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In leagues of their own



IT'S that time of year! The NRL and AFL grand finals are upon us, with Hawthorn and the Fremantle Dockers shaping up in the AFL decider this Saturday, and four teams – Manly, Newcastle, South Sydney and the Sydney Roosters – left in the NRL season. Pictured above are Fremantle's Michael Walters, celebrating after kicking a goal in his team's win against the Sydney Swans last weekend, and Manly's big George Rose smashing into the Cronulla defence in the NRL elimination game on Friday. See our sports section for more on the football, including the upcoming Queensland and NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockouts. AAP images

Scullion's pledge



DESPITE initial appearances to the contrary, new federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion is talking up his Government's commitment to consultation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

'I want to hear people's ideas, solutions'

Senator Scullion is saying his ministerial door is open to everyone and, while he and Prime Minister Tony Abbott will be relying on advice from their Indigenous

advisory council, he is also keen to hear from the community.

"What's most important is that we listen to Aboriginal and Islander people's ideas and solutions," he

told the *Koori Mail*. "If you have an idea, contact my office, and if I can't respond, one of my senior members of staff will."

The minister is asking people to

hold off criticising the advisory council before its make-up has even been announced.

However, that horse has well and truly bolted, with a protest being organised at the Tent Embassy in Canberra for October 17-18.

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My FAMILY

Lena Andrews – Fitzroy Crossing, WA



● Above: Andrea McCoombe holding Charlie McCoombe, Lena Andrews holding niece Aminika Andrews, and Joy Rivers.

THIS is a photo of me with my Aunt Joy and some of my nieces and a nephew.

My family is from two different language groups, on Mum's side Walmagarri and on Dad's side Bunuba.

I have two sisters and four brothers. I was born on the banks of the Fitzroy River. It's a special place. It has always provided.

I'm really proud of my father, a great Bunuba leader, Adam Andrews. I am very, very privileged to be his daughter.

Since he passed away in 2001 everything went downhill for the Bunuba people. I wish he was still alive. I still think of him day and night.

I have five children. They are all close to Fitzroy Crossing except my oldest,

Dillon. He's in prison a long way from home. They took him to Geraldton, too far for the family to visit.

Most of our men and our leaders from here are behind bars. This incarceration needs to stop.

Dillon is the main dancer for his grandfather's junba (song) and a good didge player and hunter.

My twins Daniel and William are at Wesley Studio School out in the bush. They play footy at school and will be studying at Wesley College in Melbourne soon.

My little girl, Elizabeth, is in town schooling. She's a captain/counsellor and does modelling at school as well. I'm very proud of her. She's a good saver and says she wants to become a nurse.

My other daughter, Philinka, lives in Port

Hedland with her dad's family. She's also a good dancer and teaches her young sisters. She was approached by Bangarra Dance Theatre once.

We always get together for birthdays for the little ones and the adults, and we love to reminisce.

I always talk about my goat Raylene I had years ago when I was schooling. I'd see the old people and run in from school and help them milk the goats, the good old days.

We grew up on goats' milk, but we don't see kids doing that any more. We'd play in the creek and follow the boys with sling shots.

My main hope is that my kids get their education and come back and work within the community.

As told to Jillian Mundy

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OUR CHILDREN



Tanyalee and Jasmin, from Mimili Anangu School in South Australia's APY Lands, reading a book. The early childhood literacy program Let's Read, which encourages parents to read aloud to their children from as young as four months, has just started on APY country. The program aims to give families the information and tools they need to introduce their children to books from a very young age.

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Jessica deadly at our night of nights



SHE'S one of our deadliest performers, a fact very much underlined at the 19th annual Deadly Awards, held on September 10.

Jessica Mauboy's performance at the Sydney Opera House, pictured here, had the crowd on its feet during an event that showcased the very best of Indigenous Australia. Among those honoured this year were retired NSW magistrate Pat O'Shane, performer Archie Roach, young tennis sensation Ashleigh Barty and health professional Professor Pat Dudgeon. Mauboy was herself no slouch in the awards department, picking up Female Artist of the Year and Single of the Year for *Something's Got a Hold on Me*. Planning has already started for next year's 20th anniversary Deadlys, with organisers from Deadly Vibe promising a huge event. See pages 33-37 for our coverage of this year's event. *Picture by Naomi Moran*

Former CEO embezzled, court finds



THE former head of an Indigenous NSW health service embezzled more than \$700,000 from the organisation, the Federal Court has found.

Justice Peter Jacobson found 25 breaches by Damien Matcham, who he said had improperly used his position as CEO of Katungul Aboriginal Corporation for personal advantage.

Court papers show Matcham made unauthorised payments for bonuses, time in lieu, superannuation, recreation leave and life insurance. He also organised an unauthorised mortgage on behalf of Katungul.

The not-for-profit corporation provides health services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander people on the NSW far south coast and receives state and federal funding.

The service was placed in special administration in late 2011 after an investigation revealed Matcham had been transferring money to himself.

That administration ended in September last year, with the

'CEOs are in an important position of trust and leadership in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations, and there are serious consequences if they misuse their position.'

organisation returned to community control. Since then Katungul has continued to serve local people, with CEO Jon Rogers saying it was a 'very different organisation to the old one'.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven

says Matcham should pay compensation to Katungul, but it's unlikely he will face criminal proceedings.

Mr Beven launched Federal Court proceedings against Matcham in January last year, and froze his bank accounts and properties.

"CEOs are in an important position of trust and leadership in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations, and there are serious consequences if they misuse their position," he said.

Mr Beven said Matcham should be banned from managing companies, including Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander corporations, and face a fine.

The matter has been adjourned until November 13, when the court will hear penalty submissions. — with AAP



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Dancers spring into action



THE Shalom Christian College Chookie Dancers get ready to perform at this month's Palm Island Spring Fair. The annual fair is one of the north Queensland Aboriginal community's biggest events of the year. See page 77 for our coverage of the event. *Picture by Alf Wilson*

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Amnesty plea on kids in jail

By RUDI MAXWELL



PERTH-based Indigenous rights campaigner for Amnesty International Rodney Dillon

wants the Western Australian Government to change the way it views Aboriginal children in detention.

"I just wish the Government would look at these kids with some sympathy, instead of always taking a hard-nosed approach," he said.

"Harsh punishment of children has never worked anywhere in the world, and, if we keep treating kids like that, their behaviour becomes worse."

Mr Dillon spoke at a rally last week protesting that young people who had been in detention in Banksia Hill Juvenile Detention Centre were still being held at Hakea Jail, an adult facility.

A small group of young people was recently moved back to Banksia Hill, which has been closed since a riot in January, but Mr Dillon said it was imperative that the remaining detainees were transferred back to appropriate accommodation.

"It's particularly hard on families. The system is failing them," he said. "There are some



Rodney Dillon

young people who haven't had their birthday, or were able to spend Christmas with their families.

"It's the system that's wrong. These kids are vulnerable and this is making them more vulnerable, to themselves and to society."

Mr Dillon said Amnesty was concerned that the children who remained in Hakea were being denied their human rights, including education, rehabilitation, exercise and an appropriate diet.

"You don't lock children up in an adult prison. It's just not an

acceptable way to work with kids. It's wrong to do that and it's not good for society," he said.

Late last month, WA Corrective Services said 10 cells were damaged by 12 juvenile detainees at Hakea.

Of the 150 young people in detention in WA, 74 per cent are Aboriginal. Of the 10 girls being held, seven are Aboriginal, while a total of 104 Indigenous boys are detained.

In a report into the riot at Banksia Hill, WA Custodial Services Inspector Neil Morgan found Hakea did not 'provide an appropriate rehabilitative service, with too many lockdowns and insufficient activities and programs'.

Mr Dillon said: "There seems to be very little rehabilitation for these kids, which is a worrying trend."

"They need to be quickly moved back to Banksia Hill. It's very hard mentally to be in that adult system and these kids need help to get them back on their feet, make them better people in society."

"I'm very concerned that this stay in an adult jail is going to have long-term detrimental effects and that in five years we're going to see a wave of kids returning to the facility that they should never have been sent to in the first place."

NLC backs site rehabilitation



THE Northern Land Council (NLC) is hopeful a visit by Northern Territory ministers to waterways contaminated by the Redbank Mine in the NT's south-east will lead to repatriation of the site.

At a recent meeting, traditional owners of the area were joined by NT Mines Minister Willem Westra van Holthe and Environment Minister Peter Chandler, representatives from the Carpentaria Land Council, the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority, the NT Environmental Protection Authority, and Redbank Copper.

Copper deposits were discovered at Redbank, south of Borroloola, early in the 20th century and have been mined intermittently since.

Legacy issues include the pollution of Hanrahans and Settlement creeks by acidic metal-laden waters emanating from the mine.

This contamination appears in places as bright green water and has resulted in the absence of aquatic life in and vegetation alongside the creeks.

Acting NLC CEO Robert Graham told the *Koori Mail* the people who lived in the region had been complaining about the contamination for years.

"They dug a big hole to get copper out, that's how you mine and we've got no problem with that, but it's meant that the water



NT Mines and Energy Minister Willem Westra van Holthe and, from left, William Davey, Wilton Timothy and John Clarke looking over the polluted water at Redbank.

table has been affected by chemicals and copper itself leaching into it," he said.

"The nearby creeks, which were pristine 20 years ago, have killed all the fish, killed anything that lives in water for miles.

"It's a very significant area, and features in lots of Dreaming, and sacred sites. Not only has it

affected the region in the immediate vicinity, but it's also damaged the waters downstream, and wildlife that depend on them.

'Upsetting'

"It's been pretty upsetting all round."

Mr Westra van Holthe said remediation of Redbank was a

priority legacy issue for the NT Government and announced his intention to apply funds from the Mining Remediation Fund (raised by the one per cent levy on new and existing environmental rehabilitation security bonds) toward fixing it.

Mr Graham said the NLC welcomed the Government

commitment, but said he expected rehabilitation of the site would have to wait until the next dry season.

"We've got a number of mine sites like this, so-called 'legacy mines', and it's heartening to know that the Minister has said he wants to do what needs to be done to fix them," he said.

Locals wary over Ranger mine move



THE operators of the Ranger uranium mine in the Northern Territory have unveiled a new water processing machine they say will give it a future beyond 2021.

But not everyone's happy.

Mining has been completed at the site, which is located within, but is not a part of, the World Heritage-listed Kakadu National Park, 260km south-east of Darwin. It's operated by Energy Resources Australia (ERA), which is owned by Rio Tinto.

ERA says the \$220 million brine concentrator unveiled this month will improve the mine's ability to treat water and to progressively rehabilitate the site by 2026, when it must be of a standard to be reintegrated to Kakadu.

Traditional owners and environmental groups want to see ERA exit in 2021.

But if a second project currently in exploration turns out to be feasible, the brine concentrator may help them stay on if the relevant parties can be convinced it's possible to mine in an environmentally safe way.

ERA chief executive Rob Atkinson says it's too early to talk about future negotiations with stakeholders and the local community.

But he notes that previous attempts to treat water to a high standard were either too small for requirements or unsuccessful.

"This is the first time in ERA's history we're producing very clean water at the quality we need," he says.

"Without the brine concentrator I don't believe we would have a future here at all."

The brine concentrator took five years to be delivered from its conception, and has an output of 1.8 billion litres a year, or 800 Olympic pools of water free of radioactive contamination.

Managing water is at the heart of the mine's considerations in the Top End, which has monsoonal rain for months every year, says operations manager Tim Eckersley.

"When you consider where we operate, the extremes of weather we experience, managing water is a critical component of operations," he says.

But in 2011, the mine had to stop production for six months because of extensively contaminated water, says Justin O'Brien, CEO of the Gundjeihmi Aboriginal Corporation (GAC) which manages mining royalties on behalf of the Mirarr people, the traditional owners of the land who opposed the mine's development in 1978.

"With billions of (contaminated) litres sitting here and an Aboriginal community 6km downstream, that alarmed us," he said.

GAC sees the brine concentrator as a positive step towards keeping the water

safe and clean, as does the Australian Conservation Foundation, calling it 'overdue but welcome'.

"We don't see (the brine concentrator) as meaning it will be okay for them to now dig a new underground mine at Ranger," spokesman Dave Sweeney says.

"It's technically feasible (they could continue mining after 2021), yes they could probably do it, but there's these other factors that pose the question: Is it really worth it?"

"Are you prepared to own the consequent problems should you decide to go there?"

Although the Ranger mine is now only processing stockpiled ore as its open pits are slowly being backfilled, exploration for a possible underground mine is under way at a neighbouring site

named Ranger 3 Deeps. If feasible, mining could begin in 2015, but would be able to operate for only five years under the current lease agreement.

Northern Territory Chief Minister Adam Giles, who is keen to see more mining in the NT, says Ranger was one of the most heavily regulated mines in the world.

"They put a lot of investment into environmental sustainability, as well as having the cultural obligations to be able

to provide support for traditional owners, as well as seeking economic advancement," he says.

But Mr O'Brien says traditional owners of the land want ERA to stick to the 2021 deadline. "It's never crossed our mind that they would mine beyond 2021," he says.

"They would need to be very persuasive and bring other things to the table were we to consider a new mining (permission), which is ultimately not our decision but that of the Federal Government."

Since the Fukushima disaster of 2011 the uranium market has bottomed out, with prices dropping about 50 per cent, and it's this that the Australian Conservation Foundation hopes will convince Rio Tinto not to seek an extension should Ranger 3 Deeps prove viable beyond 2021.

"The only thing ERA do is mine uranium in Kakadu; (they're) one of Kakadu's endangered species," Mr Sweeney says.

But Rio Tinto may decide to walk away from the project at its mandated deadline.

"They will be acutely aware that they will be judged long into the future on how they exit Kakadu," Mr Sweeney says.

"If they cut corners, costs, and leave it a mess, that will hang over them and affect market access, other stakeholders' confidence in the company, and future projects."

But as the wet season looms and the brine concentrator begins churning out clean water, ERA insists it is only looking to 2021. — AAP



By JILLIAN MUNDY



GIJA senior artist Churchill Cann, pictured, may have taken out this year's Western Australian Artist Award, but art is not his first career

choice. There's nothing the 70-year-old from Warmun (Turkey Creek) in the Kimberley would like to do more than return to his days as a stockman.

But, sadly, that's not going to happen.

"I'd like to go back to being a stockman, but my legs are gone. Nothing I can do," Mr Cann explained to the *Koori Mail*.

"They carried me on horse

Top artist misses his days as a stockman

when I was a baby. All my family worked on the station," he said, speaking of Texas Downs Station, north-east of Warmun, where he was born and worked.

Of his country that's often depicted in his award-winning paintings.

Unlike many of his people who lost their jobs when in 1969

pastoralists were forced to pay equal wages for all workers, Mr Cann was kept on. He earned eight pounds a month – a far cry from the thousands of dollars his paintings now sell for.

But in the past decade, with his legs failing, art has become Mr Cann's new life, something that has been strongly encouraged by

his old people. "I had no choice, the old bloke telling me," Mr Cann explained in good humour.

"He said, 'He's good.' "I used to paint like the old people."

Mr Cann's style has become distinctively his own, and in his most recent works he says he has found his 'liyan', meaning 'that

good feeling you get in your guts'. It's something his old people said he would find.

Mr Cann's works have been described as 'carefully observed topographical maps of the region, often depicting traditional stories as well as massacres and historic events'.

He picked up a handy \$10,000 when he won this year's Western Australian Artist Award.

Mr Cann now teaches his daughter Charlene, who lives with him next door to the Warmun gallery.

"I draw, she paint it," Mr Cann said.

If sales are a sign of an artist's talent, he's right up there with the best.

Women in the majority on corporation boards



WOMEN make up almost 55 per cent of directors of the nation's top 500 Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander corporations.

The figure was highlighted in the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations' fifth report on the top corporations, which covers the 2011-12 financial year.

The report looks at the overall income, geographic distribution and sectoral information of the 500 highest earning corporations registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act)*. It is based on data supplied to the registrar, Anthony Beven, by Indigenous corporations in their

audited financial statements and general reports.

Some of the key findings of this year's report include:

- Women continue to play a dominant role in the governance of corporations. The representation of women on corporation boards stood at 54.9 per cent, up 2.1 per cent since 2007-08.

- The gender composition on boards varied depending on a corporation's income, geographic location and sector in which the corporation operates.

- The combined income of the top 500 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations for 2011-12 was almost \$1.61 billion (compared with \$1.43 billion in 2010-11), an increase of 12.6



Anthony Beven

per cent, exceeding nominal GDP growth of only 4.9 per cent in 2011-12.

- The combined value of assets held by the top 500 corporations was \$1.84 billion.

- Compared with 2010-11, the average income of the top 500 corporations in 2011-12 increased from almost \$2.86 million to \$3.22 million.

- The combined income of corporations in the Northern Territory and Western Australia generated 72.4 per cent of the overall national income for 2011-12.

- As in 2010-11, the health and community services sector was the largest, with 40 per cent of the top 500 corporations operating in this area. But the sector contracted by 5.7 per cent.

- The top 20 corporations received about the same amount

of revenue from self-generated income as from government grants. However, the top five corporations had 83.1 per cent of their income from self-generated sources.

- No charitable donations were reported by the top 20 corporations.

"The report clearly shows that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations are leading the way in terms of gender equality," Mr Beven said.

"The emerging picture in terms of growth in income and employment is very encouraging, with both exceeding 10 per cent in 2011-12."

The report is available to download from ORIC's website at www.oric.gov.au

Fresh stoush looms over Burrup rock art

By GEOFF VIVIAN



TRADITIONAL owners of Western Australia's Burrup Peninsula are gearing up for a fight with a company proposing to quarry the land underlying the area's renowned Aboriginal rock carvings.

The peninsula in WA's Pilbara region contains an estimated one million rock carvings, known as petroglyphs, with some dating back to the last ice age.

The peninsula is also at the epicentre of WA's booming natural gas industry and hosts the giant Karratha Gas Plant, operated by Woodside Petroleum.

Burrup Materials proposes to quarry the underlying rocks to use in building a wharf for Woodside's Pluto offshore gas project.

Burrup traditional owner Wilfred Hicks reacted angrily to yet another move to remove rock carvings.

"We don't want them rocks moved," he said. "Those rocks been put there by the ancestors. They're there for the life of our people because that is our Bible."

Mr Hicks said there were plenty of other suitable quarry sites within an hour's drive of the peninsula.

Burrup Materials owner Kurt Mauritz said he had no intention of destroying rock art.

"Burrup Materials Pty Ltd and its owner hold in high regard the ecological and cultural values of the Burrup Peninsula," he said.

"Burrup Materials Pty Ltd will not submit any proposal that, if approved, would result in the destruction of petroglyphs, nor does the company have an expectation that any application for approval to mine that necessitates the destruction of rock art would be approved."

Mr Hicks, who is spokesman for Wong-goo-tt-oo senior Elder Tim Douglas, says he was not



Traditional owner Wilfred Hicks, left, with senior Elder Tim Douglas.

consulted before the company applied for prospecting licenses.

Mr Mauritz said no consultation would take place unless he had the prospecting licences.

South Australian-based lawyer Mark Lawrence, who coordinates the Stand Up for the Burrup campaign, said protesters would blockade the site if the project went ahead.

"Supporters of world heritage around Australia are amazed that such an application could be entertained and have said that they are willing to drive to the Burrup and take direct

action if necessary," he said.

WA Greens MP Robin Chapple takes a dim view of the proposal.

"The Burrup has the largest concentration of rock art in the world, and is an extraordinary cultural landscape telling the story of ancient Aboriginal occupation over the past 30,000 years," he said.

"Hamersley Iron (owned by Rio Tinto) was the former owner of the area now in question, but recently handed the lease back to the State Government because of its heritage values, and to ensure that the rock art would never be mined."



Muddy Pool petroglyphs on the Burrup Peninsula.



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Registrar acts against Mitakoodi



AN Aboriginal corporation providing affordable housing in Queensland's Cloncurry area has been placed under special administration for the second time in two years.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven said Mitakoodi Aboriginal Corporation would be under special administration for three to six months.

"This is not a decision I have taken lightly, but it is clear that the corporation is not conducting its affairs in a proper manner and needs further assistance," he said.

Mr Beven described Mitakoodi as an important organisation providing affordable housing to Indigenous people in and around Cloncurry, which is about 120km from Mount Isa. It owns and manages about 72 residential properties.

The registrar's decision came after directors of the corporation breached their rule book and were found not to be acting in the best interests of the corporation and its members.

On July 9, the corporation's property managers evicted three tenants from a corporation property in Cloncurry for breaches of their tenancy agreements.

On July 23, the registrar discovered the directors of Mitakoodi had exceeded their authority under their corporation's rule book when they allowed the same people who had been evicted to re-enter the premises without paying rent.

These winners are grinners



THESE Northern Territory girls had every reason to be happy. They had just won the inaugural Australian Football League (AFL) Kickstart Female Indigenous championship at Melbourne's Victoria Park. The NT under 18 girls beat Victoria in the final. Ten of the players were subsequently named in the Indigenous Female team to contest next April's National Female Youth championships. See page 95 for details and more pictures.

Larkins a focus of royal commission

By **ANNETTE BLACKWELL, AAP**



THE stories from the first week of public hearings by the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, held in Sydney, were ones of bureaucratic box ticking, buck passing, administrative laxity and echoes of the Keystone cops.

That depressing mix allowed a man, known to police as a possible child abuser, to prey on some of Australia's most vulnerable kids – Aboriginal children in care.

Steve 'Skip' Larkins, 47, himself an Aboriginal man and the former head of the peak Indigenous children's body SNAICC, is in jail for child pornography, indecent assault and forgery. He is due for release next January.

It took almost two decades to nail him. There were rumours, whistleblowers, secret compensation payments, an apprehended violence order and a DPP recommendation for

prosecution that came to nothing.

All of this left a paper trail that Larkins managed to shred as he tangled with the bureaucracy of the NSW Department of Community Services, (DoCS) the Children's Guardian and the NSW Police.

Larkins had mostly unchecked access to children at Hunter Aboriginal Children Services (HACS), which he came to lead, and Scouts Australia.

With Scouts it was because no one knew how to handle complaints effectively and because the organisation wanted to protect its reputation. The commission was told the Scouts' insurer has paid compensation to victims of sexual predators.

With HACS, where Larkins as chief executive had parental responsibility for children in care, it was because he packed the management committee with people he could control.

It was also because the agencies whose job it was to protect children seemed to be more concerned about getting paperwork in order than checking what they were told, primarily by Larkins.



Steve Larkins

The commission heard how DoCS assessed Larkins as a medium risk in a working with children check.

This assessment was based on incorrect police records, which recorded a charge of indecent assault rather than an investigation. The assessment was sent to Larkins because no one at DoCS twigged it as strange that he was both the applicant and the HACS contact person.

As fate would have it, around this time responsibility for HACS

was transferred to the Office of the Commissioner for Young People and Larkins asked that office to review his working with children check.

There were no rules around how this should be done so they just talked to Larkins, who provided a false statutory declaration and a forged letter to support his claim he was not working directly with children.

Workers at HACS were aware of rumours he had indecently assaulted children but, because he had a working with children clearance, did nothing.

Jacqueline Henderson, administrative officer and then case officer at HACS, told the commission that when she confronted Larkins he became very agitated.

Ms Henderson, who is Larkins' second cousin, broke down in the witness box.

"He has used me and my community as a goddamn puppet, that is what he has done to us," she said.

In her evidence to the commission she told of persistent rumours within the Aboriginal

community about Larkins and child abuse when he was with the Scouts.

"I thought it was hogwash," she said.

She later heard it had been dealt with and thought no more about it.

Ms Henderson said she was not aware that Larkins had applied for a working with children check for her and himself in 2003.

She said that when the rumours again surfaced in 2003 she confronted Larkins.

She said he got agitated and said if he heard any more about, he would sue for defamation.

Ms Henderson left HACS in 2003 to work in Aboriginal education but sat on the management committee, which she chaired for a period.

She said she worried when she heard children were going to Larkins' home. She said she mentioned it to committee members but they said he had a working with children check so it was okay.

She asked a case worker to keep an eye on Larkins, she said.

The royal commission continues in Sydney.

'He was a slaver'



Professor Gracelyn Smallwood, left, and Desley Barba at the statue of Robert Towns in the Townsville city centre.

By ALF WILSON



PROTESTERS want a statue of a man they consider a blackbird and slave trader removed from a park near

Townsville's city centre.

The protesters, many descended from 'kanaka' labourers brought to Queensland during the 19th century, object to the statue of Robert Towns adjacent to the city's Victoria Bridge.

They say the statue honours the memory of a man who was heavily involved in the brutal system of indentured labour that established Queensland's sugar, maritime and pastoral industries.

Towns, who died in 1873, gave his name to Townsville, but visited the city only once after it was founded in 1866. At the bottom of his statue is inscribed 'Visionary or Villain'.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the introduction of the indentured labour system, under which some 55,000 South Sea Islanders (95 per cent male) were bought to Australia on 62,000 indentured contracts.

Many of these people did not

Townsville protesters want statue removed

return to their island homes, and 15,000 lost their lives to common diseases to which they lacked immunity.

James Cook University academic Professor Gracelyn Smallwood received warm applause when she described Towns as a criminal who benefited from being a slaver.

"We are all offspring of these people who were brought here and these kanaka people as they were called were treated poorly," she said.

"Towns was not an entrepreneur but a slave trader. Queensland was built on the work of these South Sea Islanders."

Ayr man Ian Zaro, of South Sea Islander and Murray Island descent, said Towns was a slaver who should not have a statue.

"After being brought here 150

years ago, our South Sea Islander people did so much after being forced to work on cane farms and other industries," Mr Zaro said. "We have to be strong."

Also among the protesters was NSW-based Australian South Sea Islanders (ASSI) Ltd president Emelda Davis.

"Sixty per cent of Torres Strait people have South Sea Islander descent," she said.

Ms Davis expressed her appreciation to the Federal Government for a \$50,000 grant, which would be used to stage three capacity-building workshops for ASSI people over the next 12 months.

She said the funding was 'a very overdue initiative' and represented an historic milestone in the history of the acknowledgement of the significant contributions made by Australian South Sea Islanders.

Her comments were backed by ASSI patron Bonita Mabo, who said the grant was 'the first-ever major funding that Australian South Sea Islanders have seen in 150 years in recognition of the contribution made by our people including our forefathers to the building of this great nation'.



Protesters gather around the statue of Robert Towns in Townsville. Emelda Davis is on the right.

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Peris says she'll hit the ground running

By RUDI MAXWELL



NORTHERN Territory senator-elect Nova Peris is convinced her experience as an elite sports person will allow her to hit the ground running in her new political career.

Ms Peris, who is the first Aboriginal woman to be elected to the Federal Parliament, attended her first Labor Caucus meeting in Canberra two weeks ago and said she was overwhelmed by the support shown by her ALP colleagues.

It hasn't been an entirely smooth ride so far for Ms Peris, whose political career began with controversy after then Prime Minister Julia Gillard intervened in NT Labor's preselection process and named her as a 'captain's pick', dislodging sitting senator Trish Crossin and negating the need for a ballot that would have included former Aboriginal NT parliamentarian Marion Scrymgour, a harsh critic of the Howard Government's intervention and Labor's continuation of the policy under Stronger Futures.

Ms Peris, too, has had some strong words about the intervention, saying, in combination with the establishment of super shires, that it had a huge impact on disempowering Aboriginal people of the NT and that they still haven't recovered.

She also faced racist slurs during her campaign, but said that was nothing she hadn't dealt with in her time as an Australian hockey player and athlete.

"I can only control what I can control, and it's not the first time I've been the subject of racial abuse. I copped that throughout my sporting career," Ms Peris told the *Koori Mail*.

"I like to think of myself as colour blind, that I see people, not the colour of their skin."

"I'd like to think that during my sporting career I inspired all Australian kids, not just Indigenous kids."

Ms Peris is a descendent of the Kiga people of the East Kimberley, Yawuru people of the West Kimberley (Broome) and Muran people of West Arnhem land.

She was born and raised in Darwin, and her mother, grandmother and grandfather are all members of the Stolen Generations from missions on the Tiwi islands, Moola Bulla of the East Kimberley and Beagle Bay of the West Kimberley respectively.

Being a trailblazer is nothing new to Ms Peris.

Senator-elect Nova Peris arrives at the Labor Party's Caucus meeting in Canberra this month. AAP image



She was the first Indigenous Australian to win an Olympic gold medal, playing hockey in 1996 at Atlanta, after which she promptly changed sports and became a dual gold medallist in athletics at the 1998 Commonwealth Games.

She's also a mother of three, and has recently become a grandmother.

Family support

Ms Peris says she wouldn't have achieved anything without the support of her family.

"When my sister and I were young, my mum worked hard with my stepfather, who's

a white Australian, to raise us to value education and discipline," she said.

"We had all the right things taught to us, and we were instilled with the importance of how you contribute to society in a fruitful way."

Since retiring from the track, Ms Peris established the Nova Peris Girls Academy (NGPA), which aims to keep Aboriginal girls engaged with education.

"Up here in the NT, a quarter of the population is under 15, and one of the things I'm very passionate about is youth and education," she said.

"Everyone deserves a good quality

education and here in the NT we've been hit hard by the CLP Government, which has cut 130 teachers. That's such a wrong thing to do. With such a young population, we should be investing more in quality education for Territory kids.

"Education is the key to success for any person on this planet and should be valued, that's a part of what the Labor Party stands for."

While she's the first to admit she's still in a settling-in period, Ms Peris is under no illusions as to how demanding it will be to juggle her Senate responsibilities with being a working mother away from home for significant periods.

"It would be impossible to do without having that support network," she said.

"It was important to get my family and personal life sorted so I could be a politician and travel to Canberra and give my all to both."

"I did that in my sport. I was a mother and I travelled the world, achieved everything I did as a parent, because I had the right people around me."

"On election day I had about 16 family members working on polling booths. They wouldn't have had it any other way, they're so supportive. Thankfully, Darwin's a small enough place and I have cousins only 10 minutes up the road."

With 16 Aboriginal candidates running in the federal election, record numbers of Indigenous parliamentarians in the NT and Western Australia, Liberal Ken Wyatt re-elected to the House of Representatives and herself to the Senate, Ms Peris believes the ground is being laid for even more Indigenous people to take their seats at the table.

"I think you've always got to have a ground-breaker," she said.

"But once someone has done that, then others look and say 'If she or he has done it, that's what I want to do', and there's a pathway."

"I've been a guest speaker at Straight Talk (a forum run by Oxfam where Indigenous women mix with female politicians), where you have a significant number of Indigenous women engaging other women in power, and it sends a message that anything is possible if you believe it in your mind and heart."

"Julia Gillard was our first female prime minister. Now we have the first Aboriginal woman in Federal Parliament. In 2013 anything is possible – you just have to be prepared to back yourself."

Fears as health portfolio dumped



LABOR and Greens spokespeople on Indigenous Health have expressed dismay that new Prime Minister Tony Abbott has dumped the portfolio from his ministry.

Former Labor Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon warned the move may affect progress on closing the gap.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the health sector have received no

reassurance from the Abbott Government that Indigenous health will be properly handled or resourced, or if Labor's successful and funded policies will be continued," he said.

The life expectancy gap between Indigenous Australians and others is 11.5 years for men and 9.7 years for women.

Mr Snowdon said he was also worried about progress on negotiations for a new national partnership agreement between states and territories on

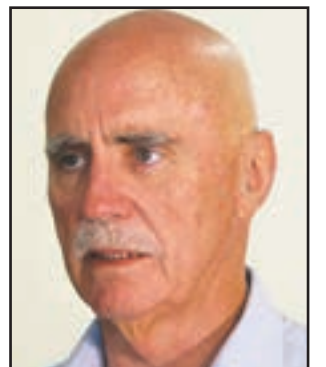
Indigenous health. The previous agreement, which expired in June, had \$1.57 billion in combined federal and state funding.

The Labor Government committed \$777 million until 2016 in the May budget towards the national partnership agreement, but so far only Victoria has offered money.

Greens senator Rachel Siewert said closing the gap in health and life expectancy must be the cornerstone of Mr

Abbott's commitment to be the 'Prime Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples'.

"Mr Abbott has made a point of talking about his commitment to issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, yet his spokesperson for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health in opposition has been dumped to the backbench, with no replacement being named," she said. – with AAP



Warren Snowdon

Advisory council will make a major difference: Mundine



THE Coalition Government's planned Indigenous advisory council will make a difference to the quality of Aboriginal life

in as little as five years, says incoming chairman Warren Mundine.

The former ALP president was scathing of high spending in the area, which he said had proven ineffective.

"You've got half a million Indigenous people in Australia. There's only about a couple of hundred thousand of them who need support and help, and we're spending \$25 billion on it on an annual basis," Mr Mundine told ABC TV last week. "That just doesn't make sense to me.

'You've got half a million Indigenous people in Australia. There's only about a couple of hundred thousand of them who need support and help, and we're spending \$25 billion on it on an annual basis.' – Warren Mundine



I'm a businessman and if I ran a business like that I'd probably go bankrupt very quickly."

The council, expected to be announced this week, will review Indigenous spending and make recommendations to government, before being responsible for

overseeing change.

"We're focussing on an area that has been lacking in this whole area of Aboriginal affairs and that is, if you're going to create jobs, that is not through government funding, that is through economic activity," Mr Mundine said.

He said it was essential to work with the private sector to create job opportunities and match education and training, while on another level boost Aboriginal childhood education.

"Through that process, I predict within about five to seven years you'll make a massive difference," Mr Mundine said.

The council boss said he had also spoken with incoming treasurer Joe Hockey about the Coalition's proposed \$42 million cuts to Indigenous legal services.

"He is pulling back on that," Mr Mundine said.

Asked if it meant the cuts would not go ahead, Mr Mundine said: "No, I don't think it will be cut." – AAP

I'll listen to ideas, says new minister



WITH plenty of criticism hitting the Abbott Government for hand-picking an Indigenous advisory council without

consultation with Indigenous people, newly sworn-in Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion is keen to get the message out that he wants to hear from the grassroots.

"One of the fundamentals of what I think should be a new approach to Indigenous affairs is a new relationship between government and Aboriginal and Islander Australians," Senator Scullion told the *Koori Mail*.

"Yes, every government has to make decisions, implement new programs and policies, but if we can have a new relationship that's more engaging, we can come up with a whole range of ideas.

"What's most important is that we listen to Aboriginal and Islander people's ideas and solutions.

"If you have an idea, contact my office, and if I can't respond, one of my senior members of staff will. We need to involve the people who know most about the challenges, who know what works, and what doesn't."

The Indigenous Affairs programs will come under the auspices of the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, while the portfolio has been elevated to the Cabinet.

Even before the election was won, Prime Minister Tony Abbott, who has said on several occasions that he wants to be the 'Prime Minister for Indigenous Affairs', copped flak for announcing that Bundjalung businessman Warren Mundine would head an Indigenous advisory council, whose make-up is expected to be announced this week.

Many people have seen the lack of consultation with Indigenous people as symptomatic of a top-down approach, with power invested in a very few people.

Sovereignty campaigners have already organised a protest at the



One of the first jobs for newly sworn-in Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion was to be in Tasmania to greet Aboriginal woman Deanna Kennedy, from Katherine in the Northern Territory, who was a crew member on the training ship *Young Endeavour*. Senator Scullion personally sponsored Deanna to join the training voyage, saying he hoped it would encourage other people in Katherine to join a voyage and learn leadership skills. Senator Scullion is pictured with Deanna and Tasmanian senator Stephen Parry.

Tent Embassy in Canberra on October 17-18 (see page 17), while Aboriginal anti-nuclear campaigners are worried about vested interests.

"The people who have lined up to criticise before they've even asked the question about who would be on council – it's just not reasonable or rational," Senator Scullion said.

"People are ready to criticise things that we don't even have in place yet."

Before the election, speculation was rife that the Coalition would cut funding to the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples or sideline the peak body in favour of the advisory council.

"Congress knows my door is open and they are welcome to provide me with advice," Senator Scullion said.

"I'm not sure Congress itself is all that clear where they're going, but it's very early days for such an

organisation. I have a number of organisations that I'll speak with over time. I'm sure I'll have a close working relationship with Congress."

Senator Scullion outlined his first priorities as minister as 'nothing new', wanting to concentrate on getting kids to school and people into jobs.

He has reservations on whether it is appropriate for people in remote communities to remain on Newstart, when the job prospects are low.

"If you have an education and a job, you will have the same opportunity everyone has," he said.

"Another job on the top of my list is to understand the Remote Jobs and Community Program, which is a bit of a mess – we'll, it's an unmitigated disaster. People don't know what's happening. People are not being paid.

"It's a bit of a hospital pass, so clearly we need to sort that out, find

out what's going on under Labor's unclear, dodgy policy."

In the Coalition's policy for Indigenous Affairs, they flagged appointing billionaire miner Andrew 'Twiggy' Forrest to head a review of Indigenous training and employment programs and a provision for up to \$45million for Mr Forrest's training company GenerationOne.

The Coalition's costings revealed a cut of \$42 million to Indigenous legal services, but Mr Mundine has said he believed the Government would 'back off' from that.

"It would be terrific if no cuts were ever made," Senator Scullion said.

"Sadly, the debts of the previous government mean I'm delighted that we're only looking at cuts being made in one area of law reform policy.

"Mr Forrest's organisation, GenerationOne, has had one of the most successful employment programs, so, based on a lot of work he'd done and because of his expertise developing success programs, I suspect that's the prime motivation for Tony Abbott appointing him to this position."

NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) chair Stephen Ryan said that while Senator Scullion had demonstrated a strong interest in learning about the NSW land rights network when shadow minister, the Abbott Government needed to remember that Aboriginal people also live outside the NT and Cape York.

Mr Ryan said thousands of Aboriginal people in NSW were affected by the lack of infrastructure on former reserves and missions across the state, which has left many communities in deep disadvantage.

"NSW has the largest Aboriginal population in the country, and yet our issues are often overlooked federally, despite our people ... facing similar struggles," he said. "Mr Abbott's home state is in NSW and yet, to my knowledge, he has not visited a single NSW Aboriginal community as Opposition Leader."

How they fared

Here's how the Indigenous candidates fared at the September 7 federal election.

Northern Territory

Senate: Nova Peris, (Labor) elected over unsuccessful candidates Warren H Williams (Greens), Rosalie Kunoth Monks and Jeannie Gadambua (Australia's First Nations Political Party).

House of Representatives: Seat of Lingiari. Labor's Warren Snowdon re-elected. Unsuccessful Indigenous candidates Barbara Shaw (Greens), Trevor Hedland (Palmer United Party) and Kenneth Lechleitner (AFNPP). Seat of Solomon. Country Liberals Natasha Griggs re-elected. Unsuccessful Indigenous candidate Eileen Cummings (AFNPP).

Western Australia

Senate: David Wirrpanda (Nationals) unsuccessful.

House of Representatives: Seat of Hasluck. Ken Wyatt (Liberal) re-elected. Seat of Durack. Des Headland (PUP) unsuccessful.

Queensland

Senate: Les Muckan (Katter's Australia Party) unsuccessful.

House of Representatives: Seat of Leichhardt. Billy Gordon (Labor) and Bruce Gibson (PUP) unsuccessful. Note: Architect of the NT Intervention, Mal Brough, returned to Federal Parliament after winning the seat of Fisher.

South Australia

Senate: Ribnga Green unsuccessful.

NSW

House of Representatives: Seat of Hunter. Jennifer Stefanac (PUP) unsuccessful.

Victorian groups get funds



THE Victorian Government has provided \$120,000 to two Western

Victorian Aboriginal groups to help protect their cultural heritage. The funding will go to Martang Pty Ltd and the Wathaurung Aboriginal Corporation, which are both Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs).

Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell announced the funding while visiting Ballarat and Ararat with Western Victorian MP Simon Ramsay.

"The Coalition Government recognises the importance of protecting and maintaining the unique Aboriginal cultural heritage of Victoria," Mrs Powell said.

She said \$90,000 would help Martang to continue to provide cultural heritage knowledge, education and understanding to a range of stakeholders and municipalities in Ararat, Pyrenees, Moyne, Southern Grampians and Northern Grampians.

"An additional \$30,000 will also help the Wathaurung Aboriginal Corporation to continue the important work of providing cultural heritage knowledge, education and understanding to the nine municipalities across Wathaurung country."

Mr Ramsay said the \$120,000 in funding would provide much-needed support to both RAPs, particularly Martang Pty Ltd.

"Given the challenges associated with being the smallest RAP in Victoria, it is important that we work to ensure Martang Pty Ltd's future viability and sustainability," he said.

"The Coalition Government understands the importance of ensuring that Aboriginal people have a strong voice in managing their cultural heritage."



Gamilaraay man Bob Weatherall at the ceremony to mark the return of the remains. Picture by Naomi Moran

Emotions high as remains returned



FOR more than 20 years, the Gamilaraay people of the Balonne River region of south-west Queensland (St George) have been waiting for their ancestors to come home.

The ancestors' remains and other items were kept in the Queensland Museum, the John Tonge Centre and at the University of Queensland.

But last week they were officially handed back to Gamilaraay people, in a ceremony that Gamilaraay man Bob Weatherall said was very emotional.

"It was one of these things that gives you the feeling that you've now fulfilled your customary obligations, and revived and maintained continuous connection to our culture," he said.

"The fact that we were able to give the last rites to our ancestors was so empowering and reassuring."

"People were so proud of what they saw in the young folk, and the young folk were proud of the Elders and those who maintained that traditional knowledge."

"The impact of when they were officially handed over was a very emotional time for us, it was the Gamilaraay warrior protecting our ancestors."

'Really appreciative'

A traditional ceremony was conducted by the Turrbal and Jagera tribes to give free passage through their homelands of the greater Brisbane River region. "We were really appreciative of the support from other tribes, because we've always shared

ceremonies with them," Mr Weatherall said.

After the ceremony, the remains were reburied at sunrise.

"It was wonderful recognition of our Gamilaraay people, our homelands, traditional knowledge and belief systems," Mr Weatherall said.

"We intend to continue those practices, and transmit that to our younger generations."

"Our ancestors live in our land, they nurture, protect and guide us and it's our responsibility to continue to care for country and grow up country."

"Our ancestors' bones, blood and skin have been returned to our country and will make our people much healthier, so they can heal in time. It's about cultural survival and transmitting that culture to the next generations."

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Police face action over arrest



SIX police officers are facing prosecution after the NSW police watchdog found they lied about the 'brutal and violent' arrest of Corey Barker, a young Aboriginal man from Ballina. Mr Barker, 24, was taken into custody in January 2011 after attempting to help two friends during a street confrontation with police in Ballina.

Details about his arrest have emerged in a damning Police Integrity Commission (PIC) report, tabled in Parliament.

It found officers slammed Mr Barker into a bin and a chair before swinging him into a machine.

He was then forced to the ground before being kicked in the head and kneed in the side.

"The police treatment of Barker can fairly be described as violent," the report said.

Mr Barker was handcuffed and dragged along the floor on his stomach by his arms to a cell where he was left in handcuffs for more than 90 minutes. This method would have been acutely painful and was brutal," the PIC said.

It found constables David Hill, Lee Walmsley,

Ryan Eckersley and Luke Mewing used excessive force against Mr Barker.

They were also found to have lied about the arrest, along with Senior Constable Mark Woolven and former sergeant Robert McCubben, who was medically discharged from the force last December.

The matter came before the PIC after Mr Barker fronted court in 2011 charged with the assault of



Corey Barker

Const Hill. All six officers gave evidence Mr Barker punched Const Hill in the face while being walked from a holding cage to a cell.

But the assault case was thrown out after CCTV footage, at first thought to have been damaged, showed Mr Barker had in fact been the victim of a police attack.

Police were ordered to pay his legal costs.

PIC Commissioner Bruce James has recommended all six officers engaged in misconduct and should be considered for prosecution under the Crimes Act.

"The degree of force to which Barker was subjected was not reasonably required in order for the police to maintain full control," the report said.

"The degree of force was excessive."

The PIC also found Mr Barker did not assault Const Hill 'and, in particular, did not punch, or even attempt to punch, Hill on the nose or face'.

The commission dismissed police claims Mr Barker was kept bound in a cell because he might commit self harm or be violent toward officers.

"There was no justification for keeping Mr Barker handcuffed in a cell for an hour and 40 minutes," the report said. The PIC found the officers had shared their statements, with each of them 'adopting the assertions of Hill', who was found to 'lack credibility'. - AAP



Casey Atkinson in Melbourne last week.

Student of the year works with youth

By DARREN COYNE



CASEY Atkinson believes all young people should have the very best opportunities to get ahead in life. Recently named Koorie Student of the Year at the Victorian Training Awards, Mr Atkinson works at the Victorian Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd (VASCAL) as an early school leavers worker.

He helps at-risk and disengaged students recommit to education and continue their schooling through to Year 12.

The tools of his trade are art, sport and music, and he uses those to help young people overcome challenges in life and education.

The 28-year-old, who won a scholarship to attend Goulburn Valley Grammar School in Shepparton as a teenager, was recognised as the top Indigenous student after completing a Diploma in Community Services Work at Swinburne TAFE.

"I moved to Melbourne in 2003 and it was the best move that I have ever made because there are more

opportunities to expand yourself," he told the *Koori Mail* last week.

"I didn't expect to be a finalist (in the awards), let alone win, so it was very humbling and an honour.

"I've been doing this for eight months and I also do residential childcare, working with kids at the weekends, trying to give them a better start.

"I do overnight shifts and stay and

Atkinson uses in that pursuit.

"I've been a guitarist for 16 years and a hip hop artist with The Egoz (also made up of Mathew Beatty, or M2ThaB, and Daz)," he said.

"Music has been my therapy and a way to vent, but it's not for everyone. It's important to have something to channel your energy into."

Mr Atkinson attributed his success at work and study to values instilled by parents, Stephen and Joanne.

"I was blessed to have hardworking parents and that helped encourage the work ethic in me, but I don't take that for granted and that's why I try to help other kids," he said. "It's something I can give back to the community. I see it as a duty."

Mr Atkinson also praised his teacher at Swinburne, Melinda Eason. "She was excellent and she nominated me for the award," he said.

Mr Atkinson is now a finalist in the National Training Awards, which will be announced in Perth on November 22.

● See our Education 2014 feature, starting on page 37, for more state training awards winners.

'I was blessed to have hardworking parents and that helped encourage the work ethic in me, but I don't take that for granted and that's why I try to help other kids. It's something I can give back to the community. I see it as a duty.'

do things like take them to the footy or to cultural activities.

"I cook them a meal and help them with homework or talk to them about issues they might be having at school.

"It's important to keep them connected to their communities.

"My work is about trying to get kids to do something positive with their time."

Music is an important tool Mr

Boomerang-bound

Youngsters score trip to festival



TEN young lads from Aboriginal communities in northern NSW are off to the Boomerang Festival

near Byron Bay, next month – for free. They have been taking part in programs being run by Mark Robertson of One Vision Productions, in partnership with the Ngulingah Aboriginal Land Council, which has an educational support centre for Indigenous youth.

The festival, which will be held from October 4-6 at the Tyagarah Tea Tree Farm, the home of the Bluesfest, has announced a star-studded line up of Indigenous, homegrown and overseas talent.

The 10 youngsters, from Tabulam, Lismore and surrounds, ranging in age from 12 to 18, will attend the festival with their teachers/mentors Mark Robertson, Dusty McOnie, Rob Roberts and Tom Pickard.

“Self-empowerment has been the major outcome for youth attending hip hop, filmmaking and fitness programs, with attendance to these programs at Ngulingah now at 90 to 95 per cent,” Mr Robertson said.

“Through this, we are building confidence in Indigenous youth in the community, and other communities are seeing the programs and being inspired.

“To see a big festival firsthand



Boomerang Festival-bound: Lee Hickling, Theo Hickling, Zack Parker, Jai Dumas, Colin Weribone, Troy Weribone, Zane King, Isiah King, Reece Gomes and Trent Exton after a day of surfing at Lennox Head in northern NSW.

will be an eye-opener and positive influence on these boys who would most probably never have this opportunity. It will reinforce all the work that we are doing to show these kids what they can achieve.”

Meanwhile, in the latest announcement, festival organisers

said John Williamson and Warren H Williams had been added to the line-up, which already features stars including Archie Roach, Thelma Plum, The Medics and Gurrumul.

Festival director Rhoda Roberts said Williamson was planning to invite Williams on

stage so that they could perform *Raining on the Rock*, which won them the best single at the Deadly Sounds Indigenous Awards in 1998.

“Whilst John Williamson is scheduled to perform his own show, he has confirmed that he looks forward to inviting Warren to

join him for a song or two,” Ms Roberts said.

“It has been some years since they have performed together and this collaboration will be a special experience for all attending the Boomerang Festival.”

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Women share their grief



SUSAN Rankin is filled with grief – and she's not alone.

"Since the National Apology to the Stolen Generations our people have had even more children taken away; families are traumatised," she said.

Recently, Ms Rankin organised a grieving and wailing day in Adelaide, where a small group of women came together to share their stories to try to alleviate their grief.

Similar events were held in Melbourne, Sydney and Perth.

"I'm from the Stolen Generation and I'm tired of politics, tired of the system creating sickness within our people. The system needs healing," she said.

"Healing shouldn't be about politics. It's about human pain and suffering, intergenerational trauma and grief.

"I'm tired of being angry and walked upon.

"We women have to lay our hearts on the ground for the world to see how much we are suffering, so help can come from the people, not from politics."

The women in Adelaide had a smudging stick made up of native herbs, spices and eucalypt and a bowl of emu feathers, which they shared with people who were there.

Wear white

Ms Rankin and others are organising a national day of mourning on the anniversary of the apology next year, February 13, for which they are asking people to wear white, to represent mourning.

"In order for us to come through, people need to embrace compassion," she said.

"There's too much pain and

suffering in our community and because of that too much dysfunction, with people self-medicating with alcohol and drugs.

"People wouldn't be self-medicating if they were happy. We're physically, spiritually and emotionally breaking down.

"Aboriginal people are meant to be spiritual, but we've forgotten that.

"No matter how great the warrior, or weapon, when the hearts of women are on the ground, it is done and our hearts have had enough; we can't stand the pain.

"Little children are innocent, but they feel like they've done something wrong and are being punished.

"Out of our pain and suffering can come strength to help our brothers and sisters strong enough to make it through."



Stolen Generations member Susan Rankin at the day of grieving in Adelaide: "We women have to lay our hearts on the ground for the world to see how much we are suffering, so help can come from the people, not from politics."



The scene at the day of grieving in Melbourne, which was organised by Barbara Williams.

Mayor concerned by TSI fishing decision



THE recent High Court decision recognising Torres Strait Islanders' native title rights over their sea country is 'just a first step'. That's according to Torres Strait Island Regional Council (TSIRC) Mayor Fred Gela, who said the High Court decision on August 7 still qualified Torres Strait Islanders' fishing rights. In its decision, the High Court recognised that native title rights to the sea, including rights to fish commercially, are not extinguished by a legislative regime that otherwise requires a permit for commercial fishing.

"The sea claim has further recognised that the claimant's native title rights extend from domestic rights to hunt and fish for sustenance, but also to commercial rights to sell such produce," Cr Gela said.

"If this was the unqualified outcome, the decision would have been as historic as the

'This is a disappointing outcome as it merely documents what is presently, and has been for some time, the situation in the Torres Strait and provides nothing new.' – Mayor Fred Gela

commentary has suggested.

"Unfortunately, the High Court qualified this finding in also declaring that the right to sell marine produce commercially was still subject to traditional fishermen and hunters

first obtaining state and commonwealth fisheries licences."

Cr Gela said that a failure to do so could result in severe fines being imposed on traditional hunters and fisherman.



"This is a disappointing outcome as it merely documents what is presently, and has been for some time, the situation in the Torres Strait and provides nothing new," he said.

Cr Gela said the sea claim was a first step, but by no means the last.

"Torres Strait Islanders are one with their lands and seas, but I wish to see in my lifetime the laws of the Commonwealth of Australia and State of Queensland recognise and protect this spiritual partnership, in turn realising the vast golden economic opportunities contained within for the betterment of all Torres Strait Islanders," he said.

"We also have a right to control our own destinies which are inseparable from our lands and seas; this entails a right to absolute, unfettered exclusivity and control.

"My father has always said to me, 'If you are going to do something, do it properly or not at all.'"

Songs and stories go Indigital

By DARREN COYNE



A TRAINING program in Melbourne is giving Aboriginal people the

opportunity to share their experiences in song and stories.

The Indigital program, which operates out of the Aboriginals Advancement League in Thornbury, provides all of the equipment and training necessary to produce a first-class multi-media production.

Coordinator Gary Saunders told the *Koori Mail* the program was originally aimed at disengaged youth, but had been expanded to school groups and Elders wanting to tell their stories.

Anyone taking part has access to the latest production equipment, including computers, editing suites, a recording studio and instruments.

As well, Indigenous mentors such as Victoria's Trainee of the Year, Casey Atkinson, visit the groups to provide encouragement and training.

Mr Saunders said the program also held workshops across the state, working with Aboriginal cooperatives and schools to reach the community.

"We get groups here as well as

individuals who are keen to tell their stories," he said.

"We use music to get them here to find out what they want to do and then we also work with other community groups and TAFE, and the Department of Juvenile Justice.

"I'm here all the time so all they have to do is organise a time and we can get them familiar with the equipment such as the computers and the program, Garage Band."

Mr Saunders said that this year almost 150 people had gone through the program, more than double that in 2012.

"Now we're looking to grow that number again over the next year or two," he said.

Relocated

He explained that the program originally began in Carlton but had relocated to Thornbury last year.

"Word is starting to get around again about what we are doing. And in the Koorie community, word of mouth is the best way to let people know what we are doing," he said.

The program is open to all ages, but the target group is aged 16 to 25.

For more information on the Indigital program, go to www.indigital.org.au or send an email to indigital@live.org.au

Indigital coordinator Gary Saunders in the studio.



Call for Nominations for Membership

The ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Consultative Group is calling for nominations from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community in the ACT to fill four membership positions.

Purpose and Role

The purpose of the Consultative Group is to consult with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and provide advice to the ACT and Australian Governments in achieving the goals of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Action Plan.

The Consultative Group consults with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education programs and other education and training programs in the ACT. The consultations include developing partnerships with preschool, school and further education providers across sectors in the ACT to enhance reporting on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student achievement to the ACT Education and Training Directorate and to communities.

The Group holds at least four general meetings per year, as well as three meetings with community groups and two meetings with non-Government schools representatives.

Membership:

The ACT Minister for Education and Training appoints members of the Consultative Group for a period of two years.

Membership comprises:

- six Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander parents or caregivers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children or young people attending any educational or training setting in the ACT
- three Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community members who have a strong interest in the area of education and training.

Members are paid sitting fees in accordance with the ACT Remuneration Tribunal Act 1995.

Nominations:

Interested persons should prepare a CV and an Expression of Interest (Eoi) addressing the criteria of:

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4. an understanding of government processes.

The CV and Eoi should be forwarded to:

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Appointment:

A panel comprising of a majority of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representation will consider applications and make formal recommendations to the ACT Minister for Education and Training. When the process is completed, the Minister will advise applicants in writing whether they have been successful.

Once a member has been advised of his/her appointment, their introduction to the Consultative Group will be scheduled at the next general meeting. Prior to the meeting the new member will be given relevant support information.

John Pat not forgotten



THIRTY years ago, 16-year-old Aboriginal boy John Pat was punched, kicked and had his head smashed against concrete by police. He died in the Roebourne lock-up, in the Pilbara, Western Australia on September 28, 1983.

In 1986, an all-white jury found the police officers involved not guilty of manslaughter.

Today, September 25, John's mother Mavis Pat will join Noongar Elder Ben Taylor-Cuermarra and members of the Deaths in Custody Watch Committee WA for a day of action on the steps of Parliament House, Perth, beginning at 4pm.

"For 30 years, there's been no official apology to his family, and what did them bloody coppers get? Nothing," Mr Taylor-Cuermarra said.

Mr Taylor-Cuermarra, 75, has been walking the streets of Perth, handing out fliers inviting people to come and join the day of action.

He called on people to be part of building a campaign for justice.

"I'd like to see a memorial on the main street of Roebourne, so people can say, 'Here is what happened to an Aboriginal man aged 16 years'," he said.

Mr Taylor-Cuermarra said WA Labor MP Ben Wyatt was going to introduce a motion to Parliament calling for an apology to the Pat family.

"Our people are dying so young. The prisons are so full," he said.



"I'd like to see a memorial on the main street of Roebourne, so people can say, 'Here is what happened to an Aboriginal man aged 16 years'."

– Noongar Elder Ben Taylor-Cuermarra

"I can lead the way with wisdom but young people need to carry me through."

Tanya Hunter has organised a day of action in Adelaide on Saturday, September 28, beginning at noon at Parliament House, with speakers including politicians and those who have been closely touched by deaths in custody.

"The fellas that are in custody are usually the forgotten ones, and I think it's important to remember the

way they died," she said. "I don't think enough is being done to stop deaths in custody. We need more people in the Indigenous community to be involved across the board."

Events are being planned across the country.

In Melbourne, there will be a rally starting at noon at the State Library on Saturday, September 28.

● **Musicians release CD to honour John Pat. See page 76**
● **Editorial – page 21**

These Koori males are masters



WHEN you're a group of Koori men playing sport under the team name Koori

Males, it's a bit of a no-brainer about who you might ask to sponsor you. Sure enough, your *Koori Mail* backs the team which last weekend defended its title in the D-grade cricket at the Masters Games in Lismore, northern NSW.

The Koori Males are a proud mob, with ages ranging from 40 through to 'a very young' 65.

Spokesman Norton Bolt – the man who came up with the team name and hit us up for the fine team shirts – reckons it's a great concept.

"People were saying Koori men weren't doing very much, and I wanted to prove that wrong," he told the *Koori Mail*. "So we started the team, playing softball in our first games eight years ago before moving to cricket.

"The games are great. It's all in fun, but we're a bit proud of our title."

Norton says the Koori Males will be back in Lismore in two years for the next games. No prizes for guessing who'll be sponsoring them.

Koori Males... and proud of it. Ready to play in the Masters Games, from left, Norton Bolt, Ron Randall and Chris Walker.

Protest at the Tent Embassy



SOVEREIGNTY campaigner Wayne Wharton is calling for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to get active and get to Canberra for a protest gathering at the Tent Embassy on October 17-18.

Mr Wharton is angry and concerned about Federal Government's plans for Aboriginal affairs, including Prime Minister Tony Abbott's announcement of a 25-person hand-picked advisory committee, to be headed by Bundjalung businessman Warren Mundine.

Protest activities will include a march on Parliament House, discussions at the embassy about opposing the Government's Indigenous advisory council, establishing a sovereignty coalition and saying no to constitutional recognition. "A lot of people around the country have been pretty upset with the way the Government is looking at implementing their policy on Aboriginal affairs," Mr Wharton said.

"It's a step back to before

ATSIC; a step back to the mission days.

"Who are these people and who are they to decide how to best solve problems in Indigenous communities around this country?"

"Time and time again governments have refused sit down to talk with communities and find out what their needs are. We're used as a political football every election."

The gathering hopes to highlight the recent history of Australian governments picking who they want to listen to, holding them up as 'Aboriginal leaders', rather than allowing First Nations to choose their own spokespeople and leaders and run their own affairs.



Wayne Wharton

"These 25 people put themselves up there. It's a whole lot of rubbish," Mr Wharton said.

"What black people are experiencing around the country is a massive undermining of our credibility and self-determination – and we have to stop the rot and ensure this Government honours its obligation to respect our rights."

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Schooling rethink call



EDUCATION researchers are calling for a schooling system that helps students in remote Aboriginal communities learn by focussing on what they value. The call comes in response to figures showing there has been little to no change in the school attendance rates of students in remote areas of the Northern Territory over recent years.

Sam Osborne, a senior research fellow at the Cooperative Research Centre for Remote Economic Participation, said non-Aboriginal students in remote parts of the NT were performing on par with peers in Darwin on NAPLAN measurements.

"That suggests it's not about remoteness but the distance between the home culture, the underpinning philosophies of knowledge and ways of being," he said.

Mr Osborne is one of four remote educators who spoke in Alice Springs on September 18 for the Sidney Myer Rural Lecture, tackling the theme of 'Re-imagining Remote Education'.

The educators asked what kind of knowledge is valued by young people in the APY (Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara) Lands in north-west South Australia and how curriculums should consider their culture.

"Remote communities have

their own ways of learning, and the kinds of things and ways they like to learn have a sense that isn't reflected in (mainstream) schools," Mr Osborne said.

"It's very important to sit and observe and then try. It's not encouraged to leap out there with no idea of what you're doing."

Mr Osborne said the education system had too narrow a focus on measuring learning success.

He said schools in remote areas could look to the town of

Jabiru in Kakadu National Park, where the local community has pooled its own funds to come up with a 25-year educational plan in which children will be taught in their own language and about their own culture, while still improving English literacy and numeracy to prepare them for university entry.

"It's time to widen our view of what a great education could look like in remote communities," Mr Osborne said. — AAP

Runners to tackle marathon

By DARREN COYNE



ABORIGINAL people will be pulling on their running shoes next month to take part in various stages of the Melbourne Marathon.

For some of the 149 runners, like Julie Phillips, it will be their first full-length marathon, while others, like Lynda Fisher, will take part in the more sedate 3km walk. All will be running and walking as part of the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS) Healthy Lifestyle and Tackling Tobacco Team.

It will be the fifth time in 18 months that the VAHS team has taken part in a fun run, and there are plans to hold a VAHS event for Aboriginal runners during Reconciliation Week next May.

Healthy Lifestyle and Tackling Tobacco regional coordinator Laura Thompson said the marathon was an opportunity to get people involved in fitness.

"It's about getting people to go to these large mainstream events and take part," she said.

Ms Thompson said the run was also being promoted throughout VAHS as a workplace health initiative, and had been strongly supported by staff.

VAHS trainer Ben Harper said the runners had been meeting on Sundays for training sessions to build their fitness levels for the event.

"We put in a bit of hill work and interval work and go on runs to build up the kilometres," he said.

Despite being ill recently, Lynda Fisher will tackle the 3km walk with her



Getting fit: Members of the VAHS team include Nicole Harper, Ben Harper, Linda Fisher, Tracey Onus, Greg Semmler, Laura Campbell, Julie Phillips, Tyson Lovett-Murray, Tammy Hunter and Laura Thompson.

daughter Kerrie and her 14-month-old granddaughter.

"It's something we can all do together and I'm hoping my husband Scott will also come along," she said.

"I've been ill so this will be the start of getting fit and healthy."

"It's not a race so we can stroll along with the baby and enjoy the day."

Team members will take part in either the 42km marathon, 21km half marathon, a 10km run, a 5.7km walk or run and a 3km walk, depending on their fitness levels.

Julie Phillips has built up to the full marathon after completing the 5.7km and half marathon events.

Her run will be particularly significant as she turns 50 the day before the marathon, and she is also due to become a grandmother for the first time.

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Friendly pair helps visitors

By JILLIAN MUNDY



AS far as Raylene Pindan and Joelene Cotterill know, they are the only Aboriginal people working behind the counter of a visitor information centre in the Kimberley region of Western Australia.

And that, the pair says, is just the way the Fitzroy Crossing locals and tourists like it. Both women offer more than a friendly greeting and information on local tourist experiences to those who enter the Fitzroy Crossing Visitor Centre.

"Most of them are really interested in knowing the Aboriginal history and our culture," said Ms Pindan, a Walmajarri woman whose home town is Fitzroy Crossing.

"We are happy to share that with them, telling them about respect and land."

"Some people have never spoken to an Aboriginal person."

"Joelene can share from her area, and I can tell about mine."

"People say we would rather talk with you ladies because you've got more knowledge."

Ms Cotterill is a Yamitji woman, originally from Yalgoo, near Geraldton in WA, who has been living in Fitzroy Crossing for several years.

Both women are proud to be a public face to visitors to Fitzroy Crossing and enjoy meeting people from all over the world.

"We're here for our people and all others that come from all



Fitzroy Crossing Visitor Centre staff Joelene Cotterill and Raylene Pindan are able to offer a great depth of knowledge to people visiting the Kimberley town.

walks of life," Ms Cotterill said.

"Even the locals would prefer to see me and Raylene."

"And even some of the tourists,

they say we were told to come and see Joelene and Raylene."

Ms Pindan and Ms Cotterill said they often received praise and

gratitude for their work in emails and on postcards from their visitors, some even wanting a photo of the friendly and knowledgeable pair.

Schooled in Wiradjuri

Parkes program proves a success

By CHRISTINE HOWES



A WIRADJURI language program started in Parkes primary schools eight years ago

has proved so successful that almost 10 per cent of the western NSW community now has some knowledge of the language.

First Languages Australia committee member and Wiradjuri Council of Elders stalwart Geoff Anderson said three local primary schools had adopted the program, which also offers a free public class every week which 'anyone and everyone' is welcome to attend. A fourth primary school could soon join up.

"It's unique because of the partnerships we developed between ourselves and all of the schools concerned," Mr Anderson said.



Parkes East Public School teacher Ron Wardrop with students, back from left, Courtney Goulthorpe, Jordie Orah, Kyle Richardson and Angelique Long and, front, Chase James and Linda Baker.

"We have a whole generation in this town that is actually seeing Aboriginal people for who they are and not just thinking they're the stereotypes."

"The more they learn, the more they go, 'Oh, we get it.'"

Parkes East Primary School Wiradjuri language tutor and support officer Ron Wardrop said all students in all grades went to the classes.

"All our students learn our language. It doesn't matter what race you are from," he said.

"Every time I say 'wiray yarra', which means 'no speak', they don't talk."

Former Parkes Public School student Lionel Lovett now teaches the Wiradjuri language at the school.

"I went to this school a long time ago from kinder through to Year 6," he said.

Culture

Mr Lovett said he could never have imagined not only teaching at the school himself, but also seeing so much culture in evidence.

"I knew some Wiradjuri words from my uncles and aunties when I was growing up, just hearing them say some things," he said.



Playing a game where students learn Wiradjuri words for different colours under the watchful eye of Aboriginal teacher Lionel Lovett are Aboriginal students Nicayden Greenwood, Riley McCrae and Chelsea Hopgood.

"Now I'm here from Monday to Friday teaching Wiradjuri from kindergarten through to Year 6 and I have been teaching it here for eight or nine years."

Mr Lovett said he had seen changes in the way students behaved.

"We've had some Aboriginal students here who have been a bit tricky with their behaviour, but once they've been introduced to the language and we sat down and talked about the involvement it does have with the Aboriginal culture, they've changed their attitude," he said.

"The non-Aboriginal kids, they

have a respect for our first culture. We're discussing it in a deeper way in everyday classes so it gives them a better understanding of the culture."

Mr Anderson said his committee had never applied for funding.

"We've let everything take its own course. We've never applied for funding. We've just let this grow into what it is; the language has taken its own course and it was meant to be," he said.

"Grades are up, and attendances for our Wiradjuri kids are up because it gives a sense of belonging in the school now."

DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



CYRIL DUNCAN

Machine operator at the Ord Stage Two project Kununurra, WA

Favourite bush tucker?
Turkey, goanna and black bream.

Favourite other food?
Bullock.

Favourite drink?
Tea.

Favourite music?
Country, country rock and rock 'n' roll.

Favourite sport/leisure?
AFL.

Favourite read?
Local newspaper and *People* magazine.

Favourite holiday destination?
Home Valley Station in the East Kimberley.

What are you watching on TV?
Arrow.

What do you like in life?
Everything – what we live in now.

What don't you like in life?
Coppers and white man law.

Which black or indigenous person would you most like to meet?
(Boxer) Muhammad Ali and (tennis star) Serena Williams.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Serena Williams, Cathy Freeman and Kevin 'Bloody' Wilson

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
I would want to be in Parliament to represent our people and make a better life and better economy in Australia, and teach white people to learn more about blackfella business.

Quote



'Who are these people and who are they to decide how to best solve problems in Indigenous communities around this country?'

– Sovereignty campaigner Wayne Wharton

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Unquote

John Pat gone, never forgotten

THIRTY years ago this week a young Aboriginal boy died alone in pain in a police cell in the Western Australian town of Roebourne.

John Pat died after he was brutalised by police officers, who were later found not guilty of manslaughter by an all-white jury.

He is gone, but not forgotten.

Events are being held across the country this week to commemorate John and others like him who died senseless deaths in custody.

It's been more than 20 years since the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, but many of the 339 recommendations have not been implemented.

In NSW last week, that state's Police Integrity Commission recommended charges against police officers involved in the assault of a young Aboriginal man in custody and subsequently attempting to cover it up.

And in Western Australia, Amnesty held a protest calling for the Government to fulfil its obligations to young people in detention and stop locking them up with adults.

A system that continues to lock up Aboriginal children in ever-increasing numbers has simply failed.

A system that still allows police officers to abuse people in their care has failed.

There is no three-word slogan that will fix the hideous and tragic over-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the criminal justice system – but stopping locking up



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children and sending them to adult jails might be a move in the right direction.

Compassion, education and actually listening have always worked more effectively than locking people up and forcing them to disengage from society.

WE can't finish without wishing our players well in the NRL and AFL grand finals in coming days.

This Saturday, the Hawthorn Hawks take on the Fremantle Dockers in what shapes as a great AFL decider.

Both teams boast quality Indigenous stars – the likes of Shaun Burgoyne, Brad Hill, Cyril Rioli and Lance 'Buddy' Franklin for the Hawks, and Stephen Hill, Michael Walters, Michael Johnson and Danyle Pearce for the Dockers.

It must be interesting in the Hill family, with brothers Brad and Stephen facing off. Both are fine players, but one's going to be a very disappointed lad come Sunday morning.

And, of course, there's the big league Knockout carnivals in Brisbane and Newcastle over the next two weekends.

Play hard, play fair and, to all involved, make sure you get home safely.

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'Black Olive' shares recipe for success

By DARREN COYNE

AFTER 36 years in the cooking industry, celebrity Aboriginal chef Mark Olive is never short of a recipe. But it is the recipe for success that he is most eager to share with children across the country.

It's quite simple, although cooking time can vary depending on the individual. Mix courage with persistence, resilience with hard work, and make sure you add plenty of culture.

"There are going to be people along the way who try to bring you down, not only in your own mob but in the real world," he said.

"But I like to instill in the Indigenous kids I meet that they have great opportunities that our generation never had.

"We had to work it out along the way, but now it is given to them so they should be very thankful for what they are receiving, and don't squander it and think they deserve a handout.

"This generation has a lot to be thankful for because there are a lot of Aboriginal people who have done the hard yards to give them these opportunities.

The Bundjalung (NSW) man, who grew up in Wollongong, said his inspiration to use bushfoods developed during visits to his mother's country in northern NSW.

"I loved cooking as a kid and my interest was sparked by watching mum and my aunties up in the Wardell area," he said.

"They would use wattle seed and lemon myrtle, and we would go on picking trips, and then use it in seafood, or in scones.

"That was in the late 1960s and early 70s, a long time ago, way before technology. It was back when kids knew what life was about by living it and not watching it on a screen."

Olive believes that the secret to a prosperous career is to find something that you love doing.

"I've had a huge career, but when you've found your passion it's not like a job," he said.

"It's something that you enjoy, and I love being in a kitchen, interacting with everyone."

Olive also advised that children should never think they were destined to be stuck with just one career choice.

"I've worked in the health service, at a la carte restaurants, theatre restaurants... I've done parties, weddings, exhibitions, and I've even done television and written books," he said.

"The point is you don't need just one career. You can go off in varied areas and there are plenty of opportunities.

"There are also a lot of support programs about these days, with government giving funding for this and that. Back when I started it was a dollar an hour, 80 bucks a fortnight.



Mark Olive chops up possum at his catering kitchen in North Melbourne.

"These days there's plenty of training about and a second-year apprentice can be earning \$700 a week!"

Olive's passion for incorporating bushfoods into his creations is boundless.

"A lot of people think that our national food is a prawn on the barbie or a meatpie with a Fosters (beer) and I'm working hard to change that," he said.

Olive said Indigenous food was shifting from the domain of adventurous chefs to the mainstream, with plenty of interest coming from overseas.

"We've embraced every other culture from around the world, food-wise," he said of Australians.

"Yet here we have this amazing produce in our backyard and many don't utilise it."

Quest

As part of his quest to educate the masses, Olive comes across as something of an Aboriginal version of Jamie Oliver, the celebrated British chef who has dedicated himself to improving people's health through healthy food choices.

"We need to get our health

back up because it has been declining," he said.

"There's too much kidney disease, with diabetes rampant, yet kids are running around with iphones and eating fried chicken!"

Olive's way of achieving the required turnaround is to start with the children.

"A highlight is teaching Indigenous kids, working in the schools and teaching them about bush tucker," he said.

Olive believes that rapid changes with technology have been both good and bad.

"There are a lot of kids hiding

behind technology these days and you're not seeing their personalities and that can be hard for teachers," he said.

But, the secret to success is to persevere.

"I've always been one for taking opportunities when they present themselves and I've had good family support along the way," Olive said.

"Now that I find myself as a role model I take that seriously."

Olive says the focus on bush foods has had positive effects across many communities.

"Now we've got commercial growers who are Indigenous, and visiting them and seeing the pride in their communities is amazing," he said.

"The next step is to train up as many of these young kids as we can."

To do that, Olive has plenty of material to draw upon, having written a cookbook, *Mark Olive's Outback Cafe: A Taste of Australia*, which was based on trips for the TV series Olive took to far-flung parts of Australia.

The television series, *Outback Cafe*, has now been shown in more than 100 countries.

Olive also believes people have to recognise opportunities when they present themselves.

"A few years ago I was having a bit of a crisis after working in the industry for 15 years, so I went on the dole," he said.

"I was walking down the street in Redfern and I saw a sign about community television and it was there that I learnt how to be a presenter.

"That then led to a job as a runner on a Baz Luhrmann film, *Romeo and Juliet*, where I was looking after people like (star) Leonardo DiCaprio... I was also catering for the film."

Speaking of celebrities, Olive said catering for US TV star Oprah Winfrey during her Australian tour was a career highlight, as has been touring around the world promoting bush tucker.

But he insists it hasn't always been easy.

"I've also struggled along the way. I've been ripped off really badly, but you just get back on that horse and keep going," he said.

"I don't believe in Koori time or Noongar time, none of that s.t. Especially when you're running a catering company you just can't rock up to a function when you feel like it. You've got to be on the ball. And if we are to give these kids an opportunity we've got to lead by example, because that says a lot. It's very powerful."

His final tips?

"Keep your mouth shut when you need to listen, do your job and do your best," he said.

"That will get you anywhere you want to be if you focus."



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NATIVE TITLE FULL GROUP MEETING

For all people who hold or may hold native
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All people who hold or may hold native title rights and interests in the lands and waters of north west Victoria, in the area from Boundary Bend on the Murray River to the South Australian border and extending south to Lake Tyrell and the Ouyen Murrayville Road, are invited to attend a Full Group meeting on:

Date: Saturday 12 October and Sunday
13 October 2013
Times: 9.30am to 5.00pm
Venue: DEPI offices, corner of Koorlong Ave &
Eleventh St, IRYMPLE

Lunch, morning and afternoon tea will be provided.

Native Title Services Victoria (NTSV) assists native title holders in relation to native title matters across Victoria, including negotiating native title settlements. NTSV is organising this meeting to present the findings from research, to provide legal advice on the potential strength of evidence to support a native title claim and/or *Traditional Owner Settlement Act* negotiations and to take instructions on whether to continue to investigate claim and negotiation options.

If you would like further information, including assistance to attend the meeting, please contact **Charmaine Singleton (Community Liaison Officer)** or **Jill Webb (Lawyer)** at NTSV on **1800 791 779**.

Aboriginal star Ellie eliminated from *X Factor*

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



AFTER some memorable performances from Ellie Lovegrove, the Adelaide-based

Aboriginal singer has been eliminated from Channel Seven's live music show *The X Factor*. While Ellie came out strongly with her final song, James Brown's *I Feel Good*, last Sunday, it wasn't enough to keep her in the competition.

The first of the Under 24 female contestants to go, Ellie made it into the top 12 and survived earlier elimination challenges, only to get taken out by Swedish brothers, boy band JTR.

It was this season's first deadlock decision after Ellie's mentor and judge Redfoo voted to keep her in the competition, but judges Dannii Minogue and Natalie Bassingthwaite voted for her to go home.

Another judge, Ronan Keating, brought the competition to a deadlock when he couldn't make the final decision.

In a nail-biter, an earlier public vote was used to send Ellie home, with the least amount of public votes counting against her.

Gracious

Ellie was gracious in defeat and vowed to continue to pursue her passion for music.

"I've had the most amazing time on the show and am so grateful for the opportunity. Working with Redfoo has been so much fun and this won't be the last you see of me," she said.

"I just want to say thank you to all of my supporters out there. Your support, messages, the votes, everything has been absolutely incredible and I can't thank you enough.

"Redfoo was absolutely incredible to have as a mentor. We worked really closely together. He's been in the industry for a really long time so I trusted his judgment throughout the show."

Redfoo credited Ellie with always bringing her best to her performances.

"Ellie is a true champion and a fighter," he said.

"She always gave 100 per cent and she just got better and better. Ellie needs to keep doing what she's doing and is beautiful.



Ellie Lovegrove as she appeared during this month's Deadly Awards night, at the Sydney Opera House. *Picture by Naomi Moran*

"Ellie is magical because she really can connect emotionally to songs."

In other TV news, *Big Brother*'s Tahan is clinging on after yet another nomination, and was struggling to stay safe in the *Big Brother* house after being up for her third elimination.

Despite her previous nominations, Tahan has

managed to stay in the household despite a few clashes with housemates.

Tahan has now spent 55 days in the house and has been getting mixed reactions on social media, with some supporters claiming her assertive attitude is an asset in the house and others saying she is a 'bully'.

As the *Koori Mail* went to print, live eliminations were

being broadcast on Monday night on Channel Nine.

One of *Australia's Got Talent*'s youngest contestants, Dean Brady is still up for a chance in the finals, but viewers will have to wait a few more weeks to see his next performance.

For more updates on Tahan and Dean, check out the next edition of the *Koori Mail*.



Deadly winner says thank you

I'M just writing to say how delighted and honoured I am to have won this year's Deadly award for Health Worker of the Year.

I want to say also that I could not have won the award except for the support and votes I received from many people, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal.

I work for Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service in Taree, NSW. They're a deadly bunch,

and it's a deadly place.

I've included this photo of them with me. Pictured at the back are Jennifer Mitchell, Raylene Newell, Ronald Morcome, Wanita Cochrane and Jan Mitchell, and at the front are Margaret Bird, me and Stephanie Slater.

Thanks again to all.

LEONIE MORCOME
Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service
Taree, NSW

Word was missing

I'M honoured to have my new book *Aboriginal Ways of Using English* reported in the *Koori Mail* (September 11).

But there was unfortunately a problem with an important word missing in one sentence.

It's clearly not true that 'Aboriginal people always use silence in every interaction', and that is something I'd never say!

We all know that Aboriginal people don't use silence in every interaction. But it is important that Aboriginal silences are typically comfortable and productive – a contrast to Western Anglo silences that are often uncomfortable and that people generally fill within about one second or less.

DIANA EADES
University of New England, Armidale, NSW

Our apologies for the mistake, Professor Eades. Thanks for bringing it to our attention. – Editor

AHO benefits communities

I WRITE in regard to the letter which appeared in the 'Your Say' section of the *Koori Mail* (August 28).

I am concerned that your readers have been misinformed about the good intent of the Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) and the opportunities AHO provides for our communities.

As an Aboriginal man from Worimi country, who spent a large part of his childhood on Karuah mission, I believe that good quality, affordable housing is critical to our future – and that is exactly what AHO is about, improving the lives of our people through better housing that becomes a home and supports a family.

The Build and Grow Community Housing Strategy (Build and Grow) is supporting specific Aboriginal community housing providers to

deliver housing services, as these providers have been through a rigorous registration system that ensures strong and professional management systems are in place.

Providers that choose not to manage their homes but wish to access the opportunities available through Build and Grow can

the owner remains the owner.

In the end, it is the tenants and our communities that benefit from the many activities AHO carries out.

We maintain houses, refurbish houses, build new houses, buy existing houses, provide specialised housing for employment-related activities and provide accommodation for safe houses.

The Aboriginal Housing Office is committed to improving housing for Aboriginal people and will continue to work with Aboriginal community housing providers to help create a strong, sustainable

a sector that can offer good quality, affordable housing to Aboriginal people.

PAUL CALLAGHAN
Chief Executive, NSW
Aboriginal Housing Office

'In the end, it is the tenants and our communities that benefit from the many activities AHO carries out.'

choose to have their houses managed by specific providers through other arrangements.

The owner is at the centre of all arrangements that are considered and discussed. Title does not transfer in this type of situation –

Keeping Your Say short and sweet

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

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

Even if sent via email, all letters and

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

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

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

POETRY

Red Yellow and Black

From Dravidian origins
paddling in their wooden
canoes

Journeying across thousands
of miles facing dangers untold
The ancient native warriors set
forth on their quest
For a fabled dream-like country
where their heads might rest.

Gathering stones to create
dams and humpybongs
Rejoicing at croc and fish
abundant billabongs
Learning as they went through
trial and error
The bush tucker which upon
eating brought joy or terror.

Creating boomerangs and
woomerangs
To catch their prey to stay out
of the ground
Painting themselves in ochre
decorated with feathers and
leaves.

Scribing on bark the wonders
they saw
Teaching the little ones their
tribal lore
Hand prints on the caves of
their age-keeping score
Imitating in the movement of
their bodies.

The animals of their totem
rooted to the land and ocean
Cradled by God's hand taking
care of His creation
Many tribes living side by side
to the world an inspiration.

Dot utilising exoskeleton
artwork adorns the homes of
many a soul
As far as it takes to shake a leg
around the globe
Now gradually we start to see
the returning of bodies to
ancestral soil.

Let the purity of land remain
intact
Earth's blood not be spilled for
oil
I pray to see those native souls
That served on homesteads to
get pay
that was promised long ago by
government, never coming their
way
I hope these people's legacy
upon this land will always stay.

DANIEL WISEMAN
Burgpengary, Qld



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A lode of real action

AS the dust starts to settle and Australia reflects on the outcomes of the recent federal election, many Aboriginal people have growing concerns over Tony Abbott's new Indigenous Advisory Council (IAC) and the agenda behind its plans for 'real action for Indigenous Australians'.

The Council appears to be on the road from idea to institution, with scant consultation or consent from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. In the style that has marked so much of successive governments' approaches to our issues, the proposed council is top down and unrepresentative, with Tony Abbott and Nigel Scullion being joined at the table by Warren Mundine, Noel Pearson and Marcia Langton.

There may be more Aboriginal 'leaders' involved, but who knows – and that is the whole point. Unlike ATSIC or the newly re-elected National Congress – with all their limitations and flaws – the IAC is hand-picked by the politicians, not promoted by our people.

This is not to say that these three individuals do not have things to offer and positive contributions to make. But they do not have a mandate to represent all our views and they hold views about Aboriginal 'development' that are far removed from the lived

experience of many Aboriginal people, particularly in relation to the role of the state and of the resource sector.

In 2012 Marcia Langton outlined her views through the Boyer lecture series 'The Quiet Revolution: Indigenous People and the Resources Boom'. Her view that mining is helping to pull Aboriginal people out of poverty was widely promoted through the media. Less promoted was her connection to the resource sector through the Rio Tinto group and her involvement with the Australian Uranium Association's 'Indigenous Dialogue Group'.

Conflicting views

Warren Mundine is not only the co-convenor of the Uranium Association's Indigenous Dialogue Group but is also a director of the Australian Uranium Association. His views on the nuclear industry are in conflict with those of many Aboriginal Australians living with the legacy of nuclear testing or actively resisting uranium mining and radioactive waste dumping on their country.

We all want to make things better for our people but there is a real danger in talking about the interests of mining and the need for change in Aboriginal Australia as though they are the same thing.



Kado Muir: mining not always 'in the best interest' of our people.

They are not. It doesn't have to be one or the other. We three do not believe that mining is always in the best interest of our families, the long-term health of our country or will stop the suicides, alcohol abuse, violence, or raise the level of education and health services.

If mining meant these things then the Aboriginal communities of the Pilbara would have a very different set of social indicators than the current ones.

The resource sector does have a role and a responsibility to improve outcomes in areas where it operates, but governments must meet their responsibility to provide the roads, schools, health services and other infrastructure that people in cities take for granted.

Basic citizenship entitlements – hard won by our predecessors following the historic 1967 referendum – should never be tied to or traded around proximity and

access to a mineral deposit.

Mining is neither a new development nor a new answer to old problems. Mining has been around for hundreds of years. Look at Aboriginal life in Australia's mining regions around Roebourne, Port Hedland and Port Augusta. Spend a couple of days out at Laverton, go talk to the folks at the missions in Kalgoorlie and tell us mining is pulling Aboriginal people out of poverty.

Even in 2013 community development is at the front end of mining, particularly during approvals and heritage clearance. But as soon as the commodity price drops or costs increase it is the community development budget that is cut.

The establishment of the IAC, two-thirds of which is directly aligned with the uranium industry, does not bode well for advancing a mature conversation around and action on the problems of Aboriginal disadvantage. At the very least there should be a diversity of communities and a diversity of views represented.

KADO MUIR, Australia Nuclear Free Alliance co-chair
MITCH, Australia Nuclear Free Alliance co-chair
PETER WATTS, Australia Nuclear Free Alliance co-chair



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.

For more information and to find a copy of the guidelines and nomination form, please go to the project website at www.culturalflows.com.au or contact the project manager on (03) 9321 5342.

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Randwick City Council Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee

Randwick City Council is committed to ensuring our community is informed and we strongly encourage community participation in decision making. To facilitate this, and ultimately improve our community, Randwick City Council runs a number of Advisory Committees. The role of an Advisory Committee is to advise on the views, needs and interests of the community group it represents.

Nominations are now OPEN for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee!

As part of our commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture, communities, art, heritage and language, Council facilitates an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee that advises Council on local issues affecting members of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

The Aboriginal Advisory Committee is also a discussion forum for Council representatives, local stakeholders and community members.

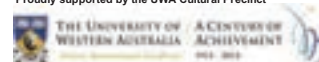
Community members and residents interested in seeking a position on the Aboriginal Advisory Committee should read the Terms of Reference document. If after reviewing this document, you would like to nominate for appointment as a community representative please complete the application form and submit to Council.

For further enquiries or information please contact: Sharron Smith 02 9399 0999 or email sharron.smith@randwick.nsw.gov.au

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New paper backs youth mentoring



A NEW paper says mentoring to help overcome negative behaviour is particularly promising for Indigenous young people at risk.

To be effective, however, the local community must be involved in planning and delivering mentoring, parents need to be involved in the mentoring relationship, and relationships between mentors and those being mentored must be long-term and respectful.

Mentoring works best if it begins before Indigenous young people exhibit anti-social or criminal behaviour, lasts at least 12-18 months, and involves regular contact with the mentor.

The paper, 'Mentoring programs for Indigenous youth at risk', can be downloaded from www.aihw.gov.au/closingthegap

Qld Govt extends academy support



THE Queensland Government has extended its support for the Cape York Aboriginal Australian Academy (CYAAA) curriculum model for 12 months until the end of 2014.

The announcement in State Parliament by Education Minister John-Paul Langbroek was welcomed by CYAAA chairman Noel Pearson.

Mr Pearson said the academy's structured curriculum, regular monitoring and assessment, and focus on mastery before progression, had transformed the educational outcomes of some of the most disadvantaged students in Queensland.

"Coming in the wake of the positive signs demonstrated by various evaluations, as well as the recent Queensland Premier's Reconciliation Award for our culture program, and our stage band's debut at the Queensland Music Festival event in Yarrabah, this is another great recognition of the tremendous work of our students, teachers, staff and school communities," he said.

"I look forward to working in further partnership with the Newman and Abbott governments over the coming years to create additional opportunities for disadvantaged students to realise their full potential."

NT young achiever nominations open



NOMINATIONS have opened for the Northern Territory Young Achievers Awards 2013-14.

The awards are open to young people aged 14 to 27, with \$20,000 in prizes spread across nine categories including arts, environment, small business, health and leadership.

The ultimate Young Achiever of the Year will receive an extra \$2000.

Nominations close on November 29 with the winners announced on April 5, 2014. For more information, go to www.awardsaustralia.com or phone 1300 735 445.

Uranium strategy out



QUEENSLAND has moved a step closer to having a uranium mining industry again following the State Government's release of a uranium strategy. It covers all aspects of the approvals process, including environmental standards, safety and health, economic and community development, Indigenous opportunities and native title.

The Government says it wants to begin assessing uranium mining applications from mid-July in 2014 after lifting a long-standing moratorium in 2012. — AAP

Power to Yungngora



THE West Kimberley community of Yungngora has safer and more reliable power supplies after the commissioning of a new one-megawatt power station by Horizon Power. The company is also in the final stages of building a power station to service the east Kimberley community of Kalumburu.

Koorie Youth Council gets \$400,000 from Government



THE Victorian Government has committed

almost \$400,000 for the state's Koorie Youth Council over the next two years.

The council provides a voice to government for Victoria's Indigenous youth.

State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Jeanette Powell said the council was instrumental in providing development opportunities to young Aboriginal Victorians and providing a greater understanding of Aboriginal culture.

"The Koorie Youth Council also provides advice to government departments and organisations on issues affecting Aboriginal young people," she said.

As well as \$384,000 in general funding over the next two years, the Government is also providing \$15,000 for a Koorie Youth Council statewide conference in May next year.

Mrs Powell said the Victorian Government was



Minister Jeanette Powell with the Koorie Youth Council members, from left, Bronwyn Mongta, Elisha Douglas, Neville Jetta, Nayuka Gorrie and Greg Kennedy.

committed to supporting Aboriginal young people through the Koorie Youth Council.

"During our term, the Coalition Government will commit almost \$800,000 in

funding to support the council," she said.

"This funding will support the important work the council does, including advocacy opportunities, partnering with Aboriginal

organisations and other bodies to host events, supporting youth leadership and cultural activities and developing the council membership and communications."

Experts warn on justice for kids

By DARREN COYNE



LEADING child welfare experts have called for a justice reinvestment approach to prevent children entering the criminal justice system.

They were speaking at the National Justice Symposium, organised by Jesuit Social Services, in Melbourne last week.

National Children's Commissioner Megan Mitchell gave the keynote address, in which she noted that children have the same human rights as adults, but were also entitled to special protection because they were vulnerable.

She said hearing children's voices was vital to understanding more clearly what needed to be done to achieve more effective outcomes.

"This is especially necessary for children in vulnerable situations, such as those involved in the juvenile justice system, where the decisions that are being made have a significant impact on their lives," Ms Mitchell said.

She said that Indigenous children continued to be over-represented in the youth justice system.

"They were almost 16 times more likely to be under supervision on an average day in 2011-2012 than a non-Indigenous young person aged 10 to 17," she said.

"In detention, the differences are even more alarming. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children aged 10-17 were 31 times as likely as non-Indigenous young people to be in detention on an average night in the June quarter 2012,



Muriel Bamblett

up from 27 times as likely in 2008."

Ms Mitchell said Aboriginal over-representation was particularly acute in the teen years.

"Forty-six per cent of all children aged 10-14 under youth justice in 2011-12 were Aboriginal despite making up less than 5 per cent of the population," she said.

Ms Mitchell said it was clear that the over-representation of Indigenous children in statistics on poverty, drug and alcohol use and child protection played a major part in many children's contact with juvenile justice.

"Additional factors for Indigenous children may be intergenerational trauma, experiences of racism and loss of cultural identity and exclusion from school," she said.

"These factors need to be addressed for each and every child, and in government policy, if we are to reduce criminal behaviour and create safer communities."

Ms Mitchell said justice reinvestment, where funds were pumped into communities rather than prisons, should be considered, with communities deciding how those funds were spent.

Another advocate, Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency chief executive Muriel Bamblett, also called for a justice reinvestment approach, saying it was 'essential'.

"More community education and development work needs to occur at the local level with the aim of restoring cultural authority," she said.

"What Aboriginal communities need is practical self-determination — that is, empowering our people through capacity-building and resourcing to exercise our right to look after our children."

"An important aspect of this for the child protection system is the transfer of guardianship and court order responsibilities to capacity-built Aboriginal community controlled organisations."

"If over two-thirds of Koorie out-of-home-care cases continue to be in the hands of mainstream organisations and the child protection system, it is inevitable that the debilitating effects of cultural and community disconnection will remain, no matter how good a mainstream agency may be in regards to cultural competency."

The symposium was held at the Australian Catholic University in Melbourne.



Participants at this year's Black Women Strong conference, held at the north Queensland community of Yarrabah.

Focus on vital role of women

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander women are the lifeblood of their communities, and at the Black Women Strong Conference in Yarrabah, north Queensland, last week, women came together from across the country to celebrate the diversity and strength in each other and share their stories of struggle and survival.

This year's theme, 'The importance of the role of women in community and keeping culture strong', brought participants together to share their stories.

The two-day program included special guest Anita Heiss, who spoke on the inspiration behind her latest book *Am I Black Enough*, as well as songwriting workshops hosted by Lou Bennett and women of the Black Arm Band, who wrote and performed a special song for Black Women Strong on the final day of the conference.

Other workshops included culturally appropriate programs for women survivors of domestic violence and local Yarrabah women teaching

beading and basket weaving.

Conference organiser Elverina Johnson called on Indigenous women to stand up and be counted.

"Sometimes you've got to rattle a few cages to get what you want, but don't ever be afraid to stand up and ask for it," she said.

"There are a lot of limitations that people put on you, but you don't have to own it.

"We are women of strength but sometimes we can get so caught up in our own turmoil. We need to start owning all the positive stuff.

'Passionate'

"If you're beautiful and smart and passionate, let's start owning that. Young women can put themselves down.

"Who's the voice that's telling you you're not good enough? Start disowning that voice.

"If we've grown up in a society that's put you down and all you've heard is negative talk all your life, let's start disowning that and start changing that mindset.

"Let's embrace these positive things. We're tired of all that negative stuff that Indigenous women get and we've got to support each

other to make a change."

Other conference themes touched on cultural identity, and conference presenter Joanne Houghton shared her own struggle with identity.

"I used to be ashamed of my white heritage. I wanted my skin to be blacker," she said.

"In my teenage years and right up to my 20s I used to cover myself up from head to toe because I was ashamed of my white skin.

"I remember the day in November 2011 that I first stepped out into a workshop wearing a skirt and it was like I stepped out naked.

"It was that time of my life when I should have been proud of myself.

"By this time next year I want to challenge myself, challenge us all, that if there's something that we don't like about ourselves that we start thinking differently about it.

"We need to get rid of all that old stuff to get freedom for ourselves.

"And the only way we can get freedom is to let it all go. It's about doing what's right for yourself."

The theme for Black Women Strong 2014 is 'Overcoming your fears and embracing opportunities'.



Getting the message across: Black Women Strong organisers Joanne Houghton and Elverina Johnson.



Yarrabah women bring some fun to the conference with a dance to *Stop in the Name of Love*. They called themselves the Northern Supremes.



Ashlee Donohue, Dixie Link-Gordon and Anita Heiss in Yarrabah.

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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)

Authorised by Ricky Lyons,
Chairperson and Jodie Choolburra, CEO



ACT CORRECTIVE SERVICES
Expressions of Interest
Indigenous Official Visitor
PN: C08509

Interested persons are invited to submit expressions of interest for appointment to the position of Indigenous Official Visitor for the purposes of the *Corrections Management Act 2007*.

The task of the Indigenous Official Visitor is to visit the Alexander Maconochie Centre, the Court Transport Unit, Symonston Periodic Detention Centre, as well as places outside correctional centres where detainees have been directed to work or participate in an activity, and to inquire into complaints from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees.

The role of the Indigenous Official Visitor is to liaise with the ACT's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander detainees, listen to and inquire into complaints, liaise regularly with Senior Corrective Services Management, provide quarterly written reports to the Minister for Corrections and ensure that operations are in accordance with the provisions of the *Corrections Management Act 2007*.

Eligibility: Current employees of the Public Service are not eligible to apply for the position of Indigenous Official Visitor. Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander ancestry is considered highly desirable.

Duration: The Indigenous Official Visitor is appointed for a period of up to three years.

Remuneration will be on a per diem basis, as determined by the ACT Remuneration Tribunal.

How to apply:
Applicants are required to attach with their expression of interest:

- A current résumé (including contact details of at least two referees)
- A one page statement outlining your suitability for this position.

If you require any further information regarding the position please contact Tony Malone on (02) 6207 0023.

Applications should be emailed to the contact officer Tony Malone (anthony.malone@act.gov.au) and all attachments must be in PDF or Microsoft word format.

Applications close on 'COB 8th October'.

New vehicle means beach visits for Townsville Elders



With their new aged-care vehicle are, from left, Trevor Bobbert, Mary Twaddle, Grace Phelan, Margaret Burton, Cynthia Bozzi, Jacklyn Sutcliffe, Cheryl Bobbert and Ian Scagliotti.

By GEMMA HALL



A TOWNSVILLE Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander aged-care organisation has bought an all-terrain vehicle in an effort to give Elders closer access to the sea.

Twin Cities Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation Aged Care (TCATSICAC) bought the vehicle with the intention of meeting the spiritual and emotional needs of its clients.

Mobility limitations had previously prevented Elders from accessing local beaches.

The support service plans to use the

six-seater vehicle at least once a week and has so far trialled Townsville's Pallarenda Beach as a regular visit site.

Service manager Ian Scagliotti said the experience would be culturally significant for the Elders.

"Most of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients are coastal people so part of their getting in touch with the land is also with the sea," he said.

Many Indigenous communities traditionally consider seawater as a healing remedy. As a lot of the clients of the service are aged or disabled, the opportunity to access the beach has been physically impossible.

Mr Scagliotti said clients were overwhelmed by the prospect of having

access to the water. The organisation often holds barbecues for clients at Pallarenda Beach, but many had been unable to walk to the shore.

"Everyone goes towards the beach but they can't navigate from the headland. Their mobility is such that they can't navigate on to the sand even though they want to go down there," he said.

Willie Kabay was the first client to sit passenger-side during the initial test drive.

Mr Kabay said the trip brought back memories of growing up, and he was appreciative of being able to visit the sea because he had been unwell with renal failure and pneumonia.

SA Govt looks at trust land



THE South Australian Government is considering legislation that it says would strengthen the role of the SA Aboriginal Lands Trust.

The legislation aims to unlock the commercial potential of the 500,000 hectares of land, valued at \$60 million, held by the Trust.

SA Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Ian Hunter said the Government bill would ensure a more efficient and productive use of trust land to deliver long-term benefits for the state's Aboriginal communities.

"It will provide a foundation for the trust to operate as an independent

and professional land-holding body," he said.

"The bill also recognises the significant challenges faced by the trust in owning and managing a diverse portfolio of properties."

Mr Hunter said the trust held large

continuation of the trust as a statutory body with a modern, professional governance structure.

It establishes a new commercial development advisory committee, which would provide specialist advice to the minister and the trust about commercial transactions.

Mr Hunter said the trust would also be given more autonomy in its dealings with its land, and there would be a new process for Aboriginal community involvement in decision making, as well as supporting new opportunities for future cultural and residential development.

The bill also creates a new position of chief executive officer for the trust.

'It will provide a foundation for the trust to operate as an independent and professional land-holding body.' – SA Minister Ian Hunter

areas of land across metropolitan, regional and remote areas of South Australia.

He said the bill provided for the

Focus on mental health



Dr Robyn Shields wants community involved.



A SERIES of community meetings over the next few weeks will give Aboriginal people in NSW the chance to help shape the State

Government's new mental health strategy. The meetings will be held in Kempsey, Dubbo and Mt Druitt during September and October.

Insights from these meetings will be shared with the NSW Mental Health Commission, along with a submission received from Sydney's Redfern community, and will inform the draft Strategic Plan for Mental Health in NSW which is due to be finalised in March 2014.

Bundjalung woman Dr Robyn Shields is one of four deputy commissioners whose role it is to support the commission and the mental health community by speaking up about the issues that matter to people regarding their mental health, social and emotional wellbeing, their families and carers.

Having worked in the mental health

sector for many years, and now undertaking specialist training as a psychiatrist, Dr Shields said the meetings were 'an opportunity for us to make a real difference to the mental health of our people in both city and country areas'.

"This will be a community-led discussion about mental health and everyone who wants to see a better future for Aboriginal mental health is invited to attend," Dr Shields said.

"I call on the community to come to the meetings, tell us your story, and have our people's voice heard."

The commission is developing a paper to acknowledge and summarise key issues from previous reports that relate to the social and emotional wellbeing of Indigenous Australians, to serve as a foundation for community discussions.

NSW Mental Health Commissioner John Feneley said the draft strategic plan's recommendations will extend beyond the health portfolio and consider issues such as housing, education, employment, law

enforcement and justice because these have a major influence on the lives of people with mental illness.

"We want to listen to all communities to ensure the draft plan truly reflects the needs of people who experience mental health issues or mental illness and their family members, carers and the wider community," Mr Feneley said.

The first meeting will be held in Kempsey on September 30, followed by a meeting in Dubbo on October 2.

Those who want to attend any of the meetings should register at the NSW Mental Health Commission by emailing events@mhc.nsw.gov.au or telephoning 1300 884 563.

People who are unable to make it to a meeting and want to have their voice heard can register their interest at www.nswmentalhealthcommission.com.au, call 1300 884 563, email mhc@mhc.nsw.gov.au or write to the Commissioner at Locked Bag 5013, Gladesville, NSW 1675.



Pictured with rapper Dizzy Doolan are, back from left, Tom Sheida and Ben Wright and, front, Bailey Jenkins and Max Pickard, all from Shalom College. Picture by Andrew Rosenfeldt

Maitland gears up to host Vibe 3on3



THE NSW town of Maitland is set to host the Vibe 3on3 National Indigenous Basketball and Hip Hop Challenge for the first time on October 24.

Vibe Australia produces the Vibe 3on3, a travelling sport and music festival that brings together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and non-Indigenous students for a fun day of basketball, dancing and music.

The event encourages sportsmanship, teaches new

skills and builds self-esteem, as well as promoting reconciliation at a grassroots level.

Students compete in teams of four to five players at the Vibe 3on3 in a range of activities. These include a 3on3 basketball tournament, rapping and break dancing lessons, art workshops, and a dance competition.

The 3on3 also features a health expo, a free healthy breakfast and a barbecue lunch.

To participate, young people need to pre-register in teams of four or five through

their school by October 17.

"Ask your teacher if your school is getting involved and encourage them to register you and your mates," Vibe Community Engagement manager Medika Thorpe said.

The event is capped at 400 students and will be held at the Maitland Basketball Stadium, 10 Bent Street, Maitland.

Registrations for the Vibe 3on3 are open. Schools can visit www.vibe.com.au/vibe-3on3 to download the registration form, or call (02) 9361 0140.

Elu backs reforms



TORRES Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) chair Joseph Elu has welcomed reforms to employment and community development services. The Federal

Government introduced reforms to employment and community development services in remote Australia, including the Torres Strait Islands region, from July 1.

The Remote Jobs and Communities Program (RJCP) will replace Job Services Australia, Disability Employment Services and the Indigenous Employment Program previously administered by the

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).

Mr Elu said the TSRA and the Commonwealth had agreed that in the Torres Strait Islands region the TSRA would act as the manager for the RJCP from September 1, with My Pathway as the service provider.

"The Commonwealth recognised that the involvement of the TSRA will support My Pathway to deliver more locally tailored and relevant services to job seekers and communities," he said.

"The TSRA has a key role in economic development and fostering sustainable industries to contribute to regional, community and individual economic improvement."

Karabi Community & Development Services Inc

26th Annual General Meeting 2013

Held at: Reg Byrne Hall
Cnr Darcy Rd and Fyall Ave, Wentworthville, NSW, 2145

Date: October 24 2013 at 10.45am

RSVP by October 13, 2013

To: Ronya Taouk (02) 9631 6575 or email admin@karabi.org.au

ADVERTORIAL

National Survey Gives Indigenous Australians a Real Voice

A ground breaking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander national survey and Indigenous Research Panel, spearheaded by McNair Ingenuity Research, is again calling for the community to have their opinions heard on a range of critical issues, including social welfare, political views, health and personal development, training, employment and media usage.

Now in its third year, this biannual survey and innovative Indigenous Research Panel, launched by McNair Ingenuity Research, is aimed at better understanding the needs and opinions of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community.

Over 2,300 members sit on the McNair Ingenuity Research Indigenous Panel, making it the largest of its kind in the country and the



Jimari one of the Indigenous interviewers

only regular source of research amongst Indigenous Australians. Of those, around 400 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders participate in each wave of the survey. The findings, to be issued in January 2014, will act as a vital resource for both government departments when determining policy, as well as Indigenous media outlets.

Previous important results have revealed that nearly half (45%) of Indigenous Australians believe there is little or no awareness at all of the Stolen Generation amongst Australians as a whole, indicating that a significant amount of reconciliation work still needs to be done.

Participants are paid for their time and interviews are conducted over the phone by an expert team of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders who are sensitive to building rapport and trust, as well as being informed on current indigenous issues*.

To participate call toll free 1800 669 133, text 'research' to M: 0424 272 635 or visit www.mcnairingenuity.com/indigenous-panel/

* Participants must be 16 years and over and contact details are kept strictly private.

Public Notice

Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless and Rehabilitation Community Services

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 16 October 2013
at 10:00 a.m.

At Jack Walker Centre
118 Victoria St Ashfield 2131

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Previous Minutes
3. Audit Reports
4. Elections of Office Bearers
5. General Business

Yours sincerely

Mr Ray Longbottom President

Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless and Rehabilitation Community Services



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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NOTICE OF NATIVE TITLE MEETING

WOTJOBALUK PEOPLES
NATIVE TITLE FULL GROUP MEETING
(re-scheduled)

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

Date: Saturday 5 October 2013
Location: Barengi Gadjin Land Council meeting room, 144 Firebrace Street, Horsham
Start Time: 11:00am, Morning Tea and Lunch Provided.

Private security will be present at this meeting

Purpose:

- Update and discussion on the current Review of the 2005 Wimmera Settlement Agreements.
- To consider and endorse a set of standard instructions for the BGLC Board to follow when initiating future act negotiations.
- To receive an update on current future act matters.
- To hear from NTSV researchers about research that will be conducted in the Grampians region.

For catering purposes, please notify BGLC on the number or email below if you plan on attending this meeting. Travel assistance will be provided under the BGLC policy.

Barengi Gadjin
Land Council Aboriginal Corporation
142 Firebrace Street
Horsham 3400
Phone: (03) 5381 0977
Email: admin@bglc.com.au



Native Title Services Victoria

This meeting is supported by Native Title Services Victoria

Funding boost for WA dialysis



WESTERN Australia is pumping a further \$6.99 million into renal dialysis services, allowing more people in the state's rural and remote areas to receive dialysis in their

home communities.

Beneficiaries include people with chronic and end-stage renal disease in the Mid-West, Kimberley, Pilbara and Goldfields regions.

WA Health Minister Kim Hames said the funding injection was part of the

broader Renal Dialysis Plan 2010 to 2021, which is jointly funded by the state and federal governments.

"The first stage of the Renal Dialysis Plan will increase the number of dialysis chairs and provide patient accommodation in the regions as well as additional staff," Mr Hames said. "This will enable people whose clinical condition is suitable to have dialysis in a rural or remote location."

"This will reduce the need for many people to travel to Perth and will have social and economic benefits for

communities, especially for Aboriginal families who experience significant fragmentation when parents and Elders leave their community."

Statistics show that Aboriginal people from remote areas have incidence rates of end-stage kidney disease up to 30 times higher than the national rate.

Mr Hames said the State Government would also fund a renal dialysis service for the Wheatbelt, with \$3.5 million allocated in the 2013-14 state budget.



Bodie and Thomas in front of their portrait with grandmother Delia Rhodes.
Pictures by Michael Aird

Bundjalung treasures in new exhibit



BUNDJALUNG community members have contributed to an exhibition at the Northern Rivers

Community Gallery in Ballina by selecting a treasured object or photograph and explaining what makes it special.

Elder Mavis Davies opened *Object of the Story*, for which she chose a portrait of her mother.

"My father was Harry Combo and my mother was Florence Perry," Ms Davies said.

"This photo would have been taken at Dairy Flat near Woodenbong, not long before

Mum died, a beautiful person, never smoked or drank.

"Mum was a real good gardener. Mum and Dad moved there after they had to leave Cabbage Tree Island."

A publication including each of the stories in the exhibition is also available through the gallery.

The exhibition will run until Sunday, September 29, and includes a school holiday program inspired by the exhibition.

To find out more about the exhibition, and to book for the school holiday program, phone the Northern Rivers Community Gallery on (02) 6681 6167.



Mavis Davies shows her story in the catalogue.

West Papua mission completed

ABORIGINAL and other activists have completed a daring mission to raise awareness of the plight of West Papuans.

Members of the Freedom Flotilla recently sailed towards Indonesia where they held a ceremony in a secret location to give 'sacred' water and ashes to West Papuan leaders.

As the flotilla's flagship, the *Pog*, sailed towards West Papua, smaller vessels broke off to meet with the West Papuan leaders just off the south coast of Papua.

The Indonesian Government had warned it would take all necessary steps to prevent the activists from completing their mission, while Australian politicians warned they would not be given any assistance if caught.

Secret ceremony

During the secret ceremony Arabunna, Elder Kevin Buzzacott presented water from the springs of Lake Eyre, along with ashes from Aboriginal tent embassies around the country, to senior West Papuan leaders.

He said, "We came in peace, not like those other politicians who are coming selling arms to the Indonesian military, like the Americans who just last month sold them Apache attack choppers. Those are to be used against West Papuans, and they know it."

West Papua spokesman Jacob Rumbiak said the spirit of the West Papuan movement was still alive. "Our people face many challenges for their freedom but they still show us today the determination and imagination to continue the struggle," he said.



Freedom Flotilla activists meet with West Papuan leaders (their faces are obscured for security reasons) off the south coast of West Papua. Supplied picture

Doubt over TSI coastal protection



ESSENTIAL coastal protection work for Torres Strait Island communities worth \$23 million is in doubt

following the change of Australian Government.

The work involves building seawalls to protect key community assets and infrastructure from annual tidal inundation and coastal erosion.

In 2012, the Gillard Government announced up to \$12 million in funding would be available to help complete the work, comprising a \$5 million grant to the Torres Strait Island Regional Council (TSIRC) from the Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF) and up to \$7 million in additional government funding.

This sum was matched by the Queensland Government in January this year, a key condition for the federal funds to start flowing.

But in the election lead-up, the new federal Coalition Government said it would not be committed to honouring promised RDAF funding not already under contract.

Torres Strait regional Authority chairman Joseph Elu said last week that without the full commitments for further funding from the Australian and Queensland governments being ratified through agreements, 'our communities are at continued risk of destruction by rising sea levels'.

"I strongly encourage all levels of government, regardless of politics, to honour all funding commitments to protect our people from coastal inundation and provide critical environmental health infrastructure to ensure the health of our communities in the Torres Strait," Mr Elu said.

Agreement

He said an existing funding agreement of \$3.2 million that was signed in June last year between the TSRA and the TSIRC would ensure that essential preliminary design and planning works on Saibai, Boigu, Iama, Poruma, Masig and Warraber islands could be carried out.

"(But) this funding is for planning and clearly will not be sufficient to see the entire project completed," Mr Elu said.

In a separate statement, the TSIRC said it was grateful for the support it had received over the past decade for the seawalls project, in particular from federal Coalition MP Warren Entsch who in 2012 introduced a private member's motion in Parliament to support the project.

"Given the bilateral support for Mr Entsch's original motion, the TSIRC has faith in the new Government to follow through with the funding that was committed to seawalls in the Torres Strait region, and confidence that they are aware and informed of the seriousness of the issue and the impacts it places on affected communities," the TSIRC said.

"These funds are necessary for the safety of TSIRC constituents as Queenslanders and as Australians."

The TSIRC said it would continue to be optimistic about the future of the project, and thanked the new government 'in anticipation' for realising how important this project is to the future of the Torres Strait, Australia's only region with an international border.



Australian Government

Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

End of year checklist for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations

Now that the 2012-13 financial year has closed it's time to prepare your reports and hold your annual general meeting (AGM).

Do it now. Don't be late!

☒ Call and hold AGM

Due between 1 July and 30 November

☒ Lodge 2012-13 reports with the Registrar*

Due between 1 July and 31 December

*All corporations must lodge their 2012-13 reports with the Registrar according to their registered size and income.

Lodge your 2012-13 reports online!

It's easy and it will save you time.

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

The Registrar may take action against any corporation that does not report by 31 December 2013. Under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* the maximum penalty to corporations for each report not lodged is \$21,250.

NEED HELP?

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

Freecall: **1800 622 431** (not free from mobiles)

Email: info@oric.gov.au

www.oric.gov.au

TVGUIDE

25TH SEPTEMBER TO 8TH OCTOBER



www.NITV.org.au

WEDNESDAY 25TH 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 (Series)
11:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
12:00 Women Of The Sun PG (Drama)
1:00 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
1:30 RHEF 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)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Sheperd's Pie G (Series)
7:40 Through Our Eyes PG (Series)
7:50 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Surviving G (Series)
8:15 Desperate Measures G (Series)
8:30 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
9:30 Blood Brothers PG (Documentary Series)
10:30 Nin's Brother PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Our Footprint G (Series)

THURSDAY 26TH 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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9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
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11:00 Sheperd's Pie G (Documentary)
11:10 Through Our Eyes PG (Series)
11:20 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)
11:30 Surviving G (Series)
11:45 Desperate Measures G (Series)
12:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
1:00 Blood Brothers PG (Documentary Series)
2:00 Nin's Brother PG (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)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
9:00 Best Of NITV Sport G (Sport)
9:30 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)

FRIDAY 27TH 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 G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)
11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show NC (Sport)
12:30 Best Of NITV Sport G (Sport)
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)
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Entertainment)
9:00 Contrary Warrior PG (Documentary)
10:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Series)

SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
10:00 Murri Rugby League Carnial 2013 NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current Affairs)
7:00 Uneathed G (Series)
7:30 Strong In The City PG (Documentary)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)
8:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
9:30 Australian Rules MA15+ (Drama)
11:00 Mataka M (Entertainment)
11:30 Uneathed G (Series)

SUNDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
4:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
10:00 Murri Rugby League Carnial 2013 NC (Sport)
4:30 Murri Carnival 2012: The Documentary G (Sport)
5:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (Current Affairs)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
7:15 Ngurra G (Series)
7:30 Northern Lights M (Documentary)
8:30 Going Bush G (Documentary Series)
9:00 Blackstone M (Drama)
10:00 Manganinnie PG (Drama)
11:45 Ngurra G (Series)

MONDAY 30TH 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 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:20 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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2:00 Wanja PG (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
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5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio PG (Lifestyle)
8:00 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
8:30 People Of A Feather M (Documentary)
9:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
10:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Surviving G (Series)

TUESDAY 1ST OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
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11:30 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
12:00 People Of A Feather M (Documentary)
1:00 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Te Kaea 2013 NC (News)
2:00 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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4:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 The Brush Sings G (Series)
8:30 Women Of The Sun PG (Drama)
9:30 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
10:00 RHEF PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)

WEDNESDAY 2ND OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:20 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
11:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
11:30 The Brush Sings G (Documentary)
12:00 Women Of The Sun PG (Drama)
1:00 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
1:30 RHEF PG (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Waabiny Time 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)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Caritas G (Documentary)
7:50 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
7:55 Music Videos G (Entertainment)
8:30 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
9:30 Blood Brothers G (Documentary Series)
10:30 Moccasin Flats MA (Drama)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)

THURSDAY 3RD OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:20 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
11:00 Caritas G (Documentary)
11:20 Through Our Eyes PG (Documentary)
11:25 Music Videos G (Entertainment)
12:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
1:00 Blood Brothers G (Documentary Series)
2:00 Lore Poles G (Documentary)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Waabiny Time 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)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Fit First PG (News)
8:00 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Rez Rides (Entertainment)
9:00 The 42nd Koori Knockout: The Documentary G (Sport)
9:30 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)
10:00 Sisters In League PG (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)

FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:20 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout Live Day 1 NC (Series)
2:00 The 42nd Koori Knockout: The Documentary G (Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Waabiny Time 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)
6:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
6:30 Around The Traps G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:00 The Brush Sings G (Documentary)
8:30 By The Rapids PG (Entertainment)
9:00 Jazz PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Traps G (Series)

SATURDAY 5TH OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
10:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout Live Day 2 NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current Affairs)
7:30 Beyond The Dreamtime G (Documentary)
8:30 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
9:30 Beneath Clouds M (Drama)
11:00 Mataka PG (Entertainment)

SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER

12:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
1:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
3:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
4:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz G (Entertainment)
10:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout Live Day 3 NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News In Review NC (News)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Ngurra G (Series)
7:30 Double Trouble G (Drama)
8:00 Two Spirits PG (Documentary)
9:00 Blackstone MA (Drama)
10:00 I Am Slave M (Drama)
11:30 Ngurra G (Series)

MONDAY 7TH OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:20 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout Live Day 4 NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
8:30 I Am The River G (Documentary)
9:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)
10:00 Te Kaea 2013 NC (Current Affairs)
10:30 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Surviving G (Series)

TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
7:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:15 Finding My Magic G (Kids)
7:20 Winanga-Li G (Kids)
7:25 P-Culture G (Kids)
7:30 Inuk G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Bizou G (Kids)
10:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Surviving G (Series)
10:45 Surviving G (Series)
11:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
11:30 Down 2 Earth G (Documentary Series)
12:00 I Am The River G (Documentary)
1:00 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)
1:30 Te Kaea 2013 NC (Current Affairs)
2:00 Finding Our Talk G (Documentary Series)
2:30 Bizou G (Kids)
3:00 Waabiny Time 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)
6:00 Tangaroa With Pio G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 Go Girls M (Drama)
9:30 Love Patrol PG (Drama)
10:00 RHEF PG (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)

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Crowd packs Opera House



PLANNING is already under way for a huge 20th anniversary Deadlys next year following a big

turnout at this year's 'night of nights' on September 10. A large crowd packed the Sydney Opera House for the 19th annual National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Music, Sport, Entertainment and Community Awards – commonly known as the Deadlys.

Recipients this year ranged from Australia's first female Aboriginal barrister and magistrate, Pat O'Shane, to boxer Daniel Geale and youth suicide prevention researcher and Indigenous mental health expert Professor Pat Dudgeon.

Singer/songwriter and Human Rights Award winner Archie Roach stepped up to receive a Deadly for the Lifetime Contribution Award for Healing the Stolen Generations.

Achievement

And Arrente man, actor and one of the first Aboriginal men from South Australia to enlist in the Korean War, Steve Mullawalla Dodd, won the Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement in Music and the Performing Arts. Roach and Dodd received standing ovations for their efforts.

Also well received was international celebrity Redfoo, who walked the red carpet with X Factor performer Ellie Lovegrove.

Brothers and sisters were honoured on the night, and the crowd enjoyed live performances including a tribute to Yothu Yindi.

A full list of the winners appears on this page.



● Above: Retired NSW magistrate Pat O'Shane speaks after receiving the Marcia Langton Award for Lifetime Achievement in Leadership.



● Left: Enjoying the night, from left, Ray Kelly, Amanda Kelly, Leanne Holt and Cheryl Newton, all from the Wollotuka Institute at the University of Newcastle.

● More pictures on the next three pages

Deadly winners

Music

Most Promising New Talent in Music* – Stik 'n' Move
Single of the Year – Jessica Mauboy, *Something's Got a Hold on Me*
Album of the Year – Archie Roach, *Into the Bloodstream*
Band of the Year – Street Warriors
Male Artist of the Year – Troy Cassar-Daley
Female Artist of the Year – Jessica Mauboy
Hip hop Artist of the Year – Yung Warriors

Sport

Most Promising New Talent in Sport* – Mariah Williams (hockey)
AFL Player of the Year – Adam Goodes (Sydney Swans)
NRL Player of the Year – Johnathan Thurston (North Qld Cowboys)
Female Sportsperson of the Year – Ashleigh Barty (tennis)
Male Sportsperson of the Year – Daniel Geale (boxing)

Arts

Dancer of the Year* – Ella Havelka
Visual Artist of the Year* – Brenda Croft
Male Actor of the Year – Luke Carroll (for *Redfern Now*)
Female Actor of the Year – Deborah Mailman
Film of the Year – *The Sapphires*
Television Show of the Year – *Redfern Now* (ABC)
Published Book of the Year* – NPY Women's Council Aboriginal Corporation (*Traditional Healers of Central Australia: Ngangkari*)

Community

Health* – Professor Pat Dudgeon
Education* – Deadly Sista Girlz and the David Wirrpanda Foundation
Health Worker of the Year – Leonie Morcome (Biripi Aboriginal Medical Service)
Employment* – Koori Job Ready
Community Broadcaster of the Year* – John Harding (3CR)
Cultural Advancement* – Shellie Morris
Scientist or Science Project of the Year* – Gerry Turpin
Excellence in Health through the promotion of healthy and smoke-free lifestyles* – Rewrite Your Story campaign, developed by Puiyurti (Don't Smoke) Tackling Tobacco Program
Journalism Story of the Year* – NITV News (Shayden and Junaid Thorne in Saudi Arabia)

Hall of Fame

The Ella Award for Lifetime Achievement in Sport – Adam Goodes
The Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement in Music – Steve Dodd
The Marcia Langton Award for Lifetime Achievement in Leadership – Pat O'Shane
The Lifetime Contribution Award for Healing the Stolen Generations – Archie Roach

*These awards are judged by the Deadly Executive Academy

19th annual Deadly Awards



Singer Casey Donovan and Hall of Fame entrant Archie Roach.



Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement in Music winner Steve Dodd with Esther Cohen. Pictures by Naomi Moran



Sydney Swans star Adam Goodes with his Deadly for AFL Player of the Year.



The X Factor television show contestant Ellie Lovegrove and judge Redfoo drew plenty of attention at the Deadlys.



The Deadly Dressed winners, designer Natalie Thorne, left, and Candice Cunningham.



Sabrina Hassen with Nathan Foley.



Christine Anu raced from the stage show *South Pacific* to make an appearance at the Deadlys. She's dressed as play character Bloody Mary.



Troy Cassar-Daley



The Voice's Simone Stacey on stage at the opera house.



Singer/songwriter Shellie Morris with her Deadly for Cultural Advancement.

19th annual Deadly Awards



NSW Governor Marie Bashir and dancers look on as Uncle Allen Madden gives the welcome to country.



Basketballer Patrick Mills.



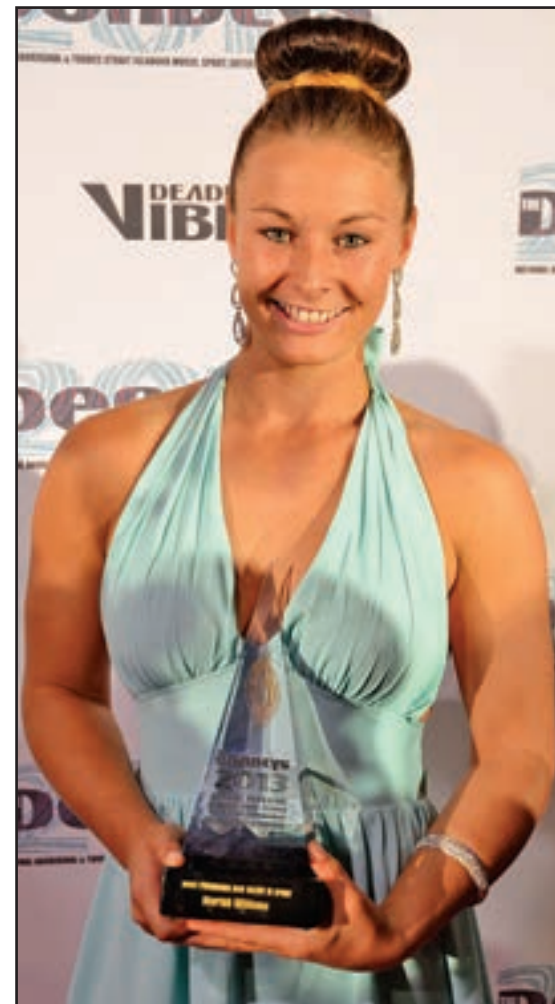
Imparja's Yamba the Honey Ant and best friend Jacinta Price were there.



The dance floor at the Deadlys after-party was a popular place.



Queanbeyan girls, from left, Jodie Wray, 14, Tamika Molloy, 12, Shanaya Johnson, 12, Nikieta Riley, 13, Kyia Towney, 12, Jordan Forato, 12, Tiarnha Newman, 12, and Shania Johnson, 13. Pictures by Naomi Moran and Theresa Dalton



Hockey star Mariah Williams with her Deadly for Most Promising New Talent in Sport.



Champion boxer Daniel Geale.



Actor Luke Carroll blows a kiss.

19th annual Deadly Awards



Looking deadly, from left, Charlene Cressbrook, Kylie Doyle, Victoria Dunn, Janaya Johnston, Yasmin Andrews and Rebecca Weigel. All pictures on this page by Theresa Dalton



AIME mentors Adam Linforth, left, and Jack Manning Bancroft, right, with Shane Phillips from Tribal Warrior.



Kempsey girls Renninya Ritchie, Stevie-Grace Moran, 15, and Nesivan Dixon.



Taree locals Jardin, Lion and Shane Morcome, with Shane Glass.



Queanbeyan girls Bec Martin, Tanieka Riley and, at right, Chloe Harvey, with Melinda Saunders, second from right, of Canberra.



Maureen Wanganeen, left, and Barbara Tapsell enjoyed the night.



Brittany Harding-Walford with her parents Robyn Harding and Ricky Walford.



Monica Stevens, from Cairns, with Deb Williams, from Bondi.



Michael Miller, from Port Lincoln, and Dennis Stokes, from Darwin, with NITV's Angela Bates.



Sydney lads Jay Gouveia and Ben Fraietta.

EDUCATION 2014

**Your guide to what's happening in
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education**



Proud students, staff and officials at the recent Batchelor Institute Tennant Creek campus graduation ceremony. The institute has just been named Northern Territory Training Provider of the Year. Get the full story on page 49.



By 2016 I want to be working with Indigenous youth to promote education and feel like I'm making a difference to the lives of kids who lack confidence and self-esteem.

I was born in Camperdown, Sydney. I spent most of my childhood in Leichhardt until moving to Mount Druitt with my mum where I stayed till I was 18. I've always been interested in teaching. A colleague at work told me about the Bachelor of Education (Secondary: Aboriginal Studies) and how I could study it through block mode. This means that I can continue to work and support my family while getting my degree.

The people here are so welcoming and inspiring. It's nice to meet other people who share a common interest.

Deanne Smith is a Wiradjuri woman completing a Bachelor of Education (Secondary: Aboriginal Studies) at the University of Sydney.

To hear more about Deanne's story and journey visit
sydney.edu.au/2016

Kristal the best in Queensland

SUNSHINE Coast TAFE Student Kristal Muggleton has been named Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year at the Queensland Training Awards state finals.

Kristal was nominated for her dedication to improving education on the Sunshine Coast and as a positive role model for Indigenous and other youth.

She supports students in their studies as an Indigenous teacher's aide and liaison at two Sunshine Coast schools.

She overcame severe shyness to re-enter education at Sunshine Coast TAFE and achieve a dual Certificate III and IV in Education Support.

"I'm incredibly proud to represent Indigenous youth and want to encourage students to make success for themselves," she said.

"The award makes me

feel so humble to be doing it for our mob."

Kristal said she couldn't wait to represent Queensland at the national awards in Perth during November, in what will be her first interstate trip.

"It feels like I'm travelling along the right path and I'm looking

'I'm incredibly proud to represent Indigenous youth and want to encourage students to make success for themselves.'

forward to be given the chance to professionally develop and advance my career," she said.

Kristal's TAFE mentor, Allison Kryvoviaz, said Kristal had the skills and qualifications to help address Indigenous social disadvantage.

"Kristal is a genuine community leader and a wonderful role model

with a real story of overcoming adversity and is such an inspiration for so many young Indigenous students," she said.

Kristal is also the student representative on the Sunshine Coast TAFE Indigenous Advisory Board and last year was named

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year.

"From here I would like to find out more about my Aboriginal heritage and meet more of

my father's side of the family, before one day working in small communities with high percentages of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children who need support in education or health," she said.

The winners of the national awards will be announced in November.



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Celebration at Griffith

GRIFFITH University celebrated the official opening of the new GUMURRII Student Support Unit (SSU) on the Gold Coast campus during Reconciliation Week. The unit was officially opened by university chancellor Leneen Forde.

"The launch of the new facility is a perfect time to recognise and celebrate the success of the GUMURRII Student Support Unit staff under the leadership of the director, Ms Bronwyn Dillon," Ms Forde said.

The new unit features important cultural aspects of the traditional custodians of the land. During the early stages of

planning, the Kombumerri Ngarand-wal people were consulted and sanctioned the use of the culturally significant image of the shovel-nosed shark. The shark is printed across the entire window area of the unit and acts as a privacy screen for the students.

Learning

Griffith says the new facility, located in the Learning Commons (G11), provides a culturally appropriate and safe learning environment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

It offers secure access to a computer lab equipped with printing and photocopying

facilities, many study and tutorial spaces as well as a kitchen, outdoor barbecue and dining area.

"While modern, state-of-the-art facilities are important, it is the work that goes on within them that makes the difference," Griffith University vice chancellor Professor Ian O'Connor said.

"This is especially the case of the GUMURRII unit, which has provided amazing assistance to our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students for over 25 years."

For more details about the support services and facilities available, go to griffith.edu.au/gumurrii-student-support-unit



The scene at the official opening of the new GUMURRII Student Support Unit on the Gold Coast.

GUMURRII Student Support Unit

Griffith University has an extremely strong national track record in the recruitment, retention and success of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

The GUMURRII Student Support Unit (SSU) is the heart of Griffith's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and is located on each of Griffith's five campuses. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff assist and support students from enrolment to orientation, through to graduation and beyond.

The GUMURRII Student Support Unit complements University life by offering a culturally appropriate learning environment.

Programs include the *Direct Entry Scheme, Hands Up! Tertiary Preparation Program, Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS), as well as School Visit Programs and Career Expo* participation.

The Hands Up! Tertiary Preparation Program is designed to assist commencing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled at Griffith University to adapt to university life and improve their academic skills in a relaxed, supportive environment.

Implemented in 2012, the program runs over three weeks on the Gold Coast Campus. The program includes workshops, seminars and presentations which assist students in their preparation to the practical



Kevin Lee - Bachelor of Communication

"I've travelled a long road to be here at Griffith University, leaving my cellar door sojourn at a famous Hunter Valley vineyard last year."

"My name is Li Shi Hua, my Australian name is Kevin Lee, I am an undergraduate in Communications, majoring in creative writing and literature. My dearly departed father came from Guandong Province in Southern China. He met and married my mother in Thursday Island on the Torres Strait."

"My stay at Griffith Uni is to improve and develop my writing skills. I feel very privileged to wander through the various Humanities schools, brim full with wonderful writers, poets and philosophers."

demands, academic and social expectations of university.

Students were also assisted by University staff in the completion of a short essay and a group presentation on topics in their area of study.

As Director of GUMURRII SSU, Bronwyn Dillon, explains "We provide students with a basic outline of what to expect from university study and it gives them confidence and inspiration to achieve success."

While Griffith University is rapidly expanding in both size and numbers we recently celebrated the opening of the new GUMURRII Student Support Unit facility located on the Gold Coast Campus.

The new unit will continue to cater for Griffith University's growing Aboriginal

and Torres Strait Islander population.

The design of the unit incorporates important cultural aspects of the Kombumerri-Ngarang-wal people – the traditional custodians of the land.

Another initiative has been the successful implementation of Australia's first Indigenous Exchange Agreement between Griffith University and Simon Fraser University (SFU), Vancouver, Canada.

The partnership aims to create a cultural experience for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and First Nations students at both Griffith and SFU.

For enquiries relating to the services provided by GUMURRII SSU please register your interest at: **griffith.edu.au/gumurrii** or call **(07) 3735 7676**.



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Exhibition to hit the road

A POWERFUL University of Sydney exhibition that challenges visitors to consider different ideas on the role of higher education in the futures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities will hit the road to visit communities throughout NSW.

The *People Like Us* exhibition will tour NSW in a custom-made shipping container to showcase inspiring stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and staff from the University of Sydney, their personal educational journeys, and how they are making a difference in their communities.

The aim of the exhibition is to inspire Indigenous people through 'people like us' to achieve their academic goals.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and staff from the university appear in the exhibition on digital screens to challenge visitors to hear different ideas about Indigenous communities.

Visitors will hear from a mother who is passionate about education for Aboriginal

young people, and her son who followed her footsteps to university.

They can be inspired by the lawyer who is using her skills to help change the rural community she grew up in.

And they can listen to a professional footballer who juggles training sessions with study sessions, and wants to

'...a really powerful set of videos that demonstrates the potential of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people engaged in study and work at universities.'

open Australians' eyes about what it's like to be an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person today.

One of the people featured is Deanne Smith, a third-year Bachelor of Education (Secondary: Aboriginal Studies) student, who is first in her family to attend university.

"The main challenge with going back to uni has been my

family responsibilities as I look after my brother fulltime," she said.

"The flexibility of my course at the University of Sydney means I can do both. I entered as a mature-age student through the Cadigal Alternative Entry Program."

University Deputy Vice Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services) Professor Shane Houston said the exhibition was a 'really powerful set of videos that demonstrates the potential of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people engaged in study and work at universities, and the difference university study can make in their lives'.

People Like Us will travel to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across NSW over the next three years. To reflect the journey the exhibition will undertake and the communities it will visit, Aboriginal artists Graham Toomey and Benjamin Thomson have customised the exterior of the container with traditional, contemporary artwork and street art. More details at sydney.edu.au/2016



University of Sydney Deputy Vice Chancellor (Indigenous Strategy and Services) Professor Shane Houston welcomed the exhibition.

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A black and white portrait of a young man with short dark hair and a light beard, looking directly at the camera. He is wearing a dark jacket over a white t-shirt with a graphic. The background is a light grey gradient, and a red diagonal bar is at the top right.

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NGARARA WILLIM CENTRE FOR ABORIGINAL
AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES



She's mastering education

AS the only postgraduate program of its kind in Australia and a degree offered entirely online, Macquarie University's Master of Indigenous Education has given student Emily Sutton a unique perspective on teaching.

It's also helped her get directly into work she's passionate about, with a new job as an Indigenous student support officer.

"I have a Bachelor of Primary Education degree, and with a keen interest in Indigenous affairs and education I always wanted to complete further study in this area," Emily said.

"Macquarie was the only uni offering such a course. Halfway through my degree, I've already formed a good network. It's led to numerous jobs for me at the uni, in tutoring, tutorial teaching and recently as the fulltime Indigenous support officer for Macquarie. This course has helped me walk into my dream job!"

Macquarie says the Master of Indigenous Education is ideal for anyone who wants to learn more

about Indigenous education, with strong professional development opportunities for early childhood, primary, secondary and tertiary teachers.

It's also beneficial for people working in Indigenous community contexts, such as health workers, community organisation workers and public servants.

Macquarie says the degree gives professionals like Emily a great opportunity to study at their own pace.

Possible

"The online study has made it possible for me to continue working fulltime and study at the times that I am available – I wouldn't have been able to do it any other way," she says.

"This has been helped by the structure of the course, with weekly reflections to help me keep on top of my reading and lectures.

"If you complete the course fulltime it takes 18 months, but I would suggest doing two courses a semester, which will take two years, with less pressure and a manageable workload."

Emily has also been

impressed by the passion and attention of her teachers.

"All of the staff at Warawara, the Department of Indigenous Studies, are exceptional," she said.

"They respond quickly to emails, and provide instant feedback on assignments whilst also allowing flexibility in learning and assessments.

"I couldn't ask for more from them and feel very privileged to be one of the first few going through the program."

Emily's excited about her next steps in the university, and interacting with more Indigenous students from across Australia.

"I believe in (Aboriginal educator) Chris Sarra's model of high expectations for all Indigenous students, and I'm hoping to carry that through into my everyday role with the Indigenous students at Macquarie," she said.

"I want to support them in achieving academically and guide them personally to be the best they can be."

For more information on the Master of Indigenous Education, visit arts.mq.edu.au/mlndEd



Macquarie University's Emily Sutton: "This course has helped me walk into my dream job!"

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Women showing the way

UNIVERSITY of Wollongong (UOW) officials were among those at a Leadership Conversation with Aboriginal Women Leaders from the Illawarra recently held at the City Beach Function Centre in Wollongong, southern NSW.

The 'Conversation' – one of three to be held – focussed on national and local issues involving the Stolen Generations, disadvantages faced by Indigenous people, racism, evaluation of government strategies including the Northern Territory intervention response, income management and native title, and objectives for constitutional recognition.

In conversation with Australian Centre for Leadership for Women executive director Dr Diann Rodgers-Healey were NSW Local Government Aboriginal Network executive member Veronica Bird, Barnardos official Janelle Brown, drug and alcohol worker Sylvia Campbell, and Aboriginal cultural education and language consultant Jodi Edwards.

Dr Rodgers-Healey is also an associate fellow of the Australian Institute of Business Well-Being at UOW.

Ivan Morris played the didgeridoo to open the event, while Year 8 student Taliah King performed *Rolling in the Deep* in front of an audience including Aboriginal Elders, community representatives, UOW director of employment, equity and diversity Lynne Wright and university staff and students.

Dr Rodgers-Healey said the 'Conversation' gave an appreciation of the



At the recent 'Conversation', front from left, Taliah King, Aunty Lindy Lawler and Jodi Edwards and, back from left, Dr Diann Rodgers-Healey, Veronica Bird, Aunty Sylvia Campbell, Janelle Brown and Ivan Morris.

depth of issues Indigenous people continue to face. A program of conversations has been organised by Dr Rodgers-Healey to profile Illawarra leaders.

The events, with Aboriginal women and political and community leaders, involve

an hour-long conversation with Dr Rodgers-Healey followed by an audience question and answer session.

A You Tube video of the Leadership Conversation with Aboriginal Women Leaders will be available at <http://www.>

leadershipforwomen.com.au/empowerment/item/leadership-conversations-event and the UOW Library will from next month have a complete DVD copy of the three Leadership Conversations for wider community use.

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Woolyungah Indigenous Centre is the University's Centre responsible for Indigenous student recruitment, access and support. Our programs aim to foster equity by supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from entry to University, through to successful completion.

Direct entry into the University's undergraduate programs and Enabling programs is available through the Alternative Admissions Program. Applications are now open for studies in 2014. Assessment Workshops will be held in October and November, 2013.

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Crown is on the job

WITH more than 11,300 employees working at its Melbourne and Perth resorts, Crown is one of Australia's major private sector employers. While the company has a diverse staff base made up of employees from around the world, the major gaming and entertainment group wanted to make a formal commitment to finding real and meaningful job placements for Indigenous people.

In 2009, Crown launched its Aboriginal employment program and was the first signatory on the Australian Employment Covenant, making a formal commitment to providing sustainable employment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

March this year marked a milestone for the program, with Crown launching a Reconciliation Action Plan committing to offering 2000 job opportunities to Indigenous people by 2021, across both Crown Melbourne and Crown Perth.

The company's aim is to make a positive difference in employees' lives and to provide personal support for every step of the employment journey.

"We're proud of the work undertaken so far, and the goal is to further develop our program into the future to sustain an Aboriginal employment program that provides real and meaningful job placements," Crown executive general manager of human resources Alicia Gleeson said.

After four years, Crown's Aboriginal employment program continues to grow,

having employed more than 300 Aboriginal people across a range of roles within the business.

Rosemary (surname withheld) is part of the Aboriginal employment program at Crown Perth.

"As a young mum I saw Crown Perth as a stepping stone to gain experience and develop my skills," she said.

"When I heard that Crown Perth had an Aboriginal employment program, I was excited!

"I started at Crown Perth in a part-time role in August 2011 as a snack bar attendant. Since then I moved into the food court where I worked my way up to acting supervisor.

'Opportunity'

"I then got an opportunity to work at Cotta Cafe and after only a few months, I was given an opportunity to move into the stores team.

"I have learned so much from this organisation and I am continuously growing and developing.

"I am more confident because of my experiences and now I want to help new Aboriginal workers at Crown Perth by being a mentor.

"I didn't have much experience when I came to Crown, but look at me now!

"My goal is to educate people about our Aboriginality and to share my passion and pride for our rich culture.

"I hope (our people will) take the chance like I did and contact Crown now."

Crown Perth Aboriginal storeperon Rosemary: "I have learned so much from this organisation and I am continuously growing and developing."



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IPROWD is delivering

FOR many Aboriginal Australians, the chance to train and secure a job with the NSW Police Force seems out of reach.

But the Federal Government, the NSW Police Force, TAFE NSW and Charles Sturt University are working on addressing that to deliver the statewide Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery program (IPROWD).

The IPROWD program was established to help Aboriginal people succeed with the academic and fitness requirements of the NSW Police College training as well as gaining skills and qualifications needed for a career in the NSW Police Force.

Aboriginal students who complete the course gain a Certificate III in Vocational and Study Pathways which meets the entry requirements for the Associate Degree in Policing Practices offered by Charles Sturt University.

On August 23, 16 students attested from the NSW Police Academy and are now posted across NSW as probationary constables. To date, more than 40 students

have gone on to become probationary constables.

Since it began in Dubbo in 2008, the IPROWD program has been successful in course completions and employment outcomes in the NSW Police Force as well as with other employers. Participants have also gone on to higher education through the program.

IPROWD training is conducted across NSW including

University and the Australian Government, everything is in place that is necessary to achieve successful outcomes," she said.

"The IPROWD program is leading to more Aboriginal police officers in the future."

The 18-week IPROWD program has been customised for Aboriginal people, to prepare them and give them the confidence, skills and knowledge

to assist them in gaining entry to the NSW Police College. In addition to developing the required literacy and learning skills, the course includes fitness training, medical assessments and an excursion to the Police College at Goulburn.

NSW police from local area commands are actively involved with each IPROWD course, working as part of the teaching team. This involvement provides specialised training and mentoring throughout the course.

Participants are also provided with assistance to prepare for the rigorous application process for the police college.

● For more information, go to <http://www.iprowd.tafensw.edu.au/> or call 1300 830 177.

'The IPROWD program is leading to more Aboriginal police officers in the future.'

at Broken Hill, Casino, Dubbo, Maitland, Mount Druitt, Nowra, Redfern and Tamworth. Applications are now open for 2014.

TAFE Western Institute director Kate Baxter said the organisation was committed to developing partnerships that assisted students to move into employment or develop skills in their current employment.

"We are excited to be offering this very successful program, and with the support of the NSW Police Force, Charles Sturt



IPROWD students attest at the NSW Police Academy in Goulburn.

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APPLY NOW FOR 2014 IPROWD TRAINING PROGRAM

The Australian Government, the NSW Police Force, TAFE NSW and Charles Sturt University are working in partnership to offer IPROWD training programs across NSW which will assist Aboriginal people to gain entry into the NSW Police Force.

Courses in 2014 will be held in Broken Hill, Casino, Dubbo, Maitland, Mount Druitt, Nowra, Redfern, Tamworth and Wagga Wagga.

Applications for 2014 courses close Friday 15 November 2013, interviews to be held in early December 2013.

For more information call 1300 830 177 visit www.iprowd.tafensw.edu.au or email iprowd@tafensw.edu.au

'Ear Aunty' is top student

MARKEETA Douglas has been named the NSW Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year at the 2013 NSW Training Awards run by State Training Services. Studying audiometry (measurement of the range and sensitivity of a person's sense of hearing) by distance through TAFE NSW's Open Training and Education Network (OTEN), Markeeta says she learnt so much.

"The audiometry course provided me with the skills, education and confidence to further my career," she said.

"I am very lucky that the teachers in the audiometry department believed in me. They have been incredible and their continual support, even beyond the training, is priceless.

"It is a fantastic feeling to represent NSW, my community, my organisation but most importantly my heritage."

Markeeta believes her training has opened up many opportunities for her to improve the health of Aboriginal people.

"It is really important to understand that if we are ever going to improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, we need our own mob to be in these professional roles," she said.

"Aboriginal hearing health is extremely poor in our communities; it has been compared to that of third world countries.

"It is vital that we provide education to Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal communities as preventable diseases like otitis media can have lifelong impacts and is often thought of as a normal part of childhood."

Markeeta was able to complete her



OTEN audiometry teachers Monica Summers, left, and Janette Brazel, right, with Indigenous Student of the Year Markeeta Douglas and Western Sydney Institute director Susan Hartigan.

course with OTEN while working as an Aboriginal hearing health worker.

"I have worked on and off at Awabakal Newcastle Aboriginal Cooperative for a number of years," she said.

"It has played a huge role in the person I am today. Working with and for your own

people is amazing. Being called the Ear Aunty is the next best thing to being called Mum."

OTEN, part of TAFE NSW – Western Sydney Institute (WSI), delivers an extensive range of nationally recognised courses to more than 75,000 students.

OTEN says people can enrol any time that suits them.

For more information, contact the Aboriginal Education and Training Unit on 1300 888 010 or email aboriginal.services@tafensw.edu.au

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The one-year Advanced Diploma in Medical and Aboriginal Health Sciences, run by the Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health, will prepare students for the study of postgraduate medicine and other professional health courses offered at UWA.

Beginning next year, the advanced diploma aims to develop students' learning skills expected at university level while providing an advanced understanding of a number of core principles underpinning the human biological sciences.

Taking an integrated perspective that connects what happens at the biological cellular level to the processes operating at the level of community and society, students will be encouraged to develop a sophisticated understanding of human biological processes in the context of Aboriginal health in Australia.

Those wanting to apply for



Third year UWA medical students Declan Scott, Grace Plichta and Bianca Howard.

entry need to be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, 20 or over, have formal qualifications in primary health care and have worked in the sector for at least two years.

The course is designed to enable an advanced understanding of human biology

and health, plus provides the capacity to engage in research and a thorough understanding of Aboriginal health in the context of Australian policy and practice.

Completion of the Advanced Diploma with credit or distinction will provide the opportunity to apply for entry to postgraduate

medicine and other postgraduate health courses at UWA.

For further information, contact the Centre for Aboriginal Medical and Dental Health at UWA. Email: camdh@uwa.edu.au or phone (08) 6488 1917.

● **More information about UWA on pages 54 and 55**

AFTRS is one of the best

WARWICK Thornton, Rachel Perkins, Catriona Mackenzie, Ivan Sen and Beck Cole are just some of the Indigenous filmmakers to have graduated from the Australian Film Television and Radio School (AFTRS).

AFTRS – Australia's national screen arts and broadcast school – offers opportunities, contacts and experience for people wanting a career in the screen arts and broadcast industries.

Voted as one of the top 20 film schools in the world by *The Hollywood Reporter* in 2012 when the magazine ranked all international film schools, AFTRS has a long history of supporting Indigenous screen content creators.

AFTRS offers courses at undergraduate and postgraduate level, with course content delivered by some of the best practitioners in the industry. It also has a host of short courses.

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AFTRS Foundation Diploma Graduate: Ella Bancroft

NT award for Batchelor

BATCHELOR Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education has been named 2013 Northern Territory Training Provider of the Year. The award was presented at the NT Training Awards in Darwin on September 7.

Batchelor Institute director Adrian Mitchell said the award was 'a tremendous achievement for the institute and appropriate recognition of the quality, dedication and commitment of the lecturing and support staff'.

"We are very proud of the staff efforts over the last five years and it is absolutely fantastic to receive formal recognition of their many achievements by winning this award. Also this is a tremendous result for the institute," he said.

Batchelor Institute also won the Training Initiative Award, together with the NT Department of Education and Children's Services (DECS), for the Building the Remote Early Childhood Workforce initiative.

'Strong relationship'

"The institute values its strong relationship with DECS and appreciates the personal interest that DECS provides Indigenous people while training with our organisation," Mr Mitchell said.

"Congratulations and thanks to the Community Services, Children's Services and Education Support (Top End) senior lecturer Millie Olcay and her community services team on winning this award for the institute."

Sandra Allwright, from Katherine, a Batchelor Institute Indigenous student in the Certificate IV in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care (Practice) course, won the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year award.

"Congratulations also to Primary Health Care (Practice) senior lecturer Teresa Raines and all the health care team who are understandably very proud of Ms Allwright," Mr Mitchell said.

Institute Indigenous lecturer in VET Business Evelyn Schaber was also a finalist in the VET Teacher/Trainer of the Year award.



The Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education NT Training Provider of the Year awards.



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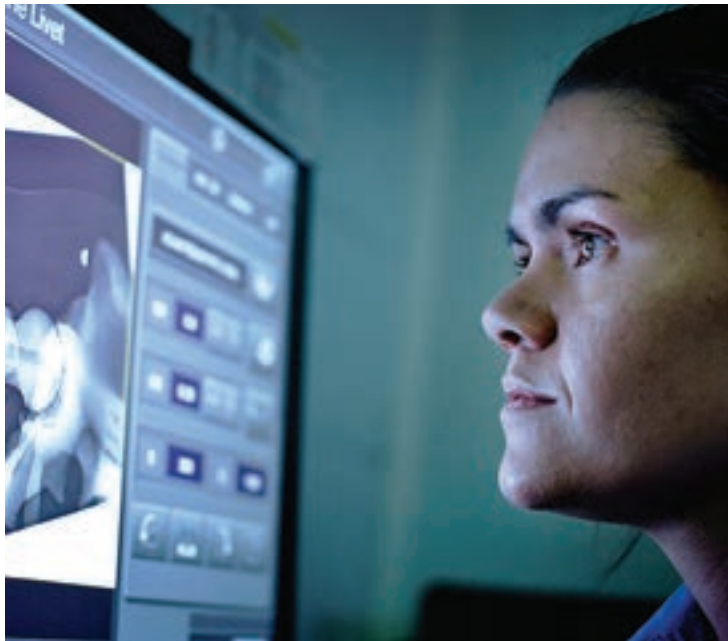
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Amanda Radomi, Bachelor of Arts (Indigenous Cultures and Australian Society) and Aaron Ken, Graduate Certificate in Aboriginal Studies.



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Career change gives Julie new health insights



If you go for an x-ray in Queensland in a couple of years' time, you might find yourself in the capable hands of Julie Livet.

The Kamilaroi woman, from Moree in New South Wales, is well on her way to completing a Bachelor of Medical Imaging Science at QUT in Brisbane and starting a new career as a radiographer.

It will be a change of direction for Julieanne, who previously served in the army for seven years as an information systems technician.

"I enjoyed the army lifestyle but I decided it was time for a new career in an area I was passionate about," she said.

"I've always had a keen interest in medical topics and human anatomy, so I saw medical imaging science as a great opportunity to get into a medical-related field."

Julie, who also has a three-year-old daughter, has excelled in her studies at QUT and has a GPA of 6.45.

After she finishes her degree, she plans to gain two years of clinical experience as an accredited radiographer, and then do postgraduate studies in ultrasound.

Julie is a recipient of the Australian Government's Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship (a national prize for Indigenous health students) and received a Dean's Commendation from the Faculty of Health last year for her excellent work.

She said she had found it very helpful to have the QUT Oodgeroo Unit's dedicated space and facilities available to her on campus, along with the support of the unit's friendly staff.

For information on QUT courses in health fields, visit www.qut.edu.au/health.

QUT campuses among world's best

World-leading facilities at QUT are boosting the university experience for its 40,000 students.

The new \$230 million QUT Science and Engineering Centre opened earlier this year to provide students with new learning spaces, research laboratories and places to connect socially.

The amazing complex's centerpiece is the Cube – a two-storey high digital marvel that is one of the world's biggest interactive learning environments and features more than 40 giant multi-touch screens and 14 high-definition projectors.

As well as benefiting QUT's existing students and researchers, the Cube is open to the public and being used to inspire school groups containing our scientists of the future.

In the arts arena, QUT's Creative Industries Precinct has been



leading the nation for a decade and is now undergoing an \$80 million expansion that will add new teaching and performance venues, along with state-of-the-art sound recording, visual art and design studios.

Across the university, technology is being employed to make learning more flexible, with more online options to better suit today's students.

Face-to-face services still remain strong though, including the QUT Oodgeroo Unit which provides facilities and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and researchers.

Other Indigenous initiatives at QUT include the Faculty of Law's Indigenous Pre Law and Justice Program for first-year university students, the Science and Infrastructure Development Winter School for Year 9 and 10 students, and the Indigenous QUT Experience camp for high-schoolers.

International recognition for QUT includes its recent ranking as Australia's top young university under 50 years old in the Times Higher Education Top 100 Under 50 rankings.

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Lindsay gets real world research experience

Lindsay Christian is only in his third year of university but already he's on his way to helping Australia's Indigenous population beat a serious heart disease.

The third-year QUT applied science student, who is majoring in biotechnology and life sciences, is researching rheumatic heart disease as part of a cadetship with Brisbane's QIMR Berghofer Medical Research Institute.

In particular, he is investigating the link between scabies (a common parasitic mite infestation) and rheumatic heart disease, which is 20 times more likely to kill Indigenous Australians than non-Indigenous Australians.

Lindsay did a QUT Vacation Research Experience Scholarship last summer with the QIMR Berghofer Medical

Research Institute which led to his two-year cadetship.

"The rates of scabies and associated illness, such as rheumatic heart disease, in remote Indigenous communities are among the worst in the world and it's an area that requires more research," Lindsay said.

"At the moment I'm working with Dr Katja Fischer (head of the Scabies Laboratory at QIMR) and her team investigating at a molecular level the interactions between the bacteria that cause rheumatic heart disease, scabies, and the human immune system."

Lindsay said that QUT's Oodgeroo Unit, which supports Indigenous students throughout their studies, was helping him with his research ambitions.



"It's a tight community within the Oodgeroo Unit and there is always someone to talk to if you need a hand," he said.

"Being able to carry on working at QIMR has kept me motivated. The chance to work among people who are passionate about Indigenous health has been invaluable."

For more information on QUT's science and engineering courses, visit www.qut.edu.au/science-engineering.



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QUT Oodgeroo Unit

Writers are winners

FOUR Indigenous writers have been honoured at the 2013 Queensland Literary Awards held this month in Brisbane.

QUT creative writing graduate Ellen van Neerven received the biggest accolade, the Unpublished Indigenous Writer/David Unaipon Award for her manuscript *Heat and Light*. She received a \$5000 prize and a publishing contract and mentorship with UQP.

"There is no doubt that this exciting new author has much potential and her literary future is assured," the judges wrote in their comments.

"Many of the stories have a cinematic quality, and the author portrays some wonderful women characters with a deft and sure hand. The plots are beset by tantalising twists and turns, and there is some stunning imagery."

Ellen, 23, is a Brisbane-based writer of Mununjali and Dutch descent who graduated from QUT in 2008. She now works at the State Library of Queensland as part of the black&write! Indigenous writing and editing project which aims to support and promote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander writers.

This year's Queensland Literary Awards also gave three other Indigenous writers mentorships to help boost their careers by



Left, Ellen van Neerven accepting her Unpublished Indigenous Writer/David Unaipon Award and, right, mentorship recipients Dorothy Williams-Kemp, Adrian Stanley and Martin Doyle with Copyright Agency CEO Jim Alexander.



matching them with editors or writers for a year. They were Dorothy Williams-Kemp, from Woorabinda, Adelaide's Adrian Stanley, and Martin Doyle, from Mackay.

The awards have cemented QUT's reputation for producing and supporting talented writers, with six QUT-related writers shortlisted and three taking out awards.

In addition to Ellen, creative writing graduate Rebecca Jessen

won the Emerging Queensland Author/Manuscript Award for her crime novel *Gap*, and former QUT teacher Kristina Olsson won the Best Non-Fiction Book Award for *Boy, Lost*, about the abduction of her half-brother as a baby.

Congratulated

Professor Sharyn Pearce, QUT's head of creative writing with the Creative Industries Faculty, congratulated them all on their efforts.

"To be nominated for prestigious awards like these so early in their career highlights their dedication to their craft, and I'm looking forward to seeing where their careers will take them," she said.

"We've had a really big success in terms of our real-world approach, which for creative writing is about getting published and getting prizes.

"There's a lot of support and a lot of encouragement for students

to go for the big prizes. I think there's a nice atmosphere here and students really feel like they're supported. Our honours students overwhelmingly want to stay on here for further study."

The Queensland Literary Awards is Australia's largest independent literary awards and is open to writers across the country. This year's awards were made possible by the sponsors including The Copyright Agency Cultural Fund.



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Wirltu Yarlur Aboriginal Education at The University of Adelaide

Wirltu Yarlur: at The University of Adelaide encourages all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply for University study in 2014. Two current students Kyar Wilkey and Richie Harvey share their educational journeys.



Richie Harvey moved from Launceston in Tasmania to undertake studies in Dentistry. He is currently in his second year of study.

"Without the guidance of Wirltu Yarlur staff, specifically relating to the dentistry application process, it wouldn't have been such a smooth transition for me" he said. Richie applied through the Aboriginal Access Scheme and received good marks in Year 12. "The staff here, went out of their way to answer his questions" he said, Richie looked into other university dentistry programs but found the University of Adelaide, best suited him, specifically due to the guidance and support he received in his application process.

Students also receive support from Student Service staff at Wirltu Yarlur, it made the move interstate less daunting for Richie, "staff go out of their way and ensured my accommodation was organised prior to starting my course last year, it made it so much easier" he said. Richie is a hard working student, and says the contact hours for dentistry are long, but he approaches his study with commitment and a dedication to succeed. "I had an interest in health, and like working with my hands, I like the technical finesse required for dentistry and the art of it. Richie likes the challenges dentistry presents to him with having to develop technical skills" he said.

Richie is a recipient of the Puggy Hunter scholarship "this makes a big financial difference and takes the pressure off having to work whilst studying a program like dentistry" he said.

Richie plans to work as a clinician after obtaining his dentistry degree and even has aspirations to become a researcher or academic in his field. "There are many options and I'm not limited, I may decide to specialise" he said. Richie does believe the support he continually received from Wirltu Yarlur, has made his study experience less challenging and he is relishing all the opportunities being presented to him.



Kyar Wilkey is from Adelaide, and is currently enrolled in the Wirltu Yarlur University Preparatory Program.

She came back to study as she wanted to further her skills and attain a good job. Kyar has aspirations to move into a health science degree and specialise in nutrition or something health related she is passionate about "Closing the Gap". University study has given Kyar the confidence and the skills to forge ahead. The Wirltu Yarlur University Preparatory Program, "creates pathways, it has built up my skills with essay writing, and it gives you a good grounding for university life" she said. The support Kyar has received from staff has been amazing, and with scholarship support it has

made her study journey less stressful as she has more time to focus on her study. Kyar encourages everyone to pursue study, "anyone can do it, with the right support, its amazing" she said. Going back to study, "It's the scariest thing I've ever done, but the best thing" she said.

Both Kyar and Richie receive tutorial assistance through the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme (ITAS) and utilise all the services Wirltu Yarlur offers. Students receive assistance with scholarships and accommodation. Both these students are outstanding role models to the community and their journey's show that educational advancement is possible for all.

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Why Emily is excited finishing her degree

UNIVERSITY isn't what I imagined it to be. During my first tutorial for the Media Arts and Production course, we were led through the production suites at UTS.

We looked through each room's impressive and intimidating hardware wondering how we'd ever cope.

Little did I know that at that moment I was looking at my habitat for the next five years.

Receiving my entry code for the suites was a pretty big moment. It was the digital key to the fabulous and frustrating world of editing.

From then on, I could be found in the suites most days and nights, obsessing and conducting weird experiments. At times it was an exasperating

As Emily McDaniel prepares to graduate from UTS with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication (Media Arts and Production) degree, she shares her experiences of what uni is really like and why she's excited to be finishing her three-year degree... six years later.

experience, but I persevered and was soon comfortable in the hub of technology.

The suites became a space to share ideas, work out the tricks of the trade and get help from others.

As a proud Wiradjuri woman, my biggest success so far is being able to share my skills with my community.

Learning to be comfortable and confident with technology has allowed me to work with communities to record

and preserve their stories and culture.

My journey in education wasn't the accepted linear years of study quickly followed by countless knocks on the door from prospective employers. It actually worked better for me to have a flexible timetable.

Throughout my degree I worked part-time as an art educator at the Museum of Contemporary Art and the Art Gallery of NSW, so I reduced my study to two subjects each semester.

At one point I deferred for a year to work on the Biennale of Sydney.

In retrospect, that was a really important decision and one that I certainly don't regret.

I will finish my last subject this semester working full-time as an assistant curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art at the Art Gallery of NSW, and I don't really feel that I am about to enter 'the workforce'. I've been a part of it for the last five years.

I've come to realise that to potential employers, experience, whether paid or not, is just as important as academic transcripts.

The great thing about university

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education is that it's actually made to work with you, not against you.

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So as I come to the end of my three-year degree, six years later, I feel that I am not leaving as a filmmaker, audio engineer or radio producer, but more importantly, as a passionate creative with the practical skills to apply my knowledge.

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I always had this belief I could do anything I set my mind to, but for a few years straight after high school I lost sight of that. It wasn't until I sat down and asked myself what I really loved, that I realised sport and the sport industry is where I wanted to be.

Alan Daly, Bachelor of Management Sport and Exercise

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WACE revision is popular

DURING the July holidays while most secondary students were enjoying some time relaxing at home, a group of 20 Indigenous students attended the University of Western Australia's (UWA) School of Indigenous Studies (SIS) WA Certificate of Education Revision Camp.

The students were enrolled in classes to help them with revision and exam preparations for their Year 12 exams.

Students came from as far as Broome in the north and as far south as Esperance. Most were the only ones in their school undertaking subjects to gain an Australian tertiary admission rank.

All students were enrolled in three subjects during the week, that entailed two hours a day for each subject, totalling 30 hours in the class.

Many of the students had participated in the SIS outreach program offered at UWA during high school.

Students such as Isaac Alexander, from Swan View State High School, Ebony Garlett (Kent Street SHS) and Shannon Collard (Newton Moore SHS) had attended the SIS Science Camp in previous years.

Lauren McGill, from Aranmore Catholic College, attended a Year 8 Discovery Day and has participated in Aspire UWA events throughout her secondary education. Another



Participants at this year's University of Western Australia WACE Revision Camp.

student, Sara Bergmann, who boards at Presbyterian Ladies College, gave up time with family at home in Broome to attend the camp.

Ebony Garlett said the camp offered much and had helped her to not only get through school subjects, but to know herself.

"There's always a great bunch of people and it's an experience that won't be forgotten," she said.

Isaac Alexander wished the classes were longer than two hours each day. "The course was extremely beneficial and really puts you on the right path for achieving good WACE marks," he said.

An evening program gave students time to relax and meet like-minded students. During their free time, students enjoyed a trip to the movies and some shopping.

An information session about university and a leadership dinner completed the week.

Mentors

UWA Indigenous students Lyndall Evans (sport science) and Torey Rickerby (business) were on hand as mentors during the week. They gave some insight into university life, as well as helping students with study.

The SIS first sponsored

Indigenous students for revision classes in 2006, and to date has enrolled 150 students, more than 90 per cent of whom have gone on to enrol at a university after completing secondary school, with most coming to UWA.

WACE Revision Camp is part of the SIS outreach program that includes the Year 11-12 Leadership Seminar, the Year 9-10 Science Camp and Year 8 Discovery Days.

The outreach program works in partnership with Aspire UWA and is funded by the Federal Department of Industry Innovation, Climate Change Science, Research and Tertiary Education.

Diploma to help continue success

MORE than 50 law graduates from the University of Western Australia (UWA) have had remarkable successes as legal professionals, academics and policy makers.

The School of Indigenous Studies at UWA says it wants to ensure that this success – the highest in the nation – continues. So it is offering an Advanced Diploma in Indigenous Legal Studies course to ensure Indigenous people have equality of opportunity to succeed in law.

Since 1993, the UWA School of Indigenous Studies, in partnership with the Faculty of Law, has provided Indigenous people with a pathway into law studies and the legal profession through the five-week intensive pre-law program. This course provides entry into the undergraduate law degree.

The university underwent a major restructure of courses last year, with law now being offered as a postgraduate course (JD/Juris Doctor).

Effective

The pre-law course is no longer available, and the advanced diploma was offered for the first time this year. The university says it provides students with an equally effective pathway into law studies and the legal profession, equipping students with theoretical and practical training.

The year-long course consists of introductory law units taught by the Faculty of Law, and Indigenous knowledge, history and heritage units taught by the School of Indigenous Studies. Students also undertake a paid workplace practicum unit in law firms and other professional legal organisations over the year-long course.

Financial support and scholarships will be provided by some of Australia's most prestigious law firms and government departments.

Applications are open to students who will be 20 or older by March and have either two years of work experience at a satisfactory standard or have the equivalent of a TAFE certificate IV.

For further information, contact School of Indigenous Studies law coordinator Mel Thomas on (08) 6488 2973, or email: mel.thomas@uwa.edu.au

Camp delivers for Keely and others

ONE of the 50 Indigenous secondary school students on a recent science camp at The University of Western Australia had never seen UWA before. Yet if it hadn't been for the quick action of a staff member, she might have been born on campus.

Keely May, from Broome, 'attended' UWA's School of Indigenous Studies (SIS) as an unborn baby when her mother studied there. The current director of student services in the school, Marilyn Strother, drove Keely's mother to hospital in the nick of time, and Keely has always wanted to follow in her mum's footsteps and become a UWA student.

Keely was in the group of Year 9 and 10 students from Broome, Derby, Fitzroy Crossing, Port Hedland, Karratha, Tom Price, Kalgoorlie, Albany, Carnarvon, Morawa, Cue, Bunbury, Christmas Island and Perth at UWA earlier this year for the annual SIS camp which introduces Indigenous students to science, health and engineering, and encourages them to consider careers in these fields.

They take part in a range of activities on campus, including experimenting with liquid nitrogen, designing a racing car, programming a robot, making moulds of their own teeth, suturing



High school students at this year's UWA School of Indigenous Studies camp.

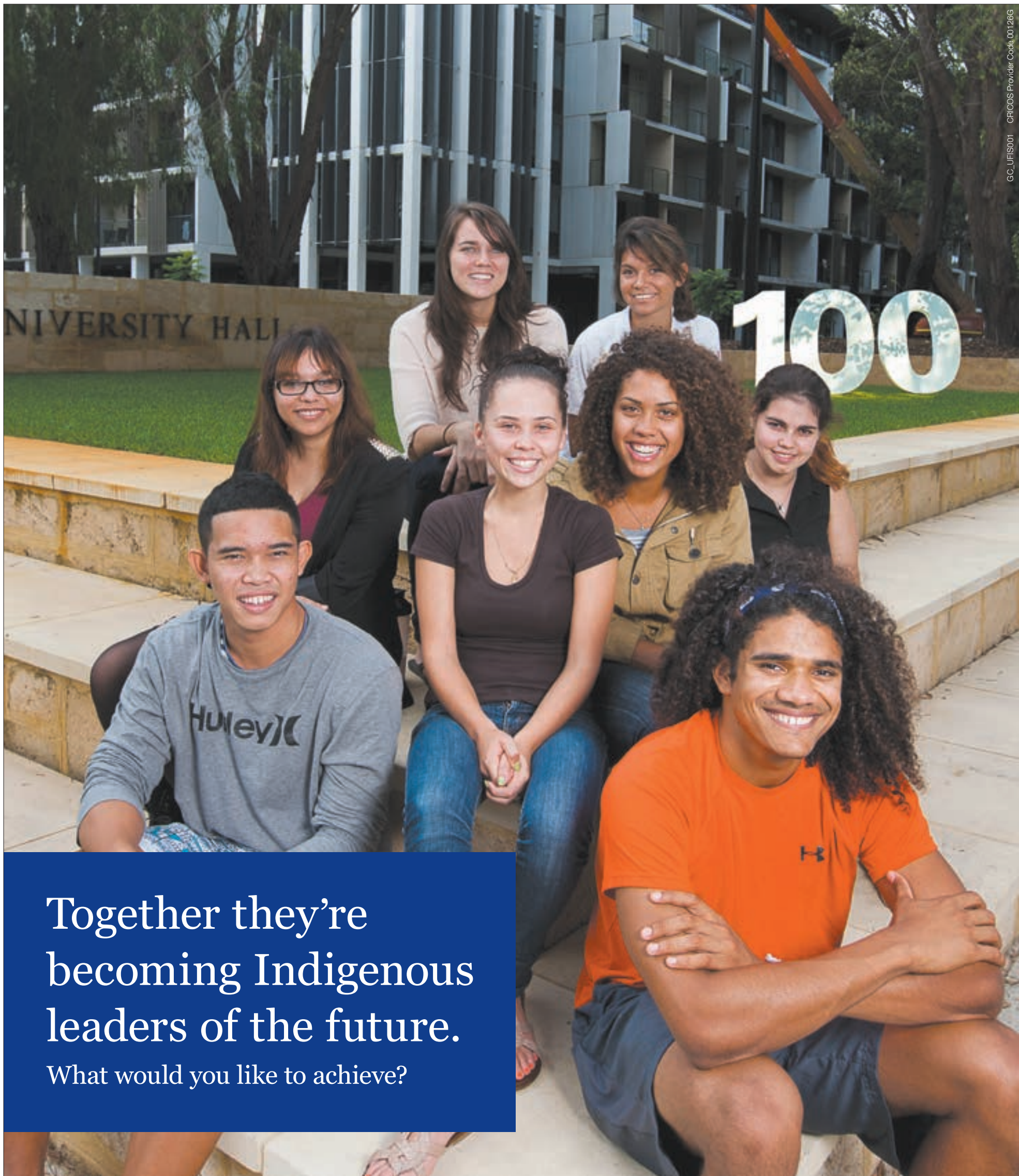
wounds and performing simulated laparoscopic surgery, and testing their abilities in sport science.

The camp was one of many outreach programs run by SIS and Aspire UWA, and was fully

sponsored by Aspire UWA and resources company Woodside.

SIS celebrated its 25th anniversary this year, and 21 years of secondary school outreach programs.

The school has helped two generations of Indigenous students gain employment in medicine, dentistry, law, the arts, business, science, health and engineering.



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Aurora Indigenous Scholars International Study Tour

Dana Slape, a final year Bachelor of Medicine/Bachelor of Surgery student at the University of Western Sydney, has been selected to participate in the prestigious Aurora Indigenous Scholars International Study Tour in October 2013.

The Study Tour provides opportunities for Indigenous students to gain an insight into the options of undertaking postgraduate study overseas, particularly in the United Kingdom and United States of America. The 2013 tour will run for 32 days and includes visits to Stanford, Columbia, New York University, Harvard, Oxford and Cambridge.

As a potentially life changing opportunity, the Study Tour has been of interest to Dana for a number of years.

'It was something I'd been looking at for the past few years but the timing was never quite right,' says Dana.

'With this being my fifth year, it was my last chance and I decided to just go for it! The Tour is renowned for being competitive so I wasn't confident in my application, and I was incredibly surprised when I got the phone call to say I had been successful.'

Although Dana is prepared for the many years of study ahead of her, she had not before considered spending some of these years overseas.

'I didn't think I would be competitive enough to study overseas, and the logistics of it made it seem quite difficult, but now I have a sense of it being an achievable pathway and those barriers are being progressively broken down,' says Dana.

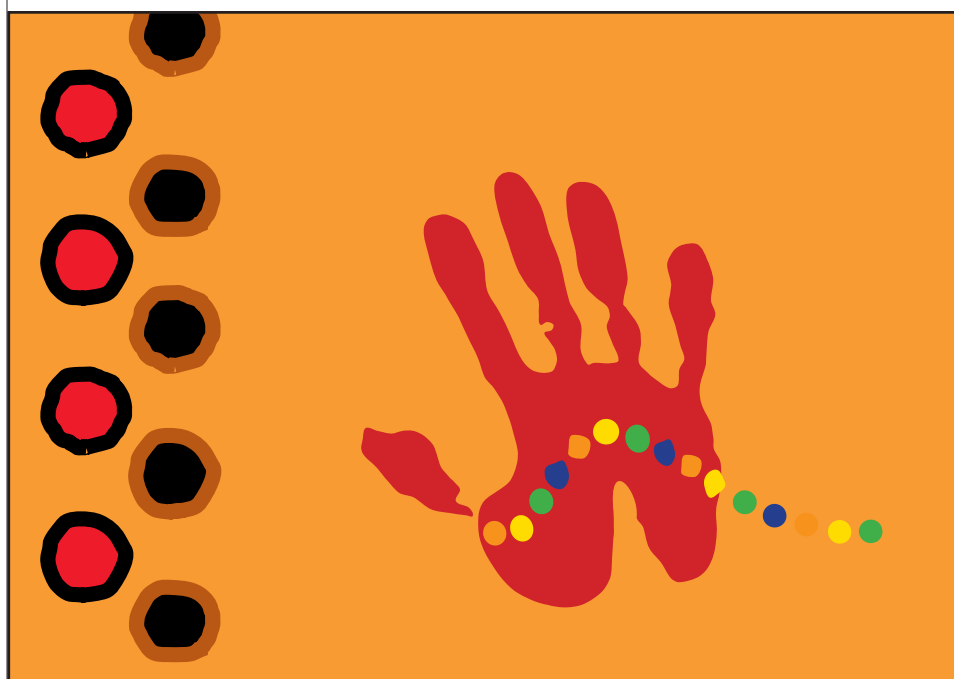


Dana is particularly looking forward to visiting the dermatology clinics at Harvard University and Oxford University to gain an international perspective of her potential speciality.

'The places I'm going to be visiting are mind-blowing,' says Dana. 'Dermatology is one of the most competitive specialities to gain entry to and I'm excited to see what the facilities are like outside of Australia.'

Dana will return from the Study Tour in November and will graduate from the University of Western Sydney in December. She will spend the next two years working as a junior doctor as she prepares to apply to study dermatology.

'Working in and around Western Sydney helping with skin disease, helping with Indigenous health, and helping to train doctors in skin and Indigenous health, would be my ultimate goal,' says Dana.



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To find out more contact the
Badanami Centre for Indigenous Education on
1800 032 923 or visit www.uws.edu.au/badanami

UNE ratifies strategy

In a bid to improve educational outcomes for Indigenous people, the University of New England (UNE) has ratified a strategy agreement designed to achieve greater engagement with regional Aboriginal communities.

Through the Regional Aboriginal Higher Education Strategy (RAHES), the university seeks to improve access to Aboriginal students in the region and increase participation and retention of Aboriginal students at UNE.

UNE says it is committed to recognising Aboriginal knowledge in its teaching endeavours and assisting staff to develop teaching strategies and learning resources relevant to Aboriginal people. These commitments are also reflected in the strategy.

The Oorala Aboriginal Centre at UNE has started to focus on initiatives to implement the strategy.

In July, UNE and TAFE established a partnership to enable a greater number of Aboriginal people in the New England region of northern NSW to consider university study.

This initiative, which is directly aligned with the RAHES, allows TAFE students enrolled in Certificate III Vocational and Study Pathways to attend weekly



Pathways students and their TAFE teacher with Oorala Aboriginal Centre staff and University of New England students from TRACKS undergraduate and postgraduate programs.

classes at UNE's Oorala Centre.

This gives TAFE students the opportunity to get to know other UNE students and participate in

regular student experiences, such as attending on-campus lectures and tutorials and accessing the library and SportUNE. They are

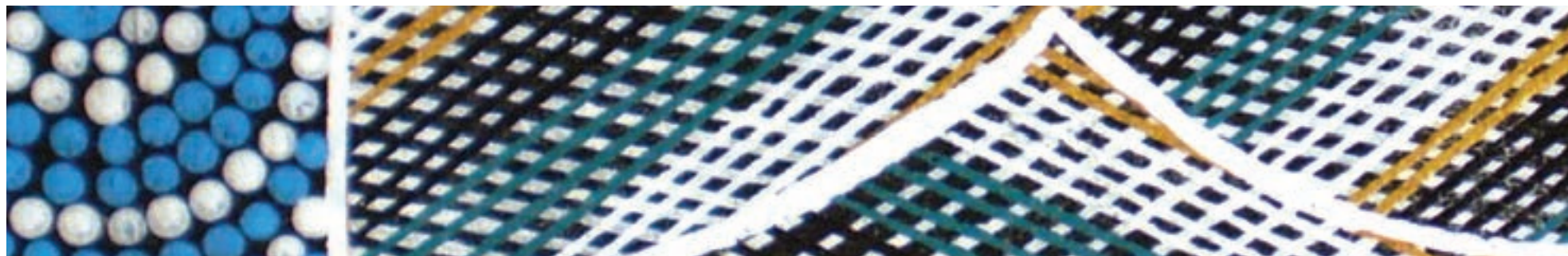
also encouraged to take part in events with UNE students and the wider community.

The Pathways Certificate offers

students a 'first step' towards university learning. Over one semester, students will be able to develop their communication, study and computer skills. They will also take subjects in team participation and workplace issues which will be of value in their careers.

The course is designed with content specifically relevant to Aboriginal people in their study and work environments and is a pathway into the Tertiary Preparation Program offered by UNE's Oorala Centre. It also meets the entry requirements of the Associate Degree in Policing Practice at Charles Sturt University.

The Oorala Centre is also embarking on an initiative through the development of a Council of Elders, which will contribute to UNE in a variety of ways. Objectives for the council include assisting academic staff in the embedding of Aboriginal knowledge into the curriculum, creating a stronger Aboriginal voice in the university's governance structures, advising Oorala on matters of cultural safety, cultural knowledge and sustainability, and supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at UNE.



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If you don't have entry qualifications, UNE can provide support and alternative entry programs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through the **Oorala Aboriginal Centre**. All school leaver and adult applicants who would like to study at UNE are encouraged to apply. Contact Oorala: Ph: **02 6773 3034**.

Alternative pathways to study at UNE include:

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Do you want to include Aboriginal perspectives in your study program?

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Oorala can also assist you with:

- Finding scholarships Information and accommodation services
- ABSTUDY enquiries
- Access to ITAS tutorial support
- Academic support and study facilities

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Enrolments are now open for Trimester 3, 2013 (study starts October), and Trimester 1, 2014.

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BEV Murray (pictured in the ad at right) is a story teller with a gift for the written word. But even though she had authored a children's story book and some cultural resources, she yearned to learn more about the craft of writing.

A search for an appropriate writing course among the universities and institutions in her home state of Victoria proved fruitless.

Then she discovered the Diploma of Creative and Indigenous Writing course at the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education (ACIKE) at Charles Darwin University in the Northern Territory.

"It's an online course that gives me the flexibility of working from home," she said.

"I'm doing six units over two years, so it's quite manageable.

"It exposed me to a range of Indigenous

and international authors and introduced me to new ways of writing.

"It also gave me the excuse to create a short film script, which is something I've always wanted to do. I've even worked on some songs for the film.

"Not surprisingly, it involves lots of writing, but best of all it has challenged the writer within."

With a new confidence, Ms Murray is working in tandem with her brother to write the story of their family.

"The book is happening, finally. We've both written some chapters," she said.

"The course has given me guidance on how to work with

another author, and how to make the voices of many relatives fit together.

"It is helping me achieve my dreams."

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Larrakia, university have understanding

A HISTORIC Memorandum of Understanding has been signed to formally strengthen the relationship between the Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation (LNAC), the Larrakia Development Corporation (LDC) and Charles Darwin University (CDU).

The MOU outlines CDU's formal acknowledgement and recognition of the Larrakia people and its commitment to the ongoing development and strengthening of the relationship between all parties.

Pro vice-chancellor Indigenous leadership Professor Steve Larkin said the partnership included a range of commitments to formally acknowledge the Larrakia people as the traditional land owners.

"The CDU and Larrakia MOU is not only symbolic, the MOU acknowledges, embraces and commits to the many steps we will collectively take through shared aspirations and opportunities now and into the future," he said.

Prof Larkin said that while the MOU committed each of the parties to a range of items, he was pleased to announce two



Professor Steve Larkin

components in particular.

"CDU will formally acknowledge the Larrakia people on both the Casuarina and Palmerston campuses through a range of material and symbolic signage, cultural representation and ceremony," he said.

"With the MOU officially endorsed, we can now commence the process of appointing CDU's first ever Larrakia Elder-in-residence, which recognises the importance of Elders in Indigenous society and demonstrates a commitment to Indigenous knowledges in CDU's

learning, teaching and research with students and staff."

The Larrakia Elder-in-residence will be responsible for providing a range of culturally informed guidance, direction and support to CDU's Indigenous and non-Indigenous students, staff and stakeholders with an appointment expected to take place before the end of the year.

Prof Larkin said the collaboration between CDU and the Larrakia people's peak representative bodies had the potential to dramatically affect the quality of engagement, sense of community and most importantly a sense of belonging for Indigenous and other CDU students and staff.

The signing ceremony took place this month at the Australian Centre for Indigenous Knowledges and Education at CDU.

Formal signatories to the MOU included CDU chancellor Sally Thomas, vice-chancellor Professor Barney Glover, LNAC CEO Ilana Eldridge, LNAC director and secretary Darryn Wilson, LDC CEO Nigel Browne and LDC board chair Mark Motlop.

Indigenous Week at ACU

AUSTRALIAN Catholic University (ACU) recently hosted a number of free activities at campuses in Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney, Canberra and Ballarat to celebrate ACU Indigenous Week.

The week featured Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural activities including music, dance, art, stalls, yarning and bush tucker food.

In Melbourne, the Jim-baa-yer Indigenous unit organised a 'reflection day' for staff to share stories and discuss and hear about Aboriginal spirituality. Participants learned a creation dance around 'Bunjil the Creator Spirit'.

The Ballarat campus hosted a barbecue breakfast followed by a smoking ceremony. Staff, students and community guests joined in an art workshop hosted by ACU staff member Aunty Janet Turpie-Johnstone.

The highlight at Canberra campus was a display of artwork from the Ginar Maliyan Youth Program.

In Sydney, the Ganang Spirit Dancers were on campus. Outdoor festivities included an artist-in-residence tent for students to learn about Indigenous culture through art, and campus visits from Indigenous NRL and AFL footballers as well as leading Indigenous fashion model Samantha Harris.

Weemala, on the Brisbane campus, celebrated with the opening of its Indigenous outdoor cultural space. Elder Aunty Joan Hendriks gave the space a water blessing, while dignitaries from ACU, local government officers, Indigenous



The MC for the ACU Brisbane campus reconciliation dinner was comedian Sean Choolburra, seen here teaching dinner guests some of his dance moves. The event attracted more than 140 guests.

community members and staff and students joined in the event.

There were also performances from traditional and contemporary Indigenous dancers and an explanation of the intended

use of the space, which features a dance and yarning circle, a bush food and medicine garden and a cooking site.

A reconciliation dinner was also held at Brisbane campus. It was hosted by

Reconciliation Queensland, Brisbane-based ACU associate vice-chancellor Jim Nyland, and Professor Nerada White, the director of the Centre for Indigenous Education and Research at ACU.

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An ACU Indigenous student studying Physiotherapy in Brisbane.



Courses Offered at ACU:

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Alternate Entry Options at ACU:

Pathway Programs:

ACU's pathway programs include non-award certificate and advanced certificate, associate degrees and diplomas. They are designed to develop your skills and make the transition into other university courses easier. When you finish a pathways course you may then be eligible to gain entry into your chosen ACU Course.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Special Entry Scheme:

If you apply for entry to an undergraduate program at ACU, you may be given special entry based on your potential to succeed in the relevant course.

Applications to ACU programs can be made by visiting:
http://www.acu.edu.au/about_acu/faculties_institutes_and_centres/centres/centre_for_indigenous_education_and_research/our_courses

Away from Base Programs:

The Away from Base Programs are a practical option for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Students. AFB involves delivery of courses via online learning accompanied by intensive residential blocks twice a semester and tutorial support at their home base. Indigenous specific courses are offered via AFB mode in Business, Education and Midwifery.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Support

The University has a national Centre for Indigenous Education and Research (CIER) and within that centre, there are four on-campus Support Units working across six campuses that provide social, cultural, personal and academic support including ITAS for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The units also liaise with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and are committed to providing an Indigenous perspective at Australian Catholic University through advocacy, research and consultancy.

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Flinders University student Haidarr Jones: "I can personally recommend this program and hope more people take up this great opportunity."

Internship program applauded

NINE Indigenous students at Flinders University in South Australia are expanding their career options with the assistance of the CareerTrackers Indigenous Internship Program.

One of the students, Haidarr Jones, praised the program.

"I'm back at Flinders Uni after an amazing internship with ThoughtWorks Inc in Sydney, where I learnt so many great things that will be useful for my Bachelor of Media studies," he said.

"So I'd like to say thanks

to (Flinders') Yunggoendi Centre for hooking me up with CareerTrackers and to ThoughtWorks and GetUp!.

"I can personally recommend this program and hope more people take up this great opportunity."

Haidarr will return to Sydney for another period over summer.

Some of the other paid internship recipients include:

- Engineering science student Kieran Carter, with Leighton Contractors;
- archaeology student Jacinta Koolmatrie, with BP

in Melbourne;

- Bachelor of Arts student Natan Noel, with Worley Parsons; and

- psychology student Ashum Owen, with Shell.

Facilitating internships is just one of the ways Yunggoendi First Nations Centre at Flinders University works with students to make the most of their education.

To find out about more about studying at Flinders University, contact Yunggoendi at www.flinders.edu.au/yunggoendi



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UNSW Indigenous Admissions Scheme

(for entry into all areas other than those offered in the UNSW Indigenous Preparatory Programs)

The Indigenous Admissions Scheme has been developed to provide you with the opportunity to gain entry into UNSW Arts and Social Sciences, Architecture, Fine Arts and Design, Engineering, Music, Performing Arts, Science or Indigenous Studies courses. After successfully submitting your application you will be invited for an interview which will be conducted by UNSW staff members. Through this scheme you will be assessed on your work, educational, training and life experience, in addition to any formal qualifications. You will also be assessed on your capacity to study at a tertiary level in the area of study in which you have applied.

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Rock solid success

EDITH Cowan University's (ECU) Indigenous programs date back to 1975, when the Aboriginal Teacher Education Program was first established at the Mount Lawley Teachers College, which is now one of three ECU campuses.

Kurongkurl Katitjin, ECU's Centre for Indigenous Australian Education and Research, was established in 1991 to assist the university meet its commitment to Indigenous people. It now coordinates ECU's support services and programs to meet academic and cultural needs.

In 2011, Kurongkurl Katitjin established ECU's 'Indigenous Alumni, Rock Solid Foundations' to coincide with the 60th anniversary of the first Aboriginal graduate, who was also the first qualified Aboriginal teacher in Western Australia.

ECU pro vice-chancellor, Indigenous and equity Professor Colleen Hayward said that from humble beginnings and with a strong foundation in education, ECU had produced more than 500 Indigenous graduates from a range of disciplines including teaching, business, law, nursing, communications and the arts.

"ECU's Indigenous alumni is and will continue to be a cohort of Indigenous people who represent



One of the granite tribute pillars at ECU's Kurongkurl Katitjin centre.

leadership, strength, resilience and durability," she said.

"Kurongkurl Katitjin is a Nyoongar phrase meaning

'coming together to learn' and it certainly embodies the spirit of graduates, past, present and in years to come."

ECU's Rock Solid Foundations tribute at the Mount Lawley Campus represents the notion of education being the foundation

that shapes the future. The WA granite pillars symbolise the foundations on which people build during their education journeys. The combination of polished and natural surfaces reflects the journey from study to graduation.

Each pillar represents a 10-year block and displays the names of each Indigenous student by year of their graduation, with names colour-coded according to the discipline or area of study.

The 'wave' design between each year symbolises the 'ripple effect' and how it builds on itself to gain momentum, much like ECU's graduates who, over time, have built up a cohort of Indigenous people who have succeeded at university to form ECU's Indigenous alumni community.

The seven pillars honour the Nyoongar story of the Seven Sisters constellation and, accordingly, are placed facing north. As people leave Kurongkurl Katitjin, they see the names of Indigenous graduates who have led the way, inspiring others to follow in their footsteps.

In November, ECU will celebrate the second anniversary of Rock Solid Foundations and add another 33 names of graduates who now become part of ECU's Indigenous alumni – set in stone.

"ECU is warm, friendly and helpful. It's easy to find someone to assist you with your studies."

– Elisha Yarran, ECU Teaching student and future Indigenous Alumnus.

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Students ride to reconnect



Moree Secondary College staff and students who took part in the Ride to Reconnect.

A TEAM of students from Moree Secondary College recently rode 40km to Terry Hie Hie, the ancestral home for many Aboriginal families of the north-western NSW region.

The Ride to Reconnect (R2R) was organised by Karen Barker, who has been selected in the NSW Aboriginal Teacher Leadership program.

"The purpose of R2R is for students to embrace the local history of our community and to reaffirm many of our Aboriginal students' identity as proud young Aboriginal people with a shared vision of reconciliation in Moree," she said.

As part of the challenge, students discussed issues including social

justice, identity, reconciliation, shared histories and leadership in the community.

"There could be no greater purpose in our lives than the engagement of our local community youth," Ms Barker said.

"Our community's greatest challenge is working collaboratively

across governments, industries and local organisations to stop the youth exodus from our community."

When the bike riders from Moree arrived at the Terry Hie Hie Aboriginal Area, they listened to talks from Elder Noeline Briggs-Smith and National Parks and Wildlife Service ranger Allison Stewart.

Tjabal place to meet



Students at the Australian National University's Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre in Canberra.

THE Tjabal Indigenous Higher Education Centre is the meeting place for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students studying at the Australian National University in Canberra.

The centre boasts a record of Indigenous students and staff committed to improving education outcomes that benefit Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

The centre has a focus on:

- The recruitment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students;
- retention by having a dedicated academic and studies coordinator to assist each student on campus;
- supporting the teaching and learning of Indigenous students;
- advocacy on issues of concern to students and the community; and
- providing strong cultural and academic support to students during the course of their studies at ANU.

More information about the centre is available by telephoning (02) 6125 4022 or emailing jayde.eldridge@anu.edu.au or going to the website at <http://indigenous.anu.edu.au/future-students>



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THE JOURNEY OF OUR INDIGENOUS STUDENTS

Robert Williams

Bachelor of Archaeological Practice

I have now completed my undergraduate degree and survived the array of obstacles that are intrinsic to tertiary education. Surprisingly, it has gone relatively quickly and has come as a shock that now I have to consider what is next.

Perhaps the secret to university is to choose a subject that you're passionate about. Archaeology, understanding my heritage and the heritage of others has always been a true desire of mine. As a result, it has made this journey enjoyable, empowering and invaluable.

I can only imagine what opportunities will come and I look forward to embracing them and fulfilling my dream.

Benjamin Dries

Bachelor of Engineering

I have now graduated from ANU, and am proud to be one of two Indigenous students who studied engineering over my four year degree.

Coming to university I did not know much about my Aboriginal heritage and did not take much interest in learning about my culture. As my degree was moving forward and I was maturing I started thinking about opportunities outside of university and in my third year I thought it would be interesting to get involved in the "Tjabal Centre". The day I went in was one of the best decisions I had made in due to the support and having other Indigenous students with similar goals and drive just help me achieve where I am today. I would like to promote the hard work of the Tjabal centre and the support that I have received during my life as a student.

As a whole I had a great experience at ANU as my degree was challenging, developed new skills and built strong relationships.

Renee Phillips

Bachelor of Science

I have now graduated from my Science degree majoring in Microbiology, Immunology and Molecular Biology at ANU. I started my degree in 2010 with a positive and determined attitude to complete my degree, achieve good results and become one step closer to my ultimate career choice; a microbiologists.

Over the 3 years of study I developed new skills, relationships and importantly developed a better understanding of myself and what I want to become. I have maintained a positive and determined attitude, I can say that I am about to finally complete my degree, I have achieved good results and I am one step closer to my career choice which is now a high school Science teacher.

I have had a fantastic journey at ANU and I strongly encourage others to experience it too.

Brogan Goode

Bachelor of International Business

I hesitated for about 5 years contemplating whether or not university would be the right choice and after a third successful application and enrolment I decided that I would actually walk through the university gates and kiss goodbye 5 years of retail management in the pursuit of a dynamic career that would really take me places.

In my first semester of uni I felt slightly out of place as most of my cohort were much younger than me or lived on campus which allowed them to socialise more often. It was not until I walked through the doors of what I now refer to as my home away from home, the Tjabal centre, that I truly felt a sense of direction at uni.

It is my hope that I can inspire the next generation to go to university where their potential will be nurtured and they too can aim to achieve bigger and better dreams.

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- Employment opportunities; and
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The University also offers Yapug – a program designed to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, aged 18 years or over, gain the necessary skills for entry into undergraduate degrees at the University of Newcastle.

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Balin Willoughby: "I have always loved maths and science and really excelled in these subjects at school. So civil engineering was a perfect field for me."

Dream coming true for Balin

FOR Wiradjuri man Balin Willoughby, applying to the University of Newcastle's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entry program was a decision that has paid dividends.

Having to work a part-time job through high school, Balin's Higher School Certificate result did not reflect his actual ability. With an ATAR (university entry score) not high enough for his dream career of civil engineer, he opted to start the University of Newcastle's Yapug enabling program to improve his entry score.

For Balin, the costs associated with studying and living away from his home in Kempsey, NSW, were too expensive, and he had to move back during his first semester of Yapug. However, his desire to pursue a civil engineering career was still strong and he applied through the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC).

"I have always loved maths and science and really excelled in these subjects at school. So civil engineering was a perfect

Applications now open

UNIVERSITIES Admissions Centre (UAC) applications are now open through www.uac.edu.au

To ensure you are eligible for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entry program, you must indicate that on your UAC application.

If you did not get the HSC mark you were hoping for but have the determination and motivation, this can be the alternative way of achieving your dream.

For more information, contact Wollotuka at the University of Newcastle on (02) 4921 6863 or email wollotuka@newcastle.edu.au

field for me," Balin said.

Coming through the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entry process enabled Balin to demonstrate to the interview panel

his passion and motivation to pursue a career in civil engineering and he was therefore successful in gaining a position.

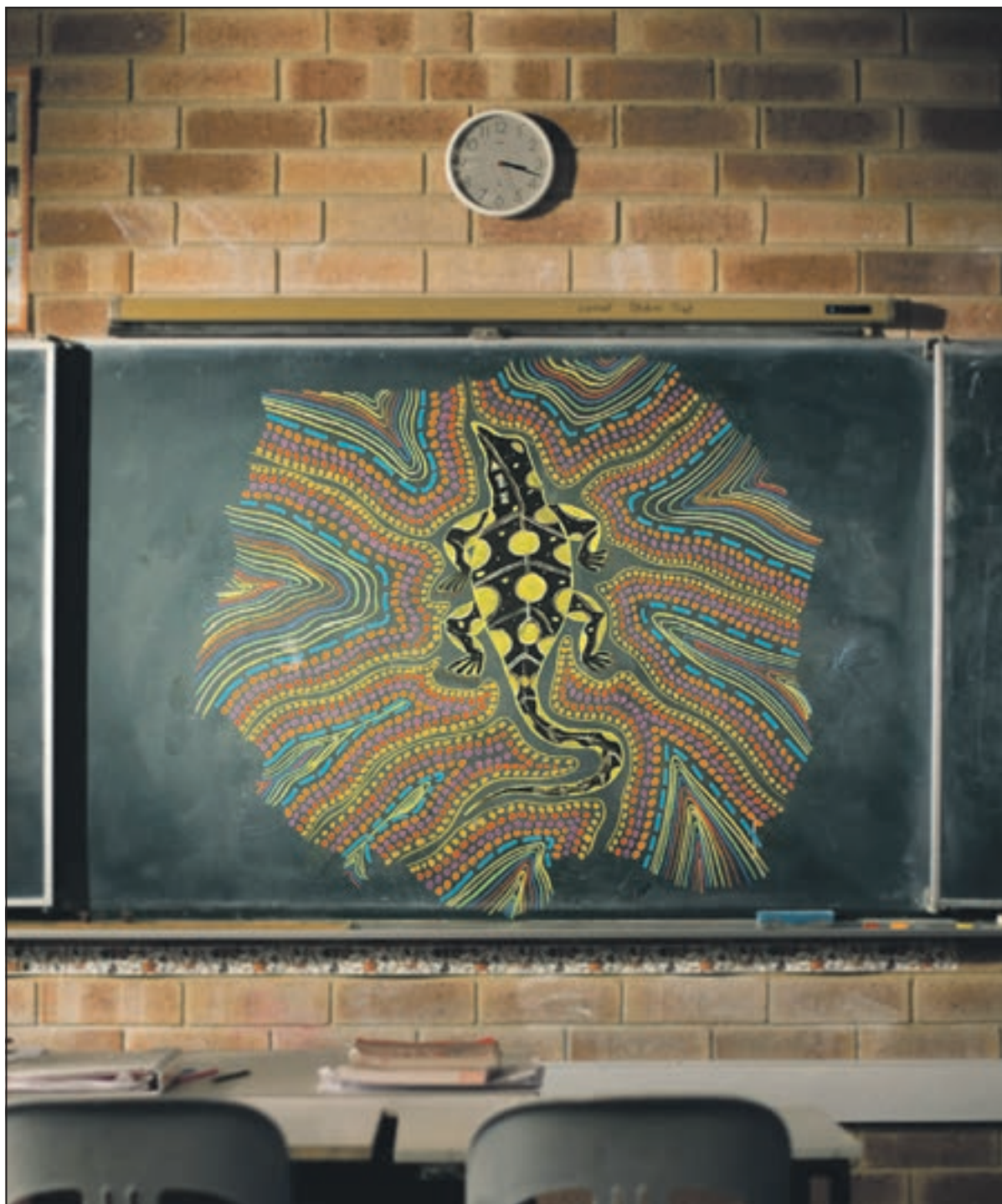
"The good thing about alternative entry is that you are able to give the panel a feel of what type of person you are and that you are motivated and want to do well," he said.

With the assistance of Newcastle University's Wollotuka Institute in the application process, Balin was the successful applicant for the BHP Billiton Indigenous Scholarship.

"Being a successful candidate for the BHP Billiton scholarship has taken away the financial stress of living away from home and has allowed me to really focus on my study," he said.

The scholarship has offered many opportunities for Balin. "I was flown over to Perth to go on a site visit to the new BHP building and discuss vacation work for the end of the year," he said.

With the scholarship requiring a credit grade average, Balin is well on track with a distinction average for his first semester courses.



Indigenous education is reshaping our classroom.

With one of the highest number of Indigenous students enrolled at any University in Australia, Curtin's Centre for Aboriginal Studies (CAS) is helping to lead the way in Indigenous education far into the future.

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Packed program for Buunji



Casey Donovan

CURRENT education issues for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at primary, secondary and tertiary levels are on the program for the Buunji National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education Conference at the Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre from November 5-7.

Organisers say educators and people from communities around Australia will be at the conference to celebrate identity, leadership, innovation, connections and achievements on delivering quality education and training to Indigenous students.

They say the conference will bring together a dynamic network of experiences and knowledge to showcase what works to

inspire individuals, groups and communities to reflect their identity, diversity and sustainable quality lifestyles.

They also say the conference will be an ideal opportunity to review, share, celebrate and map pathways for a sustainable future for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Speakers on the packed program include Bangarra Dance Theatre's Stephen Page, author Dr Anita Heiss, ABC TV's Miriam Corowa, educators Professor Graham Smith and Professor Peter Buckskin, NITV's



Peter Buckskin

Tanya Denning, singer Casey Donovan and more.

For more information on the conference, go to www.buunji.com.au or email natsiec13@det.nsw.edu.au



Anita Heiss



INDIGENOUS SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP 2014

If you are interested in a career in science then the Indigenous Science Scholarship will enable you to study a Bachelor program in Science, Biomedical Science, Environmental Science or Biotechnology at The University of Queensland in 2014.

The scholarship offers \$20,000 per annum to cover tuition fees, books and study expenses, accommodation or basic living expenses as well as access to a range of support services and benefits including personal and academic support from the University's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit to assist your transition to university.

Vacation work experience may also be offered by the donor, Independent Marine Bio-chemistry Research Pty Ltd.

While all eligible Indigenous students are encouraged to apply, preference may be given to applicants from or affiliated with North Stradbroke Island, Queensland.

For application forms and further information visit www.science.edu.au/scholarships or contact the Faculty of Science at science.enquiries@uq.edu.au.

Applications for this scholarship must be received at The University of Queensland (St Lucia campus) no later than **18th October 2013**.

This scholarship is supported by the North Stradbroke Island Indigenous community

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UQ science scholarship is on offer

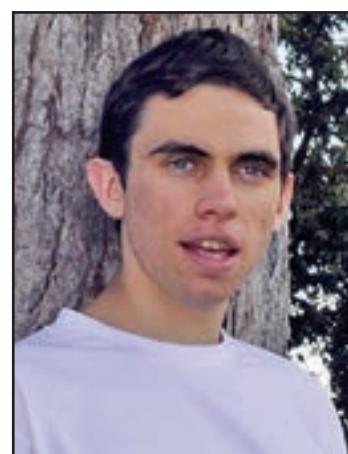
A CAREER in science is a step closer for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students interested in environmental science, biotechnology, biomedical science or general science thanks to a major scholarship at The University of Queensland (UQ).

The Indigenous Science Scholarship, worth \$20,000 a year, will be offered next year to support a student for up to a total of four years, depending on the program in which they are enrolled.

"The scholarship can be used for tuition fees, books and study expenses, accommodation or basic living expenses," UQ Indigenous student relations manager Shane Drahm said.

"Apart from financial support, the recipient will also have access to a range of support services and benefits including personal and academic support from the university's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies Unit to assist their transition to university."

The scholarship is made possible through a donation



UQ Indigenous Science Scholarship recipient 2011-2013 Keiran Maytom

from Independent Marine Bio-chemistry Research Pty Ltd, and is supported by the UQ Faculty of Science as part of the university's commitment to increasing the number of Indigenous students.

Additional support through work experience placement at the company may also be offered to the recipient.

The company is based on North Stradbroke Island,

adjacent to the faculty's Moreton Bay Research Station.

The Indigenous community of North Stradbroke Island has been heavily involved in establishing the scholarship, and two members are part of the final selection committee.

"While all eligible Indigenous students are able to apply, we are actively encouraging applications from those affiliated with the North Stradbroke Island community," Mr Drahm said.

"However, if we receive no applications fitting this criteria, then all applicants have an equal chance of selection, so everyone should apply."

For application forms and further information, go to www.science.edu.au/scholarships or contact the Faculty of Science at science.enquiries@uq.edu.au

Applications for the scholarship must be received at UQ (St Lucia campus) no later than October 18. Applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application after the first round of universities offers in mid-January.

Gili winners named

A SYDNEY TAFE staff member and Sydney TAFE TVET student are among the winners of the 2013 Gili Awards.

The TAFE NSW Gili Awards celebrate and recognise the achievements of Aboriginal TAFE NSW students, staff and programs that have contributed to Aboriginal communities through training and education.

Karin Ossedryer, a teacher at Eora College for 10 years, received the Non-Aboriginal Staff Award.

She has worked across Aboriginal communities in Redfern, Waterloo, La Perouse and the Sutherland Shire.

Sydney TAFE Aboriginal coordinator Danny Allende said Ms Ossedryer had improved educational outcomes for Aboriginal students.

"The direction of her educational practice is learner driven and experientially based, which focusses on Aboriginal cultural philosophies," Mr Allende said.

"Her classes have had a high student participation and completion rate at a high standard. She is extremely thorough in her application to her work ethics."

"Karin's generosity with her



time has supported staff, students and community people to complete their academic requirements, which has led to positive outcomes."

Meanwhile, Zachary Trindall won the TAFE-delivered Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Gili Award.

A student at Tempe High

School, Zachary is doing a TVET construction course.

He has won praise from VET coordinator at Randwick TAFE Rosemary Ayoub as well as his teachers Steve Edgecumbe, Nic Preston and Mark Hawkins.

"Zachary is continually demonstrating that he is thinking and problem-solving



by regularly asking relevant questions that relate to his experience, understanding and future aspirations," Ms Ayoub said.

'By far the best'

"Randwick TAFE construction teachers say Zachary is by far the best TVET

student they have seen. His host for work experience in Year 11 spoke highly of him and made a point of calling TAFE to speak of Zachary's professionalism, dedication, talent and work ethic.

"He has encouraged Zachary to seek an apprenticeship with him when he finishes school."

They're among their state's very best: NSW TAFE Gili Award winners Zachary Trindall and Karin Ossedryer.

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Hayley has say at UN

A UNIVERSITY of Canberra Indigenous student was the only Australian representative on a youth delegation to the United Nations (UN), where she presented on the importance of education.

Hayley McQuire was among 500 youth delegates at the UN headquarters in New York on July 12 as the Australian representative of the UN Global Education First Initiative Youth Advocacy Group.

The event was for 'Malala Day', to honour Malala Yousafzai, the 16-year-old Pakistani girl who was shot in the head by Taliban gunmen for speaking out against young women being denied an education.

Ms McQuire sat next to Ms Yousafzai and joined her in delivering a petition for access to education with more than four million signatures to UN

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

"There are 57 million children in the world who don't have access to education, and hundreds of millions more who are in school but aren't learning," Ms McQuire, who is also a UNICEF Australia Young Ambassador, said.

"A quality education shouldn't just be reserved for people lucky

study at the University of Canberra, where she is completing a double degree in management and arts.

"Being an Indigenous Australian, I've seen firsthand how having access to a quality education can increase your life chances," she said.

"I understand and value education; I believe it's the only thing that will enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to improve their life chances."

The 22-year-old said she has been supported in her activist roles by the university, particularly through the 'fantastic' Ngunnawal Indigenous Higher Education Centre, which provides support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students throughout their studies.

Ms McQuire also works at the Australian Indigenous Communications Association in Canberra.

'Being an Indigenous Australian, I've seen firsthand how having access to a quality education can increase your life chances.'

enough to be born near a school. Every child should have access to education so they can reach their full potential and taking away their access to education is removing those building blocks to that potential."

Ms McQuire, a Darumbal (central Queensland) woman, moved from Rockhampton to



University of Canberra Indigenous student Hayley McQuire.

AN ACHIEVABLE GOAL FOR A POSITIVE FUTURE

For students, the Ngunnawal Centre at the University of Canberra is like a home away from home. It exists to offer Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people a range of pathways and support for their university education.

There are more than sixty Bachelor degrees on offer with guaranteed places available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in some courses.

The University also offers valuable support including:

- The Ngunnawal Centre's Foundation Program which helps Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students prepare for university study.

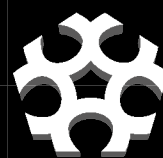
- Scholarships to assist with the cost of education and living expenses
- Access to the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme, study areas, a computer lab, and cultural and learning support.

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Boarding pays off

INDIGENOUS students from the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry in the Diocese of Lismore have been benefiting from education at boarding schools in metropolitan centres. Since 2003, 40 Aboriginal students from the diocese, mainly from the centres of Kempsey, Macksville and Bowraville, have won scholarships to boarding schools in capital cities under a program supported by the Australian Indigenous Education Fund.

The ministry's Father Paul Sullivan said more than 20 students had completed boarding school and were exploring careers and higher education that otherwise wouldn't have been an option for them.

"Thirty students from St Mary's Primary School in Bowraville are currently attending, or have attended, boarding school since 2003," he said.

"This is an amazing achievement for a small school in a community that faces many challenges. The vision and support of the school principal, staff, parents and families have enabled this gift of education to be offered to their children.

One of those students, Taylor Jarrett, grew up in Bowraville and went to St Mary's Primary School.



Taylor Jarrett, originally from Bowraville, now works as an Indigenous teacher's aide at St Francis Xavier Primary School, Ballina. She's pictured with Year 5 student Lachlan Anderson.

She was 14 when Taylor's mother 'made her go' to boarding school in Sydney. Taylor is now a recent graduate of Kincoppal Rose Bay,

and considers boarding school 'an exciting and valuable experience'. "I just loved boarding school and the new friends I made. The

teachers made learning easy and I just enjoyed school," she said.

"I wasn't given a choice, however. My mother knew it was a

chance for better education. After my first year at (the boarding) school I loved it and always wanted to go back every term."

Taylor is now an Indigenous teacher's aide at St Francis Xavier Primary School in Ballina.

Another scholarship recipient, Dominic Craig, overcame a difficult start to finish Year 12 at St Ignatius College, Sydney, and earn a place at University of Melbourne.

"It was terrible (at first). I was homesick, felt out of place and isolated. Finding friends and diving into the deep end helped a lot," Dominic said.

Carlie-Ann Smart, from Bowraville, is another success story. She started at St Vincent's College in Year 7 as a 12-year-old.

"In Year 7, I would never have believed anyone who said to me that it got better, but I can seriously say that it did," she said.

"There were still occasions each term where I would miss home and have a little cry, but I made it. Looking back now I can honestly say that it was one of the best experiences I have had so far."

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Scholarship for Qld school

THE generosity of a past Brisbane Grammar family has led to the opportunity for an Indigenous Queensland student to apply for a scholarship to attend one of Queensland's leading boys school for five years, starting in Year 8 next year.

Nine Indigenous boys are now at Brisbane Grammar, with eight of those in the boarding house. This year, Isaiah Cummings, from Murgon, and Trey Kemp, from Rocky Point near Weipa, addressed the school assembly during NAIDOC celebrations.

During his address, Isaiah, who has been a boarder since Year 11, said that when he was offered the opportunity to attend Brisbane Grammar School, he felt

excited but daunted. "For most of my life I have lived in small Aboriginal communities where I have felt a sense of belonging," he said. "Growing up in and around Aboriginal communities in several parts of Queensland, I have experienced a very family-oriented lifestyle that has taught me to value family."

'I feel I am with family'

"But I was welcomed into the boarding house and now, after 20 months of boarding, I feel I am with family every time I come back to school from holidays."

Isaiah told the gathered assembly of some 1000 boys that his reason for wanting to come to a school like Grammar

was the same as them – to gain access to a higher education.

"I have set myself the task of breaking the cycle and escaping the stigma attached to the Indigenous people of this country," he said.

"I want to prove that it can and will be done. We are all capable of doing just as you and I do every day. However, the opportunities aren't as readily available for us."

For more information on the BGS Indigenous Scholarship, call Brisbane Grammar School registrar Catherine McMahon on (07) 3834 5227 or email catherine.mcmahon@brisbanegrammar.com



Isaiah Cummings, left, and Trey Kemp during NAIDOC at Brisbane Grammar School.

Awards for TAFE Western

TAFE Western has been honoured at the TAFE NSW Gili Awards for the third consecutive year for its work in Aboriginal education and training.

The Institute Innovation award was presented in recognition of 'excellence in the provision of delivery and innovative strategies to increase Aboriginal student participation, retention, completion and transition to employment'.

TAFE Western Aboriginal education and training manager Rod Towney said the institute was determined to 'bridge the gap'.

"We're committed to working with our communities to understand and meet needs, as well as with employers and industry to create effective pathways from training to employment for Aboriginal people," he said.

"TAFE Western is making a reputation for itself throughout Australia and internationally for its efforts in Aboriginal education and training."

"TAFE Western is the single largest provider of vocational education and training for Aboriginal people in Australia, with more than 7600 students enrolled in 2012. This is a growth of 9 per cent compared to 2011."

"TAFE Western has also significantly expanded the number of Aboriginal people working for the organisation and has a number of further strategies in place to ensure strong connections with the Aboriginal communities in western NSW."

Some examples of TAFE Western innovations in partnership include:

- Establishing the Aboriginal Community



With the TAFE NSW Gili Institute Innovation award, from left, TAFE Western Institute director Kate Baxter, Pat Doolan, Rod Towney and Pam Christie.

Reference Group, which is the institute's peak advisory body in relation to Aboriginal education;

- managing the statewide Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery (IPROWD) program (see facing page). This program has achieved impressive

outcomes in course completions, employment and further education;

- partnering with government and other health providers to train Aboriginal health workers;
- partnering with Charles Sturt University, NSW Health and the Orange

Aboriginal Medical Service to support the first Aboriginal cohort of students to start their studies in 'dental assisting'. This program has been designed to create a customised training pathway leading to more Aboriginal dentists; and,

- partnering with the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service to support the training of Aboriginal trainees in conservation and land management.

Staff and students from TAFE Western were also honoured through the awards. These included:

- institute director Kate Baxter, who was awarded with the Director's Meritorious Service Award;

- head teacher of TAFE Western's Yarradamarra, Connie Ah-See, who received the Aboriginal Staff Award;

- Dubbo College graduate Jerakye Goolagong, of Condobolin, who received an achievement award. Jerakye had initially planned to join the Army as a rifleman, however his performance in the pre-recruitment tests for the Australian Defence Forces was such that he had his choice of enlisted positions in defence forces;

- Merv Donovan, who recently relieved as TAFE Western's equity manager, received the Bruce Kendall Award.

The 23rd anniversary of the TAFE NSW Gili Awards, presented this month, celebrated and recognised the achievements of Aboriginal TAFE NSW students, staff and programs that have contributed to Aboriginal communities through training and education.



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BRISBANE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

A day and boarding school for boys years 5 - 12

Brisbane Grammar School Indigenous Scholarship

Applications are now invited from Indigenous boys currently in Year 7 for a fully funded five year scholarship to commence studying at Brisbane Grammar in Year 8 2014. Currently nine boys from Indigenous backgrounds study at Brisbane Grammar School and eight of those live in the boarding house which offers a world class boarding program and an Indigenous liaison member of staff who resides on campus.

For further information on our Indigenous Program and to find out how to apply, please contact our Registrar on (07) 3834 5227 or email catherine.mcmahon@brisbanegrammar.com

www.brisbanegrammar.com

his future

Writing a 'beautiful tomorrow'



A STORY about friendship, loss and finding strength has won the inaugural 'tomorrowgirl' short story competition, which is open to high school girls from remote Indigenous communities. The story was written by 14-year-old Shania Willett, from Halls Creek in Western Australia.

Entrants were asked to submit stories of at least 500 words on the theme of 'my beautiful tomorrow'.

The competition attracted a strong response from Indigenous girls, including from communities as diverse as Epenarra in the Northern Territory, Charleville in Queensland, and Thursday Island.

Sophia Gumpoltsberger, 14, also from Halls Creek, was named runner-up. Her story focussed on home, family and reunion.

Kesha Bedford, 16, from the Junjuwa community in Fitzroy Valley, Western Australia, took out the Founder's Encouragement Award. Her story was on love of home, country and family.

All three award winners received memberships to the Australian Society of Authors, among other prizes aimed at encouraging them to pursue their passion for writing stories.

The competition, to be held annually, was developed by Ros Baxter, a published novelist from Brisbane who has a history of working with Indigenous people and on Indigenous issues.

"Too often we hear only the bad news stories coming out of remote Australia," she said.

"Tomorrowgirl is about hearing

fresh voices of hope and resilience and about helping girls learn from each other.

"As well as providing budding young writers with a chance to be published, we know that women and girls are the key to change in any community.

"These girls are the leaders and mothers of tomorrow. It's important that their voices are heard – by their communities and by each other."

Ms Baxter is working with publishing group Harper Collins Publishing Australia to develop an

anthology based on the entries.

Tomorrowgirl was judged by a panel of three people: Sue Woolfe, an award-winning novelist who has spent years in remote Indigenous communities researching her latest novel, *The Oldest Song in the World*; young Indigenous print and radio journalist Danika Nanya; and Damian Amaroo, the CEO of Indigenous communications company Inception Strategies.

Further details are available at www.tomorrowgirl.com.au or by calling Ros on 0420 933 741.



The Defence Indigenous Development Program graduation parade at Batchelor Institute in the Northern Territory.

Cadets on the march



IT was a proud moment for 27 Indigenous cadets when they graduated at the first Passing Out ceremony for Batchelor Institute's Defence Indigenous Development Program (DIDP).

Families and friends gathered with officials and staff from the Australian Defence Force (ADF), the Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education and the Batchelor community to celebrate the event at the institute's Batchelor campus in the Northern Territory on September 12.

The DIDP is a partnership with the ADF. It has been running nationally for five years as part of the Federal Government's Closing the Gap initiative, and this year Batchelor Institute was selected as the preferred partner.

The ceremony began with a welcome to country musical performance by Kungarakana

traditional owners Helen Bishop and Barbara Taylor.

Looking on were ADF staff led by Major Marty Alsford, with other guests including NT Administrator Sally Thomas, the army's Norforce commanding officer, Lieutenant Colonel Paul O'Donnell, and Batchelor Institute director Adrian Mitchell.

Formal dinner

Graduates celebrated in the traditional way by flinging their army hats into the air. The event was capped off by a formal dinner in the institute's student kitchen involving about 120 guests, including cadets and family members.

All the graduates stayed at the institute's Batchelor campus from May 25 while they completed a Certificate II in Education Skills Development.

This was complemented by a program involving ADF training, mentoring, personal development and recreational activities.



Cadets fling their hats into the air after graduating from the course at Batchelor Institute.

Kidney expert wins award



KIDNEY specialist Professor Alan Cass has received a national

award for his 'outstanding contribution to the field of nephrological science'.

Prof Cass is the director at Menzies School of Health Research in Darwin. He has been involved in kidney health research for 15 years, leading large-scale clinical trials and pioneering the use of research to understand the impact of kidney disease on individuals and families.

For that work, he received the 2013 T J Neale Award from the Australian and New Zealand Society of Nephrology (ANZSN) as part of the 49th Annual Scientific Meeting, held in Brisbane recently.

Prof Cass welcomed the national recognition from his peers, but believes there is much more to be done. "The burden of kidney disease amongst Indigenous Australians remains extremely heavy," he said.

Solution

"My clinical research is about being part of the solution – working with Indigenous researchers, patients and community organisations, as well as with health service providers and government, to develop strategies and new models of care that improve health."

ANZSN president Prof Rowan Walker said Prof Cass was a deserving recipient of the award.

"The awards committee was impressed by the calibre of applicants and there were many worthy winners, speaking to the strength and health of renal science in Australasia," he said.

"As a kidney specialist who has made outstanding contributions to kidney research in Australia, coupled with leadership in research with Indigenous populations, the award committee identified Prof Cass as the outstanding figure."

Before his position at Menzies, Prof Cass was the director of the renal division at the George Institute for Global Health in Sydney. He has published 180 academic papers and government reports, driven by a commitment to prevent chronic disease and advance wellbeing among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

Working to stop suicides



THE community of Murrin Bridge in western NSW has said 'enough' to death by suicide. Community members recently attended a two-day suicide prevention and bereavement support training program delivered by mental health

clinician Gary Carey, from Griffith Aboriginal Medical Service, in conjunction with Murrin Bridge Aboriginal Health Service and the Salvation Army's Hope for Life.

The initial training was designed to build skills and awareness, and this will be backed up by a yearly program of ongoing support

aimed at reducing the incidence of suicide in the community.

● **Pictured: Murrin Bridge community members with Hennie Watts, from Hope for Life, (black top, centre) and Gary Carey, from the Griffith Aboriginal Medical Service (far right).**

New Qld health data welcomed



THE latest primary health care data from community-controlled clinics in Queensland show significant gains in health access, according to a new report.

The Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) External Report 2013 offers evidence that the national Closing the Gap effort is working in that state, while demonstrating more work is needed.

The report is a compilation of primary health care data collected from QAIHC clinics across Queensland from 2009 to 2013.

It shows that QAIHC member services are providing regular care to about 70,000 Indigenous patients. This represents close to 45 per cent of the Queensland Indigenous population, even though QAIHC member clinics are not in all parts of the state.

Additionally, more than 20 per



'QAIHC has over 40 Indigenous-controlled health clinics throughout Queensland, and these community-controlled health clinics are all proven success stories.'

– Selwyn Button

cent of Indigenous Queenslanders visited QAIHC member services and clinics in the past six months.

QAIHC CEO Selwyn Button welcomed the report.

"QAIHC member clinics are the largest provider of primary health care services to Indigenous people

across Queensland," he said.

"This report demonstrates that the demand for community-controlled services continues to grow throughout the state, particularly in areas where a QAIHC service is yet to be developed.

"QAIHC has over 40 Indigenous-controlled health clinics throughout Queensland, and these community controlled health clinics are all proven success stories.

"The growth in (patient) numbers clearly demonstrates this, but the growth in activities, including an increasing number of health checks, chronic disease management plans and other related activities, shows that our services are improving the quality of care through systematic and best-practice approaches to patient care and continuity."

Other report highlights were that 60 per cent of all patients had a health check in the past 12 months; 70 per cent of hypertension patients were on the recommended medication; and 50 per cent of diabetics were on management plans.

The report can be downloaded from www.qaihc.com.au/resources/publications/

Campaign is deadly



A SOUTH Australian campaign that aims to break the smoking cycle within Aboriginal communities has been honoured with a national Deadly Award.

Called 'Rewrite Your Story', the social marketing campaign took out the inaugural category for Excellence in Health Through the Promotion of Healthy and Smoke Free Lifestyles at the 19th Deadlys, held this month at the Sydney Opera House.

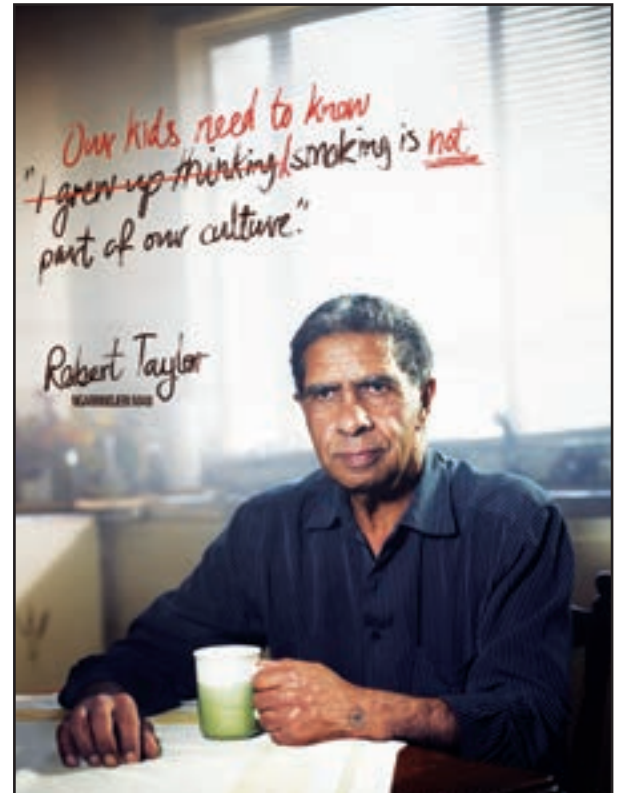
The campaign features the smoking stories of 16 community ambassadors, with the aim of inspiring Adelaide's Aboriginal communities to rewrite their own stories and give up smokes for good. It was developed by the Puiyurti (Don't Smoke) team at Nunkuwarrin Yunti of SA Inc.

The campaign includes an interactive website, six short documentaries and a short film directed by award-winning Adelaide-born and New York-based photographer Steven Laxton.

Nunkuwarrin Yunti CEO Vicki Holmes said she believed the campaign's success was due to the culture of storytelling and yarning used by the 16 ambassadors as a vehicle



Above, Nunkuwarrin Yunti team members accepting the Deadly Award for the Puiyurti (Don't Smoke) Tackling Tobacco's Rewrite Your Story campaign, from left, Eva Pratt, Donna Pickett, CEO Vicki Holmes, Sam Johnson, Jean Pinkie and Dean Hodgson and, right, a poster from the Rewrite Your Story campaign.



for positive change.

"It wasn't about preaching the 'don't smoke' message, but encouraging the community to come together, share their own stories and support one another to

make at least one change – be it smoking outside or cutting down," Ms Holmes said.

Accepting the award at the Sydney Opera House, Puiyurti Tackling Tobacco coordinator

Donna Pickett said the prize honoured the campaign's ambassadors in supporting their communities to make positive changes for the future.

"This is about encouraging and

empowering the Aboriginal community in South Australia to live longer for their family – for their children and grandchildren – and to be healthy role models," she said.

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New series on Kakadu



A FOUR-part in-depth look at Kakadu begins on Sunday, October 6, at 7.30pm on ABC1.

Filmed over a year, Kakadu is seen through the rangers' eyes and those of the scientists and traditional owners who devote their lives to Kakadu.

It charts the six seasons defined by the Bininj/Mungguy, the Aboriginal people of Kakadu, unfolding as they have for millennia.

Djok Elder Jeffrey Lee (left) is one of the people featured in the new series.

King Lear goes Kriol



Tom E Lewis stars as the *Shadow King*, a reworking of Shakespeare's *King Lear*.

By RUDI MAXWELL



WHEN Kamahi Djordon King began translating Shakespeare's tragedy *King Lear*

into Kriol he was struck by the similarities in rhythm.

"Kriol is quite rhythmic. We chucked in a few English words and even if you've never spoken Kriol, you'll understand it," he said.

"Who would have thought blackfellas' language would have had things in common with olde English from way back when?"

Tom E Lewis, former Malthouse Theatre artistic director Michael Kantor and King have reimagined *King Lear* in a modern context – where two Aboriginal families are fighting – for *The Shadow King*.

"In this context the king is trying to claim personal ownership of traditional land for his children, and money from a mining company," Mr King said.

"It's a tragedy that shows how greed turns people horrible. Cordelia (Lear's daughter) knows it and says to her father, 'You can't give me what we don't own', talking about land."

King plays the Fool, a role he's finding challenging and enjoyable.

"The Fool has a lot of power. He's the King's right hand, Lear's best friend, and he's also the one that narrates the story at the start," King said.

"He's powerful and although he's

called the Fool, he's not foolish. He has his head screwed on, when everyone else is losing theirs.

"He gets away with criticising Lear. He says, 'Open your eyes old man, you're doing the wrong thing,' He gets cheeky. Lear gets angry but listens to what he's saying."

As well as a stellar cast that includes Lewis (Lear), Jada Alberts, Jimi Bani, Frances Djulibing, Rarriwuy Hick, Damion Hunter and Natasha Wanganeen, *The Shadow King* has a live band playing during the production.

"Some of the songs give it a bit of rowdiness, like you get around the campfire. It's going to be really fun," King said.

"A lot of the Shakespeare mob know the story, but for those who don't know what it's about, it's so clear that they'll get it.

"It's a tragedy that will resonate when you look at what mining is doing to our people. For mining company royalties, anthropologists come and say this person is not from here, so people can buy off Elders. There's greed and corruption.

"Blackfella plays tend to be real tentative but we're going all out, putting the ugliness on the table and it's a beautiful thing, not in anyway a negative context. We're taking the perpetrators, the greedy king, the kids and showing them for what they are."

The Shadow King will play at Merlyn Theatre, The Coopers Malthouse, October 11 – 27 and is a part of the Melbourne Festival.

Big field listed for Victorian art prize



ARTISTS aged from 22 to 73 have made the shortlist for this year's Victorian Indigenous Art Awards. State Arts Minister Heidi Victoria said the 2013 awards program was one of the biggest and most diverse yet, featuring 45 works by 31 artists.

"The awards aim to showcase the work of our state's Indigenous artists and celebrate both the contemporary and traditional ways in which artists express their culture," she said.

"This year, the awards and accompanying exhibition will be hosted at the Art Gallery of Ballarat, the largest and most prestigious venue to date, which not only helps to build the profile of the awards but gives shortlisted artists the opportunity to show their work to new and diverse audiences."

Ms Victoria said the shortlist reflects a vibrant and healthy statewide Indigenous visual arts sector.

"This year's list includes artists at all career stages and hailing from both regional and metropolitan areas," she said.

Featured artists include Deadly Art Award winners Turbo Brown (2012), Ben McKeown (2011) and Bindi Cole (2009).

Also shortlisted is multidisciplinary artist Reko Rennie, whose work has been shown internationally and who has created public art works.

On this year's judging panel are

senior Indigenous curatorial fellow at the National Museum Australia Margo Neale, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Board of the Australia Council chair Lee-Ann Buckskin, and Art Gallery of Ballarat director Gordon Morrison.

Shortlisted artists are in the running for more than \$50,000 in prizes, including the \$30,000 Deadly Art Award, supported by Arts Victoria; awards for 3D works and works on paper, supported by Copyright Agency Ltd; and acquisitive awards worth \$5000 each, supported by Australian Catholic University and the University of Ballarat.

People's choice

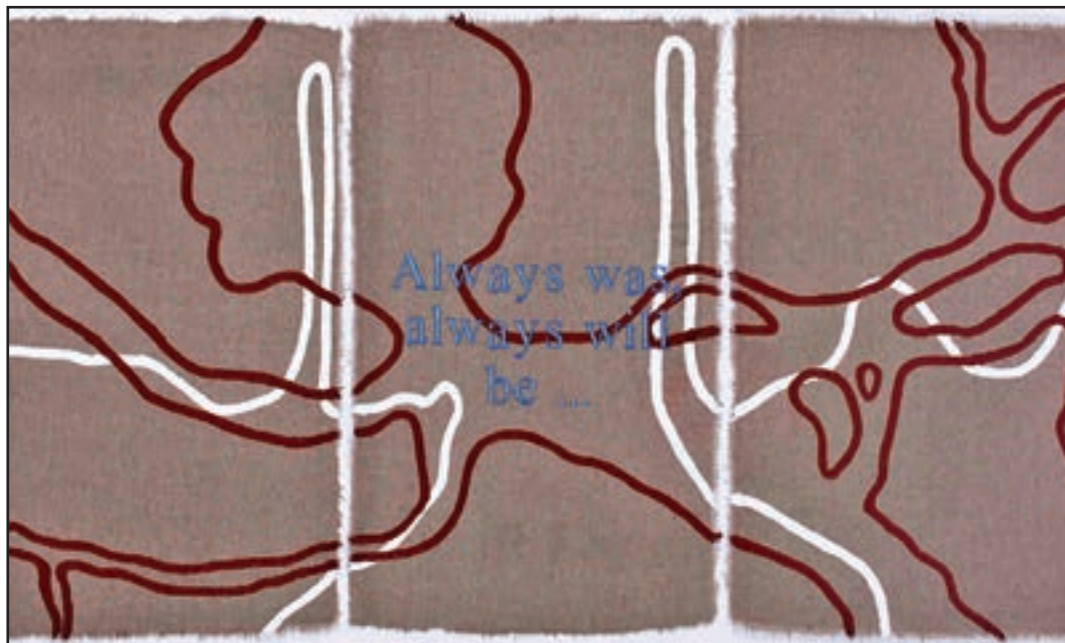
Arts Victoria will also support a \$2500 People's Choice Award.

"While the major award categories are judged by the expert panel, the People's Choice Award will be an online award, accepting votes via the Arts Victoria website," Ms Victoria said.

"This will allow the public, no matter where they live, to take part in the 2013 Awards and have their say about their favourite work."

The Victorian Indigenous Art Awards winners will be announced on November 2 at the Art Gallery of Ballarat. A free exhibition of the finalists' work will open the same day and run until December 8 at the Art Gallery of Ballarat.

Online voting for the Arts Victoria People's Choice Award will open on November 2 and are set to close on November 25.



Yaegl Land by Frances Belle Parker won the 2011 Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Award.

Judge appointed for Clarence art award



AN Indigenous art award on the NSW north coast will be decided next month by leading Aboriginal art curator Keith Munro.

Mr Munro, who is curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs at Sydney's Museum of Contemporary Art, was recently appointed to judge the winners of the 2013 Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Award (CVIAA).

He is a descendent of the Kamilaroi people of north-west NSW and south-west Queensland. He obtained a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of NSW's College of Fine Arts in 1999, followed by a Master of Art in 2003.

The CVIAA is held every two years and is backed by Clarence Valley Council and the Yulgibar Foundation. It aims to promote contemporary Indigenous art on the north coast of NSW and is open to all Indigenous artists who reside in the traditional areas of the Yaegl, Bundjalung and Gumbainggirr nations.

This will be the fourth time the award has been held



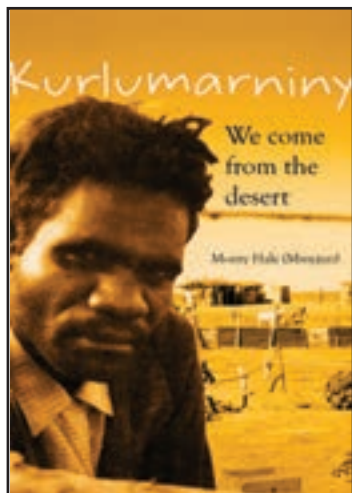
Frances Belle Parker pictured at last year's award.

since its inception in 2007.

The award comprises a \$5000 acquisitive prize and a \$1000 further encouragement award for new media work. The winning artwork is acquired into the Grafton

Regional Gallery's collection, and will be on display there from October 25 until December 8. Artists can enter the competition for free, with entries closing on Friday, October 4.

Desert story is a winner



AN Aboriginal man's story of his life in Western Australia's outback last century has won the history category at the WA Premier's Book Awards.

Speaking at the awards ceremony on September 16, WA Arts Minister John Day described *Kurlumarniny: We come from the Desert* as 'a remarkable account of an Indigenous man's life in the mid-1900s'. The author is Minyjun (Monty Hale), a senior Ngulipartu man from the Pilbara. "This narrative chronicles his migration from the desert to the

station country of the eastern Pilbara, his childhood growing up on Mt Edgar Station, Australia's engagement in World War II, and the famous Pilbara station workers' strike of 1946," Mr Day said. "There has been an increase in the documentation of important Aboriginal stories ... as well as a growing interest among Australian readers."

The award carries prizemoney of \$10,000.

Kurlumarniny: We come from the Desert is published by Aboriginal Studies Press (www.aiatsis.gov.au/asp) and is available online and through bookshops for \$39.95.



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.**

Honouring John Pat



SOME of Australia's leading Indigenous musicians have helped record an album to mark

the 30th anniversary of Aboriginal teenager John Pat's death in custody.

John's death at the age of 16 in a police cell in Roebourne, Western Australia, on September 28, 1983, was the catalyst that led directly to the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADIC).

Murru, the name of the album, was the nickname used by John Pat's mother and immediate family when John was a boy. It referred to the feather-shaped birthmark on John's back.

The tribute album resulted from more than two-and-a-half years of music workshops run by arts company Big hART in the Roebourne Regional Prison and the community. In 2013 professional musicians and singers/songwriters were invited to help inmates and local people write and record tracks for *Murru*.

The resulting musical

collaboration includes performers John Bennett, Shellie Morris, Emma Donovan, Archie Roach, Lucky Oceans, Harry Hookey, Bill Chambers, the Last Kinection, Trevor Jamieson and David Hyams.

A track from *Murru* titled *Our Ways, Our Stories*, written by Roebourne local Tyson Mowarin (and performed by John Bennett), has already been nominated as a finalist in the Indigenous category for the 2013 West Australian Music (WAM) Song of the Year, to be named on October 9.

'Opportunity'

"The John Pat project has been an exceptional experience as I have had the opportunity to write and record with local countrymen from Roebourne," Bennett said.

Morris was equally positive about the album and the broader project.

"Being able to create songs about strength, courage and fortitude was a really important part of the project for me," she said.

"I am truly proud to have been part of it."

The aim of the album is to

raise funds for a memorial to be built in Roebourne and create discussion around the need for strategies to reduce Indigenous incarceration rates and stop preventable deaths in custody.

Twenty years have passed since the RCIADIC handed down its 339 recommendations and the problem of Indigenous over-representation in the criminal justice system remains a serious issue, with Indigenous people making up just over one in four people in prison and almost half of youths in juvenile detention.

The album will be launched from 6.30pm on September 29 at the Fly By Night Musicians Club in Fremantle. The event will bring together Roebourne people and many of the musicians featured on the album for one night, playing songs from *Murru* as well as selections from their own repertoires.

Tickets to the launch are on sale from www.flybynight.org for \$28.50 (including booking fee), or call (08) 9430 5976. Unless sold out prior, tickets will be available on the door for \$35 a person.



John Bennett performs on *Murru*.



Shellie Morris: "Being able to create songs about strength, courage and fortitude was a really important part of the project for me."

Artists' work on show in Hunter



WUPA@Wanaruah has launched its sixth annual art exhibition, beginning a month-long celebration of Aboriginal talent, art and culture in NSW's Hunter Valley region.

The launch event was hosted by comedian Sean Choolburra and showcased more than 100 new pieces of art created by established and emerging artists from the Hunter Valley.

The exhibition is free across various venues and aims to encourage understanding of Aboriginal art and culture as well as build support for local artists.

The term 'wupa' is an Aboriginal word that means 'to make' or 'to paint'. It is from the language of the Wanaruah people of the Hunter Valley region.

In past years, the exhibition has been successful in launching artists on to a national platform and exposing them to a broader audience. It is curated by Ungooroo Aboriginal Corporation, a not-for-profit community organisation that has partnered with mining company Coal & Allied and other locally operating companies.

"WUPA isn't just about one artist, it is about giving all Aboriginal artists the opportunity to showcase their work on local, regional and national levels," Ungooroo manager Taasha Layer said.

"This exhibition started in 2008 with two artists displaying their work in a small



Some of the Hunter Valley artists whose work will be on display at various venues during the WUPA@Wanaruah festival.

gallery on the weekend.

"It has now expanded into a month-long festival where attendees can experience local culture, food, wine and the countryside while following an art trail."

Local artists will be at the different locations, holding workshops and speaking about their artwork to audiences.

The venues include Crowne Plaza, Hunter Valley Resort, Lambloch Estate,

Lindemans Wines, Brokenwood, Broke's Promise Estate and the Hunter Wetlands.

The exhibition runs until October 31. More information on venues and opening times is at www.wupaatwanaruah.com.au



Plenty of people turned out to watch the fair performance by the Shalom Christian College Chookie Dancers.

Drifters at Spring Fair

By ALF WILSON



THE Spring Fair held this month on Palm Island was one of the north Queensland Aboriginal community's biggest events of the year.

The fair was held on the park across from the council offices, and despite some rain was well attended by locals.

Special guests were internationally renowned entertainers The Drifters, while comedian Sean Choolburra, was MC for the day.

"I have family connections here. Palm is a deadly island

with deadly people," Choolburra told the *Koori Mail*.

Elder and traditional owner Allan Palm Island (Manbarra tribe) welcomed guests to country, followed by speeches from Mayor Alf Lacey and Elders Group chair Iris White.

Palm Island Shire Council also re-launched its health action plan and re-affirmed the statement of intent.

Entertainment

As well as The Drifters, entertainment included the Shalom Christian College Chookie Dancers, Melita Murphy, Noel Cannon, Archie Fraser, Walter Foster and band, and Selina Shepherd.

There were many community, government and non-government organisation stalls.

"This year's theme is about our diversity and who we are as Bwgcolman families and our respect for one another," Mayor Lacey said.

"Council's message is that progress is happening and will continue to happen as we see a mood for change. Economic development, housing infrastructure, a new health agreement, the foreshore program, the pontoon project and subdivision number three are all in the pipeline."

The Drifters concert featured their most popular songs.



Comedian and fair MC Sean Choolburra with Shalom Christian College Chookie Dancers supervisor Sandra Manydjiwuy.



Jennifer Baker, Luella Bligh, Iris White and Jenny Pryor enjoyed the Palm Island Spring Fair.



Chookie dancers, from left, Cameron, Byron and Elijah.

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.

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

3 October: BayMob Health and Education Expo 2013. This Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and education day includes stalls, live entertainment, activities galore and more. Held at Monash University, Peninsula Campus, McMahon's Road, Frankston from 10am-3pm. Free and all welcome. Details: (03) 9784 1106 or (03) 9784 1102 or email daiello@phcn.vic.gov.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 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 19 October: *Putitja, From Spinifex Country* Exhibition. A collection of new paintings from the artists of Ernabella, South Australia. Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St, Waterloo on Tues, Thurs, Fri from 10am-5pm, Wed 10am-7pm and Sat 11am-6pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 9699 2211 or visit www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au



International law expert Professor Megan Davis

Davis to give SCU speech



SOUTHERN Cross University's School of Law and Justice is celebrating its 20th anniversary and as part of the festivities, international law expert Professor Megan Davis will deliver a keynote speech on Indigenous human rights.

The School of Law and Justice opened at SCU's Lismore campus in 1993 and for the past six years has played host to the annual Michael Kirby Lecture, named in honour of former High Court judge Michael Kirby.

Prof Davis' lecture will be the seventh in the lecture series and will focus on the nation's most recent constitutional project, the 'recognition' of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Constitution.

She will explore the politics of racial non-discrimination in the current constitutional reform process and explain why she believes 'soft' recognition – the trend in state constitutions – should be disavowed.

Prof Davis has worked as an

international lawyer at the United Nations for more than a decade, during which time she helped draft the UN Declaration of Rights of Indigenous Peoples (1999-2004). She is currently based at the University of NSW and is also an expert member on the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples (UPFII).

Kirby lecture convener Prof Bee Chen Goh said Prof Davis would offer great insight into Indigenous human rights.

"Not only is Megan a distinguished academic at the University of NSW, but she has vast experience in the area," Prof Goh said.

"She is an expert member of the UPFII and only last year she was the rapporteur of the UPFII Expert Group Meeting on Violence Against Indigenous Women in New York. She was elected again in 2013 as the rapporteur for the UNPFII Expert Group Meeting on Indigenous Youth."

The lecture will be from 6pm on October 11 at SCU's Whitebrook Theatre, and is free to the public. For more information, email lawevents@scu.edu.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.

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.

The meetings are free and all are welcome. More details from 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

20 November - 1 December: Dance Clan 3. Bangarra Dance Theatre presents a new production featuring an all-female choreographic team with four senior female dancers each creating a new work. Held at Studio Theatre, Pier 4, 15 Hickson Road, Welsh Bay, Sydney. Cost: \$49 full, \$35 concession + transaction fees. Details: (02) 9251 5333 Bookings: bangarra.com.au/performance/danceclan3 (Tickets on sale Thursday 26 September)

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 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, 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

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.

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From left, Samara Dargan and Jodie Curry, from finalist organisation the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health, with Apunipima Cape York Health Council representatives CEO Cleveland Fagan, executive manager organisational development Karen Mounsey and human resources manager Allison Wallace.

Apunipima wins innovation award



APUNIPIMA Cape York Health Council has won the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Organisation category at the fourth annual Queensland Health and Community Workforce Innovation Awards.

The award was presented at a ceremony in Brisbane on September 12.

The category recognises innovative efforts by Indigenous organisations to improve their workforce's capacity to deliver services.

Health and Community Services Workforce CEO Wallis Westbrook said

Apunipima's successful development and implementation of its enterprise agreement had improved career prospects, particularly in the health worker area, with 23 traineeships being undertaken.

"As a result of this success, 40 per cent of

registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers in Queensland can be accredited as coming from Apunipima," Mr Westbrook said.

Apunipima CEO Cleveland Fagan said the award was an acknowledgement of the organisation's commitment to improving the lives of

people in Cape York.

"We have a proud record of training, supporting and employing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workers," he said.

"We believe this is an unparalleled way of addressing the social determinants that contribute to the health gap."

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Integration Coordinator (Aboriginal Health)

- Improve health and wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
- Melbourne Bayside location
- Supportive work environment



Bayside Medicare Local (BML) is a healthcare organisation located south of Melbourne. BML is funded by the Commonwealth Government to improve the integration, sustainability, quality and accessibility of health care services in the community. BML currently has an exciting and challenging opportunity for an Integration Coordinator (Aboriginal health).

In this role you will be responsible for initiatives that aim to improve primary health services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by ensuring that local health services are available, appropriate, accessible and well-coordinated. You will foster and promote positive relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the Bayside Medicare Local catchment and provide a focus on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health within the Medicare Local.

If you have relevant qualification/s in a health related field, demonstrated experience in project management, proven experience working in Aboriginal Health and you meet the key selection criteria then we would love to hear from you. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

For further information please contact Nicola McLaren, Deputy Director Service Integration at nicola.mclaren@bml.org.au.

To obtain a copy of the position description and the key selection criteria, and to apply for this position please email HR@bml.org.au. Please ensure that you address all points of the Key Selection Criteria in your application. Please note only those candidates shortlisted for interview will be contacted.

Applications Close on Wednesday 9 October 2013



Our purpose is to serve and connect with our community who are at the heart of what we do.

Aboriginal Community Development Officer

The Aboriginal Community Development Officer is a key link between elected Councillors, Council staff and Lismore's Aboriginal community. This position's responsibilities include providing advice to Council on Aboriginal cultural matters; liaising with the Aboriginal community; developing and managing projects; collaborating with the Community Services team and other Council staff to develop strategies that address issues relating to both the Aboriginal and broader communities. This position will support the development of the Lismore City Council Aboriginal Advisory Group and will coordinate Council's annual NAIDOC and Reconciliation Week Celebrations. This role will have a major role in the implementation of Council's Reconciliation Action Plan.

Information Session

Applicants are encouraged to attend an Information Session on Wednesday, 9 October 2013 at 4.30pm, Council's Corporate Centre, 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

Salary

Depending on Qualification(s) and experience, Council is offering a salary range from \$61,763 (Grade 14 Entry) to \$71,027 (Grade 14 Step 4) per annum with the opportunity for annual progression, plus 9.25% Superannuation.

Please note: Depending on qualification(s) and experience, Council may negotiate the above proposed salary package with outstanding or exceptional applicants

For further information regarding this position please contact Annie McWilliam, Community Services Coordinator, on (02) 6625 0424.

Applications close Monday, 21 October 2013



Detailed Information packages are available on Council's website, www.lismore.nsw.gov.au or by contacting Council, phone 1300 87 83 87.



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Apply online by Friday 11 October 2013. Please view Job Description for full details and selection criteria.

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**Government of
Western Australia
Department of Sport and Recreation**

Aboriginal Sport Development Officer

Classification: Level 3 PSGOGA 2011 \$62,894 - \$68,287

Web Search no: 4ASD302P

We are seeking a suitably qualified person to fill the position of Aboriginal Sport Development Officer based in our Leederville office.

In this role you will lead and provide support to sport and recreation organisations and facilitate projects that lead to greater community inclusion, particularly related to aboriginal people/communities.

For further job related information please contact Julie Jackson on (08) 9492 9839 or go to www.jobs.wa.gov.au

Full information on how to apply for this position can be found on www.jobs.wa.gov.au. Please phone (08) 9492 9844 if you are unable to access this website.

Applications close: 3.00pm Friday 4 October 2013

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Operations Assistant (Indigenous) Traineeships

Are you passionate about TV technical production and want to gain valuable experience at the ABC?

This unique opportunity will see you mentored by experienced professionals in the areas of Grip & Rigging, Lighting, Vision Control, Audio, Camera, Post Production and Transmission.

Two traineeships are available in ABC Resources Victoria for Indigenous applicants.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Equity and Diversity Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

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NT Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation



Link Up Counsellor \$75k

NTSGAC is an organisation which assists Stolen Generations people in the NT and hosts the top end Link Up Service. We are currently seeking to fill the above position. The successful applicants will need to be able to work as a part of a team in a diverse and dynamic workplace.

Attractive salary sacrifice options are available and flexible working hours.

Applications Close: 4th October 2013.

Only applications addressing the selection criteria will be considered.

Applications to be submitted to:

CEO, NTSGAC

PO Box 43372

CASUARINA, NT, 0811

Alternatively, via email to: tyron@ntsgac.org

For copies of the position description and selection criteria please contact Mr Tyron Major on (08) 8947 9171 or via email tyron@ntsgac.org

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.

JERRINJA LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Jerrinja Local Aboriginal Land Council (JLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the JLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have a knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Jerrinja Local Land Council office on (02) 4447 4207.

Applications can be forwarded and/or marked **"Confidential"** and posted to:

Chairperson, Gordon Wellington,
Jerrinja Local Aboriginal Land Council,
PO Box 167, Culburra Beach, NSW, 2540.

Applications close 30th October 2013.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.



VACCA
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ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT WORKING WITH ABORIGINAL WOMEN AND CHILDREN AT ORANA GUNYAH?

VACCA (Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency) will open Orana Gunyah, meaning Welcome, Place of Shelter in 2014. It will be a state wide crisis accommodation and support service for Aboriginal women and children escaping or experiencing family violence. It will offer short term accommodation in 5 units as well as case management and outreach and will be staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It will provide a holistic approach to addressing the legacy of the past to heal individuals, families and communities.

We have a number of job opportunities available:

- **Women's Advocate Positions**
- **Children's Advocate Positions**
- **Sleepover & After Hours Workers (including weekends)**
- **Casual Positions**

If you are:

- Reliable
- Good with people
- Have a current Victorian Driver's License (Full license or Green 'P' Plates as minimum)
- Can get a Working with Children Check & Police Records Check
- Committed to improving your skills and undertake training
- Have experience working with the Aboriginal community
- Committed to improving outcomes for Aboriginal people

Support and training will be provided in:

- CRAF (Common Risk Assessment Framework)
- Specialist Family Violence skills, knowledge and understanding
- Case notes and the law
- Victorian Family Violence Protection Act 2008
- Occupational Health & Safety First Aid training

For further information please contact Barbara Livingstone on 5135 6055 for a copy of the position description and key selection criteria which applicants must address, please email: recruitment@vacca.org

Applications close: Friday 4th October 2013.



Aboriginal Immunisation Health Worker

52.5 hours per fortnight (Dubbo)

The Western NSW Medicare Local is a coordinating body for primary health care services, gathering information about the health needs of the region and connecting health services to meet local health needs.

Based in Dubbo, this role will play an important part in improving the health of Indigenous peoples by contributing to increasing the uptake and timeliness of vaccination within our communities. You will develop and implement local strategies to improve culturally sensitive primary care services, leading to improved vaccination rates that help stop preventable diseases. EEN or clinical immunisation skills would be highly regarded.

Salary range \$26.67 to 29.00 per hour, plus super & generous salary packaging.

For more information and to apply, download the Information Package (which includes the selection criteria and application process) from www.wml.org.au ("Positions Vacant" tab).

Applications close 9am on Tuesday 8th October 2013

NSW WML considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification for this role, under S.14 if the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977(NSW).

Department of Corrective Services

Official Visitor - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (Identified)

As an independent and impartial visitor, you will be required to attend Lotus Glen Correctional Centre once a month to interview prisoners, investigate their complaints and, where possible, seek to resolve them. Strong interpersonal and problem-solving skills are required to perform this task.

Identified - Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent as the position is to be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.

Remuneration paid at \$300 per visit plus travel expenses and superannuation.

To apply these positions and to obtain further information visit www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

Job Ad Reference: QLD/16919/13

Closing date: Monday, 14 October 2013

Contact: Nicole Meakins (07) 3239 6517

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Community Development Officer – Tennant Creek, NT

- **Maximum Term – to 30.06.2014**
- **38 Hours per week**

Applicants must be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. This is a special measure under section 57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1996 (NT).

Using a workshop delivery model you will work with local community members to build capacity to actively address community safety issues. Experience in community development, working with Aboriginal communities and training welcome.

For enquiries, please contact Emma Newman on (08) 8962 3704.

For further information and to apply online, visit our careers page and search job reference number 493747.

redcross.org.au

Applications close 5pm
Monday 14th October.

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Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (AHEO Grad)

Ref: 155423, F/T at Liverpool, Fairfield, Macarthur and Bowral

Salary: \$52,773–\$78,142 pa

Enq: Patrick Parker

Ph: (02) 9616 4057

Closing Date: 27 September 2013

Trainee Aboriginal Health Worker – Aboriginal Mental Health (HEO Non-Grad)

Ref: 134056, F/T at Liverpool, Macarthur Hospitals

Salary: \$45,818–\$67,482 pa

Enq: Patrick Parker

Ph: (02) 9616 4057

Closing Date: 11 October 2013

Aboriginal Liaison Officer (HEO)

Ref: 157428, P/T 20 hpw at Prairiewood

Salary: \$23.10–\$39.41 ph

Enq: Ms Sandra Lombardini

Ph: (02) 9616 8102

Closing Date: 11 October 2013

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

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Enquiries: Associate Professor Michelle Trudgett on michelle.trudgett@mq.edu.au or +61 2 9850 8631

Macquarie University is an EO Employer committed to diversity and social inclusion. Applications are encouraged from people with a disability; women (particularly for senior and non-traditional roles); Indigenous Australians, people who identify as GLBTI; and those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Applications need to be submitted through the Macquarie University online recruitment system. Where circumstances such as disability or remote location prohibit your access to our online system please contact the enquiries person listed in this advertisement for assistance.

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Community Engagement Coordinator

- **\$89,912 pa plus Superannuation**
- **Contract position (up to 3 years)**
- **Option to apply for 19 day month working arrangement**

The City of Sydney is seeking a Community Engagement Coordinator to support the delivery of the Eora Journey along with other Sustainable Sydney 2030 projects.

The Eora Journey is a major City initiative to recognise and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, culture and history in Sydney and includes the delivery of seven major public art projects and an Economic Development Plan.

The Community Engagement Coordinator will engage the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and more broadly residents, visitors and businesses in the City of Sydney in these projects. This will involve community meetings, events and briefings, meeting/interviews with community leaders and organisations, through online channels and collaboration with Indigenous media, filmmakers and photographers.

We are looking for a hands-on person with strategic thinking and organisational skills, a deep knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and community, and demonstrated experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities on significant projects.

Visit www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/jobs for full details.

Applications close 9 October 2013.

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Indigenous Australian Employment

- Do you want to be part of and contribute to a University that is educating tomorrow's Doctors, Nurses, Psychologists, Teachers, Engineers, Architects and Leaders of Industry?
- Do you want to continue to learn and develop your skills and knowledge?
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If YES then the University of Melbourne is a great place for you to consider as your employer of choice!

The University of Melbourne is committed to employing Indigenous Australians in both professional and academic positions on the basis that they bring with them a wealth of experience, knowledge and skills that will inform, enrich and fundamentally improve the work that we do.

Indigenous Australians seeking support to apply for a vacancy are encouraged to contact the University. Email your contact details, quoting the position number, to hr-careers@unimelb.edu.au

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INDIGENOUS ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINEE

Graduate School of Medicine
Fixed Term (3 year) Appointment

The aim of the GSM is to graduate excellent medical practitioners, who have the capacity and desire to contribute to the enhancement of health care for persons in all geographic settings, but particularly in regional, rural and remote communities.

As a trainee you will receive coaching and guidance on all aspects of administrative work within the Faculty while completing your Business Admin Cert II & III at TAFE.

This position will be located at The Wollongong Hospital and work closely with the GSM's Manager: Clinical Placements, supporting all administrative tasks associated with students undertaking hospital clinical rotations,

along with work aligned with supporting Academic and Professional staff.

This position is identified for Australian Indigenous people, pursuant to section 14 (d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act. Proof of Aboriginality is a requirement.

Visit employment.uow.edu.au for a full position description with Selection Criteria. You must address the Selection Criteria as part of your application.

Contact: Jan James on + 61 2 4221 5018
Applications Close: 6 Oct 2013
Reference No: 24734

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Juvenile Justice
Attorney General & Justice

Shift Supervisor (Identified)

Level 4 Year 1-4
Department of Attorney General & Justice
Juvenile Justice
Cobham Juvenile Justice – St Marys
Permanent Full-Time (2 positions)

Job Reference No: 00001UKG

Total remuneration package valued up to \$82,419 per annum (Salary: \$65,011 pa - \$74,520 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Shift Supervisor coordinates the work of Youth Officers across the Centre to ensure that daily routines, security, casework and program attendance are resourced appropriately so that care and custody of detainees and the safety of staff is maintained at all times.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginality and knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal culture.
2. Completion of Certificate IV in Juvenile Justice (Youth Work) or Community Services or equivalent plus relevant experience.
3. A thorough knowledge and understanding of policies, procedures, guidelines and legislation relating to juvenile justice.
4. Extensive experience and ability to work, motivate, support and communicate effectively with detainees with challenging behaviour, including an understanding of their needs.
5. Demonstrated ability to manage teams and demonstrated conflict resolution skills, negotiation, liaison, problem solving and advocacy skills (on behalf of detainees).
6. Ability to implement and monitor service delivery of detainee case plans including programming needs and demonstrated ability to prepare accurate and concise reports and make recommendations.
7. Computer skills, with a thorough knowledge of CIMS and related policies and procedures.
8. Possession of, or enrolled in, a Senior First Aid Certificate and possession of a minimum Class 1C Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: In this position, an applicant's Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized in accordance with Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. There are two Permanent Full-Time positions available. Further information about these positions is available online and applicants must address the full 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.

Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks. An Eligibility List may be created to fill future permanent or temporary positions.

Enquiries: Carol Godkin on (02) 9833 6555

Information Packages and to apply online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Wednesday, 2 October 2013

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Health

Canberra Hospital and Health Services
Mental Health, Justice Health, Alcohol and Drugs
Adult Community and Older Persons

Mental Health Care Nurse

Registered Nurse Level 2

Salary Range: \$78,157 - \$82,990 (PN: 19762)

Mental Health, Justice Health, Alcohol and Drugs is a contemporary evidence based service providing high quality mental health care that is guided by principles of recovery. The service aims to provide collaborative care involving the consumer, their carers and other key services. At this level it is expected that you will be required under minimal supervision, to provide high quality care to achieve sound outcomes for consumers. You will be required to undertake professional development and clinical supervision participate in quality initiatives and contribute to the multidisciplinary team processes.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Registered or eligible for registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency. Minimum of two years post registration experience working in mental health desirable. 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: Peter Sheils (02) 6205 1110 peter.j.sheils@act.gov.au

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Applications Close: 10 October 2013

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Blue Mountains Aboriginal Culture & Resource Centre



Aboriginal Social Support Worker

Full - Time
35 hours per week
Level 5, Paypoint 1, SCHCADS
Modern Award Rate

Aboriginality is a genuine qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act, 1977

We are a Community based organisation that supports and services the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community of the Blue Mountains.

This position will provide a comprehensive, co-ordinated and integrated range of Social Support services to Aboriginal frail-aged and people with a disability in the Blue Mountains' area.

To apply all applicants will need to obtain a job package

For enquiries and/or job packages contact
Jennifer Wilkins on (02) 4782 9402

Applications to:
ACRC Employment Committee,
PO Box 334, Katoomba NSW 2780

Applications close:
5.00pm on Friday 11th October 2013.

BUNGREE Aboriginal Association Inc

Housing Co-Ordinator

Toukley, NSW

- **Are you passionate about the well-being and housing of the Aboriginal community?**
- **Are you looking for a role where you can make a difference?**

Bungree Aboriginal Association is a Central Coast Aboriginal community organisation based in Toukley, which provides a wide range of services including housing to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on the Central Coast.

Reporting to the CEO, the primary function of the Housing Co-ordinator is to manage the relationships that Bungree has with real estate agents, tenants and other bodies, which may have properties listed through Bungree. The role is also responsible for ensuring Bungree meets the regulatory code for accreditation for Aboriginal housing and providing financial reporting regarding rental payments, arrears and other key information.

We are seeking candidates who have an understanding and knowledge of the Aboriginal community.

The successful applicant will have experience in real estate/property management, preferably with knowledge of social housing and an understanding of the Consumer Trading and Tenancy Tribunal. You will have a demonstrated ability to engage and manage the services of a variety of external providers.

If you have excellent oral and written communications skills; ability to multi-task; have a calm and happy demeanour with a good sense of humour then this role could be for you.

This is an Indigenous Australian identified position. Bungree considers that being an Indigenous Australian is a genuine occupational qualification under the Anti Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

A remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful applicant, dependent on experience and qualifications.

Applications can be submitted with a cover letter addressing the selection criteria and your resume to Fiona at recruitment@inspire-success.com

Closing date is 10 October 2013.



I can enjoy the freedom of working in the community, meeting new people and using my skills to find solutions to complex problems. With my help, my clients, their families and the community can enjoy a better quality of health. At SA Health, I can draw upon ongoing education and team support to help my clients better manage their health and feel more empowered in life.

Tobacco Action Worker

Eyre, Flinders & Far North Region
Port Augusta
Job Ref: 519334

www.health.sa.gov.au/careers

1300 882 992



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

Tel: 02 4780 5560

or e-mail bmoore@bmcc.nsw.gov.au



Government of South Australia

Department of Environment,
Water and Natural Resources

Sustainable Resource Coordinator

NATURAL RESOURCES ALINYTJARA WILURARA

ADELAIDE METRO – WAITE CAMPUS

Full Time Contract to 30/06/2016

\$60,977 – \$63,795 p.a. (ASO4)

Vacancy No: C5788/2013

The Sustainable Resources Coordinator is responsible for working with Aboriginal communities, industry and landholding authorities to facilitate the delivery of relevant land management legislation in relation to resource use and protection.

Enquiries to: Neil Collins, ph: 0417 879 104 or
e: neil.collins@sa.gov.au

For more information visit the DEWNR website:
www.environment.sa.gov.au/vacancies

Applications Close: 5.00pm 4 October 2013

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Aboriginal Clinician

Take Two Aboriginal Team



- **Full time, Based at Eaglemont**
- **Excellent opportunities for Salary Packaging**
- **Full Private use of a vehicle included in the package**

Take Two is a state-wide service, established to provide high quality therapeutic services to children and young people who have suffered significant abuse or neglect and are clients of Child Protection. Take Two is a registered health care provider.

This role is designed to provide cultural input to support the Take Two Program. The role involves direct work with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander clients, consultation (to Take Two teams and to other services), and developing relationships with ACCOs. The role is based at Eaglemont, and focuses specifically on the Eastern Metro, Southern Metro and Gippsland regions.

The successful applicant will have a strong knowledge of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and strong links with community. The successful applicant will ideally have an appropriate tertiary qualification in a relevant field; however there are good opportunities for training on the job (both formal and informal training).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for this position.

Queries to Frances Loder on 0457 809 947 or
Chris Tanti on 0429 388 786.

Applications addressing the key selection criteria should be submitted by 5pm on 3rd October 2013.

To download the Position Description and apply for this role, please visit the 'Employment Page' on our website.



Budda Men's Shed Worker

Part Time - 8 hrs a week

The role in the Budda Shed is to provide leadership and to be a mentor to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men in the community.

To find out more and apply please head to:
<http://dch.currentjobs.com.au> & enter ref code: 1381427.
Applications close 04 October 2013



BERYL WOMEN INC. CANBERRA

Beryl Women Inc. is a service dedicated to supporting women & children in the Canberra community, who are escaping domestic/family violence.

If you have a genuine desire to work with people from a wide range of backgrounds, then Beryl has some exciting and rewarding opportunities for you.

We have a permanent position for an enthusiastic woman who has a commitment to eliminating domestic/family violence in our community.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Support Worker

(permanent 32 hours per week)

ACT Community Sector Multi Enterprise Agreement Grade 5

Beryl offers excellent opportunities & remuneration packages to the right applicants.

An information package including details on how to apply is available by phoning (02) 62306900 or email to: beryl_women@bigpond.com

Beryl Women Inc. is funded through the National Affordable Housing Agreement (NAHA).

Aboriginality and being female is a genuine occupational requirement and is authorised under Section 14 under the Anti-discrimination Act 1977.

Successful applicants will be required to undergo a Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) registration process.

Applications close: 5.00pm Friday, 11/10/13



Meenangu Wajarri Aboriginal Corporation and Winja Wajarri Barna Limited Executive Officer

Meenangu Wajarri Aboriginal Corporation (MWAC) and Winja Wajarri Barna Limited (WWBL) are newly created entities, seeking applications from suitably qualified candidates for the Executive Officer role.

The Executive Officer will possess proven experience at the executive management level as they will be responsible for the day-to-day operations for both MWAC and WWBL. The key functions include administration, governance and financial management, stakeholder relationships, physical and resource management, project/program development and implementation, leadership and innovation, compliance and secretarial support to governing boards.

MWAC was established under the Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory Indigenous Land Use Agreement (MRO ILUA), to exercise the rights and comply with the obligations of the Approved Body Corporate. MWAC has been incorporated pursuant to ongoing negotiations of a native title commercial agreement with the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO).

The membership of MWAC comprises the Wajarri Yamatji Native Title Claimants from the Murchison, Gascoyne and Midwest regions whom total approximately 500 members.

MWAC is the sole member of WWBL, which was established to perform the function of Trustee for the Wajarri Yamatji Charitable and General Trusts.

This is an exciting opportunity for a committed, enthusiastic and innovative individual who is looking for a new challenge, helping Wajarri Yamatji people to grow and consolidate their future in conjunction with respective Boards. This position will be based in Geraldton which is located in the Midwest region of Western Australia.

The salary package offered will be negotiated and commensurate with the skills and experience of the successful candidate.

Application packages are available from RPM Project Management via email to iolirpm@westnet.com.au

Please forward resumes with a covering letter by:
5pm Friday 11th October, 2013.

Any enquiries can be directed to: Ioli Fitzgerald on (08) 9321 5550.



Employment opportunities with a Federal Government Agency in your local area!

The Opportunity

We are seeking Indigenous Australians to join a new initiative with a key Federal Government Agency. This is your chance to build a rewarding career while adding value to your community, be supported, listened to and guided along the way.

The Role

These APS2 roles will offer you a tailored learning program and the opportunity to complete a nationally recognised qualification (Certificate III). You will undertake two rotations across the organization, working with teams in service delivery, compliance, enterprise solutions and technological services. The responsibilities will be varied and include procedural, operational and administrative activities to support work area outcomes.

Qualifications and experience are not essential, though you will need to be able to:

- Show common sense
- Work with others
- Work through problems
- Have computer skills
- Communicate with others

The Locations

Positions are available in:

- Brisbane CBD (can also be located in Chermshire or Upper Mt Gravatt)
- Parramatta
- Melbourne CBD (can also be located in Box Hill, Dandenong or Moonee Ponds)
- Perth CBD

To Apply

All information in relation to the role and how to apply is contained in the Candidate Kit. You can get a copy by visiting <http://ato.nga.net.au> and search under vacancies APS 1 – APS3 job reference Job Ref - EXT_ATOP_1036_13

Please note applications close on the 8th October at 5pm AEST.

Note - You will be requested to provide confirmation of Aboriginality or Torres Strait Islander descent as part of the application process. The filling of this employment opportunity is only available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the 'Racial Discrimination Act 1975'.

Information Sessions

A free community information session will be held in each location. This informal get together will be led by the Agency's Diversity team and is a great opportunity to ask questions, learn more about what you can expect in the role and be guided through the on-line application process.

We encourage you to join us at the following locations and times:

- **Brisbane:** 20 September 2013 – 10am to 11am - 140 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane
- **Melbourne:** 23 September 2013 - 10am to 11am - 747 Collins St, Docklands
- **Parramatta:** 25 September 2013 - 10am to 11am - 2-12 Macquarie St, Parramatta
- **Perth:** 3 October 2013 - 3pm to 4pm - 45 Francis St, Northbridge, Perth

Further information

For further information on any of the above please contact DFP Recruitment on 1300 138 337

Close the Gap Project Officer

(0.6 FTE - 22.8 hrs p/w)



Located on the stunning Mornington Peninsula, the Frankston-Mornington Peninsula Medicare Local (FMPML) offers a relaxed coastal lifestyle within easy reach of Melbourne. Famous for its many wineries, gourmet food destinations, and breathtaking beaches, the Mornington Peninsula is attracting a growing number of people to live and work in the region.

FMPML is a not for profit community-based organisation that works with primary healthcare professionals to provide quality health care services to the community. Using well-established relationships with General Practice, allied health providers, health services, community-based organisations and local government, FMPML is developing local strategies to improve the coordination of, and access to, primary health services.

An opportunity exists for an experienced Program and Project Coordinator to improve the health and wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living within the Frankston-Mornington Peninsula Medicare Local catchment by:

- Managing programs – This includes managing a small team that provides some direct care, and works closely with community members, relevant mainstream primary care providers and with other organisations to improve the quality and accessibility of mainstream primary health care services.
- Managing projects – This includes providing coordination to the service redevelopment work of the Medicare Local in relation to Aboriginal Health and advancing innovative, multi-sectorial approaches in the catchment to promote improved Aboriginal health, prevention and management of chronic disease.

The successful applicant will possess a relevant tertiary qualification in a health or community services related discipline and have experience in project management within the primary health sector. You will be able to work effectively with Aboriginal people, and to enhance the relationships between mainstream health services and the Aboriginal health sector.

Applicants must view the position description.

Applicants must also address the required experience, skills and attitudes listed above in their application.

Applicants that do not address how they meet each of the elements in the list above either in their covering letter, in a separate statement or in their CV will not be considered for the position.

Benefits of working at FMPML

- Attractive salary packaging benefits
- Highly supportive culture with family-friendly practices
- Novated car lease option
- Clinical and professional supervision
- On-going professional development

All applicants should obtain a Recruitment Information Pack by emailing HR@fmpml.org.au

Or contact our HR department on (03) 5973 5655. All application please address the "Key Selection Criteria" outlined in the position description by **Monday 30 September 2013**,



Murdoch University, School of Health Professions and St John of God Murdoch Hospital Clinical Simulation Project

- **Senior Lecturer: Professional Simulation Learning/Researcher (full time) 18 Month Contract ref: 0795E03**
- **Clinical Simulation Coordinator (30 hours/week) 18 Month Contract ref: 0313H01**
- **Patient Care Simulation Technician (18.75 hours/week) 12 Month Contract ref: 000 123**

Murdoch is a University striving to make a difference to the way we live, think and understand each other and the world around us. We are home to internationally innovative research in fields as diverse as Veterinary and Health Sciences, Asian Politics and Governance and Renewable Energy.

With a new leadership team led by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Richard Higgott and three internationally respected Deputy Vice Chancellors, Murdoch has gone 'back to the future' to re-establish its heritage of research excellence and research-informed teaching. We have embarked upon a bold restructure which will allow the University to achieve and surpass its ambitious aims across research, teaching and learning and engagement.

St John of God Murdoch Hospital is one of Australia's leading private health campuses providing comprehensive, quality health services for patients in Perth's southern suburbs, featuring 363 beds, a 24-hour emergency department, palliative care hospice and a wide range of clinical and diagnostic services. The Murdoch Health Campus is currently under redevelopment which will see the hospital grow to meet increasing demand in the south metropolitan region with an additional 165 beds, 8 theatres, Birth Suite, a new Cancer Centre, Training and Education Centre, more parking and more jobs by late 2014!

Murdoch University in collaboration with St John of God Murdoch Hospital has been successful in obtaining Health Workforce Australia funding to expand the innovative clinical training model for professional nursing students enrolled in the Bachelor of Nursing program.

We are seeking to appoint a team of skilled simulation professionals to support this project.

The project provides the opportunity for a sustained collaboration between the participants and will provide a basis for more effective use of simulation assets. The aim of the project is to improve the quality, employability and availability of nurses and other health professionals.

Initially, in order to support this project the three above positions are being recruited and the team will also include a further two part-time positions. An Administrative Assistant and Laboratory Technician will assist the project in the areas of administrative and technical support and will be advertised at a later date.

Applicants for the two senior positions of Professional Simulated Learning Educator/ Research and Clinical Simulation Coordinator should have expertise and a strong interest in simulation training and education, particularly in relation to health services. These appointments will initially be for 12 - 18 months and subject to funding may be extended for a further 18 months. Commencement dates for each position will be negotiable with successful applicants.

For further information about these positions please contact Professor Paul Morrison, Dean School of Health Professions Murdoch University on +61 8 9582 5502 p.morrison@murdoch.edu.au or Anissa Emeran, Manager Learning and Organisational Development St John of God Murdoch Hospital on +61 8 9333 9790 or anissa.emeran@sjog.org.au

Application procedures and a position description with detailed selection criteria are available from the Murdoch University web site <http://jobs.murdoch.edu.au/> All applicants are required to advise the position they are applying for in their covering letter as well as the reference number listed above. Applicants are also required to address the selection criteria within their application.

Please send applications to recruitment@murdoch.edu.au

This project was possible due to funding made available by Health Workforce Australia.

Closing date: Friday, 18th October 2013



Centrecare is a not-for-profit organisation committed to delivering quality professional counselling, support, family dispute resolution and training services. We offer you an opportunity to share in this commitment. Our current vacancies are...

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are strongly encouraged to apply.

JOB APPLICATION PACKAGES can be obtained by visiting www.centrecare.com.au or by phoning Human Resources on (08) 9325 6644.

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A world-class cultural and creative centre, ACMI explores film, television and digital culture through a vibrant program of exhibitions, film screenings, online and learning programs.

We are looking for a number of talented, energetic and experienced educators to join our Education Team, committed to creating knowledgeable, passionate and critically aware audiences and creators at ACMI.

As an Education Deliverer, you will play a vital role in the delivery of quality education programs within our Public Programs Team. This will involve participating in the development of new education initiatives, and assessing and reporting on education programs delivered at ACMI.

In return you will be joining an organisation where people place great value on team work, being able to work very closely with their managers and colleagues, who share the same high motivation to deliver the best experience for our visitors. Our people are immensely proud of ACMI and its values.

If you have a relevant qualification in Education, highly developed oral and written communication skills, with a passion for emergent online technologies and are ready to work in a fast-paced environment surrounded by a variety of cultural activities, we welcome your application.

Please refer to the position description listed on the employment section of our website www.acmi.net.au/employment.htm and follow the online application process. Applications should address the Key Selection Criteria within the position description and be submitted together with a brief resume.


A number of the available positions have been identified as Indigenous. These are designated positions under "special measures" Section 12 of the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010*. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people will be considered for these positions.

Applications close: 17 October 2013


For further information about ACMI, please go to our website visit www.acmi.net.au



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Family & Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Aboriginal Access and Assessment Officer

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)
Parramatta
Temporary Full-Time
Job Reference No. 00001QML

Total remuneration package valued up to \$74,656 per annum (Salary: \$61,198 pa - \$67,501 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Assess the eligibility of Aboriginal people referred to Home Care for services provided by the Home Care Service.

Assess the service needs of and develop care plans for older Aboriginal people, Aboriginal people with disabilities and their carers referred to Home Care for support services.

Co-ordinate and advocate on behalf of customers and the Aboriginal communities regarding access to Home and Community Care (HACC) services to enable Aboriginal frail aged people, Aboriginal people with disabilities and their carers to live independently in their own homes.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginality.
2. Demonstrated understanding of contemporary issues for Aboriginal people, including an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal people. Experience in working with Aboriginal Communities and organisations.
3. Knowledge of the HACC program and service provider network including: community care and welfare systems; health and disability systems.
4. Capacity to build relationships and partnerships with service delivery stakeholders.
5. Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of client rights and issues including confidentiality, privacy and complaints mechanisms.
6. Experience in interviewing and assessing the needs of clients with complex needs.
7. Experience in the use of word processing and the capacity to use databases to create and maintain customer records.

Job Notes: This is a re-advertised role. Previous applications will not be carried forward. This is a Temporary Full-Time position available for a period of up to 12 months under the terms of the *Public Sector Employment & Management Act 2002*. Successful applicant will be required to have a current Driver's Licence.

In this position Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Applicants must obtain the Information Package, which contains complete details of the position and information about Home Care Service of NSW. Applicants must address the full Selection Criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to criminal records checks.

For Enquiries: Thelma Brown on (02) 9841 9172

Information Packages and to apply online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: Friday 11 October 2013

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Client Support Officer (Family Violence)

Darwin, NT


- * Join an established community-controlled organisation!
- * Attractive remuneration starting at \$50,000 - \$55,000!
- * Leave work every day knowing you have made a difference!

North Australian Aboriginal Family Violence Legal Service (NAAFVLS) has an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic **Client Support Officer (Family Violence)** to join its supportive team in Darwin. Reporting to your Line Manager, **you will be providing support, counselling and information to the victims of family violence as well as their non-abusing friends and family members.** In return for your hard work you will be offered an attractive remuneration starting at **\$50,000 - \$55,000** (dependent upon skills and experience) plus **salary packaging up to \$16,050** to further boost your income! You will also benefit from **generous leave conditions including TOLL, 6 weeks annual leave and 3 weeks personal leave.** A **relocation allowance** may also be available for the successful candidate.



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INNER WEST SYDNEY
Connecting health to meet local needs

ABORIGINAL OUTREACH WORKER

38 HOURS/WEEK

The role of the Aboriginal Outreach Worker (AOW) is to work as a member of the Inner West Sydney Medicare Local (IWSML) team to enhance chronic disease prevention and management for local Aboriginal people. The AOW will work under supervision to:

- establish links with Aboriginal communities and individuals within IWSML to encourage and support the increased use of health services
- identify barriers for local Aboriginal individuals and communities that may be restricting access to health services and advise the IWSML team about these
- encourage and support Aboriginal Australians to access health and related services, through approaches focused at both individual and community levels
- support health professionals and health services to develop culturally appropriate and safe policies and practices

You will have extensive experience working with the Aboriginal communities and ideally exposure to chronic disease prevention and management within Aboriginal communities.

The position is initially available up to 30 June 2014.

Attractive remuneration (commensurate with skills and experience) is available to the successful applicant. We also offer flexible work environment with a friendly and supportive team located in Ashfield.

The applications close Monday the 14th of October 2013.

For more information
Contact Vanessa Rowland on 9799 0933 or email vrowland@iwsml.com.au to request an information letter containing the full position description and **Application Form**. Only applications with a completed **Application Form** will be considered.



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Are you looking for a Life-Style Change or Career Progression?

This is one of the opportunities within our Health Service:

YASS
Aboriginal Health Education Officer
Position No: 154734
Salary: \$23.10-\$34.03 ph
Enquiries: Rick Shipp, (02) 4827 3913
Close Date: 4 October 2013


This vacancy is Aboriginal Identified. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Log-on to <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au> for further information on this and other opportunities.

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Practice Manager

Gurgun Bulahnggelah
Aboriginal Health Service



NORTH COAST NSW
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North Coast NSW Medicare Local (NCML) has a vacancy for a Practice Manager at the Gurgun Bulahnggelah Aboriginal Health Service in Lismore.

This is a challenging and exciting role for an experienced Practice Manager. This position coordinates and maintains visiting specialists' clinics, actively promotes the clinic's services to GP's within NCML and meets the strategic and Business Plan outcomes of the Gurgun Bulahnggelah Aboriginal Health Service. This is a full time (38 hours per week) position.


Key responsibilities include maintaining Clinic services, records and accounts to ensure that the service provided is professional, efficient and client-focused. Effective staff supervision is also a key component.

North Coast NSW Medicare Local is an Equal Employment Opportunities employer, and welcomes applications from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

To Apply:
For an Employment Application Form, Position Description (including Selection Criteria) and details on how to apply for this role please go to the Employment Section of our website at www.ncml.org.au

Closing date for applications: 8am, Monday 30 September 2013

For more information please call Deborah McPherson, Program Manager Northern Rivers branch on 02 6622 4453.



DEPARTMENT OF
PREMIER AND CABINET

RIGHT PEOPLE FOR COUNTRY ABORIGINAL FACILITATOR

\$81,093 - \$98,116PA PLUS 9.25% EMPLOYER
SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTION

CLASSIFICATION: VPS GRADE 5

LOCATION: MELBOURNE CBD, 1 SPRING STREET

As an Aboriginal Facilitator with the Right People for Country project, Office of Aboriginal Affairs Victoria, you will work with Traditional Owner groups and other stakeholders to support Traditional Owner-led agreement making. Key components of this role include facilitating engagement, project planning, agreement making and capacity strengthening with Traditional Owner groups as well as contributing to the consolidation and strengthening of the Right People for Country project.

To be successful in this role you must have demonstrated experience in group facilitation, strengths based capacity building and experience working with Aboriginal communities. Your capacity to engage with community, build relationships and communicate effectively will be critical as will your ability to problem solve and take initiative.

This is a designated position established as a special measure under Section 12 of the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010*. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

Apply via www.careers.vic.gov.au/vacancies

Reference: Right People for Country Aboriginal Facilitator: VG/DPC/OAAV/VPSG5

Applications close midnight Friday 4 October 2013.

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA)

is seeking nominations from suitably qualified and experienced individuals, for inclusion on a register of potential advisory group members for the

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Group (the Group)

Group members will be of Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander background and have extensive knowledge and understanding of and expertise in the area of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education and some experience in the development of curriculum and/or achievement standards.

The Group has been established to provide advice: on

- the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and cultures priority
- protocols and sensitivities that need to be taken into account by ACARA business units as ACARA proceeds with its curriculum, assessment and reporting programs.

For further information and to download an expression of interest form, please go to:

http://www.acara.edu.au/curriculum/cross_curriculum_priorities.html



NGUNYA JARJUM ABORIGINAL CHILD AND FAMILY NETWORK INC.

Ngunya Jarjum is the first Aboriginal, Out of Home Care Service on NSW to be accredited for 5 years by the Office of the Children's Guardian. We are able to offer exciting career opportunities to anyone with the skills and dedication to join our case management team. We are a dynamic service in the process of significantly increasing our capacity to enable us to provide additional care placements for our children, families and communities.

Manager Caseworker

Full time position

Ngunya Jarjum is seeking to employ an Aboriginal worker for our out-of-home care program with a minimum of 3-5 years' experience in casework practice in Human Services, particularly in OOH and Child Protection Field.

A satisfactory "Working with Children Check" applies for this position.

Salary: A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

Location: Lismore.

Contact: Lenore Marlowe – General Manager, email lenore.marlowe@ngunyarjarjum.com

Information Packages: Must be obtained prior to completion of the application and is available on request by contacting the office on (02) 6626 3700.

Send Applications to: Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 580, Lismore NSW 2480.

Closing Date: 18th October 2013.



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Re-advertised

Experienced Foster Care Support Caseworker

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Closing Date: 18th October 2013.



Acting Chief Executive Officer

Yerin Aboriginal Health Services
Wyong, NSW

- Are you passionate about the health of the Aboriginal community?
- Have you got what it takes to be the Acting CEO of a pioneering Aboriginal Health Service?
- Do you have the leadership and people skills we are looking for to make a difference?
- Are you a strong decision maker?

About Our Client:

Established in 1996, Yerin Aboriginal Health Services, is the governing administrative body of Eleanor Duncan Aboriginal Health Centre, which has 3 locations in Wyong employing 23 staff.

Yerin offers a comprehensive range of primary health care and family services to the local Aboriginal Community on the Central Coast of NSW. The organisation is located in the hub of Wyong with an Aboriginal population of 5,500.

The Job Description:

The Acting CEO is the primary agent to the Board of Directors (BOD) and will provide leadership and management in the delivery of quality health and family services to the local Aboriginal community.

The Acting CEO is responsible for ensuring accountability is upheld for all funded programs to relevant funding bodies and government agencies, as delegated by the BOD, ensuring compliance with regard to legislative requirements and requirements of funding bodies.

A key responsibility will be to work with the Board on a strategic plan to move the organisation forward, to listen to the community and to develop and articulate a vision for the organisation.

The Successful applicant:

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, highly motivated individual with strong negotiation and communication skills. You need to be a team player, self-motivated and have the ability to manage multiple tasks and goals, problem-solve and maintain high ethical standards, tact and diplomacy skills.

Although not essential, this role would suit someone who has experience with a community based Board of Management and an understanding of the needs of an Aboriginal Community.

This is an Aboriginal Australian identified position. Yerin considers that being an Aboriginal Australian is a genuine occupational qualification under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

To be a successful applicant for this position you must possess the following qualifications and skills:

- Negotiation and conflict management skills;
- Strong leadership and people management skills and proven ability to nurture effective and productive internal and external relationships;
- Experience in leading organisational change;
- Effective strategic planning and development skills;
- Extensive experience with budgeting, marketing and public relations;
- Three or more years of experience in a CEO or Senior Management role;
- Willingness to work 'out of hours' to meet the objectives of the role when required;
- Patience, energy and sense of humour.

The Offer:

- Excellent opportunity to make a difference in the community;
- Wyong location, close to train station;
- Use of company car;
- A remuneration package will be negotiated with the successful applicant, dependant on experience and qualifications.

To apply for the position, please submit a cover letter addressing the selection criteria and your resume to:

recruitment@inspire-success.com

Closing date is 10 October 2013.



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Applications close: 4 October 2013

Please visit <https://www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs> for application details.

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For enquiries, please contact Yasmin Noorani on (03) 8327 7981.

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- Completion (or soon to complete) Year 10 or higher
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How to Apply

Applications close on **Friday 4th October, 2013**, and should be directed to the Skillset Lithgow Office, 52 Eskbank Street, Lithgow or via email to lithgow@skillset.com.au.

All applications should contain a Cover Letter, Resume, School Reports from the last 2 years and any current certificates.

Note: *All interested persons are encouraged to apply*

Further information is available from Skillset Lithgow on (02) 63531627 or contact lithgow@skillset.com.au



Closing the Gap Liaison

Permanent
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Location: Moree



We are seeking an experienced & motivated person to join us in the position of Closing the Gap Liaison (CTGL). The CTGL will work as part of the NEML team to implement strategies to improve access to mainstream primary health care for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the NEML Western Network's catchment area. You will develop and implement strategies to improve the capacity of general practice and other mainstream primary health care providers to deliver culturally appropriate primary care services and increase awareness and understanding of initiatives to 'close the gap' in Indigenous health outcomes. You will also establish and maintain links with other organisations providing services to Aboriginal people in the region.

For more information about this role please visit www.neml.org.au or contact Jess Blair at jessica.blair@neml.org.au or on 6742 3633.

The NEML considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)

Applications close 5pm 4 October 2013

Aboriginal Support Network Worker: Get a career that matters.

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UnitingCare Burnside is seeking a Caseworker to join our Aboriginal Support Network for the Child & Family Team Program located in Dubbo.

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- Proof of Aboriginality
- Proven ability to engage Aboriginal families and communities in the development and delivery of culturally sensitive interventions
- Experience in developing, delivering & evaluating educational or / and therapeutic programs and group-work interventions

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**Department of Sustainability, Environment,
Water, Population and Communities**

DEPARTMENT OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ENVIRONMENT, WATER
POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES – PARKS AUSTRALIA DIVISION

EXECUTIVE LEVEL 1 (SPECIAL MEASURE) CONTRACTS AND VISITOR FACILITIES OFFICER

**BOODEREE NATIONAL PARK, PN 7025
SALARY \$99,723 - \$107,260PA**

People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are strongly encouraged to apply.

* This employment opportunity has been identified as open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders within the meaning of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* as per the *Australian Public Service Commissioner's Directions 2013*.

Accordingly this position is for a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent, who identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and who is accepted as such in the community in which they live or have lived

Booderee is a Commonwealth Reserve and is jointly managed in partnership with the Wreck Bay Aboriginal Community and is located at Jervis Bay in the Jervis Bay Territory on the south coast of NSW. www.booderee.gov.au

Booderee National Parks is seeking a Contracts and Visitor Facilities Officer with extensive experience in leadership, staff supervision, contract and assets management and capital works programs

In order to hold this position the successful applicant will:

- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander societies and cultures and of the issues affecting these cultures in Australian society, particularly in relation to joint management arrangements within a National Park context.
- Demonstrates an advanced knowledge of planning and organisational methodologies as applied to projects, programs and broad management areas and demonstrated knowledge of budget, finance and asset reporting systems.
- Demonstrated capacity to develop, implement and report on team work-plans, manage performance, supervise staff, plan for and manage resources effectively, including support workplace learning and development and manage change within a team environment

Applications should be made through the department's online recruitment system – note a 350 word limit applies to each criteria.

<http://www.environment.gov.au/jobs/opportunities/index.html>

Further information regarding the position can be obtained by Scott Suridge Phone (02) 4442 2207
Email: scott.suridge@environment.gov.au

Applications close COB 8 October 2013

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Health
Western Sydney
Local Health District

MANAGER, ABORIGINAL HEALTH UNIT

Classification: Health Managers/Health Manager Lvl 4, PFT, **Salary:** \$107,647–\$128,792 pa, **Enquiries:** Carolyn Fozzard, (02) 9845 9926 or carolyn.fozzard@swahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Mount Druitt Hospital **Ad No: 128908** **Close: 09.10.13**

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

For further information and to apply visit:

<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?Id=128908>

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Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person currently studying for your HSC or maybe you completed your HSC a short while ago? Perhaps you are someone who has not pursued a career but now is your time? Do you feel you need more information about career options? Are you prepared to take on further study?

We are offering traineeships in the following areas:

- Business Administration
- IT
- Child Care
- Hospitality

Commencing Salary: \$366 to \$568 pw, dependent upon age and school qualification

Closing Date: 9 October 2013

Traineeships will be offered to people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background – Exemption granted under section 126 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

How to Apply: Applicants should apply online at the website below. If you require assistance contact 4732 7509.

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**Warrina Women and Children's Refuge
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PO Box 1289, Coffs Harbour 2450

Female Aboriginal Caseworker

Warrina Women and Children's refuge is seeking to employ a **Female Aboriginal Caseworker** to work with women who have experienced domestic violence. This position is permanent part time

Please contact the refuge on 02 6652 4000 for an information package.

Being a woman and of Aboriginal descent is a requirement of this position and we are exempt under the anti-discrimination act.

Applications close on the 26th September 2013



**City of
Whittlesea**

Team Leader Cultural Diversity

**Annualised Salary Circa \$100k + RDO
Full Time Permanent**

An opening exists for a motivated and experienced individual to join the Community Cultural Development Department in this challenging and strategic leadership role

Key Responsibilities

- You will provide leadership and direction on matters relating to cultural diversity and particularly Aboriginal affairs, reconciliation, multicultural affairs and promoting diversity and reducing race-based discrimination
- Key areas of work include overseeing the planning and implementation of Council's Reconciliation Action Plan, Multicultural Plan and the continuation of the Localities Embracing and Accepting (LEAD) Project
- Working with many and varied stakeholders, you will support the City of Whittlesea to respond to and reflect the needs and aspirations of its culturally diverse communities through its planning, facilitation and advocacy functions

The ideal candidate will have the proven ability to engage and work collaboratively with culturally diverse (Aboriginal and multicultural) communities and in dealing with complex and sensitive issues. You will have a record of success in the delivery of change management programs and in the development and maintenance of partnerships, possess high level conceptual and analytical skills, and have highly effective leadership and interpersonal skills. A relevant tertiary qualification to degree level and/or minimum of five years experience in the community or government sector is essential

Enquire to Catherine Rinaudo, Manager Community Cultural Development on (03) 9217 2389

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Applications close 6pm Sunday 6 October 2013

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- **Skilled Plant Operators**
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- **Site Administrators**

Further, if you are a recent graduate or currently studying civil, mining or mechanical engineering, please contact us.

**For more information, please call
Christine Sindely, Aboriginal Engagement Manager,
on (08) 9267 8053 or email your current resume, including
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REF NO. 867/13

Penrith Campus

This is an identified position and applicants must be Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander. Being an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised under Section 14(D) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 NSW.

A motivated, creative and well-organised Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Project Officer is sought to develop and coordinate a series of Koori Education Carnivals at University of Western Sydney campuses. Year 5-8 students from Greater Western Sydney schools will be invited to take part. Experience in project and/or event management, and knowledge of educational issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students are required.

This is a full time, fixed-term position till the end of 2014. Applications must address the selection criteria and apply online via UWS careers website.

Remuneration Package: HEW Level 7, \$82,120 to \$88,609 p.a. (comprising Salary \$74,255 to \$80,123 p.a. plus 9.25% superannuation and Leave loading).

Position Enquiries: Anne McLean, 0420 946 183, a.mclean@uws.edu.au

Closing Date: 2 October 2013

careers.uws.edu.au



Health

**Canberra Hospital and Health Services
Mental Health, Justice Health, Alcohol and Drug Services
Adult Community and Older Persons**

Clinical Manager

Registered Nurse Level 3.1

Salary Range: \$89,834 - \$93,531 (PN: 28859)

Mental Health, Justice Health, Alcohol and Drug Services (MHJHADS) is a contemporary evidence based service providing high quality mental health care that is guided by principles of recovery. The service aims to provide collaborative care involving the consumer, their carers and other key services. At this level it is expected that you will be required under minimal supervision, to provide high quality care to achieve sound outcomes for consumers. You will be required to undertake professional development and clinical supervision, participate in quality initiatives and contribute to the multidisciplinary team processes.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Tertiary qualification or equivalent in Nursing with current Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency registration. Current driver's licence. Post graduate qualifications in Mental Health Nursing, extensive post registration experience working in mental health desirable.

Notes: 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: Peter Sheils (02) 6205 1110

Applications Close: 10 October 2013

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For more information on these positions and how to apply, visit **www.jobs.act.gov.au**

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 9 October 2013



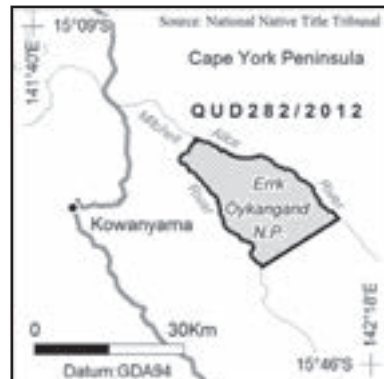
National
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This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, Brisbane, QLD, 4003 on or before 8 January 2014. After 8 January 2014, 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: Kowanyama People #2

Federal Court File No: QUD282/2012

Date filed: 14 June 2012

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: The application covers about 385 square kilometres and is located approximately 30 kilometres east of Kowanyama as shown on the locality map.

The application falls within the Local Government Authority of the Carpentaria Shire Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Northern Territory

Notification day: 2 October 2013



National
Native Title
Tribunal



**DI2013/001 Yingawurnarri Proposed Lot 64(A)
Town of Top Springs**

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers about 0.07 sq km being Part of Lot 62 (proposed Lot 64(A)) in the town of Top Springs.

Relevant LGA: Victoria Daly Shire Council.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Lands and Planning (NT).

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Northern Territory Government
C/- Solicitor for the Northern Territory,
Aboriginal Land Division
GPO Box 1722
Darwin NT 0801

Northern Land Council
PO Box 1222
Darwin NT 0801

George King on behalf of
Yingawurnarri Estate Group
C/- Northern Land Council
PO Box 1222
Darwin NT 0801

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

2.1.3 Subdivision P, Part 2 of Division 3 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Future Act described in Clause 3. The Parties further agree that this statement constitutes a statement for the purposes of s 24EB(1)(c) of the NTA.

3.2 The Parties agree that the surrender of native title under this Agreement is intended to extinguish all native title rights and interests in the Land. The Parties further agree that this statement constitutes a statement for the purposes of s 24EB(1)(d) of the NTA.

3.5 For the elimination of any doubt the Native Title Party consents to the grant of a Crown Lease Term convertible to freehold over the Land to the extent that such grant would constitute a future act. The Parties further agree that this statement constitutes a statement for the purposes of s 24EB(1)(b)(i) of the NTA.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Northern Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne, Victoria, 3001 by 2 January 2014.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Maryanne Harvey on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES
MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M

TAKE NOTICE that ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED (ACN 008 675 018) of Level 23, 140 St Georges Terrace Perth, WA, 6000 (and its successors and assigns), registered holder of Exploration Licences 4425, 4842, 4871, 4872, 5067, 5068, 5069 and 5182, proposes to carry out mining operations of an exploratory nature on the following land in the State of South Australia ("**Land**"):

1. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 90 km south-southwest of Olary referred to as **Sturt Vale Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°00'S and longitude 140°00'E, thence east to longitude 140°10'E, south to latitude 33°10'S, east to longitude 140°11'E, south to latitude 33°19'S, west to longitude 140°06'E, south to latitude 33°20'S, west to longitude 140°04'E, south to latitude 33°22'S, west to longitude 140°02'E, south to latitude 33°29'S, west to longitude 140°00'E and north to the point of commencement, but excluding the area bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°06'S and longitude 140°02'E, thence east to longitude 140°05'E, south to latitude 33°09'S, west to longitude 140°02'E, and north to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 626 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 4425;

2. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 265 km northeast of Adelaide referred to as **Quondong Vale Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°51'S and longitude 140°05'E, thence east to longitude 140°07'E, south to latitude 32°53'S, east to longitude 140°14'E, north to latitude 32°51'S, east to longitude 140°20'E, south to latitude 32°52'S, west to longitude 140°19'E, south to latitude 32°53'S, west to longitude 140°18'E, south to latitude 32°54'S, west to longitude 140°15'E, south to latitude 32°55'S, west to longitude 140°14'E, south to latitude 32°56'S, west to longitude 140°13'E, south to latitude 32°57'S, west to longitude 140°12'E, south to latitude 33°00'S, east to longitude 140°18'E, north to latitude 32°59'S, east to longitude 140°19'E, north to latitude 32°58'S, east to longitude 140°21'E, north to latitude 32°57'S, east to longitude 140°22'E, north to latitude 32°56'S, east to longitude 140°23'E, north to latitude 32°55'S, east to longitude 140°26'E, north to latitude 32°54'S, east to longitude 140°28'E, north to latitude 32°53'S, east to longitude 140°30'E, south to latitude 33°08'S, west to longitude 140°20'E, south to latitude 33°10'S, west to longitude 140°10'E, north to latitude 33°00'S, west to longitude 139°58'E, north to latitude 32°59'S, west to longitude 139°54'E, north to latitude 32°58'S, east to longitude 139°55'E, north to latitude 32°57'S, east to longitude 140°07'E, north to latitude 32°55'S, west to longitude 140°03'E, north to latitude 32°52'S, east to longitude 140°05'E, and north to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 975 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 4842;

3. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 300 km northeast of Adelaide referred to as **Oakbank Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°45'S and longitude 140°43'E, thence east to longitude 140°45'E, south to a northern boundary of Danggali Conservation Park, thence generally southwesterly, along the boundary of the said Conservation Park to latitude 33°08'S, west to longitude 140°30'E, north to latitude 32°52'S, east to longitude 140°32'E, north to latitude 32°51'S, east to longitude 140°34'E, north to latitude 32°50'S, east to longitude 140°36'E, north to latitude 32°48'S, east to longitude 140°38'E, north to latitude 32°47'S, east to longitude 140°40'E, north to latitude 32°46'S, east to longitude 140°43'E, and north to the point of commencement, (AREA: approximately 777 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 4871,

4. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 320 km northeast of Adelaide referred to as **Oakvale Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°50'S and longitude 140°45'E, thence east to the eastern border of the State of South Australia, thence southerly along the border of the said State to a northern boundary of Danggali Wilderness Area, thence generally westerly along the boundary of the said Wilderness Area to longitude 140°45'E, and north to the point of commencement, (AREA: approximately 598 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 4872,

5. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 180 km northeast of Adelaide referred to as **Canegrass Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°25'S and longitude 139°47'E, thence east to longitude 140°00'E, south to latitude 33°33'S, west to longitude 139°57'E, south to latitude 33°41'S, west to longitude 139°52'E, south to latitude 33°42'S, west to longitude 139°51'E, south to latitude 33°43'S, west to longitude 139°50'E, south to latitude 33°45'S, west to longitude 139°47'E, and north to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 569 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 5067,

6. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 170 km northeast of Adelaide referred to

as **Koomooloo Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°25'S and longitude 139°32'E, thence east to longitude 139°47'E, south to latitude 33°44'S, west to longitude 139°33'E, north to latitude 33°43'S, east to longitude 139°34'E, north to latitude 33°38'S, west to longitude 139°32'E, and north to the point of commencement, (AREA: approximately 784 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 5068,

7. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 140 km northeast of Adelaide referred to as **Morgan Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°44'S and longitude 139°33'E, thence east to longitude 139°47'E, south to latitude 33°47'S, west to longitude 139°46'E, south to latitude 33°50'S, west to longitude 139°45'E, south to latitude 33°53'S, west to longitude 139°44'E, south to latitude 33°54'S, west to longitude 139°41'E, south to latitude 33°55'S, east to longitude 139°43'E, south to latitude 34°01'S, west to longitude 139°41'E, south to a northern boundary of Morgan Conservation Park, thence generally southwesterly and easterly along the boundary of the said Conservation Park to longitude 139°41'E, south to latitude 34°04'S, west to longitude 139°40'E, south to latitude 34°09'S, west to longitude 139°39'E, south to latitude 34°13'S, west to longitude 139°38'E, south to latitude 34°15'S, west to longitude 139°37'E, south to latitude 34°18'S, west to longitude 139°32'E, north to latitude 34°04'S, east to longitude 139°35'E, north to latitude 33°59'S, west to longitude 139°31'E, north to a southern boundary of Whites Dam Conservation Park, thence generally southeasterly and northwesterly along the boundary of the said Conservation Park to longitude 139°31'E, north to latitude 33°55'S, west to longitude 139°30'E, north to latitude 33°50'S, east to longitude 139°32'E, north to latitude 33°47'S, east to longitude 139°33'E, and north to the point of commencement, (AREA: approximately 934 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 5069, and

8. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 220 km northeast of Adelaide referred to as **Braemar Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 33°06'S and longitude 139°52'E, thence east to longitude 140°00'E, south to latitude 33°25'S, west to longitude 139°36'E, north to latitude 33°15'S, east to longitude 139°42'E, north to latitude 33°13'S, east to longitude 139°47'E, north to latitude 33°10'S, east to longitude 139°52'E, north to the point of commencement, (AREA: approximately 995 square kilometres), being the land which is subject to exploration licence 5182,

all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is:

Exploratory operations to determine the geology of the Land and presence of mineralisation. Without limiting that general description, those operations may include: reconnaissance; gridding; mapping; aerial and handheld photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; soil and other geochemical sampling; water sampling; hydrological studies; hydrogeology surveys; shallow trenching; limited clearing for access and drilling (including including diamond core drilling and other methods); downhole-probing, sampling and radiometric testing of drill core/cuttings; environmental monitoring work (including baseline work, flora/fauna surveys, geotechnical surveys) and establishment of temporary camp/storage sites and access tracks as may be necessary.

The proposed activities are (or will be) authorised by the following exploration authorities under the Mining Act 1971 (SA):

Exploration Licences 4425, 4842, 4871, 4872, 5067, 5068, 5069 and 5182 (including any extension, replacement, renewal, regrant or subsequent exploration licence granted for or other dealings with any of Exploration Licences 4425, 4842, 4871, 4872, 5067, 5068, 5069 and 5182, and any other exploration authority or interest in any exploration authority for the whole or any part of the Land).

ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971 (SA).

TAKE NOTICE that if, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the *Mining Act 1971 (SA)*, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the Land, **ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED** may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent:

ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED
c/- FINLAYSONS
81 Flinders Street, Adelaide SA 5000
Telephone: (08) 8235 7452
Facsimile: (08) 8232 2944
Contact: Mr George McKenzie

Help create a safe future for
Indigenous Kids

Join our team and work with us to help keep kids in community.

Act for Kids' innovative SafeKIDS program, in partnership with Traditional Owners groups, has established safe houses within Indigenous communities in West Cape York and as far south as Doomadgee.

We are looking for a caring and committed person to join our SafeKIDS team as a **Family Intervention Service Worker** in Napranum.

This position is 20 hours per week. The successful applicant will help families develop skills so they can provide a safe home for their children.

Salary:
\$45,216 - \$53,074 depending on skills and experience.

Closing date for the applications is 4 October 2013.

For more information and a position description, visit www.actforkids.com.au or call **07 4033 8533**.

ACT for Kids is a not-for-profit organisation working tirelessly to treat and prevent child abuse and neglect.



Australian
National
University

HR Officer / HR Administrator

\$54,611 - \$66,437 plus 17% superannuation
G395-13AR

This position is targeted for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment and only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people may apply, in line with the Identified position initiative of ANU.

As an HR Officer/Administrator, you will have the opportunity to be exposed to a broad range of HR issues. In this position, you will be required to:

- > act as the first point of contact for general HR enquiries
- > generate and analyse HR reports
- > provide HR administrative support, such as drafting employment contracts
- > update the HR system.

Enquiries Jana Wedlock
T 02 6125 4745 E Jana.Wedlock@anu.edu.au

anu.edu.au/jobs

CRICOS#00120C



Family &
Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care

Service Support & Development Officer
(Identified)

Clerk Grade 7/8
Ageing, Disability and Home Care
Western Region – Dubbo, Orange or Bathurst (location negotiable)
Permanent Full-Time

Vacancy Reference No. 00001WOW

Total remuneration package valued up to \$100,510 per annum (Salary: \$82,098 pa - \$90,877 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

Provide advice and support in relation to planning, procurement and contract management of services in the non-Government sector, which reflect contemporary needs and innovative responses for older people, people with a disability and their carers.

Selection Criteria:

- A solid working knowledge and contemporary understanding of human services and key issues for older people, people with disabilities and their carers in NSW and stakeholders.
- Highly developed analytical, problem solving, research and data analysis skills.
- Proven ability to interpret and apply legislation and policies.
- High level interpersonal, communication and negotiation skills.
- High level of written communication and report writing skills.
- Demonstrated commitment to teamwork and a willingness to show initiative and flexibility and reliability in meeting deadlines.
- Current NSW Drivers' Licence.
- Aboriginality.

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position. Location is negotiable in either Dubbo, Orange or Bathurst. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement for this position. The position has been identified as an Aboriginal position in accordance with the provisions of Section 14d of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Applicants may be subjected to a Criminal Record Check and pre-employment screenings.

For enquiries: Greg Oastler, Ph (02) 6334 5207

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 11th October 2013

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STATION MANAGER

Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Media Assoc Ltd (TAIMA) is seeking applications for the position of Station Manager to oversee and manage the day to day operations of the administrative, financial, broadcasting, sales and marketing and promotions of the organisation and Radio Station 4K1G.

Applications close:

Friday 4/10/2013

Telephone 07 4772 5466

or email officemanager@4k1g.org

for the Information Package and Job Description for the application process.



Education &
Communities

Training Advisor Orange

Permanent full-time

Position Number: 163124

Salary package to: \$90,161

Enquiries: Colin Green

Phone: (02) 6392 8500

To apply for this position please visit JobsNSW website,
refer to keyword 163124.

https://jobsnsw.taleo.net/careersection/all_jobs/jobsearch.ftl

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Billabong BBQ Coordinator

(20 hours per week/ 0.5 EFT)

Only people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent will be eligible
to apply for this position.

The Billabong BBQ Program is an Award winning weekly outreach program in a local park. Every week a hot meal is provided and a range of health and support services are provided at the BBQ. This exciting and dynamic role will appeal to Aboriginal people with a strong interest in social justice.

In August 2013, Billabong BBQ won the regional and Statewide Koori Community Justice Awards in the category of Reconciliation and Partnerships.

North Yarra Community Health (NYCH) is a major provider of health and welfare services in inner Melbourne. NYCH was also recognised in the 2010 Closing the Indigenous Gap in Employment awards for its employment practices in relation to Indigenous workers.

Based at our Fitzroy Centre and working alongside our Aboriginal Engagement Worker and Aboriginal Health Promotion and Chronic Conditions worker, this position will undertake a variety of tasks to ensure the successful running of the Billabong Program and to respond to the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

A relevant qualification would be well regarded but is not required. Training and support will be provided. Please see www.nych.org.au/jobs for further information on this position(s).

To discuss the position call Jo Southwell on (03) 94113501.

For position description: www.nych.org.au

Applications close Monday 30th September 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.**

NOTICE TO INITIATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971

TAKE NOTICE that **Rowan Jasper** of Kilburn Adelaide, South Australia, registered holder of (MC) 4334 and (MC) 4335 proposes to undertake mining activities on the said tenements incorporating the land below.

MC 4334 31 Ha-Approximately 31km North West of Yunta bounded as follows:

AREA: Peg 1 54H 347456 6417084 300m 144.80° to

Peg 2 347616 6416829 1142m 233.72° to

Peg 3 346760 6416184 300m 324.90° to Peg 1

MC 4335 9.5Ha Approximately 17 km North of Yunta bounded as follows:

AREA: Peg 1 54H 363943 6412692 120m 23.00° to

Peg 2 363983 6412798 470m 81.81° to

Peg 3 364447 6412873 200m 170.35° to

Peg 4 364482 6412677 338m 261.91° to

Peg 5 3641516412623 220m 288.53° to Peg 1

Nature of the proposed Mining operations: Underground mining tailings removal and trenching for the recovery of Silver and Gold, and including all things necessarily incidental to any such operations. **TAKE NOTICE:** if two months after this notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the land, there are no native title parties in relation to the Land to which this notice relates Rowan Jasper may apply *ex parte* to the Environment Development Court (EDC) for a summary determination pursuant the *Mining Act 1971* (SA) Authorising entry to the land for the purposes of carrying out mining operations on the land. **TAKE NOTICE:** that if within 6 months from the initiation of negotiations Rowan Jasper and any native title parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the EDC pursuant the Mining Act 1971 (SA) for a determination in relation to the conduct of mining operations on the land. Any person who holds or may hold Native Title in the Land is invited to contact Rowan Jasper c/- 7 Kegworth Street Melrose Park SA 5039 rowleyz.rz@gmail.com 0403 932 277.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 9 October 2013



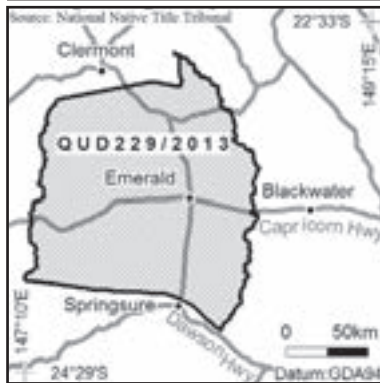
National
Native Title
Tribunal



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 13084, George Street Post Shop, Brisbane, QLD, 4003 **on or before 8 January 2014**. After 8 January 2014, 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: Western Kangoulu People

Federal Court File No: QUD229/2013

Date filed: 9 May 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description of the application area: Application covers about 16,160 sq km, in the vicinity of Emerald.

Relevant LGAs: Central Highlands Regional Council, Isaac Regional Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources & Mines, Queensland.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Facilitating timely and effective outcomes.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of New South Wales

Notification day: 9 October 2013



National
Native Title
Tribunal



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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: Awabakal and Guringai People

Federal Court File No: NSD780/2013

Date filed: 13 May 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description of the application area: The application is located on the Central Coast of NSW and covers areas of Crown land and water within the external boundary depicted in the map. Not all land within the external boundary is claimed, for example, freehold land is excluded.

The application covers areas within the local government authorities of Cessnock City Council, Gosford City Council, Hornsby Shire Council, Ku-ring-gai Council, Lake Macquarie City Council, Maitland City Council, Newcastle City Council, Pittwater Council, Warringah Council, Wyong Shire Council.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Nicole Maher on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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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	04/2329	IRON MOUNTAIN MINING LTD	46BL	109km SE'ly of Derby	Lat: 18° 4' S Long: 124° 16' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2374-I	BARACUS PTY LTD	155BL	139km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 2' S Long: 116° 19' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2375	BARACUS PTY LTD	54BL	117km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 22' S Long: 116° 32' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2497	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	24BL	56km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 57' S Long: 115° 54' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1989	GASCOYNE METALS PTY LTD	27BL	157km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 59' S Long: 116° 13' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1389	PINDAN EXPLORATION COMPANY PTY LTD	2BL	30km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 45' S Long: 121° 41' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2319	BLACK RAVEN MINING PTY LTD	1BL	119km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 0' S Long: 122° 53' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2328	ST BARBARA LIMITED	19BL	117km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 15' S Long: 122° 32' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2334	ST BARBARA LIMITED	4BL	117km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 122° 36' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2338	TASEX GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	35BL	97km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 31° 50' S Long: 122° 43' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/885	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	4BL	19km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 38' S Long: 121° 13' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1048	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	3BL	116km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 41' S Long: 122° 14' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1049	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	143km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 1' S Long: 122° 41' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1050	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	4BL	144km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 5' S Long: 122° 45' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1155-I	LEGEND RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	62km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 121° 19' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2803	SOUTH BOULDER MINES LTD	46BL	46km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 2' S Long: 122° 26' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2844	DYNASTY METALS AUSTRALIA LTD	1BL	8km NW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 33' S Long: 122° 21' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2868	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	1BL	54km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 4' S Long: 122° 21' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3210	SPITFIRE RESOURCES LTD	60BL	168km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 58' S Long: 121° 19' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3423	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	28BL	83km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 21° 3' S Long: 118° 42' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN, PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4156	LADYMAN, Geoffrey Ross	4BL	38km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 31' S Long: 118° 53' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4186	RUMBLE PATERSON RANGE PTY LTD	29BL	133km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 51' S Long: 122° 37' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4188	AREVA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	175BL	35km E'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat: 20° 16' S Long: 119° 51' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4209	DYNASTY METALS AUSTRALIA LTD	8BL	80km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 8' S Long: 118° 58' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1000-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	129BL	49km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 16' S Long: 120° 22' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/986	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	4BL	46km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 16' S Long: 120° 18' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2759	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	3BL	89km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 26' S Long: 116° 26' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2767-I	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LIMITED	1BL	89km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 21° 58' S Long: 117° 24' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2769-I	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LIMITED	19BL	91km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 21° 57' S Long: 117° 23' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2770-I, 47/2771-I & 47/2773-I	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LIMITED	27BL	102km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 21° 52' S Long: 117° 21' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2834	POLARIS METALS PTY LTD	4BL	109km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 42' S Long: 116° 44' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2941	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	8BL	23km N'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 0' S Long: 117° 36' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2943-I	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LIMITED	2BL	34km SW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 54' S Long: 117° 33' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2951	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LIMITED	30BL	34km W'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 42' S Long: 117° 28' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1584	MURCHISON GOLD MINES PTY LTD	64BL	78km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 19' S Long: 117° 46' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2897	MINGS MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	20BL	146km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 38' S Long: 117° 29' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2907-I	RIO TINTO EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	57BL	132km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 23' S Long: 117° 38' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2927	SANDFIRE RESOURCES NL	20BL	184km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 16' S Long: 119° 37' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1977	MINING INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	3BL	49km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 3' S Long: 117° 14' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1978	MINING INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	18BL	57km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 117° 9' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1980	TOP IRON PTY LTD	66BL	50km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 37' S Long: 117° 22' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/1986	MURCHISON GOLD MINES PTY LTD	70BL	30km SW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 18' S Long: 117° 43' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1585-I	FERROWEST LIMITED	56BL	73km NE'ly of Esperance	Lat: 33° 20' S Long: 122° 23' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3189-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	55BL	109km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 35' S Long: 120° 46' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3195	ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED	187BL	277km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 126° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3196	VANGUARD EXPLORATION LTD	22BL	178km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 4' S Long: 120° 14' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4499	EAST PILBARA IRON PTY LTD	35BL	24km SW'ly of Cunderdin	Lat: 31° 49' S Long: 117° 4' E	CUNDERDIN SHIRE, QUAIRADING SHIRE, YORK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4500	EAST PILBARA IRON PTY LTD	40BL	24km E'ly of Northam	Lat: 31° 37' S Long: 116° 55' E	CUNDERDIN SHIRE, NORTHAM SHIRE, YORK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4501	EAST PILBARA IRON PTY LTD	200BL	44km S'ly of Katanning	Lat: 34° 5' S Long: 117° 32' E	BROOMEHILL-TAMBELLUP SHIRE, CRANBROOK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4502	EAST PILBARA IRON PTY LTD	49BL	53km NE'ly of Albany	Lat: 34° 48' S Long: 118° 24' E	ALBANY CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4503	EAST PILBARA IRON PTY LTD	89BL	17km SW'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 34' S Long: 118° 45' E	KONDININ SHIRE, KULIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4519	GOLDREGIS CORPORATION PTY LTD	22BL	15km SW'ly of Northampton	Lat: 28° 26' S Long: 114° 31' E	NORTHAMPTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4773	REDSTONE METALS PTY LTD	1BL	22km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 21' S Long: 127° 30' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4800	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	4BL	114km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 15' S Long: 128° 1' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4807	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	39BL	39km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 24' S Long: 127° 21' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4808	SAMMY RESOURCES PTY LTD	41BL	88km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 28' S Long: 127° 54' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4809	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	70BL	36km S'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 32' S Long: 127° 35' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4810	MINING INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	15BL	104km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 20' S Long: 127° 59' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	08/669	ZANTHUS RESOURCES PTY LTD	23.53HA	35km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 44' S Long: 116° 0' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	08/670	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LTD	119.91HA	113km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 22° 58' S Long: 116° 36' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5812	DANIEKA PTY LTD	41.73HA	16km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 3' S Long: 121° 2' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	21/716-S	MONEY, Brian Matthew	8.14HA	28km S'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 117° 56' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4752-4	NATIONAL SUPPLY PARTNERS PTY LTD	529.24HA	61km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 13' S Long: 120° 56' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	37/8205	PMCC PROPERTY PTY LTD	126.99HA	17km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 121° 13' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8367	SMITH, Gregory Donald	56.88HA	27km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 121° 9' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8390	KIN MINING NL	153.43HA	12km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 121° 21' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8421	KINGSWOOD, Gregory James Alan	219.07HA	30km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 121° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8425	EPIS, Steven Robert				
Prospecting Licence	37/8427-8	EPIS, Jeremy Robert				
Prospecting Licence	37/8429	BROWN, Craig Frank				
Prospecting Licence	37/8431	JABIRU METALS LTD	51.41HA	57km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 24' S Long: 121° 7' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8432	NIWEST LIMITED	381.29HA	46km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 121° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8433	LORENTZ, Wolfgang Michael	149.74HA	34km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8434	BAKER, Ryan Robert	123.73HA	63km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 54' S Long: 121° 20' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4091	BAKER, Gail Isobel	57.16HA	63km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 53' S Long: 121° 20' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5442	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) LIMITED	23.49HA	21km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 44' S Long: 122° 33' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1316	GORDON, Kevin Robert	33.10HA	58km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 121° 54' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1330	DIXON, Trevor John	129.83HA	36km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 11' S Long: 121° 26' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	47/1601	FALKNER, Sidley Dean	81.19HA	56km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 121° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1624	HAMERSLEY IRON PTY LIMITED	76.61HA	84km N'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 21° 58' S Long: 117° 33' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	53/1625	COAL FIRST PTY LTD	175.89HA	71km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 55' S Long: 121° 27' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1333	ROX RESOURCES LIMITED	23.63HA	73km SE'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 58' S Long: 121° 26' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1587-S	MAHONEY, Lyndon Scott	9.85HA	7km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 1' S Long: 119° 21' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1608	PELL, Barry Edward	8.99HA	10km NW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 27° 58' S Long: 117° 48' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1609	MOUNT MAGNET SOUTH NL	67.07HA	11km SW'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 8' S Long: 117° 47' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	58/1610	LEYLAND, Michael Terrence	9.92HA	12km N'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 117° 53' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2028-I	LITTLE, Terrence Harold				
Prospecting Licence	59/2029	MCNAB, Ralph Alexander	31.94HA	15km N'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 117° 50' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	70/1639-40	FERROWEST LIMITED	28.35HA	15km NE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 16' S Long: 116° 49' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4199	HORN RESOURCES PTY LTD	136.65HA	17km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 116° 44' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4219	HM SANDS PTY LTD	300.55HA	27km E'ly of Augusta	Lat: 34° 18' S Long: 115° 26' E	NANNUP SHIRE
Prospecting Licence		LOPRESTI, Stephen	9.72HA	42km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 31' S Long: 119° 35' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence		WIECLAW, Janusz Piotr	9.85HA	18km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 50' S Long: 119° 0' E	YILGARN 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: 25 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 **25 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. 25 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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Koorie Heritage Trust Inc
'Gruken Danna Murra Kar-ki'

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@koorieheritagetrust.com or miriam@koorieheritagetrust.com

www.koorieheritagetrust.com

APPLICATIONS CLOSE:

FRIDAY 4 OCTOBER 2013

Aboriginal Case Worker Community Justice Program

At New Horizons Enterprises, our Community Justice Program based at Guildford is looking for a Full-time Case Worker who identifies as Aboriginal.

CJP provides support for people with an intellectual disability who have been in contact with the provides support for people with an intellectual disability who have been in contact with the criminal justice system to reintegrate successfully into the community to reduce the level of recidivism.

Your role as a **Case Worker**, will involve supporting participants recovering by supporting the development of individual support plans, accurately completing case notes and outcome reports, supporting clients and staff to engage with and understand Aboriginal and mainstream services and partnering with ADHC stakeholders.

For more information on this position, please visit our website:

<http://newhorizons.applynow.net.au/jobs/N48713>

**Enquires to the
Operational Coordinator,
Sab Mosley
02 8274 0800**



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.

Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Toomelah Community Health Centre

This position is identified for Aboriginal people and exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Enquiries: Candice Dahlstrom 02 6751 1606

Reference ID: 156635

The below positions are targeted Aboriginal Positions. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Part 9A, Section 122J of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Clinical Information Clerk - Evening Shift

The Maitland Hospital

Enquiries: Karin Ravazdy 02 4939 2479

Reference ID: 158275

Technical Assistant

John Hunter Hospital

Enquiries: Narelle Cash 02 4985 5579

Reference ID: 151753

Clinic Clerk

Armidale

Enquiries: Keren Fletcher 02 6776 9605

Reference ID: 157353

NPDP (PDY) Radiographer

Site Negotiable (Newcastle/Maitland area)

Enquiries: Andrew Manning 02 4921 3417

Reference ID:

Casino girls bring home title

THE all-Aboriginal Casino West Public School netball team has won the 2013 Netball NSW Schools Cup championship after beating Jerrabomberra Public School 19-16 in the final in Sydney.

It was Casino West's first state title in any sport.

The state finals were at the Anne Clark Centre and nearly 2500 participants from public and private schools played across the state to qualify for the final.

In their pool matches, Casino West beat Jerrabomberra 15-10, Tacking Point 14-12 and St Pauls (Camden) 20-11.

In their semifinal, the Casino West girls beat St Patrick's (Albury) 19-12.

The Jerrabomberra girls proved tough opposition in the final and with two minutes remaining, the teams were locked at 15-all.

But the Casino West girls pulled away with four goals to win 19-16.



Coach Leanne Collison with the Casino West netball team, rear, from left, Lataysha Robinson, Shanelle Cavanagh, Nelly Williams, Jada Walker, Trevina McGrady; front, Lara Close, Sophie Williams and Sherae Roberts.



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
36/795	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	429574	56.07HA	31km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 54' S Long: 121° 0' E	LEONORA SHIRE
37/258	JABIRU METALS LTD	425858	108.76HA	40km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 32' S Long: 121° 10' E	LEONORA SHIRE
45/3437	ATLAS IRON LIMITED	429664	22.01HA	64km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 34' S Long: 119° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
51/1302	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	429575	24.18HA	95km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 57' S Long: 119° 6' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
59/1735-I	WESTRALIAN IRON PTY LTD (ACN 106 448 695)	427230	16.08HA	34km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 36' S Long: 116° 53' E	YALGOO SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 25 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 **25 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. 25 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 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	08/499	ZANTHUS RESOURCES PTY LTD	818.16HA	26km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 47' S Long: 116° 8' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	08/500	ZANTHUS RESOURCES PTY LTD	334.87HA	19km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 39' S Long: 116° 8' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	16/532	HAYES MINING PTY LTD	109.70HA	39km N'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 37' S Long: 121° 1' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	16/533	HAYES MINING PTY LTD	9.83HA	37km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 121° 2' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1259	DUKETON RESOURCES PTY LTD	134.26HA	63km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 51' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1260	DUKETON RESOURCES PTY LTD CREASY, Mark Gareth	137.31HA	64km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 51' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1261	DUKETON RESOURCES PTY LTD	137.77HA	64km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 50' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1262	DUKETON RESOURCES PTY LTD REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	250.74HA	62km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 50' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1263	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	148.99HA	59km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 122° 18' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1264	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	73.99HA	71km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 41' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON 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: 25 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 **25 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. 25 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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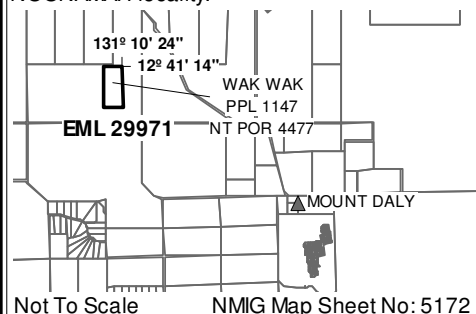
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXTRACTIVE MINERAL LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

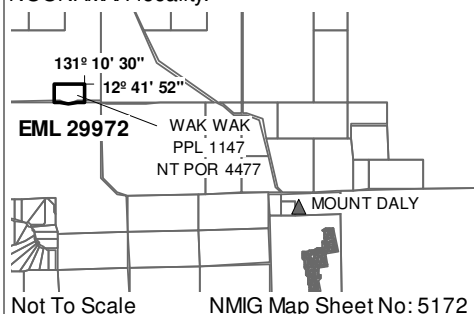
The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act(s) namely to grant the following extractive mineral lease application(s).

The applications to which this notice applies:

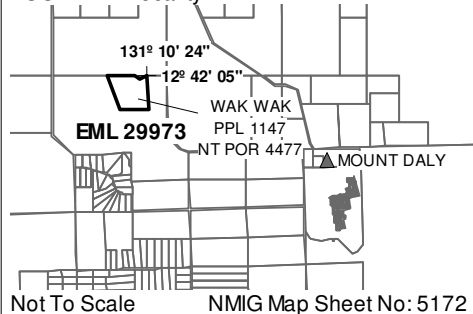
Extractive Mineral Lease 29971 sought by A AND SF MADDALOZZO PTY LIMITED, ACN 009 624 015 over an area of 64 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the NOONAMAH locality.



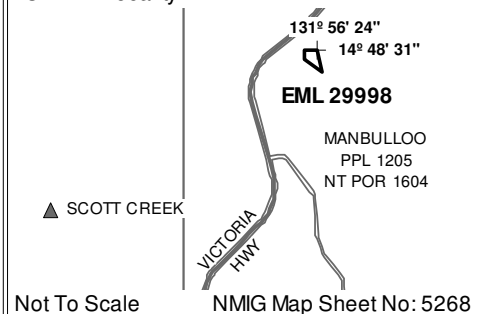
Extractive Mineral Lease 29972 sought by A AND SF MADDALOZZO PTY LIMITED, ACN 009 624 015 over an area of 29 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the NOONAMAH locality.



Extractive Mineral Lease 29973 sought by A AND SF MADDALOZZO PTY LIMITED, ACN 009 624 015 over an area of 92 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the NOONAMAH locality.



Extractive Mineral Lease 29998 sought by ALLAN KING & SONS CONSTRUCTIONS PTY LTD, ACN 068 688 148 over an area of 33 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the BOWMAN locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of an extractive mineral lease under the *Mineral Titles Act* authorises the holder to extract or remove (whether by quarrying or other means) from, on or below the natural surface of the land, extractive mineral(s) for a term not exceeding 10 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the extractive mineral lease/s referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550, Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5213.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 or GPO Box 9973 Sydney, NSW 2001, or telephone (02) 9227 4000.

Notification Day: 25 September 2013

Another Davey to the fore

By PETER ARGENT



BRONWYN Davey – the oldest of the Davey siblings – continues to write her personal football history after playing in the inaugural AFL women's game at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) on

Saturday, June 29.

On-baller Davey, along with fellow Aboriginal girls Jacinta McKenzie and Marient Morgan, played key roles in the Greenacres Football Club 2013 South Australia Women's Football League premiership.

Played at Alberton Oval on Sunday, September 8, the Greenacres Dragons won a tough, uncompromising and low-

scoring grand final by a single straight kick.

"The initial emotion when the siren sounded was relief that we'd got the result," Davey said.

"Along with playing at the MCG in June, this win was one of the pinnacles of my football career.

"Now we are looking for back-to-back titles next year."

McKenzie and Morgan played important roles across the half

back line, and were amongst the best players.

For her performance in the final, McKenzie was rewarded with best-on-ground honours, receiving a trophy and the match ball.

Greenacres were the dominant team all season, being undefeated through the minor round, but endured their first loss of the 2013 campaign to Morphettville Park in the qualifying final, a crushing 49-point defeat.

After a preliminary final win over West Adelaide by 17 points, the Dragons had the opportunity to avenge their loss to the Roos.

The final score in the decider was Greenacres 3.8 (26), Morphettville Park 2.8 (20).

Davey is the oldest of five siblings who play football, but she only started playing at the age of 28.

Her younger sister Hayley, 31, plays with the Palmerston Magpies in Darwin, while Aaron, 30, who retired at the end of this year, and one of the twins Alwyn were on AFL lists with Melbourne and Essendon respectively.

The other twin – Russell – still plays with the Magpies in the Northern Territory Football League.

"I reckon I'm about the last in the family to enjoy premiership success," Bronwyn Davey said.

"My sister played in a flag with Palmerston a couple of years back in the women's competition up there.

"Alwyn and Aaron, who were playing senior football in their teens, played in a premiership under Russell Jeffery in Darwin.

"Personally, this has certainly been the biggest year of my football life."

Despite being 34, because of her late start in the game, Davey believes she still has a few years left in the game and is keen for more success.



Late starter to football... Bronwyn Davey and her daughter Shontaya.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 2 October 2013



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2013/036 Juru People and Adani Abbot Point Terminal ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The Agreement covers about 24.8 sq km, located in the vicinity of Abbot Point, about 20km NW of Bowen

Relevant LGA: Whitsunday Regional Council

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Adani Australia Company Pty Ltd as trustee of Adani Australia Holding Trust (Adani)
C/-Environment Land Heritage Pty Ltd
GPO Box 2077
BRISBANE QLD 4001

Margaret Smallwood, Tracey Lampton, Loretta Prior, Ray Gaston, Andrew Morrell, Janet Lymburner and Lenora Aldridge on their own behalf and on behalf of the Native Title Claim Group for the Juru People (QUD554/2010) claimant application (Applicant)
c/o Applicant,
Juru Enterprises Limited
PO Box 748
BOWEN QLD 4805

State of Queensland
C/- Executive Director,
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Services
Department of Natural Resources and Mines (State)
GPO Box 2454
BRISBANE QLD 4001

The agreement contains the following statements:

9(a) The Parties agree to and consent to: (i) the Agreed Acts; (ii) the validation of any Agreed Acts that take place after the Commencement Date and prior to Registration; (iii) any Surrender that occurs pursuant to the process set out in clause 9(b); and (iv) the undertaking of the ILUA Project.

9(b) With respect to clause 9(a)(iii), if: (i) Adani or a Third Party seeks an Approval; and (ii) the Approval cannot be Granted unless a Surrender first takes place, then: (iii) provided this Agreement has been Registered, a Surrender will occur immediately before the Approval is Granted in relation to any Native Title Rights and Interests that exist within that part of the Surrender Area that is the subject of the Approval; and (iv) Adani must notify the Applicant of each Surrender within ten Business Days of the day on which the relevant Surrender is taken to have occurred, and must provide a copy of that notification to the State concurrently.

9(c) The Parties agree that any Surrender is intended to extinguish any Native Title that may exist in relation to the relevant part of the Surrender Area, at the time of the Surrender.

9(g) Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Agreed Acts, or to any Surrender, on and from the date this Agreement is Registered.

1.1 Definitions

'Agreed Acts' means the acts and classes of acts listed in Schedule 2.

'Surrender' means a surrender to the State of any Native Title Rights and Interests within the Surrender Area.

'Surrender Area' means an area of not more than 24 hectares of the land or waters that will be within and not extend beyond the outer boundaries formed by the coordinates set out in Part 3 of Schedule 1 and shown on the map at Part 4 of Schedule 1 and that will be determined by survey after the Commencement Date but prior to any Surrender.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council Native Title Representative Body Aboriginal Corporation (NQLC), the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, PO Box 9973, Cairns, QLD, 4870 by 2 January 2013.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia



National Native Title Tribunal

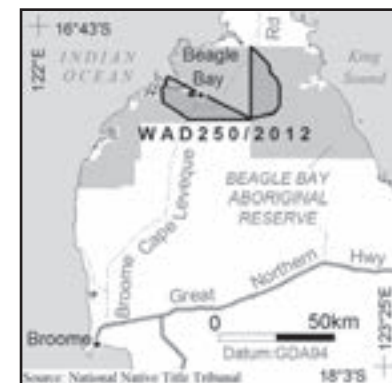


Notification day: 9 October 2013

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 8 January 2014**. After 8 January 2014, 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: Alexander Dia & Ors (Nuyl Nuy #2) v State of Western Australia

Federal Court File No: WAD250/2012

Date filed: 19 September 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **accepted** this application for registration.

Description: Application covers about 615 sq km approx. 105 km northeast of Broome.

Relevant LGA: Shire Of Broome

Data Statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal using data sourced from, and with permission of Landgate, WA.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Reuben lone face in under 20 side

By ALF WILSON



STAR Canberra Raiders Holden Cup winger Jonathon Reuben of Darnley Island descent is the only Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander named in the National Youth Competition (NYC) Holden Cup 2013 Team of the Season.

As a bonus to this success and magnificent form, Reuben landed himself a two-year contract with the Sydney Roosters, starting next season.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* from Canberra, Reuben said he was a proud Torres Strait Islander.

He said he signed the Sydney Roosters contract two weeks before recognition with the Holden Cup team.

"My father is James Reuben, of Erub descent, and my mother Jennifer Reuben, who has links with Daly River (Northern Territory) and Murray Island," he said.

"Before I was signed with the Canberra Raiders, I was playing in the Townsville under 18 competition with Sharks United in 2010, where my older brother Sam Reuben was the coach.

"It was great to be signed by the Raiders and I appreciate what they have done for me and the success that we are having thus far in the Holden Cup.

"But to be signed by the Roosters, who are doing so well in the NRL competition, is wonderful and Trent Robinson (first grade coach) has stated that with hard work, I can play NRL in 2014-2015."

The Raiders received the highest representation in the 2013 Holden Cup Team of the Year with winger Reuben, fullback Jack Ahearn, and halfback Mitch Cornish named.

Reuben, 20, went to Townsville's Ignatius Park College, an educational facility renowned for producing and nurturing quality young rugby league players.

"My favourite NRL footballers are Cowboys Matty Bowen, Melbourne Storm's Billy Slater the Roosters' Roger Tuivasa-Sheck," he said.

Each member of the 2013 Holden Cup Team of the Year gets a \$2000 education grant in addition to the funding players already receive for education and workplace training under the competition's 'No Work, No Study, No Play' policy.

Bindal Sharks boss Jenny Pryor told the *Koori Mail* that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community was so proud of Jonathon.

"We knew given the right opportunities he would make it in the big time. His family and especially his Uncle Sam have supported him all the way," she said.

"Jonathon has always kept grounded and never lost his way. He is a good ambassador and role model for our youth. He has proven to our youth that you can be anything if you commit and make sacrifices.

"We are privileged that Jonathon started his under 18s with us and he still maintains his contact with us and the grassroots community. His first jersey for Canberra was given to us."



Jonathon Reuben

Bowen set for Super League



LIFE without Matt Bowen has officially begun at North Queensland with ex-Penrith

fullback Lachlan Coote's arrival last Thursday.

But rumours about another No 1 – Wigan star Sam Tomkins – have renewed speculation that Bowen will extend his glittering career in England next year.

English reports claim Tomkins would finally end months of talk and confirm he has signed a lucrative Warriors NRL deal, meaning Bowen will play with Wigan in 2014.

According to the reports, Wigan asked English international Tomkins to delay announcing his NRL deal until they had secured his replacement Bowen on a one-year contract.

"With North Queensland Cowboys' No 1 Matty Bowen agreeing to a swansong campaign in Super League,



A 2006 file picture of a younger Matt Bowen playing against the Brisbane Broncos at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane. Picture: AAP/Action Photographics

they now appear poised to reveal their plans for 2014," a Wigan Today report said.

"Bowen, a firm crowd pleaser for more than a decade in the NRL, is thought to have signed a one-year deal."

Playing in England's freezing north seemed the last thing on Bowen's mind last week as he spent his final days with Cowboys teammates in

north Queensland's sunny Whitsunday islands.

After their NRL finals campaign was cut short by a 20-18 loss, marred by Cronulla's seventh-tackle try the previous weekend, the Cowboys spent time on North Queensland club chairman Lawrence Lancini's yacht off Airlie Beach.

In one of his final acts as a

Cowboy, Bowen drove the team bus for the four-hour trip from Townsville to the idyllic beach town.

Bowen will leave a huge hole at the Cowboys after a 13-year NRL career that produced 267 games – a club record.

North Queensland football manager Peter Parr described the task of filling the ex-Test No 1's shoes would be like 'coming in after Bradman'.

But Coote said he was excited by the prospect of donning the North Queensland favourite son's No1 jersey when he toured the club's facilities last Thursday.

"I've got a lot of respect for Matty Bowen. He's done a lot for the game and for the Cowboys as well," said Coote who scored 43 tries in 83 games for Penrith.

"I've watched him play as I've grown up and he's left some fast boots to fill.

"I'm pretty confident that I'll fit in alright. I'm looking forward to it." – AAP

Kowanyama makes it four titles in a row

By ALF WILSON



KOWANYAMA Wallabies won their fourth successive Cape Cluster rugby league premiership when they defeated Napranum 30-22 in the September 7 grand final at Coen.

It was the climax to a huge day of rugby league and a large crowd turned out.

Three rounds had previously been held at Weipa, Kowanyama and Lockhart River.

Kowanyama coach Dave Kennedy said the decider was a great game of hard rugby league.

"Napranum had a giant side and the way we had to combat that was to run them around and try and tire them. We were very happy to win it for the fourth time," Kennedy told the *Koori Mail*.

For Kowanyama, Elron Lawrence, Maxwell Luke, Cameron Josiah, Raphael Lansen and Tony Daniels scored tries and five-eighth Stanley David kicked three goals.

Napranum Natives try-scorers were Davis Convent, Donald Banu, Bowdu Jacko and Leon Wallis.

Kareem Tabuai kicked three goals.

Kennedy rated his best players as front-rower Raphael Lansen, five-eighth Stanley David, winger Ishmael Birchley,

halfback Elron Lawrence and hooker Maxwell Luke.

Referees were David Maiden, Roy Brown and Rod McCrae.

Kowanyama defeated Coen 22-10 in one semi-final and Napranum won the other against Lockhart River 36-16.

McCrae rated utility Leon Wallis and evergreen hooker Jason Nixon amongst Napranum's best.

The finals format gave each of the teams a chance of winning.

First and second-placed Kowanyama and Napranum automatically didn't compete in the early knockout games.

The day kicked off with the qualifying finals, where Lockhart River Scorpions beat Pormpuraaw Crocs 30-10 and Coen Colts defeated Weipa Raiders 38-6.

Raiders, Crocs eliminated

This meant the Raiders and the Crocs were eliminated from the competition.

There was also several games featuring juniors from Weipa, other parts of Cape York, Pormpuraaw and Lockhart River.

"There were some talented lads in those and also two girls played. The Weipa players looked slick," McCrae said.

Cape Cluster finals, Saturday, September 7, qualifying final 1: Lockhart River 30 (Steven Bally 2, Smithy Bally, M Hobson, Brandon Piva, Darren Maubry

tries; Hobson, Piva, Wayne Butcher goals) d Pormpuraaw 10 (Clinton Holroyd Kieran Tarpencha tries; Tarpencha goal).

Qualifying final 2: Coen Colts 38 (Dylan Creek 3, Dion Creek, Shaka Bero, Wilfred Peter, Andrew Akiba tries; Darby Sellars 3, Gabriel Creek, Steven Gilet goals) d Weipa Raiders 6 (Walter Convent try; Chris Namok goal).

Semi-final 1: Kowanyama 22 (Raymond Goggleye, Brandon Hudson, Elroy Josiah, Tony Daniels tries; Stanley David 3 goals) d Coen Colts 10 (Andrew Brown, Eldine Creek tries; Darby Sellars goal).

Semi-final 2: Napranum Natives 36 (Jimmy Jacksonia 2, Alfred Bond, Hassim Adidi, Kareem Tabuai, Donald Banu, Graham Alexander tries; Kareem Tabuai 4 goals) d Lockhart River Scorpions 16 (Chris Johnston Jnr, David Mooka, Brandon Piva tries; M Hobson, B Piva goals).

Grand final: Kowanyama Wallabies 30 (Elron Lawrence, Maxwell Luke, Cameron Josiah, Raphael Lansen, Tony Daniels tries; Stanley David 3 goals) d Napranum Natives 22 (Davis Convent, Donald Banu, Bowdu Jacko, Leon Wallis tries; Kareem Tabuai 3 goals).

Napranum walked off with two minutes remaining after they were penalised for being in front of the kicker – as a result, Kowanyama were declared the winners.

Krakouer weighs up his next move

Big day of soccer in Victoria

By CHRIS PIKE



ANDREW Krakouer's second coming as an Australian Football League (AFL) player with Collingwood is over after three years and could very well spell the end of his career at the top level.

The 30-year-old excitement machine was delisted by Collingwood once the Magpies were eliminated from the finals



Andrew Krakouer

campaign by Port Adelaide.

Krakouer managed just eight matches in the AFL in 2013 for Collingwood, taking his total to 35 in his three years with the 'Pies.

Krakouer's time with Collingwood was his second life as a footballer.

His career began at Richmond when he was drafted in 2000 and he went on to play 102 games and kick 102 goals in his seven years at Tigerland before he found himself delisted largely because of an incident that was likely to see Krakouer end up in jail.

He returned to Western Australia in 2008 and played nine WAFL games with Swan Districts, but then Krakouer was found guilty of causing grievous bodily harm and went on to remain in prison until August 2009.

Krakouer returned to the Swan Districts Football Club to play in the WAFL and work in the club's V Swans program that focussed on largely Indigenous youth in the Pilbara area of WA.

The result was one of the most remarkable seasons ever seen in the WAFL, with Krakouer averaging 27 possessions, kicking 34 goals and putting on a clinic in the grand final with 40 disposals and four goals to lead Swans to an unlikely one-point victory over Claremont.

Krakouer finished the season with the Sandover Medal as the WAFL's best player, the Simpson Medal as the best player in the grand final, the Swan Medal as his club's fairest and best winner and of course the premiership medal.

Standout player

He was the standout player in the competition in 2010 and with his life under control off the field since being released from prison, Krakouer was given another chance in the AFL under Mick Malthouse at Collingwood.

Collingwood had just won the premiership and with Krakouer starring in 2011, kicking 35 goals from 23 games and taking the AFL's mark of the year, made the grand final again before losing it to Geelong despite Krakouer being one of his team's best performers on the day.

However, Krakouer went down with a knee injury early in 2012 that required a reconstruction and while he was able to make it back in time for the finals campaign, he never quite returned to the same form and

struggled for the most part in 2013.

Subsequently, he has now been delisted by Collingwood and while clinging to the hope that another AFL club might give him another opportunity, it's unlikely that he will get to add to his 137 matches and 152 goals in the AFL given he will be 31 before the 2014 season begins.

More likely is that Krakouer will finish his career playing at state league level and the Swan Districts Football Club would gladly welcome him back.

However, Swans are not in the same strong financial position they were in 2010 when Krakouer led them to a premiership and it's likely that other WAFL, VFL and SANFL clubs will be able to make him more lucrative offers.

Welcome back

However, Swan Districts coach Greg Harding would dearly love to have him back at his club.

"I've been in contact with him and we would love to have him back at the club," Harding said.

"He is probably the most loved Swan Districts player of the modern era, but we hope that he gets another opportunity at AFL level first; I really hope he gets another contract at another club."

Meanwhile, Krakouer remains in the AFL's all-Indigenous squad that is set to play Ireland in the upcoming International Rules series later this year.

Krakouer is one of 33 players in the squad that is set to be trimmed to 21 following the AFL grand final, but he remains a good chance to still play if he is fit enough and still wants to, despite being delisted by Collingwood.

It could very well provide a tremendous farewell to the AFL for Krakouer, particularly with the likes of Shaun Burgoyne, Courtenay Dempsey, Lance Franklin, Adam Goodes, Stephen Hill, Michael Johnson, Brandon Matera and Sharrod Wellingham unlikely to be available despite being in the squad.

Krakouer isn't the only player in the squad without a current AFL home. Aaron Davey is now retired from Melbourne, as is Nathan Lovett-Murray, from Essendon, so the trio could very well get the chance together to say goodbye to the AFL on the international stage in Ireland.

MELBOURNE Heart Indigenous football ambassador David Williams will be a guest today (Wednesday, September 25) at the Indigenous Youth Football tournament at the State Football Centre in Thornbury, Melbourne.

Football Federation Victoria (FFV) said Williams would be joined by Hyundai A-League stars Nathan Coe (Melbourne Victory) and Mark Milligan (Melbourne Victory captain), Matildas player and Indigenous football ambassador Kyah Simon and Melbourne Victory women midfielder Gulcan Koca.

The Mayor of Darebin Tim Laurence will open the tournament at 10.30am.

The tournament is in its third year and is open to boys and girls aged 7-14. They will play in a round-robin format, with the inclusion of a finals series.

More than 30 teams are expected. They will come from Gippsland, East Gippsland (Lakes Entrance), Ballarat, Shepparton, Mildura, Metro West, Metro North, Metro East and Bendigo.

Koca said she was excited to be involved in the tournament.

"I hope that I can be a good role model and inspiration for them. I want to see them enjoy themselves and be part of a great day," she said.

"I love children and coaching is one of my passions. I love being able to help youth in their hopes and dreams.

"I believe the Indigenous youth don't get this opportunity often and with being a part of this day I want to show my support for such a great idea."

Simon said she was looking forward to 'giving something back to my people and community' in her role as an Indigenous football ambassador.

"It (the role) is a part of my career and I've embraced it," Simon said.

Shaleise is a sports natural

SHE was so raw that Shaleise Law didn't have a firm grasp of the rules of Australian football, but that didn't stop her being one of the stars of the Australian Football League Female Indigenous Kickstart championships.



Shaleise Law

The tournament was held in Melbourne earlier this month and an AFL Indigenous Female Youth Squad was named at its conclusion.

It was no surprise that Shaleise was included in the line-up.

After all, raw as she was, she kicked more goals at the carnival than any other girl.

Shaleise is one of those 'natural' Aboriginal youngsters who have remarkable hand/eye coordination.

The 15-year-old is from the tiny

Queensland country town of Wondai and attends St Saviour's, Toowoomba.

Her proud grandfather Eric Law told the *Koori Mail* that Shaleise had represented Queensland in touch football and now Australian rules.

He said she was also a top cricketer and rugby league player, having represented Wide Bay, Metropolitan West and Darling Downs at league.

She also is no slouch on the athletics track and has won many age championships at school.

With credentials like that, it may come as no surprise that Shaleise is related to the great Kathy Freeman on her father's side.

As a member of the AFL Female Youth team, Shaleise will compete in the national youth female championships next April.

Thousands at Knockout event



Action from the Muli Muli (in blue) and Cubawee Connections clash at the Koori Mail Knockout rugby league carnival in Lismore last weekend. Thousands turned out for the event, which attracted 16 teams from across the NSW north coast. Picture by Naomi Moran



The Australian 40-girl squad after the 2013 Female Kickstart carnival at Victoria Park, Melbourne on September 13. Pictures by Darrian Traynor/AFL Media



Girls' youth team named



THE Australian Football League (AFL) has named a squad of 40 young Indigenous footballers in the inaugural AFL Indigenous Female Youth team.

Selected by the AFL's Chris Johnson and Xavier Clarke following an outstanding performance at the Female Indigenous Kickstart championships, the Indigenous Female Youth team will compete in the National Female Youth Championships next April.

Held at Melbourne's Victoria Park, the five-day Kickstart championships saw seven teams compete at under 18 level, including all states and territories in a round-robin tournament.

In a tight contest, Northern Territory defeated Victoria in the final, with Caitlin Armstrong, from Alice Springs, awarded best on ground.

AFL head of diversity Jason Mifsud said the AFL was growing the reach and impact with Indigenous Australia.

"The national female Kickstart

championships and the Indigenous Female Youth team are the first targeted female Indigenous strategy pursued to support the key objective of driving participation and talent outcomes," Mifsud said.

"This will also enable the AFL to drive other social outcomes such as health, education, leadership and employment objectives with Indigenous females."

The AFL acknowledged the parts played by FaHCSIA and Coles for their contributions to the female AFL football.

Indigenous squad

The AFL Indigenous Female Youth squad is: Evelynna Wanambi (Darwin, NT), Darilyn Puruntatamirri (Tiwi Islands, NT), Tayla Thorn (Darwin, NT), Candice McGinness (Darwin, NT), Leashay Warburton (Alice Springs, NT), Caitlin Armstrong (Alice Springs, NT), Ella Wonaeamirri (Tiwi Islands, NT), Sasha Bukulatipi (Elcho Island, NT), Caitlyn Wonaeamirri (Tiwi Islands, NT), Cecillena Mungatopi (Tiwi Islands, NT), Chantell Hickling (NSW Northern Rivers, Qld), Shaleise Law

(Brisbane, Qld), Renea Guligo (Cape York, Qld), Vera Duncan (Capricornia, Qld), Sherita Pilot (Cairns, Qld), Akasha Stephen (Cairns, Qld), Tashina Ketchup (Capricornia, Qld), Courtney Hodder (Rockingham, WA), Anika Gillespie (Lockridge, WA), Cassie Davidson (Greenfields, WA), Imahra Cameron (Kelmescott, WA), Kathleen Prosser (Caversham, WA), Winona Greenhalgh (Warrenheip, Vic), Jovy-Lee Coulson (Werribee, Vic), Kiara Cooper (Echuca, Vic), Paige Baksh (Shepparton, Vic), Jordan Mifsud (Cheltenham, Vic), Klarinda Hudson (Epping, Vic), Desrae Atkinson (Echuca, Vic), Nayiyana Briggs (Ringwood, Vic), Angela Giles (Adelaide, SA), Mikayla Saunders (Ceduna, SA), Maddison Radford (Windsor Gardens, SA), Kiarnie Jennings (Dubbo, NSW/ACT), Tyeisha Tighe (Sydney, NSW/ACT), Budat Mununggurr (Arnhem Land, NSW/ACT), Demi Doomadgee (Doomadgee, NSW/ACT), Nikesha Jones (Kalumburu, Tas/Vic), Hayley Smith (Ballarat, Tas/Vic), Letisha Maraltadj (Timber Creek, Tas/Vic), Kalinda Palmer (Epping, Tas/Vic).



Caitlin Armstrong in action for the Northern Territory in the final against Victoria at Victoria Park, Melbourne. ● INSET: Caitlin Armstrong with her best-on-ground grand final medal.



Victorian Jordan Mifsud tackles a Northern Territory opponent during the final.



The victorious Northern Territory team.



Kamica Pollard about to kick for the Northern Territory in the final against Victoria.



Greg Bird, right, pictured with the Brad Fittler Medal and Brad Fittler. Photo supplied

Bird the top Blues Origin player



GOLD Coast Titans rugby league lock Greg Bird is the winner of the 2013 Brad Fittler Medal.

The award acknowledges the best and fairest player for the NSW VB Blues at the end of each State of Origin series.

A veteran of 11 State of Origin games for the Blues, Bird was presented with the medal by Blues legend Brad Fittler on a stunning night of celebration for the NSWRL at Le Montage in Lilyfield.

Throughout the 2013 series, Bird displayed the renowned skill and determination that has made him a cornerstone of the Blues side since his debut in 2007.

Coach Laurie Daley believed that winning the 2013 Brad Fittler Medal was just reward for the consistent effort that Bird contributed throughout the series.

"Greg is a player who everyone wants to play with at an Origin level and I think that says a great deal about the man," Daley said.

Softball again not part of the Olympics



STACEY Porter is the only Aboriginal Olympic softball player and that will remain the case after the

International Olympic Committee (IOC) voted to exclude softball and baseball as sports at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Softball was dropped from the Olympic schedule at the 2012 London Olympics and is not a sport at the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Games.

Softball debuted in the 1996 Atlanta Games and Aussie Spirit have been on the podium at every Olympic Games they have competed: adding three bronze medals and one silver medal to Australia's Olympic tally.

Porter won a silver medal at the 2004 Athens Olympics and bronze in 2008 in Beijing.

She has been joined in the Australian team by another Indigenous player – Vanessa Stokes, from South Australia.

The next crop of league leaders

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

In continuing my review of the performance of Indigenous players across the 2013 National Rugby League (NRL) season, I want to start with my home team the Titans.

I do this with a sense of excitement because **Ryan James** and **Aiden Sezer** have been announced as members of the Prime Minister's XIII to play Papua New Guinea in a couple of weeks alongside Titans teammates **Greg Bird** and **Kevin Gordon** and fellow Indigenous All Star **Sam Thaiday**.

I am excited not only for the players, but for the recognition that this provides for our next generation of players.

The importance of the All Stars concept in accelerating the development of our players is highlighted by their selection, as the game earlier this year provided them an opportunity to show they could handle representative football.

James in particular shone in this match, while Sezer continues to show maturity and composure beyond his years.

I was equally delighted for Titans halfback **Albert Kelly** to be named in the training squad as this highlights how much he has achieved in the space of less than 12 months.

Albert has proved to be one of the buys of the year and with a proper off-season as well as an increased understanding with Sezer, I believe he can become one of the dominant players in the competition.

I cannot emphasise enough the impact that Greg Bird has had on these players.

Birdy has grown into an exceptional leader over the past



Preston Campbell says George Rose is a five-eighth in a 1960s front-rower's body. We know this much – golf is not his calling.

two seasons and has also been recognised for these qualities in the cauldron that is State of Origin.

He has also sparked leadership ambitions in **Jamal Idris**, who was having an outstanding season until he suffered injury.

Jamal was, I believe, only starting to show glimpses of his true potential and I cannot wait to see him back on the paddock next season.

Speaking of next season, it will be interesting to see where my good mate **George Rose** finishes up.

George refuses to conform to any stereotype.

He is a five-eighth in a 1960s front-rower's body!

But wherever he plays, he is certain to make an impact.

I sincerely hope that **Esi**

Tonga gets an opportunity to show his talents next year and that **Dane Chisholm** also gets the chance at the NRL level.

Rose's name has been linked to Melbourne Storm, where he could be another success story under the astute coaching of Craig Bellamy.

Off to Titans

Storm continues to impress and **Maurice Blair** has been another player to blossom in the Melbourne environment.

'Bobby' will be a great acquisition for the Titans next year and is a player I have admired since I met him at the Panthers as well as having the opportunity to reunite when we played for the Dreamtime team in 2008.

He is tough and versatile, having the ability to play five-eighth as well as centre.

His current centre partner **Will Chambers** has had an outstanding year and is one of the form attacking players across the competition.

If **Justin Hodges** were to be unavailable for Queensland next year, I have little doubt that

Chambers could fill the breach with ease.

He is a class player.

Speaking of class players, it was great to see **Timana Tahu** return to Newcastle over the past two years.

Although he may not have had as many opportunities at the NRL level this year as he would have liked, he has displayed the class and professionalism that have been the trademarks of his career.

I am certain the likes of **Dane Gagai** and **Tyrone Roberts** in particular have benefitted from having him as a mentor and role model.

Both these players are exciting prospects, which is not to underestimate the great contributions they have made to a successful season for the Knights.

I still believe there is an NRL future for **Travis Waddell**, who showed he still brings a spark to the attack of a side when given the opportunity.

One side that might have benefitted from his spark at dummy-half this season was the Cowboys, who were really a top four side who could have done with a second chance following their heartbreaking loss to the Sharks.

I want to spend a little time paying homage to the great career of **Matt Bowen**.

Matty was one of my favourite players to watch.

He could do things on the field that other players would not even dream of attempting.

It was no coincidence that the Cowboys effectively started their charge to the finals upon his return from injury.

His partnership with **Johnathan Thurston** underlined JT's greatness and probably meant that his own achievements were never fully recognised.

He was a once-in-a-generation player and the game will be poorer for his departure.

JT will be one player who fully understands the importance of 'Mango' to the team and it will be interesting to see him adjust to life post-Bowen – particularly under a new coach.

JT remains one of the true current greats of our game.

I am certain he remains frustrated by the lack of premiership success at North Queensland and will have this as his major objective as he enters the final phase of his career.

I am confident he can deliver a title to the frustrated fans of North Queensland if the team in general achieves the level of consistency required across the season.

Robert Lui will be an integral part of this, having re-established his NRL career this season.

Talent to burn

Lui himself needs to achieve personal consistency, but remains a player of undoubted talent.

Ray Thompson showed that he could handle the demands of dummy-half and could have been the answer to the Cowboys' problems in this area, had his season not ended by injury.

Anthony Mitchell will be hoping that a new coach means new opportunities for him as his form in the Queensland competition deserved a better shot at the top grade.

That being said, young **Jayden Hodges** put his hand up at the end of the season and showed enough to suggest he can cut it as an NRL player.

I finish this column with fond memories of **Matt Bowen**.

A lasting image will be of his cheeky grin when he knew he had the defence beaten.

It was not arrogance with Matty.

It was just the pure joy of playing the great game of rugby league in the fashion it was meant to be played!

Making legends

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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GRAND finals generate a sense of excitement and anticipation amongst the fans and indeed the general public like no other match.

For the fans of the participating teams, it can almost be like a religious experience.

Winning can be heavenly and for the losers, life itself can seem to be at an end.

Players grand final week.

How this whole scenario is managed by the coaching staff and playing group will be critical to the match itself.

The anticipation of playing in a grand final is an experience only bettered by actually winning the flag.

The emotion and passion created by the week can have different effects on different players.

They too will experience a week totally different to any other in their lives.

Making the grand final is a reward for close to 12 months of hard work together as a team.

Realisation

To win a grand final is more a realisation of a personal dream that you share with your family and close friends as much as you do with your team and support staff.

It is the final steps of a long journey and how you deal with it is important.

Some people say that a grand final is just another game.

That is patently false.

The grand final is a destination and dream rolled into one.

The team that falls into the trap of trying to treat the week as a normal one is doomed to lose.

You need to embrace the experience of the week and ensure you enjoy all that it offers.

At the same time, you have to ensure that you do not play the game in your mind before you step on to the field.

You need to expend every ounce of emotional and physical energy on the field rather than in the lead-up.

And it is here that I may appear to contradict myself.

While I have said that a grand final is different to any other game, it is the team that will be able to deal with all the distractions and passions associated with the event and still be able to follow a normal game plan that will almost certainly come out winners.

Special discipline

This will require the special discipline and mental toughness that truly distinguishes champion players and champion teams.

It is what makes the likes of Adam Goodes, Chris Judd, Lance Franklin and Gary Ablett such special players.

In ordinary games, they can produce the extraordinary.

In extraordinary circumstances, they can produce the normal.

By this, I mean they can perform what is required under pressure that makes others falter.

In the cauldron of pressure that is a grand final, they can execute what the situation demands and ensure the team focuses on what is in front of them.

Sometimes it is doing the simple things well under pressure that is the true sign of greatness.

Often people speak of champions seeming to have more time to execute their plays.

In the zone

Players themselves will speak of being in the zone.

All mean the same thing.

Certain players combine natural talent and hard work with a mental approach that makes the big matches the personal platform to display their greatness.

More than often it is the best team that will win the day.

But within the team there will be a number of individuals whose personal contributions will be critical.

They are the ones who will live for the day.

In many respects, champions are born for the day.

That is why they will enjoy the week and live in anticipation of rising to the challenge on the greatest day of the year.

It is the stuff that is the making of legends.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Indigenous eight ball team to take on WA



THE Indigenous team to take on Western Australia during the Australian eight ball championships has been announced.

The team is: Bethany Geehoy (manager), Sue Coulthard (SA), Gwin Anderson, Leisa Sjaadana, Robbie Savage, Carl Borsi (NT), Brian Green (NSW), Karin Hextall, Richelle Hextall, Pat Broberick, Justin Thursby (Qld) and Bruce Lockley (Tas).

The Indigenous team-WA challenge has been arranged as a side-bar to the Australian eight ball championships being held in Perth.

The idea of having an Indigenous team came from South Australian Bethany Geehoy.

She is proposing that the Indigenous team challenge the host state/territory at each national

tournament. Next year's tournament is in Darwin. Sue Coulthard is one of the top eight players in Australia.

She was a member of the 2013 Australian Masters team that travelled to South Africa enroute to the world championships in Blackpool, England.

The Australian women beat South Africa 3-0 in a Test series.

At the world championships, the Australian women missed out by one frame on reaching the semi-finals.

Sue Coulthard was the highest ranked Australian woman player – not bad for a woman making her debut for her country.

Robbie Savage, from the Northern Territory, was a member of the Australian Masters team when they won the 2008 world title

Winnunga leads way in fun run



CANBERRA'S Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service

entered a team – this year, for the first time – in Canberra's increasingly popular Canberra Fun Run to raise awareness of Aboriginal health issues.

"I know it was only a four person team – three men and

one woman – but it was good we all managed to finish the 10km," said team coordinator Ian Bateman.

"Given that entering was very much a last-minute effort and we hardly trained I think that was a remarkable effort".

Winnunga healthy lifestyle worker Bateman said he felt it was important for Winnunga to have a presence in the annual fun run that attracted

more than 2800 entries for the 10km course, but more than 6000 in total for three distances – the 5km, 10km and 15km.

Bateman, now in his 40s, said he had always personally tried to keep himself in good condition.

So do the other three team members: Angela Agnew, a Kamilaroi woman, and Gareth Eley and Andrew Moylan.



Pictured just before the starter's gun are, from left, Ian Bateman, Gareth Eley, Andrew Moylan and Angela Agnew.

Prince, Bowen farewell NRL



THE Broncos' Scott Prince and the Cowboys' Matt Bowen are two of the 20 National Rugby League players leaving at the end of this season.

Players from clubs no longer in the race for the finals, including Prince, have already hung up their boots.

Bowen could extend his career with a stint in the Super League in the United Kingdom.

Six of the players were presented with bronzed boots last week at the Men of League ball in Sydney.

All of the retiring players will be honoured on grand final day at ANZ Stadium on Sunday, October 6. That will happen during the pre-match entertainment.

The departing players are Scott Prince (Broncos), Steve Turner, Corey Payne (Bulldogs), Dallas Johnson, Matt Bowen, Ashley Graham (Cowboys), Nathan Fien, Matthew

Cooper, Michael Henderson, Michael Weyman, Josh Miller (Dragons), Danny Buderus (Knights), Roy Asotasi, Matt King (Rabbitohs), Shaun Berrigan (Raiders), Joe Galuvao (Sea Eagles), Jason Ryles, Brett Finch (Storm) and Luke O'Dwyer (Titans)



Scott Prince



Matt Bowen

Teams tune up for



SOUTH Coast Salt Water Warriors won the inaugural statewide Aboriginal Rugby League knockout challenge, Kids in Care Cup, on Sunday September 15 at WIN Stadium, Wollongong.

The Warriors and another South Coast team, the Gadhu Warriors, were joined by nine other men's Aboriginal

teams from the Hunter, Kempsey, Port Stephens, Illawarra, Northern NSW and Sydney.

The day-long competition was hosted by the Illawarra Titans Aboriginal Rugby League Football Club.

The event was created this year to raise awareness about the need for more Aboriginal foster carers in NSW. It was also used by teams as a warm-up to the long-running NSW Aboriginal

Knockout that is held over the October long weekend – this year at Raymond Terrace.

Mindaribba beaten finalists

The South Coast Salt Water Warriors beat the Mindaribba Warriors (Hunter) 26-20 in the final.

Mindaribba Warriors spokesman Ronald Griffiths said: "We went well, but got beaten in the final. Probably we

didn't play to our full potential and the other team took advantage of that – full credit to them for that."

Actor Luke Carroll was master of ceremonies.

The Australian National Anthem was sung by young local Aboriginal talent Taliah Edwards-King, who sang in Dharawal language – the traditional language of the original Aboriginal inhabitants of the Wollongong region.



The South Coast Salt Water Warriors, who won the competition.



The Dalai Dreamers and supporters, from northern NSW, after their Plate final win.



The Illawarra Titans Blue men's team.



The Gadhu Warriors, from the NSW South Coast.



Players from the Illawarra Titans All Stars and the Illawarra All Stars.

big NSW Knockout



The Illawarra Titans Gold men's team.



The Illawarra Titans women's team.



Illawarra Titans Blue Men's Rob Broad and his daughter Pippa Munilla-Broad



The Mindaribba Sistas women's team, from the Hunter region.



Waterloo Storm, from the Sydney region.



The Worimi Dolphins, from the Port Stephens region.

Easy part is over – now comes the NY Marathon!



THE hard work is far from over, but six months of long runs, hill sprints, sore legs, early-morning starts and time away from family has paid off for 12 Indigenous athletes.

They are headed for New York in November to compete in that city's great marathon.

Another runner, Lisa Bloxsome, from Nowra, will prepare for the Boston Marathon next April.

The New York Marathon runners are Jack Wilson (Townsville), Nathan Djerrkura (Yirrkala), Colin Sampton and Tali Tabuai (Cairns), Justin Miller (Katherine), Luke McKenzie (Murray Bridge), Carla Snow (Newcastle), Elise Hull (Bathurst), Georgia Gleeson (Queanbeyan), Evelynna Dhamarrandj (Elcho Island) and Charmaine Patrick (Hermannsburg).

The athletes are part of Rob de Castella's Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) and they completed the toughest challenge of their short running careers earlier this month when they finished a 30km run through the red desert streets of Alice Springs.

For 29-year-old Charmaine Patrick, who will be the first Indigenous woman from Central Australia to run the New York Marathon, lining up with 45,000 other runners, it will be a long way from the tiny Indigenous community of Hermannsburg, 150km west of Alice Springs.

Charmaine has sacrificed time with her two young children to be part of IMP, but says it will all be worth it when she crosses the finish line in New York.

"Every training run I have done, every camp I have gone to and every race I have been in, I have always been thinking about my boys, and how important they are to me," she said.



The IMP'S Rob de Castella, left, and trainer Tim Row, right, with IMP runners in Alice Springs earlier this month during their final selection trial for the New York Marathon in November.

Daley signs on for another year



LAURIE Daley has had his contract as NSW Origin rugby league coach extended for another year.

The upgraded deal ensures Daley will oversee not only next year's series, but also the 2015 campaign.

NSWRL chairman Dr George Peponis said the board had been impressed with how the former Australian, NSW and Canberra star had gone about his business since taking over the reins this year from Ricky Stuart.

"His respect for the changes made by Ricky, his strategic approach in planning for the 2013 campaign, his attention to detail and people management ensured that it was not a difficult decision to extend

his contract," Peponis said.

"It is critical that over the next two years, we address the gap between our current and desired position in regards to 'high performance'.

"The NSWRL board strongly believes that the first step is to ensure there is stability associated with the NSW SOO (State of Origin) program and thus confirming Laurie's position was paramount.

Chief executive officer David Trodden said the concept of high performance figured prominently in a recently-completed strategic plan.

"It is important that all facets of the business adopt a high-performance outlook so that it becomes ingrained in our culture," he said.

"Laurie's understanding of best practice ... and desire to enhance our professionalism ... has already seen him commence a number of exciting initiatives."

Daley said he was honoured to be appointed NSW coach, but to have confirmation of a further two years in the role was exciting.

"The support and assistance I am getting from the new executive team in regards to attempting to bring my plans to life is motivating and I am confident that our program will evolve to another level over the next two years," said Daley.

The Blues have not taken out a State of Origin series since 2005 with Queensland on an unprecedented eight-year series-winning streak. — AAP



Laurie Daley

Wingard, Johnson win All-Australian honours

By PETER ARGENT



FROM the seven Indigenous players in the original All-Australian squad of 40, just two —

Fremantle defender Michael Johnson and Power livewire half forward

Chad Wingard — made the cut for the final XXII.

The side was announced at a gala event on Monday, September 16 at the Royal Exhibition Building in Carlton, Victoria.

Johnson, originally a rookie-listed player with the Perth-based club, was selected in the back pocket, while Wingard, who just turned 20 late in his

second season of AFL football, won a position in the forward pocket as the crumbing small forward.

They were amongst the 12 All Australian debutants in the 2013 side, captained by Joel Selwood, with Gary Ablett Jnr as his deputy.

"Chad ranks at number six on the list of youngest players, at 20 years 58 days, in the current era of All-Australian honours," Col Hutchinson, the AFL statistics and history consultant, said.

"He is in pretty good company, with the only likes of Ben Hart, Mark Ricciuto, John Worsfold and current Richmond coach Damien Hardwick in front of him.

"Another South Australian — Gavin Wanganeen — was the second youngest on the list, winning his first selection in 1992 at the age of 19 years and 19 days.

"He went on to receive this honour five times — three with Essendon and a pair with Port Adelaide in 2001 and 2003.

Sixth Docker

"Michael Johnson is just the sixth Docker since Fremantle entered the AFL to achieve All-Australian honours."

Long and languid in movement, Johnson played 21 games for Fremantle during the 2013 minor rounds and was one of 12 players rested for the final game.

He averaged just shy of 20 disposals a game as a running defender and laid a couple tackles per game.

Surprisingly for the third-placed side, he was only Docker to make the esteemed 22-man team, with Nathan Fyfe and Aboriginal goal-kicking forward Michael Walters considered unlucky.

A proven game-breaker in 2013, Wingard beat home Steve Motlop and Lindsay Thomas, along with Walters for the small forwards role in the All Australian team.

He played all 22 games in the 2013 campaign, averaging almost

22 disposals in addition to four marks, two tackles and 1.8 goals per game.

"It was a pretty satisfying year from a personal perspective and as a team," Wingard told the *Koori Mail*.

"It is a dream to come from where we were last year.

"I've always had a fierce desire to win and it is important to seize opportunities.

"I like stepping up and taking charge when the chance is there.

"The final 'Showdown' against the Crows at AAMI Stadium was a special highlight.

Wingard was best on ground, kicking five goals in a brilliant come from behind win by Port.

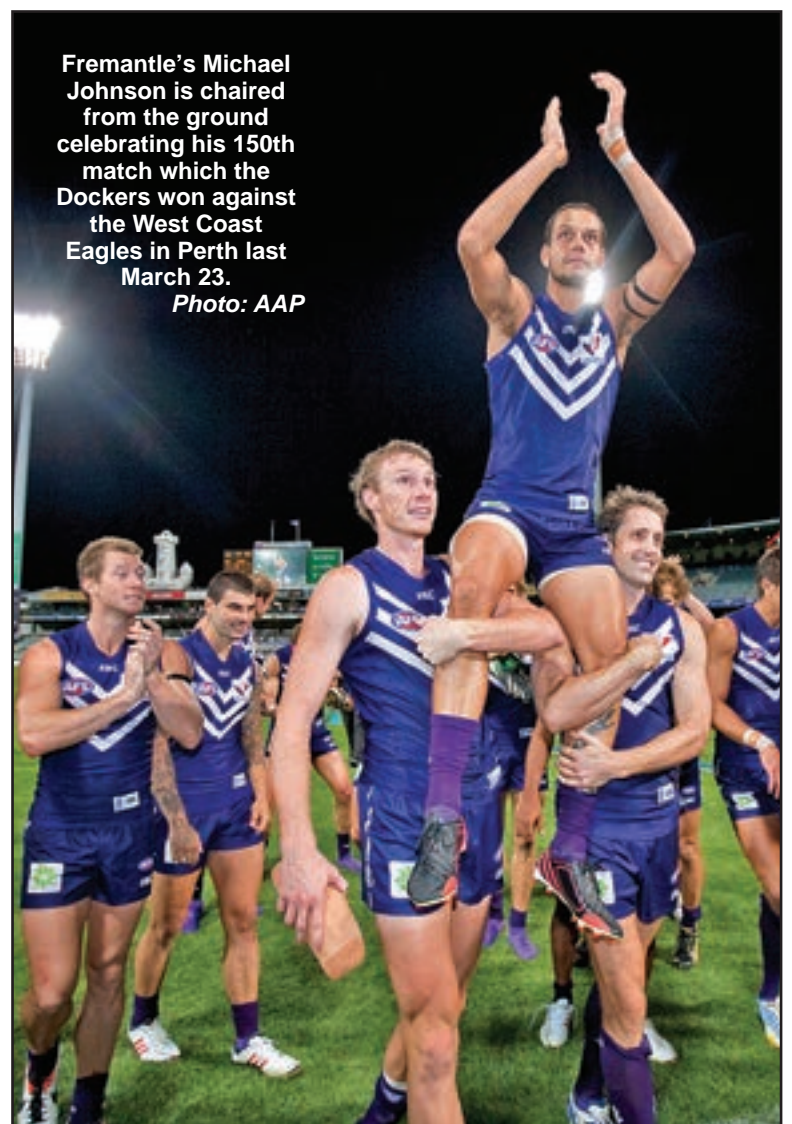
"Winning the game and getting the medal will stick in my mind for a while to come.

"Now it is about getting my body rested and right for next season.

"I'll go back home to Murray Bridge, relax, recover and shoot some hoops with my siblings."



Chad Wingard reacts after kicking a goal during the round 13 match against the Sydney Swans at AAMI Stadium, Adelaide, last June. Picture: AAP



Fremantle's Michael Johnson is chaired from the ground celebrating his 150th match which the Dockers won against the West Coast Eagles in Perth last March 23.

Photo: AAP

Foundation gets a new work facility

By CHRIS PIKE



THE Wirrpanda Foundation continues to go from strength to strength in helping the Indigenous youth of Western Australia and was recently recognised with an award at the annual Deadly Awards and

will also soon be provided with a new workplace facility.

David Wirrpanda started up the foundation named after him while still playing in the Australian Football League (AFL) with the West Coast Eagles, and has been able to help continue to grow it into an incredible organisation that continues to build since his 227-game career ended in 2009.

Wirrpanda's obvious association with the West Coast Eagles – given he was a champion player – is also continuing to pay great dividends for the foundation.

The Eagles recently announced that they will be moving their home base from Subiaco Oval to Lathlain Park, the home of WAFL club Perth, and which is just minutes away from the site of Perth's new football stadium at Burswood which will be completed in time for the 2018 AFL season.

As part of that move, the West Coast Eagles and the Town of Victoria Park (which



David Wirrpanda, centre, with some of the Wirrpanda Foundation role models.

oversees Lathlain Park) have agreed to provide a home for the Wirrpanda Foundation in the new facilities that will be built to host the Eagles.

It is unlikely that the Town of Victoria Park would have agreed to have West Coast move its base to Lathlain and indeed to help fund the building of the new facilities if it didn't also include community partnership, of which the Wirrpanda Foundation quickly became an important factor in negotiations.

The new facility will include flexible education areas and community lecture theatre areas to be used by the Wirrpanda Foundation to go with administration areas for the foundation on top of another oval being added to Lathlain Park, plus a museum, café and sports medicine clinic.

The Wirrpanda Foundation continues to be one of the best providers of Indigenous mentoring and support services in the country, and was just recognised with an award for excellence at the 2013 Deadly Awards.

The foundation's Deadly Sista Girlz program received the award for excellence in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education.

The program is delivered by Josie Janz, Alicia Janz, Ashley Walley, Kirby Bentley, Stacey Mourish, Ally Tairi, Melina Saunders, Kate Malpass and Rochelle Dolby, and works with Indigenous girls to offer a stable environment to discuss current and personal

issues they may be facing while receiving guidance.

The program has been running since 2008 and has engaged 2500 girls nationwide in that time with the aim to encourage the girls to become positive role models in their community and be successful in whichever career paths they wish to follow.

Josie Janz, a star netballer with the West Coast Fever of the trans-Tasman ANZ Championship, was on hand in Sydney to accept the award.

Meanwhile, Wirrpanda recently ran for a West Australian Senate seat for the National Party at the recent Federal election, but just fell short of being successful in that quest.

Wirrpanda was trying to become the first WA Nationals senator in 35 years and the first ever Aboriginal senator from the state, but it wasn't to be.

Wirrpanda was able to raise the Nationals' primary vote in the election by 1 per cent, taking it to 4.5 per cent, but that was still well short of what was needed to see him earn a Senate spot.

The 34-year-old isn't giving up hope of having another tilt at politics.

"It will be an option when I sit down and look at other areas; of continuing on in different areas," Wirrpanda said.

"In the meantime, I will go back and continue on with what we have been doing with our foundation."



Josie Janz with the Deadly Award won by the Wirrpanda Foundation.

Ron Gibbs a finalist in NRL awards



RON Gibbs is a finalist in the National Rugby League (NRL) 2013 One Community

Service to the Community Awards. He has been chosen for his work to improve cohesion in the Indigenous community in western NSW.

There are two other finalists.

The winner, who will be judged on how they have met the needs of the local community and improved the impact of rugby league on the wider community, will be announced on Monday, September 30, at Sydney's Town Hall.

"Every year we are blown away by the tireless contributions made by those in the grassroots rugby league community," said NRL interim community, culture and diversity general manager Mark deWeerd.

The One Community Awards have a prize pool of more than \$50,000 across eight award categories.



Ron Gibbs

Four NRL teams left to battle it out



IT'S Newcastle versus the Roosters and Souths up against Manly as the National Rugby League season heads to its climax.

Last Saturday, September 21, the Newcastle Knights became the last team to enter the final four after an upset 18-16 win over defending premiers Melbourne Storm at AAMI Park, Melbourne. It was the Knights' first win over the Storm since 2004.

They now face the Sydney Roosters on Saturday night at Allianz Stadium, Sydney, with the winners progressing to

the grand final on Sunday, October 6.

Newcastle's main concern was the injury to outstanding half-back Tyrone Roberts, who hurt his knee just three minutes before full-time. Coach Wayne Bennett was worried the young Indigenous playmaker could miss the game against the Roosters.

Bennett said the Knights now were in 'uncharted waters', having come from seventh place in the minor premiership.

"They've got here because they've kept it simple and they've kept a focus on what they've got to do, so if they get ahead of themselves they will blow it all out of the water, so it's my job to make

sure that doesn't happen," he said.

Bennett said he hadn't given the Roosters any thought, but said self-belief in the squad was high.

Manly booked their semifinal appointment with the South Sydney Rabbitohs with a gutsy 24-18 win over the Cronulla Sharks on Friday night.

The Sea Eagles ran on an empty tank for much of the second half, but somehow managed to hold off the fast-finishing Sharks.

A week after saving Cronulla, John Morris turned villain with a brain snap that cost his side dearly.

The Sharks looked like they had

locked it up at 24-24 with seven minutes to go when skipper Paul Gallen charged over, only for the pocket referee to spot Morris taking out marker Matt Ballin as he attempted to make his way back to dummy half. Gallen was in disbelief as referee Shayne Hayne sent the try to the video referee.

"Are you serious? I beat five blokes," Gallen said.

The incident took away from what was a heroic Manly performance, but they face a mammoth task to back-up again this weekend from what has been a torrid first two weeks of the finals. – With AAP

Hawks v Dockers

By **PETER ARGENT**



HAWTHORN faces the Fremantle Dockers this Saturday in an AFL grand final featuring leading Indigenous stars.

The Hawks ousted Geelong by just five points in a classic war of attrition, while the Dockers were too strong for reigning premiers Sydney Swans, taking their preliminary final by 25.

The Hawks-Geelong clash was a blockbuster at the MCG. It had all the aspects expected of a game in the penultimate round of the year.

At one point early in the last term, the Cats lead had extended to 20 points, but the brilliance of Shaun Burgoyne, coupled with the undying belief of his teammates helped the Hawks salvage a brilliant come-from-behind triumph.

High-profile Aboriginal star Lance Franklin injured his arm in a collision early in the game. He returned after medical attention, but kicked only one goal for the game.

Rookie Bradley Hills' pace and excitement value is important to the Hawks' chances this Saturday.

Injury-hampered Cyril Rioli will be better for the run and has a point to prove after his disappointing 2012 season-deciding effort.

After taking a premiership in 2008 against the odds, and being losing favourites last year,

Hawthorn must go into this grand final as the team to beat.

But Fremantle are peaking at the right time. The Dockers dominated the first three quarters of the preliminary final game at Subiaco last Saturday night, locking the ball in their forward line for large periods of the game.

Managing players with niggling injuries in the final quarter, the Swans kicked six of the last seven goals of the clash, but the result was already decided by the final break.

Small forward Michael Walters had an impressive preliminary final game, kicking three goals and taking the mark of the night.

Stephen Hill's speed and kicking skills were on display again, while in his first year at the Dockers, Danyle Pearce added an extra dimension to Fremantle's on-ball brigade, with his penetrating left foot and his hard running.

One of the concerns was the calf injury to All Australian defender Michael Johnson, but he is expected to get up for the season decider.

For the Dockers, they are in their first grand final since entering the AFL in 1995 and this team will be looking to write a piece of football history.

For Aboriginal siblings Stephen and Brad Hill, they will be the first two brothers to face off in AFL/VFL grand final in 100 years.

One will enjoy the euphoria of premiership success – the other agony of grand final defeat.



Hawthorn's Shaun Burgoyne kicks a vital goal during the AFL preliminary final against the Geelong Cats at the MCG on Friday. AAP image

JT's week that had a touch of everything



LAST week was tumultuous for North Queensland rugby league star Johnathan

Thurston.

There were no conspiracy theories anywhere to be seen as Thurston collected his second Rugby League Players Association (RLPA) 'Players' Player' award in Sydney.

Thurston edged out Todd Carney, Cameron Smith, Anthony Watmough and Sydney Roosters dual international Sonny-Bill Williams for the award, which is voted on in a 3-2-1 basis by opposition players each game.

The honour came on the same day Thurston was cleared by the National Rugby League (NRL) of any wrongdoing with regards to his rant when he suggested there was a conspiracy against non-Sydney NRL clubs following the Cowboys' controversial final exit the previous weekend.

Thurston didn't return to Sydney to collect the RLPA award, instead recording a video message with three-month-old daughter Frankie Louise on his knee – with no mention of his team's unfortunate finals exit.

"A massive thank you to the players of the game," said



A file picture of Deadly Award winners Johnathan Thurston and Jessica Mauboy with the Provan-Summons Trophy at the launch of the 2013 NRL season. Picture by Colin Whelan/NRL

Thurston, who first won the award in 2005.

"To be voted by your peers as the best, (there) is no higher honour in the game.

"I'm extremely humbled and it's a privilege to be voted by your peers so I just want to thank you all for that."

The NRL on Tuesday said Thurston had no case to answer

after he suggested there were forces at work against teams like the Cowboys, which came on the back of coach Neil Henry throwing up Sydney-centric conspiracy theories.

"While Queensland dominates at State of Origin level, NSW is crying out for something and they seem to be getting it," Thurston said on his arrival in Brisbane

after the game against the Sharks.

The NRL reviewed the comments and declared that Thurston had been misinterpreted.

"At no stage was there a reference to the integrity of the officials," NRL head of football Todd Greenberg said in a statement.

"I have spoken with Johnathan and Cowboys CEO Peter Jourdain, who have each given an assurance that the comments were not directed at the administration or the officials."

Thurston received support from Carney, the man who helped engineer the controversial seventh tackle try on Saturday night.

"It's unfortunate what happened. I feel for the Cowboys and Johnathan – rightly so. He shouldn't be fined for those comments because it was the heat of the moment," Carney said.

"He's shattered. It's two years in a row for him – if I was in the same position, I would have said the same thing."

The controversy came hard on the heels of Thurston winning a Deadly award as the NRL player of the year.

NRL general manager marketing and commercial Paul Kind said: "Johnathan is one of our most admired players on and off the field.

"Apart from being one of the game's best players, he is part of our Indigenous leadership group, a Ken Stephen medallist and is incredibly dedicated to his work in the community and this award is a celebration of all of JT's hard work."

Chasing KO double

By GRAHAM HUNT



THE Newcastle Yowies are confident of retaining their title at the NSW Aboriginal Rugby

League Knockout carnival on October 4-7 at Raymond Terrace.

But Yowies spokesman Jimmy Wright said he knew there were plenty of teams that were confident of winning.

The Yowies will host the 43rd annual Knockout at Lakeside Oval, Raymond Terrace, starting on Friday, October 4, with children's exhibition games and women's and under 15 and under 17 boys' competitions.

The open men will begin their knockout matches on Saturday, October 5, climaxing with the final on Monday, October 7.

'Looking good'

Wright told the *Koori Mail* that preparations for the Knockout had been hectic, but 'everything is looking good'.

"There's always a last-minute rush," he said.

Wright was confident the men's competition would start with a maximum 64 teams.

The Yowies' Kellie Pipe, who has been handling nominations, said that as of last Wednesday, 40 teams had entered the men's

competition; there were 13 in the women's competition, nine in the under 15s and 11 in the under 17s.

If more than 64 teams nominate for the men's competition, late entries will play off on Friday, October 4, for the right to enter the main competition.

The women's competition and the under 15s and under 17s will be capped at 16 teams.

Entries closed last Friday, September 20, and the draws will be made on Thursday, October 3.

A series of smaller carnivals has been held around NSW as teams tune up for the big statewide Knockout.

The Newcastle Yowies won the right to host the 43rd annual carnival when they won last year's carnival at Raymond Terrace, hosted by the Mindaribba Warriors.

Wright told the *Koori Mail* that the Yowies had tried to be 'up front' on their planning details and had invited interested people to express their views on how the carnival should be organised.

He said one issue that was of concern was a tendency by some teams to include non-Aboriginal players in their sides.

He said this was an issue that needed to be addressed.

The day may come when



Action in last year's NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout game between the Newcastle Yowies and Campbelltown. The Yowies won the carnival. Picture by Naomi Moran

teams would be required to show proof of players' aboriginality.

The Knockout is much more than a rugby league carnival – it is one of the largest annual

gatherings of Indigenous people in NSW.

In addition to the usual stalls and night entertainment, the Knockout this year will include a

Christians' tent, a mums' and bubs' tent, and new children's rides.

Facilities for Elders will also be expanded.

Murri carnival aims for records



A RECORD number of teams is expected for the third annual Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Rugby League Carnival starting

tomorrow at the Briggs Road Sporting Complex, Ipswich.

The Murri carnival is the Queensland equivalent to the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout and is held the weekend before the NSW Knockout.

The winners of the two carnivals now meet annually to find the best Indigenous rugby league team in Australia.

Murri Rugby League Queensland chief executive and former top-line player Tony Currie is confident that last year's total of 45 teams will be exceeded.

He expects 50 teams at this year's Murri carnival – 25 in the men's division, 15 in the under 15 boys' competition, and 10 in the women's division.

The winning men's team will walk away with \$50,000 prizemoney, while the runners-up will receive \$10,000.

The winner of the women's competition will receive \$8000 and the runner-up \$3000.

Currie said that for the first time, each division would have a team from Darwin.

A Murri men's team will be announced at the conclusion of the carnival. The 21-man team will tour New Zealand from October 16-27 and will play two matches against the New Zealand Maoris and another game against the



Benaiah Bowie scores for the Argun Warriors against the Ngapun Warriors in last year's Murri carnival at Ipswich. The Warriors went on to win the carnival. Picture by Naomi Moran

representative Maori side from Rotorua.

An under 15 team also will be chosen and it will tour Papua New Guinea from October 3-7.

The boys will go straight into camp after the Murri carnival and will play two matches in PNG.

The four-day Murri carnival is played over four days and is contested by Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander Queensland rugby league teams.

Last year's carnival drew 25,000 people and Currie is confident attendance this year will be close to 30,000.

The Murri carnival has a different format to the NSW Knockout, with teams assured of three games. Teams can be allocated a maximum of five

points for each game, based on three points for a win, and one point for winning halves. Draws earn half a point for each team. After each team has played three games, the 16 teams with the most points enter a knockout phase.

The Argun Warriors will return to defend the men's title they won last year.

The Warriors then went on to beat the Newcastle Yowies to lay claim to being the best Indigenous rugby league team in Australia.

The Queensland Rugby League (QRL) awarded the Arthur Beetson Foundation with the tender to run the carnival for three years. The Foundation has employed MRL (Qld Pty Ltd) to manage the carnival.

Men's teams entered so far: Kulpiyam Tigers (Badu), Southern Dingoes, Toowoomba Warriors, Mununjali Eagles, Purga Wagtails, Biddiah Moonadah (Palm Island), Cherbourg United, Argun Warriors (Badu), Wagadagam Storm (Torres Strait), Ngapun Warriors (Torres Strait), Ipswich Redbacks, Bindal Sharks, Inala, South East Dolphins, Cherbourg Hornets, Kambu, Moreton Bay Murri, Curacoa Crusaders, Jason Geesu Memorial, Jabirus, Top End Marla, Bayside Indigenous Allstars, Yarrabah Seahawks, Woorabinda Warriors.

Under 15 teams: Ipswich Diggers, NQ Waru, NQ Young Guns, Central Mob, Toowoomba Warriors, Cherbourg Hornets, Yarrabah, Inala, Ngapun Warriors, Kambu, Sunshine Coast Bunyas, Fogs Flyers, Brisbane Stingers, Northern Territory Titans, Western Rivers Warriors.

Women's teams: Toowoomba Warriors, NQ Waru, Wongai Tiddas, (Townsville), Inala, Kambu, Laurel Fisher United, Highlanders, Top end Yarly, Mununjali Eagles, Clarissa Malone Memorial.

– Graham Hunt



These girls had every reason to be jubilant
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League's big feast

By GRAHAM HUNT



AUSTRALIA'S big two Indigenous rugby league carnivals are on over the next two weekends, with the Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri carnival followed a week later by the NSW Aboriginal Knockout.

The carnivals are now linked – with the respective winners meeting to determine the best Indigenous rugby

league team in Australia.

The Queensland carnival will be held at the Briggs Road Sporting Complex, Ipswich. It starts tomorrow (Thursday, September 26) and climaxes on Sunday (September 29).

The NSW Knockout starts at Lakeside Oval, Raymond Terrace, on Friday, October 4, ending on Monday, October 7.

Both carnivals are expecting record entries.

Murri Rugby League Pty Ltd, led by former top player Tony Currie, will run

the Queensland carnival on behalf of the Arthur Beetson Foundation.

The Newcastle Yowies will host the NSW Knockout.

Torres Strait side Argun Warriors, from Badu Island, will defend their Queensland title.

Seeking second title

At Raymond Terrace, the Newcastle Yowies will be seeking to win back-to-back crowns.

A new incentive for players taking part in

either carnival will be the selection of a non-elite Indigenous team drawn from the two carnivals.

This team will play the Newcastle Knights during next year's week-long Festival of Indigenous Rugby League at Newcastle.

The festival will take the place of the NRL All Stars-Indigenous versus All Stars game. The All Stars format will return the following year.

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Cronulla forward Andrew Fifita crashes into the Manly defence in the NRL sudden-death clash at Allianz Stadium in Sydney on Friday night. Fifita had a good game, but it was not enough as Manly survived a final-quarter onslaught from the Sharks to win through to this weekend's preliminary final clash with South Sydney. AAP image

Footy fever



IT'S that time of the year when elite Australian football and rugby league competitions

come to a climax – and don't we love it!

It begins this weekend when Fremantle and Hawthorn meet on Saturday in the Australian Football League (AFL) grand final

at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

Then, on Sunday, October 6, the focus will switch to ANZ Stadium, Sydney, for the National Rugby League grand final. Four teams – the Roosters, Rabbitohs, Sea Eagles and Newcastle's Knights – are left to fight it out.

So sit back and enjoy the spectacle.

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Hawthorn's Cyril Rioli wins the ball against Cameron Guthrie of Geelong, during the AFL preliminary final clash at the MCG in Melbourne last Friday. AAP image

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