.au

Archives open day aids hunt for family



A RECENT open day in the NSW Northern Rivers region gave local members of the Stolen Generation the chance to find out how to use official records to trace family members.

The Finding Your Mob Information Day took place in Lismore on August 13 and was co-hosted by Rekindling The Spirit and Indigenous Community Links, working in collaboration with the NSW Family Records Unit.

It is the first time the Family Records Unit has carried out an information day in a regional area.

Those who attended had the opportunity to learn about the work of the Family Records Unit and how they can access NSW State records and archives to reconnect with family.

It is estimated that 100,000 Aboriginal children were taken from their families and raised in homes or adopted by white families from 1909 up until 1969.

If you would like further information on how to find your mob, contact Anne Wright from the Family Records Unit, NSW Department of Aboriginal Affairs, on (02) 9219 0715.



Stolen Generation member Priscilla Wightman searching family records.

Tennant Creek packed for festival



Kylie Sambo and friend at the Muckaty Exhibition at Nyinkka Nyunyu.



A young Tennant Creek local tries out this bike contraption made as part of the Festivals Australia project EMPOWER. Pictures by Lincoln MacKinnon (Barkly Regional Arts)

Harmony in the desert



THOUSANDS of people flocked to the Northern Territory centre of Tennant Creek for this year's Desert Harmony Festival. The 10-day celebration included music, parades,

film, dance, cultural activities and food.

Organiser Kathy Burns said this year's festival – the 24th – was a major success, with highlights including performances by Coloured

Stone, the Barkly Divas and Circle Stories.

"We're already working on next year's 25th anniversary festival, which promises to be bigger and better than ever," she said.



Comedian Kevin Kropinyeri on stage.



Frontman Bunna Lawrie performing with Coloured Stone in what was a festival highlight.



The Lady Beats, an all-female singing group based in Tennant Creek, proved a festival hit.

Leaders help with police cautions



NSW police can now call on the assistance of almost 100 Aboriginal community leaders to help deliver cautions where needed to young Aboriginal people across the state.

Police Minister Mike Gallacher said 46 cautions had been co-administered by police and Aboriginal leaders over the past six months at locations including Bourke, Condobolin, Dubbo, Kempsey and Parkes.

This follows the training of members of Aboriginal Community Justice Groups in the delivery of cautions at four workshops.

It was the first time NSW police had delivered these workshops to anyone outside the force.

"The involvement of Elders in cautions is helping to build stronger ties between the police and Aboriginal communities as they work together to steer young offenders back on to the right path," Mr Gallacher said.

Giving police the opportunity to seek assistance from an Elder when cautioning Aboriginal young people was a key recommendation made by the NSW Aboriginal Community Justice Forum in 2011.

When police arrest a person under 18 they must consider whether the person is eligible for a caution or a youth justice conference before laying any charges.

In making a decision, police consider a range of factors including the seriousness of the offence, the harm caused to any victim and the young person's offending history.

Literacy programs working in Pilbara



FREE Literacy programs are helping students at Pilbara Institute's Karratha, Hedland and Roebourne campuses. Institute head Norman Baker said the programs gave vocational students extra assistance to improve literacy and numeracy.

"We're running two types of literacy programs at three campuses," he said.

"Our Course in Applied Vocational Study Skills (CAVSS) is delivered in class and involves having a literacy lecturer working hand-in-hand with the vocational lecturer.

"The institute's Underpinning Skills for Industry Qualifications (USIQ) course is a tutoring program aimed at assisting students outside classes with any literacy problems they might be facing.

"Our literacy lecturers identify what kind of support the students need which might include assistance in vocabulary, sentence structure, researching, calculations and technical drawing."

Mr Baker said the programs had received positive feedback from employers, students and lecturers.

Mechanical fitting lecturer Remet Pereira said the programs had made a big impact on the performance of his students.

"The literacy lecturer has helped my students by working with them one-on-one in reading, mathematics, as well as understanding workbook assignments," he said.

Flying the flag...



ABORIGINAL performer Adrian Burragubba, from Queensland, has been in the United States as an 'ambassador' for Aboriginal Australia. Mr Burragubba played the didgeridoo in the ring before Daniel Geale's recent world title fight against Darren Barker in Las Vegas, just as he did in Sydney when Geale fought Anthony Mundine. Burragubba has also met with the New York Red Bulls soccer team and Socceroos star Tim Cahill at the Australian consulate, and attended the 50th anniversary rally of the civil rights movement at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, where he is pictured holding the Aboriginal flag.



Casey to aim high



YOUNG Noongar woman Casey Kickett, pictured, believes in the power of adventure, probably a necessary attribute if you're aiming to climb Africa's highest mountain, Kilimanjaro.

Ms Kickett, 20, and her cousin are joining an Oxfam charity trek of one of the world's tallest mountains to help raise money for South Africa's Bela Bela program, which helps people with HIV/AIDS.

"I know the climb is going to be difficult physically, but it will be one of the best things I've ever done in my life, an amazing experience, and I'm doing it for a good reason," she said. "I've always wanted to go to Africa. It's different and everything looks so adventurous."

Ms Kickett has begun training for her climb in Tanzania in July next year, changing her eating habits, exercising and going for hikes in her home town of Perth.

"It's going to be completely different terrain, and the altitude is what I'm worried about – I've never experienced that before or seen snow," she said.

"I think the big thing is going to be mental side of it; you're trekking through the night so you can beat the weather conditions. It's going to get pretty intense."

Ms Kickett is studying communications and Indigenous studies at university and works with community radio.

"I really want to push myself outside of my comfort zone – I could take the easy road and stay home but you never know what's going to happen tomorrow so when this opportunity came up I thought, 'Why not?'" she said.

To donate to Ms Kickett's cause go to www.oxfam.org.au/my/events/view/461

Organisations win creative awards



SEVERAL Northern Territory Aboriginal organisations have been recognised in this year's Creative Partnerships Australia Awards for South Australia and the NT.

The awards ceremony was held in Darwin on August 29, with the Territory's Corrugated Iron Youth Arts and regional airline Airnorth taking out the regional award.

Among the seven collaborations awarded Certificates for Best Practice Recognition in the Northern Territory were Wurli Wurlijang Health Service based in Katherine, Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation based in Wugularr community (Beswick), and the Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation in collaboration with Gatiirrk Festival in Milngimbi.

The awards recognise successful and innovative relationships between the arts, business and donors and their contribution to Australia's cultural life.

New booklet offers advice for business



HELP is at hand for Indigenous business owners needing to broaden their understanding of the basic responsibilities, risks and obligations of operating a business in Australia.

Sydney-based Indigenous solicitor Terri Janke has published the booklet *Law Way: Indigenous Business and the Law*, which is informed by her own experience of establishing her legal business in 2000.

Ms Janke said that being your own boss provided many personally rewarding

experiences and an opportunity to create a source of financial security.

"However, business ownership also brings financial and legal responsibilities," she said. "Understanding and keeping up to date with the business laws and regulations governing your chosen industry is vital when starting, expanding or exiting a business venture."

"Everybody has a story and a question on business law, but this booklet provides answers to the most common questions, gives tips to avoid common mistakes and makes use of case studies to show how

other Indigenous people succeeded."

As well as general legal advice, the booklet includes links to recommended resources, along with tips, case studies of existing Indigenous business owners and hypothetical scenarios addressing a variety of situations.

The booklet was published with the support of Indigenous Business Australia and printed by Indigenous-owned and operated companies Gilimbaa in Queensland and Print Junction in Adelaide. To obtain a copy, go to www.terrijanke.com.au

Schools program in Wimmera



AN initiative promoting Aboriginal parental involvement in art and performance-based projects at schools in Victoria's Wimmera district is set to begin.

The Koorie Parent and Community Engagement Project (K-PaCE) will be run over the next 12 months at schools in Horsham and Dimboola. It aims to encourage parents and caregivers to work positively for the benefit of future generations, particularly in the areas of identity and self-esteem.

Project coordinator and local Wotjobaluk woman Gail Harradine said the project was designed to increase Aboriginal parents and caregivers' skills in dealing with the education system and increase cultural competence in the schools.

"There have been some very exciting ideas to come out of the initial consultations with parents, principals and working with the students on what they would like to see happen in the schools to improve family participation," she said.

The project is funded by the Department of Employment, Education and Workplace Relations. Further local consultations are planned over the next few weeks.

● **Pictured:** From left, National Curriculum Services What Works coordinator Sandra Brogden, Gail Harradine, Teagan Muir, 11, Kelly Muir, Mackenzie Barrett, 11, Charlotte Barrett, 7, Koori education support officer Nola Illin, Horsham Primary School principal Chris Walter and Wotjobaluk Elder Leila Harradine. Kelly is the mother of the children.



Bernie Ryder at the forum.



Angie Bedford, from Halls Creek.



Beverley Sambo, from Kalgoorlie.

New Stolen Gens group in the west



A NEW group representing Western Australia's Stolen Generations has been formed following a forum in Perth.

Forum participants, who came from across the state, will now seek to formally incorporate as a state affiliate of the National Stolen Generations Alliance.

Spokesperson Jim Morrison said the action came because members of the Stolen Generations and their families felt their concerns were being ignored

by state and federal governments.

"WA was the first state to put in place a state forum and others will follow, so it's just an empowerment exercise, to have the voices heard through individual state alliances," he said.

Represented

Mr Morrison, who is co-chair of the Bringing Them Home Committee (WA), said his group and the Kimberley Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation formed the new alliance so all affected

people in WA could be represented.

Kimberley Stolen Generations chair Mark Bin Bakar said many of the Aboriginal people forcibly removed from their families had already died or were seriously ill.

"Participants clearly expressed at the forum that they are keen to see action that helps their children and grandchildren before they too pass away," he said.

Mr Morrison likened Australia's Stolen Generations to the Jewish Holocaust.

"The effects are still being felt by Jewish people as much as here," he said.



Kimberley Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation chair Mark Bin Bakar speaking at the forum in Perth.

Nurses, midwives to have gathering



A NATIONAL gathering of Indigenous nurses and midwives will be held next month in Canberra.

Health professionals have been invited to the Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives (CATSINaM) annual conference to share their experiences and hear from leading thinkers in the Indigenous health sector.

"Our members provide leadership in delivering high-quality health care that incorporates diversity, respects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' culture, is relevant to their needs and is valued within their communities," CATSINaM CEO Janine Milera said.

"We are pleased to have attracted several leading Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander thinkers to speak at the conference.

"Dr Pat Anderson will highlight how racism is making our people sick, Dr Tom Calma will discuss tobacco control in Aboriginal communities, Professor Kerry Arabena will emphasise the need and impact of Aboriginal health leadership and Donna Ah Chee will present on the positive impact of the Nurse Family Partnership Program for Aboriginal families in Alice Springs."

This year, CATSINaM has introduced a Partnership Award to recognise culturally respectful, committed and successful partnerships between its members and other organisations.

"We hope this will inspire and invigorate ongoing partnership work, as we continue working with our members and other health professionals to achieve ongoing improvement in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health outcomes," Ms Milera said.

The conference will be held from October 7-8 at the Hotel Realm in Canberra.

Scam warning in Kimberley region



ABORIGINAL corporations and businesses in Western Australia's Kimberley region have been warned about a possible advertising scam.

Several organisations have been contacted recently by people claiming to represent publications and demanding payment for unauthorised advertising.

WA Commissioner for Consumer Protection Anne Driscoll said the publications being promoted appear to be of poor quality and unlikely to be distributed to anyone. "The promoters of these publications claim that they are affiliated with legitimate community organisations, which may not be the case," she said.

"The promoters target junior staff who are coerced into signing advertising contracts under the belief that the advertising has been approved by supervisors. They then harass staff to pay invoices for advertising in dubious publications, threatening to take legal action or involve police if payment is not made.

"While we are investigating these reports, we would like to warn businesses in the Kimberley to be aware of these unsolicited approaches and to exercise caution before making any commitments to advertise or paying invoices for unauthorised advertising."

For more information and advice, consumers can contact Consumer Protection on 1300 304 054 or by email to consumer@commerce.wa.gov.au. Businesses can contact the Small Business Development Corporation on 131 249 or by email to info@smallbusiness.wa.gov.au

Corroboree on the Spring equinox



THE seventh Julinbah Yowarl Rainbow Corroboree to mark the Spring equinox will be held near Tabulam, far northern NSW, from September 20-22.

Organisers say the event is an opportunity to experience Aboriginal culture through sharing stories and corroboree, art and dance, and time with Elders and local people.

The corroboree has been held on the banks of the Rocky River every equinox since 2010.

Entry to the drug- and alcohol-free event is by donation (\$50). For more details, call Sky on (02) 66 871 706.

Trainees set for work in Territory public service



NT Chief Minister Adam Giles with NT trainees, from left, Jesse Norris, Wendy Scrymgour, Lisa Sharples, Taquila Derrington and Elliott Lewis.



SIX Aboriginal trainees are set for careers in the Northern Territory public service

as part of an NT Government push to increase Indigenous employment in the public sector.

NT Chief Minister Adam Giles attended a recent graduation ceremony to

congratulate trainees who have each received a Certificate II in Community Services.

Each graduate completed a 20-week program that involved academic study and on-the-job training, through work placements in government.

Three of the graduates will start work at the Royal Darwin Hospital, while the other three will join the

Prison Officer in Training Program with the NT Department of Correctional Services.

Mr Giles said his Government's Indigenous Employment Program was aimed at ensuring the public service workforce more closely matched the makeup of the general Territory population.

"Since this program started in 2009, almost 200 jobseekers have begun a

career with the NT Government," he said.

"This Government recognises that a public sector with a healthy representation of Indigenous Northern Territorians is not only good for business, it is in a better position to serve the community through culturally appropriate programs and service delivery strategies."

Action urged on inmate numbers



NEW diversionary options are needed to counter the rising number of Aboriginal women in Victorian prisons.

That's according to a new report from the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission (VEOHRC), which says Indigenous women now comprise the fastest growing segment of the Victorian prison population.

The report 'Unfinished business' brings together stories of Aboriginal women from their first contact with the justice system, through imprisonment and after release, and makes recommendations about how to address inequity in the system.

Acting VEOHRC Commissioner Chris Humphreys said the report showed there were no culturally appropriate diversionary options in Victoria for Indigenous women. That's despite more than 20 years of national and Victorian

government policies aimed at reducing the over-representation of Indigenous people in prison.

"This report clearly highlights the pressing need for appropriate diversionary options for Koori women, including appropriate residential options," he said.

'This report clearly highlights the pressing need for appropriate diversionary options for Koori women, including appropriate residential options.' – Acting Commissioner Chris Humphreys

"We know that having a safe place that recognises Koori women's cultural needs is vital to reversing the trend of increasing imprisonment. The current lack of pre- (and post-) sentence residential options is a significant barrier to Koori women staying out of jail.

"These programs exist for Koori men

and non-Koories, but are lacking for Koori women, which offends the right to equality before the law."

The report shows that most Koori women prisoners share a similar profile: They are generally young mothers who have grown up with family violence, sexual abuse and

intergenerational trauma. Homelessness before and after prison is also common.

"Unfinished business' shows that Koori women often lack the social support afforded to the general population, while being at higher risk of family violence, mental or cognitive impairments, homelessness and poverty," Mr Humphreys said. "All of these factors drive contact with the criminal justice system.

"The increasing rate of Koori women entering prison comes at an enormous social and economic cost: to the women involved, to their children, to their communities and to the Victorian public.



Tamara Baira, left, and Dorothy Baluz in the fest global village.



Millianna Davey at her craft stall.



Artist Bai Tapau, right, at her stall with her cousin Sam Tapau.



Wulgurukaba Walkabouts entertainers Jai Cummings, right, and Juran Mitchell.

Dancers prove popular

By ALF WILSON



ABORIGINAL dancers the Wulgurukaba Walkabouts received a standing ovation when they performed at the 19th annual Cultural Fest held at Strand

Park in Townsville. The fest attracted an estimated 70,000 people.

There were 30 stalls in the international food court including Naianga's Torres Strait Islander Kai Kai stall, which offered a variety of traditional food. Stall operator

Naianga Tamwoy is of Badu descent.

Among the 60 cultural entertainment groups were the Wulgurukaba Walkabouts dancers, which included didgeridoo players Jai Cummings and Ashley Saltner Jnr. Before they performed under one of three covered areas, Prof Gracelyn Smallwood welcomed guests to country.

Three fest stages were used, including the main one with seating for 1000, a smaller one in the global village and a third on the beach, where children's activities were held and Palm Island group Mother's Dust performed.



Rosetta Thimble, who performed on the beach stage during the fest.



Horace Snyder in the fest global village.



Martha Marks, 10, ready for a ride on Coke the camel.



From left, Theresa Marpoondin, Amariah Marpoondin, 8, and Owen Marpoondin.

Big stage for young debaters



Sydney Secondary College's Gabby Larsson receives her debating certificate from Public Schools NSW executive director Murat Dizdar.



MORE than 30 students from 10 Sydney public high schools recently put their best arguments forward for the Aboriginal Secondary Students' Great Debates at NSW Parliament House.

Year 10 Sydney Secondary College student Gabby Larsson was the third speaker debating against the proposition that everyone who is Aboriginal should have a proof of identity document.

"I spoke about the fact that the Yolngu people who started the first bark petitions didn't need a form of identification and neither did the people who started the tent embassy," she said.

"My teammates first talked about previous identity documents for Aboriginal people and about in Nazi Germany how the Jewish people had to have name-tags.

"I really enjoyed the debate. Every year it gets a bit better, more intriguing to listen to."

The Year 9-12 students had a month to research and prepare.

"I learned so much. Before this year's NAIDOC celebrations I didn't know much about the bark petitions, but on a training day for the Great Debates, we learned an enormous amount," Gabby said. "I like to talk a lot – I could talk with a mouth full of marbles – and I like to get my point of view across, so debating is a really great outlet for a calm way of saying what you're thinking."

Some topics for debate were chosen from discussions students held about this year's NAIDOC theme, 'We value the vision: Yirrkala Bark Petitions 1963'.

Among the topics were that the local Aboriginal language should be mandatory in all secondary schools, that not all Aboriginal people are still suffering as a result of being dispossessed of their land, and that the Yirrkala bark petitions have been the most instrumental documents in recognising the rights of Aboriginal people to date.



Proud students at Batchelor Institute's Tennant Creek graduation ceremony.

Graduates shine in Tennant Creek



FRIENDS, family and fellow classmates gathered recently in Tennant Creek for a Batchelor

Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education (BIITE) graduation ceremony.

Thirty of the institute's 46 Indigenous students at Tennant Creek received their diplomas and certificates in an outdoor ceremony at Barkly Hill.

Barkly shire president Barbara Shaw headed a host of dignitaries on hand to see students receive their awards.

Four students received the Certificate II in Community Services, 10 received the Certificate I in Work Preparation (Community Services), four the Certificate III in Children Services, seven

'This is a big moment for students of the Barkly.'

the Certificate III in Education Support, 12 the Diploma in Education Support, one the Certificate I in Business and eight the Certificate IV in Education Support.

Community first

Julie Peterson, the mother of fellow graduate Derek Peterson Beasley, became the first person in her community, Wutunugurra, to earn a formal qualification. Her son will now undertake his Certificate IV, one of her daughters has enrolled in Certificate III, and another son is in the process of enrolling.

Two of the diploma graduates are signing up

to be tutors with the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS), with a few more considering this opportunity.

Keynote speaker Doris Johnson, a Wogylia woman and mobile preschool teacher, praised the graduates for their work and dedication, referring to the students as "the lightning for others to follow".

The student response was by Lucy Tanami.

"This is a big moment for students of the Barkly," said Ms Tanami who provides support for students in numeracy and literacy and Indigenous Language and Culture.

JCU pays respect in smoking ceremony

By ALF WILSON



A SMOKING and paying respect ceremony was one of the highlights of this month's NAIDOC celebrations at James Cook University in Townsville.

Aboriginal group Gullumbah's Didjida Yallorin, led by Garth Ross, presented the smoking ceremony on September 4 when Elders were thanked for their contribution over decades.

Master of ceremonies was JCU lecturer Max Lenoy, and guests were welcomed to country by Dorothy Savage.

Other activities during the week included markets, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander films, Dreamtime storytelling and boomerang throwing, spear and fire making, the launch of the School of Business's Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business Case Study videos, a traditional kinship system workshop, as well as a painting workshop with Phillip Obah.



Garth Ross leads the dancers during the smoking ceremony.

Ukuleles win school prize



Bray Park student Armani teaches Principals Australia Institute CEO Jim Davies the ukulele.



A LUNCHTIME ukulele group has helped Bray Park State School in Queensland win one of five national education awards.

The Brisbane school has received a Dare to Lead Award for Excellence in Leadership in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education, and was one of only three to receive a high achievement award.

The other two Dare to Lead high achievers were Orange Public School and Singleton High School, both in NSW, while Bowen State High School and

Waterford West State School, both in Queensland, received achievement awards.

The Bray Park ukulele group is open to all students and has a focus on reconciliation, with some of the ukuleles hand-decorated in Indigenous artwork by the students.

Seventy-eight of the school's 485 students are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

Orange Public principal Toni MacDonald welcomed her school's award.

"We're delighted with the success of our strategies that ensure Aboriginal students achieve the best outcomes that

they can," Ms MacDonald said after receiving her award.

Fifty-eight of the Orange Public School's 623 students are Indigenous. Dare to Lead says the school won for supporting every Indigenous student to achieve at or above national benchmarks in NAPLAN for 2010 and 2011, and for adjusting its maths curriculum with input from Aboriginal parents and a community advisory group.

Dare to Lead is an initiative of Principals Australia Institute (PAI), which is dedicated to building effective, inspirational and sustainable leadership in Australian schools.

IBA opens up new scholarship round



INDIGENOUS Business Australia's (IBA) scholarship round is open this month.

This is the fifth year IBA is offering mature-age Indigenous people the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills in business, finance and commerce through tertiary education.

An IBA Scholarship provides successful applicants with \$20,000 a year for full-time study. It is awarded for each year of approved study towards a postgraduate or undergraduate degree.

The 2010 scholarship recipient, Sam Raciti, who was named tertiary scholar of the year by the Mackay region local NAIDOC Committee, encourages people to "give it a go".

"On the day I was lodging my application, I questioned whether to press send on that fax machine," he said.

"We can put limits on ourselves, or have a negative mindset and question the barriers, the likelihood – but it's about throwing your hat in the ring. You have to be in it to win it."

IBA chair Dawn Casey says it is rewarding to see the positive impact that the scholarship program has had on recipients.



2010 scholarship winner Sam Raciti

"Since its inception five years ago, we have seen some inspirational people take that next step in their lives in gaining a tertiary qualification," she said.

Scholarship applications are being accepted until September 30 for mature-age students either currently enrolled or intending to start tertiary study from 2014.

Application forms, eligibility criteria and further information are available at www.iba.gov.au/scholarships



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Indigenous students from Ngulingah's Southern Cross Distance Education Program designed and painted this mural.

Street art a healthy inspiration



WHEN Troy Weribone, Theo Hippie and Isaiah King walk past a mural of a serpent on Pleasant Street in the Lismore (northern NSW) suburb of Goonellabah, they feel a sense of pride and belonging.

"It's deadly," Theo, 16, said. "We did that." Githabul artist Luke Close and Justin Livingston from The Back Alley Gallery helped a group of Indigenous students from Ngulingah's Southern Cross Distance Education Program design the mural, with support from Youth Connection caseworker Dusty McOnie.

"I'm proud of what we've done," 19-year-old Troy said. "It's a good effort and it's been fun. We've done it together, had a bit of a laugh while we were doing it and it's something we wouldn't get to do if we were at school."

Mr Close said the boys were natural artists. "They just needed a little guidance to let themselves go," he said. "I'm sure some of them could go further with their art."

The project was facilitated by Meridian Community Services, North Coast Church of Christ and Youth Connections North Coast to launch Goonellabah Community Hub.

The mural is on the wall of Meridian Health and Lismore GP Super Clinic.

AMA rewards Ngaree



A MEDICAL student who wants to help close the life expectancy gap between Indigenous and other Australians has won this year's Australian Medical Association

(AMA) Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship.

Ngaree Blow, a third-year Doctor of Medicine student at the University of Melbourne, says she wants to work with Indigenous communities 'because I am proud of my culture'.

"I want to see changes in health outcomes to decrease the significant amount of grief and loss for my family and my community, and I want to see greater opportunities for my people in areas such as education," she said.

"Having a healthier community means that there are a lot more opportunities for equality in all aspects of Australian life."

Not accepted

Ms Blow was not accepted into medicine upon completing school. She wanted to be a doctor, so chose to do a Bachelor of Science degree to keep her options open.

While studying science, her older brother died from a congenital heart disease, an event that re-energised her desire to become a doctor. She was later accepted to study medicine at the University of Melbourne.

AMA president Dr Steve Hambleton awarded Ms Blow the scholarship, which is valued at \$9000 for each year of study.

The scholarship is designed to encourage and support Indigenous students to prepare them for careers in medicine, particularly in Indigenous health.

"Assisting Indigenous medical students to complete their studies is a positive step toward ensuring there are more Indigenous doctors to serve their communities," Dr Hambleton said.



AMA president Dr Steve Hambleton presents Ngaree Blow with the Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship.

Program paying off



A SOUTH Australian-based program to improve Indigenous people's ability to manage their own

chronic health conditions is delivering significant results, according to Flinders University academic Malcolm Battersby.

Professor Battersby, who directs the Flinders Closing the Gap Program of Self-Management for Chronic Conditions, said a 'wave of momentum' was steadily increasing the numbers of Indigenous clients using the program to improve their health and wellbeing.

"Since 2010, more than 800 health professionals and Aboriginal health practitioners in services across Australia have received training, and more than 40 people have been provided with additional training so that they can continue educating staff within their service and region in the program," he said.

"This will ensure a succession of trained staff and the continuation of the program within a service."

The national program is funded under the Commonwealth's Closing the Gap initiative. It was extended last year to include tobacco management, and saw the start of the Live Well, Smoke Free program.

An event was held last week in Adelaide to mark the success of the program, at which national

Carolynanha Johnson plays fictional character Ethel, seen here in a still from one of the *Live Well, Smoke Free* educational videos.



coordinator for tackling Indigenous smoking Tom Calma launched a range of videos and posters.

Two of the videos feature fictional characters played by

Aboriginal actors; one gives an overview of the program, while the second is dedicated to tobacco management training and strategies.

A third video features a real

client of the Flinders program, Peter Rose, who describes the profound difference two years of the program has made to his life and wellbeing. The videos can be viewed at www.flindersclosingthegaprogram.com

flindersclosingthegaprogram.com/portfolio/videos

For information on the program, visit www.flindersclosingthegaprogram.com

Grants to help close the gap



DARLING Downs South West Queensland (DDSWQ) Medicare Local has awarded more grants to organisations improving the health of Indigenous people in communities across a wide area of southern Queensland.

The one-off grants were made under the organisation's Closing the Gap in Indigenous Health Outcomes Community Grants Program.

Recipients included:

- South Burnett Police Citizens Youth Club, for healthy lifestyle education, support and physical activity programs for the community and those who suffer from, or at risk of, chronic disease in Cherbourg;

- the Pharmacy Guild of Australia, to provide education and resources to assist pharmacies to provide culturally appropriate services, particularly for MedsChecks and Diabetes MedsChecks for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;

- Goondiwindi Medical Centre, to create culturally sensitive waiting, reception and clinical areas, buy mobile equipment to enable screening and monitoring of chronic disease, and increase the health literacy of local Indigenous people;

- Family Planning Queensland, for early detection and referral for treatment of cervical cancer to Indigenous women aged 15-70 in the Darling Downs region. The grant will also

support Family Planning Qld to increase the capabilities of the Carbal Aboriginal Medical Service Practice Nurse and Aboriginal Health Workers in the delivery of specialist cervical screening clinics.

- Goondir Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Health Services, for group exercise, practical food preparation and nutrition programs; and engage a specialist speakers to help people in Dalby make healthy life choices.

Medicare Locals were established by the Federal Government in 2011 to plan and fund extra health services in communities.

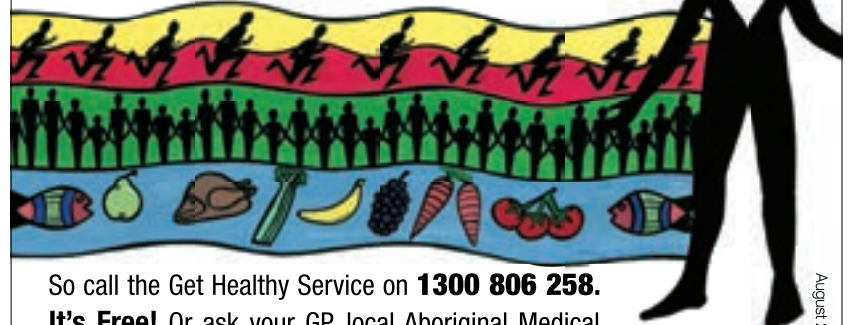
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Cape program beating diabetes



AN exercise and lifestyle program is helping Aboriginal people from Cape York lower their risk of diabetes.

Run by Apunipima Cape York Health

Council health promotion program officer Priscilla Gibson, the BEAT IT team includes qualified trainers, doctors, diabetes educators and a dietitian.

Eighteen Hopevale residents completed the program last month.

"Changing old habits for new, better, healthier ones is the key to long-term success and wellbeing," Ms Gibson said.

"The course focused on key points like improving cardiovascular fitness, strength, better flexibility and balance as well as strengthening social skills and self-motivation, which are integral to success."

The prevalence of type 2 diabetes in Hopevale increased by 47 per cent between 2007 and 2011 and it is estimated that about 25 per cent of Hopevale's 1000 residents have some form of chronic illness.

People interested in participating in the BEAT IT program should contact Priscilla Gibson on (07) 4037 7322.



Hopevale residents who completed the health program designed to lower the risk of contracting type 2 diabetes.

Vision shared on guide dogs



BUNDJALUNG Elder Mary Hooker has shared her story about

losing her eyesight as part of a new campaign to encourage Aboriginal people with vision impairment to contact Guide Dogs NSW/ACT.

"My eyesight changed from day to day, but when I lost my sight I was terrified of going outside," she said.

"After listening to an ad on TV about Guide Dogs – that they offered cane training not just dogs – I contacted them.

"They came to my home to teach me cane training. They taught me how to get to the shops, cross the road safely and move around my community on my own.

"I wouldn't have gained my confidence without the free training and support from Guide Dogs NSW/ACT.

"I now have a cane in

'I now have a cane in Aboriginal colours – it makes me feel proud.'

Aboriginal colours – it makes me feel proud."

The new video, promoting services available for Aboriginal people with vision loss, was launched last week in the central-western NSW town of Wellington, where it was filmed. Blindness rates in Aboriginal adults are over six times the rate of other Australians.

Guide Dogs NSW/ACT trains people with impaired vision on how to move safely through different environments. Training may include teaching people how to use aids such as long canes, guide dogs and electronic devices, like

talking GPS, as well as safe road-crossing techniques and use of public transport.

● **Pictured right: Guide Dogs NSW/ACT orientation and mobility instructor Gavin Stait with Mary Hooker.**



NT travel scheme is revised



THE Northern Territory Government has released new measures for people who need to travel to receive specialist medical treatment.

The Government's revised Patient Assistance Travel Scheme came into effect on September 1.

The scheme is a subsidy program funded by the NT Government to provide financial assistance to Territorians who are referred by a practitioner to the nearest approved specialist medical service.

Key changes to the scheme include:

- fuel subsidies for patients travelling 400km or more a week for treatment;
 - making the ground transport subsidy available for intrastate travel;
 - increase in commercial accommodation from \$35 to \$60 per person per night.
 - Doubling the private accommodation subsidy to \$20 per person per night.
 - Increasing the fuel subsidy from 15c per kilometre to 20c per kilometre.
 - Improvements to escort eligibility to allow more parents to travel with their children.
 - Claims can now be lodged up to three months after travel, instead of the current 28 days.
- The Government says it has boosted funding to the scheme by \$7.5 million a year.

Winnunga protest



Tents being staffed as part of the Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service accommodation protest in Canberra.



DOCTORS, nurses and midwives from Canberra's Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service held an accommodation protest by working from tents on August 29-30.

Winnunga chief executive officer Julie Tongs said the organisation was desperate for extra space to cater for its

more than 4000 clients.

"We've applied for capital works funding in the past and been unsuccessful, and we have three midwives and three nurses working out of one room," she said.

"We run a very successful midwifery program. We've made a lot of progress over the years, particularly with birth weight, but it's frustrating when you know GP super clinics and

other services are receiving funding and (authorities) can't find \$1.3 million so we can accommodate the staff we already have and use our resources properly."

Hamstrung

Ms Tongs said Winnunga was keen to offer an even more comprehensive service, but was hamstrung by staff members having to share space.

"Our capacity to increase service delivery is limited when key staff are having to share accommodation and are unable to work with clients in confidence," she said.

"Given how sick so many of our clients are – Winnunga provides services to 873 clients who have a diagnosed mental illness and 343 of those clients have a dual diagnosis and are also self-medicating

and have a substance use problem – it is crucial that they can be assisted with respect and confidentiality.

"While I believe Winnunga is held in high regard by Government both locally and nationally, I urge both federal and ACT government health funding departments to get serious about our plight.

"Staff wouldn't be staging this protest unless it was serious."

Scientists warn of Torres Strait threat



SCIENTISTS at the University of Queensland have identified a deadly threat in the Torres Strait.

Researcher Dr Nigel Beebe said established populations of the dangerous Asian tiger mosquito had been found on the Torres Strait islands of Waiben (Thursday) and Ngurupia (Horn) in the southern Torres Strait.

"This exotic mosquito is banging on our northern door demanding entrance and is most likely, despite our increasing efforts, to gain access," he said.

Dr Beebe said there was no clearly marked frontier between Papua New Guinea and northern Australia, and it was difficult to ensure that people and boats were not accompanied by mosquitoes carrying deadly viruses.

"Once on the mainland, the Asian tiger mosquito is highly

'This exotic mosquito is banging on our northern door demanding entrance and is most likely, despite our increasing efforts, to gain access.'

– Dr Nigel Beebe



capable of travelling with humans and establishing as far south as Tasmania," he said.

"It is capable of transmitting (diseases) dengue and chikungunya throughout northern and southern urban landscapes in the summer months.

"We need to be completely

on the front foot here, aggressively developing technologies to shut down the risk of an Asian tiger mosquito expansion into Australia, while establishing contingency plans for its arrival."

Dr Beebe led a team of University of Qld researchers that quantified the population

genetics of the tiger mosquito and found it did not come from Papua New Guinea, as first thought, but from the Indonesian region, and most likely through illegal fishing in the region.

The study, published in the journal *PLoS*, found that there were already regular appearances of the Asian tiger mosquito at Australia's northern mainland ports, with boat travel between the islands being the most likely cause.

"With climate change, and the potential invasion of the tiger mosquito into our urban landscapes, the risk of dengue and chikungunya virus transmission is likely to increase in Australia," Dr Beebe said.

The study was funded by the university, the CSIRO Climate Adaptation Flagship and the Australian Biosecurity Cooperative Research Centre for Emerging Infectious Disease.

Heart award to desert council



THE Central Desert Shire Council has been recognised at this year's Heart Foundation Healthy Community Awards.

The council received a Rising Heart Encouragement Award in the Healthy Community Awards populations of 15,000-or-less category.

"This is the third year in a row that the council has been recognised in this way," shire president Adrian Dixon said.

"This shows that the council has a long-term commitment to improving the health of our communities. Activities such as the CSDSC Women's Softball Competition are great ways of involving women in sport and promoting fun, healthy activities."

The awards recognise the achievements of local governments in the fight against heart disease, the number-one killer of Australian people.

Deadly Choices day



DEADLY Choices will hold a community day at Deception Bay High School, Brisbane on September 21, with rock climbing, a jumping castle, face-painting, touch footy, Zoomba, spear and boomerang throwing workshops and more.

For more information on the drug- and alcohol-free event, go to www.facebook/deadlychoices

Croc nets interest



Pictured with Netty are Frank Petero, Sue Ryan, Angela Torenbeek, Greg Adams and Georgia Curry.

By ALF WILSON



A 12 METRE long crocodile artwork called *Netty* created by four Torres Strait Islander artists to inform people about the dangers of

ghost nets was one of the exhibitions in Townsville as part of the city's 10-day public art event *Strand Ephemera*.

Ghost nets is a term for

fishing nets lost or abandoned at sea. They represent a major threat for marine life and an ongoing problem for Indigenous saltwater communities across northern Australia.

GhostNets Australia (GNA) works with Indigenous ranger groups to retrieve the nets and to collect data on their type and location. The Ghost Net Art Project arose from the problem of what to do with the mountains of ghost net and marine debris

retrieved from beaches.

The art project focusses on communities that have been identified as 'ghost net hotspots', sponsoring workshops with a view to having local people create art, craft and functional pieces from them.

Debris

Netty is made with parts of ghost nets, bamboo, rattan and marine debris. It was *Strand Ephemera* exhibit number 14 of

31 displayed along the foreshore or beaches, and drew plenty of interest.

The artwork was created at a public workshop during the 2011 Cairns Indigenous Art Fair by Torres Strait Islander artists Angela Torenbeek (Moa Island, St Paul's Village), Frank Petero and Georgia Curry (Hammond Island) and Jimmy Thaiday (Darnley Island). Behind the concept were Karen Hethey and Cecile Williams.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* on *Strand Ephemera* opening day, Ms Torenbeek said the work was made from parts of recovered ghost nets, cane, bamboo and net floaters.

"*Netty's* jaws actually open and it has been on display at Sydney's Bondi Beach, in Western Australia and other places," she said.

The 69-year-old said *Netty* took workers three days to create.

Heritage office wants documentaries



IF YOU live on Sydney's North Shore and

you're interested in the Aboriginal heritage of your area, here's a chance to win an Apple iPad. The Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) is inviting students and residents from across northern Sydney to create a two-to-three-minute documentary focussed on Aboriginal history, heritage, sites or culture.

The office says there should be no shortage of inspiration, with more than 1000 Aboriginal culture and heritage sites identified in this area of Sydney.

The competition is open to students from Year 3 upwards and also residents in Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, Manly, North



Aboriginal Heritage Office workers on site photographing and recording Aboriginal heritage sites in northern Sydney.

Sydney, Pittwater, City of Ryde, Warringah and Willoughby council areas.

The iPad will be

awarded to the best creative work.

The competition closes at 5pm on October 31. Entries must be

submitted along with a completed application form to PO Box 12, North Sydney, 2059.

Entries will be judged

by the AHO Steering Committee and the winner will be announced by the end of November.

The AHO is a joint

initiative of the eight council areas. For more information go to www.aboriginalheritage.org



Music at Qld library



THE State Library of Queensland is presenting The Gathering, a free day

celebrating the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music, this Saturday, September 14.

Featured artists performing at the library's Maiwar Green include Dave Dow, Impossible Odds, Getano Bann, Adam James, Tigerlilly Lion, Emily Foster, Blaque Prince, Astro Black and Blak Wax.

The Gathering is presented by The Blak Market Collective as part of the Live! Queensland band culture program.

For the full program, go to www.slq.qld.gov.au

● Pictured left: Blaque Prince is one of the acts performing at The Gathering, Maiwar Green, Brisbane this Saturday.



Students to get tips



A GROUP of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander dance students will soon be getting tips from Bangarra Dance Theatre mentors.

The 28 students were chosen from 750 taking part in a series of workshops that focussed on skills in dance and performance.

They were selected to be part of the NSW Public Schools Aboriginal Dance Company, and will perform at a number of high-profile events. They will also form the Aboriginal Dance Ensemble at this year's Schools Spectacular.

Performance

The high school students, from Years 7-12, have been preparing for a performance at the State Dance Festival at Sydney's Seymour Centre. They are learning a work especially created for them, *Blithu*, by Sidney Saltner and Patrick Thaiday, both from Bangarra.

Saltner, who is youth program leader at Bangarra, has more than 26 years' experience performing and teaching in Australia and around the world, while Thaiday was a featured dancer with Bangarra for ten years and now works as youth workshop leader.

The students recently met Bangarra artistic director Stephen Page during a workshop.

The partnership is an initiative of Bangarra and the NSW Department of Education and Communities' Arts Unit.

● Pictured right: The 28 students who were chosen from schools across NSW.



Old and new on show at gallery

By RUDI MAXWELL



BUYUHN-WANA: the transformative persona, a new exhibition at the Lismore Regional Gallery in northern NSW,

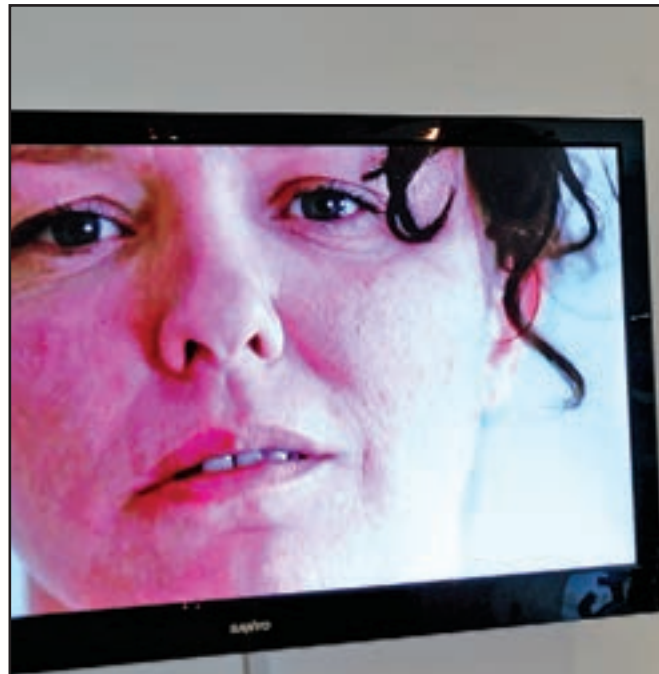
juxtaposes spiritual artefacts from around the world with contemporary video installations.

Curated by Bundjalung man Djon Mundine, the exhibition came about after conversations with former Sothebys auctioneer Robert Bleakely, who has shared pieces from his personal collection.

"I couldn't do this without stressing the primacy of Aboriginal spirituality of the NSW north coast and this place," Mundine said.

"The whole place is layered with an Aboriginal spirituality and the transformation should be laid out for visitors to see in the Aboriginal history of the place.

"We talked about how to not just make it an antiquities ethnographic exhibition, about dead ideas, things that don't matter to us any more – we wanted to make the objects and the ideas relevant."



Curator Djon Mundine has put together an exhibition that explores transformation, and includes Bindi Cole's work *Seventy times seven*.



The exhibition includes religious icons from Tibetan, Indian and Pacific peoples, as well as Aboriginal bark paintings and works by Indigenous artists Fiona Foley, Nicole Foreshew, Bindi Cole, Daniel Boyd and *Rapture (silent anthem)* by artist Angela Mesiti.

"It's also about people going through rehabilitation and reconstruction of their lives," Mundine said.

"All of the artists are reacting to history or a time that's hidden.

"Fiona Foley's work (*Bliss*) about the poppy fields has that idea that we live in a dream world, we're not living in reality – part of that reality is the nature of Aboriginal history that we don't really want to know about.

"And the other is the history of opium and Chinese people in Australia that goes

back a long time and no-one wants to talk about."

To complement Wathaurung artist Bindi Cole's video piece *Seventy times seven*, in which Cole and other Aboriginal people repeat the phrase 'I forgive you', Mundine wrote 'I forgive you; I will remember' 70 times on the gallery wall and visitors are invited to think of someone and write the same phrase.

"Absolution is very important," Mundine said.

"For a lot of Aboriginal people, your parents did do a lot of things. For example in Archie Roach's song where he talks about being a Stolen Generation person, he said it was always in his mind that his parents allowed that to happen. He came to realise that his parents didn't allow that to happen, that it was forced upon them.

"And that's the general idea about 'I forgive you' – that your parents did lots of things but that they weren't always in control of the circumstances that led us to where we are.

"Forgiveness is definitely a transformative thing because you give up. You don't hold a grudge. You are not held by the baggage. You let it loose and cast it away because you want to be free to go on and do what you need to do and enjoy your life and not think that I'm forever anchored or chained.

"It's all those words' survival. I refuse to be enslaved by things, by the past, but I will remember – it's not about forgetting, it's about remembering that you are beyond being enslaved by the past."

Buyuhy-n-wana is on at the Lismore Regional Gallery until October 13.

Focus on culture



NOONGAR family history is the focus of the *Bush Babies* community arts project under way in the communities of Narrogin and Katanning in Western Australia's south-west.

The project aims to promote and preserve Noongar culture, with an emphasis on capturing the untold stories of the babies born on the reserves and the outskirts of WA towns.

Now into its third phase, the project's latest initiative was launched in Narrogin on August 30 with the opening of the *Bush Babies* photo exhibition at the Arts Space Gallery.

The exhibition features a display of contemporary and archival photos collected during the first two phases of the project, in Quairading and Kellerberrin.

At the heart of the exhibition is a visual tribute to 99-year-old Kellerberrin Elder Hazel Winmar, who is believed to be the oldest Ballardong woman alive.

Ms Winmar, known affectionately as Nana Purple, was born on the side of the railway tracks just outside Brookton in 1914. Her story is just one of the *Bush Babies* memories documented.

As well as the photo exhibition, *Bush Babies* also offers workshops in digital storytelling, family history research,



The portrait of Kellerberrin Elder Hazel Winmar, known affectionately as Nana Purple, which is a feature of the *Bush Babies* photo exhibition.

reunions and cultural craft activities.

The exhibition is open from Tuesday to Saturday between 9am and 3pm, at the Arts Space Gallery, 80 Federal Street, Narrogin, until September 21.

Noongar families interested in being a part of the project are encouraged to contact Community Arts Network WA on (08) 6144 5611 or email michelle@canwa.com.au



Tynan and Cale perform at the *Bush Babies* photo exhibition opening in Narrogin.

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 specifically for and about carers that provides access to information, emotional support and referrals to a range of services for carers. 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

November 25-27: 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

Victoria

September 25: Indigenous youth football tournament. For boys and girls aged 7-14. Enter individually or as a team. Held at State Football Centre, 281 Darebin Road, Thornbury from 10am. Details: Alexa Allan on (03) 9474 1800 or email participation@footballfedvic.com.au or visit www.footballfedvic.com.au

11 October: The Long Walk Women's Luncheon Melbourne 2013. Be entertained by Casey Donovan, while enjoying a menu designed by Mark Olive.

Held at Peninsula at Central Pier, 161 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands from 11.30am. Cost: \$120 a person, \$110 for The Long Walk Members. Details: Kathy Braithwaite on (03) 9230 0343 or email info@thelongwalk.com.au

NSW-ACT

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 September 14: *With Our Healing Hands* exhibition. Featuring soft sculptures and prints by Yarrenyty Arterre artists. Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St, Waterloo on Tues, Thurs, Fri from 10am-5pm, Wed from 10am-7pm and Sat from 11am-6pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 9699 2211 or visit www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au

Until 16 September: 'Expressions of Interest' for emerging Aboriginal writers. Saltwater Freshwater is seeking Aboriginal writers on the mid north coast for its Storytelling to Design Project (four applicants to be selected). Applications close 16 September at 5pm. Details: (02) 6658 1315

Until September 18: Yarning Circle. Mirrung Ngu Wanjari and Buyinbin Family Support Service is 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.



Judge Matthew Myers, the first Aboriginal judge of the Federal Circuit Court, will be speaking at a free event for Aboriginal people about family law.

Road show focus is on family law



IF you live in the Northern Rivers area of NSW and are interested in finding out about family law, there will be a

free road show in Lismore on Monday, September 16. The Aboriginal Family Law Pathways Committee is hoping to encourage people to have a conversation about keeping families together and children safe.

Judge Matthew Myers, the first Aboriginal judge of the Federal Circuit Court, and local service providers will talk about the family law system and how to access services.

Family law legislation recognises the right of children to have a meaningful relationship with both parents.

Until October 4: The Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Award. The award aims to promote contemporary Indigenous art of the north coast. 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 October 6: *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 November 3: *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 December 10: Redfern Wrap Around. Connecting community to services all under one roof. Held once a month at the Redfern Community Centre, 29-53 Hugo, Redfern, from 10am-2.30pm. Details: (02) 9288 5713.

Road show organisers say starting family law proceedings is not only for parents. Anyone with an interest in a child's welfare, including grandparents and extended family members, can file an application to be part of the decision making.

The initial road show is being held on Monday, September 16, from 10am-2pm at the Goonellabah Community Centre, Oliver Avenue. Lunch is provided and bus transport from outside Lismore can be arranged.

Contact Carmen on (02) 6623 2750 to get information about transport.

If you are an Aboriginal person in the region and need free family law advice, contact Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre on (02) 6621 1000.

September 16: Aboriginal Family Law Road Show and Conference. Guest speaker Matt Myers (the first Aboriginal Federal Circuit Court judge – see story this page). Key focus topics include the role of the Federal Court, family law, mediation, child protection and more. Held at the Goonellabah Community Centre, Oliver Ave, Goonellabah, from 10am-2pm. Free event. Details: Carmen or Paula on (02) 6623 2750, Mereki on 0407 675 603 or email coordinator@pathways-northernrivers.org.au

4-6 October: Biraban Community Church will hold fellowship meetings over the October long weekend. Held at Toronto Multipurpose Centre, 28 Thorne St, Toronto at 7pm, and a 10am session on October 6. Free and all welcome. Details: Pastor Belinda Simon on 0413 490 488

5 October: Parkes NAIDOC Country Music Concert. A range of activities including free entertainment, stalls, displays, jumping castle, trike ride adventures, sausage sizzle and more. Held at Cooke Park, Parkes, from 10am-5pm. Free and all welcome. A free courtesy bus will be provided for Peak Hill residents. Details: Amanda on (02) 6862 4140

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 September 15: *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 October 7: *My Country, I Still Call Australia Home* exhibition. This is 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 December 1: *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

5 October: Indigenous AFL Charity Match – postponed due to other Indigenous events at the same time. It will now be held in February 2014. Details: Jessie Green on (07) 3033 5403

Northern Territory

Until 20 October: *Desert Mob* exhibition. Featuring new artworks from Aboriginal art centres throughout Central Australia. Held at Araluen Arts Centre, Larapinta Drive, Alice Springs on Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm, and Sat-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 8951 1120 or visit www.araluenartscentre.nt.gov.au

October 9-13: 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

Western Australia

Until September 21: *Bush Babies* photo exhibition. An exhibition of photos celebrating the strength and resilience of Noogor families in the Wheatbelt area. Features a special tribute to Kelleberrin Elder Hazel Winmar. Held at Arts Space Gallery, 80 Federal Street, Narrogin, from Tues-Sat, 9am-3pm. Free event. Details: (08) 9226 2422 or visit www.canwa.com.au

26 October: 14th Annual GWABA Indigenous Football Carnival and the Syd Jackson Cup. Held at Hands Oval and Kelly Park Oval, Bunbury. Details: (08) 9795 2253

South Australia

September 20: Yunggoorendi seminar – An Indigenous researcher's experience of the academy. Presented by Dr Jillian K Marsh. Held at Lecture Theatre 1.09, Health Sciences, Sturt Rd, Bedford Park, Flinders University from 3-4.30pm. Free, but places limited. Details: (08) 8201 3033 or register via www.flinders.edu.au/yunggoorendi

Employment

INDIGENOUS JOB OPPORTUNITIES



ATO Indigenous liaison officer Phil Ahmat addresses the Townsville information session group.

Australian tax office in recruitment drive



INDIGENOUS people around the country are being given the opportunity to get work with

the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) under its Evergreen Development Program 2013-14.

The ATO is currently on a recruitment drive for

Indigenous people, and wants to hear from applicants.

The office says the Evergreen program is aimed at making sure Indigenous Australians are well represented in the organisation.

ATO Indigenous liaison officer Phil Ahmat spoke to jobseekers in Townsville, north Queensland, as part

of the recruitment process.

"This is a great opportunity for people who want to get into an office environment and kickstart a rewarding career," he said.

Knowledge

"I hope everyone helps spread the word about this program, which is a chance to build skills, knowledge

and confidence in an office environment."

Successful applicants will start permanent full-time paid work at the APS2 level (starting salary \$50,892) and then complete a 12-month program.

The ATO says positions will be available in Townsville and Brisbane (Qld), Dandenong and Geelong (Vic), Adelaide (SA), and Perth (WA).

Information sessions have been held around the country.

The Townsville session attracted more than 40 people.

For more information about the program, visit www.destination.ato.gov.au or contact the ATO Indigenous Employment Team on 1300 559 236 or by emailing indigenousliaisonofficer@ato.gov.au

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For a copy of the job description and key selection criteria which applicants must address, please email: recruitment@vacca.org

Applications close: Sunday 22nd September 2013

ACCOUNTANT Fixed term appointment



Coomealla Health Aboriginal Corporation (CHAC) is seeking suitable applications from experienced and qualified people interested in taking a leading role in the financial management of the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Service in Dareton.

The Accountant will be responsible to the CEO for leading all facets of financial management in the organisation.

A competitive salary package will be negotiated with the successful applicant based on skills, abilities and experience.

For more information on this opportunity, 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, 27 September 2013.**



NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

PLANNING AND RISK OFFICER PARRAMATTA (Maternity Leave Vacancy) Salary Range: \$98,700 to \$116,190 pa

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Planning and Risk Officer.

Reporting to the Director Corporate Governance, the position holder will be responsible for coordinating NSWALC's internal audit function, providing operational support to NSWALC's Audit and Risk, and Governance committees and for assisting in the maintenance of NSWALC's Risk Management, compliance and planning frameworks.

The successful applicant will have the capacity to interpret and implement legislation, knowledge of Internal Audit practices and standards, good strategic skills and conceptual ability, sound communication skills and the ability to coordinate a diverse range of functions. An appreciation and understanding of Aboriginal issues.

Applications close Friday 20 September 2013

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This together with working in a dynamic progressive organisation offering a rewarding challenging career and great potential for development and advancement provides a unique opportunity.

As part of a committed pro-active team you will be involved in providing an extensive range of assistance, support and advice to enable Local Aboriginal Land Councils to meet procedural and legislative requirements.

The successful applicant will need the capacity to interpret and implement legislation, experience with program delivery, sound communication skills and the ability to coordinate a diverse range of functions. An understanding of Aboriginal issues and a willingness to travel are also required.

Applications close Friday 04 October 2013

Copies of the recruitment packages containing the Position Description and Selection Criteria can be obtained by contacting Diane Lee by email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or (02) 9689 4499.

Applicants must address the selection criteria to be considered for the role and forward Applications 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.

Program Facilitator

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Applications close: **22 September 2013**



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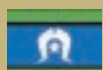
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Office of
Environment
& Heritage

Field Supervisor (Aboriginal) (Enhanced Bushfire Management Program)

Eden
Field Supervisor Grade 1/2
Temporary Full Time
Vacancy Ref: OEH 134-13

Total remuneration package to \$74,428 including salary \$62,965 p.a. - \$67,295 p.a.

The position is part of a field team responsible for implementing the Enhanced Bushfire Management Program (EBMP). The EBMP field team is primarily involved in bushfire fuel reduction activities, by both mechanical means and prescribed burning and, during periods of high bushfire activity, may be required to participate in bushfire fire suppression or other bushfire response functions. The position coordinates and supervises Field Officers to ensure the efficient and cost effective undertaking of works and maintenance duties, with a focus on fire management, within the Region. The position assists the Senior Field Supervisor with the planning, development and implementation of works and maintenance programs. During high fire danger periods, the position may be required to undertake advanced firefighting and other fire suppression duties.

Selection Criteria: To apply for this position applicants must obtain the information pack which contains selection criteria that must be addressed in your application.

Notes: This is a temporary position for the period up to 30 June 2014 with the possibility of an extension up to 30 June 2016. This is an identified position under Section 9A of the *NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977*. This is a Monday to Friday position. The position is suitable for both male and female applicants. The position is physically demanding, sometimes requiring strenuous activity, lifting, carrying, pushing and pulling loads, bending, climbing, and driving a variety of vehicles. Applicants must:

- pass a task based fitness assessment to Moderate level within the probationary period.
- meet requirements of a specific medical which is inclusive of a clearance to undertake the fire fitness roles prior to commencement.

Successful applicants must pass the following within a probationary period of 3 months: certification as Fire Crew Member; Senior First Aid and 4WD certification. Prior to undertaking ground or aerial firefighting and/or incident control duties, the incumbent must obtain, and maintain currency in, appropriate levels of national firefighting competencies. All required training and assessments will be provided by OEH. Applicants must obtain an information pack. Applicants must address the selection criteria and apply online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au Please do not submit copies of qualifications online. If you are invited to attend an interview you will be required to produce relevant documentation then. Electronic applications must be MS Office 2003 compatible. Late applications will not be accepted. Overseas applicants must have a current working visa to apply for this position.

Enquiries: Peter Beukers (02) 6495 5042

Information Packages contact: (02) 6495 5042 or www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Applications are to be lodged online at www.jobs.nsw.gov.au *If you experience difficulties applying online please contact (02) 9585 6659 during business hours for assistance.*

Closing Date: Sunday, 22 September 2013

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Indigenous Journalism Cadetship

News & Current Affairs, Sydney

Specified Period: 1 year

Salary: \$ 48,548

Shift work, including evenings and weekends

At SBS, our purpose is to lead Australia in its exploration of the real multicultural Australia and our diverse worlds: independently, distinctively and courageously.

We're offering a 12 month Journalism Cadetship for 2014 to a person of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background/s who wants to build a career in broadcast journalism.

This is a great opportunity to join our highly regarded News and Current Affairs team!

Ideally, you will have had training in television and/or radio journalism, or be able to demonstrate a strong interest in broadcast journalism and have a strong understanding of the social, political, and cultural issues affecting indigenous people in Australia.

You'll find all the details about this opportunity and how to apply at our website www.sbs.com.au/jobs.

If you have no online access or need further information, please contact Amanda Davies on (02) 9430 3174.

Applications must be received by 5pm on Wednesday 02 October 2013.

Late applications *will not be accepted*.

Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent (the filing of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under subsection 8 (1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*.)

An Indigenous Story: Through television, radio and online, SBS is committed to sharing the unique stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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Expression of Interest

BMCC is seeking submissions to an Expression of Interest (EOI) from Aboriginal Cultural Awareness training providers to respond in writing to their ability to implement the Aboriginal Cultural Awareness Program for BMCC.

For further details please refer to

www.bmcc.nsw.gov.au/
yourcouncil/publicnoticesexhibitions/
or contact Brad Moore, Aboriginal Community Development Officer on 4780 5560 or e-mail bmoore@bmcc.nsw.gov.au

CAREERS AT CSU

Future Moves Program

In June 2013, Charles Sturt University successfully submitted a competitive funding grant for \$4.48 million for the expansion of its Future Moves program which works in partnership with schools and communities to improve awareness and encourage aspiration for university as a post school option. The project grant will support Future Moves to work with 65 schools across regional NSW, with a particular focus on Indigenous students from 2013 – 2015.

As a result, a number of new positions have been created to support the program and are now available for application. The below positions are full-time, fixed term (until December 2015) and include a 17% Superannuation contribution as part of the remuneration package.

- **School and Community Liaison Coordinator (Albury-Wodonga or Wagga Wagga)** - This position is identified for Indigenous Australians under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

- **School Outreach Officer (Dubbo or Orange)** - This position is targeted for Indigenous Australians under CSU's Indigenous Australian Employment Strategy 2012-2015.

Further information regarding these positions and the Future Moves Program can be found at www.csu.edu.au/jobs or by contacting the Indigenous Employment Coordinator, Ms Catherine Maxwell on 02 6933 2200 or cmaxwell@csu.edu.au.

Applicants are expected to apply online and address the selection criteria listed in the position description.

These positions may require the successful applicant to satisfy and maintain a Working with Children Check clearance, in accordance with the Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012
Applications close: 22 September 2013.

www.csu.edu.au/jobs



East Gippsland Shire Council
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ADVANCING COUNTRY TOWNS PROJECT COORDINATOR

6 month limited tenure position - Lakes Entrance
Salary range \$75,075 to \$83,089 pro rata per annum
plus 9.25% superannuation

East Gippsland Shire Council, nestled in the far east of Victoria, features wonderful coastline scenery, a lakes and river system to match anywhere in the world, rugged high country, extensive national parks and state forests - and above all, a warm and friendly community. With a vision for the future of developing a strong, healthy and sustainable community, the Shire is currently looking for an experienced Project Coordinator to deliver the Advancing Country Towns project in Lakes Entrance.

The Advancing Country Towns Program is focussing on achieving better economic outcomes by building on the strengths of the Lakes Entrance community. The Coordinator will work with local people, business and government to continue the process of implementing a range of projects that address identified needs in the community by building on work and knowledge to address priorities. Details about the program can be found on the Department of Planning and Community Development website.

Reporting to the Director, Planning and Community this role will be responsible for coordinating the implementation of the project in Lakes Entrance.

A track record in delivering project outcomes in a Government environment will be assumed in order for you to be successful in this role. You will have strong leadership, negotiation and resource management skills as well as proven problem solving abilities, strategic thinking and sound judgement. Experience working with Indigenous communities, including knowledge of social, economic and cultural issues experienced by these communities would be highly desirable.

Intending applicants should first obtain a position description by telephoning 5153 9500 or by downloading a copy from the Shire's website www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au

Written applications addressing the Key Selection Criteria and marked **"Confidential"** should be forwarded to the address below or emailed to hr@egipps.vic.gov.au *No late applications will be accepted.*

Position closes: 12 noon on Friday, 20 September 2013.

Human Resources - Recruitment
East Gippsland Shire Council
PO Box 1618 Bairnsdale Vic 3875

Manager (Youth Connections & Reconnect Central West) Canberra, ACT



*** Attractive salary circa \$54,516 - \$58,464!**

*** Excellent social culture and benefits!**

CatholicCare Canberra & Goulburn has an exciting Full Time opportunity for a **Manager for their Youth Connections and Reconnect Central West programs** to join their team based in the Red Hill office, with travel to regional areas.

You'll be responsible for the **delivery of the day to day service of both programs be managing and training program staff, reporting on service outcomes as well as developing and implementing policies and procedures.**

Enjoy an **attractive remuneration circa \$54,516 - \$58,464 + super, salary packaging, penalty rates, flexible work hours, development opps.** and many more great benefits!

CatholicCare Canberra and Goulburn is committed to equal opportunity in employment, and encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with a disability and people from culturally diverse backgrounds.



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Apply Online or Call 1300 366 573

POSITIONS VACANT

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker
Permanent – Full time

SEWB Team



Aboriginal Transport Officer

Fixed term - Relief position (5 Months)

30th September 13 to 28th February 14 (Possible extension)

Reception Team

The Aboriginal Medical Service Western Sydney is a vibrant and exciting non-government community controlled health organization that offers high quality, culturally appropriate, efficient and effective primary health care and related services to the Aboriginal community of Mt Druitt and surrounding areas.

We are seeking enthusiastic and experienced persons to work as part of our holistic health care team committed to the delivery of primary health care services to the local Aboriginal community of Western Sydney. We are AGPAL accredited and fully computerised.

These are **Identified Aboriginal Positions** -

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977

Relevant criminal record checks will be conducted on successful applicants recommended for employment or appointment.

Important: Applicants should obtain an information package to address the Essential and Desirable criteria when applying.

Information Packages: Jean Blair on 02 8805 2141 or email Jean@amsws.org.au

Enquiries: Joanne Delaney on 02 9832 1356 or email Joanne@amsws.org.au

Closing Date: Friday 20th September 2013



**Attorney General
& Justice**

ABORIGINAL SERVICES DIVISION
Coordinator Aboriginal Community Justice Group

(ABORIGINAL IDENTIFIED)

Clerk Grade 3-4, Tamworth,

Permanent Full-Time

Salary range: \$61,198 - \$67,010 p.a.

Total Remuneration Package
valued up to: \$74,113 p.a.

The Aboriginal Community Justice Group Coordinator supports and facilitates the activities of the local Aboriginal Community Justice Group. The position is responsible for clerical and administrative support, liaising and meeting with key agencies of the NSW criminal justice system and assisting with the development and implementation of policies and management of crime prevention programs. The position also provides a vital link between the Local Court and the Aboriginal community.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality;
- Extensive knowledge of Aboriginal culture and NSW Aboriginal communities;
- Knowledge of the New South Wales justice system;
- Ability to communicate effectively in writing and orally with people of all socio-economic backgrounds;
- Experience in negotiating with community organisations, particularly Aboriginal communities;
- Ability to manage projects; and
- Current NSW Driver's Licence.

Enquiries: Brian Dennison (02) 6771 5148; brian_dennison@agd.nsw.gov.au

Applications addressing the selection criteria must be submitted electronically via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au by **11:59pm on Sunday 22 September 2013**. Please do not email applications direct to the contact officer.

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Lawyer

Indigenous Business Australia is seeking a lawyer to join the Legal and Governance Branch in the Canberra Office to assist the Branch in providing the legal support necessary for IBA to fulfil its legislative objectives and operate as an effective and accountable organisation.

Under the direction and supervision of IBA's Deputy General Counsel, you will undertake commercial drafting and statutory interpretation and provide legal advice in relation to commercial and administrative law matters.

To succeed in this role you will be an enthusiastic team player with well-developed oral and written communication skills, excellent attention to detail and a strong work ethic. You will also possess a highly developed capacity to work effectively in a high volume environment to meet commercial deadlines. A tertiary qualification in law is essential and admission to practice or eligibility to practice in Australia is preferred.

The filling of this role constitutes a special measure under Section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* and is only available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It is offered on a fixed term, full-time basis for 3 years at the IBA Level 4/5, with a salary range of \$70,960 to \$88,019 plus 15.4% superannuation.

For further information, or to request a copy of the selection documentation, please contact Jonathan Beaumont on 02 6126 4500 or via email to careers@gillianbeaumont.com.au, citing reference number **GBL2454**.

Applications close at **midnight** on **Sunday 15 September**.

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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.



Canberra Hospital and Health Service Mental, Justice, Alcohol and Drug Services Access and Acute Mental Health

City Mental Health Team Leader

Health Professional Level 4
Salary Range: \$89,786 - \$96,809 (PN: 23892)

The City Mental Health Team Leader position is responsible for overseeing community mental health services in the Inner North, City and Inner South regions of ACT. The Team Leader will manage a multidisciplinary team of nurses, allied health professionals, recovery support officers and admin staff, working closely with Psychiatrists and Registrars. The Team Leader provides strong leadership to ensure provision of an integrated mental health service guided by the principles of Recovery, person centred care, evidence-based practices and collaboration with consumers, carers and other service providers. The Team Leader will be responsible for promoting change, supporting the key strategic directions of the service and contributing to service development congruent with national and territory plans and policies.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Tertiary qualifications or equivalent in Nursing, Psychology, Social Work or Occupational Therapy with current unconditional ACT registration where applicable and/or eligibility for membership of the appropriate professional organisation. A current driver's licence.

Note: The successful applicant may be required to be registered under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011*. To complete your application you must prepare responses to the Selection Criteria as a document to be uploaded and included with your application.

Contact Officer: Amber Shuhyta (02) 6207 8331

Applications Close: 06 October 2013

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CIRCUS OZ

PHILANTHROPY MANAGER

Reporting to the Circus Oz Director of Planning and Development, the Philanthropy Manager works to support Circus Oz meet its revenue targets through the successful acquisition and servicing of individual donors, and grant seeking programs with a particular focus on Trusts and Foundations. A key position in the development team of Circus Oz, the Philanthropy Manager should have experience in researching, prospecting, securing and servicing funding relationships.

For full job description and contact details go to www.circusoz.com/employment

Applications close: 17 September 2013

Circus Oz is an equal employment opportunity employer.



Indigenous Rugby Manager

The Australian Rugby Union (ARU), the national body of rugby in Australia and home to the Qantas Wallabies, is seeking applications from suitably qualified persons for the position of Indigenous Rugby Manager.

Working as part of the Rugby Participation Department and reporting to the General Manager of Participation, the successful candidate will be responsible for the implementation and delivery of the Indigenous Rugby Programs for the ARU and the Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRDT).

The Indigenous Rugby Manager will be responsible for establishing partnerships with the public and private sector, developing a sustainable income base for Indigenous Rugby and coordinating the partnership between the ARU and LMRDT.

To read more about the role please see <http://www.rugby.com.au/ARUHQ> or to discuss the role in more detail please contact Julie James – Manager, Human Resources Australian Rugby Tel: (02) 8005 5528.

Applications close COB (5pm) on **Friday, 27 September 2013**.



Support Workers

RichmondPRA has exciting opportunities for Casual Support Workers in Nowra and Ulladulla, NSW, as well as for a Full Time Support Worker in Nowra. You'll be **supporting individuals with psychosocial disabilities and mental health problems, enhancing opportunities for independent living**. Enjoy an **attractive salary plus super, salary packaging, flexible work conditions, 17.5% leave loading & development opportunities!** RichmondPRA encourages applications from those with a lived experience of mental illness.

<http://richmondpra.applynow.com.au>



TAFE Western have a Permanent full time position of **Aboriginal Community Consultant (W 13-33)** in Broken Hill.

Provide advice and direction on Aboriginal community and cultural engagement and pedagogy to enable high standards in the provision of industry and community relevant VET programs and services.

Do you want a challenge and career change working in the largest and most awarded training provider in Western NSW?

To find out more, contact: Rod Towney 6883 3470

Closing date: 20 September 2013

To apply visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au



www.wit.tafensw.edu.au



Apunipima Cape York Health Council has been involved in health and community advocacy since 1994. Over the last five years, Apunipima has been expanding and refining its role, and is now the largest community controlled health agency in Queensland. We deliver high quality, culturally appropriate, comprehensive primary health care using a family-centred approach, to 11 Cape York communities, through community-based and fly-in fly-out multidisciplinary workforces. Our workforce reflects a full range of health professionals, supported by leadership and corporate support functions.

Child Health / Midwife 0.5 FTE Based in Cairns - servicing the Communities in the Cape York

The Role

An exciting opportunity has now arisen for an experienced and outstanding Midwife/Child Health Nurse to join the Apunipima team. This is a truly satisfying role with the opportunity to contribute to improving the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and their families by facilitating and implementing quality comprehensive, community based antenatal, postnatal, infant and childhood support and health promotion. You will work with a passionate and dedicated team including other experienced Health Professionals.

What we are looking for?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, motivated individual with the skills and experience to deliver diverse and culturally appropriate programs, as well as support our Health Workers on the ground. You must be a Registered Nurse with Midwifery Endorsement, preferably with Maternal & Child Health Qualifications. Post-graduate Educational qualifications or experience will be well regarded. You will ideally have significant experience providing direct Maternal (antenatal & postnatal) and Child Health care, preferably community-based.

Maternal and Child Health Registered Nurse 1 FTE Based in Cairns - servicing the Communities in the Cape York

The Role

An exciting opportunity has now arisen for an experienced and outstanding Registered Nurse to join the Apunipima team. This position will work as part of a multidisciplinary and multicultural team to coordinate and deliver, a family focused maternal and child health services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and their families. This service provides a flexible model of delivery and provides both community and facility based intervention for families depending on their need.

What we are looking for?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, motivated individual with the skills and experience to deliver diverse and culturally appropriate programs. You must be a Registered Nurse with an interest in Maternal and Child Health Nursing preferably community-based.

Child and Family Health Nurse 1 FTE Based in Cairns - servicing the Communities in the Cape York

The Role

This is a truly satisfying role with the opportunity to contribute to improving the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and their families by facilitating and implementing quality

comprehensive, community based, infant and childhood support and health promotion. You will work with a passionate and dedicated team including other experienced Health Professionals.

What are we looking for?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, motivated individual with the skills and experience to deliver diverse and culturally appropriate programs, as well as support and develop the role of the Maternal and Child Health Workers in the delivery of Family and Child Health Services. You must be a Registered Nurse, ideally with Child Health Qualifications and Immunisation Endorsement, and have significant experience in Child Health, Community Health, Primary Health or General Practice, preferably in remote regions.

Further Information

To discuss these roles above please contact Rachel Sargeant - Maternal and Child Health Team Leader on (07) 4037 7171 or e-mail rachel.sargeant@apunipima.org.au

Remote Medical Officer GP: Indigenous Primary Health

Permanent full-time position based in Weipa servicing the Communities of Napranum and Mapoon

The Role

Based in Weipa, the Medical Officer will provide services to the communities of Mapoon and Napranum, working as part of a multidisciplinary team. The communities' health needs cover the range of comprehensive primary health issues; from acute to health promotion, with chronic disease a major component of the workload. Whilst the position comes with no on call or after hours work, the opportunity exists for additional work in Weipa hospital if desired.

Further Information

To discuss this role, contact Dr Jacki Mein, Senior Medical Officer, on (07) 4037 7124 or e-mail jacki.mein@apunipima.org.au

Applications close for these positions on the 23rd September @ 5:00pm

Benefits

Attractive salary packages are available for these positions dependant on qualifications, and experience. Five weeks annual leave and the option of generous salary sacrifice, a great team environment, supportive networks and a diverse roles make for an exciting opportunity. In addition there are opportunities for professional development.

How do I apply?

An application kit outlining the recruitment process and selection criteria to be addressed is available by contacting the HR team at hr@apunipima.org.au

Apunipima Cape York Health Council is an equal opportunity employer www.apunipima.org.au

Director x 2

The Queensland South Native Title Services (QSNTS) Board of Directors invites applications to fill two new positions for Board Director. Based in Brisbane, QSNTS is the native title service provider for the southern half of Queensland. We assist Traditional Owners in realising their native title aspirations to native title through statutory services, capacity development and advocacy for system reform.

Directors are appointed on a volunteer basis for a three year term, with expenses reimbursed.

Under QSNTS' Constitution, a majority of Board Directors are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people and accordingly, at least one of the two successful candidates must be an Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander person.

Key selection criteria are:

- Knowledge of native title, contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander issues and a preparedness to commit to the vision, goals and values of QSNTS;
- Demonstrated abilities in the provision of leadership and strategic direction;
- Experience in strategic planning, policy development and high-level decision making; and
- A background in one of more of the following areas: business, law, management, finance, anthropology, history, mediation, IT, government, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community life and enterprise.
- Experience in a Director role will be highly regarded.

To apply for this position, please provide:

1. Your current resume, and
2. A cover letter not exceeding three pages demonstrating how you meet the selection criteria, to:

Ms Cath Gracey, Human Resources Manager

email Cath.Gracey@qsnts.com.au

post Level 4, 370 Queen Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

phone (07) 3224 1200

For further information about this position, please email QSNTS.Board@qsnts.com.au



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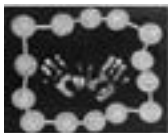
Ranger Coordinator Burketown, QLD

- * \$58,717 to \$77,268 plus salary sacrifice!
- * Relocation assistance + generous leave!

Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation has an exciting opportunity for a dedicated **Ranger Coordinator** to join their Land and Sea program in Burketown, QLD. Reporting to the Land and Sea Manager, you will be **contributing to the mentoring and development of one of the best Indigenous ranger groups in Australia**. In return for your hard work and dedication, you will enjoy an attractive salary circa **\$58,717 to \$77,268** + salary sacrifice options, **subsidised accommodation, generous leave provisions & relocation assistance!**



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Warra-li
Resource Unit Inc.

Grant Writer

Warra-li Resource Unit is seeking an experienced Grant Writer to join our team. The position will be responsible for conducting the full range of activities required to prepare, submit, and manage grant proposals to Government, foundation and corporate sources.

Applicants will need to apply in writing and address the selection criteria.

Selection Criteria:

1. Demonstrated ability to write clear, structured, articulate, and persuasive proposals
2. Superior research and proposal preparation skills, with a focus on editing skills and attention to detail
3. Ability to work in a team environment and unsupervised at times.
4. Proven ability to handle multiple assignments and meet deadlines.
5. Capacity to monitor and meet income targets
6. Understanding of issues impacting on the social disadvantage of Indigenous people in the Northern Region of NSW.

Applications close on Friday 20th September 2013.

For more information or to obtain a copy of the position description, contact Simon Taylor
Business Manager on 02 6761 3839 or
truadmin@bigpond.com



Government of
Western Australia
Department of Culture and the Arts

Project Support Officer (Kimberley)

Art Gallery of Western Australia

Web Search No: 13218

Level/Salary: Level 3, \$62,894 - \$68,287 pa, PSGOGA 2011

The position will support the Project Coordinator with research, development, documentation and administration of the Kimberley Art Then & Now initiative. It will assist with the development and continuation of strong, sustainable and mutually beneficial relationships between Indigenous communities across the Kimberley and the Art Gallery of Western Australia.

To Access Detailed Information: www.jobs.wa.gov.au and key in 13218 into 'Web Search No.' to access the full advertisement.

If you are experiencing technical difficulties, or if you are unable to apply online, please contact the 24 hour helpline on (08) 6552 7499, for further assistance.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Chad Creighton on 0417 961 071

Indigenous Australians, young people, people with disabilities and people from culturally diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply for positions at the Art Gallery of Western Australia.

Location: Broome, WA

Closing Date: Wed, 2 October 2013 - 4pm (WST).

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Health
Sydney
Local Health District

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (AHEO Graduate)

Ref: 153931, P/T 16 hpw at RPA

Salary: \$26.61-\$39.41 ph

Enq: Paul Clenaghan, 0425 236 602

Closing Date: 20 September 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:
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Juvenile Justice
Attorney General & Justice

Careers in Juvenile Justice



CASUAL YOUTH OFFICER CAREERS in JUVENILE JUSTICE at Dubbo

Are you available to work on a needs basis?
Do you have the qualities we're looking for?

- Maturity • Motivation • Personality • Character

Juvenile Justice, Department of Attorney General and Justice is NOW recruiting suitable people to train as casual youth officers.

Working with children in custody is a challenging role requiring real strength of character. It is both demanding and satisfying to know that you can make a difference in the lives of our clients and our community.

Youth Officers make a difference while earning \$26.15 per hour, plus casual loading, shift allowances and/or penalty rates as applicable.

Vacancy Note: These positions are casual and offer ad-hoc and sporadic hours of employment.

Closing Date: 12pm Sunday, 22 September 2013

Note: A Working With Children Check is a prerequisite for this position. It is an offence under the Child Protection (Working With Children) Act 2012 for a barred person to apply for this position. For more information please visit www.kids.nsw.gov.au

For an information package visit www.djj.nsw.gov.au or to apply visit: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au, or for assistance telephone 1800 355 562.

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General Administrative Support Officer

Aboriginal targeted position
Albury Local Area Command, Albury
Clerk Grade 1/2

Permanent Full-Time

Jobs.NSW Requisition Number: 00001VR8

Salary Package: \$65,671. **Salary:** \$54,742 - \$59,512. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Albury Local Area Command focusing on quality advice and high-level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

Job Notes:

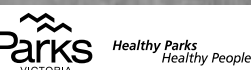
- Under the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy, this position is targeted for Aboriginal employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people can apply. This is in accordance with Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Applicants should hold a current driver's licence with no traffic offences recorded within the last six (6) months.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines.
- The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- For your application to be considered, you **must** attach an up-to-date resume and supply written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.

Enquiries: Vicki McEwen – Local Area Manager on (02) 6023 9206

For selection criteria, a downloadable position description and information package, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00001VR8.

Closing Date: Sunday 22 September 2013

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Field Service Officers 57 ongoing positions available across the State

The Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI) and Parks Victoria (PV) manage approximately 7.7 million hectares of public land and natural resources across Victoria. We are seeking ongoing field staff to assist in the implementation of the planned burning program and the suppression of bushfires in Victoria.

Field Service Officer positions available include Fire Operations, Plant Operators and Works Supervisor.



Are you ready for the challenge?

- Participate in planned burning and fire suppression
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- Assist in the collection and analysis of field data to support operational activities

Salary range from \$45,535 to \$62,413 p.a. plus super, allowances and overtime if applicable.

Successful candidates located at PV work centres will be employed by PV. All other successful candidates will be employed by DEPI.

Apply online at www.careers.vic.gov.au (Reference Number 818717)
For more information contact DEPI on 136 186 or Parks Victoria on 131 963.

Applications close Tuesday 1 October 2013

A position has been specifically identified as Indigenous. The position is in Mildura and is designated under 'special measures' section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position. Applicants will be required to provide a completed Aboriginality form.



- **High profile consumer body**
- **Communications industry**

Policy Officer (permanent full-time)

ACCAN, the Australian Communications Consumer Action Network, is the peak organisation representing the interests of consumers in all aspects of telecommunications. ACCAN provides a strong, coordinated voice for consumers.

You will design and implement campaigns and undertake policy advocacy to ensure consumer communications issues are advanced. Your knowledge of rural, remote and Indigenous communications and excellent analytical and stakeholder liaison skills will be the key to your successful advocacy. Your capacity for strategic issues management will ensure that ACCAN is dynamic and responsive to emerging issues. You are committed to consumer rights and have a passion for social justice and fair markets.

ACCAN is an EEO employer: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, persons with disabilities and people from culturally, linguistically and religiously diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Position descriptions can be obtained from our website at www.accan.org.au/jobs

Please email your CV and covering letter quoting the relevant position and addressing the selection criteria to recruitment@accan.org.au by **5pm, 22 September 2013**.

Tel: 02-9288-4000 Fax: 02-9288-4019

Email: recruitment@accan.org.au TTY: 02-9281-5322

Australian Communications Consumer Action Network



VACCA
Connected by culture

VACCA is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services.

The Aboriginal Therapeutic Residential Care Program is based on theories of trauma and attachment as well as recognising the ongoing intergenerational trauma, racism and other forms of cultural abuse that Aboriginal children and their families have suffered. The program aims to provide therapeutic care for Aboriginal children & young people.

We are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified and experienced practitioner to the role of;

Therapeutic Practitioner (Residential Care)

The successful applicant will be expected to provide therapeutic practice leadership and support to staff and care team members in developing trauma informed therapeutic responses to children and maintaining sound theoretical input to all aspects of planning for each child in the program.

The position is full time but part time applicants will be considered.

For further information please contact Adela Holmes or Vicky Nicholls on (03) 9480 7300. For a copy of the job description and key selection criteria, which applicants must address, please email recruitment@vacca.org

Applications close: Sunday 29th September 2013



Planning & Infrastructure
Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority

Casual Aboriginal Guide X 2 The Rocks

1. **Attractive hourly rate \$40.4964**
2. **Roster Across a 7 day week**
3. **Culturally rich work environment**

Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority owns and manages some of the State's most significant assets, including Sydney's heritage and cultural precincts at The Rocks and Darling Harbour.

The Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority is looking for two dynamic casual aboriginal guides who will be committed to making our educational programs informative, interactive and fun. Guides will be trained in Aboriginal cultural programs as well as non-Indigenous programs.

Essential selection criteria

1. Passionate and knowledgeable about Aboriginal, contemporary and historical Sydney.
2. Aboriginality.
3. Demonstrated experience as a guide implementing informal education programs or similar experience in teaching or tourism.
4. Excellent customer service experience and interpersonal skills.
5. Ability to 'think on your feet'.
6. Formal guide qualifications or relevant experience.

To apply please copy following link into browser <http://jobs.nsw.gov.au/search>
Job Number 00001WSC



Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives

An exciting opportunity exists for a suitable candidate within CATSINaM the national peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives. This position is full time and is based in Canberra.

Senior Policy and Research Officer

The Senior Policy and Research Officer (SPRO) is responsible for promoting CATSINaM, and will coordinate the effective development and implementation of national policy according to our strategic directions. Under the direction of the CEO, they will also be responsible for advocacy on behalf of CATSINaM. The SPRO has a high level of organisational responsibility for ensuring CATSINaM is abreast of all developments in health and related policy areas that impact on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives.

This position requires senior policy experience in the health sector and must be able to demonstrate understanding in dealing with the key issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nurses and midwives.

Applications close on 18 September 2013

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Peoples are encouraged to apply

For further information, job description and selection criteria contact:

Chrystine Stuart

0427 896 446 or email catsin@catsin.org.au



Charity gives, justice changes

Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service is a community service organisation that has been helping people battle poverty and disadvantage since 1976.

As an organisation committed to social justice, Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service, is working towards reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

We employ direct services, administrative and management staff in the following areas:

- **women and girls**
- **young people**
- **families and children**
- **financial inclusion**
- **business and finance**
- **marketing and fundraising**
- **organisational development**
- **social policy and research**

We advertise all our positions at www.goodshepvic.org.au where you can also register to receive job updates via email for all Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service's vacancies.

Please remember to follow the application process outlined in the position description and address the **key selection criteria** if you wish your application to be considered.

Employment is subject to a current Working with Children Check (E) & Police Record Check.

www.justice.vic.gov.au



Are you a university graduate or completing a degree this year and looking for an opportunity to make a difference?

The Department of Justice Koori Graduate Recruitment and Development Scheme (KGRADS) is a unique opportunity to learn about Justice, and work together to make a difference in the community.

The 12-month program provides streamlined professional development including job rotations and training with an ongoing role upon completion.

We are seeking Koori graduates from across the state with a range of disciplines and interests. If you are Aboriginal and/or of Torres Strait Islander descent, and wish to find out more please contact the **Koori Employment Team on 03 8684 1765**.

Applications close on **6 October 2013**.

For further information about the department, please visit: www.justice.vic.gov.au

These are aboriginal designated positions, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the equal opportunity act 2010. Only aboriginal and/or torres strait islander people are eligible to apply.



Department of Justice



Hunter Medicare Local

Hunter Medicare Local is the lead health agency for primary health care providers and services in the Hunter region. Our role is to facilitate and support the development of a robust primary health care system that delivers improved health outcomes for our community. Hunter Medicare Local is an equal employment opportunity employer and is seeking Applicants for the following position:

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker (Newcastle/Port Stephens)

This is an identified position and applicants must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

The Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker is part of our 'Closing the Gap' – Improving Indigenous Access to Mainstream Primary Care Program. The aim of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Outreach Worker is to provide support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members and their families, in accessing primary health care services, as well as enabling best practice care to be delivered by GPs and other health professionals

Applicants for all positions are required to hold a current NSW driver's license and have access to a comprehensively insured motor vehicle.

Enquiries

Newcastle: Claudine Ford, phone 0411 223 810, email cford@hunterml.com.au

Application form and position description are available at www.hunterml.com.au/jobs and applications must address all of the selection criteria and include two recent professional referees. Applications are to be submitted to the HR Officer at jobs@hunterml.com.au. **Applications close 9 am Monday 16 September 2013.**

Hunter Medicare Local is a non-profit organisation and the remuneration package includes generous salary packaging benefits.



Project Workers Broken Hill

The Community Restorative Centre (CRC) is a community based agency providing assistance to people affected by the criminal justice system.

We are currently seeking to recruit for the following positions in our Broken Hill Office:

- **2 x Senior Transition Workers**
- **5 x Transition Workers**
- **1 x Administration Assistant**

- Based in Broken Hill
- All positions 38 hours per week

For further information please refer to the Community Restorative Centre Website – www.crcnsw.org.au

Although Aboriginality is not a specific criterion for eligibility for this project, it is anticipated that a high proportion of the target group will be Aboriginal.

People of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islanders or culturally & linguistically diverse communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications must include a Statement Addressing the Selection Criteria and a brief resume.

Closing Date: Cob Monday 30th September 2013

Mark your application to the attention of CEO. Applications may be:

Emailled to: info@crcnsw.org.au

Faxed to: 02 9211 6518 or

Posted to: PO Box 541, Broadway, NSW 2007

Phone 02 9288 8700 or visit www.crcnsw.org.au for more information.



Australian Government
Indigenous Business Australia

making a difference
www.iba.gov.au

Senior Manager, Governance

Indigenous Business Australia is seeking a Senior Manager Governance to lead a specialised governance team in the Canberra office providing advice and support to IBA's Board, Senior Executive and staff in relation to strategic governance and risk management across IBA's programs.

To succeed in this position, you will have extensive experience in a senior governance or compliance role in the public or private sector, combined with exceptional organisation and planning skills and a strong record of delivery on governance projects. Additionally, you will possess outstanding communication and problem solving skills and the demonstrated ability to work with a range of people across all levels and areas of an organisation with limited direction or assistance.

The position is offered on a permanent, full-time basis at IBA Level 7, with a salary range of \$120,555 to \$141,250 plus 15.4% superannuation.

For further information, or to request a copy of the selection documentation, please contact **Jonathan Beaumont** on **02 6126 4500** or via email to careers@gillianbeaumont.com.au, citing reference number **GBL2246**.

Applications close at **midnight** on **Sunday 15 September**.

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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.





Protecting your community's financial interests

We understand that, as Traditional Owners, you want to protect the wealth you get from mining royalties, so that your community can benefit today and well into the future.

We can assist with:

- getting your company set up so that it complies with the law
- your operating businesses and ventures
- your social, health, educational, cultural and other programs that are important to your community
- your tax.

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Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of New South Wales

Notification day: 25 September 2013



National
Native Title
Tribunal



These applications are 'non-claimant' applications, applications made by persons who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the areas described. Each of the applicants has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the notices below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in either of these areas may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 24 December 2013. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the areas on or before 24 December 2013, the areas may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title.** The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant applications in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to these non-claimant applications, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the areas considered. Any person who wants to become a party to these non-claimant applications must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000, on or before 24 December 2013.** After 24 December 2013, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Boydtown Pty Ltd
Federal Court File No: NSD1411/2013
Non-native title interest: Licence Number LI 499283
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: Application covers about 32 ha over the Tasman Sea, east of Boydtown.

Relevant LGA: Bega Valley Shire Council.



Applicant's name: James Hamlyn Harris and Joy Michele Harris
Federal Court File No: NSD1632/2013
Non-native title interest: Term Western Lands Lease 14451 for the purpose of grazing.
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: Application covers about 64 sq km over Lot 619 on DP761567 & Lot 3386 on DP765673 approx. 82 km southwest of Ivanhoe.

Relevant LGA: Balranald Shire Council

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nmtt.gov.au.

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Facilitating timely and effective outcomes.



Oral History Co-ordinator

Contract position till 30/6/2014 (Part Time)
\$50,000- \$60,000 pro rata

The Trust is looking for a highly motivated individual with strong experience in filmmaking, interviewing techniques and working with Aboriginal community members to develop the Trust's Oral History program.

Please contact us for further information or for a copy of the position description and selection criteria.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Contact: Nerissa Broben or Miriam Troon on (03) 8622 2600 or email: nerissa@korieheritagetrust.com or miriam@korieheritagetrust.com

www.korieheritagetrust.com

APPLICATIONS CLOSE:

FRIDAY 4 OCTOBER 2013



Deputy Chief Executive Officer

- Senior Management role
- Make a difference
- Redfern location

ALS is an Aboriginal managed community based organisation providing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men, women and children with culturally appropriate legal services including, court representation, advice, referral, information and community education.

We have 23 offices with 195 Aboriginal and non Aboriginal staff across NSW and ACT working towards improving outcomes for Aboriginal people in the justice system.

The newly created Deputy CEO role, part of the Executive Team will have an operational management focus ensuring we deliver significant and culturally appropriate outcomes for Aboriginal people and communities.

It is essential that the successful applicant has a strong track record in middle / senior management roles including community awareness, planning, organisational and budget management experience. An ability to effectively communicate with a wide range of groups and people, utilising advanced

interpersonal skills is also essential to the position.

Prior involvement in a community based organisation is desirable.

A competitive remuneration package will be offered together with the support of dedicated Executive and Management teams.

An Employment package is available at www.alsnswact.org.au/getinvolved/jobs

Our web: www.alsnswact.org.au

Enquiries may be made to
Jennifer Ledingham,
Human Resources Manager
Telephone 0457 724 700

email:

Jennifer.ledingham@alsnswact.org.au.

**Closing date for applications:
Sunday 13th October 2013 at midnight.**

Previous applicants are welcome to apply

This role is an Aboriginal identified position as authorised by s14d of the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.



Juvenile Justice
Attorney General & Justice

Juvenile Justice Officer – Aboriginal

Clerk Grade 5/6

Juvenile Justice

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Temporary Full-Time

Position No: 00001TWP

Total remuneration package valued up to \$88,160 per annum (Salary: \$72,242 pa - \$79,711 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The position is responsible for the provision of effective offending focussed intervention through assessment, supervision and case management of juvenile offenders and the delivery of community based programs to minimise the re-offending of juvenile offenders. This position provides a range of bail intervention options for clients across the region in order to reduce numbers in custody.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality with demonstrated experience working within indigenous communities.
- An ability to interpret legislation and an understanding of issues relevant to juvenile offenders.
- Demonstrated casework experience including demonstrated ability in assessment, report writing and case planning.
- Demonstrated experience in working with adolescents and/or their families.
- Ability to build and maintain relationships with stakeholders to resource services for clients.
- Sound negotiation oral and written communication skills including well developed computer and keyboard skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team and meet tight deadlines.
- Current minimum Class C Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a **Temporary Full-Time** position. Applicants must address the selection criteria. It is an offence under the *NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. This position will require a Working With Children Check if you are successful, please go to www.kids.nsw.gov.au for details on how to apply. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Enquiries: Tamara Saunders Ph: 0428 648 003

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Position Number: 00001TWP

Closing Date: 27 September 2013

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Aboriginal Employment Strategy Ltd

Senior Administration Officer

Nikinpa – Toronto Aboriginal Child and Family Centre
35 hours per week

Are you interested in a Senior Administration role working in the new Toronto Aboriginal Child and Family Centre? Are you interested in coordinating the day-to-day operations of the Centre? We are seeking an experienced person to fill this role working closely with local community groups and service providers.

For further information please go to www.calm.org.au or phone 49503888 to obtain an information package.

Applications close 23rd September, 2013

This is a recognised Aboriginal position as authorised under s.14d NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

POSITIONS VACANT

Social Worker

part time (21 hours/week)

Chronic care program



The Aboriginal Medical Service Western Sydney is a vibrant and exciting non-government community controlled health organization that offers high quality, culturally appropriate, efficient and effective primary health care and related services to the Aboriginal community of Mt Druitt and surrounding areas.

We are seeking enthusiastic and experienced persons to work as part of our holistic health care team committed to the delivery of primary health care services to the local Aboriginal community of Western Sydney. We are AGPAL accredited and fully computerised. You will work closely with a supportive, friendly team of Aboriginal health workers, nurses and GPs to provide social work services for Aboriginal people with chronic disease and their families.

Work days are negotiable. *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.*

Relevant criminal record checks will be conducted on successful applicants recommended for employment or appointment.

Important: Applicants must obtain an information package to address the Essential and Desirable criteria upon application.

Information Packages: Jean Blair on 02 8805 2141 or email Jean@amsws.org.au

Enquiries: Joanne Delaney on 02 9832 1356 or email Joanne@amsws.org.au

Closing Date: 20th September 2013

Senior Strategic Policy Adviser



- Critical engagement role
- Opportunity to make a difference
- Contribute to improved outcomes for vulnerable Aboriginal children
- Melbourne-based ongoing full-time position with salary from \$99,466 to \$133,106 + super

The Victorian Government has recently appointed Australia's first Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People, Andrew Jackomos. As part of the newly created independent Commission for Children and Young People, the Commissioner will bring an increased focus to improving the safety and wellbeing of vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people in Victoria. The Commissioner will take a key leadership role in the development of a plan to improve outcomes for Aboriginal children in out-of-home care and will monitor and measure progress for vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people across education, health and human services.

The Commissioner is seeking a Senior Strategic Policy Adviser to support him by providing high-level strategic policy advice; leading and managing high level relationships with the Koori community and associated agencies and government departments; proactively identify complex, sensitive issues and respond to new and emerging strategic issues impacting on Aboriginal children and young people, provide complex briefings and reports with evidence based solutions.

We are seeking candidates who are outcomes-focused with demonstrated experience in driving positive change for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and have a sound knowledge of issues impacting upon Aboriginal children and young people, related Government policy objectives and their impacts on service delivery. You will have strong policy skills, establish and maintain strong and productive relationships with Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations, government and other agencies and key stakeholders. Strong negotiation and communication skills at all levels are essential.

For a confidential discussion, please contact Andrew Jackomos, Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People on (03) 8601 5243.

Apply Online - visit the job search page at www.jobs.careers.vic.gov.au

Quote Job Reference No: CCYP/403315

Applications close: Friday 27 September 2013

Please note: Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply as this position is exempt under the Special Measure Provision, Section 12 (1) of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic).



Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (WACHS)

(Funded by NSW Ministry of Health)

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service is currently recruiting to the positions of Men's Sexual Health Worker. This position forms part of the Social & Emotional Wellbeing team which also consists of Bringing Them Home male and female worker, Aboriginal Family Health Worker, Drug and Alcohol Worker and the Social & Emotional Wellbeing Team Leader.

Sexual Health Worker (Male)

The Men's Sexual Health position will have a primary focus of supporting, encouraging and promoting the sexual health and wellbeing of the Aboriginal community of Wellington. This will include case managing clients in consultation with other sexual health services. The successful applicant must possess Certificate 1V or higher qualifications in sexual health which must be supported by extensive experience in the sexual health field.

Note: *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above position and is authorised under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. WACHS considers being a male is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under s. 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).*

An attractive package will be negotiated with the successful applicant in line with relevant qualifications, skills and experience.

Suitably qualified, skilled and experience persons are to contact Cherie Colliss, Acting Team Leader at **Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (02) 6845 2565** for an information package which will detail the "Essential Criteria" to be addressed in the application.

Application close:

5pm Friday 21 September 2013

No faxed or late applications will be accepted.



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
31/1026-I	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	428666	122.49HA	114km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 47' S Long: 122° 12' E	MENZIES SHIRE
31/760	RIDGEBACK HOLDINGS PTY LTD	427571	123.20HA	146km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 1' S Long: 122° 44' E	MENZIES SHIRE
31/781	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	427570	70.31HA	146km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 29° 59' S Long: 122° 42' E	MENZIES SHIRE
31/783	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	427572	23.41HA	145km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 3' S Long: 122° 44' E	MENZIES SHIRE
36/659	CREW, Christopher CREW, Ross Frederick MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	427583	69.75HA	28km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 51' S Long: 120° 58' E	LEONORA SHIRE
40/283	DIXON, Trevor John	428800	99.75HA	21km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 0' S Long: 121° 19' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
59/1728	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	427232	152.33HA	9km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 16' S Long: 116° 42' E	YALGOO SHIRE
77/2085-I	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	428979	91.87HA	58km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 119° 56' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 11 September 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 **11 December 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. 11 January 2014**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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Notice of applications for determination of native title in the Northern Territory



National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 25 September 2013



These are applications by native title claim groups who are asking the Federal Court to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

A person who wants to become a party to any of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1806, Darwin, NT, 0801 **on or before 24 December 2013**. After 24 December 2013, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth)* there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the areas concerned.



Application name: Narwietooma

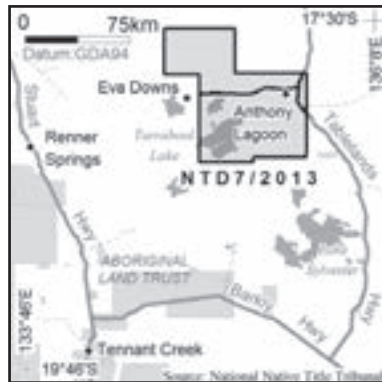
Federal Court File No: NTD6/2013

Date filed: 22 May 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description of the application area: Application covers about 2,635 sq km approx. 110 km north west of Alice Springs.

Relevant LGA: Macdonnell Shire.



Application name: Anthony Lagoon Pastoral Lease #2

Federal Court File No: NTD7/2013

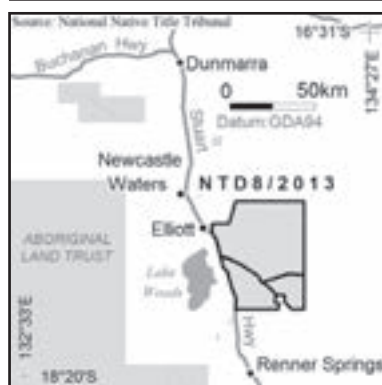
Date filed: 25 June 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description of the application area: Application covers about 6,483 sq km approx. 120 km east of Renner Springs.

Relevant LGA: Barkly Shire.



Application name: Tandyidgee Pastoral Lease #2

Federal Court File No: NTD8/2013

Date filed: 25 June 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description of the application area: Application covers about 2,807 sq km approx. 5 km east of Elliot.

Relevant LGA: Barkly Shire.

Data statement: claimant application boundaries compiled using data sourced from, and with permission of, the Department of Lands and Planning (NT).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Maryanne Harvey on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nmtt.gov.au.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	04/2327	MINGS MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	30BL	87km N'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 26' S Long: 125° 19' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2328	MDR (THOMSONS) PTY LTD	46BL	68km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 48' S Long: 125° 48' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2330	IRON MOUNTAIN MINING LTD	176BL	79km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 18° 1' S Long: 123° 38' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2459	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	32BL	63km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 45' S Long: 115° 44' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2473	NEAROLOGY PTY LTD	18BL	77km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 3' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2474	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	141BL	79km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 117° 2' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1830	SPARK ENERGY PTY LTD	8BL	115km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 24° 51' S Long: 116° 19' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1956	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	109BL	180km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 26° 50' S Long: 116° 0' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2025	GASCOYNE RESOURCES (WA) PTY LTD	142BL	115km SE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 25° 27' S Long: 116° 15' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1380	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	62BL	47km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 49' S Long: 120° 42' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1381	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	28BL	39km W'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 50' S Long: 120° 47' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/832	HAMPTON HILL MINING NL	1BL	67km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 26° 57' S Long: 117° 27' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2325	BEADELL RESOURCES LIMITED	82BL	106km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 31° 23' S Long: 124° 10' E	DUNDAS SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2326	BEADELL RESOURCES LIMITED	12BL	80km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 31° 11' S Long: 124° 24' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/886	MINOTAUR GOLD SOLUTIONS LIMITED	6BL	27km SE'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 53' S Long: 121° 12' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/887	MAINCOAST PTY LTD	3BL	60km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 120° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/817	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	14BL	73km NW'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 22' S Long: 120° 18' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/822	STRATEGIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	1BL	23km SW'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 3' S Long: 120° 31' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1156	KIN MINING NL	2BL	15km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 121° 21' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2717	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	68BL	77km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 48' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2737	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	57BL	81km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 122° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2804	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	69BL	98km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 33' S Long: 122° 2' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2825	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL	29km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 122° 23' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2863	AUSGOLD EXPLORATION PTY LTD	92BL	50km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 123° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1716	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	92BL	154km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 46' S Long: 123° 17' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1729	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	2BL	46km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 122° 27' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1751	WHITE CLIFF MINERALS LIMITED	6BL	79km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 22' S Long: 121° 55' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1752	MIDAS RESOURCES LTD	11BL	75km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 18' S Long: 122° 29' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1753	DEMPSEY MINERALS LTD	11BL	72km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 15' S Long: 122° 12' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4116	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	13BL	46km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 43' S Long: 118° 39' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4190	REDSTONE MINERALS PTY LTD	49BL	106km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 53' S Long: 119° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4194	GRANT'S HILL GOLD PTY LTD	4BL	11km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 16' S Long: 119° 45' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4196	BARACUS PTY LTD	12BL	69km E'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 17' S Long: 120° 24' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4231-I	MULGA DOWNS IRON ORE PTY LTD	23BL	127km NE'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 5' S Long: 118° 50' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2488	KUBWA IRON ORE HOLDINGS PTY LTD	8BL	47km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 53' S Long: 117° 22' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2594	SHEFFIELD RESOURCES LIMITED	5BL	16km NE'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 14' S Long: 119° 49' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2746	EL'RAGHY KRIEVALDT PTY LTD	20BL	97km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 30' S Long: 116° 26' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2939	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	4BL	46km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 55' S Long: 117° 20' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2940	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	18BL	54km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 51' S Long: 117° 17' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1586	SUNRISE MINERALS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	28BL	50km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 2' S Long: 118° 34' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1588	PENDER, James William	1BL	52km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 57' S Long: 118° 10' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1590	TASEX GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	22BL	66km N'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 59' S Long: 118° 30' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1591	MINOTAUR OPERATIONS PTY LTD	21BL	74km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 6' S Long: 119° 0' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2876-I	BHP IRON ORE (JIMBLEBAR) PTY LTD	2BL	50km W'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 23' S Long: 119° 14' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2883	NINGHAM EXPLORATION PTY LTD	199BL	162km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 40' S Long: 117° 38' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2896-I	BHP BILLITON MINERALS PTY LTD	75BL	97km SW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 59' S Long: 119° 3' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2906	NINGHAM EXPLORATION PTY LTD	200BL	178km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 47' S Long: 117° 21' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2916-I	BHP BILLITON MINERALS PTY LTD	42BL	96km SW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 24° 3' S Long: 119° 9' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2917	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	70BL	80km SW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 40' S Long: 119° 1' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/946	BEACON MINERALS LTD	8BL	110km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 118° 49' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1952	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	1BL	72km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 13' S Long: 116° 56' E	PERENJORI SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1983	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	8BL	29km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 31' S Long: 116° 54' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1610	WHITE CLIFF MINERALS LIMITED	15BL	129km W'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 6' S Long: 120° 25' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3147	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	70BL	108km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 37' S Long: 120° 54' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3148	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	49BL	166km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 10' S Long: 121° 23' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3149	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	9BL	186km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 16' S Long: 122° 0' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3150	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	13BL	195km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 33' S Long: 122° 25' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3151	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	44BL	174km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 55' S Long: 122° 25' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3152	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	11BL	185km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 9' S Long: 121° 47' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3153	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	9BL	190km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 22' S Long: 122° 11' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3185	CARNEGIE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	191BL	216km NE'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 24' S Long: 126° 25' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3187-I	TROPICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	19BL	192km NE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 39' S Long: 122° 27' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4107	WEST COAL PTY LTD	74BL	28km E'ly of Green Head	Lat: 30° 7' S Long: 115° 15' E	COOROW SHIRE, DANDARAGAN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4493	RED DOG PROSPECTING PTY LTD	28BL	10km NW'ly of Lake Grace	Lat: 33° 1' S Long: 118° 24' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4494	RED DOG PROSPECTING PTY LTD	24BL	48km SE'ly of Lake Grace	Lat: 33° 26' S Long: 118° 47' E	KENT SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4507	NEWSEARCH PTY LTD	70BL	30km NE'ly of Merredin	Lat: 31° 14' S Long: 118° 24' E	MERREDIN SHIRE, NUNGARIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2134	PARRY, Brenton Anthony	2BL	74km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 14' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2139	TALGA RESOURCES LTD	16BL	9km E'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 119° 12' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4565	WESTERN GEMSTONE PTY LTD	20BL	78km E'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 7' S Long: 128° 24' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4569	FRAKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	26BL	121km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 46' S Long: 128° 42' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4776	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	81BL	25km W'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 17' S Long: 127° 26' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4798	RIO TINTO EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	200BL	170km NE'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 16° 52' S Long: 126° 26' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4805	ARGYLE DIAMONDS LIMITED	18BL	121km S'ly of Kununurra	Lat: 16° 48' S Long: 128° 20' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4806	NORTHERN MINERALS LTD	52BL	124km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 42' S Long: 128° 44' E	HALLS CREEK 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: 11 September 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 **11 December 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. 11 January 2014**), 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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ABORIGINAL LEGAL RIGHTS MOVEMENT Inc.

Dear Aboriginal Community Members of South Australia

Applications from Aboriginal persons who permanently reside in South Australia are invited to fill 10 vacant positions on the Board of ALRM. This is an opportunity to contribute to the important work of ALRM.

Under ALRM's Constitution, a new Board is appointed every three years.

An independent Board Appointments Committee will assess applications and make the necessary appointments.

Being an ALRM Board Member is a non-paid, voluntary position. Successful applicants will be provided with travel allowances to attend meetings.

Please download the ALRM Board Appointment Information package to assist you with your application from the ALRM website link www.alrm.org.au

Please select "ALRM update" on the website to access this information.

If you prefer an information package to be forwarded to you via mail or wish to make any further enquiries, please contact the Board Appointments Committee Executive Officer, Kathryn Stone on 8226 8937.

Nominations must be received by 5pm Friday 4 October 2013.

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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.

Project Officer

Population Health, Taree or Wallsend (site negotiable)
Enquiries: Jenny Knight 02 4924 6395
Reference ID: 153642

Closing Date: 15 September 2013

Telephonist

John Hunter Hospital
This is a targeted Aboriginal Position. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
Enquiries: Sarah Gilbertson 02 4921 3000
Reference ID: 153674

Closing Date: 22 September 2013

All of the positions below are identified Aboriginal Positions. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*.

Aboriginal Otitis Media Coordinator

Kaleidoscope Community Services
Enquiries: Matthew Frith 0428 115 674
Reference ID: 155686

Closing Date: 22 September 2013

Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer

Muswellbrook District Hospital
Enquiries: Rohan Holt 0423 843 919
Reference ID: 156056

Closing Date: 22 September 2013

Assistant In Nursing - Undergraduate

John Hunter Hospital
Reference ID: 147900

Enrolled Nurse

John Hunter Hospital
Reference ID: 147903

Registered Nurse

John Hunter Hospital
Reference ID: 147908

Enquiries: Chris Sharkey 02 4921 4467

Closing Date: 29 September 2013





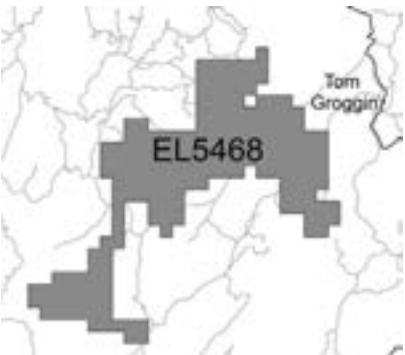

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Collaboration, Openness, Respect & Empowerment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.




NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Notice under Section 29(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

The State of Victoria, through the Department of State Development, Business and Innovation, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne VIC 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration licences under section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:



TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL5462	NAME: Quaalip Investments Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Mount Alfred and other towns as shown on the attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 37: B1-B4, C1-C4, D1-D2, E1-E3, F1-F2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 272 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Towong Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 561050E 6014550N Z55 Centre 100k map 8425
EL5463	NAME: Stockman Project Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 8 km east of Benambra. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 51: E8-E9, F7-F9, G7-G9, H7-H9 Map 66: F2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 174 kms MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 578750E 5913400N Z55 Centre 100k map 8424
EL5464	NAME: Mandalay Resources Costerfield Operations Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 4 km east of Heathcote. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 45: E8 TERM: 5 years AREA: 3 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Greater Bendigo City	 Centre MGA Co-ord 300000E 5911000N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824
EL5467	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Toowong Upper as shown on the attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 37: H4-H6, J4-J6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 92 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Towong Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 590350E 5990950N Z55 Centre 100k map 8425
EL5468	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 5.3 km west of Tom Groggin. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 37: J9 Map 51: E4-E5, F3-F5, G2-G5, H2-H4 Map 52: B2-B4, C2-C4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 198 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Towong Shire & East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 585050E 5951350N Z55 Centre 100k map 8424
EL5469	NAME: Fiona Makin & Allan G Rossiter LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Old Warburton and other towns as shown on the attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 80: C6-C7, D6-D8, E6-E8, F7-F8 TERM: 5 years AREA: 200 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Yarra Ranges Shire, Baw Baw Shire & Cardinia Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 390100E 5812100N Z55 Centre 100k map 8022

EL5474	NAME: Stawell Gold Mines Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 2 km north of Stawell. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 56: D2, E2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 11 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Northern Grampians Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 657100E 5900500N Z54 Centre 100k map 7423
EL5479	NAME: Blackwood Gold Mines Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Barrys Reef and Blackwood as shown on the attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 59: F8-F9, G8-G9 Map 77: F2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 61 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Moorabool Shire & Hepburn Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 261750E 5852400N Z55 Centre 100k map 7723
EL5480	NAME: Navarre Minerals Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 3 km east of Maroona. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 56: G7-G9, H9 Map 57: B9 Map 74: G2-G4, H2-H5 Map 75: B2-B5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 242 km2 MUNICIPALITY: Ararat Rural City	 Centre MGA Co-ord 6740000E 5843250N Z54 Centre 100k map 7422

Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration licence, which authorises the holder to explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to five years.

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The State of Victoria, through the Department of State Development, Business and Innovation, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne VIC 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following retention licences under section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
RL2005	NAME: Cassilis Mining Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 0.4 km south west of Tongio West LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 66: B5-B6, C6 TERM: 10 years AREA: 29.8 hectares MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 555450E 5877000N Z55 Centre 100k map 8423
RL2008	NAME: Golden Mount Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 0.2 km south of Tallangalook LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 47: F8-F9, G8-G9 TERM: 10 years AREA: 190 hectares MUNICIPALITY: Mansfield Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 400200E 5911700N Z55 Centre 100k map 8024

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a retention licence, which authorises the holder to intensively explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 10 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

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Notification Day: 11 September 2013
Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 persons have until three months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the potential grant of the licences. The three month period closes on **11 December 2013**. Enquiries about becoming a native title party may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, telephone 1800 640 501.
Further Information: Further information about the potential grant of the licences, including identification maps, may be obtained from the Earth Resources Business Centre at Level 16, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000, telephone (03) 9658 4456.
For further information about native title and the right to negotiate process, contact James O'Callaghan, Native Title Coordinator, Department of State Development, Business and Innovation, telephone (03) 5336 6645.



DEPARTMENT OF
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Northern Qld defends title



NORTHERN Queensland has defended its Australian Indigenous under 16 rugby union title after beating Northern South Wales on the Gold Coast in late August.

The Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRDT) two-day carnival was held at Bond University.

Northern Territory, Northern Queensland, Southern Queensland, Northern NSW, Southern NSW/ACT and Combined States were represented, with Northern Queensland beating Northern New South Wales 38-19 in the final to retain the title.

Southern Queensland took third place with a 38-24 win over Southern NSW/ACT.

Jack Smith from Ignatius Park College, Cairns, was named player of the tournament, with teammate Frances Mohamed, from St Augustine’s College, Cairns, taking out the best forward or back award.

Both lads will be representing LMRDT on the tour of France and Belgium.

The tournament provided the platform for selection of players to represent the National Indigenous squad at the ARU national under 16 championships this month.

LMRDT founder Lloyd McDermott and injured Qantas Wallaby Kurtley Beale attended the carnival and gave advice on the importance of education and sportsmanship. Beale also presented the awards after each game.

As part of the event, Headspace, a

national youth mental health foundation, delivered a mental health and suicide awareness program to all 135 athletes.

The ARU national under 16s championships will be played at St Ignatius College, Riverview, Sydney, from Sunday, September 29, to until Friday, October 4.

Players selected to represent the National Indigenous squad are:

Bayly Faull (NNSW), Brandon Luta (NW), Buddy Mumbulla (NNSW), Calvin Butle Hiddlestin (SNSW), Cody Walker (NNSW), Daniel Kirk (SQ), Dylan Chowen (NNSW), Dylan Pietsch (NNSW), Ethan Schober (NT), Nakobi Robinson (NNSW), Jarrod Mabo (NQ), Jayden Harradine (NNSW), Jesse Thompson (SNSW), Kailab Coventry (NQ), Keith Doi (NQ), Kieran Ford (CS), Kurtis Langdon

(NNSW), Liam Kelly-Wynn (NNSW), Matthew Gibuma (NQ), Ngrangarraq Barker (NNSW), Rennuri Dempsey (NQ), Trey Bingarape (NQ), Wes Mooka (NQ).

Shadow A players: Brett Baxter (SNSW), Che Bonini (CS), Ethan Roberts (CS), Jake Farrell (CS), Jesse Hockney (NT), Joel Cooper (NNSW), Keegan Quakawood (NT), Kyle Ivey (NNSW), Lionel Anau (NQ), Tre Menuier (CS).

Shadow B players: Aaron Wighton (NNSW), Ben Sloane (SNSW), Daniel Stanley (SNSW), Joel Munt (SQ), Kymya Gabey (NQ), Luke Roberts (NNSW), Richard Allen (SNSW), Ben Sloane (SNSW) and Daniel Stanley (SNSW).



Two of the boys in the LMRDT team to contest the ARU national under 16 championships in Sydney are from The Armidale School (TAS). They are, from left, Wayne ‘Buddy’ Mumbulla, of Moree, and Jayden Harradine, from Narrabri. Wayne and Jayden and fellow TAS students Brandon Harradine (Jayden’s brother) and Samuel Jackson-Bolton, from Lightning Ridge, also played for the Northern NSW team that reached the final of the LMRDT Indigenous carnival at Bond University, on the Gold Coast. Following that carnival, the LMRDT team for the ARU under 16 carnival was named. Wayne and Jayden were in Perth last week at a Yalari Foundation young leaders conference – Yalari being the foundation that is helping put the boys through TAS.

All-Indigenous eight ball team to play



AN all-Indigenous team is to play the West Australian state team during the Australian eight ball championships in Perth on October 15.

A proposal by South Australian Aboriginal player Bethany Geehoy to the Australian Eight Ball Federation (AEBF) was accepted and Ms Geehoy hopes Indigenous teams will play/host states/territories at future Australian titles.

Next year’s Australian titles will be in Darwin.

The Australian eight ball championships will be contested by teams from Australian states and territories. A number of Indigenous players are expected to be part of those teams.

Ms Geehoy told the *Koori Mail* that last year she made a submission to the AEBF requesting an all-Indigenous team be allowed to play the host state at this year’s championships.

She expects the Indigenous team to consist of two masters (over 50s), four men and three women.

The Perth tournament will be at The Kings Hotel and the match against Western Australia is timed for 9am on October 15.



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	08/502	CULLEN EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	2249.65HA	121km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 45' S Long: 116° 35' 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: 11 September 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 **11 December 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. 11 January 2014**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

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Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Prospecting Licence	24/4755-6	PRITCHARD, Wade Charles	327.94HA	41km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 121° 13' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3970	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	10.85HA	34km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 121° 54' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2159	EDWARDS, Cranston Gilbert	87.03HA	28km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 121° 38' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2174	ROGERS, Sharon Marie MENTIPLAY, Rebecca Anne	199.50HA	57km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 19' S Long: 121° 47' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2176	SMITH, William John LINDSAY, Michael Andrew	166.21HA	50km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 121° 44' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2177	SMITH, William John LINDSAY, Michael Andrew	112.78HA	51km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 121° 44' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2178	SMITH, William John	108.53HA	55km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 121° 47' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2179	SMITH, William John	39.02HA	55km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 121° 46' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	29/2337	MENZIES GOLDFIELD LIMITED	164.00HA	14km SE'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 46' S Long: 121° 8' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8325	JOHNSON, Chad Graeme JOHNSON, Sharon Lee	190.44HA	8km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 121° 20' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8376	POINTON, Alec Charles	181.15HA	9km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 121° 16' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8417-8	JABIRU METALS LTD	67.14HA	48km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 121° 9' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8420	KINGSWOOD, Gregory James Alan EPIS, Steven Robert EPIS, Jeremy Robert BROWN, Craig Frank	193.45HA	31km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 37' S Long: 121° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8422	HUTCHINSON, Ron	130.61HA	31km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 121° 38' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8423	VOEKS, Karl	4.82HA	8km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 121° 23' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4092	DUKETON MINING LTD	60.83HA	85km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 6' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5404	STOKES, Harold John	194.87HA	51km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 56' S Long: 122° 1' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5433-7	CREW, Ross Frederick WILSON, Scott Walter	967.29HA	54km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 57' S Long: 121° 59' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5438	CREW, Ross Frederick WILSON, Scott Walter	199.84HA	52km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 56' S Long: 122° 0' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1323-S	PILKINGTON, Lisa Jane	10.02HA	32km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 9' S Long: 121° 24' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	47/1705	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	148.81HA	49km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 50' S Long: 117° 20' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	47/1706	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	124.95HA	45km SW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 52' S Long: 117° 24' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1457-61 & 52/1465	SANDFIRE RESOURCES NL	974.97HA	190km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 12' S Long: 119° 42' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1462-3	SANDFIRE RESOURCES NL	367.84HA	189km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 14' S Long: 119° 41' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	52/1464	SANDFIRE RESOURCES NL	152.52HA	186km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 16' S Long: 119° 38' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1605	MOUNT MAGNET SOUTH NL	41.15HA	12km SW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 9' S Long: 117° 47' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1606	MOUNT MAGNET SOUTH NL	126.12HA	10km SW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 8' S Long: 117° 46' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1607	MOUNT MAGNET SOUTH NL	27.96HA	14km S'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 10' S Long: 117° 48' E	MOUNT MAGNET 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: 11 September 2013

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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. 11 January 2014**), 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.

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Retiring, but still firing



MATT Bowen produced his best performance of the year on September 1, then promptly admitted he should have made the decision to pull the pin on his NRL career months ago.

North Queensland fullback Bowen dismantled Cronulla with a vintage playmaking performance – the veteran scoring one try and setting up three others in the 31-18 win.

It kept the Cowboys on track for a finals appearance, and came just days after Bowen announced he would retire or head to Super League for a final fling with Wigan – having been told there would be no deal for him with North Queensland.

Had the performance against the Cowboys given him any second thoughts? “It was a decision I should have made a long time ago,” Bowen said.

“The pressure’s off now. I just want to concentrate on my footy.

“You want to play the game forever, but it’s just the pre-seasons and different things like that.”

Last Townsville game

The Cowboys needed to beat Wests Tigers on Saturday night to book a finals berth, but the match was also be a chance for Bowen to farewell his Townsville fans.

“I’m just enjoying everything at the moment – just being with the boys, training for the last time,” Bowen said.

“I’m sure I will get a little bit emotional.”

Coach Neil Henry – who was in charge at home for the last time last weekend – praised Bowen for making the call to go out while still performing at a high level.

“I think probably the greatest accolade you can get when you retire is that people ask you that exact question: ‘Why aren’t you playing?’” Henry said.

“Darren Lockyer did that. Princey’s (Scott Prince) doing it when he’s still playing good footy at the back-end of his career.

Matt Bowen’s career

Age: 31

Born: Cairns, Qld

Position: Fullback

NRL debut: v Brisbane, round one 2001

NRL games: 267 (club record)

NRL tries: 127 (club record)

Rep honours: 1 Test for Australia (2004), 10 State of Origin matches for Queensland (2003-07), 2 Indigenous All Stars appearances

Awards: Cowboy of the Year, RLPA Player of the Year (2007), runner-up 2012 Dally M Medal – AAP

Emotional North Queensland football manager Peter Parr admitted the task of filling the ex-Test No 1’s shoes at the Cowboys would be like ‘coming in after Bradman’.

However, he reluctantly backed the call to end the injury-plagued fullback’s 13-year tenure at the NRL club at the end of the season.

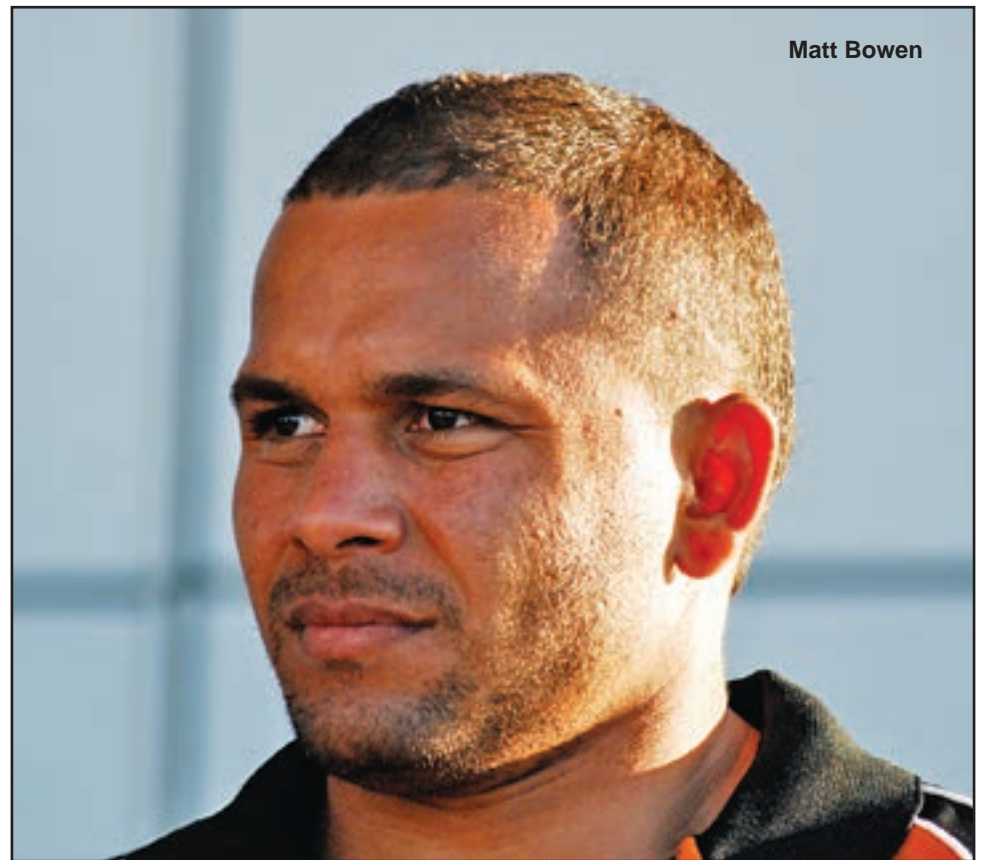
Yet the 31-year-old Bowen still has some big decisions ahead of him after ‘a couple’ of English Super League clubs left the door open for the electric No 1 to extend his career overseas.

A Cowboys office job is on the table for North Queensland games record-holder Bowen, but the livewire fullback admitted it was tempting to break his golden ‘one-club-player’ rule and take his young family to England for one final season.

Bowen cheekily described England as ‘freezing’ when asked about the first and last time he had visited during Australia’s 2004 Tri-Nations series, but stressed he would make a final call on his playing future in coming days.

“I have always wanted to be a one-club player. I obviously love the Cowboys,” Bowen said.

“I am not going to play for any other NRL club so I am looking at a couple of



Matt Bowen

offers overseas.

“But in saying that, there is work here post-footy so we will see what happens.”

Persistent knee problems had plagued Bowen, yet the veteran could still not see the writing on the wall ahead of his very public tap on the shoulder on August 30.

“It was hard getting told I was not going to be here next year,” he said.

“I was lucky enough to play here 13 years with the club that I love.

“I have always loved putting on the Cowboys jersey and it is going to be hard not coming back to training and not doing the pre-season with the boys.

“I will definitely miss it. But I am not

going to scream and shout about the decision they have made.”

Bowen made his NRL debut in 2001 and has played 267 games for the Cowboys – making him the club’s games record-holder and one of only four life members.

He has also featured in 10 State of Origin matches for Queensland and a single Test for Australia during his 2004 England tour.

Parr hoped Cowboys fans understood the ‘complex, difficult, emotional’ decision to cut Bowen.

“No one wanted the day to come where Matthew didn’t wear the No 1 jersey for the Cowboys,” he said. – AAP

Elise completes Dubbo Stampede



BATHURST runner Elise Hull has made up for the disappointment of missing this year’s Gold Coast Half-Marathon by completing the Dubbo Stampede Half-Marathon.

A back injury forced the Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) athlete to sit out the Gold Coast event, but her preparations for this year’s New York Marathon are back on track after finishing the Dubbo Stampede.

Elise will be joined in the New York Marathon by 11 of her IMP teammates if they pass their final test this weekend.

“I was lucky enough to meet up with a group of IMP supporters before the race, and they helped me get through the tough 21km course,” she said after the Dubbo Stampede.

“It was a great day, and I am proud of what I have achieved. I am ready to give the 30km my absolute best.”

Elise was referring to a 30km test event that she and other IMP



A file picture of Elise Hull.

runners will tackle on Sunday, September 15, in Alice Springs before earning their place on the final team to travel to New York in November.

2012 IMP graduate Nat Heath also took part in the Dubbo half-marathon, with his 82-minute running earning him fourth place in his age group.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 25 September 2013



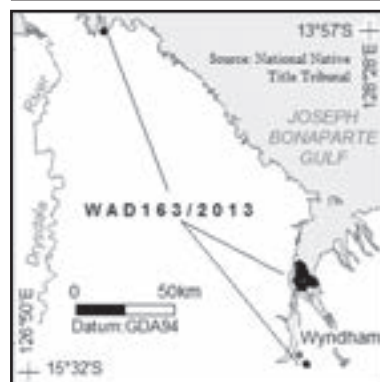
National Native Title Tribunal



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6000 on or before 24 December 2013. After 24 December 2013, the Federal Court’s permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Darryl Smith & Ors (Balanggarra #4) v State of Western Australia

Federal Court File No: WAD163/2013

Date filed: 29 May 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: Application consists of 3 portions covering about 44 sq km in far north east Kimberley.

Relevant LGA: Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of Landgate (WA).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Claire Smith on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Things can get wet around Tully and Innisfail, but hopefully not wet enough to warrant snorkels and flippers as the two far north Queensland towns prepare to host the Rainforest Cup Indigenous cricket carnival. *Picture by Alf Wilson*

Organisers hope runs, but not rivers, will flow

By ALF WILSON



TWELVE teams are expected to contest the ninth annual Rainforest Cup Indigenous cricket carnival at Tully and Innisfail from

October 4-6.

The carnival uses the Twenty20 format in a region that is the wettest in Australia.

But player comfort can be unequalled, with games played on turf wickets and lush green fields.

Organiser Stan Lenoy said 11 teams had nominated at the end of August.

They are Mt Garnet, Jumbun, Ghungalu Warriors (Central Queensland), Townsville Falcons,

Mandubarra Magic Innisfail, Same Way Cricket Team Innisfail, Mareeba, Cooktown, Yarrabah, Ingan (Tully) and Cardwell.

"We are still waiting on confirmation from the 12th team from Mission Beach," Lenoy told the *Koori Mail*.

Mandubarra Magic made it successive wins at the last carnival when they defeated Cardwell Guondoi in the final at last year's carnival.

One team to watch this year will be the Cooktown Crocs, consisting of players from Hope Vale Aboriginal community and Cooktown.

Last year the Crocs side reached the semifinals and a year before qualified for the final before losing narrowly.

Calling Dingo Cup cricketers...



REGISTRATIONS are open for teams wishing to contest the 2013 Dingo Cup cricket carnival at Timber Creek, Northern Territory, on October 12-13.

Community Indigenous teams will compete in a Super 8s competition, with 10 overs a side and the chance for every player to bowl.

For the first time, the Pup Cup will also be held with a focus on engaging school children.

Northern Territory Cricket has teamed with the Victoria Daly Shire to present the carnival. NT Cricket game development officer Tenille Rickard said: "It's always a lot of fun for the community to

get involved in cricket games and with the addition of the Pup Cup, it will be a true family weekend.

"Last year we had teams travel from Alice Springs, Darwin and Kununurra, as well as local teams, so I'm hoping they will all be able to make the event again this year."

NT Cricket Indigenous Cups are community-based Indigenous carnivals played throughout the Territory and focus on participation and enjoyment of cricket.

They are held in conjunction with government Indigenous sport units or shire councils.

Registration forms and further information on the Dingo Cup is available at www.ntcricket.com.au

Fine double by students

Story and pictures by ALF WILSON



TALENTED young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander male and female Australian rules footballers from Queensland, the Northern Territory and Western Australia scored a great double, winning two grand finals.

Most are boarding students at Townsville's Shalom Christian College.

The Shalom team lads won the August 28 final of the Townsville under 18 competition, beating arch rivals Bulldogs 12.10 (82) to 6.5 (41) after leading by 19 points at half-time.

Shalom girls took out the open women's competition final, defeating University Hawks by 13 points.

Coach Tom Hughes, originally from Geelong, said it was a great team effort by the boys.

"We only lost one game all season but did have to forfeit a few when some of the boys went back home during school holidays," he said.

"Sport is a very powerful tool in helping students achieve in their classes."

Sports teacher Joe Christensen said the girls' side went through undefeated.

"They are all very talented young sportswomen," she said.

TSI players Kathrinka Matthew, James Matthew, Judah Toby and Johnny Anau-Aruba played starring roles in the wins.

Many of the footballers are multi-talented, with James and Judah starring at the recent Independent Secondary Schools Confraternity rugby league carnival.



The male side included, front, from left, Meryl Nyikulwuy (Milingimbi), Byron Rogers (Derby WA), Elijah Dhabitngu (Milingimbi), Troy Wunnumurra (Elcho Island), Christopher Hunter (Broome WA), Ananais Nundhirribala (Numbulwar) Osiah Wunyundhun (Milingimbi); back row, Gordon Garrawitja (Lake Evella), Lance Hudson (Wyndham WA), Danzal Baker (Milingimbi, Tom Hughes (coach), Richie Birch (Wyndham WA), Curtis Parry (Peppimenarti), Maxwell Gillett.



The Shalom College girls' team, from left, Shania Beasley (Mt Isa), Sarima Laurie (Bulla), Raisha John-Forrest (Ngukurr), Elizabeth Gillett (Katherine), Reannen Lalara (Groote Eyelandt/Rockhampton), Reanne O'Keefe (Mt Isa), Savavina Lalara (Numbulwar), Lutisha Rami (Ngukurr), Tiana Turner (Numbulwar), Brandy Gumbula (Ngukurr) (front with ball), Sandra Manydjiwuy (team manager), Chimika Ganambarr (Ngukurr), Geraldine Wanambe (Elcho), Kathrinka Matthew (Boigu/Cairns), Jaydene Laurie (Bulla).

AFL stocktake

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He won the final 'Showdown' at AAMI Stadium off his own boot in mid-August and averages upwards of 21 disposals a game over a full season.

He is courageous and skilful, being one of the next generation of superstars.

Jockey-size **Jake Neade**, from Elliott, in the middle of the Northern Territory, played some dazzling football at times and won the round 13 Rising Star nomination.

He played with Port Adelaide in the SANFL in most of the last six weeks of the year, running out of gas.

Brendon Ah Chee spent his season playing with the Magpies in the SANFL where he played mainly in the middle. In his second year on the Power list, he played 14 games at league level.

RICHMOND (1)

Shane Edwards (19 games, 11 goals)

Talented utility **Shane Edwards** is seen as an integral part of the Tigers' charge to their first finals series since 2001. Able to be used through the middle and up forward as a crumbing goal sneak,



Shane Edwards

Edwards had been sound all season.

A report in round 22 and a one-match suspension was a slight hiccup at the end of the year.

ST KILDA (1)

Terry Milera (10 games, 7 goals)

It was a tough second season of AFL football from the matured **Terry Milera** as opposition coaching staff put more focus on him.

An ankle injury while playing with Sandringham in the VFL finished his season.

His best effort was a three-goal haul against the Gold Coast Suns in round one.

SYDNEY (3)

Tony Armstrong (7 games, 0 goals), Adam Goodes (12 games, 20 goals), Lewis Jetta (10 games, 7 goals)

For both stars of the 2012 grand final victory, **Lewis Jetta** and **Adam Goodes**, this year has been frustrated by injury.

Goodes may miss out on finals altogether after missing the last two-and-a-half months of the regular season, while the pacy Jetta may be able to add to the Swans' dynamics in the major round.

Jetta hasn't played senior football since round 10 against Essendon, but returned to the NEAFL on August 31.

For running defender **Tony Armstrong**, who

began his senior career at Adelaide, looking to become a regular Swans player, he has only managed seven games this year.

WEST COAST (4)

Jamie Bennell – rookie (0 games, 0 goals), Brad Dick (0 games, 0 goals), Josh Hill (20 games, 28 goals), Murray Newman (0 games, 0 goals), Sharrod Wellingham (10 games, 8 goals)

Injury and poor form cruelled the West Coast's 2013 campaign.

Sharrod Wellingham, a premiership player from Collingwood, returning to this native Western Australian, received an injury from outside football that delayed his start to the season.

He only started his career with the Eagles in round six and a further injury meant he missed a good chunk of football in the middle of the season.

In a tough season for the forwards at the Eagles, **Josh Hill** wasn't as effective as he was in 2012, averaging just shy of one-and-a-half-goals a match this year.

He did become a 100-game AFL footballer across two clubs during the season.

After more than 50 games with the Demons since his debut in 2009, **Jamie Bennell** spent the 2013 campaign in the WAFL competition.

His season finally started in round nine and after three reserves matches to get touch and fitness, he played the remainder of the winter with Swan District

Senior listed player **Brad Dick**, after recovering from a knee reconstruction in 2012, spent his season in the WAFL as well.

With East Fremantle he played 10 games, but wasn't able to string together six weeks of football.

Murray Newman, selected in the 2011 national draft, didn't play any AFL football in 2013. He played nine WAFL league games with Swan Districts

WESTERN BULLDOGS (3)

Brett Goodes – rookie (13 games, 2 goals), Liam Jones (19 games, 22 goals), Koby Stevens (19 games, 9 goals)

A good late season has given the Bulldogs faithful plenty to be optimistic about in going into next season.

One of the good news stories of the first half of the year was the meteoric rise of **Brett Goodes** to AFL ranks at the age of 29.

Originally starting on the rookie list, Goodes progressed into AFL ranks in the season opener and quickly adapted to the rigours of top-level football.

The much-maligned **Liam Jones** is a developing key position forward who passed his 50-game milestone in 2013. There were four-goal hauls against Richmond and Geelong early in the season.

Traversing the nation from West Coast to the Western Bulldogs has proved to be the correct move for 22-year old **Koby Stevens'** football career.

He has produced his most successful year, being used as a 'run with' midfielder by the Dogs' coaching staff.



Brett Goodes



Rachel Aistrophe, nearest camera, in action.

Class task becomes a passion



NGARRINDJERI youngster Rachel Aistrophe dreams of representing her country in fencing.

Rachel, 15, is the daughter of Brett and Charmaine Aistrophe and lives at Ethelton, near Port Adelaide, and attends St Mary's College, Adelaide.

Her interest in fencing began at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. At the time she was in Year 5 at primary school.

Her teacher asked students to research an Olympic sport and report back to the class.

Rachel chose fencing.

She became so engrossed that she joined the sport.

Five years later, she has risen to the elite junior ranks and now one day wants to represent Australia – hopefully at the Olympics.

She now is ranked third in the under 15s in Australia and is ranked fifth at under 17 level.

She trains about 10 hours a week and juggles her fencing commitments with a heavy academic commitment.

Rachel is now a member of the Australian fencing team and is hoping to represent Australia at the Asian junior/cadet championships in Arman, Jordan, next March.

There are three disciplines in fencing – epee, foil and sabre.

Epee (French for 'sword') is Rachel's preferred discipline, and she is ranked first in under 15 in South Australia.

She also is ranked first in South Australia in under 15 foil and under 17 epee.

Epee is the only fencing discipline where the entire body is



Rachel Aistrophe

a valid target area.

To maintain her elite status, Rachel is required to compete in several national events each year. These are open events, meaning Rachel has to compete with women of varying ages and experience.

This year she has competed in Australian Fencing Federation (AFF) tournaments in Brisbane, where she was up against Australia's best. She also competed in Adelaide and more recently in Melbourne, where she nearly had a win over Australia's No1 fencer.

All the while, Rachel is climbing the rankings ladder.

She also competed in the under 15 and under 17 national championships while carrying a significant ankle injury, but finished being ranked third at under 15 level and sixth at under 17 level.

2013 has been a



IN a season full on controversy, topped off with Essendon being dumped from the finals, a number of indigenous talents continued to

make their mark on the AFL landscape. We saw brilliant goals and sensational high marks, with Brisbane's Ash McGrath and Power young gun Corey Wingard living the dream of kicking match-winning majors at the end of games. The regular season had it all and a little bit more, with a thrilling major round expected, culminating with the premiership decider on the last Saturday in September. Interestingly, three of the top four teams – Geelong, Hawthorn and Fremantle – have among the highest numbers of Indigenous talents in their 2013 squads. Peter Argent takes a look at how Indigenous AFL players have been performing.

Pictures by Peter Argent

ADELAIDE

(4 Indigenous players)

Cam Ellis-Yolmen (0 minor round games 2013, 0 minor round goals), Graham Johncock (2 games, 2 goals), Jared Petrenko (12 games, 12 goals), Richard Tambling (5 games, 1 goal)

In a year of missed opportunities for the Crows, youngster **Cameron Ellis-Yolmen**



Jared Petrenko

showed signs in the SANFL that he is capable of developing into exciting prospect. For Woodville-West Torrens he started at reserves level, but in the second half of the season showed he was able to hold down a key defensive position in the league side.

Consistent all year in the state league competition, **Richard Tambling** may have just done enough in his five appearances for the Crows to suggest he'll go around next year.

Used mainly as a defensive forward in 2013, **Jared Petrenko** was inconsistent in this role and turning 24 in December, could be considered a tradeable commodity. His highlight was the match-sealer against North Melbourne at Etihad Stadium in round nine.

Playing the last game in a stellar career

in the round three 'Showdown', **Graham Johncock** declined a farewell match and retired mid-season.

BRISBANE LIONS (1)

Ashley McGrath (20 games, 19 goals)

One of the four siblings, **Ashley McGrath** turned 30 in May and also passed the 200-AFL game milestone.



Ashley McGrath

Two brothers – Toby and Cory – played AFL football as well.

McGrath's solid season was highlighted with a match-winning goal in the brilliant come-from-behind win in that landmark encounter against Geelong, where he won the game with a kick after the siren.

CARLTON (4)

Eddie Betts (16 games, 22 goals), **Jeff Garlett** (20 games, 41 goals), **Andrew Walker** (21 games, 7 goals), **Chris Yarran** (19 games, 26 goals)

Due to Essendon's demise, the Blues found an unlikely place in the major round on the back of a spine-tingling one-point round 23 win over Port Adelaide in the final AFL game at AAMI Stadium.

Andrew Walker was the most consistent of the Indigenous quartet at Carlton, playing as a running defender and giving the team plenty of drive.

Eddie Betts has had a modest year by his lofty standards, kicking just 22 goals from 16 games, but did produce a couple of candidates for goal and mark of the year.

Jeff Garlett was more productive with 41 goals from 20 games, being the Blues'



Chris Yarran

leading goal kicker.

The immensely talented **Chris Yarran** felt the ire of new coach Michael Malthouse during the year and was dropped twice.

COLLINGWOOD (2)

Andrew Krakouer (8 games, 10 goals)
Peter Yagmoor – rookie (0 games, 0 goals)

Along with dealing with personal issues, **Andrew Krakouer** returned to AFL football after a knee problem and played eight games in 2013.

The small forward's best efforts were three-goal hauls against Geelong and Adelaide.

After two games in 2012, **Peter Yagmoor** spent the season in the Collingwood reserves side in the VFL.

A solid performer all season, he played 17 VFL games and was among the best players half a dozen times.

ESSENDON (5)

Alwyn Davey (14 games, 19 goals), **Courtenay Dempsey** (14 games, 7 goals), **Leroy Jetta** (8 games, 4 goals), **Nathan Lovett-Murray** (3 games, 1 goal), **Patrick Ryder** (17 games, 10 goals)

In one of the toughest years in the Bombers' history, due to the season-long issues with ESARDA and AFL



Courtenay Dempsey

investigations, Essendon still won 14 games during the minor round.

After round 22 they were sanctioned and as a part of their penalty, the club finished ninth for season 2013.

After enjoying his best ever season in 2012, **Leroy Jetta** plateaued this year, playing just eight games and struggling for form.

Coming off a knee reconstruction, **Courtenay Dempsey** played 14 games before suffering a hamstring tear and missing the last month of the season.

Alwyn Davey joined his older brother Aaron as a 100-game AFL footballer in the round 23 clash with Richmond.

Now 29, 'Froggy's' best performance this season was a four-goal haul against the GWS Giants.

In the final game of the season, **Nathan Lovett-Murray** signed off on a decade-long career at the Bombers that included 145 games in a variety of roles. Remembered as a warrior by fans, his final

season was plagued with off-field issues and injury, just playing three games.

An enigma at times, **Patty Rider** had solid year as a ruckman at the Bombers, which included candidates for goal and mark of the year.

FREMANTLE (6)

Jonathon Griffin (7 games, 3 goals), **Stephen Hill** (16 games, 10 goals), **Michael Johnson** (21 games, 5 goals), **Danyle Pearce** (22 games, 9 goals), **Josh Simpson** (0 games, 0 goals), **Michael Walters** (18 games, 40 goals)

Having a new lease on his football life in Perth, **Danyle Pearce** has averaged 20 disposals a game in his first year under Ross Lyon, where the Dockers finished in third place.

Smooth-moving wingman **Stephen Hill** played his 100th AFL game against West Coast in the round 16 local derby and is feared for his lightning pace and ability to use the ball.

Now a senior defender in the Fremantle's structure, **Michael Johnson** has had an excellent season in the backline and is expected to be an important component in the club's finals campaign.

Seen as an important part of the forward structure, the creative **Michael Walters** kicked 40 goals for the Dockers this year.

This included four-goal hauls against Gold Coast, Collingwood and Carlton.

Josh Simpson, a young talent and Dockers fan as a child, has spent his first year on the list playing in the WAFL.

At Easts, he played 13 matches, including nine in the league team.

Big man **Jonathon Griffin** started the season strongly, playing the first seven games before a knee injury dismantled his season.

GEELONG (6)

Allen Christensen (18 games, 21 goals), **Joel Hamling** (0 games, 0 goals), **Brad Hartman** (0 games, 0 goals), **Steven Motlop** (21 games, 39 goals), **Mathew Stokes** (21 games, 12 goals), **Travis Varcoe** (11 games, 8 goals)

It has been another injury-related year for **Travis Varcoe**, missing nearly three months in the middle of the 2013 campaign.

Recovering from shoulder problems, he



Mathew Stokes

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bumper season

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has started to find form going into finals. Lara junior and 2011 premiership player **Allen Christensen** had another solid season for the Cats and passed his 50-game milestone.



Steven Motlop

It has been nothing less than a superb year for the electrifying **Steven Motlop**, playing with flair and class.

Fellow Darwin lad **Mathew Stokes** is one of the Cats' elder statesmen and produced a consistent year.

Debuting in 2006, and now a dual premiership player, Stokes reached his 150th game in round 21 against West Coast.

Brad Harman, from South Australia, and second-year player Joel Hamling spent their season with the Geelong Cats VFL affiliate.

GOLD COAST (6)

Harley Bennell (15 games, 19 goals), **Jarrold Harbrow** (21 games, 12 goals), **Brandon Matera** (10 games, 7 goals), **Steven May** (17 games, 10 goals), **Liam Patrick** (2 games, 0 goals), **Tim Sumner** (11 games, 6 goals)

In another consistent season for the Queensland-born **Jarrold Harbrow**, he had a trio of 30-plus possession games this year, playing mainly as a rebounding defender.

Young star **Harley Bennell** got to his 50-game marker in the penultimate game of the Suns' season against the Saints. He is a key to the future success of the club.

Brandon Matera played the first 10 matches of the campaign before injury and is on the long road back through rehabilitation, expecting to be return for the start of the 2014 pre-season.

Strongly-built **Steve May** had another solid year, playing a consistent role in defence, while first-year forward **Tim Sumner** displayed promise in his debut season.

Still only 18, Sumner played his first game in round 10 against the Geelong Cats and he participated in 11 of the final 13 games.

Liam Patrick, now in his third year on the Suns' list, spent most of the season in the NEAFL competition.

GREATER WESTERN SYDNEY (5)

Shaun Edwards (2 games, 0 goals), **Curtly Hampton** (18 games, 3 goals), **Gerald Ugle** (2 games, 0 goals), **Zac**

Williams – rookie (11 games, 2 goals), **Nathan Wilson** (4 games, 0 goals)

In a tough year of the Giants with just the single victory, **Curtly Hampton** was one of the most consistent performers, playing out of the back half.

His best effort was a 31-possession performance against Collingwood in round 18.

Zac Williams, a rookie-listed Giants Academy member since 2011, is one of the local success stories at the club. Elevated to the senior list early in the year, he played 11 games and topped this off with a



Zac Williams

Rising Star nomination after the round 19 win over Melbourne.

Gerald Ugle played just a pair of matches for GWS this winter, while Peel Thunder lad **Nathan Wilson** managed four over the course of the season.

After 10 games in 2012, **Shaun Edwards** only managed two this year.

HAWTHORN (7)

Jed Anderson (5 games, 2 goals), **Shaun Burgoyne** (20 games, 21 goals), **Amos Frank** – rookie (0 games, 0 goals), **Lance Franklin** (19 games, 58 goals), **Brad Hill** (21 games, 14 goals), **Cyril Rioli** (13 games, 18 goals), **Derick Wanganeen** – rookie (0 games, 0 goals)

Stepping past his brother Peter into outright 10th place on the longest-serving aboriginal AFL players list by the end of the season, **Shaun Burgoyne** is one of the smoothest movers in the code. His



Lance Franklin

versatility will be a key for the Hawks in the major round.

The round 23 report on **Lance Franklin** put blight on a solid season, where he kicked 58 goals (and 36 behinds). His best effort so far in 2013 was 8.3 against Essendon.

He has just served a one-match suspension and will be available for the second match of the Hawks' finals campaign.

Cyril Rioli missed a two-month chunk of this season with injury, but is still a prime mover in the Hawks' finals charge.

Second-year player **Brad Hill** has stepped up to the plate as a running outside midfielder.

Jed Anderson, younger brother of former Carlton player Joe, started well in this first season, playing the opening three games.

Anderson won the round three AFL Rising Star nomination, while Hill secured this honour in round six.

Derick Wanganeen, now in his third year on the Hawks' rookie list, played 17 games for the Box Hill Hawks and was among the best players on four occasions.

Amos Frank, the cult hero from the APY lands, played eight VFL senior games for nine goals in his second year at this level. He didn't play from the middle of June.

MELBOURNE (3)

Dom Barry (0 games, 0 goals), **Aaron Davey** (20 games, 15 goals), **Neville Jetta** (5 games, 0 goals)

Aaron Davey made an impressive farewell appearance against the Western Bulldogs. He had a rich career over 10 seasons where he played 178 senior games, kicking 174 goals.



Aaron Davey

His accolades included a best and fairest trophy in 2009, third in the same award in 2005, along with an NAB AFL Rising Star nomination in 2004 and International Rules series participation in 2005 and 2006.

Dominic Barry, arriving in Melbourne from Alice Springs on a tennis scholarship, spent his first season playing with the Casey Scorpions, mainly in the VFL senior level.

After debuting in 2009 **Neville Jetta** added just another five games in the Demons' disappointing 2013 campaign.

He has averaged just over eight games a season in the five years on the

Melbourne list.

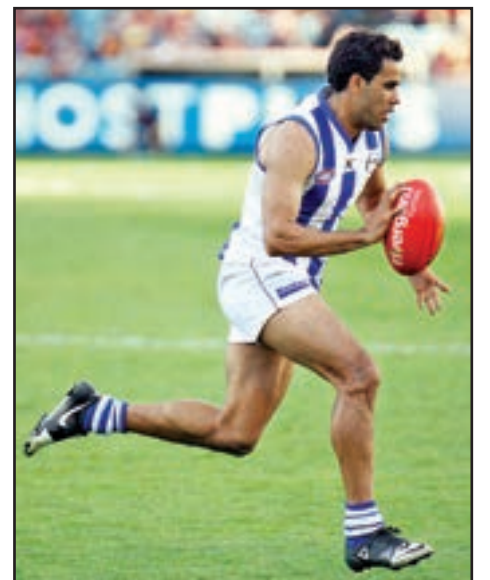
NORTH MELBOURNE (2)

Lindsay Thomas (20 games, 53 goals), **Daniel Wells** (22 games, 25 goals)

In an extremely frustrating season for the Kangaroos, where they lost a record number of games by less than 10 points, **Lindsay Thomas** had an outstanding winter. One of the premier small forwards in the competition, Thomas finished with 53 goals, to win the club's goal-kicking award.

For the first two-thirds of the year, he was right in the mix for the Coleman Medal.

Daniel Wells, playing his 200th AFL league during the middle of the year, remains one of the Roos' big-time performers. One of his amazing goals on



Daniel Wells

the run this year was from the middle of the ground.

PORT ADELAIDE (3)

Brendon Ah Chee (0 games, 0 goals), **Jake Neade** (16 games, 11 goals), **Chad Wingard** (22 games, 40 goals)

One of the great improvers in 2013 under Ken Hinkley, the Power saw major round action for the first time since 2007.

A catalyst to this was second-year player **Chad Wingard**.



Chad Wingard

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Our stars shine

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

LET me start my review of the performance of some of our Indigenous stars by congratulating my good mate Scott Prince on reaching the rare milestone of 300 NRL games and then retiring after a stellar career.

Princey was the ultimate professional who achieved most of what the game had to offer in terms of individual and team recognition.

A proud Kalkadoon man Princey arrived on the stage as a shy young teenager from Mount Isa and quickly established himself as a star of the future in his time at the Cowboys.

Stints followed at the Broncos and Wests Tigers, where he formed a great partnership with Benji Marshall to win a premiership in 2005.

His arrival at the Titans as a foundation player and inaugural captain allowed him to further develop his leadership qualities and it was unfortunate he could not finish his career here.

But nobody begrudged him finishing his career as a winner despite all the criticism of the Broncos' year.

Hodges factor

There is little doubt that Princey and the Broncos were at their best when Justin Hodges was on the field.

There was no doubt in my mind that their finals campaign finished when Hodges was ruled out for the season.

Such is his impact that I believe the Kangaroos will struggle without Hodges.

That being said, his departure allowed Josh Hoffman to stand up and be counted.

Despite being a great fan of Ben Barba, I cannot believe the lack of faith shown in Hoffman, who was shifted to the wing when Corey Norman was moved to fullback to accommodate the



A 2009 file picture of Scott Prince, left, and Preston Campbell as they prepared for the 2010 All Stars match at Skilled Park, Gold Coast. Picture: AAP

arrival of Prince.

Hoffman is a real star and a player to watch in the World Cup.

This is not to under-estimate the potential of Norman, whose move to Parramatta will be under the microscope next year.

Sam Thaiday showed great heart in every performance and the side's failure to reach the finals should not be seen as a reflection of his captaincy.

Sam is a leader in every sense of the word and he leads by example every time he laces up a boot.

Let's not overlook Jharal Yow Yeh when talking about the Broncos.

Let's hope his efforts to return from his horrific injury see a successful return next year.

He is a great guy, a great talent and he deserves the opportunity to return.

If the Broncos had a bad year, then what can be said about the Raiders?

The sacking of Blake Ferguson tops off an horrific season that started with the exit of Josh Dugan and progressed to the departure of coach Dave Furner which has been linked to Ferguson's sorry saga.

All in the game want to see Ferguson reach his potential, but he obviously needs to get his general life in order to do so.

That being said, his departure

may open the door for Jack Wighton to reveal his full abilities.

Wighton is not only an athlete and a talented footballer – he is tough.

He has the competitiveness that makes a true champion.

Edrick Lee was another who showed glimpses of his potential before injury intervened.

He can do things other players only dream of and should give the army of Green fans something to hope for next season.

Off to Dragons

They will have to do it without Joel Thompson, who is moving to the Dragons.

Joel will be a great loss because he puts his heart and soul into every tackle and every run.

His development off the field has seen him become a potential leader who could flourish in a new environment.

Reece Robinson has always been an under-valued player and his form early in the season highlighted what a good player he is.

Reece showed his talent as a try-scorer in the All Stars game and he plays a style of play similar to his cousin Nathan Merritt.

Tom Learoyd-Lahrs is another player whose season

result that allows all to move on.

Ben has shown glimpses of his best form, but is still far from his best.

My major concern is for the health and safety of Ben and his family.

Joel Romero appears to have fallen off the radar at the Bulldogs.

He is one of those players who has proven he is capable of playing at the NRL level, but cannot crack an opportunity to prove he can perform consistently.

Speaking of performing consistently, one of the stand-out success stories of the year has to be Andrew Fifita at the Sharks.

His performance in the All Stars told all that he was a big-match player and he has shown this was not a one-off with his performances in State of Origin.

The fact that he has been able to sustain this impact at club level shows what a great player he can become.

The Sharks have astutely signed his twin brother David, who was not far behind Andrew when they played in the Tigers under 20 team.

Jonathan Wright is an under-valued player who has provided great service to the Sharks this year and is capable of finding the try-line in the finals series.

Tyrone Peachey had limited opportunities, but has shown enough to be considered a potential NRL player.

Meanwhile, across the Ditch with the New Zealand Warriors, Dane Nielson is finally working into the unique style of play of his teammates.

Nielson has shown his ability to perform on the State of Origin stage and may well be considered as the obvious choice to replace Hodges if he does not return in time for next year's series.

I'll return to the other clubs and players in the next issue.

In the meantime, lock yourself in for a great finals series.



NSW State of Origin Blues debutant Andrew Fifita training with the team in Sydney last May 28, 2013. Picture: AAP



Fred Mundraby with his newest belt – the Australian super bantamweight crown he won on the Gold Coast last month. His new manager is looking to Asia for more profitable fights.

Mundraby's plan to revive career



AUSTRALIAN professional boxing champion Fred Mundraby has a new manager and a new plan to propel

his career. Brisbane businessman Costa George is now handling the lightning-fast Yarrabah super-flyweight and is looking overseas for fights that will take Mundraby to a higher level and a more profitable career.

While the likes of Daniel Geale and Anthony Mundine fight for big purses, Mundraby is fighting for crumbs.

But George believes he has a future world champion in his fold and is looking to Asia for lucrative fights.

Mundraby has had just one overseas fight and that was a disaster in Japan when he broke his jaw in the second round and the referee stopped the fight in the fifth round.

That was against Japanese Ryo Akaho in Tokyo in May 2011 for the

vacant OPBF super flyweight title.

Mundraby has since captured another Australian title and has now held three Australian titles in three weight divisions.

His latest conquest came at the Southport RSL Club on August 8 when he won a unanimous points decision over Emmett Gazzard for the vacant Australian super bantamweight crown.

He won the Australian bantamweight title in 2007 and retained it in 2009.

In 2010 he won the vacant Australian super-flyweight title.

George believes Mundraby can win another Australian crown in yet another weight division, but was coy about which division.

"He (Mundraby) is a great bloke and deserves a break," George said.

"He should be fighting for bigger purses and I believe he will.

"I have a few contacts in Asia.

"We'll be pursuing those options."

Girls get kickstart



THE inaugural Australian Football League (AFL) national female Indigenous

Kickstart championships are on in Melbourne this week.

The carnival began at Victoria Park on Monday and will end on Friday (September 13).

The five-day championships feature seven teams represented at under 18 level, including all states and territories.

AFL head of diversity Jason Mifsud said the championships ensured the AFL was growing the reach and impact with Indigenous Australia.

"The national female Kickstart championships are the first targeted female

Indigenous strategy pursued to support the key objective of driving participation and talent outcomes," Mifsud said.

"It will also enable the AFL to drive other social outcomes such as health, education, leadership and employment objectives with Indigenous females."

The championships will form the basis for selection to compete in the national female youth championships as part of the AFL Indigenous Female Youth team. The AFL's Chris Johnson and Xavier Clarke will head the selection process.

The carnival is being supported by the Coles AFL Indigenous Program and The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA).

No limits on style

WHILE the Australian Football League (AFL) finals series is the focus of everybody's attention, I cannot hide my excitement at the announcement of the 33-man Australian Indigenous squad for the International Rules series in Ireland.

I am just glad we are not restrained by a salary cap because this would be one of the most exciting lists you could compile.

It was great to see Lance Franklin enforce that all the big names will be keen to play for their culture and their country.

Hawthorn forward Franklin, Fremantle midfielder Stephen Hill and Swans Adam Goodes and Lewis Jetta were just a few of the game's big names to be announced.

Essendon were the best represented club, with five players and despite their current problems, we should not forget this club's key role in the times of Kevin Sheedy as coach in giving Indigenous talent a chance.

Bombers ruckman Paddy Ryder was included alongside teammates Courtenay Dempsey, Alwyn Davey, Leroy Jetta and Nathan Lovett-Murray in the squad that will be trimmed to touring party of 21 after the AFL grand final.

Melbourne's Aaron Davey – the older brother of Alwyn, who recently announced his retirement – was also included in the squad.

Two tests

Ireland will host two international rules tests – in Cavan on October 19 and at Dublin's Croke Park on October 26.

Franklin and Adam Goodes, who captained the Australian 2010 touring team that won the series 2-0, were on hand in Sydney for the squad naming and both expected the stars to line up for Australia.

"We're very confident that all our best players will be available to play for Australia, and why wouldn't they?" said Franklin.

It's going to be an unbelievable experience.

"It's something we'll never forget.

"The AFL's really backed us in terms of this tour, so we're looking forward to getting over to Ireland."

The squad will have no limits placed on the way they play and I expect us to

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develop a unique brand of attacking football in our time together.

This does not mean that I am not as excited as any other fan with the finals series.

This is what you live for as a player.

What a line-up of matches that we will be treated to as the number of contenders for the AFL premiership start winding down, culminating in the AFL grand final on September 28.

I will focus on the Hawks and the Swans – teams that have legitimate claims on the title.

The Hawks and the Swans are the two heavyweights of the competition.

Before their clash last Friday night, both had claims to premiership favouritism and it well may be the fitness and performance of their Indigenous stars that define the finals series.

The Hawks played last Friday without Franklin and – and even though they won convincingly, I cannot see them winning the grand final without him.

Many will say that the Hawks can still be a dangerous proposition even without Buddy, as proven by only one loss in the previous 12 games in which he has missed.

But you cannot win the big games without your big players.

That is why the Hawks have been so careful about ensuring the fitness of Cyril Rioli to return.

The question surrounding Rioli's fitness raised questions

about the premiership favourite's ability to cover the loss of the two stars.

While history has proven Hawthorn capable of overcoming the absence of Franklin and Rioli on an individual basis, only rarely have both missed a match in the five seasons since the 2008 premiership triumph.

Only three times have the Hawks, who before last Friday night, had won 18 of the past 20 matches that Rioli had missed, played without the pair since the beginning of the 2009 season.

They won all three but it is hard to get an accurate gauge as to their form given the victories came against lowly Melbourne and the fledgling Gold Coast in 2011 and last year.

Similarly, the Swans need to ensure the fitness of Lewis Jetta after almost three months on the sidelines.

Jetta will at least provide part of the answer to the absence of Adam Goodes.

"Obviously (Jetta) has had an injury-interrupted back half of the year and he's only just been back the last few weeks," Longmire said.

"He's been training really well and he went well in the reserves recently."

Meanwhile, Goodes remains determined to get back on the field.

Goodes did not face the Hawks, but remains in contention to feature later in the Swans' finals campaign after training strongly.

"He had a big running session and ran the best he has since he got injured," Longmire said.

"He felt really good, ran really well and pulled up afterwards really well. He was really pleased with what he did on Friday, which is a good sign.

"We're going to try and run him more this week with the view of training him next week if everything goes well."

Goodes is perhaps the biggest X factor in the entire finals series.

He has the proven ability not only to perform on a personal level, but also lift those around him.

As a mate, I hope to see him back on the paddock.

As a former Swan, I hope to see him lift the team.

As Indigenous coach, I want to see him ready to tour!

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Out of the blue

By CHRIS PIKE



SOUTH Fremantle West Australian Football League (WAFL) player Marlon Pickett

needed just seven games in the reserves to earn a debut in the seniors and made one of the greatest first appearances in memory to suddenly put the 21-year-old right on the radar of Australian Football League (AFL) clubs.

After finding his way into some trouble in his youth, Pickett became available to play with South Fremantle earlier in the 2013 season and was thrown into the reserves side, and immediately began to show what he was capable of despite never having played at that level.

Pickett was given the nod to play his first league game in round 23 by South Fremantle coach Paul Hasleby against the finals-bound East Perth, and the result was an incredible best-on-ground performance as the Bulldogs beat the Royals by 12 points at Fremantle Oval.

Pickett's sheer numbers were incredible, finishing with 26 possessions, nine marks, four clearances, eight inside-50 entries and three goals.

He then backed it up with 22 more disposals and seven inside-50 entries in South Fremantle's final league game of the season and with his good size and all the physical attributes most can only dream of, he very well could now find himself in the AFL in 2014.

South Fremantle veteran Kris Miller has seen a lot of players come through the ranks in the WAFL over his 14-year, 298-game career, but he can't recall even being more impressed from a debutant than he was with Pickett.

He can see no reason why an AFL club wouldn't now pick him up.

"I would pretty strongly be suggesting that he could be one of the rare blokes who could get drafted on the back of just one game. People might have been looking at him before anyway, but those physical attributes he has don't just drop out of trees," Miller said.

Raw talent

"He has done the work; he is a really good guy; he has never missed a training session and he is a quiet fella, and I can't see any reason why an AFL club wouldn't give him a chance. He is still a very raw talent who with a little bit of polish, could be very good at the next level."

When Miller laid eyes on Pickett with his size and athleticism, he instantly thought that he resembled another South Fremantle veteran, South African-born Paul Mugambwa.

"I can't think of a better debut than I have seen anywhere, and certainly not one that was as exciting. His physical attributes are just fantastic with the way that he is a 6ft 2in player who could play in the ruck, but also as a small forward," Miller said.

"Honestly, the first thing I thought of when I saw Marlon was that he was like Paul



Marlon Pickett running free with South Fremantle.

Mugambwa, but with really good skills. The best way I can describe him to people is that he is a young version of Gumby who grew up playing football."

Mugambwa himself is an excitement machine in the WAFL with his explosive pace, strong

tackling and high-leaping. However, even he found himself admiring what Pickett was able to do while on the field with him.

"I was one of the ones clapping out there. Usually guys are nervous when they make their debut and it takes a while

for them to get used to the pace, but I just told him to back himself and he took it in his stride," Mugambwa said.

"He was shimming guys, taking guys on, kicking goals, taking marks and he gave us a lot of the speed and drive that we've been looking for consistently over the course of the year. It's just exciting to see him out there and his family come here to watch him. He's got a great story and I'm really proud to see him out there and take his opportunity."

'Belongs in AFL'

Mugambwa also agrees with Miller that with Pickett's complete array of talents that he belongs in the AFL.

"It has changed so much now where AFL clubs are recruiting players a lot older and there isn't really a roof on it," Mugambwa said.

"I might not get drafted at 34, but at the same time a lot of clubs are realising that they might have missed guys when they were 16, 17 or 18 but now they are doing really well and are worth looking at if they are in their 20s.

"It was only one game for Marlon and he might have harder games when he gets more attention from the opposition, but he has the potential to play AFL definitely."

Pickett will now complete the season with South Fremantle's reserves teams in the finals before crossing his fingers and hoping for some good news from an AFL club over the summer in the national or rookie drafts.

Strong Indigenous component

By PETER ARGENT



NEARLY 20 per cent of the 2013 All Australian Australian Football League (AFL) 40-man squad is of Indigenous heritage.

Seven players – premiership favourite Hawthorn star Lance 'Buddy' Franklin, the Dockers pair of defender Michael Johnson and Michael Walters, Geelong's Steven Motlop, Kangaroos talents Daniel Wells and Mallee Park lad Lindsay Thomas, along with Power rising star Chad Wingard – are in the squad.

They are in contention for the final team of 22, to be named on Monday, September 16, in Melbourne.

For Franklin, if selected, this would be his fifth All Australian honour in six years, displaying his status in the game.

The other six Indigenous players are looking for their first All-Australian guernsey.

Among a line of famous footballers who have worn number 23 at the Hawks, Franklin brings patrons through the gates and produces scintillating acts of brilliance.

Port Adelaide second-year sensation Chad Wingard and Steve Motlop from the Cats have fashioned superlative breakout seasons, being key members of their clubs' finals drives.



Hawthorn's Lance Franklin and the Sydney Swans Adam Goodes in Sydney last week when the 33-strong Australian Football League All Indigenous International Rules team to play Ireland was announced. ● See page 33 for details.

In a power-packed Geelong outfit, Motlop is one of the most effective 16-to-20-possession players in the AFL, while Wingard has already proved that his is a big-time player, winning games off his boot.

Both are electrifying talents who can lift their teams, loving the big stage and the big occasion.

Over at Fremantle, nine-year veteran Michael Johnson has taken his game to a next level under coach Ross Lyon.

He has been a lynchpin of a Dockers defence that has kept their opponents in 2013 to a staggering nine goal-less terms and 19 one-goal quarters.

Michael Walters' resurrection under the same mentor last year and this season has been one of the good news stories of the competition.

Early in 2012, Walters was sent back to WAFL Swan Districts for failing to meet the physical requirements of an AFL footballer.

He has dragged himself off the floor and developed into one of the premier small forwards in the AFL.

Going into the major round he was the Dockers' leading sharpshooter with 40 goals.

While North Melbourne missed out on major round participation, the clear indicator of being competitive consistently in games is the fact they had four players in this squad, including Aboriginal stars Daniel Wells and Lindsay Thomas.

Wells, a previous best and fairest at Arden Street, has the ability to carry the ball across lines and break the game open.

Two years ago Thomas had the goalkicking yips and was sent back to the VFL.

He was the Kangaroos' leading goal-kicker in 2013 with 53 goals and 23 behinds.

'The Man' wants bigger fan base



ANTHONY Mundine has called for all Australians to support him against Shane Mosley next month and believes he's just a handful of fights from getting a

crack at his chief boxing target Floyd Mayweather.

Mundine 38, will fight 41-year-old American and former three-division world champion Mosley at the Sydney Entertainment Centre on October 23 for the vacant WBA super welterweight international title.

Ranked 11th by the WBA, Mundine believes a win over Mosley would catapult him into the top five.

The former rugby league star would then like to fight WBC title holder Saul Alvarez, who he expects to lose to WBA Super champion Mayweather in Las Vegas later this month.

Former world champions Austin Trout and Miguel Cotto are the other names on Mundine's hitlist as he waits for a crack at Mayweather, the man regarded as the best pound-for-pound boxer in the world.

"If I win this and if Alvarez loses to Mayweather, which I think he will, I could be up next for Alvarez," Mundine told AAP.

"Or maybe (I might have) one before Alvarez, maybe Cotto or Trout, so three fights before Mayweather."

Mundine said his desire to wait for big bouts and rest his body had been the reasons for the nine-month break since his last-fight loss to Daniel Geale in January.

While Mundine's confidence and outspoken ways have polarised Australian



Canberra Raiders NRL player Blake Ferguson, left, joins Anthony Mundine at a press conference at Tony Mundine's gymnasium in Redfern, Sydney, last Wednesday. Mundine, who is to fight 41-year-old American Shane Mosley in Sydney next month, spoke on Ferguson's behalf after Ferguson was asked to front the Raiders board after going AWOL two weeks earlier. Picture: AAP

fight fans in the past, a more measured 'man' wants everyone now to get behind him.

"I'm at a point in my career that I want the whole country supporting me because, if I can get past this endeavour, then there are only going to be big fights," Mundine said.

He dismissed the suggestion Mosley

was 'past it' and called him the most credited fighter to visit Australia.

"How can he be past it? He just went to Mexico and beat a young up-and-coming contender and a future champion, I believe, in Pablo Cano," Mundine said.

"This guy keeps rising to the challenge. He has never been stopped and always gives a competitive fight." – AAP



CANBERRA has confirmed the sacking of Blake Ferguson after the NSW Origin rugby league winger failed to front a Raiders board meeting on Friday to explain

his erratic behaviour.

Having gone AWOL three weeks ago amid rumours that he wanted out of the club, Ferguson's two-year deal signed in May this year was torn up, making him the second representative star sacked by the Raiders in 2014 following the axing of good friend Josh Dugan in March.

The board's decision to cut Ferguson has expedited what was an expected parting of ways with the club anyway, with a get-out clause in the star three-quarter's contract activated by the sacking of coach David Furner last month.

The latest development continues a roller-coaster year for the 23-year-old who earned his first Origin jumper in June.

He earned selection for game two of the series only to be thrown out of the Blues squad following a drinking session with Dugan on the eve of heading into camp with the NSW team.

An assault charge stemming from an alleged incident with a female patron at a Cronulla nightclub on the evening in question is still before the courts.

Suspended by the NRL, Ferguson was taken under the wing of Anthony Mundine, during which time rumours of his desire to get out of Canberra surfaced.

Ferguson returned to play one game against the Sydney Roosters in round 22, but after being ruled out with injury the following weekend, he failed to return to Canberra.

He resurfaced last Wednesday alongside Mundine, the pair conducting a bizarre press conference in which Ferguson sat silent while Mundine fielded questions about Ferguson's future.

Mundine mentioned that he was attempting to talk Ferguson into following him into the ring to take up a career in boxing. – AAP

Injury-ravaged Dick chooses retirement

By CHRIS PIKE



SOME talented players get lucky with injuries and are able to get out on the park more often than not to show what they can do, but others just as talented, or even more

so, have horror runs of injury that wrecks their careers and that is the case with now retired AFL footballer Brad Dick.

Dick was originally drafted by Collingwood with the 44th pick in the 2006 Draft and went on to play 27 games and kick 32 goals with the Magpies between 2007 and 2011.

However, serious knee and shoulder injuries meant that he could never stay on the park for a sustained period and found himself delisted by Collingwood when Nathan Buckley replaced Mick Malthouse as coach.

West Coast was quick to snap him up as he returned to Western Australia and again it has been a horror injury run that has stopped him being able to play an AFL game over the past two years.

He has played some good WAFL football with East Fremantle, kicking 54 goals in 21 matches over that time, including a haul of eight earlier in 2013, but the constant battle with injuries has finally won out and he announced his retirement following West Coast's final match of 2013.

Dick wasn't the only Indigenous player on the West Coast Eagles list in 2013 either and they all had mixed fortunes throughout the season, and have somewhat cloudy

futures now that John Worsfold has stepped down as senior coach after 12 years in charge.

Sharrod Wellingham, Josh Hill, Jamie Bennell and Murray Newman were the other Indigenous players listed by the Eagles in 2013.

Wellingham arrived at the Eagles last pre-season coming off 92 games and the 2010 premiership with Collingwood, and his first season back in the west started disastrously when he injured his ankle just weeks from the start of the campaign.

That meant he wasn't able to play at all this season until round 7, where he played one game in the WAFL with East Perth before earning an instant call-up to make his debut with West Coast.

Sidelined for two months

He played three games with the Eagles before re-injuring his ankle against North Melbourne in round 8. That sidelined him again for another two months, but he was able to play the last seven games of the year averaging almost 21 disposals a game.

The 25-year-old will now be hoping for an injury-free season in 2014 as he looks to help the Eagles get back into the finals mix under a new coach.

Hill has now completed his second season with West Coast after he previously played 66 with the Western Bulldogs.

The enigmatic forward played all but two games of the 2013 season, but only managed to kick 28 goals as a permanent forward and his form did drop off in the second half of the year, averaging just 8.6

disposals in his past 10 matches.

The 24-year-old will now face a nervous wait to see if Worsfold's replacement as coach wishes to keep him on the list.

Bennell has just completed his first full season with West Coast after four years with Melbourne, where he played 57 games for the Demons.

The 23-year-old was sidelined with a knee injury in the first part of the 2013 season and even though he didn't crack it for an AFL game this year with the Eagles, his form in the WAFL with Swan Districts has been improving all the time.

Bennell has spent most of his time with Swans as a small defender and has averaged almost 17 possessions in his 11 matches, including a best of 29 in a best-on-ground performance in the final round against the second-placed West Perth that guaranteed Swan Districts a finals appearance.

While Dick made his own call on his future, Wellingham is one of West Coast's stars and Hill and Bennell are likely to be persisted with, the end of the road could well have come for exciting small forward Newman.

The 19-year-old is enormously talented and after he being taken with the No 23 pick in the 2011 Draft, he played four games for the Eagles in 2012 and looked to be a definite player of the future.

However, he found himself in trouble off the field and on the wrong end of a grievous bodily harm charge and on the field his 2013 has been disastrous in the WAFL with Swan Districts.

Newman's form had been mediocre in



Brad Dick

his eight matches where he averaged 14 possessions and kicked 10 goals, but then without explanation in the round 17 clash against Claremont at Claremont Oval, he walked into the change rooms at quarter-time, grabbed his gear and went home.

He was granted time off by West Coast following that and has not played a game with Swan Districts since, and is likely to be delisted by the Eagles as a result despite having all the talent in the world and still being a teenager.

Aiming for the top

Rachel makes polocrosse her passion



AFTER being overlooked by Queensland selectors for the mixed under 16 team for the Australian polocrosse championships, Fassifern Valley girl Rachel Stringfellow has been chosen in the Australian junior squad.

This came about when Rachel was invited by the Northern Territory to be part of that team at the 2011 national carnival at Warwick, in south-east Queensland.

So impressive was Rachel that she won best No 3 (defensive position) of the carnival, beating boys and girls in the under 16 mixed competition.

It was an amazing moment for Rachel and according to her family, she said in her award acceptance speech: "I'd like to thank my horse."

Rachel lives with her family at Milbong, a small rural community in Queensland's Fassifern Valley near Boonah, in south-east Queensland.

She plays polocrosse with the tiny Lockyer Valley Polocrosse Club, based at Laidley, an hour's drive from Milbong. The club has just 18 members.

Rachel's Aboriginality is from her mother's side. Her grandmother Nida Lowe (Stolen Generation) is from the Gudanji tribe of the Barkly Tablelands, NT.

Rachel is the eldest of four, with her siblings Tayla 12, Hudson 8, and little Abbey, 4.

She is a Year 12 day student at St Mary's College, Ipswich, near Brisbane.

At this stage she is thinking of studying law and business at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Brisbane.

Rachel started playing polocrosse with her family at the age of seven in a mini junior competition (littles playing any position any time anywhere).

Rachel rode old horses that were accustomed to polocrosse.

From the age of 10, she progressed to the junior ranks where she rode a number of horses.

Even though Rachel is still a junior, she is now playing in the open division and up against adults because her club does not have enough juniors to field a side.

The upside to this is that Rachel has been able to progress rapidly because of the experience of playing with and against seasoned players.

In September 2011, Rachel trialled for the Queensland under 16 open/mixed side, but didn't make the 'cut'.

She was disappointed, but she didn't dwell on that and set herself personal goals to play the best she could.

Rachel's mum Rosemary Ward told the *Koori Mail* that in February 2012, the family started to get their horses fit for club fixtures that were due to start after the nationals at Warwick.

"It was around this time that the Northern Territory coach Brendan Beck rang and asked Rachel if she would be interested in having a run with the Northern Territory side as a female player had pulled out of the under 16 mixed side," Rachel's mum said.

"We were ecstatic."

"I am from Katherine, NT, and Rachel's horse, Noonamah Redraw was bred by Troy Henry, who lived and played polocrosse for the Noonamah club in the NT."

"So, there was small irony as to how the events unfolded."

Rachel played a club fixture game with the NT side to get to know her teammates before the nationals.

Grabbed opportunity

She grabbed the opportunity and revelled with her new side.

The polocrosse nationals were held at Morgan Park, Warwick.

Rachel played her first game against Victoria, and the next day was against NSW.

After a day of rest, the NT played SA and then Queensland.

While the NT side lost all games, they kept their opponents honest.

Even the leading states NSW and Victoria were pushed by the NT.

The NT side was beaten by just one goal by SA and were beaten by Queensland in extra time.

After being named best No 3 player of the carnival, Rachel was selected in the Queensland junior team.

The Queensland team competed at the tournament in the south-west of Western Australia, winning the open C grade title.

Queensland then took part in two games at the Perth Royal Show against a WA junior squad.

Since then, Rachel has continued to play club polocrosse at Laidley, where she has won more accolades.

She recently played for the Australian under 21 development (intermediate) side in four-cornered contests at Cunningham and Warwick against the Irish under 21, Australian under 21s and Queensland under 21 mixed teams.

Her next goal is to make the Queensland under 21 mixed team to contest the Australian titles in Darwin around April next year.

Sister Tayla and brother Hudson also play polocrosse.

Hudson is riding Rachel's old horse Percy that Rachel rode in the juniors when she started out.

Tayla also rode Percy.



Rachel Stringfellow in her Northern Territory shirt with the trophy she won for being the tournament's best No 3 at the 2012 Australian under 16 mixed championships at Warwick.

Picture: Angus Waddell Photography

Cricket to offer rookie contracts



TWO players are to be given rookie contracts by each of Cricket Australia's KFC T20 Big Bash League (BBL) teams.

The players must come from rural communities, Indigenous backgrounds, low socio-economic areas, and those from non-English speaking backgrounds.

They will be offered community and development rookie contracts.

The concept is part of a wider plan to provide opportunities to players who might not otherwise be identified as one of Australian cricket's pathway programs.

The rookie contracts will be available to players under the age of 21 who are eligible to represent Australia under ICC eligibility rules or are an approved

Australian resident.

Players will not be part of their BBL team's squad of 18 players, but they can be signed as a replacement player in the event of an injury to a squad member.

Cricket Australia general manager operations Mike McKenna said this was a fantastic chance for the BBL and teams to unearth players who could potentially go on to represent Australia in all forms of the game.

"These 16 rookie contracts will expose some talented young cricketers to high-performance environments they perhaps would have not normally had the chance to experience," McKenna said.

"The contracts will be offered to players not currently in cricket's pathway system, whether that be through their lack of resources, or coming from a

remote area or diverse background where exposure to top level cricket has not traditionally been readily available.

"Our national talent manager Greg Chappell will work very closely with the state talent managers to identify players that fit the criteria."

"Rookies will train with their BBL teams, take advantage of their facilities, coaching and support staff. This is a chance for teams to contribute to the identification and development of the next generation of cricketers."

Meanwhile, the 2013 Central Australian Clontarf Champions League cricket tournament will return to Alice Springs on Thursday November 14.

It is being organised by NT Cricket and the Clontarf Foundation.

It follows the success of the inaugural tournament in Central Australia last year. NT Cricket development officer Alice Springs and Barkly regions Phil Lovell is excited about hosting the second event in Central Australia.

"Last year's tournament was a hard fought competition and showcased the raw talent and exceptional skills of participants," he said.

"Many of the players representing their academies in this tournament have the potential to go on and represent the Northern Territory at the Imparja Cup."

The modified matches were fast paced and gave participants the chance to showcase their skills.

Tennant Creek clinched the trophy over the Centralian Academy in a close finish.

Geale seeks pre-Christmas fight



DANIEL Geale wants to fight again in December, irrespective of whether he wins his appeal against his recent International Boxing Federation (IBF) world middleweight title loss.

Geale resumed training last Thursday, less than three weeks after the bout – which he watched on Wednesday for the first time since his split decision points loss to Englishman Darren Barker in Atlantic City, USA.

His management has lodged an appeal to the IBF, citing a number of grounds, including the scoring of the bout.

Ideally Geale is hoping for the appeal to be upheld and for the IBF to sanction a rematch with Barker in December.

If it's unsuccessful, Barker is expected to make a mandatory defence against German Felix Sturm.

"My goal would be to fight in December," Geale said on Thursday.

"Either way, if we get Barker, that would be unreal to fight

again so soon, but if it's not him, I'm happy to fight everybody else.

"I pulled up well from that fight and I'm still very hungry.

"I want to get back in there and make things right again."

Adamant

Geale was adamant he did enough to win the fight after watching it.

Asked if he would have done anything differently, Geale said, "I don't think so, in the heat of battle it is difficult to change things.

"It's easy to look back and say 'I could have done. I should have done' sort of stuff.

"But it was a tough fight. Barker was always dangerous.

"I did feel in control most of the stages, but I also do know that if I ever do get that opportunity to fight him again, it's going to be a much different story.

"I think he knows that as well, so I won't be surprised if he doesn't want to fight me again."

The 32-year old Sydney-based Tasmanian had no doubts he could win another world title

and that the loss to Barker was a temporary setback that would only fuel his ambitions.

"I still feel like I'm getting better," Geale said.

"I can still beat the top fighters in the world. I'm confident with anybody.

"It's not the first time that I've had frustrating things happen – decisions not going my way.

"I had it plenty of times in the amateurs and I had it in 2009 (in a points loss to Anthony Mundine) as well, so all it does is make me hungrier." – AAP

Third time unlucky

Another final loss for Barty



IT'S been third time unlucky for Aboriginal tennis star Ashleigh Barty.

With playing partner Casey Dellacqua, she went down in three sets in the US Open women's doubles title, played on Sunday.

The Australian pair opened well, winning the first set 7-6, but failed to capitalise, losing the deciding two sets to the Czech combination of Andrea Hlavackova and Lucie Hradecka.

Barty and Dellacqua have established themselves as one of the world's best doubles combinations, having now reached the final at three Grand Slam events this year.

They were beaten in the final at Wimbledon in July and the Australian Open in Melbourne in January.

Barty certainly isn't poorer for the loss, picking up \$US115,000 as her share of the runners-up prize. She also pocketed \$US53,000 for reaching the second round in the singles competition, as well as \$5000 for a second-round loss in the mixed doubles, which she played with John Peers.

Wildcard entry

Barty received a wildcard entry into the women's singles draw and was the second youngest in the draw.

She won her first-round match 6-2 6-4 against Estrella Cabeza Candele (Spain). But she was eliminated in round two, beaten 6-4 6-0 by Russian Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova. She won 31 points, compared with her opponent's 59.

Her women's doubles campaign with Casey Dellacqua began on day four when the eighth-seeded Australians put away Sorana Cirstea (Romania) and Yanina Wickmayer (Belgium) 6-4 6-1.

The next day they beat Petra Cetkovska (Czechoslovakia) and Kirsten Flipkens (Belgium) 6-3 6-4.

Two days later, they removed the ninth-seeded Liezel Huber (USA) and Nuria Llagostera Vives (Spain) 6-4 6-3.



Ashleigh Barty and Casey Dellacqua with the US Open women's doubles runners-up plate. Getty image

They moved into the semifinals with a 6-2 6-3 win over Russians Ekaterina Makarova and Elene Vesnina.

In the semi-finals, Barty and Dellacqua beat Sania Mirza (India) and Jie Zheng (China) 6-2 6-2.

Barty teamed with fellow Australian John Peers in the mixed doubles and they began their campaign by beating top seeds Anna-Lena Groenefeld (Germany) and Alexander Peya (Austria) 4-6 6-3 (11-9).

But they bowed out in the second round after a titanic struggle against Lucie Hradecka and Frenetsek Cermak (Czechoslovakia) 7-6 (12-10) 7-6 (7-5).

Barty and Peers actually won more points than their opponents – 90 to 79. The telling statistic: Barty and Peers had plenty of opportunities to win, but converted just one of 13 break points (8 per cent success rate), while their opponents won their only break point.

The mixed doubles had a different format to men's and women's doubles, with matches decided after two sets.

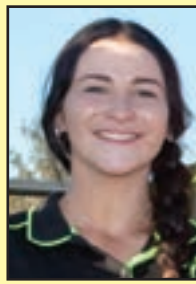
If each pairing won a set, the outcome was determined by a sudden-death first-to-win-10-points play-off. The winning combination must have had a two-point margin in the play-off, meaning they could

win 10-8, 11-9, 12-10 and so on.

Barty told Melbourne's *The Age* newspaper that she was in no hurry to achieve the results that Australia was hoping for, despite her swift second-round departure from the women's singles, ending Australia's meagre women's singles representation.

"I just continue to work on what I want to work on, and I'm not rushing to achieve anything really," Barty told *The Age* after her loss to Pavlyuchenkova.

"I'm just letting it (unfold), and I've just got to continue to work on my game, and everything, and I know the results will come eventually."



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rides tall in
the saddle**
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Close, but no major title for Barty – yet

FIRST it was the Australian Open last January. Then came Wimbledon a couple of months ago. And just last Sunday it was the US Open.

Sadly for young Aboriginal tennis champion Ashleigh Barty (pictured left) and her playing partner Casey Dellacqua the result was the same in all three major tournaments – runner-up

in the women's doubles final. The Australian pair went down 6-7 (4/7) 6-1 6-4 in a hard-fought contest in New York last Sunday. Get the full story in our report on page 71.

Finals fever



SEPTEMBER is football finals month, and our players have been in the thick of NRL and AFL action, with the promise of plenty more to come.

In the NRL, Manly will play minor premiers Sydney Roosters in this Saturday night's qualifying final after going down 38-26 to Penrith in an epic last-round encounter last Sunday.

Had Manly won they would have faced South Sydney on Friday night.

But the talking point of the final round was the miraculous finals berth secured by the North Queensland Cowboys and the part that departing

fullback Matt Bowen played.

For the second week in a row Bowen, who has been let go by the Cowboys, grabbed two tries in his final home game for the club.

Teams to make the NRL final eight are, in order, Roosters, Rabbitohs, Storm, Manly, Bulldogs, Cronulla, Cowboys and the Knights.

AFL finals

In the AFL, Geelong, after their loss to the Fremantle Dockers last weekend, will play Port Adelaide on Friday night in a do-or-die semi-final at the MCG.

Port Adelaide qualified for the

semi-final with an elimination win over the more fancied Collingwood at the MCG. Collingwood is now out of the race.

Aboriginal star Chad Wingard was a game-breaker, kicking three goals for Port Adelaide.

Carlton eliminated Richmond last Sunday, and will take on Sydney this weekend. The 'Three Amigos' – Chris Yarran, Eddie Betts and Jeff Garlett – all played well for the Blues.

The Swans, who will be hoping for the return this weekend of champion Adam Goodes, lost to Hawthorn in the first qualifying final last Friday night at the MCG.



Aboriginal champion Greg Inglis celebrates after scoring the opening try for South Sydney against the Sydney Roosters in last Friday's final NRL round before this weekend's finals. The Roosters downed Souths 24-12 to take the minor premiership, denying the Rabbitohs of the honour in the process. AAP image



Fremantle's Stephen Hill celebrates after kicking a goal during the AFL qualifying final clash with the Geelong Cats on Saturday. Fremantle stunned Geelong to win by 15 points. AAP image



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