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## They're rapt in putalina



Singer-songwriter Scott Wells and his daughters Olivia and Madeline, from Wynyard, were among the impressive line-up of musical talent at this year's putalina festival, held last Saturday in southern Tasmania. Mr Wells described the feeling of performing at Tasmania's premier Aboriginal community music event as 'like arms wrapping around you'. See the next edition for full coverage of the event. *Picture by Jillian Mundy*

# Hard time ahead



A YEAR of cutbacks and changes. That's how 2014 is shaping for Indigenous Australians under the Federal Coalition

Government of Tony Abbott – the man who said he would be 'the Prime Minister for Indigenous Affairs'.

Dire predictions of major cuts and

changes under the new government appear accurate, with \$43.1 million to be slashed from Aboriginal legal services nationwide.

The move follows a Government announcement that it is likely to renege on a \$15 million 2013 Budget funding commitment for the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

Even the Government's own hand-picked

Indigenous Advisory Council chair, Warren Mundine, says Indigenous affairs cannot expect to be immune from Budget cuts.

And now concern has been raised over a review of the national schools curriculum, with Federal Education Minister Christopher Pyne questioning whether there was a need for the 'Indigenous Australia' theme currently in place.

Labor, the Greens and teachers have condemned the review, saying the Coalition Government is trying to impose its political ideology on children.

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# My FAMILY

# THOMAS MENE

Torres Strait Islander from Moa Island currently living in Stanthorpe, Qld



**T**HIS is me with my partner Llewcrisha Barney and our daughter Neveah, who's just seven months. We're relaxing in one of the parks at Stanthorpe, far southern Queensland, which we are calling home for the time being.

It's a long way from my home of Moa Island in the Near Western Group of the Torres Strait islands.

Llewcrisha's far from home, too. She comes from Normanton in the Gulf Country of north Queensland.

We're here because my mum and other family members are living in Stanthorpe, so while we miss our homes, we are quite happy here.

Several years ago I moved down to Cairns from the Torres Strait.

A bit later I went out to Normanton, which was an excellent move because

that's where I met Llewcrisha.

We came to Stanthorpe in the middle of 2013. Being in the far south of the state and at quite a high altitude, the town's cold winter came as a bit of a shock for us. But we were happy to be here and I think we'll be staying on.

I don't have a job at the moment, so I'm looking. I'm not really fussy – I'll give anything a go if I get the chance.

I've also signed up to play rugby league in the local competition, so I'm looking forward to that. I'm a Brisbane Broncos fan in the NRL, so I'm hoping they go a bit better than they did in the last season.

Oh, and there's another reason we'll be sticking around! Llewcrisha is expecting again, so it will be good to have help from my mum and other family when our second little one comes along.

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## OUR CHILDREN



Tamika Gollan, left, and Brianna Wilson had every reason to be happy – they were among more than 100 of South Australia's best young Indigenous netballers at Argana Park, Adelaide, for the South Australian Nunga Netball Championships. Tamika and Brianna played with the Raukkan under 17 team. Brianna was the carnival's overall under 17 best and fairest. *Picture by Peter Argent* ● See page 55 for more.

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# Clancestry seeks top performers



THE Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) is looking for early career Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander songwriters for a mentorship program, the Clancestry Pathways Project. Clancestry celebrates First Nations art and culture.

The project is offering 12 emerging Indigenous artists the chance to spend a week in Brisbane with senior music and broadcasting industry professionals including Troy Cassar-Daley, former Powderfinger frontman Bernard Fanning, and 98.9FM's Tiga Bayles and join in workshops, discussions, media calls and recording sessions.

The week-long program will culminate in a concert performance on Brisbane's South Bank Cultural Forecourt as part of the Clancestry, A Celebration of Country festival.

To apply go to the website [www.qpac.com.au/clancestry](http://www.qpac.com.au/clancestry)

Applications close at 5pm on January 24.

The Clancestry Pathways Project is funded through the Super Star Fund, a Queensland Government initiative and presented by QPAC and 98.9FM.

Clancestry runs from February 18-23 across the Cultural Precinct.

● Pictured right: A performance from last year's Clancestry at QPAC. Emerging Indigenous songwriters are being sought for a mentorship program for this year's festival.



# Alarm bells on patient fee proposal



A MOVE to impose additional fees on patients to visit their GP could limit medical access

for Aboriginal people, the Australian Medical Association (AMA) believes.

The Australian Centre for Health Research, a company run by health funds and private hospitals, has made a submission to the Federal Government's Commission of Audit proposing a \$6 fee for bulk-billed GP visits.

A research paper compiled by Prime Minister Tony Abbott's former health adviser Terry Barnes suggests a co-payment could reduce GP visit numbers.

However, AMA president Dr Steve Hambleton says anything that limits people getting to a GP is a concern.

"The group we are very concerned about is Aboriginal people, pensioners and people



**Australian Medical Association president Steve Hambleton**

with limited access," he said.

"If extra costs are imposed, people would have to choose whether they go to the doctor at all."

Dr Hambleton said most visits to the GP were very 'reasonable and helpful', with

only a minority causing doctors to ask why they came.

He said a co-payment plan introduced under the Hawke Government in the 1980s was significant enough to contribute to a change of prime minister.

"We do need to make sure people have access to primary care," he said.

Dr Hambleton said the focus needed to be on wellness, maintenance and preventative care.

When asked whether he would consider swapping bulk-billing for a \$5 co-payment for bulk-billed consultations, Mr Abbott told News Corporation he was not going to flag what might be in the Budget. "Other than to say we need a massive fiscal repair job," he said.

When asked on ABC Radio if a GP charge would place a larger burden on hospitals, Mr Barnes said a similar charge could be levied on emergency departments. — AAP



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# The fans turn out for Jess



JESSICA Mauboy's 'To the end of the Earth'

tour hit northern NSW last week, playing to packed houses in Coffs Harbour, Tamworth, Forster and Lismore in Bundjalung country, home of the *Koori Mail*.

Jess took time to give a free concert to adoring fans in Lismore and was presented a jersey by local Aboriginal rugby league club Northern United.

"I'll have to keep that one from my dad, when he tries to claim it," Mauboy joked with the Northern United lads.

Northern United president Lester Moran said the club had wanted to give Jess the jersey because she was a wonderful role model for Aboriginal kids.



● Above: Jessica Mauboy has been playing to packed houses across the country in her 'To the end of the Earth' tour, including in Lismore, NSW, last week, where she was pictured.

● Left: While in Lismore, Jessica Mauboy took time out to meet with officials from the local Northern United Rugby League Club. She's pictured wearing one of the team's jumpers.

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# Congress calls meetings in wake of cuts



The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has called a series of public meetings

sparked by Government cuts to Indigenous organisations and a threat to its own funding.

The meetings come after Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion met late last year with National Congress co-chairs Kirstie Parker and Les Malezer to inform them it was unlikely their organisation would receive any funding in the next Budget.

"I advised that the decision about future funding would be made as part of the Budget process, after the Commission of Audit reports," Senator Scullion said. "However, I did stress that it was highly unlikely that funding would be approved as the Government moves funding to frontline services to focus on delivering real outcomes for First Australians."

Ms Parker and Mr Malezer promised that Congress would 'continue as a strong, fearless national representative body for

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' and said they had met with their fellow directors to assess the Government's announcement that 'it will, in all likelihood, renege on a \$15 million funding commitment in the 2013 Budget'.

"Our founders protected Congress from the whims of Government by ensuring we were established as an independent company owned and operated by our peoples – not as a construct of the Government," they said in a statement.

#### 'Participate'

"Indigenous peoples have the right to participate in decision making in matters which would affect their rights, through representatives chosen by themselves in accordance with their own procedures, as well as to maintain and develop their own Indigenous decision-making institutions. We will continue to fight for the issues that are important to us as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples."

Senator Scullion said Congress had about \$8.3

million in its coffers.

"I encouraged Congress to use these resources to prepare and plan for the future," he said.

"There remains a role for Congress, but it is important that it build membership from its current level of approximately 7500 and look to other sources of financial support in the future."

Mr Malezer and Ms Parker said they would hold urgent meetings with members.

"The new Government has shown that they do not support real decision making for our families and communities through a national representative body chosen by our peoples, for our peoples," they said. "The board remains focussed on the purposes of Congress, including securing economic, political, social, cultural and environmental futures for our peoples."

"Critical to this will be building a sustainable financial base for the long term. Congress will also continue to grow its extensive membership of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples."

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# It's *Utopia* at The Block



**UTOPIA**, the new film by award-winning filmmaker and journalist John Pilger, will make its Australian premiere at a free open-air screening at The Block in Redfern on Friday. Mr Pilger, who will introduce the film on the night, said the documentary showed Australia is a secret country that covers up its treatment of Indigenous people.

He took two years to make the film, shot mainly at Utopia homeland in the Northern Territory, which includes the site of a former cattle station of the same name.

It contrasts those conditions with the affluence of Palm Beach in Sydney's north and the Canberra suburb of Barton, home of the Federal Parliament.

"I have been making films about the First People of my country for more than 30 years," Mr Pilger said.

"It is they who are Australia's true distinction, its uniqueness, and yet, as one Elder tells me in Utopia, 'It is as if we are refugees in our own country.'

"It describes not only the uniqueness of the First Australians, but their trail of tears and betrayal and resistance – from one utopia to another."

## Special guests

The screening will feature special guests from the film: Indigenous activist Rosalie Kunoth-Monks from the Utopia community, editor of *Tracker* magazine Amy McGuire and Robert and Selina Eggington from Dumbarton in Western Australia.

As well as the film there will be a performance by Glenn Skuthorpe, whose song *No More Whispering* is the signature ballad of the film, and a set by comedian Sean Choolburra.

The free open-air screening at The Block begins at 7pm this Friday, January 17. Bring a picnic, a blanket or chairs.

The Museum of Contemporary Art at The Rocks in Sydney will host free preview screenings of *Utopia* on January 21, 22, and 23, with a special panel discussion following the final screening on January 26.

Joining Mr Pilger on the panel will be Ms Kunoth-Monks and Ms McGuire, with chair journalist Jeff McMullen.

*Utopia* is scheduled for national release in late February.

Here and below:  
Scenes from  
John Pilger's new  
documentary  
*Utopia*. There is a  
free screening at  
The Block in  
Redfern this  
Friday.



## New Year's hopes and resolutions

Every year we ask Indigenous people around the country for their hopes and resolutions for the coming year. You'll find what people had to say on this and following pages.



Walter Tjami, Mimili community (APY Lands) in the north of SA: I'll be hoping my grandfather gets over the illness that's been keeping him low and in hospital.



Nadia Forbes, Blackstone community, between the Western and Great Victorian deserts, in far eastern WA: I'm having a baby soon, so I'll be looking to have a healthy little one and get back home from Alice Springs, where I've been staying. I've got my fingers crossed for a daughter.



Tully de Vries, Ballandean, southern Qld: I'll be working hard to get fit and healthy after the birth of my son Tane (pictured with Tully) in December.

# Cutbacks threat to legal services

By **DARREN COYNE**



**ABORIGINAL** legal services across the country have warned they will be forced to reduce frontline services as a result of planned Federal Government cutbacks.

Critics say the Government's move to slash funding by \$43.1 million to the legal assistance sector will lead to an increase in imprisonment rates, especially for Indigenous people.

The Law Council of Australia has attacked the reductions, saying instead of cutting funding, the Government should be increasing legal assistance and justice reinvestment programs.

"These cuts will ultimately create a net burden for the economy and work counter to the Government's objectives," Law Council president Michael Colbran said.

Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia CEO Dennis Eggington told the *Koori Mail* that the funding cuts would particularly affect education and policy development.

"When the cuts come in we will lose our ability to influence government around new legislation and policies," he said.

"Here in WA we have legislation and policies that are directly and indirectly discriminating against Aboriginal people, which means more of our people get caught up in the legal system.

"In many cases the ultimate punishment is jail so we won't have the ability to respond in a proactive and informed way to government."

Mr Eggington said the funding cuts would also

limit the service's ability to run education programs in communities and schools.

"Lastly, we will also lose frontline services," he said. "There is no doubt the levels of cuts will have to come from frontline services including family, civil or criminal law."

Meanwhile, the National Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention Legal Service has already been told it will have to deal with \$3.6 million in cuts over the next three years.

National convenor Antoinette Braybrook said Aboriginal women were 34 times more likely to be hospitalised due to family-violence-related assault than other Australian women.

## 'Playing politics'

"We know from the statistics that rates of family violence are increasing, but instead of addressing this national crisis, governments are cutting our funding and restricting our services," she said. "They are playing politics with the safety of our women and children."

"The Government claims that funding will be taken from policy and law reform programs, and frontline services will not be impacted."

"Clearly our Government doesn't understand how FVPLS services operate. There is simply no such funding provided for individual services to engage in policy and law reform."

"Services will have no choice but to cut back frontline service delivery given that this is where services direct their funding."

Australian Democrats South Australian district president Jeanie Walker said the funding cuts were 'a crushing blow'.

She called on South Australian Premier Jay Weatherill to contact the Federal Government and demand that the funding be reinstated.

Western Australian state Labor frontbencher Ben Wyatt has taken Prime Minister Tony Abbott's key Indigenous advisor, Warren Mundine, to task over comments he made about the cuts.

In a comment piece in *The Australian* newspaper, Mr Mundine had argued it was unrealistic to expect that Indigenous affairs spending would be immune to Budget cuts.

Mr Mundine had argued that removing inefficiency, duplication, bureaucracy and red tape would lead to lower spending. He said it was unrealistic to expect that he, and the Indigenous Advisory Council that he leads, could 'cast a force field' over Indigenous spending to exempt it from the broader Budget agenda.

Mr Wyatt agreed, but said he expected Mr Mundine to remind the Government of the real consequences of its decisions.

"I worry that he sees his role more as a defender of the Government than an advocate for Aboriginal Australians," he wrote.

He said cutting funding from legal aid risked the obvious – that more Aboriginal people would end up in prison.

"Mr Mundine was correct to identify the responsibility of state governments to increase diversionary options, but it was his responsibility to ensure the Abbott Government bore financial and moral responsibility for the consequences of its decisions," Mr Wyatt said.

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# Beaver making his mark

By JILLIAN MUNDY



CEDUNA artist Beaver Lennon has gone from producing small \$10 dot paintings for 'tucker money' to winning awards

and painting large-scale landscapes sought by collectors and galleries.

The quietly spoken 25-year-old is proud yet seems unfazed by his rising star, continuing to work at the Ceduna Aboriginal Arts and Culture Centre part-time and in no hurry to produce more than five or six works a year.

"I feel like somebody. It's good to have that feeling, made a name for myself, that pride," he told the *Koori Mail* from his studio behind the arts centre.

"I like to not rush with my work, take my time. I like to get my work really finished properly.

"I used to paint for tucker money, but now I paint stories, try and put in a meaning about myself and my grandfather's country.

"It's a bit like I find where I come from and identify myself; a bit of a document of my grandfather and grandmother's cultures and language.

"I feel more connected."

Mr Lennon's greatest artistic influence is his late grandfather Stanley Lennon, a landscape artist who never got to witness the rise of his grandson's talent.

Looking at Stanley Lennon's paintings on the walls of Beaver's studio, the similarity in their styles is immediately obvious. In fact it's almost as though he picked up where his grandfather left off, developing his style a step further.

Mr Lennon began landscape painting in 2004, a year after his grandfather died.

His depictions of the sprawling landscapes and moody skies of his grandfather's country



Beaver Lennon in his studio at Ceduna: "I used to paint for tucker money, but now I paint stories, try and put in a meaning."

silently entice the viewer in to appreciate it.

"He knew I was very good," Mr Lennon said of his grandfather.

"If he was still alive he would have showed me more about the countryside and about painting."

Mr Lennon first gave painting a go at the Ceduna Arts Centre when he left school.

"My grandmother showed me about painting and sketching," he said. "I started dot painting blue swimmer crabs, fish and shells on small boards.

"I saw another guy was doing landscapes, and my grandfather's paintings were on the wall. It gave me the idea, so I gave it a try, and from there it grew from learning.

"I used to do a version of my grandfather's paintings and parts of them.

## 'In demand'

"I'm in demand now. People put in orders for the landscape they want."

But it's country that means the most to him that Mr Lennon is

keenest to paint, and with Matutjara, Antikirinya, Yankunyjatara and Mirning heritage, there's plenty of subject material.

"Two years ago I took a trip out to Coober Pedy, Gawler Ranges and the Head of the Bight and started taking photos and painting them," he said.

"Now I have to go out and do another trip and get more photos, same places and desert more, other countryside I haven't been yet."

Mr Lennon was a finalist in

the 2013 Western Australian Indigenous Art Awards. He was selected for *tough(er) love*, a survey exhibition of Eyre Peninsula art at the Flinders University Art Museum City Gallery in 2013, and *Deadly: Between Heaven and Hell* exhibition at Tandanya in 2012, which was part of the Adelaide Festival.

In 2008, Mr Lennon was a finalist in the Xstrata Coal Emerging Indigenous Art Award at the Gallery of Modern Art, Queensland Art Gallery.

By MAX BLENKIN



CABINET papers for 1987, released by the National Archives of

Australia, show that with the bicentenary of European colonisation approaching, the Hawke Government decided something must be done about a rising tide of complaints that Indigenous people were dying in suspicious circumstances in police cells.

The documents show the Government decided there had to be a royal commission, with the hope that it could all be wrapped up in six months.

In reality, the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADC) continued for another four years, with the final five-volume report and its 339 recommendations tabled in April 1991.

All up, the commission cost about \$40 million, with another \$400 million to implement most of its recommendations.

The Government decided to seek cooperation from

states and to discuss terms of reference and some cost-sharing.

Legal aid would be provided to the immediate family of those whose deaths were being investigated.

It proposed limiting the period of investigation, covering only deaths in police custody, prison or some other sort of detention since January 1, 1980.

The Government also proposed a get-together of federal and state police and prisons ministers to discuss broader questions of Aboriginal and police relations and how to make

speedy improvements to procedures and practices to avoid further deaths.

There was an extensive lead-up to this decision before suspicious deaths of Aboriginal people in police cells finally attracted international attention after the National Committee to Defend Black Rights presented its case to the United Nations in July 1987.

## Cases

Committee members highlighted cases such as that of John Pat, 16, who died of head injuries in a Western Australian police

cell in 1983 after a brawl with off-duty police officers outside a pub. Five police officers eventually faced trial in 1984. All were acquitted by the all-white jury.

Then there was Lloyd Boney, found hanging in a police cell in Brewarrina, NSW, in August 1987. His death, the 16th that year, is regarded as the catalyst for the royal commission.

With the 1988 bicentenary looming, the Government felt it had to act.

The Commonwealth royal commission eventually sparked comparable inquiries in states and the

Northern Territory. No deaths occurred in the ACT in the relevant period.

Federal Court judge the late Justice James Muirhead was appointed as sole commissioner. As the workload expanded, others were also appointed.

The commission initially set out to examine 44 specific cases but that eventually grew to 99, with 32 in Western Australia, 27 in Queensland, 21 in South Australia and the Northern Territory and 19 across NSW, Victoria and Tasmania.

The commission concluded the high rate of

Indigenous deaths in custody stemmed fundamentally from the disproportionately high number of Indigenous people in custody.

That proportion has increased since the 1980s, as has the total number of Indigenous people in custody, particularly in Western Australia.

Australian Bureau of Statistics figures for 2013 show a national prison population of more than 30,000, 27 per cent (8430) Indigenous.

Indigenous people comprise around 3 per cent of the national population but have an imprisonment rate 15 times greater than other people.

Deaths in custody are now watched closely, with the Australian Institute of Criminology concluding the Indigenous deaths in prison rate now is at an all-time low, even considering the high number of Indigenous people in jail.

Indigenous deaths in police custody are more likely to occur in what the institute terms custody-related operations, such as car chases, than in police cells. — AAP



# NT Labor anger at grog inquiry

By NEDA VANOVAC



FOCUSSING a federal inquiry on alcohol abuse by Aboriginal communities is disgusting and insulting, the Northern Territory Opposition spokesperson for Indigenous affairs says.

Federal Minister for Indigenous Affairs Nigel Scullion said last week that a parliamentary inquiry into reducing alcohol-fuelled violence would be a wide-ranging investigation into drinking habits across the country, but later backed away from that, with a spokesman saying the inquiry would look into alcohol misuse only in Indigenous communities.

"Alcohol doesn't discriminate by race, so why is the Government?" NT Labor Indigenous affairs spokesperson Ken Vowles said.

"Alcohol-fuelled violence is a problem across Australia, and to make an inquiry race-based is as disgusting and insulting as it gets."

But Central Australian Aboriginal Congress public health medical officer Dr John Boffa says that although the focus will be on alcohol consumption by Aboriginal people, the yet-to-be-

decided terms of reference will allow the parliamentary committee to consider nationwide solutions.

"If we implement policies that make a big difference in Aboriginal communities, they'll also make a big difference for other heavy drinkers and young people across the nation," he said.

Dr Boffa said a federal inquiry was appropriate because it helped defuse a parochial attitude that the Northern Territory was being unfairly singled out.

The NT Government lacked the political will to call its own inquiry, Dr Boffa said, and many state governments across Australia were too close to hotel associations to take real action.

## 'Not getting anywhere'

"The situation in the Territory is at a complete impasse. We're not getting anywhere," he said.

"We haven't got an evidence-based approach to alcohol policy and there's no capacity for the Government at the moment to listen or consider new options, and we're not getting access to the key data we need to assess the true effectiveness of policy decisions."

The NT Country Liberals won government in August 2012 on a campaign platform of doing

away with Labor's Banned Drinkers Register (BDR), which required a scan of photo identification of anyone buying alcohol.

The new Government believed 'it was an affront to whitefellas' to have their ID scanned, Dr Boffa said.

Mr Vowles said the 'rivers of grog are flowing' in the NT, with the Government refusing to limit supply.

But Government backbencher Gary Higgins broke ranks to admit that the BDR had been having an effect on limiting supply, and said a range of options including treatment of problem drunks should be considered.

The town of Nhulunbuy still operates a form of the BDR under a permit system with the support of traditional landowners, and Dr Boffa said it was the only place in the NT where rates of alcohol consumption and domestic violence were falling.

"It's really worked ... So why is it not good enough for places like Tennant Creek, Katherine and Alice Springs?" he said.

Mr Higgins suggested that governments could also consider other plans to reduce alcohol-fuelled violence, such as a volumetric tax and an increase in the floor price of alcohol. — AAP

## New Year's hopes and resolutions



**Judith-Rose Thomas, Launceston, Tas:** To share all the knowledge I've gained with children. They are the future.



**Michael O'Loughlin, former AFL player and Koori Mail columnist:** To work even harder at making sure the Swans Academy is a success and to help mentor more young Indigenous players to fulfil their AFL dreams.



**Megan Daley, Canberra, ACT:** This year I'm going to eat healthy and get more exercise.



**Rita Kebisu, Thursday Island, Torres Strait:** My resolution is to appreciate more the things around myself and my family, hold close those who are dear to me, never take things for granted, have a healthier lifestyle, and look forward to what lies ahead with work and footy. And I'll take a well-deserved holiday with my kids.



Traditional owners Jenny Smith and Ros Sten, committee member Mickey Ryan, artist Oral Roberts, SCU researcher Dr Rob Garbutt and artist Gilbert Laurie in front of part of the new mural.

# Showgrounds history in art

By DARREN COYNE



A MURAL and signage depicting the Aboriginal history of the Lismore

showgrounds in northern NSW will be launched this month.

The showgrounds are on land originally occupied by a ceremonial bora ring. The North Lismore plateau, known to local Aboriginal people as Banyam

Baigham, or Sleeping Lizard, overlooks the area.

The *Koori Mail* was given a sneak peek at the first section of the mural, which features significant animals such as the bunij, or echidna, the guruman (kangaroo), the ngamahl (goanna) and nurimbah (snake), protector of the country.

Gilbert Laurie, a Bundjalung and Yaegl man who grew up in Lismore, painted the first section, while Oral Roberts, a

Widjabal/Wiyabal man, produced the cut-outs.

The middle section, by Eric Ferguson, an Arakwal artist from Cabbage Tree Island, shows the historical transition of the site from a traditional meeting place for Aboriginal people, through to the importance of such things in the 1970s as the boxing tents, woodchops and pavilion displays.

The third section, by Bundjalung artist Rob Smith, represents a more contemporary

vision of how Aboriginal people are involved in the showgrounds.

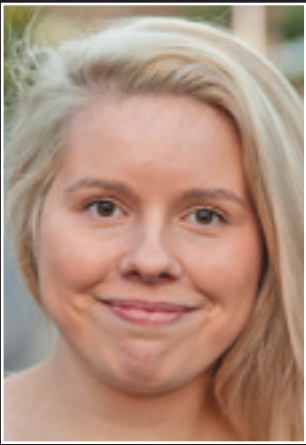
Signs will be displayed around the showgrounds explaining the connection of Aboriginal people to the area.

The Federal Government has funded the project, which is being supported by Southern Cross University researcher Dr Rob Garbutt and the North Coast National show committee.

The murals and signage will be unveiled at 10am on January 25.



## New Year's hopes and resolutions



Brayly Spotswood, Hobart, Tas: To get through university, continuing on with my Bachelor of Arts.



Michael Conway, Palm Island, Qld: I want to try and give up drinking alcohol and just be a bit more healthier.



Carolyn Briggs, Boonwurrung Elder of Victoria: My resolution is to continue reclaiming the strength of our heritage and culture and I hope that 2014 will be a great year and that everybody gets what they wish for, and that it benefits humanity.



Lesley Desmond, Perth, WA: I want to grow my photography business and make it into my fulltime job.

# Story of Black Diggers



IN 1915, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were not considered citizens in their own land.

Many Indigenous people were treated as slaves, had their children taken from them, and all were excluded from the vote, pensions and enlisting in the armed forces.

All states had oppressive Aboriginal 'Protection' Acts, meaning Aboriginal people were subject to harsh and discriminatory laws.

Despite that, it is estimated that about 1000 Aboriginal men enlisted and fought in World War I, many lying about their ancestry to sidestep the law regarding eligibility to serve.

*Black Diggers*, a new play about this often hidden history, will premiere at the Sydney Festival this month.

Directed by Wesley Enoch and written by Tom Wright, *Black Diggers* follows the stories of



A group portrait of the 3rd General Service Reinforcements (Qld), Egypt, for the Light Horse recruits for 1917.

Image courtesy Australian War Memorial

Aboriginal soldiers from their homelands to the battlefields of Gallipoli, Palestine and Flanders.

"The story of black diggers in World War I is a story of hope, of trying to come together, of

understanding and a history forgotten," Enoch said.

"What you'll see on stage is nine Aboriginal men representing a number of stories. We've been tapping into what it means to be

an Aboriginal man now and what it must have meant then when you were told you couldn't marry or earn money or own land or travel from town to town."

Research for the play drew on documents and photographs of Indigenous people before, during and after the war.

"Aboriginal people have been involved in every theatre of war since federation," Enoch said.

"So for us to tell that story, to write on to the record Aboriginal servicemen at Gallipoli, at the Western Front, in Palestine, all those areas, it's a type of reconciliation."

The Sydney Festival includes other significant Indigenous works. Michael Kantor and Tom E Lewis present *The Shadow King*, a re-working of Shakespeare's *King Lear* in a modern Aboriginal context, and Dalisa Pigram performs her solo dance performance *Gudirr, Gudirr*.

For more information, go to [www.sydneystfestival.org.au/2014/](http://www.sydneystfestival.org.au/2014/)

# Concern at Govt education review



FEDERAL Education Minister Christopher Pyne has implemented a review of the national schools curriculum, questioning whether there was a need for three of its themes – Indigenous Australia, Australia's place in Asia, and sustainability.

Under the present system, students consider all subjects in the context of the three themes.

"Now there is some question about whether those themes fit with maths and science for example," Mr Pyne said.

The minister has been a strong critic of the national curriculum, introduced under the previous government and supported by all state and territory governments, saying in March 2010 that it had been 'skewed to a black armband view of Australian history'.

"We have a seemingly over-emphasis on Indigenous culture and history and almost an entire blotting out of our British traditions and British heritage," the then-Coalition education spokesman said.

"I am deeply concerned that Australian students will be taught a particular black armband view of our history without any counterbalancing."

Announcing the review, Mr Pyne denied it

was about correcting any perceived 'left-wing' bias, but said the curriculum was too rigid and prescriptive.

He has appointed two critics of Labor's education reforms – former teacher Kevin Donnelly (a former chief of staff to Liberal MP Kevin Andrews) and business academic Ken Wiltshire – to head the review, which he said would provide students with a more robust curriculum.

Mr Pyne called for a return to a more orthodox system, free of 'partisan bias'.

## Greater focus

He said there should be a greater focus on Western civilisation in our society. "(A curriculum) that isn't too rigid, that doesn't try and be prescriptive about every aspect of maths, science, history and English," he said.

Labor, the Greens and teachers have condemned the review, saying the Coalition Government is trying to impose its political ideology on children.

Opposition Leader Bill Shorten told Prime Minister Tony Abbott to 'stop trying to put your version of politics into the school books'.

"Please keep your hands off the school books of Australian children," he said.

Mr Shorten said education should be above

politics. He said the review was nothing but a distraction from the Government's backflips on schools funding, in reference to last year's failed attempt to walk away from Labor's deals with the states.

Australian Education Union president Angelo Gavrielatos said Mr Pyne had appointed 'an ex-Liberal staffer and conservative ideologue' to head the review.

"Mr Pyne is clearly determined to play politics with the education of Australian children," he said.

Mr Pyne said students should be taught 'the truth about the way we've treated Indigenous Australians' but also the 'the truth about the benefits of Western civilisation'.

"There are two aspects to Australia's history that are paramount," Mr Pyne said.

"First, of course, is our Indigenous history, because for thousands of years Indigenous Australians have lived on this continent."

"The second aspect of our history is our beginnings as a colony and therefore our Western civilisation, which is why we are the kind of country we are today."

Mr Pyne said he hoped the review would be completed by June, with a view to working with states and territories on the curriculum for 2015. – *With AAP*



# Lawyers consider appeal in WA case



LAWYERS acting for a Western Australian Aboriginal couple whose eight children were taken away by authorities without consent are considering appealing a WA Supreme Court decision to reject their compensation case.

The case had been brought on behalf of nine members of the Collard family, including parents Donald and Sylvia, whose children were removed without consent between 1958 and 1961.

The children were split up and placed in state care, during which time some of them allege they were sexually abused.

The Collards launched legal action in the WA Supreme Court in 2010 in the hope of receiving compensation for the ongoing impact they say the separation has had on their lives.

However, late last year, Justice Janine Pritchard dismissed the case. In her 410-page judgment, the judge said that while she felt for the family, its case was not established.

"I am conscious that it is difficult for a third party to comprehend the enormity of the emotional pain and heartache experienced by all of the plaintiffs as a result of the children being made wards and living apart from their family for so many years," she said.

"Having said that, it is impossible not to be deeply moved by the plaintiffs' experiences, and one cannot help but admire their efforts to rebuild and maintain their family relationships.

"The application of the applicable legal principles to the facts established on the balance of probabilities by the evidence leads to the conclusion that the State was not, and is not, subject to the fiduciary duties alleged by the plaintiffs.

"Even if the State was subject to those duties, the plaintiffs did not establish that the State breached

those duties, other than in relation to a decision which was made in November 1959 not to return Ellen to Don and Sylvia's care.

"Furthermore, the plaintiffs have no right of action against the State because they did not comply with the requirements of the *Crown Suits Act*."

Aboriginal Legal Service of WA (ALSWA) chief executive officer Dennis Eggington said the Collard family had shown incredible courage and resilience in sharing their traumatic stories for the test case, for the benefit of all members of the Stolen Generations.

"Their commitment has been unwavering and the family are understandably devastated at the decision," he said. "As soon as we

learnt of the decision, we met with the Collard family and the legal team that represented them.

"The family members are understandably very distressed but also angry that their story, their legitimate concerns, were pushed aside for legal technical reasons.

"We've agreed to look at transcript, which is lengthy and complicated, but we're looking at it to see if there are any grounds for appeal."

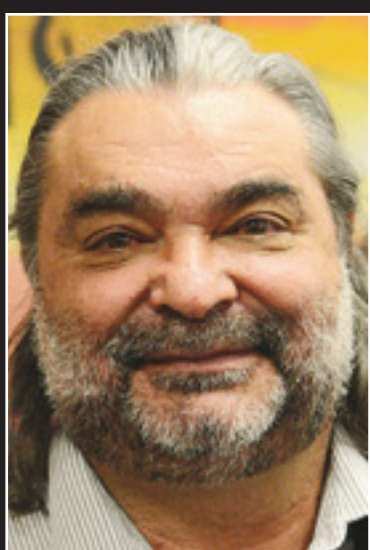
Mr Eggington said the family was also

considering other ways to get their story out, possibly through the education curriculum or a documentary.

ALSWA and Lavan Legal, which acted on a pro bono (no charge) basis, worked closely with the Collard family since proceedings began back in 2010.

"This test case was more than a case for the Collard family alone. It was a test case for thousands of our people who were also stolen from their families and we knew that this case could have the capacity to right the wrongs of the past," Mr Eggington said.

Despite the court's dismissal of the case, Mr Eggington said the ALSWA would continue to pursue Stolen Generation cases.



**Aboriginal Legal Service of WA CEO Dennis Eggington: "This test case was more than a case for the Collard family alone. It was a test case for thousands of our people who were also stolen from their families..."**



**Blues and jazz singer Crystal Mercy will perform at Yalukit Wilum Ngargee in St Kilda.**

## St Kilda will host major Gathering



A MAJOR Victorian Indigenous celebration will kick off the

nine-day St Kilda Festival on Saturday, February 1, with the bluesy sounds of the Buddy Knox Band as the headline act.

Yalukit Wilum Ngargee: People Place Gathering is a free Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and music show, with a line-up this year including Yirmal and the Yolngu Boys.

Festival producer Adele Denison said the Saturday event would be held in St Kilda's O'Donnell Gardens.

Yalukit Wilum Ngargee will begin with a welcome to country by Boon Wurrung

Elder Carolyn Briggs, before the Boon Wurrung opening ceremony.

The Buddy Knox Band will entertain crowds with a blend of blues and soul, having picked up a host of accolades including winning the Sydney Blues Society 2011 Challenge and being named the 2008 Wagga Wagga Jazz and Blues Festival Diamond Band.

### Artist

Emerging artist Yirmal is related to Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu on his mother's side, and his father, Witiyana Marika, was a singer and dancer in Yothu Yindi.

Other Indigenous performers on the day include blues/jazz singer Crystal

Mercy, contemporary hip-hop group the Yung Warriors and Aboriginal singer-songwriter Scott Darlow.

Festival organisers say the program will offer plenty of free and fun activities including a Circus Oz workshop, eagles, owls and falcons at the Full Flight – Birds of Prey exhibit, and hip hop and mural workshops run by Indigenous Youth Projects.

Yalukit Wilum Ngargee continues during St Kilda Festival's Live N Local Week, with an art exhibition, cultural heritage walk and a screening of the Indigenous comedy *Stone Bros* at The George Revival Cinema.

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## New Year's hopes and resolutions



**Preston Campbell, former NRL player and Koori Mail columnist:** To wake up with a smile on my face and to go to bed having put a smile on the face of others.



**Renee Vandergoot, Parafield Gardens, SA:** To save enough money to book my wedding and honeymoon.



**Gig Mansell, Launceston, Tas:** My resolution is to love my people, keep them safe and be happy doing it.



**Lola Forester, Sydney, NSW:** My resolution is to get a job in mainstream radio or television because we need to hear more opinions from our mob, not just from Anglo-Australian perspectives.

# Gascoyne people sign land use agreements



THE Budina people of Western Australia's Gascoyne region have entered into a series of Indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs)

with pastoralists on their traditional country, about 150km east of Coral Bay.

Hailed as a milestone in gaining native title, the agreements formalise how the traditional owners and pastoralists will co-exist on the land.

ILUAs for Lyndon, Towera, Emu Creek and Middalya stations have been registered by the National Native Title Tribunal, covering about 80 per cent of the Budina People's native title claim. Three more ILUAs are expected to be registered, covering the remaining pastoral leases in the area.

Budina Elder Clive Lyndon said the agreements changed the relationship between his community and the station owners. "It's recognition of our connection to this country. We're happy with this outcome," he said.

Sean D'Arcy, from Lyndon Station, was similarly welcoming.

"The ILUA was written in the spirit of cooperation for mutual benefit and will help maintain a strong relationship between the Budina people



**Budina country. Picture courtesy of Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation**

and pastoralists," he said.

The Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation (YMAC), as native title representative body for native title claims in region, welcomed the agreements.

YMAC CEO Simon Hawkins

said they were 'a major milestone in the Budina people's journey toward native title recognition'.

"Budina country is all pastoral lands now, so these ILUAs guarantee in a very practical way that the Budina people can keep

up their cultural obligations to look after country," he said.

"I hope the (Western Australian) Government will now recognise that the Budina people are the traditional owners of their country."

# Truancy officers lead crackdown



TRUANCY officers will be working in 40 remote Aboriginal communities across Australia by the end of the month in an effort to improve school attendance. The Federal

Government announced before Christmas that \$30 million would be spent to fund truancy officers in remote communities.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said most of the remote schools had student attendance rates below 70 per cent.

"A child attending school 70 per cent of the time is not receiving a proper education," Senator Scullion said.

The funding will provide about 400 truancy officers, or one for every 20 students in schools identified as having poor attendance records.

The first truancy officers started work in Gunbalanya in the Northern Territory last week, and by the end of the month 19 other NT communities will have truancy officers.

Attendance rates for many NT schools are as low as 55 per cent.

Senator Scullion said the Federal Government had the power to cut welfare payments to parents in the NT who did not send their children to school.

"The convention may have been in the past

that that was not enforced, but it will be from now on," he told the ABC.

Western Desert Aboriginal Lands Corporation chief executive Noel Whitehead welcomed the announcement, saying getting children in remote communities to school was a priority for the newly-formed One Martu organisation.

"One Martu is being established in 2014 to act as a one-stop shop for government and stakeholders to deal with community, native

don't turn up to school. He said Martu people were 'very transient' and often moved between communities during school terms.

"One Martu wants to take responsibility for the governance of these community schools to ensure there is an open dialogue and communication between school staff and a consistent curriculum," he said.

Mr Whithead said other practical measures such as giving students access to their school work on tablets, or a server which all schools share would also go a long way to improving a Martu child's chance at an education.

Senator Scullion said the two-year strategy, which was in addition to strategies discussed by the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) before Christmas, would improve school attendance by encouraging people in each community to get children to school. He said the aim was to fill more than 400 positions as school attendance officers and supervisors through the Commonwealth Remote Jobs and Communities Program.

"This community-based school attendance model for these remote communities is aimed at breaking the cycle of non-attendance and ensuring that parents and carers take on the responsibility for the education of their children," Senator Scullion said.

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title, law and culture and mining issues in the Western Desert," he said.

"Incentives need to be put in place to encourage parents to send their kids to school and, if that means penalising parents by deducting their Newstart allowance, so be it."

Mr Whitehead said the community of Jigalong had already identified key Martu people who are willing to help out as mentors and officers rounding up children who



# He'll tell Bundjalung stories



LISMORE'S Mitch King has scored a traineeship that will allow him

to tell the stories of his Bundjalung nation.

The traineeship with NORPA (Northern Rivers Performing Arts) will allow Mr King to work on the theatre company's latest creative project, *Bundjalung Nghari: The Gathering*.

The project will involve an open forum, workshops and performance, and will culminate with a major new dance work to be premiered by NORPA in 2015.

Mr King told the *Koori Mail* he was excited by the opportunity.

"I'm looking forward to being part of NORPA's creative team as well as learning about producing events and the performing arts industry," he said.

Mr King already has close connections with the artistic community in the Northern Rivers region of NSW. He performs in his hip-hop group Supafresh, produces his own events and works with young people in dance and music.

As part of his associate producer traineeship, Mr King will work alongside the Bundjalung Nghari project's

creative and production team, as well as Boomerang Festival staff.

He will also have the opportunity to participate in meetings with national touring consortium Blak Lines alongside NORPA artistic director Julian Louis, and attend the Clancestry Festival in Brisbane with NORPA producer Melitta Firth and one of the leading artists on the project, Rhoda Roberts.

The traineeship will also help him develop networks with leading national arts industry professionals, and see some cutting-edge theatre in the capital cities.

Page MP Kevin Hogan announced the \$18,550 Regional Arts Australia grant, saying it was part of \$1.3 million being spent on 84 projects in regional areas of Australia.

NORPA general manager Emily Berry said her team was thrilled to have Mitch King on board.

"After such an inspiring start to our Bundjalung project, we're looking forward to Mitch's ongoing contribution in helping local Indigenous stories being told," she said.

"The Regional Arts Fund will also help Mitch develop as an artist and continue his invaluable work in the community."



NORPA associate producer traineeship recipient, Bundjalung man Mitch King.

# Call to pay renal cash

By DARREN COYNE



THE Senate has called on the Federal Government to deliver \$10 million

earmarked for renal services in central Australia.

Australian Greens senator Rachel Siewert put forward the motion on December 10, saying the previous Government had committed the money but it had not been delivered.

Senator Siewert said slow action by the previous Government and an ongoing dispute between the Northern Territory, South Australian, Western Australian and Federal governments had delayed vital infrastructure. Those delays were compromising the health of those depending on renal services in Central Australia.

"Although the Senate has backed my motion, the Government chose to oppose it, a decision that sends a very poor signal about their commitment to improving renal health outcomes for people in Central Australia," she said.

"In supporting the motion, the Senate has also called on the Government to work with communities to develop



Sarah Brown

alternative models of service delivery, such as those proposed by communities like Kiwirrkurra and Warburton, who are prepared to contribute funding from their own community to run services."

Senator Siewert also praised the work being done by Western Desert Dialysis, which is based in Alice Springs and known as the Purple House.

The renal service provider was the recipient of the Excellence in Accessible Communities Award at the 2013 National Disability Awards.

"I call on the Federal, NT, WA and SA governments to

acknowledge the vote and take action to ensure people in remote areas have access to the health services they need," Senator Siewert said.

The motion acknowledged the need for flexible dialysis services that allow patients to receive treatment in their community, rather than being forced to travel thousands of kilometres.

The motion also called on the Federal Government to work with communities to develop other models of service delivery, and to renew its efforts to resolve the funding dispute.

Western Desert Dialysis manager Sarah Brown told the *Koori Mail* that a plan had already been made for the money that had been promised by the previous Government.

"The plan we came up with was for another eight dialysis centres out bush – three in West Australia, one in South Australia and the rest in the Northern Territory," she said.

"At full capacity that would be well over 100 people being able to get treatment at home instead of having to travel to Alice Springs.

"The call from communities is for that money to be spent on dialysis out bush so that people can remain on country."

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## New Year's hopes and resolutions



**Theresa Gibson, Palm Island, Qld:** I turned 49 on New Year's Day and my resolution is to live a healthier life and be here for my 50th birthday.



**Daniel Geale, former IBF world boxing champion, Sydney, NSW:** I want to win back my IBF world title or win another world title. I'm very keen and looking forward to a big 2014.



**Kim Ah Kit, Alice Springs, NT:** I'll be aiming to quit the smokes and get a little bit fitter.



**Kellie Austin, Bellevue, WA:** I want to complete my diploma in human resources and save money by catching public transport to work instead of driving.

# Weavers share knowledge



THE Wominjeka Festival in Footscray, Victoria, continues this week with music, theatre and dance performances, exhibition launches, workshops and the Deadly Funny live heats.

The *WEAVE* exhibition is the result of a year-long project where Victorian Indigenous fibre artists, including Glenda Nicholls, Sandra Aitken and Lorraine Connelly-Northey, have come together to share knowledge and push their contemporary practices in new directions.

"People sometimes forget that weaving began as a tool our ancestors used to survive," Ms Nicholls, who grew up watching her mother and grandmother weaving, said.

"Over time weaving has been adapted into our own form of art.

"The *WEAVE* project has been fantastic because it connects Aboriginal people from different regions. We share the knowledge that has been passed down to us and together relearn old customs that have been lost over the generations."

Ms Nicholls has developed her own style that pays homage to the skills of her Elders.

For the *WEAVE* exhibition, she has created a fishnet curtain inspired by childhood memories.

"The work reflects on the fish and bird nets our ancestors used throughout history, but it also points to those childhood moments when you pull the curtain across to see your parents come home," she said.

"The fishnet curtain is acting as a bridge between historic customs of our people and our modern needs and desires.

"I hope to see *WEAVE* projects start up

*Vacuum Cleaner* woven by Sandra Aitken, 2013. She'll be working at this month's Wominjeka Festival in Melbourne.



across Victoria and would love to get one going in my home town, Swan Hill.

"It is culturally significant because it brings women together, as in traditional times when weaving circles were our counselling sessions and environments for learning."

*WEAVE* will be launched this Saturday, January 18, at 3pm at the Footscray Community Arts Centre as part of Wominjeka

2014, a festival of contemporary Indigenous arts and culture.

Other events include a free performance by Archie Roach, the Deadly Revs Rock program at the Reverence Hotel, and Tammy Anderson performing her one-woman show *I don't wanna play house*.

For more about Wominjeka 2014, visit [www.footscrayarts.com](http://www.footscrayarts.com)

# Support offered for traffic reform



THE NSW Labor Opposition has offered bipartisan support to the O'Farrell Coalition Government to develop a package for reforms to tackle Aboriginal over-representation in road fatalities and traffic offences.

The offer follows a NSW Auditor-General's report revealing Aboriginal people are more than twice as likely as other people to be imprisoned for traffic offences.

Labor's NSW Aboriginal affairs spokesperson Linda Burney and shadow roads minister Walt Secord welcomed the Auditor-General's report and said if the NSW Government decided to introduce reforms to reduce Aboriginal imprisonment and access to driver's licences, then they would support it.

Ms Burney said it was a complex issue that had been neglected for too long.

"If the O'Farrell Government wishes to tackle the matter, the Opposition stands ready to seriously consider reforms to reduce Aboriginal over-representation in road fatalities and traffic-related offences, as well as imprisonment," she said.

Mr Secord said it was an area where the two sides of politics could work together and put aside their differences.



**'Make no mistake, Aboriginal people in NSW go to prison for offences that would otherwise receive a fine or community service. Going to prison once increases the likelihood of re-offending and creating a downward spiral.'**

**– NSW Labor Aboriginal affairs spokesperson Linda Burney**

"The simplest and most practical change for the O'Farrell Government to pursue would be advising that a Certificate of Aboriginality is acceptable as a primary proof of identity document," he said.

In NSW, fewer than half of eligible Aboriginal people hold a valid driver's licence, compared with 87 per cent of non-Aboriginal people in rural and regional areas.

Ms Burney said there were significant barriers to Aboriginal people getting a licence, such as a shortage of supervising drivers to assist them to meet the required 120 hours; lack of access to Roads

and Maritime Service centres; poor literacy and numeracy causing a lower pass rate on the knowledge test; and difficulty in obtaining a birth certificate as the main proof of identity.

## Imprisoned

Unpaid fines and a high rate of imprisonment for driving offences plague Indigenous communities. Currently, about 12 per cent of Aboriginal people found guilty of a driving offence are imprisoned compared to 5 per cent for other people. In 2011, 201 Aboriginal people were jailed in NSW for licence offences.

"Make no mistake, Aboriginal people in NSW go to prison for offences that would otherwise receive a fine or community service," Ms Burney said.

"Going to prison once increases the likelihood of re-offending and creating a downward spiral."

Mr Secord described a cycle of events leading to imprisonment. "We have a classic scenario: They are driving without a licence because they cannot access programs; get charged; cannot pay a fine; continue to drive; get caught again; and the jail cycle begins, perpetuating Aboriginal disadvantage," he said.





Not only will Aboriginal community signs feature the Aboriginal name at putalina (named Oyster Cove by Europeans), but soon official signs and maps will too.

# Dual naming in Tas

By JILLIAN MUNDY



PUTALINA, 30km south of Hobart, where Tasmania's Aboriginal annual music festival is held, is one of the first places to be recognised under a long-awaited Aboriginal and dual naming policy.

Renamed Oyster Cove by Europeans, it was the site of an 1880s Aboriginal mission where all but one of its residents died and their remains were later taken from their graves in the name of science. In 1985 the remains were returned to the Aboriginal community and given a dignified farewell.

Putalina was re-occupied by the Aboriginal community on January 16, 1984. It is around the anniversary of this date that the putalina festival is held.

In 1995, after years of protest, negotiations and work, 10ha of the land was returned to the Aboriginal community through legislation.

The dual naming announcement just before Christmas, along with another five places where both Aboriginal name and their more recent European names will be used officially, puts into action the Tasmanian Government's Aboriginal and dual naming policy launched last March.

The other locations are

kanamaluka/River Tamar near Launceston, larapuna/Bay of Fires area in north-east Tasmania, truwana/Cape Barren Island off the north-east of Tasmania, takayna/Tarkine in the state's north-west and kunanyi/Mount Wellington, which overlooks Hobart.

## Introduced names

It is expected that some Aboriginal names will replace the introduced European names over time.

The dual naming process aims to give the wider community time to adjust to the Aboriginal name.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre is the only acknowledged state body for Aboriginal

language, and CEO Heather Sculthorpe said the announcement was a relief.

"Given all these unnecessary delays, we were starting to think Government had changed its mind," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"We are still perturbed that a couple of objections could have delayed the process so long. It's all right to have objections, but to slow it down to this extent ... they need to improve their process."

Deputy Premier Bryan Green said dual naming was the result of extensive consultation. He said it provided recognition of the Aboriginal heritage of a place and offered an alternative name that could be used in conjunction

with, or separately from, the existing name.

"We acknowledge that places were named by Aboriginal people long before the arrival of Europeans," he said.

"Three of the features (takanya, putalina and larapuna) are unbounded localities, which fit well with the Aboriginal perception of those places."

The six names will now be included on the Nomenclature Register, and official signage, maps and other information products will be updated incrementally as maintenance budgets for signage allow, or as new editions of maps and tourist information publications are released.

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## New Year's hopes and resolutions



**Dennis Eggington, Perth, WA:** To try to be a fitter, healthier person by looking after myself and working towards a better balance between work and family life. This is also the year that a number of us are going to have a concerted effort to get a workable knowledge and fluency in our language, to revitalise the concept of the Noongar nation.



**Lily-Anne Blunden, Condobolin, NSW:** To move into a place of my own and start a fresh new life.



**Alice Conway, Townsville, Qld:** I want to live a better life all round and visit Palm Island as much as possible. I don't drink or smoke.



**Shalina Donovan, Moree, NSW:** My resolution is to get healthy and stay fit.



## Embassy celebrates 13 years



THE Sandon Point Aboriginal Tent Embassy (SPATE) in southern NSW celebrated its 13th anniversary last month, with more than 400 people turning up for traditional ceremonies and dances, food, cultural medicines, a bush tucker workshop and a concert.

The concert featured former SPATE residents and Kuradji Sounds band members Peter James Button and Paul Hickman performing songs written by them in the early years of the Sandon Point Embassy about the local history and the Elders from the embassy who directed and still inspire its course.

Neville Williams travelled from Cowra to join other Elders from the south and north coasts for the Elders Circle, with special non-Indigenous guest speakers unionist Fred Moore, Greens senator Lee Rhiannon, and Arthur Rorris, from the South Coast Labour Council.

Sovereignty issues were the theme of discussions, with a forum of speakers including Dootch Kennedy, Murray George and Mark McMurtrie discussing moves by the embassy network towards recognition of Aboriginal sovereignty and steps towards the formation of a treaty between the Federal Government and sovereign Aboriginal nations and clans.

The line-up of acts at the event included Blak Boi, Daddy O, The Dirt Band, Frank Yamma, Joe Geia, Robert I Corowa with Louie Burdett, Nick Alexander Band, Coloured Stone, Dr Greenthum, Beatmeisters, The Leisure Coasters, and Golden Orb.

● **Pictured: Dootch Kennedy as MC at the Sandon Point Aboriginal Tent Embassy (SPATE) 13th anniversary celebrations.**

# Nutrition scheme to help inmates



FEMALE prisoners at the new West Kimberley Regional Prison (WKRP) in Derby should be getting a good feed while they're behind bars, with a two-year pilot program to reduce diseases related to poor nutrition being

trialled at the jail.

The program will offer food growing, harvesting, healthy cooking and home hygiene classes to the mainly Aboriginal population at the prison.

Officials invited non-profit group the EON Foundation to deliver the program as it has already worked with more than 2000 people in 12 remote communities across the Kimberley through its Thriving Communities program to improve access to fruit and vegetables.

Poor nutrition and little access to fresh produce in remote communities has led to escalated levels of type II diabetes, heart disease, stroke and other preventable diseases.

The EON Thriving Communities program will be adapted to WKRP because the prison is based on a self-care model, with prisoners given the opportunity to live in cottage accommodation where they are responsible for day-to-day chores, such as cooking, to

improve their life skills. Part of the program involves the prisoners helping to create an edible garden complete with a fruit grove, vegetables and bush tucker. Participants are trained to sow, plant, maintain and harvest the produce.

There will also be EON Healthy Eating classes to demonstrate the link between better nutrition and better health with meal preparation from the garden, EON Healthy Homes to focus on creating healthy and hygienic home environments and EON Skills and Training to provide training in horticulture.

### View to expand

WKRP superintendent Mike Macfarlane said the program would run as a two-year pilot for female prisoners, with a view to expand to male prisoners.

"The women are excited at the prospect of learning about growing traditional and non-traditional food," he said.

"Some are already keen gardeners and have grown small vegetable crops around their cottages. We are expecting great benefits from having a structured program."

Male prisoners will be responsible for building the garden infrastructure such as

raised garden beds at the prison workshop.

"WKRP is focussed on creating an environment that will encourage prisoners to lead healthier, law-abiding and more positive lives when they are released," Supt MacFarlane said.

"This partnership with EON is a perfect example of how organisations, government and business can work together to build more resilient communities. We are all looking forward to working with EON."

Oil and gas company Woodside is sponsoring the initiative as part of its social investment program through which the company contributes to community health and wellbeing.

EON chair Caroline de Mori said the foundation had been excited to respond to the invitation from the prison as it provided an opportunity to reach a greater number of remote Aboriginal community members.

"We want to reach these people so they can become knowledgeable mentors and champions of healthy living when they return home," she said.

The program will start after the wet season, and planning is under way to ensure an early harvest in 2014.





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## New Year's hopes and resolutions



**Jirra Harvey, Melbourne, Vic:** To try new things, to push through barriers and learn something new everyday; speak to new people, trying new food or visit somewhere I never thought I would go. In 2014 I want to live my life to the fullest.



**Jeremy Johncock, Somerton Park, SA:** I want to live a healthier lifestyle and complete my studies.



**Stephanie Duke, Moree, NSW:** My goal is to give up smoking.



**Luke Maynard, Glenorchy, Tas:** I want to go and play in Japan with the Australian left-handed golf team. It will involve a bit of work.



## Granite Belt has its own corporation



THE Granite Belt, in far southern Queensland, now has an Aboriginal corporation. And, if director Maria de Vries has her way, it will soon become an integral part of the fruit and wine region, based around the town of Stanthorpe.

Officially formed last year, the Granite Belt Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation boasts about 60 members across an area bounded by the NSW border in the south and east, north to Dalveen and west to Pikedale.

Ms de Vries, a Gamilaroi (NSW) woman who has lived at Ballandean in the southern Granite Belt for many years, was one of the driving forces behind the push for a local Indigenous organisation.

"The corporation was a few years in the planning, and we've finally got there," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"The region has many Indigenous people, but they've not had an active role in the community in recent years. Through the corporation, we're hoping to change that.

"Last year we had a local NAIDOC celebration, which was quite well received, and we're looking to do more in the coming year, including an Indigenous art show.

"The Southern Downs Regional Council has been quite supportive of us, and we're hoping to secure one of its cottages in Stanthorpe which we can use as a base.

"Later on I hope we can become self-supporting, running cultural tours, shows and events to pay our way and help our people.

"I also see the Granite Belt Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation becoming more than an Indigenous organisation alone, taking a wider role in the community of which we are a part."

● Pictured: Granite Belt Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation director Maria de Vries on country in Stanthorpe.

# Monument for 'Little Old Man'



THE first recorded act of reconciliation recorded in Australia's history will be the subject of a bronze monument to be erected at Cooktown in far north Queensland.

The monument will honour the 'Little Old Man' who approached Captain James Cook following a dispute with local Aboriginal people the Bama-ngay.

Captain Cook and his had crew camped at the Endeavour River for 48 days during 1770 to repair their ship, and during this time they met six times with local Aboriginal people.

As he prepared to leave, the Aboriginal people discovered a large number of turtles on deck, which Captain Cook refused to share.

As a result, the Bama-ngay set fire to his camp, and while there were no lives lost, trust between the parties had been breached, and the Bama retreated, leaving some spears behind.

Captain Cook wanted no trouble so, seizing the spears, he and several of his companions followed the Aboriginal people until they came to some rocks where they sat down.

Australian National University academic John Molony has given an account of the meeting.

"From among the rocks near the bank of the river, a little old man emerged carrying his spear, which was a weapon no longer," Prof Molony said. "He had broken off its point. Words could not mean more than the message spoken in his gesture.

"His bearing, his openness of mind and heart

**'We are looking forward to seeing our people recognised for the part our ancestors played in these significant events in Australia's history.'**

said to Cook, 'I forgive you. Let us be men who understand and want to live in peace together.'"

Cooktown Re-enactment Association president Loretta Sullivan said the project would be of national historical significance.

"The Little Old Man is to be honoured through the erection of a life-size bronze statue at Reconciliation Rocks, the location where we believe that first reconciliation took place," Mrs

Sullivan said. "We are working with the ancestors of the Little Old Man still residing here today, who have joined the re-enactment association to assist us in driving this important project."

Waymbuurr Warra traditional owner Erica Deeral said it was an exciting project for Cooktown.

"We are looking forward to seeing our people recognised for the part our ancestors played in these significant events in Australia's history," she said.

Bama historian Alberta Hornsby said the Endeavour story was not complete without the Aboriginal perspective.

"Fortunately for us, the *Endeavour* journals and our knowledge of land, culture

and language allowed us to construct this historical account from the Bama perspective," she said.

Expressions of interest have been called for a suitable design and quote, and funding sources are being investigated for the statue and landscaping of the site, which will also incorporate an interpretive mangrove boardwalk through the area.



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## New Year's hopes and resolutions



**Lisa Briggs, Canberra, ACT:** This year I'm going to give up drinking Coke and get more into clean eating.



**Graham Jetta, Bunbury, WA:** I'm going to spend more time with my girlfriend and family.



**Rosemary Tilmouth, Ti Tree, NT:** I've had to be down in Alice Springs for a while, so I'm looking forward to getting back home and seeing my family.



**Gordon Whitton, Kempsey, NSW:** To have a big family reunion and finally meet all my nieces and nephews and their children.

# Brisbane cancer walk promotes awareness



THE inaugural Musgrave Park Cancer Walk in Brisbane is aiming to promote cancer awareness, the importance of early detection, the need for regular cancer checkups, and highlight options for cancer treatment and care for Indigenous people.

The walk will be held on Sunday, February 2, as a precursor to World Cancer Day on February 4.

Indigenous cancer survivor Adelaide Saylor, who was born in Babinda, North Queensland, and lives in Brisbane, said that in many Indigenous communities there was a lack of open discussion and general awareness about cancer.

"I had breast cancer two years ago and the only reason I got checked was because my husband forced me to go to an appointment," she said.

"I was lucky because the tumour was only the size of a grain of rice and I recovered after chemotherapy.

"I didn't know much about cancer because it was never spoken about with our mob even though four of my aunties were diagnosed with cancer – two with bowel cancer, one with cervical cancer, and one with breast cancer.

"Two aunts passed away not long after diagnosis and the third aunt passed away a long while after diagnosis. The other aunt is living a healthy, normal life.

"The Musgrave Park Cancer Walk is a wonderful initiative because it will raise awareness amongst Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and that is desperately needed."

Cancer is the second leading cause of death among Indigenous people.

The walk is a joint initiative between the National Indigenous

Cancer survivor Adelaide Saylor is encouraging other Indigenous people to educate themselves about the disease and get regular check-ups. There will be a walk in Brisbane on Sunday, February 2, to promote cancer awareness in Indigenous communities.



Cancer Action Network (NICaN), Menzies School of Health Research, the Aboriginal and Islander Community Health Service – Brisbane Ltd, Musgrave Park Family Fun Day, Cancer Council Queensland, QIMR Berghofer

Medical Research Institute, Qld Aboriginal and Islander Health Council and the Institute for Indigenous Urban Health.

The walk will be held from 3-5pm on Sunday, February 2. All are welcome.

## T-shirt wording sparks furore



SUPER-MARKET chains Aldi and Big W pulled

some of their Australia Day T-shirts and singlets from their stores after a storm erupted on social media about inappropriate wording.

Aldi was criticised last Wednesday by a number of Twitter users for a range of promotional T-shirts with 'AUSTRALIA EST 1788' logos.

The T-shirts and singlets were scheduled to go on sale on this week in the lead up to January 26.

Twitter users slammed the design as culturally insensitive to Indigenous Australians, who inhabited the continent for thousands of years before Europeans arrived.

"@ALDIAustralia are selling Australia Day tshirts emblazoned with 'established 1788'. Beggars belief," one Twitter user posted.

The online furore forced Aldi to apologise on Twitter for 'any offence taken' before the company announced it had 'decided to remove one of its Australia Day special buy products, the Adults Australia Day T-shirt and Singlet from retail'.

Big W followed suit and recalled some of its Australia Day range with similar slogans. – AAP

# Anger as quarry gets green light

By RUDI MAXWELL



THE approval of the extension of a sand quarry at Calga on the NSW central coast has local Aboriginal people up in arms.

Darkinoong Elder Beve Spiers said the expansion was on an Aboriginal women's fertility rites songline and teaching place. "This songline is part of the Sacred Dreaming Track, and its destruction would destroy with it tens of thousands of years of Aboriginal heritage," she said.

"(The) NSW Government has approved the company to go ahead with their stage four extension, which comprises a massive 30 metre deep hole gouged out of the ground that will take our sacred sites out completely."

The NSW Planning Assessment Commission handed down the decision on December 23, giving people 28 days to lodge objections, including the time over the Christmas period.

The Planning Commission acknowledged the

importance of the women's site, but recommended a buffer zone as sufficient protection. It also recommended rehabilitation of one third of the pit to a 'state that is similar to its natural landform' to reduce impacts on the women's site.

But Ms Spiers said those protections were not nearly enough. "The women's fertility rites songline and teaching place is complex and includes many ceremonial aspects that (the) Government and Rocla Mining Company have failed to acknowledge," she said.

### 'Aboriginal history'

"Aboriginal history is drawn on the rock platforms, painted in the caves and told by the stone arrangements we left in this area – and all over Australia – to tell our stories.

"Our people also had the dedication and patience to carve those stories and laws into hard rock platforms, to build entire sites that record our history, our culture and our stories – where we hoped they would be preserved for posterity.

"Every symbol or line we carved may have taken months to complete, but how else were we to permanently record – for our children, and their children – the stories, the law and the history of the original custodians of the land? And this area is full of such sites."

Ms Spiers said the Central Coast had a great range and diversity of rock art.

"This diversity is part of what Rocla Sand mines want to destroy – part of our dreaming track, an important songline, the women's fertility rites teaching place," she said.

"This dreaming track goes right around Australia through every tribal country, and is a common space which all can use to walk, hunt and gather, visit relatives, attend important meetings and participate in special sacred ceremonies.

"The dreaming track must never be broken. Its ancient history cannot be lost ... it must be saved for posterity. Lose it and it is gone forever. And that would be a shameful blight on the history of this land."



# Hangd men not forgotten



AN annual event to mark the executions of two Tasmanian Aboriginal men in Melbourne in 1842 will be held on January 20 from 12-1.30pm. The men, Tunnerminnerwait and Maulboyheenner, were the first people hangd by the colonial government in the District of Port Phillip.

They had been convicted of the murder

of two whale hunters in the Western Port area, and were tried alongside three women, Truganini, Planobeena and Pyterruner, who had been charged as accessories.

The group of five, who originally had been brought to the Port Phillip District by 'Protector of Aborigines' George Robinson, fought a resistance movement against the white people, burning huts and taking up

arms. Many believe the group killed the whale hunters because they were known to have killed and/or abducted Aboriginal people.

The commemoration will take place at the site where their execution took place, at the corner of Bowen and Franklin streets, Melbourne (opposite the City Baths).

There will be a range of guest speakers followed by a walk to the Victoria Market

site, where the two men were buried.

Meanwhile, Melbourne City Council has approved a report recommending the erection of a 'significant public monument'.

The monument would commemorate the executions and the history of the time, and could also included site-specific installations, a book, theatre production, exhibition, educational materials and lectures.



Elders Maratja Dhamarrandji and Rev Rronang Garrawurra perform the welcome to country while Caleb Dharwulwuyand plays the didge.



Participants had dancing lessons from some of the Indigenous delegates.



Dancing was one of the activities at the National Christian Youth Convention public rally.

## Young get passionate at Christian convention



A GROUP of 1000 Uniting Church in Australia delegates gathered at the National Christian Youth Convention in Parramatta, Sydney, this month, taking part in concerts, forums and more at the Yurora Festival Precinct.

Yurora is the local Aboriginal word for passionate, and the gathering of young people aged 13-25 came together to discuss issues of faith and social justice.

The event focussed heavily on Indigenous issues, with 150 delegates being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

Guests from the Pacific Islands also attended, speaking about climate change and issues of faith and social justice in a cross-cultural setting.

Other guests included Uniting Church in Australia president Rev Professor Andrew Dutney, Rev Rronang Garrawurra of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress and musical guests Fatai

V (*The Voice*, 2012), Garage Hymnal and Compliments of Gus.

Delegate Theresa Dhamarrandji, from Galiwin'ku (Elcho Island) in the Northern Territory, said her favourite part of the conference was the dancing.

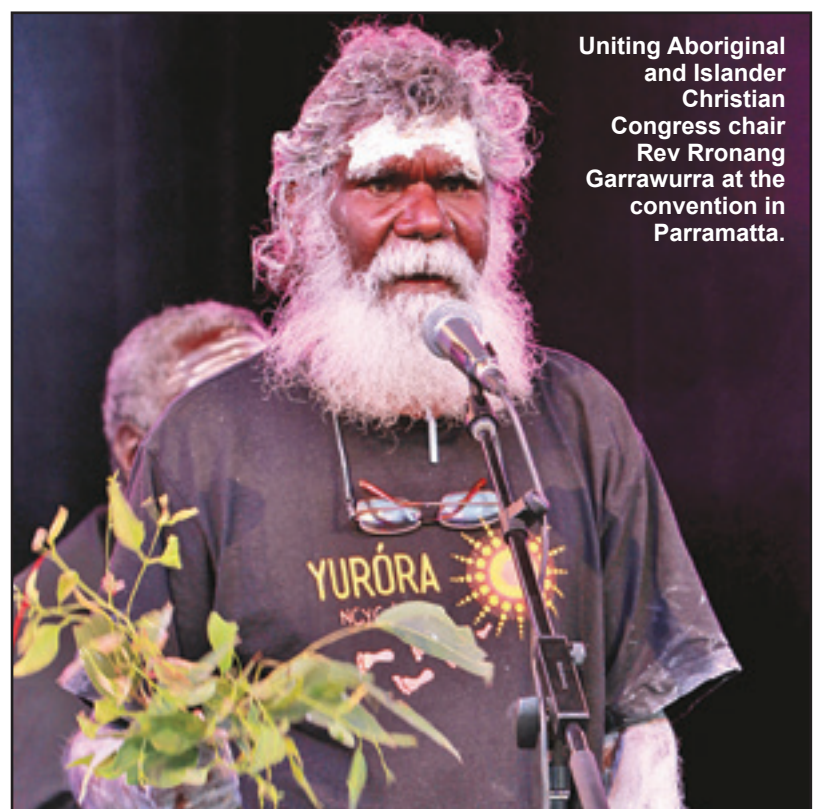
"I enjoy showing my dancing to other parts of the world. Aboriginal people stand strong and praise God through our music and dance," she said.

Dre Ngatokoruo, from Port Augusta in South Australia, said he was passionate about music, which helped make him stronger in his beliefs.

"I'll try and take back the things I've learnt here to all the kids who weren't able to come," he said.

"I'd like to teach them the same things."

On the final night of the conference, 1500 people attended a public rally and worship ceremony, including a welcome to country by Rev Garrawurra, concert, and 'bulk' communions given by ministers roaming the audience.



Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Christian Congress chair Rev Rronang Garrawurra at the convention in Parramatta.









Frankie Deemal, Michael Williams and Uncle Herb Wharton led the Woodford Folk Festival's final cultural knowledge session on New Year's Day.

By RACHEL SCOLLAY

**N**EW Year's Day at the Woodford Folk Festival on Queensland's Sunshine Coast hinterland kicked off at the Songlines tent with a yarn and a suggested new year's resolution.

Cape York Land Council founder Frankie Deemal, a Guugu-Yimidhurr man of the Dhiidharr clan who is fluent in several languages and teaches concepts of philosophy with Aboriginal insights, issued a challenge to the audience.

"Wherever you're from, make it a resolution that you are going to go back to your respective communities and learn about the traditional owners; who they are. And that is how you connect with your community," he said.

"Just remember, every inch of (Australian) land is Aboriginal-owned."

Gooreng Gooreng man Michael Williams said the final session in the festival's cultural knowledge series was an opportunity to 'reflect on the work' and joked that the session title, 'This whispering in our hearts', was 'because you probably want us to talk softly after last night'.

In fact, the title came from a book written by Australian historian Henry Reynolds, who wrote on 'that part of Australian history that, for a long time, was not heard'. (Reynolds has written more than 10 books and his research highlighted high levels of violence and conflict during the colonisation of Australia, which was labelled as a 'black armband view' of Australian history by two high-profile fellow historians.)

"(He wrote about) the dynamics of the point of first meeting of our tribes with the explorers," Williams said.

"His work also moved to reflect on what is happening now.

"It's often said the victor writes the history. As Henry continued to produce a number of books in this context, it raised in him this awareness – this whispering in our hearts."

Kooma oral historian, poet and short story writer Herb Wharton told the audience he'd been to every Woodford Folk Festival since

# Woodford yarning

its inception in Maleny '29-odd years ago'.

"I don't know about a whisper," he said. "There's been a roar out in Cunnamulla, where I'm from."

Uncle Herb, who left school aged about 12 to go droving, told the audience that he one day wrote a letter which he then turned into a poem.

"And so I ended up writing books," he said.

Uncle Herb went on to provide the audience with a concise run-down of his views and insights into Indigenous affairs.

## 'Make a difference'

"You can make a difference," he said.

"I don't agree with old people having all the knowledge. Sometimes I've got more faith in the young kids coming along than I have in the old people. You acknowledge the old ways, but people have to earn respect.

"Aboriginal people were civilised for thousands and thousands of years, but we weren't commercialised.

"I think one of the worst things for Aboriginal people has been religion. We've lost our spirituality.

"I get pissed off with reconciliation. How can you have reconciliation when there was no conciliation in the first place?

"The internet has replaced the message stick. Culture is a way of

doing things and it's forever changing.

"As far as I'm concerned there's one race of people and that's the human race.

"When I die, I go back to the earth."

Frankie Deemal, who works closely with his first cousin Noel Pearson on the Cape York Welfare Reform trial, said it was a stressful, but also potentially exciting, time in Aboriginal affairs.

He said four Cape communities – Aurukun, Coen, Hope Vale and Mossman Gorge – were taking part in the joint Australian/Queensland governments trial, under which welfare recipients who fail to send their children to school, neglect or abuse them, are in breach of their housing tenancy agreement or found guilty of a crime, subject to a ruling by the Families Responsibilities Commission (FRC).

Family Responsibilities commissioners are nominated by community leaders.

"People get a warning, and if they don't comply then their money is quarantined," Deemal said. "If you are doing the right thing, welfare reform will not concern you.

"It's different from the Northern Territory Intervention, which affects everybody."

Deemal said the trial's objective

was to determine if the measures worked. "We've seen children going to school and a massive lowering of violence against women as a result of welfare reform," he said.

Details of the Federal Government's Empowered Communities initiative, affecting the four Cape York trial communities as well as Redfern, Shepparton, East and West Kimberley, Eastern Arnhem Land and possibly Yarrabah, were currently being nipped out, he said.

"We all acknowledge that the way white people have handled bureaucracy has never worked. That's why we're mired in the situation we're in," Deemal said.

## 'Opportunity'

"Aboriginal people are quite capable of dealing with our own problems, but we've never been given the opportunity. Hopefully by the end of 2016 we will know exactly where it's going."

Deemal said Tony Abbott had attended last year's Garma Festival in Arnhem Land and had visited communities in Cape York before becoming prime minister.

"We were trying to give him an idea of the difficulties rural and remote Aboriginal people face," he said.

"If the orthodox don't work, you have to go with the unorthodox.

"Aboriginal people have

traditionally voted Labor, but there's a feeling that Labor has taken the Aboriginal vote for granted.

"In the modern world you have to walk both sides of the street. Whoever is in power you have to engage them. You don't have to 100 per cent trust them, but you have to work with them.

"Legislation influences all our lives. We think we've gotten into Tony Abbott's ear. We've already had two meetings with Environment Minister Greg Hunt (once while in Opposition and once as minister) about our dugong strategy.

"In some of our communities there are real, real problems. There's lack of services and facilities – some communities don't have regular access to doctors. You've got to get into these politicians' ears."

Deemal said all Aboriginal organisations, including health, housing and legal services, were on notice that funding was not guaranteed beyond June 30.

"This in itself is quite stressful, and indeed worrying, but it could also mean that there are exciting times ahead in Aboriginal affairs," he said.

"Hopefully by the end of the year we will have a clearer view of where Aboriginal people are going.

"There's great discussion going on about constitutional reform. Think of New Zealand. The Treaty of Waitangi is 170 years old. A lot of people might say it doesn't go far enough, but at least (the Maori) are recognised.

"Other colonised countries have constitutional recognition of indigenous owners. This is the only country in the world that has not come to any kind of solution with its Indigenous people."

Deemal said Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people had been described as 'three per cent mouse, being dealt with by 97 per cent elephant'.

"We are not just an ethnic minority. We are, and continue to be, original owners. So the time has come for the 97 per cent elephant to deal with the three per cent mouse, purely as a matter of course," he said.

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# Get set for Survival Day



WHETHER you call it Invasion Day, Survival Day or Day of Mourning, Aboriginal people around the country will mark January 26 by celebrating their culture and history.

In Sydney, crowds of more than 20,000 are expected at Victoria Park, Camperdown, for the Yabun festival, billed as the largest Indigenous music event in the country.

Artists include the Bart Willoughby Band, Emma Donovan and The Putbacks, Leah Flanagan, Kutcha Edwards, Renegades of Munk, King Brown, MajikHoney and a special guest performance from the Desert Pea Media All Stars.

Yabun will also feature discussions and speeches by some of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community's most recognised leaders, academics, politicians and artists.

The Yabun program actually begins tomorrow, January 16, with Koori Radio in partnership with Parramatta City Council

presenting the Yabun Parra Pop-Up in Parramatta Mall, from 4pm. It will feature artist Leah Flanagan and Koori Radio broadcasters and DJs Princess, Leo Tanoi, Eliza Delaney and Helen Talipeau. The free public event will be broadcast live on Koori Radio.

On January 24, Leichhardt Council and Koori Radio will present the Yabun Film Night with a public screening of *Satellite Boy*, directed by Catriona McKenzie. A part of Leichhardt Council's outdoor cinema program, the Yabun Film Night is a free public event held in Pioneer Memorial Park, Leichhardt.

The Yabun After Party will be headlined by MC Sky'High, Native Ryme, and DJ Black President. It will be held at The Factory Theatre, 104 Victoria Rd, Marrickville.

In Brisbane, there will be a rally at Parliament House at 10am followed by a march to Musgrave Park for food, music and a screening of veteran journalist John Pilger's film *Utopia*.

In Adelaide, Survival Day will feature entertainment, music, presentations and

workshops at the Semaphore Foreshore. The day is hosted by Tandanya, NACI and Kura Yerlo Inc.

In Western Australia, an event at the Supreme Court Gardens from 2-7.30pm will have the theme Celebrating the Songlines. Artists on the bill include DJ Zeke, Oz Island, Theona Councillor, Jonathan Ford and the Balija Bouys, Elizabeth Gogos Trio, Halo Dancers, Lil Sparks and Static Crew.

In Melbourne, at Borthwick Park, Belgrave, from noon-4.30pm, the day will feature Archie Roach with Craig Pilkington, Gnarnayarrahe Waitairie, Joe Geia and Khan. The alcohol-free event, hosted by MC Leila Gurruwiwi, will begin with a welcome to country by Uncle Bill Nicholson followed by traditional dancing and didgeridoo, storytelling, kids' activities and speakers.

Events in regional areas include the Saltwater Freshwater Festival, at the Kempsey showground in NSW from 10am to 4.30pm. It includes Troy Cassar-Daley, Pirra featuring Jess Beck, Supafresh, Amos Morris and Sages Muse.



Leah Flanagan will perform at the Yabun Parra Pop-Up tomorrow, January 16.

## Invasion Day to be recognised

By ALF WILSON



TOWNSVILLE City Council will officially recognise Invasion Day at an event expected to

attract many local Indigenous people.

In a first for the north Queensland capital, the council will host an Invasion Day gathering on January 24 at Thuringowa Library.

The main speaker will be Townsville activist Dr Gracelyn Smallwood, who will talk about how Indigenous people view the arrival of the First Fleet to Australia in 1788.

In the past, local Indigenous people have held unofficial Invasion Day or Survival Day events.

At one such unofficial event some years ago, Aboriginal man Jai Cummings placed a noose around his neck.

Dr Smallwood congratulated Townsville City Council for officially recognising Invasion Day and said it would be a historic moment for the city.

"I believe Australia – in particular Townsville – has come a long way in accepting the fact that Australia Day was not a happy day for First Nation Australians," she told the *Townsville Bulletin*.

"We're very pleased that they've become very open-minded towards the area of reconciliation."

Sam Reuben, of Darnley Island descent, lives in Townsville and said the official recognition of Invasion Day in 2014 was great for the community.



Flashback several years to when north Queensland Aboriginal man Jai Cummings staged his own January 26 protest in Townsville.

"But as an advocate for positive change, I still believe the Townsville City Council can be more practical with the recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders locally," he said.

"On a local level, I want the current crop of councillors to leave a positive imprint on our community by developing plaques and statues that can be seen every day as a celebration of positive Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander culture and people's contribution."

Mr Reuben also referred to a *Townsville Bulletin* report this month by Anthony Galloway, who made a strong argument to build a statue of native title founder Koiki Mabo in the middle of Townsville. He also called for a national holiday to mark Mr Mabo's achievement.

"If the Townsville City Council can recognise this, they can provide certain things around the Townsville



Gracelyn Smallwood

community to enhance the wonderful lifelong work by Indigenous people from Townsville," Mr Reuben said.

"I know local council cannot make it a public holiday, but they can definitely provide stories, information and plaques on The Strand walkway acknowledging the likes of Koiki Mabo or Dr Gracelyn Smallwood. It's just a small gesture towards reconciliation."

Townsville City councillor Ray Gartrell said he supported an Invasion Day event.

"It is a democratic society and to highlight our history challenges our thinking and hopefully ensures we do not repeat the inhumanity of past years," he said.

"We, together, have come a long way as a nation and city in promoting reconciliation and an inclusive society."

"What other actions are needed? There is more to be achieved and I hope these directions form part of ... Dr Gracelyn Smallwood's lecture. The future directions are just as important as knowing our history."

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- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010*, and/or
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

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In an opinion piece on page 24, Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion spells out why school attendance is the top Indigenous affairs priority for his Government.

## Troy, Adam shine

I AM writing regarding the article in the *Koori Mail*, December 18 issue, about country music stars Troy Cassar-Daley and Adam Harvey withdrawing from the Golden Guitar Awards for which they were nominated for their latest CD.

To John Williamson, what a petty, jealous man you are.

So what if Troy and Adam put a couple of US country covers on their CD?

Country singers do put one or more US covers on their CDs.

John, country is country, and the US is big on country.

What is your problem? Petty jealousy is not the Aussie way. Get over yourself.

Troy and Adam, I loved your album, so have all the people I have spoken to.

Thank God for you two humble country boys.

Good Luck to you both in 2014.

**NIGELLA GREEN**  
Elanora, Qld



### Cassar-Daley, Harvey out of Golden Guitars

ABORIGINAL country music star Troy Cassar-Daley and fellow performer Adam Harvey have attempted to calm down a rift in the country music scene by withdrawing from the Golden Guitars and not performing at the Tamworth Country Music Festival in January.

Cassar-Daley and Harvey have withdrawn their album *The Great Country Songbook*, one of the biggest selling country records of the year, from the awards, following criticism from musician John Williamson that it included American songs.

Williamson resigned as president of the Country Music Association of Australia, which runs the Golden Guitars awards, saying in a letter that the boycott "can get in (referring to *The Great Country Songbook*, which was up for album of the year).

"We should be nurturing what Henry Lawson and Banjo Paterson started," Williamson wrote.

Cassar-Daley, who has won 25 Golden Guitars, said on his Facebook page that he loved country music and always would.

"Our reasons for withdrawing our nominations are clear and have been done with the utmost respect to our industry and our peers and the Golden Guitars are far too dear to me to have controversy surround them," he said.

The pair will still attend the Tamworth festival to support their fellow musicians.

Cassar-Daley will headline the Saltwater Freshwater Festival in Kunzea on the NSW north coast in January 2014. Visit [www.saltwaterfestival.com.au](http://www.saltwaterfestival.com.au)

The *Koori Mail* Golden Guitars article from December 18 last year.

## Tasmanians disappointed

TASMANIAN Aboriginal heritage and culture is important to Tasmania.

No matter how covered over by concrete, bricks and mortar, our heritage and culture endures.

Our cultural responsibility to care for the land while ensuring our community's prosperity also endures.

The Launceston City Council's omission to include the voice and aspiration of the Tasmanian Aboriginal community within the Greater Launceston Plan is extremely disappointing, as was the Devonport Council's refusal to conduct an Aboriginal heritage survey in Regent Square, as directed.

Perhaps the Local Government Association of Tasmania can ensure we are offered equal consideration as shown to others.

**RUTH LANGFORD**  
State Secretary, Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre

## New senator will face challenges

IT appears to me that (new NT Labor senator) Nova Peris represents a new, more sincere and incorruptible paradigm in Australian politics, that of bearing witness and acting with integrity according to one's own moral conscience.

She seems to also have the strength of character to call racism wherever she sees it, and indeed has vowed not to stand by silently in the face of discrimination and injustice.

Much as she has this admirable intent, unless the fundamentals of government processes are changed she will be forced to be silent on every issue she votes on that

she does not agree with, even if it involves the worst instances of injustice, as she will be required to either vote along the party line (unless a conscience vote is allowed, which is rare) or abstain and disenfranchise her constituents (as Clive Palmer does and will regularly need to do due to his enormous conflicts of interest as a coal billionaire).

I can also predict that Nova will stay as silent as every other MP in the federal and NSW state governments on the multiple alleged abuses of Aboriginal people and Aboriginal cultural heritage, and indeed of Western cultural heritage.

One of these abuses is ongoing at Bulahdelah, NSW, where Aboriginal cultural heritage is being ignored.

I fear that even if Nova Peris wants to help on this issue, she will be silenced.

If Australian governments continue to refuse to recognise the issues at Bulahdelah, then I believe their complicity in and wilful blindness to these abuses – what is claimed to be the worst destruction of world significant heritage in Australia's history – will be indictable in the international courts.

**MAUREEN BRANNAN**  
Murgon, Qld

## POETRY

### A Baited Hook For Dinner

You Just Bit The Bait And Now It Is Too Late,

The Hook Is In Your Jaw, The Pain You Can't Ignore,

Now You Are Strung Along, We All Know That It's Wrong,

But What Can We Do,

Now Your Heart's A Prisoner Too, It's A Choice That You Have Made,

That You'll Take To Your Grave,

You Thought That You'd Get, Fed,

But They Deceived You Instead,

This Bait Is All You'll Eat And You Will Have No Meat,

A Slave Is What You'll Be, Because You Cannot See,

There's Not Much That You Can Do,

Cause These Things You Can't Undo,

Now You're Sinking In The Sand, And No One Can Lend A Hand,

The Writing's On The Wall,

Cause The Truth You Never Saw, There Is One Thing You Can Do,

It's The Thing You Always Knew,

Get Down And Bow Your Knees,

And That Will Set You Free,

From The Vice Within Your Soul,

It's The Reason You're Not Whole.

**ABI DRABI**  
Eastlakes, NSW

### Ring-barker's Resume

I relax by sharpening my axe

I walk the land with axe in hand

I chop the trees and birds and bees

I push my luck just to earn a buck

I work hard in the big yard

I camp on site and start first light

I get my days in a blinding haze

I cook on a fire and tie my swag with wire

I go to town when the sun goes down

I make some noise on I work with poison

I sometimes fight and I'm always right

I do my dough in a day or so

I got no perk but back to work

I done the test to see who's best

I dodge the law and the taxman

And that's why they call me Mr Axeman.

**ARRON RICHARDSON**  
Nimbin, NSW

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# Govt's No.1 priority

**S**CHOOL attendance rates amongst Indigenous children living in remote communities are appalling.

A recent Council of Australian Governments (COAG) report on school education showed no improvement in the rate of Indigenous school attendance over the past five years, and in some areas it's going backwards.

It's time for action.

But to achieve anything, I need the help of every parent and carer of Indigenous children in remote communities. You must play your part.

Every parent has a responsibility to ensure their children receive a good education. It makes no difference whether you live in Sydney or a remote community. Every child must go to school.

This is the Abbott Government's number-one priority in Indigenous affairs.

If we can't achieve this, all the policies and plans in the world will not achieve the long-term goal of building strong, sustainable communities with leaders driven to, and capable of, improving the circumstances of Indigenous people.

What is the point of talking about future economic development if children don't get an education today?

But every parent and carer must get behind it. Every parent and carer must get up every morning and get their children to school every day.

Patterns of non-attendance have gone on for too long.

The Abbott Government has developed a strategy to help get things back on track – to get children back to school – and it starts on the first day of term one this year. There isn't much time.

The two-year strategy will:

- Fund, through the Remote Jobs and Community Program (RJCP), the employment of local people as School Attendance Officers to engage with families to get children to school;

- Recruit School Attendance Supervisors to manage and develop up to five RJCP participants as Attendance Officers in each community;

- Funds from the Indigenous Communities Strategic Investment and Community Development Fund will be used to support attendance, including uniforms, vehicles and office space.



## Nigel Scullion

It's a community-based model for remote communities aimed at cutting the cycle of non-attendance.

A total of \$28.4 million has been allocated to support this strategy over the next two years.

Attendance officers and supervisors will have the relevant working-with-children certificates and will personally visit houses where students have not attended school to get them to school, not just once, but each and every school day.

The employment arrangements will be tailored to suit the particular needs of each community. As well as working in the morning to get children to school, some will be employed after school to engage with children and families in after school activities to build a commitment to, and pattern of, attendance.

This is critical to ensure we not only get children back to school, but keep them attending every day.

It will be up to the states and Northern Territory to ensure there are adequate resources at each school to meet the needs of the children. We can't build a pattern of attendance if there aren't enough teachers, desks and materials for each child who is enrolled and should be attending.

This strategy initially targets 40 communities in the Northern Territory, Western Australia, New

South Wales, South Australia and Queensland, most of which have had attendance rates of below 70 per cent over the past five years. In some schools it's below 50 per cent. No one could consider that acceptable.

I hope this model of active engagement will be adopted by the states and territories to drive improvements in other communities.

Education is the fundamental building block to establishing strong, sustainable communities.

If we don't educate children in remote communities, all the policies and plans in the world designed to build a future for Indigenous people in remote communities will amount to nothing.

It's not just about ensuring today's children are educated, but that we equip them with the skills and capability to be the future leaders of their communities.

To succeed, we all have to play a part. I urge every parent and carer to play their part and commit to getting their children to school – every day.

● *Senator Nigel Scullion is the Federal Minister for Indigenous Affairs*

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# Alarm at adoption move

**R**ECENTLY, Prime Minister Tony Abbott announced, with the celebrity endorsement of actors Hugh Jackman and Deborah-Lee Furness, that an adoption taskforce be established to simplify the extensive and time-consuming processes for those Australians who want to adopt children from overseas.

Weaved into this announcement – even though there does not seem to be any evidence that Jackman and Furness have in any way lobbied for local adoption – was the notion that children in Australian out-of-home care should be the subject of so-called ‘open’ adoption.

Consideration of fast-tracking adoption for children who have been removed from their families because of what are often complex problems should alarm all Australians.

And it should alarm our mob. Not because adoption is undesirable, but because this one-size-fits-all approach is not appropriate.

Families require individual responses for individual circumstances.

Our children, families and communities are suffering; suffering as a result of the transfer of trauma and disadvantage of past removal practices – child protection practices that have resulted in a decimation of the

complex kinship networks which provided the social glue for Aboriginal culture.

When children are removed from their families, placed in institutions including state foster care, we know they experience instability and move multiple times in their care arrangements; we know they have experienced sexual, physical and emotional abuse; we know they have not had positive parenting examples.

If governments continue to remove children from their networks of love and care, no matter the ‘perceived risks’ which may lurk within them, fostering healing and reconciling past harms is not possible.

Tony Abbott and his adoption taskforce of senior government officials need to consider very carefully the future care of these families. At the very least they have a moral obligation to do things differently. Removing children permanently from family networks reduces harm of one kind, while inflicting harm of another kind. The lost love of a parent is no small thing.

Whether adopted from birth or living in temporary out-of-home care, children return to their families, seeking answers. It seems that the ‘lost love’ of parents and children haunts for a lifetime as a sense of abandonment. The Stolen Generations and the



**Sharynne Hamilton, who co-wrote this opinion piece with Prof Valerie Braithwaite.**

Forgotten Australians have taught us this lesson.

Removing and then offering our children up for ‘open’ adoption is an inappropriate and immoral response to this complex and intractable policy problem. Further, it suggests that as people, as families and as communities there is no capacity for change; yet policy should be fostering education, growth and change in our communities.

Why is this occurring? It seems another reactive response to the crisis in child protection systems around Australia. Child protection agencies are unable to effectively monitor their out-of-home care providers and to know who, where and how the children they are responsible for are faring. These agencies consume increasing proportions of dwindling and stretched state

budgets, while outcomes for children in out-of-home care remain poor.

Behind these realities, however, is another harsh reality. Child protection agencies currently have too few friends and too little influence to bring improvements. Many are locked into reactive culture, making innovation and initiating effective change in their practice impossible.

The number of Australian child protection inquiries is fast approaching the half-century mark. Improving coordination between government and service providers has been one of the more consistent recommendations of public inquiries. Yet prospects of realisation appear poor.

In 2011, a survey of those working alongside child protection (third parties) produced staggering findings. Trust in child protection authorities was expressed by only 28 per cent. The most trusting group were police on 58 per cent.

The least trusting were welfare workers on 18 per cent. When asked if child protection agencies consulted enough with families before intervening, 67 per cent of third party respondents said not enough. When asked if child protection agencies consulted enough with support services, 67 per cent said not enough. When

asked if child protection agencies understood the situation sufficiently before intervening, 66 per cent said not enough.

When asked about the level of cooperation third parties had with child protection authorities, 47 per cent expressed active resistance, more than the 43 per cent who expressed willingness to defer to child protection agencies’ judgments.

Interestingly, 99 per cent expressed support for the mission of child protection authorities, they just objected to the way they went about their work.

Ignorance around context is often high in the offices of child protection agencies as they make recommendations about out-of-home care.

Through targeting particular kinds of risks and creating rules for when children will be removed and placed for adoption, child protection agencies become less accountable for their ignorance.

Ignorance lay at the heart of the injustice of the Stolen Generations and the Forgotten Australians. It lurks in the wings of the Government’s proposed local adoption legislation.

At present, the debate very much favours the interests of government. Through fast-tracking adoption, governments will rid themselves of

responsibility for out-of-home care for children, and free themselves from a barrage of criticism on poor outcomes for children in care.

Justice for children and families will not be served, however, until the root cause of current problems is addressed. Families and support services need to be brought into the decision-making process, not as foot soldiers for bureaucracy, but rather as genuine partners who can offer solutions.

In the lives of families, there is constant flux, new challenges and unexpected turns of events – and there are many services to help negotiate life’s obstacles.

Our families need responsive, flexible and caring agents in their networks. Supporting and empowering these networks is likely to prove far more productive for government than increasing the power of authority to monitor and direct. It may also just prevent yet another Australian government apology to parents and children forcibly kept apart.

**Sharynne Hamilton (Ngunnawal woman), Community Capacity Building in Child Protection Projects, Australian National University**

**Professor Valerie Braithwaite**



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# Signs good as Darren graduates

By RACHAEL HOCKING



A COUNTRY town father-of-three is making history as the first Indigenous man to complete a Diploma of Interpreting in Auslan, the Australian sign language.

Darren Miller, 46, from Numerka in Victoria, hopes to use his nationally accredited diploma to practise in rural communities, where services for people who are deaf are harder to access.

Indigenous Australians are up to ten times more likely to have hearing loss than other Australians,

but just three Auslan interpreters in Australia are Indigenous, out of a total of 302.

Growing up with a brother who is deaf, Mr Miller faced the difficulties presented by this national shortage.

"We'd have to book an interpreter two to three weeks in advance, and then we'd get a phone call saying they cancelled, so I would step in. As an interpreter they really depend on you," he said.

Mr Miller said that this step forward for the Indigenous population was also a step up for males in a female-dominated field.

"For my brother, who has male

problems and might need to go to the doctor, he'd much rather a male interpreter," Mr Miller said.

Auslan, the national language for the deaf community since the late 1980s, provided a much-needed transition from signed English – a direct translation of each English word to signs.

Mr Miller signed Auslan and signed English as his brother's unofficial interpreter for years, but the diploma, approved by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters, has provided a new-found awareness when communicating.

"Twenty years ago I'd have a chat with someone next to my

brother and he wouldn't know what was going on, but now I know to sign everything that is said around him," he said.

Kangan Institute ran the only Victorian course in Auslan in 2012, but funding cuts meant Mr Miller had completed certificates II and III, but only half of certificate IV.

Mr Miller is one of 12 students to graduate from the diploma course at RMIT this year.

There is now hope that this number will rise after a Victorian Government announcement last year to provide \$5.2 million until December 2016 to institutions running this much sought-after qualification.



Darren Miller

# Survey to save sites



SCAR trees, shell middens, earth mounds and other cultural heritage items in

Victoria's lower Gunbower Forest will be mapped under a new survey project being undertaken by the local water catchment authority in partnership with the Barapa Barapa community.

Under the 12-month project, the North Central Catchment Management Authority (CMA) will work with local Aboriginal people to identify sites of cultural significance as well as food, fibre and medicine plants.

"Archaeological and traditional owner knowledge indicates that the Gunbower Forest is rich in cultural heritage," CMA Indigenous facilitator Bambi Lees said.

"However, a large proportion of the forest remains unsurveyed, leading to the potential destruction and degradation of sites."

Survey work will be conducted by traditional owners with training in modern survey techniques by a bio-anthropologist (archaeologist) and ecologist.

The information gained will help the CMA develop annual environmental watering priorities for the Gunbower Forest that reflect the social, spiritual and cultural values of the traditional owners.



Barapa Barapa people will share knowledge about country with a survey project mapping cultural heritage in the region.

An important focus for the project will be to provide opportunities for Barapa people to share knowledge on country.

Elder Neville Whyman said the

survey would help preserve the environmental and cultural values of the Gunbower Forest.

"Water is important to make our connection to country," he said.

"The project will learn from the historical evidence, and we need to bring our young ones along with us. If we don't, we've got no generation behind us that's got

the knowledge.

"We can only do that by bringing them out on country – and there's got to be something here (for them to see)."

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## Insurance group has reconciliation plan



INSURANCE Australia Group (IAG) has signed the 500th Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) accredited by Reconciliation

Australia, with the group's managing director saying the organisation was pleased to be 'another voice for change'.

"We are simply doing what we believe is right," IAG managing director Mike Wilkins said.

"We are saying that Australian business has a role to play in helping to right a long-standing wrong, and as one of Australia's leading companies, we can make an important contribution to addressing this inequity."

Mr Wilkins said the IAG RAP detailed the initiatives it would

undertake over the next two years as part of a formal reconciliation journey. It sets out commitments that range from embedding awareness and understanding of Indigenous cultures among its people, through to providing career development opportunities for university students.

Reconciliation Australia CEO Leah Armstrong said the IGA RAP was the first signed by an insurance company and she was excited about the sector joining the reconciliation community.

"Make no mistake; RAPs do make a difference," she said.

"Every year Reconciliation Australia evaluates the impact of our now 500 RAPs and the results suggest that the RAP program is one of Australia's most hard-working and best value-for-money programs."



# Women are fired up



GETTING up at the crack of dawn and travelling across the state isn't a barrier for Koori volunteer firefighters Charmaine Sellings and Rhonda Thorpe.

The 'Banana Women', as they are known locally, are used to getting out in tough conditions to do Country Fire Authority (CFA) business.

The women have hit the road to develop closer relations between the Koori community and the Victorian CFA, which is in the process of developing a Koori Inclusion Action Plan.

Ms Sellings and Ms Thorpe are founding members of the Lake Tyers Satellite Fire Brigade in the far-east Gippsland region.

The two Gunai/Kurnai women have been CFA members for more than 10 years, after a serious fire on the Lake Tyers Trust motivated them to form the first all-Koori – and all-female – fire brigade in Victoria.

The name 'Banana Women' has stuck since a local wag said they looked like bananas when they first stepped out in their yellow turn-out gear.

Their first stop was the town of Barmah on the Murray River to visit the Barmah Fire Brigade, which may have the highest percentage of Koori members in Victoria.

Yorta Yorta community representative Leon Atkinson said that only by engaging with local Aboriginal communities could the CFA create inclusive environments for Indigenous people.

"There's a lot we can learn from each other," he said.

"Our mob can share information about caring for country and the CFA can help our mob keep our communities safer."

The Barmah brigade has many Aboriginal youngsters in its junior brigade, and Aboriginal community member Jenny Ockwell wants to encourage Koori kids to join up.

"These kids are the future," she said.

"We need to open all sorts of opportunities for them to learn new skills but



CFA 'Banana Women' Rhonda Thorpe and Charmaine Sellings with firefighter Phil Hawkey.

also teach them to keep our culture alive." Captain Cristina Jackson said joining the CFA helped the kids develop a range of life-long skills such as team work, leadership and learning about fire prevention.

Ms Sellings and Ms Thorpe's road trip then took them to Wodonga for a forum about how Aboriginal communities have used fire to manage and shape the Australian landscape for thousands of years.

Coordinated by local landcare groups with the Federal Government and La Trobe University, speakers included researchers, ecologists and academics from across Australia.

The forum was an opportunity for

participants to learn how traditional knowledge can be applied to fire-management practices.

Hume region CFA vegetation management officer Phil Hawkey said the CFA was 'eager to learn how we can both respect Aboriginal traditions and work together to towards more effective hazard reduction practices'.

## Sacred sites

Protecting Aboriginal sacred sites in the event of a fire is an important issue for Ms Sellings.

"We have to protect our cultural sites and the only way we can do this is through education," she said.

"For us mob, we know how our ancestors used fire to manage the country. The forum helped strengthen this knowledge and we shared some of our history with the many CFA members who attended, but we also have to ensure that managing sacred sites is kept on the radar."

The final leg of the road trip was a visit to the CFA District 12 headquarters in Seymour and then on to the CFA State Support Centre in Melbourne to meet with Deputy Chief Officer Steve Warrington and volunteer sustainability project manager Ali Martin.

The Victorian CFA welcomes Indigenous volunteers – contact 1800 232 636 or visit [www.cfa.vic.gov.au](http://www.cfa.vic.gov.au)

# Perth support service is a first



WA Attorney-General Michael Mischin, senior manager of Aboriginal services Angela Ryder and Relationships Australia CEO Terri Reilly at the launch.



THE first program specifically set up to support Aboriginal people in metropolitan Perth suffering family violence or sexual assault was launched late last year by Western Australian Attorney-General Michael Mischin.

Djinda Services, Relationships Australia WA's newest community program, is being delivered in conjunction with the Women's Law Centre.

Djinda is a Noongar word meaning star, which represents women shining brightly and guiding their families, strong in their determination to keep them safe.

Senior manager of Aboriginal Services Angela Ryder, who is a Noongar woman, said the Aboriginal community had been lobbying for a program like this for more than 20 years.

Referrals were already rolling in for the Djinda program, demonstrating the demand for the service, Ms Ryder said.

"Women will have access to free legal advice regarding their situation while also being provided with services like counselling, mediation, referrals and other support," she said.

Men facing family violence are also encouraged to access Djinda wrap-around services, but will be referred to more gender-appropriate legal support.

"Family violence is not our way and not our culture, and it is sad that we have to have services like this, but it's important that we do," Ms Ryder said.

"We are proud to support primarily Aboriginal women who have been victims of domestic violence and help keep them and their children safe."

"This service is available and I encourage community members to access the program whenever they need this support."

Prominent Noongar human rights lawyer Hannah McGlade was instrumental in securing state government funding for the project.

Djinda Services is delivered by Aboriginal and other women who are mothers and sisters and who have personal understanding of family violence.

The service provides help relating to restraining orders, child protection and support, and victim's compensation, as well as advocacy support for clients.





Borroloola Songwoman Roddy Bawuyuma Harvey responds to the crowd after receiving a standing ovation.



Having just released her debut album *From the Ground Up*, Andrea Kirwin was a regular performer on the Songlines stage.



Thelma Plum on the Songlines stage.



Police liaison officers Deb De Bree, from Brisbane, and Kabi Kabi Elder Michael Douglas, from Caboolture.



Ngтали Malone with Jemima Miller, of the Borroloola Songwomen.



The Injinoo Dance Group performing on the Village Green.



Doyle Sebasio, Meun Lifu (Uncle Shorty) and Roy Solomon and Roy Blanco, at rear, all from the Injinoo Dance Group.



From left, Roddy Harvey, with Amy and Alec Doomadgee.



From left, Joanne Miller, Gordon Chalmers and Leanne Norman.



Warren H Williams on stage.



Birri-Gubba/Tanna Island hip hop artist Dukebox Bailey on stage with Phaedra Craig, from Sistagurl.



Lewis Parter, who performed with Central Australian singer Warren H Williams.





Shellie Morris and the Borroloola Songwomen received a standing ovation when they performed on the Woodford Folk Festival Songlines stage on New Year's Day. All pictures by Rachel Scollay



Winners of the 2007 Laura Dance Festival, the Injinoo Dance Group, from Injinoo in far north Queensland, performing on the final day of the festival.

# Cultural feast at Woodford



Self-taught musician Chris Tamwoy caused a sensation when he made a surprise appearance at Bill's Bar on New Year's Day.



Among the crowd, from left, Trai and Dazza Georgetown, from Brisbane, Emily Foster, from Groote Eylandt, and Ronald Conlon, from Brisbane.

By RACHEL SCOLLAY



SHELLIE Morris and the Borroloola Songwomen brought the house down at the 28th Woodford Folk Festival on New Year's Day, receiving a standing ovation from the packed-to-capacity crowd at the Songlines tent.

As the Sunshine Coast hinterland festival's First Nations hub, the Songlines stage played host to a variety of talks, workshops and entertainment – everything from hip hop and cabaret to Morris, accompanied by three of the Borroloola songwomen, dancers and a string quartet.

The daily cultural knowledge series included sessions on a range of topics including Aboriginal world view and philosophy, songlines and connectedness, and cultural continuity.

The festival's Village Green also played host to *Malpa* – a dance theatre performance commissioned for the festival, which saw the Pormpuraaw and Injinoo clans come together to explore issues such as a life on country, losing traditional knowledge and the challenges for the future.

## Highlights

In other festival highlights, self-taught musician Chris Tamwoy caused a sensation when he made a surprise appearance at Andrew Clermont's 'festival arvo supper club' at Bill's Bar.

Originally from the Torres Strait but now living in Brisbane, Tamwoy said his Facebook page went from 200 likes to 2000, after he was interviewed by Lindsay 'The Doctor' McDougall on ABC radio triple j. Other recent highlights for the 17-year-old include playing at the 2013 Bluesfest alongside his heroes The John Butler Trio.

"I used to think of myself as just a kid who played the guitar, but now I'm taking my music much more seriously," he told the crowd.

"To get selected for the Bluesfest, to meet my inspiration (The John Butler Trio) – a lot of opportunities are coming my way. A lot of doors are opening. You are never too old. Age is just a number."



Getano Bann on the Songlines stage.



The Borroloola Songwomen performing.



Erin Oui and Danny Bani, from Cairns.



# TVGUIDE

15TH JANUARY TO 28TH JANUARY



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## WEDNESDAY 15TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)  
11:00 In The Frame G (Series)  
11:30 Living Black Conversations NC (Current Affairs)  
12:00 Tusamituu! G (Documentary)  
1:00 Big Girls Don't Cry PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Inuk G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Our Footprint G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
8:00 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)  
8:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)  
9:00 Ningla A-Na M (Documentary)  
10:30 Always Was Always Will Be G (Documentary)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Our Footprint G (Series)

## THURSDAY 16TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Our Footprint G (Series)  
11:00 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
11:30 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)  
12:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Documentary Series)  
12:30 Women Of The Sun: 25 Years Later PG (Documentary)  
2:00 Always Was Always Will Be G (Documentary)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Inuk G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)  
7:45 Sheperd's Pie G (Documentary)  
8:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)  
9:00 Hunting Aotearoa M (Series)  
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
10:30 By The Rapids PG (Animation)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)

## FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)  
11:00 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)  
11:15 Mermaid Story G (Documentary)  
11:30 Whirlpool G (Documentary)  
11:30 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)  
12:30 Sisters In League PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Surfing The Healing Wave PG (Documentary)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Inuk G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Moose TV PG (Comedy)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)  
8:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
9:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
10:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Moose TV PG (Comedy)

## SATURDAY 18TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)  
8:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
9:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
10:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
11:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
12:30 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)  
1:00 Living Black Conversations NC (Current Affairs)  
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)  
2:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)  
3:00 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
3:30 Big Girls Don't Cry PG (Documentary)  
4:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Doc Series)  
5:00 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)  
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (News)  
7:00 Uneathed G (Series)  
7:30 Blackfellas, Bulls And Bucking G (Doc)  
8:30 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)  
9:30 Yologu Boy M (Drama)  
11:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
11:30 Uneathed G (Series)

## SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
10:00 A-League NC (Sport)  
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
12:30 Blackfellas, Bulls And Bucking G (Doc)  
1:30 Kids To Coast G (Documentary)  
2:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
3:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
4:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)  
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Indigenous Cultural Affairs Magazine 96 NC (Series)  
6:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
7:00 Ngurra G (Series)  
7:30 Laura Festival 2013 G (Entertainment)  
8:00 In The Frame PG (Documentary Series)  
8:30 Freedom Ride 2011 PG (Documentary)  
9:30 Edge Of America PG (Drama)  
11:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
11:30 Ngurra G (Series)



## MONDAY 20TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Inuk G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
11:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)  
11:30 Indigenous Cultural Affairs Magazine 96 NC (Series)  
12:00 Ngurra G (Series)  
12:30 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)  
1:30 In The Frame PG (Documentary Series)  
2:00 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Inuk G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Surviving G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)  
8:00 Samaqa: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)  
8:30 Rodeo: Life On The Circuit PG (Documentary Series)  
9:30 Blackstone M (Drama)  
10:30 Rez Rides PG (Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Surviving G (Series)

## TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Surviving G (Series)  
11:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)  
11:30 Samaqa: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)  
12:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
1:00 Contrary Warrior PG (Documentary)  
2:00 Rez Rides PG (Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Desperate Measures PG (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 In The Frame PG (Documentary Series)  
8:00 Living Black Conversations NC (Current Affairs)  
8:30 Go Girls PG (Drama)  
9:30 Matak PG (Drama)  
10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Desperate Measures PG (Series)

## WEDNESDAY 22ND JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Desperate Measures PG (Series)  
11:00 In The Frame PG (Documentary Series)  
11:30 Living Black Conversations NC (Current Affairs)  
12:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
1:00 Stone Country PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Our Footprint G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
8:00 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)  
8:30 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)  
9:00 My Survival As An Aboriginal PG (Documentary)  
10:00 Backroads MA (Drama)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Our Footprint G (Series)

## THURSDAY 23RD JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Our Footprint G (Series)  
11:00 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
11:30 Colour Theory PG (Documentary Series)  
12:00 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)  
12:30 My Survival As An Aboriginal PG (Documentary)  
1:30 Yekertye PG (Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Spear G (Documentary)  
7:37 The Curse G (Documentary)  
7:45 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)  
8:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)  
9:00 Hunting Aotearoa MA (Series)  
10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
10:30 By The Rapids PG (Animation)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)

## FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Series)  
11:00 Playing With Fire PG (Documentary)  
11:15 The Black Olive G (Lifestyle)  
11:30 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)  
12:30 Black Magic G (Documentary)  
1:30 Yekertye G (Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Moose TV PG (Comedy)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)  
8:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
9:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
10:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Moose TV PG (Comedy)

## SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)  
8:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
9:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)  
10:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
11:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
12:30 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)  
1:00 Living Black Conversations NC (Current Affairs)  
1:30 RHEF 2013 PG (Series)  
2:30 Pacifica: Tales From The South Seas PG (Documentary Series)  
3:00 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
3:30 My Brother Vinnie PG (Documentary)  
4:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)  
5:00 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)  
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (News)  
7:00 Uneathed G (Series)  
7:30 My Life As I Live It G (Documentary)  
8:30 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)  
9:30 Beneath Clouds M (Drama)  
11:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
11:30 Uneathed G (Series)



Laura Dance Festival 2013

SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY 7.30PM

## SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
10:00 A-League NC (Sport)  
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
12:30 Australia Daze PG (Documentary)  
2:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
3:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)  
4:00 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)  
5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)  
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)  
6:00 Always Was Always Will Be G (Documentary)  
6:30 Australia Daze PG (Documentary)  
8:00 In The Frame PG (Documentary Series)  
8:30 88.9 Radio Redfern PG (Documentary)  
9:30 Get On The Bus M (Drama)  
11:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment)  
11:30 Always Was Always Will Be G (Documentary)

## MONDAY 27TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Backyard Shorts G (Series)  
11:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)  
11:30 Indigenous Cultural Affairs Magazine 96 NC (Series)  
12:00 Ngurra G (Series)  
12:30 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)  
1:30 In The Frame PG (Documentary Series)  
2:00 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Surviving G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)  
8:00 Samaqa: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)  
8:30 Rodeo: Life On The Circuit PG (Documentary Series)  
9:30 Blackstone MA (Drama)  
10:30 Rez Rides PG (Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Surviving G (Series)

## TUESDAY 28TH JANUARY

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)  
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
6:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
7:00 Grounded G (Kids)  
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)  
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
8:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
9:00 Bizou G (Kids)  
9:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
10:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)  
10:30 Surviving G (Series)  
11:00 Kai Ora G (Lifestyle)  
11:30 Samaqa: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)  
12:00 Yekertye G (Series)  
1:00 Aeroplane Dance PG (Documentary)  
2:00 Rez Rides PG (Series)  
2:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)  
3:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)  
3:30 Bizou G (Kids)  
4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)  
4:30 Tales Of Tatonka G (Kids)  
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)  
5:30 NITV News NC (News)  
6:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)  
6:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)  
7:00 NITV News NC (News)  
7:30 In The Frame G (Documentary Series)  
8:00 Living Black Conversations NC (Current Affairs)  
8:30 Arctic Air M (Drama)  
9:30 Matak M (Drama)  
10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)  
11:00 NITV News NC (News)  
11:30 Desperate Measures G (Series)





# Meet the belles of the ball



Butucarbin 2013 debutantes and partners: (back, l-r) Tyrone Roache and Shy-anne Roche, Harley Dalstrom and Kiya Shipley, Brian Hunter and Makayla Elliott, Aaron Reynolds and Kilisitina Lolesio, Joseph Bird and Joanne Bird, Isaac Haroa and Kayla Bird, Bianca Beale and Peter Haroa, Emily Reynolds and Corey Marsh; (front, l-r) Ryan Atkinson and Demi King, Brent Naden and Tori Beale, Kevin Millgate and Amber Jackson, Zachary McDiarmid and Samantha Haroa, Taylor Duggan and Glenn Shillingsworth, Natasio Carroll and Ben Thompson, Sarah-Lee King and Luke Swan, Lillian Whitton and Jason Whitton; (front centre) Janaya Marlowe and Sandamarra Whitton.



IT wasn't all traditional waltzes at the Butucarbin Aboriginal Corporation's Debutantes' Ball held in September last year. After the usual formalities, the 16

debutantes and their partners brought the house down with their version of Gangnam Style called 'Gammon Style'.

The ball, held at St Marys Band Club, celebrated Butucarbin's 20-year anniversary delivering services to the Mt Druitt Aboriginal

community in western Sydney.

Sixteen local young Aboriginal women attended, accompanied by young Aboriginal men. Each couple was presented to Chifley MP Ed Husic and local Elder Una Meredith.

During the July school holidays

Butucarbin held a two-week program where 12 of the young debutantes designed and made their own gowns, despite having little or no dressmaking experience. Assisting with the gowns, as well as the young men's cummerbunds and bow ties, was

local Elder Pat Moleman, as well as Butucarbin's dedicated sewing teacher, Sandra Golden.

The 232 guests enjoyed a lavish three-course meal before the cutting of the celebration cakes by the Butucarbin Management Committee and debutantes.

## Steps to belonging



THE Tweed Valley region of north-east NSW has launched a series of activities to build a sense of belonging for kids with additional needs, including the many Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander children in the area.

The Belonging Project is implementing the findings of a year-long consultation process with 33 families in the local community.

Project officer Danielle Notara from the Northern Rivers Social Development Council (NRSDC) said the researchers had spoken to children and their families about the places they like to go, what they like to do, what makes them feel valued and what makes it hard for them in community.

"The Belonging Project puts into action what the kids and families said they need to feel valued and to do the things they like to do in our community," Ms Notara said.

With more than half the families interviewed Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, many of the activities address the double isolation of kids with additional

needs and experiences of discrimination.

"Shouldn't there be Aboriginal people at every school?" one mum asked researchers.

"If something is happening in the class or the home there should be someone the kids can go to that they call Aunty."

NRSDC and Southern Cross University's Centre for Children and Young People developed the plan of action for kids, parents, services

and the wider community to help people become better connected.

The project includes a homework club for local Aboriginal kids run by their parents, and an arts and craft program that enables kids with additional needs to enjoy activities with other kids outside of a 'service' setting.

A Parents Space will provide a place where parents of kids with additional needs can connect socially and develop skills to support themselves and their families.

The project will also help kids with additional needs make the transition to mainstream schools and encourage the community to become a more welcoming place for kids with additional needs.

**'The Belonging Project puts into action what the kids and families said they need to feel valued and to do the things they like to do in our community.'**

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# Women at mining conference



MORE than 200 women from across the Kimberley and Pilbara as well as metropolitan and interstate regions attended the second Indigenous Women in Mining Western Australian conference in Perth late last year.

Sponsored by mining giant Rio Tinto, the conference celebrated Indigenous women working in the resources sector while also providing an opportunity for dialogue between Indigenous people, traditional owners, resource representatives and academics to discuss competing interests.

Conference chair and Rio Tinto asset management specialist Corina Martin said it was inspiring to see and meet so many Indigenous women working in the resource sector at all levels.

"The networking and environment at this conference was positive and supportive, and from this we hope to develop a mentoring relationship for Indigenous women entering the industry and support long-term employment within the sector," she said.

Indigenous women make up 26 per cent of Rio Tinto Iron Ore's entire Indigenous workforce. At October last year, 1668 Indigenous employees worked



Indigenous Women in Mining steering committee members, from left, Corina Martin, Lynette Upton, Nyah Teiotu, Shona Park, Vanessa Elliott, Mimi Cole, Jill Abdullah and Christine Ross.

for Rio Tinto across Australia, and an additional 656 were indirectly employed through businesses the company contracts.

Rio global head of health, safety, environment and communities Joanne Farrell said the conference helped foster new relationships and provided a safe

place for frank and open discussions about how to address the challenges faced by all women.

"Rio Tinto is very proud of the leadership role we have played in working with Aboriginal people throughout Australia," she said.

"... We were one of the first mining

companies to stop challenging and start working with traditional owners.

"This journey has led us on a pathway of successful agreement-making, some great progress on Indigenous employment, substantial commitments to Aboriginal businesses and support in protecting and recording cultural heritage."

## Adelaide Xmas party popular



MORE than 200 people attended the Aboriginal Home Care Christmas party in Adelaide late last year.

MC and vocalist Pascoe Braun won applause for his rendition of the Nat King Cole song *Unforgettable* with an Indigenous twist, and his performance was followed by the staff from Aboriginal Home Care being led in song by Dr Alice Rigney, the first Indigenous principal of a South Australian primary school.

Singer Vonda Last was a star at the lunch, performing two original songs about how much Elders mean to the community. She also sang and conducted the Elders from the Gully Winds Choir, which included Adelaide Indigenous war memorial stalwart Marj Tripp.

Mr Braun also performed *Have Yourself a Merry Little*

*Christmas*, followed by James Muir with a version of *That's Life*.

The Alicia Keys anthem *Superwoman* was performed by Colleen Davidson, who dedicated the song to the Indigenous female Elders of South Australia.

Aboriginal Elders Home Care Services chairperson Phil Saunders was delighted with the full house for the party, and said the organisation was 'headed in a positive direction'.

Another highlight was community leader Brian Butler, who spoke about the importance of 'lateral love' and how Elders are often the ones who show the way when it comes to community, love and respect.

The Kindy Kids, all aged under five, from Kura Yerlo Aboriginal Community Centre, won many hearts by performing a series of songs in the Kurna language of the Adelaide Plains.



Guests and Elders at last year's Aboriginal Home Care Christmas party in Adelaide.

## Palm Island ferry boost

By ALF WILSON



THE difficult situation Palm Islanders have faced in getting to and from the mainland has been recognised, with

the Queensland Government funding an extra six SeaLink return ferry services for 2014.

The move follows negotiations between the Palm Island Aboriginal Council and the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

A decision about when these extra services will best suit the needs of residents at the North Queensland Aboriginal community will be made by the council.

During the financial year ending last June 30, more than 46,000 passengers made trips to and from Palm Island.

The ferry trip to Palm from Townsville's Ross Creek takes between 90 minutes and two hours, depending on ocean currents and winds.

Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey said the extra ferry services would provide great benefits to not only Palm Island, but also Townsville, as most islanders do their business in the city.

"This creates great opportunities for the Palm Island sporting clubs and schools, because it allows us to interact with the wider community," he said.

The extra services will also be available to members of the Palm Island Barracudas rugby league



The SeaLink ferry leaves Palm Island.

club, which has been admitted to the Townsville and District rugby league 2014 competition.

Townsville MP John Hathaway said the Newman Government's funding of the extra ferries was recognition of the 'unique nature of Palm Island'.

"There are times when there might be strong demand for additional services such as cultural, sporting or even significant family events that involve large numbers of travellers, and the ferry service should be responsive enough to cope with those times," he said.

### 'Decision'

"The funding of the extra services has come from reallocation of government funds, but the decision when to utilise the extra services remains with the local community.

"The purpose of these extra ferries throughout the year is to

ensure the cultural and economic development goals of the Palm Island Aboriginal Council are supported by the availability of transport to and from the island if required."

The extra trips come on top of an extra weekly ferry service between Townsville and Palm Island which has been popular with locals.

The *Koori Mail* recently reported SeaLink had run four weekly return catamarans each week – on Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. But that was increased in June with an extra ferry trip on a Saturday on a trial to December 31. That is expected to be extended.

A return trip by ferry is \$66.50 and residents can buy a 10-trip ticket for \$278.30. The cost of a fare on daily planes to the island is \$234 return, although a limited number of residents' tickets are available at a lower cost.



# Ezekiel's efforts praised



EZEKIEL Langwe enjoyed his work experience at Kambu Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Health in Brisbane so much he

volunteered his time over the school holidays. The Bremer State High School student spent almost 100 hours with the organisation, gaining experience in many areas.

"I've worked in reception with administration booking appointments; I worked in the clinic where I had a go at taking blood pressures and saw health workers take blood from a client; I got to go out in the community with the men's group and hung out with the mums and bubs in the play groups here at the centre," he said.

Children and family centre manager Lillian Garrett said Ezekiel did an impressive job during his work experience.

"Ezekiel is ideal as a health professional," she said.

"He showed initiative, he was helpful and worked hard. He always asked if there was anything he could help out with and is such a good-natured young person."

Kambu Health is an Indigenous community owned and operated medical service offering clinical services and community support programs to the Ipswich and West Moreton Region or Brisbane.

The service has been operating for almost 40 years and regularly helps young Indigenous people.

"We were only too ready to help Ezekiel with his work experience. We get a few students on placements in regularly," Mrs Garrett said. "We also provide placements for students from the University of Queensland, TAFE, and local high schools."

Despite his experience with Kambu, Ezekiel remains undecided about his future. His first choice is engineering, although he now believes health would certainly be an option.

Kambu CEO Stella Taylor-Johnson said she hoped Ezekiel would change his mind, adding that all young Indigenous students should consider health as a career option.

"With a forecast shortage of health professionals in the near future, it's important that we encourage our young people to join the ranks of Indigenous health professionals," she said.



Work experience student Ezekiel Langwe with health worker Darren Conlon.

# Nursing in Ellie's future



ELLIE McLennan, pictured here with a young patient, is one of four people to have finished their time under Monash Health's Aboriginal Cadetship Program. Ms McLennan, a Yorta Yorta woman, has now moved on to the Victorian health organisation's Aboriginal Graduate Nurse Program. The cadetship program is part of a Victorian public sector plan to increase Aboriginal employment to 1 per cent of its total by 2015. Last month, Monash Health held a presentation for the graduating cadets that was attended by representatives from participating universities, the Victorian Department of Health, and family and friends.

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# Sydney date for dancer



BROOME-BASED Marrugeku Theatre's production *Gudirr Gudirr* hits the stage this week as part of the Sydney Festival.

Fresh from a season in Europe, the solo dance production will feature from tomorrow (January 16) at the Carriageworks as part of a packed Sydney Festival program.

Taking its name from the bird that calls when the tide is turning, Marrugeku says *Gudirr Gudirr* is a warning cry to a people facing the complexity of cultural change.

The production is performed by the company's Dalisa Pigram and directed by Koen Augustijnen, a former lead artist with Belgium's Les Ballets C de la B.

*Gudirr Gudirr* returns overseas after the Sydney season, with performances next month in Belgium and Spain.

And then it's straight back to Queensland, with a season late next month as part of the World Theatre Festival (WTF) at the Brisbane Powerhouse.

Marrugeku, under the artistic direction of Dalisa Pigram and Rachael Swain, makes use of contemporary dance, traditional and contemporary music, circus, installation and video art to share the memories and traditions of Indigenous communities across north-western Australia.

For more details on the performances, go to [www.marrugeku.com.au](http://www.marrugeku.com.au)



Merwez Whaleboat in a scene from *The Darkside*. Picture by Tony Mott

## Strange twist in *The Darkside*

By ALF WILSON



TORRES Strait Islander actor Merwez Whaleboat was in the audience for the recent Sydney premiere

of Warwick Thornton's new movie *The Darkside*, in which she played Indigenous woman Lesigo.

In a strange coincidence, the real-life Lesigo happens to be Ms Whaleboat's cousin.

The film premiered in NSW at the inaugural Corroboree Sydney Festival in November, opened in Queensland, NSW and South Australian cinemas late last year and will screen in Victoria, Western Australia and the Canberra next month.

*The Darkside*, starring Deborah Mailman, was developed after a national callout for Indigenous ghost stories though an ad in the *Koori Mail*. Stories were submitted by Indigenous and other people via a Facebook campaign, and Thornton narrowed down more than 150 stories into 13 to make this film.

Ms Whaleboat, the daughter of Torres Strait Elders Donald and Dulcie Whaleboat, is a teacher at Townsville's Shalom Christian College. She is an established performer, having



James Matthew, from Boigu Island, who will appear in the TV mini-series spinoff of *The Darkside*.

played the part of Bernadette Gaibui in the television mini-series *Remote Area Nurse* in 2006, before roles in *The Straits* and *Mabo* during 2012.

Stories in *The Darkside* are varied. Among others, there is a woman who was attacked by a ghost in her bed; a white woman who, when meditating, saw the Rainbow Serpent and Aboriginal Elders; and a man who met a spirit through a firefly.

Other stories not featured in the film will be included in a television mini-series this year.

James Matthew, from Boigu Island, will feature in that TV series. James graduated from Shalom College last year after completing Year 12.

Ms Whaleboat said James was talented and had the ability to take on various roles.

"I am happy that I have created opportunities for young Indigenous people to pursue their craft in this area," she said.

"I believe it is vital to encourage, support and, if possible, create future pathways for our young people, so that they may establish themselves on a track towards success.

"I look forward to working, auditioning and supporting young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in this area of the arts."

James said he was excited at the prospect of acting in the television series.

"I felt a little bit nervous, but I am glad my teacher Miss Merwez, who organised the audition, also came with me to Sydney," he said.

"She has trained me in the areas of drama/performing arts and I am confident that I portrayed (my) role with great passion."

## Artist inspired by Namatjira

By PETER ARGENT



RAUKKAN man Kym Kropinyeri has been painting since his days in the Glandore Boys Home more than five decades ago.

A member of the Stolen Generations, he has a simple, direct philosophy about his painting, and the strength of his work is shown in the colours and his ability to create scenes from his mind's eye.

In his youth, Kropinyeri saw Albert Namatjira's watercolour works and that laid a basis for the genre and style of his art.

"Painting is an individual pursuit, but I wanted to paint in the style of Namatjira," Kropinyeri said.

"His use of colour is stunning and the way he rendered his landscapes is beautiful.

"I enjoy painting seascapes and landscapes and have a real attraction to the sea. Places I gain inspiration from include my initial home along the Coorong, the Flinders Ranges and outback Australia."

Kropinyeri has produced art for clients in Australia, the United States and Europe, with his art selling for up to \$2500.

"Having sold paintings across the world, there is an amazing sense of satisfaction when I complete the works," he said. "Life is about making



Kym Kropinyeri

opportunities for you.

"I am a bit of a perfectionist by nature and it can take anything up to a couple of weeks to complete the finishing touches.

"When I was at Glandore I was shown the basic techniques by a Mr Cowell, who must have seen some potential in me, but generally I regard myself as a self-taught painter.

"I was educated by a great man, Telford Unaipon. He's a 'son' of David Unaipon, the Aboriginal man who adorns the \$50 note."





# Bangarra treat for Dutch

**A**UDIENCES in the Netherlands are about to experience Australia's Bangarra Dance Theatre for the first time.

The leading Indigenous performing arts company will be a featured act at the massive Holland Dance Festival, which starts this month.

Bangarra dancers will perform the production *Kinship*, a scene from which is shown at left, on February 14 and 15, and also hold two special workshops for festival-goers.

And troupe members Deborah Brown and Leonard Mickelo will perform the short work *Moth* in the festival gala on January 25.

"The company was very pleased to receive an invitation to perform at the festival," Bangarra executive director Catherine Baldwin said.

"We are excited about bringing a truly Australian Indigenous theatrical experience to such a diverse new audience, alongside the world's most exciting dance companies."

## black@write! entries sought



THE State Library of Queensland is looking for writers for the 2014 black@write! Indigenous Writing Fellowships.

Published or unpublished Aboriginal or Torres Strait

Islander writers are invited to submit novels, short stories, poetry or children's books for consideration.

The two successful 2014 fellows will each receive \$10,000 prizemoney, professional manuscript development from black&write! Indigenous editors and a publishing deal with Indigenous publishing house Magabala Books.

Entries close on January 31. Email [indigenous.writing@slq.qld.gov.au](mailto:indigenous.writing@slq.qld.gov.au) or call (07) 3842 9985 for more information.

## Oxfam invitation



OXFAM Fair Trade Shop is seeking submissions for its 2015 Reconciliation Calendar. Indigenous artists are invited to make expressions of interest to

the selection committee by February 28.

They can be forwarded to Kristen Walker, Oxfam Australia Trading Pty Ltd, 5-7 Hutt Street, Adelaide, 5000, or email [kristenw@oxfam.org.au](mailto:kristenw@oxfam.org.au)

# Old Masters on show in capital



RARE bark paintings from Arnhem Land are now on display in a new exhibition at the National Museum of Australia, in Canberra. *Old Masters: Australia's Great Bark Artists* celebrates the master bark painters who worked on eucalyptus bark from northern Australia.

"This exhibition challenges our notions of what Aboriginal barks are by presenting exquisite artistry, diverse palettes and innovative designs that are not popularly associated with barks," National Museum consultant curator Wally Caruana said.

"Most of the works have not



A portrait of the late Yirawala, taken from the ABC TV Collection, Northern Territory Library, and published with permission.

been displayed in Australia." With more than 2000 works on bark, the National Museum holds

the world's largest collection of bark paintings.

The *Old Masters* exhibition draws from the museum vaults to feature 122 of the most outstanding Arnhem Land works by 40 artists, painted between 1948 and 1988.

Artists featured include Yirawala and Narritjin Maymuru, Mawalan Marika and David Malangi.

*Old Masters* also pays homage to collectors including Charles P Mountford, Karel Kupka, Helen Groger-Wurm and Jim Davidson, who not only recognised the cultural significance of these works, but also their artistic and aesthetic qualities. It continues until July 20.



*Totemic Crocodile*, 1965, by Yirawala, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Art collection, National Museum of Australia. Licensed by Aboriginal Artists Agency 2013.



# SA academy celebrates



THE South Australian Aboriginal Sports Training Academy (SAASTA) has been celebrating some top results over the past 12 months. Last year's class included 68 Certificate III TAFE

graduates, 50 SA Certificate of Education graduates and a pick in the AFL National Draft selection.

The very best were acknowledged recently at the academy's awards night. The winners were:

- Power Community Ltd Male Sports Achiever – Robert Young, Le Fevre High School;
  - Sports Centre Female Sports Achiever – Eva Karpani, Christies Beach High School;
  - University of SA Student of the Year – Angela Giles, Roma Mitchell Secondary College;
  - Department for Education and Child Development Chief Executive's Peer Leadership Award – Chantel Wilson, John Pirie Secondary School;
  - University of SA Female Academic Achiever – Kayla Masters, Maitland Area School;
  - University of SA Male Academic Achiever – Nicholas Schroeder, John Pirie Secondary School;
  - Pushing Performance Coordinator of the Year – Nick Drury, Christies Beach High School;
  - Cool Ridge Academy of the Year – Mark Oliphant College.
- SA Department for Education and Child



At the SAASTA awards night, from left, Robert Young, Eva Karpani, Angela Giles, SA Education and Child Development chief executive Tony Harrison, Chantel Wilson, Kayla Masters, Nick Drury and Nicholas Schroeder.

Development's David Rathman said the academy was 'rapidly notching up a number of remarkable educational milestones'.

"Sixty-eight academy students gained a Certificate III in Sport and Recreation after the course was added to the curriculum for the first time in 2013," he said.

"The 2012 class also has cause to celebrate, with SAASTA graduate Sean Lemmens recently becoming the first SAASTA alumni drafted into the AFL since Wade Thompson joined the Port Adelaide Power in 2009.

"Sean was welcomed by the Gold Coast Suns at pick 27 after recently completing a

traineeship with the SAASTA SANFL Aboriginal Pathways to Excellence Program."

Mr Rathman said 15 academy students from the 2013 class would be offered fulltime traineeships as part of the Aboriginal Pathways to Excellence Program.

# Riley honour for WA pair



TWO top Western Australian Aboriginal students have won the 2013 Rob Riley Memorial Prize.

Albany Senior High School graduate Sarah Munns won the Western Australian Certificate of Excellence (WACE) prize, while WA College of Agriculture Cunderdin graduate Mitchell Collard won the Vocational Education and Training (VET) prize.

They each received \$5000 towards further education and training.

This is the second consecutive year that a graduate from WA College of Agriculture Cunderdin has

received the VET prize.

The Rob Riley Prize is named in honour of the late Aboriginal human rights advocate.

WA Education and Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier congratulated both students on their achievements.

## 'Commitment'

"Sarah had a remarkable year, with her dedication and commitment resulting in an exceptional Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) of 98.95," Mr Collier said.

"Mitchell has worked incredibly hard and should be very proud of his achievements.

"He completed certificates II

in agriculture, automotive mechanical and engineering and performed well in WACE course subjects."

Mitchell now has an apprenticeship as a boilermaker and will start work next month in his home town of Dowerin.

Sarah plans to study animal science or conservation at Murdoch University.

Como Secondary College graduate Louise Wilson was the winner of the General Exhibition – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander. The general exhibition is awarded to the top Indigenous student who studied five courses with at least two humanities and two mathematics or science subjects.

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# Program targets literacy, numeracy



RAISING the literacy and numeracy levels of Victoria's young Koorie children is the aim of a new \$2 million government program to address Indigenous disadvantage. The Early Years Koorie Literacy and Numeracy Program aims to provide personalised early intervention support through schools to Indigenous students struggling with literacy and numeracy in Foundation to Year 3.

Up to 900 Koorie students with low test scores

in English and maths will be provided with up to 50 hours of personal tutoring.

"Evidence shows that early intervention is powerful in addressing the disparity in outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous students," Victorian Education Minister Martin Dixon said.

Under the program, schools will be required to collect baseline data and use assessments to determine and monitor student need and performance.



# 'Reinvigoration' at SCU



SOUTHERN Cross University's Gnibi College of Indigenous Australian Peoples is working on a 'reinvigoration' of its Indigenous studies and Aboriginal health degrees and research programs.

New college director Dr Norm Sheehan says university education goes hand in hand with Indigenous higher-order learning and Indigenous community wellbeing.

"A bugbear of mine is that many people say that Indigenous knowledge has no place in the university, that (it) is not a 'discipline', and conversely many others say university learning is not part of Aboriginal culture," he said.

"Both these views are a fallacy. Our Indigenous cultures have always had higher-order learning. Indigenous philosophy has established deeper understandings of the world that only now are being understood by Western theorists.

"Indigenous studies is a discipline that has consistently challenged and changed Australian universities, education and health policy, and political systems. Many great minds work in this area and we should be proud of these achievements.

"Gnibi aims to provide practical, intellectually challenging learning programs that can engage effectively with the cultural knowledge in different places, so we don't see any gap at all between Gnibi knowing, community knowing and cultural knowing."



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Dr Sheehan has a background in Indigenous research. Until recently he was a research consultant with the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Associate Professor of Indigenous Knowledge and Social Design at Swinburne

University. Before that he spent more than a decade as an academic at the University of Queensland.

Dr Sheehan said a series of Gnibi futures workshops, involving academics, Elders and the community, formed the basis

for changes to the college's programs.

"We are currently scoping Indigenous studies into the future, looking at what outcomes need to be built into our existing programs, looking at designing new programs and looking at how research can operate effectively for the benefit of our communities," he said.

"Our focus is Indigenous studies degrees that will lead to definite outcomes of employment in the Aboriginal community for Aboriginal people and also provide effective training and grounded experience for non-Indigenous students."

On the drawing board are an education degree specialising in Indigenous education, a dual Indigenous studies/environmental science degree, and a new Indigenous futures degree.

Dr Sheehan says Indigenous scholarship fits well with the 'designing futures' concept.

"Designing futures is about reinvigorating knowledge systems within communities that empower individuals and groups to sustainably redirect their efforts for the wellbeing of a whole country and its community," he said.

Dr Sheehan said Gnibi had an open-door approach towards learning.

"We accept Indigenous and non-Indigenous students and we have a policy of equal regard," he said.

"We are accepting research candidates and students from any area who are interested in learning the things we teach."

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# Diplomacy is Cori's goal



Cori Summers



CORI Summers has big ambitions. Her dream job is to work in diplomacy or become a United Nations ambassador representing her Torres Strait Islander people. And she's well on the way to achieving those goals after being awarded a Bond University Indigenous Pathways Scholarship for this year.

The former St Hilda's School (Gold

Coast) student intends to study international relations at the university.

Cori left her hometown of Maryborough in 2009 when she was just 13 after being awarded a Yalari Scholarship. She attended Rockhampton Grammar School before transferring to St Hilda's as a boarder for her senior years.

"My first year away from home was quite hard, but now I am making the most of the opportunity that has been presented to me," she said.

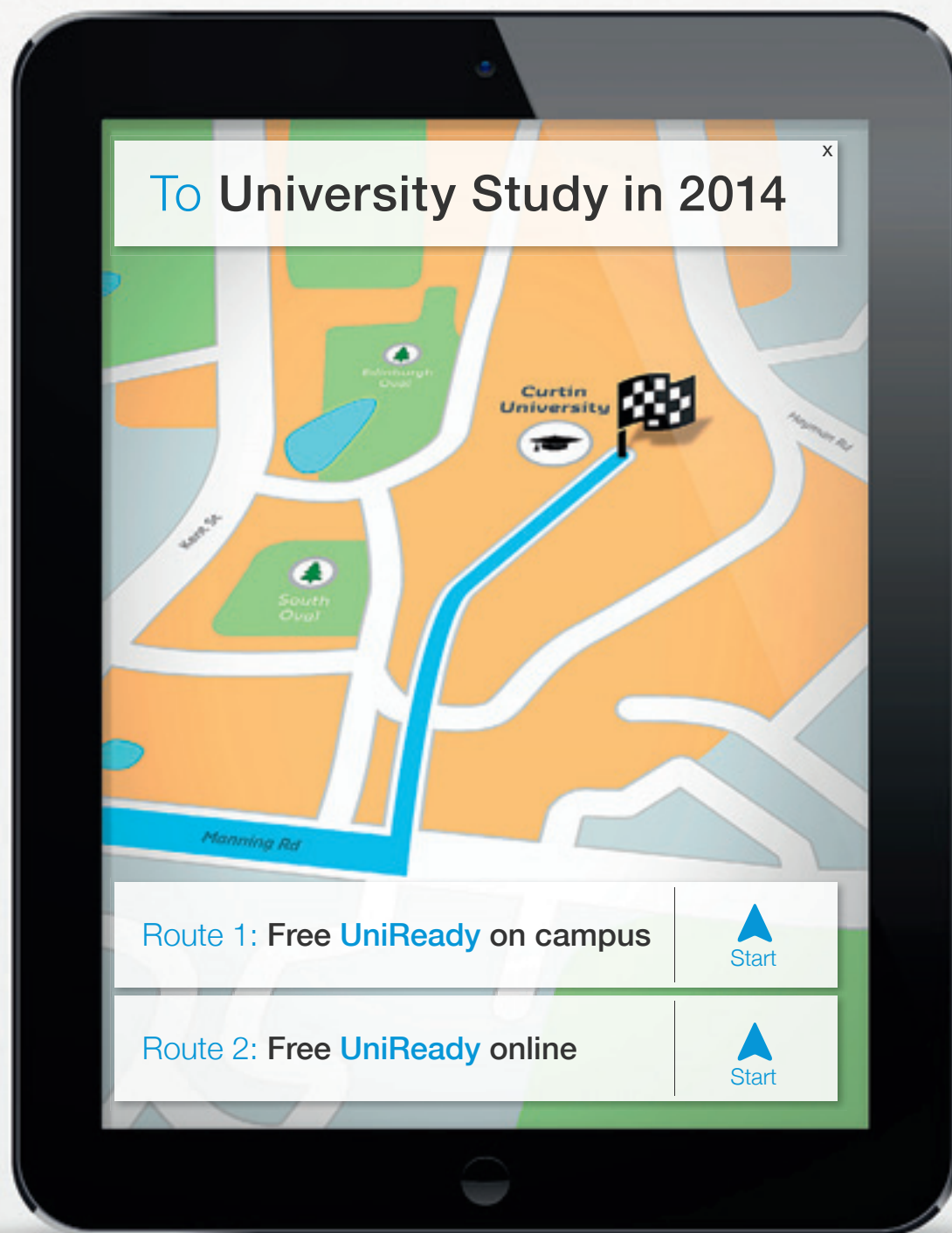
Cori said she instantly felt a connection with the Bond University campus.

"Bond offers a sense of community unlike other universities, and after meeting several of the students in the Indigenous Community Centre, I could definitely see myself as a student there," she said. "I was particularly impressed with the Nyombile Centre which helps students feel welcome by connecting them to the local Indigenous Elders and community."

Cori wants a career in international diplomacy.

"It is difficult to see where I may be when I finish, but I can only dream of being a representative of my Torres Strait Islander people in pursuing a career in diplomacy or by being an ambassador to the United Nations."

Cori is one of eight students to be awarded scholarships to Bond University through its Indigenous support programs.



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## Health future for Jasmyne



FORMER Kyogle High School student Jasmyne Carr, pictured, is looking forward to a career in Indigenous health.

And to that end, the 18-year-old from northern NSW has received a Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship. Worth \$15,000 a year, the scholarship is awarded by the Federal Department of Health and administered through the Australian College of Nursing.

"I was so surprised to get the award as heaps of people applied for it," Ms Carr said.

She has already been working towards her nursing goal, completing a school-based traineeship in aged care while studying for the Higher School Certificate last year.

Ms Carr had an active 2013 at Kyogle High, being named sportsperson of the year, and winning citizenship and Indigenous student awards.

School principal Janeen Silcock said Ms Carr 'more than deserved' her scholarship.

## Kangan Institute will open doors



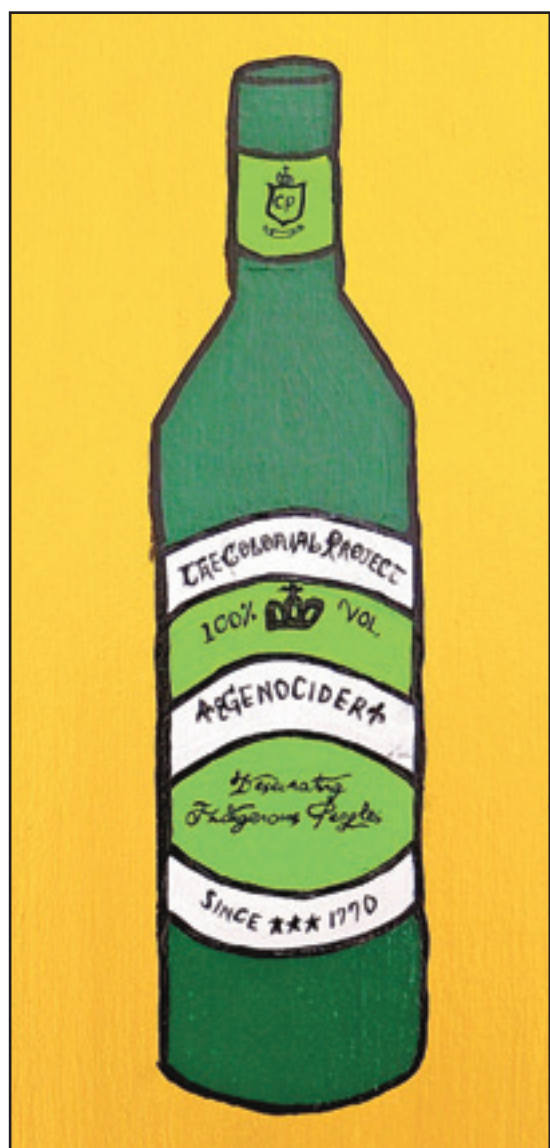
A RANGE of courses will be on show at Melbourne-based Kangan Institute's Indigenous Education Centre (IEC) open day on January 23.

Staff will be on hand to talk about courses, and other activities will include a music performance and barbecue lunch.

IEC manager Linc Yow Yeh said Kangan Institute had 'an excellent track record in helping Indigenous students achieve outstanding results'. "As one of Australia's leading providers of Indigenous education we offer plenty of options for students who wish to complete their studies in a direction that reflects Indigenous culture and tradition," he said.

The open day is at the Kangan Institute Broadmeadows campus, (Building W), Pearceville Parade. For more information call 13 TAFE or visit [kangan.edu.au](http://kangan.edu.au)





*Genocider*, one of the works from *The Cider Series* by Wiradjuri artist Amala Groom.

## *Cider Series* looks at cost of invasion



WIRADJURI artist Amala Groom's new exhibition, *The Cider Series*, is at the Kings Cross Library in Sydney until February 28.

Groom said the exhibition presented a dozen paintings of bottles of cider, as a metaphor for the ongoing impacts of the invasion of Australia.

"Critiquing the philosophy of colonisation known as the 'Colonial Project' and its tactics, such as *Genocider* and *Ethnocider*, the series draws attention to the casualties suffered in the colonial process and the ongoing desecration of Aboriginal ontology (the nature of being)," she said.

"Countless Aboriginal peoples were killed, stolen or enslaved in the quest for white hegemony (rule) in this country and the desecration of our rights to our laws, boundaries, plants and liberty continues today.

### 'Annihilate'

"The word 'cide' means 'to kill' and refers to the ongoing attempt to annihilate Aboriginal people's ways of being and existing on their Country. Assimilation, poverty and structural marginalisation are as much weapons against collective Aboriginal self determination today as ever.

"*The Cider Series* aims to give confidence to people to question, resist and protect Aboriginal ways of being on this ancient and sacred place that always was and always will be Aboriginal land."

*The Cider Series* is at the Kings Cross Library, 50-52 Darlinghurst Rd, Kings Cross.

**We welcome items for our National Calendar of Events. Please keep them short and to the point, and include a daytime telephone contact number. They can be sent to any of the addresses listed 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](http://www.carersnsw.org.au)

Until March 7: OneSight and Ray-Ban Competition to find an original Indigenous artwork or design to be printed on a limited number of Ray-Ban Wayfarer sunglasses. Entry conditions apply. Details: (02) 9815 2523 or email [onesightinfo@onesight.org.au](mailto:onesightinfo@onesight.org.au) or visit [www.onesight.org.au/RayBan](http://www.onesight.org.au/RayBan)

## South Australia

**February 13:** Sixth anniversary of the National Apology. Remembering the Stolen Generations, includes ceremony, community barbecue, music, art, story telling. Held at Botanic Park (rear gates of the Botanic Gardens), Plane Tree Drive, Adelaide, from 11am-2pm. Free event. Details: Toni Arundel on (08) 8406 1600.

**March 14-16:** Desert Fringe. Featuring a line-up of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and internationally renowned acts. Held at Port Augusta Cultural Centre – Yarta Pirti and the eastside Foreshore. Free event. Details: (08) 8641 9176.

**March: 15-16:** Spirit Festival. Live music, workshops, art and food. Held at Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, 253 Grenfell St, Adelaide from 10am-10pm. Free event. Details: (08) 8224 3200.

## NSW-ACT

**Ongoing:** New Directions Mums and Bubs Program. A service helping to educate, support and provide professional care for mums, bubs and children up to eight. Held at the Bullinah Aboriginal Health Service, 120 Tamar St, Ballina on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 9am-5pm. Details call (02) 6681 5992.

**Until January 27:** *Illuminate* exhibition. It resulted from a community initiative in the communities of Toomelah and Boggabilla. Held at the Art Gallery of NSW, Art Gallery Road, The Domain, Sydney, daily from 10am-5pm. Free admission. Details: 1800 679 278 or visit [www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au](http://www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au)

**Until February 2:** *Responding to Country* exhibition. Fourteen Aboriginal artists living in Yaegl, Bundjalung and Gumbaingirr country (NSW) respond to

country, memory and place. Artists include Braden Cutmore, Karla Dickens, Russell Meehan and Krystal Randall. Held at the Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton from Tuesday-Sunday, 10am-4pm. Free gallery entry. For more details, call (02) 42 3177 or visit [www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au](http://www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au)

**Until February 23:** *Koori Art Expressions 2013 and Saltwater Visions* exhibitions. Held at the Australian National Maritime Museum, Darling Harbour, Sydney from 9.30am-5pm daily. Cost: \$7 adult, \$3.50 child/concession, \$17.50 family. Details: (02) 9298 3777 or visit [www.anmm.gov.au](http://www.anmm.gov.au)

**January 16-19:** *Gudirr Gudirr* performance. A solo dance piece and a warning cry to people facing cultural change, performed by Dalisa Pigram. Held in Sydney. For more information, performance times and to book tickets call 1300 856 876 or visit [www.sydneystagefestival.org.au/2014/theatre-and-dance-gudirr-gudirr/](http://www.sydneystagefestival.org.au/2014/theatre-and-dance-gudirr-gudirr/)

**January 17:** Free Film Launch. The open-air screening of *Utopia*, a story of struggle and resistance. It includes performances by Sean Choolburra and Glenn Skuthorpe. Held at The Block, cnr of Eveleigh and Caroline streets, Redfern, from 7pm. Free event. (Bring a picnic and blanket or chairs). Details: (02) 9288 5713.

**January 26:** Yabun Festival 2014. The day will celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and includes art and craft stalls, dance workshops, politics, literature, information stalls, activities for kids, live entertainment and more. Free event. Held at Victoria park, Broadway, Sydney from 10am. Details: (02) 9384 4000 or visit [www.gadigal.org.au](http://www.gadigal.org.au)

**February 6:** Rekindling The Spirit – Lismore Women's Group. The group runs for 10 weeks. Held at Indigenous Community Links, 188 Molesworth Street, Lismore from 11am-2pm. Bookings are essential as places are limited. Details: Deb Felton or Deb Thompson on (02) 6622 8040.

## 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](http://www.rationshed.com.au)

**Until March 2:** *Traversing Borders, Art from the Kimberley* exhibition. A collection of works from the Kimberley region in Western Australia including artists Rover Thomas, Queenie McKenzie, Jarinyanu David Downs and more. Held at QUT Art Museum, 2 George St, Brisbane from Tues-Fri, 10am-5pm, Sat-Sun, 12-4pm. Details: (07) 3138 5370 or visit [www.artmuseum.qut.edu.au](http://www.artmuseum.qut.edu.au)

**Until June 9:** *Our Dreaming: animating country* exhibition. This shows new ways that Queensland's Indigenous stories are being passed on. It is an ongoing program of events, exhibitions, workshops and more. Held at the State Library Queensland, Stanley Place, Sth Bank, Brisbane from Mon-Thurs, 10am-8pm, Fri-Sun, 10am-5pm. Details: (07) 3840 7666 or visit [www.slq.gov.au](http://www.slq.gov.au)

**January 26:** Invasion Day Rally and March. March to Musgrave Park for a feed, music and premiere screening of John Pilger's new documentary *Utopia*.

Starting from Parliament House, George St, Brisbane at 10am. Free event. Details: Boe Spearim on 0424 610 492 or Wayne Wharton on 0408 064 900.

**February 20-22:** *Gudirr Gudirr* performance. A solo dance piece and a warning cry to a people facing cultural change, performed by Dalisa Pigram. Held in Brisbane. For more information, performance times and to book tickets call (07) 3358 800 or visit [www.brisbanepowerhouse.org/events/](http://www.brisbanepowerhouse.org/events/)

## Northern Territory

**Until March 2:** *Treasures from Papunya and Road Cross* exhibitions. Held at Araluen Arts Centre, 61 Larapinta Dr, Araluen, from Mon-Fri, 10-4pm, and Sat-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 8951 1120 or visit [www.artsandmuseums.nt.gov.au](http://www.artsandmuseums.nt.gov.au)

## Victoria

**Until January 18:** An art exhibition. Featuring new works by Cynthia Bux and Eric Brown. Held at Gallery Kaiela Inc, 137-139 High St, Shepparton, from Wed-Fri, 10am-5pm by appointment. Free gallery entry. Details: (03) 5821 9842 or visit [www.gallerykaiela.com](http://www.gallerykaiela.com)

**January 11-March 6:** Registrations open for Deadly Funny Competition and Showcase. A quest to unearth the brightest and boldest new talent in regions across the country, a series of workshops and heats will be held in Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth, Sydney and Brisbane. For more information or to register call (03) 9245 3700 or email [deadlyfunny@comedyfestival.com.au](mailto:deadlyfunny@comedyfestival.com.au) or visit [www.deadlyfunny.com.au](http://www.deadlyfunny.com.au)

**January 18:** Archie Roach performance. As part of the Wominjeka Festival, Archie Roach will perform from his new retrospective collection *Creation*. Held at Riverside Lawn, Footscray Community Arts Centre, 45 Moreland St, Footscray from 7-8pm. Free event. Details: Jenna Williams on (03) 9362 8883 or email [jenna@footscrayarts.com](mailto:jenna@footscrayarts.com) or visit [www.footscrayarts.com](http://www.footscrayarts.com)

**January 20:** Commemoration, an annual event to mark the execution of Indigenous freedom fighters. Includes guest speakers, a walk and activities. Held at the cnr of Bowen and Franklin St, Melbourne, from noon-1.30pm. Free event. Details: Dr Joseph Toscano on 0439 395 489.

**January 23:** Kangan Institute Indigenous Education Centre Open Day. An opportunity to learn about courses and support services for Indigenous students. Held at Broadmeadows Campus (Building W), Pearcedale Parade, Broadmeadows from 11am-2pm. Free event. Details: Call 13 TAFE or visit [kangan.edu.au](http://kangan.edu.au)

**February 1-9:** St Kilda Festival, featuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and music including Yirmal and the Yolngu Boys, the Buddy Knox Band, Crystal Mercy, Yung Warriors, Scott Darlow and more. For more information about ticketing, times and prices call (03) 9690 9911 or visit [www.stkildafestival.com.au](http://www.stkildafestival.com.au)

**February 5-16:** Melbourne Indigenous Arts Festival (MIAF) 2014. Celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture with a diverse range of events spanning from music, theatre, dance, cabaret, visual art, film and conversations. For more information about ticketing, times and prices visit [www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/miaf](http://www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/miaf)



## Reds tackling jobs



THE Queensland Reds rugby union team has partnered with Mission Australia to launch a employment program aiming to improve the job prospects of Indigenous young people in the Ipswich region.

The players will have a mentoring role in the REDdy to Work program, a joint Indigenous Employment Program (IEP) between Australian employment service provider Mission Australia and the rugby union side.

Former Wallaby and Reds centre Anthony Fainga'a helped MC the program launch at the Workshops Railway Museum in Ipswich, with teammates Albert Anae, Curtis Browning, JJ Taulagi, Samu Kerevi and Kris Kuridrani also attending.

REDdy to Work, funded by the Federal Government, aims to provide long-term, sustainable employment opportunities for 45 young Indigenous jobseekers in the Ipswich region.

Mission Australia state director Phil Schultz said the Queensland Reds players – including Mission Australia ambassador Fainga'a – were an inspiration to young jobseekers.

"They illustrate just how important it is to stay focussed and motivated, even during the tough times," he said.

"Through the REDdy to Work program, Mission Australia will work with the Reds to identify long-term employment opportunities for jobseekers in the business community and provide the targetted support and training needed to succeed in the workplace.

"The players will also assist with issues like goal-setting, healthy lifestyles and social and emotional wellbeing."

The program, to run for 18 months, targets jobseekers aged 16 to 25 who need help developing the skills and confidence to secure employment.

"The Reds is a high-profile, healthy, family-orientated sporting club that has similar values to Mission Australia – values such as integrity, respect, perseverance and celebration," Mr Schultz said.

"The Reds provide us with a terrific tool to attract and motivate young Indigenous people into programs that improve their health, build confidence, establish career development goals and pursue pathways to sustained employment."

The REDdy to Work program is designed to help jobseekers learn about employers' expectations and career planning, provide industry-specific training and offer employment placements.

"The ongoing support REDdy to Work



● Above: Guests and dancers at the launch of the REDdy to Work program, a joint Indigenous Employment Program (IEP) between Australian employment service provider Mission Australia and the Queensland Reds.



● Left: Dancers and Queensland Reds players, with Reds centre Anthony Fainga'a, a former Australian player, in front.

will provide once participants have secured work will ensure they can successfully address any challenges that emerge along the way," Mr Schultz said.

Latest figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics show Ipswich's rate of youth (15-24) unemployment is 8.3 per cent, while the rate of teenage (15-19) fulltime unemployment in Ipswich is 25.2 per cent – significantly higher than Queensland's 5.9 per cent overall unemployment rate.

Queensland Rugby general manager of game development Rob Donaghue says he is looking forward to seeing the partnership with Mission Australia continue to deliver

employment opportunities to Indigenous communities.

"The Queensland Reds Indigenous Program is supporting a whole generation of Indigenous Queenslanders, starting with assistance at the early years of school through to senior school, tertiary education and employment," he said.

### 'Engaged'

"It's a holistic approach that ensures we stay engaged and involved with our participants through each stage of their development."

REDdy to Work will be the second IEP Mission Australia has run in partnership

with the Queensland Reds in south-east Queensland.

Mission Australia says the previous program resulted in 35 young Indigenous jobseekers securing sustainable employment in industries including hospitality, construction, mining, business administration, airline services, childcare and health services.

"Many overcame great personal challenges, often coming from communities with generational unemployment," Mr Schultz said.

"Despite this, these participants were keen to learn the skills necessary to secure a brighter future."

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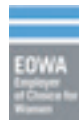
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The changes better place people and local communities at the centre of everything FACS does. Fifteen District Director positions were created across rural and regional NSW and metropolitan Sydney to replace existing regional management. The Mid North Coast role is SES 3 and to be based in either Port Macquarie or Coffs Harbour.

High calibre candidates will have strong leadership experience in a complex service environment, be able to drive reform and high performance service delivery. They will negotiate, influence and partner with other government and non-government agencies. They will be highly motivated, innovative, creative and able to build effective relationships with colleagues in the planning, improvement and delivery of services. Superior communication, change management and interpersonal skills are essential.

Note: This position will be subject to the new executive structure and employment arrangements for the NSW public sector. These reforms are expected to be introduced over the next three years. Details of the proposed reforms can be found at the following link: <http://www.psc.nsw.gov.au/Sector-Reform/Public-Sector-Reform>.

Interested Applicants

To obtain position documentation or apply please email [ewkaustralia@ewki.com](mailto:ewkaustralia@ewki.com). Information about the Department of Family and Community Services is available at [www.facs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au). If further information is required after reviewing documentation, please contact Kym Fletcher or David Spencer at EWK International on 1300 138 863. Applications are required by 14 February 2014.

## EWK International



## Health South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

### Aboriginal Mental Health Worker

Mental Health Services, Maroubra  
Permanent Full Time  
Enquiries: Suzanne Faraj – 0413 777 607  
Reference ID: 171674  
**Closing Date: 26 January 2014**

**Apply online at:**  
[nswhealth.erecruit.com.au](http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au)  
or email application quoting Ref. No. to:  
[seslhd.recruitment@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:seslhd.recruitment@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au)  
or send application to:  
**Recruitment Unit, Ground Floor Admin Building No. 2  
Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick NSW 2031**

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## Health South Western Sydney Local Health District

### Aboriginal Targeted Positions

#### Admissions & Enquiries Clerk (Admin Officer Level 2)

Ref: 161079 – F/T at Bankstown Hospital  
Salary: \$48,077 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Sunny App  
Ph: (02) 9722 8320

#### Enrolled Nurse – Acute Aged Care

Ref: 171919 – P/T 24hwp at Liverpool Hospital  
Salary: \$24.66 to \$26.85 ph  
Enquiries: Marjorie Wong  
Ph: (02) 8738 7524

#### Cleaner (Hospital Assistant Grade 2)

Ref: 164077 – F/T at Bankstown Hospital  
Salary: \$42,958 pa  
Enquiries: Peter Thomas  
Ph: (02) 9722 7346

#### Dietician Assistant (Tech Asst Grade 1/2)

Ref: 168995 – P/T 20hwp at Macarthur  
Salary: \$22.92 to \$24.33 ph  
Enquiries: Tania Hillman  
Ph: (02) 4634 3791

#### Receptionist (Admin Officer Level 2)

Ref: 167281 – F/T at Bankstown Hospital  
Salary: \$48,077 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Parisa Ghassemi  
Ph: (02) 9722 8335

#### Administrative Officer (Level 2)

Ref: 168231 – F/T at Bankstown, Fairfield, Liverpool Hospitals  
Salary: \$48,077 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Mark Tierney  
Ph: (02) 9780 2777

#### Female Administrative Officer (Level 3)

Ref: 167896 – P/T 16hwp at Liverpool Hospital  
Salary: \$51,495 to \$53,190 pa  
Enquiries: Peter Reisinger  
Ph: (02) 9828 9962

*Being female is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)*

#### Aboriginal Traineeship Positions

#### Ward Clerk (Admin Officer Level 2)

Ref: 145652 – F/T at Liverpool Hospital  
Salary: \$48,077 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Glenda Bow  
Ph: (02) 8738 3742

#### Clinical Information Officer (Admin Officer Level 1/2)

Ref: 170084 – F/T at Liverpool Hospital  
Salary: \$40,824 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Elise Chater  
Ph: (02) 8738 3763

#### Administrative Officer (Level 2)

Ref: 160720 – F/T at Liverpool Hospital  
Salary: \$48,077 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Stephanie Nunn  
Ph: 0417 260 631

#### Ward Clerk (Admin Officer Level 2)

Ref: 145652 – F/T at Liverpool Hospital  
Salary: \$48,077 to \$49,767 pa  
Enquiries: Glenda Bow  
Ph: (02) 8738 3742

*Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)*

**Closing date for all positions: 7 February 2014**

Please apply online by visiting:  
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>



Life Without Barriers is a not-for-profit organisation providing innovative community based services to promote, support and enhance independence and well-being for vulnerable people.

Life Without Barriers has currently the following positions available at their Alice Springs office:

### Supporter of Carers

#### Supporting Foster Carers – Therapeutic Care Full-Time salaried role plus car

You will be responsible for the recruitment, assessment, training and providing support to primary and respite foster Carers to ensure all Life Without Barriers children and young people receive appropriate and quality care services in a safe and supportive environment.

The role is broken down into four distinct functions and an employee may be engaged to carry out one or multiple of these functions as required; Carer Support, Carer Recruitment, Carer Training Specialist or Carer Assessor.

We are seeking a dynamic and flexible team player, with a degree in Social Work, Psychology or equivalent. Experience in the alternative care sector will be highly regarded.

### Clinician

#### Full-Time salaried role plus car

You will be responsible for providing high quality clinical services to clients in Residential Programs, Out of Home Care, as part of a professional multi-disciplinary team.

You have Tertiary qualifications in Psychology, Social Work or Mental Health / Disability Nursing. You are currently registered, or eligible for registration with the relevant professional body or Psychology Board of Australia to practice as a Clinical Psychologist or Registered Psychologist.

For further information on both roles please contact: Lorraine Liddle, Operations Manager on 08 8955 6401.

The successful applicants will be required to undertake suitability checks and possess a current driver's licence.

**More details regarding the roles and how to apply are available on our website**  
[www.lwb.org.au](http://www.lwb.org.au)

**Applications close: Friday, 24 January 2014**  
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Government of South Australia  
Department of Planning,  
Transport and Infrastructure

## Suburban Train Driver

### Adelaide Metro (Various locations)

#### Ongoing – More than one role

**Vac No: 8329/2013**

**\$851.49 – \$1,216.15 per week**

#### Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander program

The Suburban Train Driver, Trainee to Mainline will be responsible for becoming proficient in the operation of all classes of railcars, across all metropolitan lines in accordance with operating rules and regulations, policies and procedures and instructions encompassing industry guidelines. The Suburban Train Driver is also responsible for the safe and efficient operation of railcars whilst performing driving and associated duties, and providing excellence in customer service, ensuring that customers receive a comfortable, reliable, safe, secure, timely and environmentally friendly means of transport.

#### Special Conditions:

To be eligible for this role, candidates must:

- Be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Have a current driver's licence
- Be prepared to undergo a pre-employment medical and a criminal history clearance
- Be willing to work full range of shift work (including weekends and public holidays)
- Provide two work related references
- Provide adequate details of the last 10 years of employment/life history
- Be fluent in spoken and written English

**Eligibility:** These roles will be filled by Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people as an Equal Employment Opportunity program as per Section 65 of the *Public Sector Act 2009*.

**Enquiries to:** Ms Joyleen Thomas, Principal Policy Consultant, Aboriginal Engagement on telephone 8343 2257.

**Applications to:** Human Resources, email [PTSDApply@sa.gov.au](mailto:PTSDApply@sa.gov.au)

Applicants are required to submit a written application addressing the essential minimum criteria as per the job description. In addition applicants are required to complete an employment declaration form.

**Candidates should carefully read the 'Suburban Train Driver Career Information Kit' prior to applying, available at [www.adelaidemetro.com.au/About-Us/Careers](http://www.adelaidemetro.com.au/About-Us/Careers)**

Information sessions will be held on Wednesday 22 January 2014 and Saturday 1 February 2014. Please contact consultants Mr Wayne Murphy or Ms Callie Hartman at Maxima on telephone 8340 7766 to register your interest.

**Applications close:** 5.00pm 7 February 2014

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## Dtarawarra Aboriginal Resource Unit

### POSITIONS VACANT

### Aboriginal Tenant Advocate

Greater Sydney Aboriginal Tenancy Service  
(GSATS) Redfern

GSATS assist tenants by providing advice, referrals, advocacy, and representation at the Consumer, Trader and Tenancy Tribunal and community education.

**Remuneration Package:** Fulltime SCHCADS Award Level 6 \$60,996.00 plus 9% superannuation. Wages will be determined on experience and knowledge.

### Tenant Administration Assistant

Western Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service (WATAAS) Dubbo  
38 hours P.W.

**Remuneration Package:** Fulltime SCHCADS Award Level 4 \$54,706.00 plus 9% superannuation. Wages will be determined on experience and knowledge.

### Tenant Advocate

Western Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service (WATAAS) Dubbo  
38 hours P.W.

**Remuneration Package:** Fulltime SCHCADS Award Level 6 \$60,996.00 plus 9% superannuation. Wages will be determined on experience and knowledge.

### Coordinator

Western Aboriginal Tenants Advice and Advocacy Service (WATAAS) Dubbo  
38 hours P.W.

**Remuneration Package:** Fulltime SCHCADS Award Level 6 \$69,881.00 plus 9% superannuation. Wages will be determined on experience and knowledge.

Applications for the above positions must address the selection criteria and include your resume and contact details of at least two (2) referees ideally one of your current or recent managers.

For copies of an information kit which will include selection criteria and duty statement please contact Ruth Simon on (02) 9589 1839.

**Applications close: 12 February 2014.**

**Applications to:**

Confidential  
Director - Dtarawarra Pty Ltd  
PO Box 126  
JANNALI NSW 2226

*Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S140 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1987 (NSW).*

This service is managed by Dtarawarra Aboriginal Resource Unit and is funded by NSW Fair Trading.





**Health**  
Justice Health &  
Forensic Mental Health Network

## Aboriginal Health Education Officer (AHEOG09)

Malabar

Permanent Full Time

JH No: 161348

**Salary:** Aboriginal Health Education Officer, Grad: \$79,917 pa.

**Enquiries:** Gregory Davison on (02) 9700 3050, greg.davison@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

**Closing Date :** 29 January 2014.

• *This is a designated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage. Identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act. JH&FMHN deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginal status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions either during the interview process or prior to commencement of the position.*

**To apply for this position please visit <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>**  
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We're seeking a creative multimedia professional to join our team of 45 producers, for a 2 year contract. This position will work across communities in Central Australia, with a focus on engaging Indigenous Australians to take up the opportunity to create digital media and share their stories through the ABC.

**This vacancy is open only to Australian 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.**

For more details visit [abc.net.au/careers](http://abc.net.au/careers)

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Jobs that make a difference

## Practice Leader (Aboriginal Family-Led Decision Making)

Child Protection Unit (Barwon South West)  
2 positions. Based at the Footscray and Geelong offices.

**Value range 1: \$82,512 - \$91,172. Value range 2: \$91,173 - \$99,833**  
**Ongoing. Full-time (76 hours per fortnight)**

The Senior Child Protection Practitioner (AFDM) is responsible for supporting and developing Child Protection Practitioners in the integration of theory and practice whilst demonstrating their expertise through direct case practice and live supervision of child protection practitioners. This position will work collaboratively with practitioners and teams to strengthen case practice with Aboriginal children and families, to provide effective service delivery and to support other practitioners. This position is responsible for co-convening Aboriginal Family Decision Making (AFDM) meetings for Aboriginal clients, working in partnership with the community co-convenor and Aboriginal organisations in providing community education, training and consultation for Child Protection and Aboriginal agency employees.

For further information contact Shelley McLean. 03-5226-4643

Please quote position no DHS/WD/00378664

Closing date: Midnight Monday 27th January 2014

*Police Checks form part of the Department of Human Services recruitment process.*

*The department encourages and welcomes interest from Aboriginal Australians for this role. Please contact our Aboriginal employment information and support line (phone: 1300 092 406 or email: [aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au](mailto:aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au)) should you wish to access assistance with your application.*



To apply online and view the job description, visit

**[www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers](http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/careers)**

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Ngunya Jarjum is the first Aboriginal, Out-of-Home-Care Service in NSW to be accredited for 5 years by the Children's Guardian. We are able to offer exciting career opportunities to anyone with the skills and dedication to join our organisation. We are a dynamic service in the process of increasing our capacity to enable us to provide additional carer placements for our children, families and communities.

## Aboriginal Trainee Clerical Officer (Admin Team)

**Essential:** Aboriginality. Ability to work cooperatively as a team member. Sound verbal and written communication skills, demonstrated sound computer skills and a current NSW Driver's licence or eligible to apply for one.

**Desirable:** Some experience in Office Reception duties including attending to visitors, responding to and directing incoming phone calls, messages, emails, mail, fax's etc. Some experience with General Administration duties including filing, maintaining service promotional materials, photocopying, operating office equipment. Some previous experience working with community organisations.

In this position an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

A satisfactory Working with Children's Check application and a medical will be necessary prior to employment.

**Location:** Lismore, NSW

**Contact:** Lindy Whitney, Acting Finance Manager – (02) 6626 3700

**Information Packages:** Must be obtained prior to completion of the application and is available on request.

**Send Applications to:** The Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 580, Lismore NSW 2480.

**Closing date: 31st January 2014.**

**NSW  
Aboriginal Safe  
Gambling Services**



## Administration/Project Officer

**Based In Newcastle - 3 year funding - Fulltime position**

### Essential Criteria

- Aboriginality
- Proven high level understanding of Aboriginal communities, cultures and contemporary issues.
- Proven culturally appropriate assistance for Aboriginal people with a focus on accessing information, referrals, advocating, education and liaison
- Highly developed interpersonal, time management and organisational skills
- Experience in Administration skills
- Well developed communication skills, both written and verbal
- Current Drivers Licence

**The successful applicant will work within the Waruwi Gambling Help Program which is funded by the Responsible Gambling Fund, the objectives are;**

- To raise community awareness about gambling, related issues and local interventions for Aboriginal people in communities throughout NSW.
- To provide information on local gambling related issues and how they can be addressed
- To provide information on local gambling services and how they can be improved
- To provide opportunities for Aboriginal Community members & service providers to talk about gambling issues and impacts on their families.
- To facilitate the development of local Gambling Community Action Plans
- To build meaningful relationships, links and rapport with Aboriginal Communities

If you have any questions or need assistance with your application, please call Ashley Gordon on 0409 245 597 or email [agconsultant@optusnet.com.au](mailto:agconsultant@optusnet.com.au)

**Applications close: 3 February 2014.**



# LEARNING ASSISTANCE TUTORS

**Expressions of Interest are sought in part-time Learning Assistance Tutor positions at UTS: Jumbunna. Tutors will specialise in either Mathematics or Academic Communication and provide tuition to Indigenous students at UTS. Hours and days of work are negotiable.**

## QUALIFICATIONS

Tutors must have a relevant degree qualification. Post-graduate qualifications are highly regarded but not essential.

## EXPERIENCE

Tutors must have teaching/tutoring experience or be prepared to develop tutoring skills on the job.

## ATTRIBUTES

Tutors need to:

- > have enthusiasm and commitment to working with Indigenous students
- > have an approachable manner and be able to establish rapport with students
- > be able to break down complex knowledge, information and tasks and to communicate this analysis effectively to students.

## POSITION REQUIREMENTS

Students may be enrolled in any of the degree courses offered at UTS. Tutors will be required to:

- > research the academic demands of the subjects students are enrolled in
- > provide one-to-one, small group or 'drop-in' tuition to students in study skills and either Mathematics or Academic Communication
- > complete administrative duties related to tuition accurately and promptly.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Tutors are particularly sought. Expressions of Interest and a current Resume should be emailed to [Adrian.Kelly@uts.edu.au](mailto:Adrian.Kelly@uts.edu.au)

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## INDIGENOUS PROJECT OFFICER

### Graduate School of Medicine Continuing 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.

This position will assist the Academic Leader: Indigenous Health to facilitate the MBBS curriculum in developing an integrated approach to Indigenous Health across the four years of the degree. This includes strengthening ongoing links with key local, state and national Indigenous community agencies and organisations, identifying Indigenous Health resources, and helping implement policies for the recruitment, retention and support of Indigenous students

within the Medical School.

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](http://employment.uow.edu.au) for a full position description with Selection Criteria. You must address the Selection Criteria as part of your application.

**Contact:** Scott Winch on + 61 2 4221 5629

**Applications Close:** 2 February 2014

**Reference No:** 24816

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## MULTICULTURAL POLICY OFFICER

Part time 0.6 FTE

Salary \$79,284 - \$81,671 + 10.25% super (pro rata)  
Brisbane

QCOSS is the peak body for approximately 600 welfare and community sector organisations in Queensland.

This position will undertake research, policy and advocacy in relation to issues impacting on culturally and linguistically diverse communities across Queensland. The position description and selection criteria can be found on the QCOSS website [www.qcross.org.au](http://www.qcross.org.au).

For additional information please contact Lacreicha Major on 07 3004 6900 or email [jobs@qcross.org.au](mailto:jobs@qcross.org.au). **To Apply:** Please send your cover letter addressing the selection criteria (no more than two pages) and resumé to [jobs@qcross.org.au](mailto:jobs@qcross.org.au). **Applications close:** 20 January 2014.

## Vocational Trainer & Assessor Adelaide, SA

- \* Excellent salary circa \$61,301 - \$65,339 + super!
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## Aboriginal Health Worker Roebourne, WA

- \* Advance your career in Indigenous Health!
- \* Attractive remuneration + salary sacrificing!



Mawarnkarra Health Service is seeking an **Aboriginal Health Worker** to join their team in Roebourne, WA. In this rewarding role, you'll be **responsible for the provision and enhancement of clinical services provided to clients, with the aim of improving the health outcomes of the Aboriginal people of the area.** You'll enjoy an **attractive remuneration package circa \$46k - \$51k + super** for your efforts, as well as **salary sacrifice options, district allowances, annual airfares and more!** Apply Now!



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## Community Program Officer (2 positions)

Clerk Grade 7/8

Bourke

Temporary Full-Time

Position No: 00002BNV

**Total remuneration package valued up to \$102,792 per annum (Salary: \$83,962 pa – \$92,940 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.**

### Job Description:

The position will undertake a range of functions consistent with Aboriginal Affairs (AA) responsibilities under the NSW State Plan, the Coalition Of Australian Government's (COAG) National Indigenous Reform Agenda (Closing the Gap) and the NSW Government's Aboriginal Affairs Strategy, in accordance with the priorities and needs of the region, including:

- working with other Government agencies and peak bodies to deliver on government priorities including service improvement planning across their region;
- working with nominated Aboriginal communities to implement AA programs
- implementing AA projects in their region;
- liaising with Aboriginal community groups and service providers to respond to emerging issues.

### Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated ability to engage and work in partnership with Aboriginal communities and organisations, to deliver real outcomes in Aboriginal communities.
- High level verbal communication skills, including cross cultural, for negotiation and conflict resolution, working with stakeholders, management of sensitive issues and provision of advice to regional management and partners on a range of issues.
- Sound written communication skills and the ability to prepare reports, briefs, correspondence and submissions.
- Proven analytical and high level problem solving skills with an innovative solution focus.
- Ability to exercise sound judgement, tact and discretion and maintain strict confidentiality.
- Demonstrated project management experience and ability to meet deadlines and work independently.
- Current motor vehicle licence.

**Job Notes:** There are 2 positions available and they are Temporary Full-Time to 30 June 2014. These positions are Identified and Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification authorised under Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criteria.

**Enquiries:** Stephen Howarth (02) 6872 0033 or 0457 751 167

**Information Packages:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Position Number:** 00002BNV

**Closing Date:** Thursday 30 January 2014

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## Health

Mid North Coast  
Local Health District

## Aboriginal Health Worker

An opportunity exists for an Aboriginal Health Worker in our Aboriginal Maternal & Infant Health program. This position is temporary part time and is an Aboriginal and Female Identified position under Section 14(d) and 31 of the NSW Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent through parentage, identify as being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and be accepted in the community as such. Salary will be in accordance with the Aboriginal Health Education Officers Determination and the Health Professional and Medical Salaries (State) Award – Aboriginal Health Education Officer Non-Graduate classification. Contact Lee-Anne Brogmus on 02 6656 7221. Apply online at <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au> quoting Reference ID 171265.

Location: Macksville

Contact Name and Number: Lee-Anne Brogmus  
(02 6656 7221)

Reference ID: 171265

**Closing Date: 27 January 2014**

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Lakes Entrance  
Aboriginal Health



Lakes Entrance Aboriginal Health Association (LEAHA) in partnership with Gippsland Lakes Community Health aims to improve the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal community members in and around the township of Lakes Entrance, Metung and Swan Reach.

## Regional Coordinator Healthy Lifestyle Team

**Full time, 76 hours per fortnight – Fixed Term 2 year contract**  
**Excellent salary packaging options available**  
**Primarily based in Lakes Entrance**

We are looking for a self-motivated individual to coordinate, manage and supervise a dedicated Healthy Lifestyle Team. The regional coordinator will provide Aboriginal health promotion and activities to reduce chronic disease risk factors within regional Aboriginal communities.

### The successful candidates will possess:

- Knowledge, understanding and commitment to the health needs of the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- Team leadership, mentoring, project management and planning skills.
- Sound liaison and networking skills.

Visit our website [www.glch.org.au/employment](http://www.glch.org.au/employment) to obtain a detailed position description and application details. Please attach a Cover Letter, Key Selection Criteria and Resume.

**Applications Close:** 5pm Monday, 20 January 2014



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## Program Manager

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

### Senior Administrative Officer 1

Remuneration Package Range \$117 627 - \$131 239

(Comprising salary \$102 441 - \$114 441, super, leave loading and the value of 2 weeks extra recreation leave)

**Darwin**

**Ongoing**

The Aboriginal Interpreter Service (AIS) is seeking applications from suitably qualified candidates for the position of Program Manager. The position is responsible for strengthening the AIS through establishing and expanding services into regional areas (Growth Communities), improving service delivery into urban and regional areas, strengthening interpreter capacity and strengthening stakeholder partnerships.

The Aboriginal Interpreter Service is a high pressure service delivery unit that works closely with a variety of Indigenous interpreters, and NTG and Commonwealth Departmental staff across all areas of policy and programming. It is a dynamic environment that requires a flexible attitude and the ability to manage shifting priorities, competing demands and cultural priorities.

For further information please contact Colleen Rosas on 08 8999 8371.

For a copy of the Job Description and to apply online please visit [www.nt.gov.au/jobs](http://www.nt.gov.au/jobs)

**Quote vacancy number:** 30492

**Closing date:** Sunday 26th January 2014

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## Indigenous Natural Resource Management Project Officer

The Mallee Catchment Management Authority (CMA) is seeking a highly motivated and dynamic person to join the team in the role of Indigenous Natural Resource Management (NRM) Project Officer.

The successful applicant will possess appropriate knowledge and experience of Indigenous culture and communities within the Mallee CMA region and be able to effectively communicate and work with a range of individuals, community groups, government agencies, partner organisations and other NRM stakeholders.

To be successful in this role, the applicant must be able to demonstrate links with and acceptance by local Indigenous communities, including the ability to negotiate and consult with these communities.

The remuneration package for this full time position will be negotiated with the successful applicant, in line with relevant skills, knowledge and experience.

Prospective applicants should obtain a position description from the Mallee CMA website at [www.malleecma.vic.gov.au](http://www.malleecma.vic.gov.au) or by contacting Jenny Byrnes on (03) 5051 4371 or [admin.malleecma@depi.vic.gov.au](mailto:admin.malleecma@depi.vic.gov.au)

Applicants must address the key selection criteria contained within the position description.

Written applications should be marked "Confidential – Indigenous NRM Project Officer" and submitted to the undersigned by 5pm on Monday 27 January 2014.

Jenny Byrnes

Human Resources

P O Box 5017

Mildura Vic 3502

[Jenny.byrnes@depi.vic.gov.au](mailto:Jenny.byrnes@depi.vic.gov.au)



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## Come and join the arts

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Division is looking for a

### PROGRAM OFFICER

Full-time position (12 months maternity leave cover contract),  
Surry Hills, Sydney

3 March 2014 to 27 February 2015

*This is not an Australian Public Service position.*

*The Australia Council for the Arts is committed to equity and inclusion, and welcomes applications from diverse Aboriginal, cultural and regional communities, including people with disability.*

#### JOB NOTE:

In this position, an applicant's Indigenous cultural competencies or an applicant's Indigenous identity is a genuine occupational qualification.

#### WHAT YOU WILL BE DOING:

You will be responsible for effective operational delivery of grants processes in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts Programs of the Australia Council.

The programs strengthen the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts sector in Australia eg state/ regional partnerships to increase or focus on specific funding areas.

#### WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT:

The commencement salary for this role is \$58,549 plus 15.4% superannuation.

#### APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Friday 7 February 2014 at 5.00pm (AEDT).

For further information please visit: <http://jobs.australiacouncil.gov.au/>

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

1. Please read the Position Profile. – **This can be found from the link above**
2. Complete your application. This should include:
  - (i) brief covering letter or email
  - (ii) a competency statement (addressing the selection criteria as set out in the position profile)
  - (iii) your resume
  - (iv) a completed Australia Council for the Arts application form.

For a confidential discussion regarding this position please contact Mark Stapleton on 02 9215 9014 or [m.stapleton@australiacouncil.gov.au](mailto:m.stapleton@australiacouncil.gov.au)

## KEEPING CULTURE STRONG

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### LINE MARKER

Position No: D44061  
Salary: \$50,000 to \$53,666 per annum  
(plus super and industry allowances)  
Permanent, Full-time

A rare and exciting opportunity exists within our Infrastructure Maintenance and Support Unit; we are currently seeking a confident, highly accomplished Line Marker to join our line marking team.

The successful applicant will be responsible for all line marking works on Councils road network to ensure compliance with Darebin's Road Management Plan.

#### The successful applicant will possess:

- Extensive experience in all line marking application processes, including but not limited to thermo plastic
- The ability to contribute actively and positively in a team environment
- Demonstrated experience in working to a plan/drawing

### DRIVER ASPHALT/CONSTRUCTION WORKER

Position No: D44057 and D44059  
Salary: \$50,000 to \$53,666 per annum  
(plus super and industry allowances)  
Permanent, Full-time

A rare and exciting opportunity exists within our Infrastructure Maintenance and Support Unit; we are currently seeking 2 confident, highly accomplished Driver Asphalt/Construction Workers to join our Road Maintenance team.

The successful applicants will be responsible for conducting road maintenance work on Councils road network to ensure compliance with Darebin's Road Management Plan.

#### The successful applicant will possess:

- Minimum of 5 years' experience in Asphalt roadway repairs, maintenance work and operating equipment relevant to the role
- The ability to contribute actively and positively in a team environment
- An understanding of asphalt mixes and how they apply to paving and finishing works

**Applications Close:** Tuesday 28 January 2014 at noon  
**Contact:** Ted Ward on (03)8470 8785

Apply online at [www.darebin.vic.gov.au](http://www.darebin.vic.gov.au) or forward hard copy applications to: Manager People and Development, Darebin City Council, PO Box 91, PRESTON VIC 3072.

Applications that do not address the Key Selection Criteria as detailed in the position description will not be considered. Darebin City Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer and safety screening processes do apply.



Marist Youth Care ([www.maristyc.com.au](http://www.maristyc.com.au)) has over 100 years experience in helping young people at risk in Australia.

Marist Youth Care has recently been successful in its application to deliver a large scale Indigenous employment initiative.

Funded by the Australian Government and based on the GenerationOne employment model, the program will provide sustainable employment opportunities to 250 Indigenous job seekers.

### Indigenous Pre-Employment Caseworker Skills Development Centre

- Aboriginal Identified Position
- Based in Blacktown
- 12months Fixed Term Full Time Contract
- Attractive Salary + Salary Packaging Options

In this role, you will be responsible for providing casework support to groups of 10-15 job seekers at any one time to prepare them for employment. You will confidently facilitate individual and group workshops, identify job seeker strengths and goals, and address critical barriers to employment participation.

#### Key responsibilities in this position will include:

- Conducting job seeker suitability assessments
- Identifying and addressing critical barriers to employment sustainability
- Ensuring high levels of participation and engagement in the pre-employment program
- Facilitating group and individual workshops focused on job readiness and life skills
- Keeping accurate and up to date case notes and client documentation

#### To be considered for this position it is essential you have:

- Degree level qualification in Community Services, or equivalent experience
- Extensive experience working with Indigenous job seekers
- Experience facilitating training programs / workshops
- Great communication skills
- A pro-active and high energy approach to your work
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Driver Licence

**How to Apply:** Submit your cover letter and resume to [employment@maristyc.com.au](mailto:employment@maristyc.com.au) quoting reference number # 176

### Indigenous Employment Business Development Manager Skills Development Centre

- Aboriginal Identified Position
- Based in Blacktown
- 12months Fixed Term Full Time Contract
- Attractive Salary + Salary Packaging Options

In this role, you will be responsible for sourcing high volume employment vacancies from new and existing employers who are committed to achieving diversity in their workforce. The role is suited to an individual who is interested in achieving extraordinary outcomes for Indigenous Australians.

#### Key responsibilities in this position will include:

- Building relationships with new and existing employers
- Gaining commitments from employers to provide employment opportunities for Indigenous job seekers
- Support employers to provide a safe and appropriate workplace
- Exploring innovative and creative intermediate labour market opportunities .

#### To be considered for this position it is essential you have:

- 5years experience building and managing employer relationships
- Experience in working with executives and CEO's of large organisations
- A successful track record of meeting targets & KPIs
- Extensive experience in understanding the challenges facing Indigenous job seekers
- Great communication skills
- A pro-active and high energy approach to your work
- Driver Licence

**How to Apply:** Submit your cover letter and resume to [employment@maristyc.com.au](mailto:employment@maristyc.com.au) quoting reference number # 180

### Indigenous Post-Employment Caseworker Skills Development Centre

- Aboriginal Identified Position
- Based in Blacktown
- 12months Fixed Term Full Time Contract
- Attractive Salary + Salary Packaging Options

In this role, you will be responsible for providing casework support and mentoring to newly employed job seekers, ensuring employment sustainability. You will be tasked with maintaining close contact and strong relationships with your clients and their employers in order to identify and overcome any potential cause for loss of employment.

#### Key responsibilities in this position will include:

- Relationship building with newly employed indigenous job seekers and their employers
- Identifying and addressing critical barriers to employment sustainability
- Providing support to each employer to ensure appropriate support structures are in place
- Keeping accurate and up to date case notes and client documentation

#### To be considered for this position it is essential you have:

- Degree level qualification in Community Services, or equivalent experience
- Extensive experience working with Indigenous job seekers
- Great communication skills
- A pro-active and high energy approach to your work
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Driver Licence

**How to Apply:** Submit your cover letter and resume to [employment@maristyc.com.au](mailto:employment@maristyc.com.au) quoting reference number # 177

### Indigenous Community Liaison Officer Skills Development Centre

- Aboriginal Identified Position
- Based in Blacktown
- 12months Fixed Term Full Time Contract
- Attractive Salary + Salary Packaging Options

In this role, you will be responsible for developing strong relationships with Indigenous community stakeholders and proactively seek Indigenous job seeker referrals to meet MYC's contractual targets. You will be tasked with supporting the Caseworkers, Coordinator, Program Manager and other staff to ensure the contractual success of the VTEC.

#### Key responsibilities in this position will include:

- Sourcing referrals for pre-employment training programs
- Proactively build and maintain relationships with new and existing community organisations, and other referral partners
- Market upcoming VTEC programs and its success stories
- Attend relevant community meetings and chair VTEC stakeholder meetings
- Keep accurate and up to date stakeholder files

#### To be considered for this position it is essential you have:

- Excellent networks and a positive profile within the Indigenous community
- Extensive experience building and managing stakeholder relationships
- An understanding of the challenges facing Indigenous job seekers
- Great communication skills
- A pro-active and high energy approach to your work
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Driver Licence

**How to Apply:** Submit your cover letter and resume to [employment@maristyc.com.au](mailto:employment@maristyc.com.au) quoting reference number # 181

### Indigenous Employment Coordinator Skills Development Centre

- Aboriginal Identified Position
- Based in Blacktown
- 12months Fixed Term Full Time Contract
- Attractive Salary + Salary Packaging Options

In this role, you will be responsible for providing casework support to groups of 10-15 job seekers at any one time to prepare them for employment. You will confidently facilitate individual and group workshops, identify job seeker strengths and goals, and address critical barriers to employment participation. As Coordinator, you will also provide leadership and support to three other Indigenous Employment Caseworkers.

#### Key responsibilities in this position will include:

- Leading a team of three Indigenous Employment Caseworkers
- Conducting job seeker suitability assessments
- Identifying and addressing critical barriers to employment sustainability
- Ensuring high levels of participation and engagement in the pre-employment program
- Facilitating group and individual workshops focused on job readiness and life skills
- Keeping accurate and up to date case notes and client documentation

#### To be considered for this position it is essential you have:

- Degree level qualification in Community Services, or equivalent experience
- Experience leading a small team
- Extensive experience working with Indigenous job seekers
- Experience facilitating training programs / workshops
- Great communication skills
- A pro-active and high energy approach to your work
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office
- Driver Licence

**How to Apply:** Submit your cover letter and resume to [employment@maristyc.com.au](mailto:employment@maristyc.com.au) quoting reference number # 178

*People enjoy working for Marist Youth Care because they are rewarded with successful outcomes from client's progress and development and a positive working environment. Not only do our staff provide valuable knowledge and resources to Marist Youth Care but develop great networks within the community.*

## Are you interested? APPLY NOW

**Please Note:** Successful applicants will be subject to a National Criminal History Check and must have obtained a NSW Working with Children Check





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### SBS News & Current Affairs - Position Vacant

Living Black is Australia's premier Indigenous current affairs program. Hosted by Karla Grant, the half-hour show provides current, analytical and comprehensive coverage of the issues affecting the Indigenous community. It reports many stories largely ignored by the mainstream media.

However, Living Black is not just for Indigenous viewers it also informs a wider audience about contemporary Indigenous issues, and why they matter to all Australians.

### MANAGING EDITOR

We are seeking an outstanding media professional to work alongside the Presenter taking core responsibility for overseeing and co-ordinating the Living Black team and managing the budget.

Reporting to the Director of News & Current Affairs the role requires a person with extensive media experience, preferably in current affairs, high level people management, organisational and planning skills, and financial acumen.

The successful candidate will also need to demonstrate good knowledge and awareness of Indigenous affairs, culture and issues as well as an ability to initiate and develop story ideas that will challenge and stimulate viewers.

To apply please visit our website: [www.jobs.sbs.com.au](http://www.jobs.sbs.com.au)

### Chief Executive Officer (Aboriginal Corporation) Cairns, QLD

- \* Competitive remuneration circa \$107,701 plus super!
- \* Generous leave, relocation assistance + salary sac!

The Carpentaria Land Council Aboriginal Corporation (CLCAC) is seeking a **Chief Executive Officer** to lead their team in Cairns, QLD. You'll be responsible for the day-to-day operation and administration of the organisation and oversee the implementation of projects. You'll enjoy an attractive salary circa \$107,701 & benefit from relocation assistance, generous leave entitlements & salary sacrificing options! Apply Now!



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### 1 x Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY) Coordinator – full time (will consider part time or school hours)

Are you passionate about supporting children and families?

Do you enjoy establishing new programs?

Good Beginnings Australia is a national charity that builds better outcomes for children in vulnerable communities through effective early intervention programs. We are looking for an enthusiastic HIPPY Coordinator to join our team in Palmerston, NT.

HIPPY is a two year, home-based parenting and early childhood program that builds upon family strengths to help children transition to school. This position aims to build family capacity by providing professional support to home tutors and families using partnership, strengths based and family-centred approaches to achieve agreed outcomes.

The HIPPY Coordinator has day to day responsibility for the delivery of the local HIPPY program, recruiting and supporting the home tutors, and connecting with the local community and key stakeholders.

You must hold relevant qualifications, and have prior experience managing a community-based program, including staff support and supervision. Previous experience working with families, including hard to reach and culturally diverse families, is essential.

You will receive a flexible, family friendly work environment, options for salary sacrifice, access to training and supervision, and the opportunity to establish and grow a program that is new to Palmerston.

All Good Beginnings employees are required to consent to a national police check and child protection screening being undertaken, in line with Territory requirements. Applicants require a valid Drivers' License.

For a position description, further information and to apply please go to our website <http://goodbeginnings.org.au/work-with-us/current-vacancies> or contact Joanne Forrest on 0417 200 170

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply.  
Applications close **Monday 20th January, 2014**



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BUILDING STRONGER COMMUNITIES



### Activities Coordinator - Sport and Recreation

Thursday Island based

We are seeking a motivated candidate for the role of Activities Coordinator- Sport and Recreation based on Thursday Island (Torres Strait). The Activities Coordinator- Sport and Recreation will be responsible for providing effective engagement and supervision of sport and recreational related activities for Jobseekers within the community / region for the purpose of effective case management.

The role will also coordinate all sport and recreation in-community projects and activities to maximise contractual outcomes for the purpose of 'Building Stronger Communities'.

#### To be successful in this position you will possess:

- Excellent knowledge of Indigenous culture and protocols with the ability to communicate and engage Indigenous communities effectively, including providing translation and learning support.
- Excellent knowledge of the sport and recreation industry and associated streams
- Experience in operation of recreational and or commercial projects and activities relating to environmental and health industries
- Ability to implement knowledge in this specialist industry and communicate to others
- Confident skills for leading and coordinating people, problem solving, team building, time management, project coordination, and the ability to develop practical solutions.
- Good written and verbal communication, negotiation, people and networking skills to successfully liaise with jobseekers and stakeholders.

Please note this position is based on Thursday Island. As a result only applications from Thursday Island or surrounding Islands / region will be considered.

An competitive salary package will be offered to the right candidate which includes 5 weeks annual leave.

To apply please send a cover letter and resume stating the position you are applying for to [applications@mpath.com.au](mailto:applications@mpath.com.au).

### Norta Norta Tutors Kingscliff High School

Kingscliff High School requires junior and senior Norta Norta tutors for 2014. These positions provide an ideal opportunity for individuals who are passionate about Indigenous student engagement and education. Senior Norta Norta Tutors have the chance to make a real difference in the closing the gap in academic outcomes for Indigenous students. Junior Norta Norta Tutors have a chance to make a real difference in the literacy and numeracy levels of our Indigenous students.

#### For further information please contact:

Zoe Tiernan, email: [zoe.tiernan1@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:zoe.tiernan1@det.nsw.edu.au) for an information package and selection criteria.

#### Priority employment:

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people have priority for employment as tutors for the Norta Norta Program.

Closing Date: 27th January 2014.



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relationships

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.

### Director Aboriginal Health

Northern & Central Adelaide

Local Health Network

Job Ref: 526623

[www.health.sa.gov.au/careers](http://www.health.sa.gov.au/careers)

1300 882 992



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of South Australia  
SA Health

### BIRIPI ABORIGINAL CORPORATION MEDICAL CENTRE TAREE NSW



### Dual Diagnosis Worker Drug and Alcohol / Mental Health (Identified)

2 Positions Available (1 Male and 1 Female)

Biripi APMC is seeking to employ a person with tertiary qualifications and experience in the area of Drug and Alcohol and or Mental Health work. The successful applicant will be expected to provide services in conjunction with Biripi health workers and primary health care staff. It will ultimately develop, assist with implementation of and evaluate holistic health and well-being services which support Biripi clients.

Applicants are required to address all criteria below in an application, provide a cover letter and to supply a resume (**PREVIOUS APPLICANTS NEED NOT RE-APPLY**):

#### Essential

- Aboriginality
- Qualifications in either Drug and Alcohol and/or Mental Health (Diploma min)
- Ability to obtain a Medicare Provider Number as an Aboriginal Health Worker
- Demonstrated ability to engage and work effectively with Aboriginal people and community.
- Demonstrated work experience in Drug and Alcohol and/or Mental Health area in a community setting.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills.
- Effective time management and personal organisation skills.
- Ability to engage and foster working relationships with internal and external service providers.
- Ability to work independent, as a team member and be self-motivated.
- Strong computer skills.

#### Desirable

- Experience working in a medical environment.
- Experience working in an Aboriginal organisation

Applications are to be forwarded to Ben Hunter via email on [ben.hunter@biripi.org.au](mailto:ben.hunter@biripi.org.au) or post PO Box 1083 Taree NSW 2430.

For further information please contact Shannon Robertson phone 0410 729 474.

Applications close 3pm Friday 24th January 2014

## We're looking for you

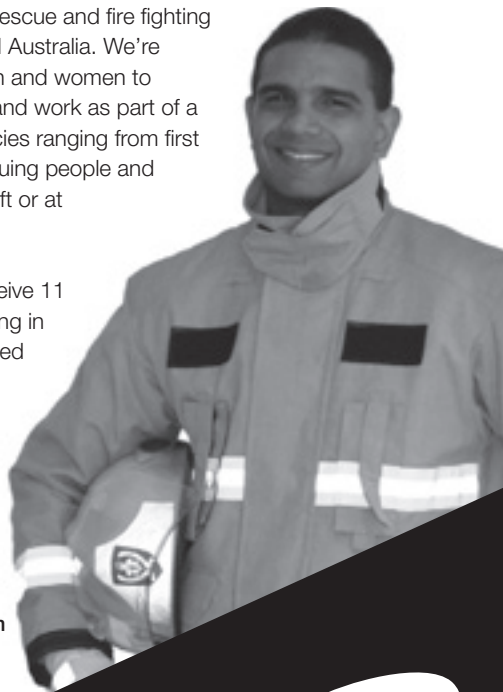
### Indigenous employment opportunities

Airservices provides aviation rescue and fire fighting services at 21 airports around Australia. We're looking for healthy and fit men and women to become aviation fire fighters and work as part of a team to respond to emergencies ranging from first aid response, through to rescuing people and property from fire on an aircraft or at an airport.

Successful applicants will receive 11 weeks of paid, intensive training in Melbourne prior to being placed at your home fire station. You can also expect a long, rewarding and successful career with one of the largest aviation fire fighting services in the world.

Find out more at:  
[www.airservicesaustralia.com](http://www.airservicesaustralia.com)  
or phone 02 6268 5048

Applications close:  
2 February 2014



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## Aboriginal Community Support Worker Tribal Dreaming program

New Horizons is currently recruiting for a Full-time **Aboriginal Community Support Worker** to join our Tribal Dreaming program based in Guildford, NSW.

As part of your role as a Aboriginal Community Support Worker, provides support for Indigenous men leaving prison to transition smoothly and reintegrate successfully back into the community.

Your role as a CSW is critical in helping our participants to achieve success, often calling on you to use your innovation and flexibility to get the job done.

To be successful, you will have an understanding of the complexity of Aboriginal traditional culture and history, and the impact that culture including social and emotional issues and history has on the provision of health services to Aboriginal clients.

*Due to the nature of this role, applicants are required to be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.* In this role

an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1007, as amended.



For more information on this position, please visit our website: <http://newhorizons.applynow.com.au/> (Job Number: N48760).

All applications must be submitted through the New Horizons website.

## Chronic Diseases Manager (Registered Nurse) Walgett, NSW

- \* Generous remuneration + accommodation assistance!
- \* Great leadership role in Primary Health Care services!



Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service is seeking a **Chronic Diseases Manager (RN)** to join their friendly team in Walgett. In this role you'll be **leading & coordinating a multi-disciplinary team providing primary health care services, with a focus on chronic disease & child health, to Aboriginal people within the area.** You'll enjoy a **rewarding remuneration package** as well as optional accommodation assistance. Take advantage of this opportunity to further your nursing career. Apply Now!



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## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

Aboriginal (identified)\*

Ngambaga Bindarry Gurrwaa Community Service Inc is seeking applications from suitably qualified people for the position of CEO.

An attractive salary package will be negotiated with the successful applicant.

Applicants for the position need to address the selection criteria to be considered for an interview. For an application package please call David Kennedy on (02) 6564 7559 or 0427 682 382.

*\*Note Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.*

The closing date for applications:  
**Friday 7th February 2014.**



## Health Hunter New England Local Health District

Applications can be lodged online at  
[www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment](http://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.

## Corporate Services Administration Officer

Tamworth

Enquiries: Libby Gruszynski – (02) 6767 7262

Reference ID: 172570

## Wait List Clerk

John Hunter Hospital, New Lambton

Enquiries: Michelle Kirk – (02) 4985 5486

Reference ID: 172862

## Administration Officer

Tamworth

Enquiries: Ashleigh Mills – (02) 6767 7490

Reference ID: 172074

**Closing Date: 19 January 2014**

## Administration Officer

East Maitland

Enquiries: Debra Jones – (02) 4931 2000

Reference ID: 170597

**Closing date: 22 January 2014**

## Receptionist

Moree

Enquiries: Anne Lemmon – (02) 6757 0211

Reference ID: 175004

**Closing Date: 26 January 2014**

*These 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.*

## Registered Nurse

John Hunter Hospital

Reference ID: 173811

## Assistant In Nursing – Undergraduate

John Hunter Hospital

Reference ID: 173814

## Enrolled Nurse

John Hunter Hospital

Reference ID: 173804

Enquiries: Chris Sharkey – (02) 49214467

**Closing Date: 02 February 2014**

*These are identified Aboriginal Positions. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.*

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Collaboration, Openness, Respect & Empowerment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/ Affirmative Action employer.

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice**

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## RICHMOND VALLEY COUNCIL



Council is seeking applications from energetic and enthusiastic people suitably qualified for the following position.

Position	Salary Range	Closing Date	Information
Treatment Plant Operator Evans Head	Grade 6 \$43 700 to \$50 250 pa	17/01/2014	Aidan Macqueen 0439 411 504

Position details, method of application and further information about the Richmond Valley are available on Council's website: [www.richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au](http://www.richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au) or by contacting the Workplace Relations Section on (02) 6660 0239. **Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.**

Applications to be sent to [jobs@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jobs@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au) or by post to the General Manager, Richmond Valley Council, Locked Bag 10, CASINO, NSW 2470 by 4.00pm on closing date.

## Aboriginal Outreach Worker South Eastern Sydney Medicare Local (SESML) - Sydney NSW



### About our organisation

The South Eastern Sydney Medicare Local (SESML) is an independent, locally run, not-for-profit company. We're aiming to drive better health outcomes in our communities by planning, coordinating and helping to integrate services, bringing all parts of the primary healthcare system together so that patients are best serviced. The SESML works across the continuum of primary health care, including health promotion, illness prevention, early intervention, acute care and chronic disease management. Building a strong responsive and cost effective primary health care system in South Eastern Sydney is central to our vision.

The SESML region consists of four Local Government Areas: Sutherland Shire, Hurstville, Kogarah and Rockdale. Collectively, the area comprises 400 square kilometres, the vast majority of which is the Sutherland Shire at 333 square kilometres and includes the Royal National Park. The total population is 442,864 and is expected to increase by another 5% over the next 10 years.

### Purpose of role

- Establishing links with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities and individuals in the local area to encourage and support the increased use of health services.
- Identifying barriers for local Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander communities that may be restricting their access to available health services
- Supporting health professionals and health services to develop culturally appropriate and safe policies and practices.

### Key duties and Responsibilities:

The Aboriginal Outreach Worker will liaise closely with local health providers including GP's, Aboriginal Health Workers and administrative staff to support the successful implementation of referral pathways. This role will also be responsible for providing advice to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, in particular on the Closing the Gap program.

**Applications Close Friday  
7 February 2014.**

Visit [www.sesml.org.au](http://www.sesml.org.au) to view the position description. Please send your resume and supporting statements addressing the selection criteria to [applicants@sesml.org.au](mailto:applicants@sesml.org.au) (for more details about our application process, please visit the Positions Vacant area on the SESML website) **Please ensure that your supporting statements are directly related to the position criteria outlined in the position description.**

The successful applicant will have documented evidence of Aboriginality. They will also have experience in community development including networking and liaison, and basic computer skills as well as verbal and written communication skills.

*SESML considers that being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).*

**Further details contact Yvonne Weldon  
South Eastern Sydney Medicare Local on  
ph (02) 9330 9952.**



**Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service is a community service organisation that has been helping people battle poverty and disadvantage since 1976.**

As an organisation committed to social justice, Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service, is working towards reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

We employ direct services, administrative and management staff in the following areas:

- women and girls
- young people
- families and children
- financial inclusion
- business and finance
- marketing and fundraising
- organisational development
- social policy and research

We advertise all our positions at [www.goodshepvic.org.au](http://www.goodshepvic.org.au) where you can also register to receive job updates via email for all Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service's vacancies.

Please remember to follow the application process outlined in the position description and address the **key selection criteria** if you wish your application to be considered.

*Employment is subject to a current Working with Children Check (E) & Police Record Check.*



**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.

## Experienced ATSI Caseworkers Full time permanent positions - Re-advertised

Ngunya Jarjum is seeking to employ an Aboriginal worker for our Foster Care Support team with a minimum of 3 years' experience in casework practice in Human Services, particularly in OOHC, social welfare, carer support or working with communities, families and children.

A satisfactory *"Working with Children Check"* and a medical will be conducted.

**Salary:** As per award - Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010. A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

*In this position an applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination act 1977.*

**Location:** Lismore.

**Contact:** Lenore Marlowe – CEO, email [lenore.marlowe@ngunyarjarjum.com](mailto: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.

*Previous applicants need not apply*

**Closing Date: 31st January 2014.**

## Koori Tertiary Scholarships



**Are you an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person currently undertaking full-time study?**

Are you interested in getting paid while you study a diploma, advanced diploma or degree?

The Department of Justice (Victoria), is offering Koori Tertiary Scholarships to commence in semester one of 2014.

### Eligibility

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students residing in Victoria and undertaking full-time study at a Victorian tertiary institution in the following fields are encouraged to apply:

- Criminology • Para-Legal • Psychology • Law
- Psychiatry • Social Work • Mental Health • Justice

Students of other justice-related fields of study may also be considered.

For further information or a copy of the Koori Scholarship Guidelines and Application form contact:

Jeffrey Gray, Administration Officer  
Department of Justice, Koori Employment Team,  
On: (03) 8684 1751 or email [koori.employment@justice.vic.gov.au](mailto:koori.employment@justice.vic.gov.au)  
Applications close 5pm, 28 February, 2014.

The Koori Tertiary Scholarship Program is an initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement

**For further information about the department,  
please visit: [www.justice.vic.gov.au](http://www.justice.vic.gov.au)**

These are Aboriginal designated positions, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010*. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.



Department of  
Justice





# 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	38/1266	GOLDEN CLIFFS NL	174.00HA	21km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 26' S Long: 122° 28' 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: 15 January 2014**

**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 **15 April 2014**. 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. 15 May 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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# Blue Mountains Aboriginal Culture & Resource Centre

## MANAGER

### FULL TIME

Blue Mountains Aboriginal Culture & Resource Centre (ACRC) are seeking a vibrant Aboriginal manager to oversee the broad range of programs offered by ACRC  
SCHADS Level 7 negotiable subject to experience. 35 Hrs per week

## Aboriginal Social Support Worker

Full-Time  
35 hours per week  
Level 5, Paypoint 1, SCHCADS Modern Award Rate

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.

For enquiries and job packages ring Tracey: 0419 637 590.  
All applicants must have received the Job Package.

Applications for these positions to ACRC Employment Committee, PO Box 334, Katoomba 2780 or email to [accounts@acrc.org.au](mailto:accounts@acrc.org.au).

**Applications close 5pm Monday 3rd February 2014**

*Aboriginality is a genuine qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-discrimination Act, 1977.*

# Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland  
Notification day: 22 January 2014



National Native Title Tribunal



## QI2013/080 Western Yalanji Small Scale Miners ILUA

### Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 7500 sq km between Lakeland in the north to the Mitchell River in the south.

Relevant LGA: Cook Shire Council, Tablelands Regional Council & Cairns Regional Council

### Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

State of Queensland  
Native Title Services  
Department of Natural Resources and Mines  
C/- Crown Law  
State Law Building  
50 Ann Street  
Brisbane QLD 4000

Western Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation  
PO Box 2682  
Mareeba QLD 4880

William Steven Brady, Graham Brady, Desmond Brickey (Brickie), Thomas Mitchell and Dell Riley on their own behalf and on behalf of the Western Yalanji People  
C/- North Queensland Land Council  
PO Box 679N  
Cairns QLD 4870  
North Queensland Miners Association Incorporated  
PO Box 133  
Malanda QLD 4885

### The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

6.1(c) Subdivision P, Division 3, Part 2 of the NTA is not intended to apply to the Agreed Acts described in clauses 7 and 8.

7.1 The Parties consent to the grant of the following in the ILUA Area:

(a) Prospecting Permits, with a Level 2 Environmental Authority if required under the EPA; (b) Mineral Development Licences within a Level 2 Environmental Authority; (c) Mining Claims with a Level 2 Environmental Authority; and (d) Mining Leases with a Level 2 Environmental Authority; to a Grantee Party.

7.2 If the NTPCs are a condition of the grant of an Exploration Permit with a Level 2 Environmental Authority the Parties consent to the grant of an Exploration Permit to a Grantee Party.

7.3 The Parties consent to the grant of Ancillary Rights relevant to a Mining Tenement the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement.

7.4 The Parties consent to the renewal of the Mining Tenements the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement, over the same or smaller area as the grant at the time of renewal, on the same terms and conditions as the grant at the time of renewal and for the same or shorter term as the grant at the time of renewal, if the Grantee Party has complied with its obligations under clause 12. For the avoidance of doubt, if a Mining Tenement is renewed pursuant to this clause 7.4, this clause 7.4 will also apply to any subsequent renewals of the grant of the renewed Mining Tenement.

8.1 The Parties consent, subject to clauses 8.4 – 8.9, to the rights attaching to Mining Leases the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement and made to a Grantee Party, being varied as follows:

(a) addition of another mineral; (b) addition of an additional purpose; (c) addition of additional surface area; (d) consolidation of Mining Leases; and (e) variation of the land used as access in relation to the land the subject of a Mining Lease.

8.2 The Parties consent, subject to clauses 8.4 to 8.9, to the rights attaching to Mining Claims the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement and made to a Grantee Party, being varied as follows:

(a) addition of another mineral; (b) variation of the land used as access in relation to the land the subject of a Mining Claim.

8.3 The parties consent, subject to clauses 8.4 to 8.9 to the rights attaching to Mineral Development Licences the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement and made to a Grantee Party, being varied as follows:

(a) variation of the land used as access in relation to the land the subject of a Mineral Development Licence; and (b) addition of another mineral; (c) addition of excluded land.

[clauses 8.4 to 8.9 relate to the notice the grantee party must give the native title parties and the process of negotiation the parties may enter into when the grantee party seeks to rely on a consent under clauses 8.1 to 8.3]

“Level 2 Environmental Authority” means an environmental authority issued under the EPA in respect of a Level 2 Mining Project whether code compliant or not and with or without conditions.

“NTPCs” mean the Native Title Protection Conditions relevant to the grant of an Exploration Permit (Low Impact) as determined by the Minister administering the MRA from time to time.

“MRA” means the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld)

### Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified:

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Bodies for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. **The application must be made by 22 April 2014.** If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

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](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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This position will be based in Cairns.

**This is a position to redress the under-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in this industry, and is an equal opportunity measure under section 105 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991. Applicants must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.**

Full position description and application call Graham Tupper on 0408 509 505 or email Nicole Hunter on [n.hunter@acfonline.org.au](mailto:n.hunter@acfonline.org.au).

Details are at [www.acfonline.org.au/jobs](http://www.acfonline.org.au/jobs)

**Applications close on 27th January 2014.**



Department of Premier and Cabinet

## Cadet – Office Administration - Indigenous

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Job Reference: 00002CVZ

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**You are eligible to apply for this cadetship if you:**

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- Are under 25 years at the time of application.
- Are an Australian citizen or permanent resident of Australia.
- Have an HSC or relevant vocational qualification at the Certificate IV level or above.

**How to Apply:** Your application should include a cover letter outlining any previous experience or knowledge of administration. You must include an up to date resume with your cover letter. Applications are to be lodged online at [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au). If you experience difficulties applying online please contact (02) 9228 5047 during business hours for assistance.

**Job Notes:** This is an identified position under Section 9A of the *Anti-Discrimination Act of 1977*. People of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are encouraged to apply.

**Inquiries:** Sandy Armstrong (02) 9228 3534

**Information packages:** [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au)

**Closing Date:** Wednesday 29 January 2014

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Education & Communities

## Aboriginal Student Liaison Officer

Education Officer (ETS)

Temporary full-time position up to 26 January 2017

Position Number and Location: 174342 (PSNSW 4165) - Port Macquarie

Total remuneration package valued to: \$98,267 p.a. (salary \$53,840 to \$89,050 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. There is also an allowance of \$2,615.

Working with the community and schools to support the regular attendance of students, with a particular focus on Aboriginal students.

### Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Understanding of issues affecting the regular school attendance of Aboriginal students.
- Knowledge of the Home School Liaison program and demonstrated involvement in student welfare programs.
- Demonstrated ability to liaise with schools, students, parents and outside agencies.
- Effective written and oral communication and liaison skills and ability to work as part of a team.
- Demonstrated commitment to the values of public education.
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

**Notes:** Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

This is a child-related position. If you are not currently employed in a child-related position in the Department of Education and Communities, you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit <http://www.kids.nsw.gov.au/Working-with-children/New-Working-with-Children-Check>. In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment

**Special Notes:** It is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based or late applications will be accepted. Applicants must address their suitability to the selection criteria/pre-screening questions.

**Enquiries:** Pam Peelgrane (02) 9561 1225

To apply online, please visit the JobsNSW website [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for reference 174342

**Closing Date:** Wednesday, 29 January 2014

*The Department is a non-smoking workplace. The successful applicant will be expected to show commitment to the principles of Equal Employment Opportunities, Occupational Health and Safety, Cultural Diversity policies and programs and Ethical Practices.*

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Education & Communities

## Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer x 2

Permanent full-time position

Position Number and Location: 174443 – Mount Druitt, 174276 – Bourke

Total remuneration package valued to: \$75,795 p.a. (salary \$62,587 to \$68,531 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the Department at all levels, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

### Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Proven ability to work collaboratively in teams.
- Knowledge of Aboriginal education programs, departmental communities and external agencies.
- Skills to facilitate change.
- Understanding of Aboriginal Education Consultative Group role.
- Effective interpersonal, oral and written skills.
- Driver's licence or willingness to obtain one.
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

**Notes:** Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

This is a child-related position. If you are not currently employed in a child-related position in the Department of Education and Communities, you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this).

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**Enquiries:** Pam Peelgrane (02) 9561 1225

To apply online, please visit the JobsNSW website [www.jobs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for reference 174443 or 174276

**Closing Date:** Wednesday, 29 January 2014

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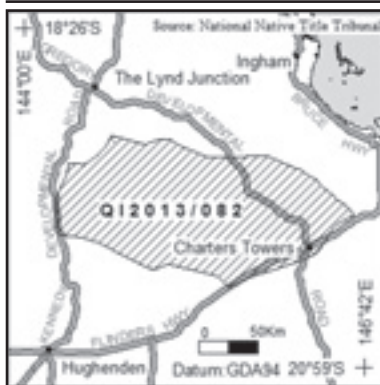
## Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 22 January 2014



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2013/082 Gudjala People and Ergon Energy ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The Agreement Area covers about 20,170 sq km north and west of Charters Towers.

Relevant LGAs: Charters Towers Regional Council and Flinders Shire Council.

### Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Ergon Energy Corporation Limited, C/- MacDonnells Law, GPO Box 79, Brisbane QLD 4001

Andrew (Smokey) Anderson, Christine Hero, Elizabeth Dodd, Priscilla Michelle Huen and Gloria Santo on their own behalf and on behalf of the Gudjala People and Gudjala People #2, C/- North Queensland Land Council, 12 Wills Street, Townsville QLD 4810

### The agreement contains the following statements:

*[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]*

5.2 The Parties consent to Ergon Energy performing any of the following future acts:

- (a) Minor Works [which are described in Schedule 2 and include tree looping and clearing in the immediate vicinity of Electricity Infrastructure (EI) and repairing, reinstating, maintaining and inspecting the EI];
- (b) access to the Agreement Area for the purposes of the activities in subclause 5.2(a);
- (c) use of all land siting [relevant EI] and of any adjacent land required for operational use and maintenance of relevant EI;
- (d) access to all land referred to in subclause 5.2(c) by way of access tracks in existence at the execution date ("relevant access tracks");
- (e) any future acts on Aboriginal land subject to the prior written consent of the entity holding the Aboriginal Land having been obtained; and
- (f) subject to Cultural Heritage Management Processes stipulated in the Agreement, the grant of any easement, licence or permit over relevant EI.

5.11 The Parties agree that Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to any future act, to which the Parties have consented, within this Agreement.

6.1 The Native Title Party consents to the State of Queensland granting Ergon Energy any tenure or other interest over land within the Agreement Area on which EI is located without prejudice to any rights which the Native Title Party may have to compensation from the State of Queensland.

7.1 Where the Native Title Party can do so at law, the Native Title Party grants Ergon Energy a non-exclusive licence to use all land on which any [relevant EI] is located and all land adjacent to [it which is necessary for its operation].

7.2 Despite subclause 7.1, the Native Title Party consents to and authorises Ergon Energy's use of all land on which [relevant EI] is located and all land adjacent to any of the relevant EI which is necessary for [its operation, use, maintenance and repair].

7.3 Where the EI referred to in subclauses 7.1 and 7.2 is powerlines or other EI located in airspace, the Native Title Party consents to and authorises Ergon Energy's use of an area of 10 metres on each side of the line on the ground falling beneath the relevant EI for any purpose necessary or incidental to [its operation, use, maintenance or repair].

7.6 Where Ergon Energy seeks to obtain an easement, permit or licence from any other person, over land for the use of EI of the kind described in subclauses 7.1, 7.2 or 7.3, subject to compliance with Cultural Heritage Management Processes in this Agreement, the Parties consent to and otherwise authorise the grant of those interests.

7.7 Where Ergon Energy uses access tracks other than dedicated roads, within the Agreement Area which are in existence on the Execution Date (the "relevant access tracks") and for the purpose of accessing the relevant EI, subject to Cultural Heritage Management Processes in this Agreement, the Parties consent and authorise Ergon Energy and its Contractors to:

- (a) use the relevant access tracks for access purposes;
- (b) maintain and repair the relevant access tracks; and
- (c) be granted an interest in the nature of an easement, permit or licence over the area covered by those access tracks.

9.1 The Native Title Party [where it holds the native title right to regulate or restrict access by others] consent to and authorise Ergon Energy and its Contractors to:

- (a) access the Agreement Area; and
- (b) remain on the Agreement Area for such time as is reasonably required pursuant to this Agreement or to perform any statutory duty or responsibility under any Act or Regulation.

### 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, 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 22 April 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 Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://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

State of Queensland  
Notification day: 22 January 2014



National  
Native Title  
Tribunal



### QI2013/087 Ewamian People Small Scale Miners ILUA

#### Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 28,670 sq km in the vicinity of Georgetown, excluding Lot 7 on Plan LG6 and the Bulleringa National Park.

**Relevant LGA:** Charters Towers Regional Council, Etheridge Shire Council, Tablelands Regional Council.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Qld.

#### Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

State of Queensland (State)

C/- Crown Law

State Law Building

50 Ann Street

Brisbane QLD 4000

Barry Fisher, David Hudson & Noel Lacey (Native Title Parties)

on their own behalf and on behalf of the Ewamian People

C/- Principal Legal Officer

North Queensland Land Council

PO Box 679N

Cairns North QLD 4870

North Queensland Miners Association Incorporated (NQMA)

c/- Treasurer

PO Box 133

Malanda QLD 4885

#### The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

6.1(c) Subdivision P, Division 3, Part 2 of the NTA is not intended to apply to the Agreed Acts described in clauses 7 and 8.

7.1 The Parties consent to the grant of the following in the ILUA Area: (a) Prospecting Permits, with a Level 2 Environmental Authority if required under the EPA [Environmental Protection Act 1994 (Qld)]; (b) Mineral Development Licences with a Level 2 Environmental Authority; (c) Mining Claims with a Level 2 Environmental Authority; and (d) Mining Leases with a Level 2 Environmental Authority, to a Grantee Party [a Small Scale Miner who: (a) has made an Application; and (b) has executed an Opt in Deed and provided a copy of the executed deed to the Native Title Parties, NQMA and the State in accordance with clause 25 of the Agreement].

7.2 If the NTPCs [the Native Title Protection Conditions relevant to the grant of an Exploration Permit (Low Impact) as determined by the Minister administering the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)] are a condition of the grant of an Exploration Permit with a Level 2 Environmental Authority the Parties consent to the grant of an Exploration Permit to a Grantee Party.

7.3 The Parties consent to the grant of Ancillary Rights [any or all of the following: (a) a referable dam licence; (b) a water pumping licence; (c) a tree clearing permit] relevant to a Mining Tenement [a Prospecting Permit, Mining Claim, Exploration Permit, Mineral Development Licence or Mining Lease] the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement.

7.4 The Parties consent to the renewal of the Mining Tenements the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement, over the same or smaller area as the grant at the time of renewal, on the same terms and conditions as the grant at the time of renewal and for the same or shorter term as the grant at the time of renewal, if the Grantee Party has complied with its obligations under clause 12. For the avoidance of doubt, if a Mining Tenement is renewed pursuant to this clause 7.4, this clause 7.4 will also apply to any subsequent renewals of the grant of the renewed Mining Tenement. [Clause 12 provides for compensation to be paid by a Grantee Party to the Nominated Body, the latter being an incorporated body or a trust, which the Native Title Parties have agreed is a Nominated Body for the purposes of this Agreement and which exists the Commencement Date of the Agreement or is established by the Native Title Claim Group for the QUD6009/99 and QUD6018/01 Ewamian People native title claims for the purposes of this Agreement.]

8.1 The Parties consent, subject to clauses 8.4 – 8.9, to the rights attaching to Mining Leases the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement and made to a Grantee Party, being varied as follows: (a) addition of another mineral; (b) addition of an additional purpose; (c) addition of additional surface area; (d) consolidation of Mining Leases; and (e) variation of the land used as access in relation to the land the subject of a Mining Lease.

8.2 The Parties consent, subject to clauses 8.4 to 8.9, to the rights attaching to Mining Claims the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement and made to a Grantee Party, being varied as follows: (a) addition of another mineral; (b) variation of the land used as access in relation to the land the subject of a Mining Claim.

8.3 The parties consent, subject to clauses 8.4 to 8.9 to the rights attaching to Mineral Development Licences the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement and made to a Grantee Party, being varied as follows: (a) variation of the land used as access in relation to the land the subject of a Mineral Development Licence; (b) addition of another mineral; and (c) addition of excluded land.

[Clauses 8.4 to 8.9 set out the steps to be taken by a Grantee Party who is seeking to rely on a consent under clauses 8.1 to 8.3 to vary the rights attached to any Mining Leases, Mining Claims or Mineral Development Licences, the grant of which was consented to under this Agreement.]

#### 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 (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 22 April 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.**

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Sport

# Thunder signs Tungatalum



**FORMER ST**  
Kilda rookie Ross Tungatalum is to return to play Australian football with the Northern Territory Thunder.

The Thunder announced on Saturday that they have signed the 2011 Thunder premiership player to play in 2014.

In his only season with the Thunder in 2011, he played 19 games, won two premierships and was the Northern Conference Rising Star.

He also was named in the Northern Conference Team of the Year.

Tungatalum plays for the Tiwi Bombers and was a member of their history-making 2011-12 NTFL premiership and is regarded as one of the most exciting, talented and balanced footballers in the NTFL.

He said he was looking forward to playing with Thunder.

"I have missed playing with the NT boys and hopefully we can win another premiership like 2011," he said.

Thunder head coach Xavier Clarke said: "Ross brings speed and excitement in the way he plays his football. He is arguably the most talented player in the NTFL."



Ross Tungatalum



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#### About us...

The Office of Communities is a key portfolio of the Department of Education and Communities, one of Australia's largest employers. The Office of Communities comprises a diverse range of business units designed to support the development of vibrant, sustainable and inclusive communities across NSW. This includes Aboriginal Affairs, the Commission for Children and Young People, Sport and Recreation, Sydney Olympic Park Authority, Venues NSW, Veterans Affairs, Volunteering and Youth.

#### About you...

We're looking for graduates from all walks of life and a variety of academic backgrounds, in particular Arts, Science, Commerce/Business, Law or Cultural/ Natural Heritage related fields of study. Ideally you will be highly motivated, a team player who is adaptable and a good communicator, and a strategic thinker who can analyse scenarios and develop innovative options/solutions.

Prior work experience isn't necessary, but we are interested in hearing about your consistent academic achievements, in addition to any other outside interests you have, for example, part-time work, volunteering, participation in community or sporting groups, etc. Most of all, you need to demonstrate your passion for making a difference and contributing towards a social dividend.

Applicants from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are strongly encouraged to apply for the program.

All roles are based in the Sydney metropolitan area; however some regional travel may be required.

#### To find out more...

For further information about the Office of Communities 2014 Graduate Program, please contact Ana Dimitrovski on (02) 8762 9809 or email [ana.dimitrovski@communities.nsw.gov.au](mailto:ana.dimitrovski@communities.nsw.gov.au) to request the information pack. Don't be shy, Ana's happy to talk with you about the Graduate Program and answer any queries you may have.

**Applications close on Monday, 27 January 2014.**



# Jesse plans big year



JESSE Williams' first year in the National Football League (NFL) didn't go according to script, but the Brisbane giant is raring to resurrect his career in 2014.

It was just a year ago that hopes were high that the monstrous defensive tackle would be drafted as high as the first round of the NFL draft.

But on draft day, Williams fell to the fifth, costing him millions of dollars in guaranteed money.

A knee injury he suffered in the 2012 SEC Championship Game was

blamed for Williams' plummeting draft stock.

Then in August, while playing in the Seattle Seahawks' pre-season opener against the San Diego Chargers, Williams succumbed to the same injury and was placed on injured reserve.

Seattle gave Williams a full year to recuperate and return to full strength.

Despite the shaky start to his NFL career, Williams is seen as a potentially elite talent in a side that has the potential to feature in the Super Bowl.

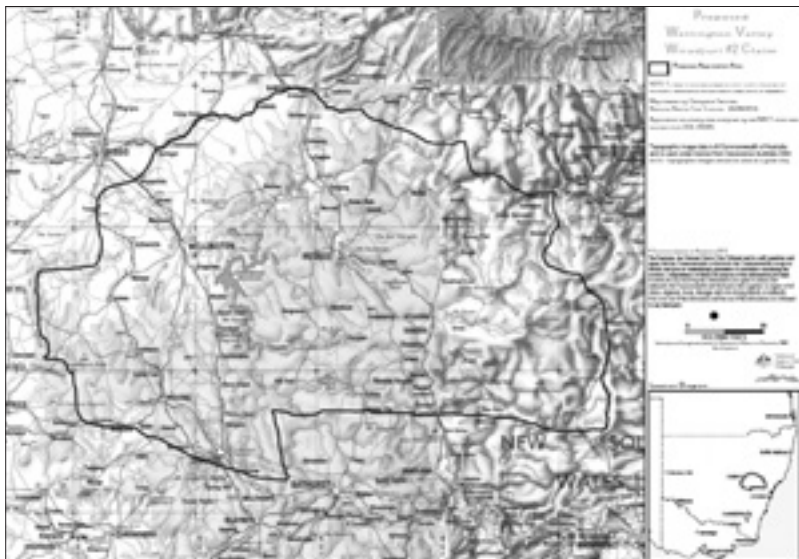
If he has an injury-free run, 2014 could see 'Tha Monstar' emerge as a superstar.

## This team was on the ball



**THE Indigenous eight-ball team that beat Western Australia 13-11 in the inaugural Indigenous Challenge at the Australian championships in Perth. The team is, back row from left, Bruce Lockley, Justin Thursby, Leisa Sjaardema, Richelle Hextall, Karen Hextall, Robbie Savage; front, Carl Borsi, Gwen Anderson, Sue Coulthard, manager Bethany Geehey, Pat Broderick, Brian Green and Keenan Cigler. The challenge was a sidebar to the Australian eight-ball championships that next year will be held in Darwin, where the Indigenous team will challenge the Northern Territory.**

## WELLINGTON VALLEY WIRADJURI CLAIMANTS PROPOSED NEW NATIVE TITLE CLAIM



**TAKE NOTE THAT ON FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY 2014 the WELLINGTON VALLEY WIRADJURI NATIVE TITLE CLAIMANTS** will be holding a meeting of all claimants who are the descendants of the following:

Charlotte Riley (nee Trudgett), Ellen Plummer, Benjamin Holland & Sarah Hill (Steel), William John King & Mary Dawkins, Jemmy & Poll Buckley, Charles Stewart & Bessie Macdonald, George Drew & Lily Macdonald, Alexander Stewart & Agnes Dray, Michael Mitchell Mickey & Mary Bloomfield & Mary Ann Peck, Jock Stanley, Edward & Sophie Carr, Catherine (Kitty) Carr & Edward Williams, Ellen Beard, Ann Daley (mother of George Daley), Catherine ("Kate") Stewart, Willy Stewart,

for the purposes of authorizing Applicants under the Native Title Act 1996 (as amended) to make a new native title determination application for the claim area (as appearing in the map above) on their behalf.

### MEETING LOCATION AND TIME:

**Wellington Senior Citizens Hall, Swift Street, Wellington NSW.**

**Attendees are to register at 9:30am. Meeting to commence at 10:15 am**

Please contact Mr Bradley Bliss on Mobile 0427 321 016 to advise of your proposed attendance to allow for catering.



## 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 tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No.	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
39/1535	STRATEGIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	436479	40.00HA	95km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 122° 32' E	MENZIES SHIRE

**Nature of the act:** Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

**Notification day:** 15 January 2014

**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 **15 April 2014**. 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. 15 May 2014**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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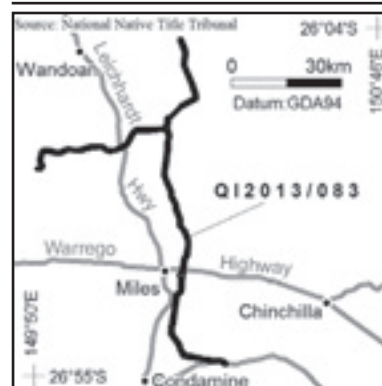
## Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 22 January 2014



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### Q12013/083 APLNG and Area E Native Title Group ILUA

#### Description of the agreement area:

The agreement covers about 161.5 sq km extending from about 12 km northeast of Condamine to about 27 km east of Wandoan.

**Relevant LGA:** Western Downs Regional Council

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Qld.

#### Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Australia Pacific LNG Pty Limited, Australia Pacific LNG Gladstone Pipeline Pty Limited & Australia Pacific LNG CSG Transmissions Pty Limited (individually and collectively, APLNG), C/- Clayton Utz, GPO Box 55, Brisbane QLD 4001

Kerry-Ann Lacey, Russell Doctor, Greg Emmerson, Ronald Binge, Zeta Binge, Elizabeth Johnston, Jean Johnston, Beatrice Henry, Jason Jarro, Adrian Beattie, Tracey McLeod, Sue Maytom, Arwa Waterton, Sandra Bauwens, Rhonda Sandow, Fiona Richardson and Harold Doyle on their own behalf and on behalf of the Area E Native Title Group, C/- HWL Ebsworth, GPO Box 2033, Brisbane QLD 4001

#### The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

8(a) The Parties agree to and consent to:

- (i) the Agreed Acts; and
- (ii) the undertaking of the ILUA Project.

(d) [...] the Parties state that Subdivision P of the Division 3 of Part 2 of the NTA [*Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*] is not intended to apply to any Agreed Acts on and from the date this [agreement] is Registered.

1.1 'Agreed Acts' means the acts and classes of acts listed in Schedule 3 [including, in summary,

(a) the grant of petroleum authorities under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld)* in connection with the undertaking of the ILUA Project;

(b) the grant of any other rights and interests, approvals or future acts including the grant of any environmental authority, road closure or road opening, the de-gazettal of any reserves or other Crown land, the grant of tenure under the *Land Act 1994 (Qld)* and the grant of any water licence or approvals related to infrastructure;

(c) the undertaking of any acts pursuant to the above grants or acts in connection with the undertaking of the ILUA Project; and

(d) the making, amendment or repeal of legislation relating to or associated with the ILUA Project.]

[A copy of Schedule 3 can be obtained from the Tribunal Case Manager upon request]

'ILUA Project' means that part of the Pipeline Project [the construction and operation of a gas pipeline system (and other pipelines and facilities), including to link the APLNG coal seam gas fields to the LNG plant to be located on Curtis Island] to be located in the ILUA Area [...].

#### Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified:

Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body/ies for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. **The application must be made by 22 April 2014.** If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

*Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.*

*For assistance and further information about this application, call Case Manager Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nmtt.gov.au](http://www.nmtt.gov.au).*

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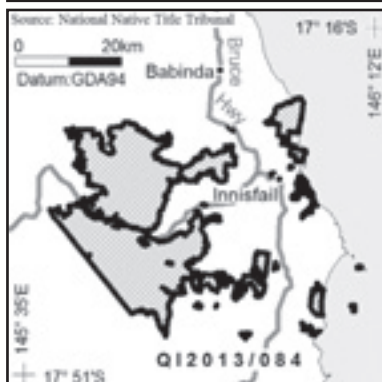


# NT names women's Imparja Cup team

## Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements State of Queensland Notification day: 22 January 2014



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### QI2013/084 Mamu Protected Areas ILUA

#### Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 691.4 sq km east and west of the Bruce Highway in the vicinity of Innisfail.

**Relevant LGA:** Tablelands, Cairns and Cassowary Coast Regional Councils.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of Department of Natural Resources & Mines, Queensland.



### QI2013/085 Mamu People Land Exchange ILUA

#### Description of the agreement area:

Agreement area covers about 2.66 sq km including areas in the vicinity of Millaa Millaa, Innisfail and approx. 26 km south of Innisfail.

**Relevant LGA:** Tablelands, Cairns and Cassowary Coast Regional Councils.

Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, Department of Natural Resources & Mines, Queensland.

#### Parties to the agreements and their contact address:

Victor Maund, Stephen Brooks, Alfred Joyce, Henry Epong, Anthony Edwards, Brenda Matheson and Dean Purcell on their own behalf and on behalf of the Mamu People 10 Bombala Street Mourilyan Qld 4858	Mamu Aboriginal Corporation ICN 3789 10 Bombala Street Mourilyan Qld 4858	State of Queensland PO Box 15216 Brisbane Qld 4002	Wet Tropics Management Authority [Party to QI2013/084 only] PO Box 2050 Cairns Qld 4870
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#### The agreements contain the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

##### QI2013/084

This agreement includes no statements mentioned in subsection 24EB(1) or subsection 24EBA(1) or (4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth).

##### QI2013/085

5.1 The parties:

- (a) consent to the doing of Agreed Acts; and
- (b) agree to the validation of any invalid acts done on the Agreement Area prior to Registration, to the extent that they are Future Acts.

5.2 Clause 5.1(a) is a statement for the purposes of section 24EB(1)(b) of the NTA [*Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth)] and clause 5.1(b) is a statement for the purposes of section 24EBA(1)(a) of the NTA.

6.1 To avoid any doubt, Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the Agreed Acts.

9.1 The Surrender is intended to extinguish any Native Title that may exist in relation to the Surrender Area.

9.2 The Surrender will take effect upon Registration.

"Agreed Acts" means all acts necessary to give effect to this Agreement including:

- (a) the Surrender; and
- (b) the grant of a lease under the Land Act [*Land Act 1994 (Qld)*] and all things authorised under the lease; and
- (c) all acts necessary to give effect to the above acts.

#### Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

These two applications for registration of indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs) have been certified by the North Queensland Land Council Native Title Representative Body Aboriginal Corporation, the representative body for the area concerned. The area covered by each agreement is shown in the respective maps. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by any of the agreements may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the agreements if they think that the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of any of the agreements (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the areas covered by the agreements) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the applications to register the ILUAs have 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, Cairns, Qld, 4870 by 22 April 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 these applications, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au).

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## Murgon to host golf



ORGANISERS of the 2014 Queensland Indigenous golf championships at Murgon in March are hoping for a record field of 80 or more players.

The tournament usually attracts between 40 and 60 players of varying ability.

Spokesman Clowry Kennell was hopeful that the 2014 tournament would attract more women golfers.

"We're particularly keen to see more lady golfers taking part," he said.

The 54-hole stroke event is always played on the nine-hole Murgon course. There are two sets of tees on each hole.

The event is well supported by Indigenous golfers from nearby Cherbourg, who according to Kennell, make up a big part of the Murgon club membership.

The tournament will be held from Friday, March 21, to Sunday, March 23, and will be open to A, B and C graders and women.

A practice round will be played on March 20.

Accommodation and program details: Clowry Kennell 0478 217 090.

Registration forms were to be available on the Golf Queensland website.

## NOTICE OF INITIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971 SECTION 63M

**TAKE NOTICE** that SAEX Pty Ltd (**SAEX**) (ACN 154 922 728) of Level 16, 38 Gordon Terrace, Rosslyn Park, South Australia, proposes to undertake mineral exploration activities in an area located within Exploration Licences Nos 4520 and 5306, held by **SAEX** and described below.

**EL 4520 - WALPARUTA AREA** - Approximately 30 km west of Olary bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°11'S and longitude 140°00'E, thence east to longitude 140°04'E, south to latitude 32°16'S, west to longitude 140°02'E, south to latitude 32°17'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, north to latitude 32°14'S, west to longitude 139°59'E, north to latitude 32°12'S, east to longitude 140°00'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette Number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

Area: approximately 70 square kilometres

**EL 5306 - WHEY WHEY CREEK AREA** - Approximately 35 km WNW of Olary bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°10'S and longitude 139°58'E, thence east to longitude 140°04'E, south to latitude 32°11'S, west to longitude 140°00'E, south to latitude 32°12'S, west to longitude 139°59'E, south to latitude 32°14'S, east to longitude 140°00'E, south to latitude 32°15'S, west to longitude 139°58'E, and north to the point of commencement, all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette Number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

Area: approximately 35 square kilometres

**The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:**

**SAEX** proposes to carry out exploratory and drilling operations on the Land to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation. Those operations may include: reconnaissance; gridding; geological mapping; aerial photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic,

radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical soil, calcrete and rock chip sampling; shallow trenching; auger, rotary air blast, aircore, reverse circulation or diamond core drilling and include all things necessarily incidental to any such operations.

**The proposed operations are authorised by the Exploration Licence Nos 4520 and 5306** (including any extensions or renewals of the exploration licence and any future exploration authority under the Mining Act over the Land or any part of it).

**SAEX** seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

**TAKE NOTICE** that if two (2) months after notice is given to all who hold or may hold native title in the Land, there are no native title parties in relation to the Land to which this notice relates, **SAEX** may apply ex parte to the Environment Resources and Development Court for a summary determination pursuant to section 63N of the *Mining Act 1971* (SA) authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land.

**ANY PERSON** who holds or may hold native title in the Land is invited to contact the proponents, **SAEX**, for the purposes of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the Land.

**TAKE NOTICE** that if within four (4) months of the initiation of these negotiations, **SAEX** and any native title party or parties have not reached agreement, any party to the negotiations or the Minister may apply to the Environment Resources and Development Court pursuant to section 63S of the *Mining Act 1971* (SA) for a determination in relation to the conduct of the mining operations on the Land.

If you require further information, please contact: Peter Williams  
Unit 8 53-57 Glen Osmond Rd,  
Eastwood SA 5063  
Ph: 08 8348 3500



James no slouch on the footy field



THIRTY-TWO tries in just eight rugby league games last year suggests athletics isn't the only avenue open to speed machine James Gallaagher.

Fox Sports Pulse reports that while the young NSW South Coast lad now living in Western Australia has set track and field tongues wagging, he was also the second-most prolific try-scorer in junior rugby league in Australia last season.

The Koori Mail reported late last year that James was destined for a career in athletics after he set the fastest time in the world for a 13-year-old over 200m, running 21.73 seconds, and in doing so bettered Usain Bolt's mark at 14 years of age by .08 seconds.

Despite his obvious skill on the track, he is also being watched closely by rugby league officials, who are aware of his potential within that code.

Fox Sports Pulse followed James' rugby league career in 2013 and found that he bagged 35 tries throughout the season (including finals) for the Willagee Bears in Western Australia.

He may have only finished 31st on the list, but he also only played nine games and the breakdown of the statistics shows that on average he scored more tries per game than any other player bar one who featured in at least five games.

Fox Sports Pulse said James' average of 3.9 tries per game was only bested by Condobolin under 14 player Brodie King, who bagged 32 tries in eight games for an average of four per game.

Both players had a personal best of seven tries in a match.



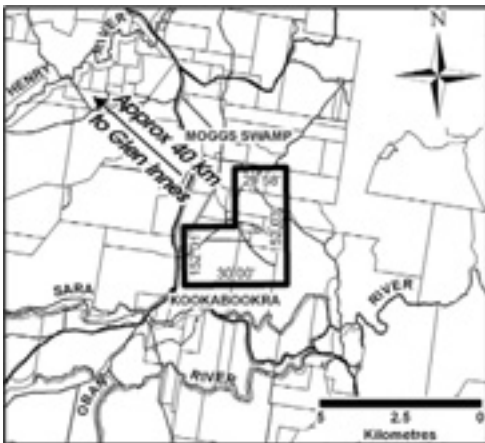
Trade & Investment Resources & Energy

EXPLORATION LICENCE No. 7875 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th).

Description of area that may be affected by the minister's consent to prospect on native title land

An area of 3 units situated approximately 40 Km SE of Glen Innes, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.



Description of the nature of the act

P W English and Associates Pty Ltd (ACN 002 052 913) is the holder of Exploration Licence No. 7875 (Act 1992) for Group One minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Resources and Energy. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Robyn McLeod; Titles Program, Trade and Investment NSW, Telephone (02) 4931 6470, Fax No (02) 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th) the notification day is 30 January 2014. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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	08/2483	GRG MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	24BL	57km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 43' S Long: 117° 40' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/841	ZEEDAM ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	1BL	58km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 26° 56' S Long: 117° 39' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/842	ZEEDAM ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	19BL	63km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 2' S Long: 117° 25' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/499	FAGAN, Robert Keith	4BL	30km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 121° 46' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/501	PADDICK INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	2BL	51km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 122° 8' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2362	NEWSEARCH PTY LTD	70BL	94km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 26' S Long: 122° 37' E	DUNDAS SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/879	ZEEDAM ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	27BL	23km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 32' S Long: 120° 52' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1172	LOS GEOS PTY LTD	20BL	70km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 35' S Long: 121° 17' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1174	TERRAIN MINERALS LTD	2BL	28km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 121° 19' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2843	DYNASTY METALS AUSTRALIA LTD	4BL	6km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 38' S Long: 122° 20' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2883	MADIGAN, Michael Francis WILLIAMS, John	1BL	45km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 122° 37' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2894	JAYVEE RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL	32km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 19' S Long: 122° 24' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1709	DISTANT ISLAND PTY LTD	105BL	144km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 50' S Long: 124° 39' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1711	NEAROLOGY PTY LTD	4BL	62km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 10' S Long: 122° 32' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1760	GODWIN, Michael Lawrence	4BL	71km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 16' S Long: 122° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1771	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	5BL	50km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 4' S Long: 122° 27' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1773-4	PADDICK INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	12BL	68km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 10' S Long: 122° 4' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1778	WHITE CLIFF MINERALS LIMITED	7BL	94km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 14' S Long: 123° 4' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	40/329	STUBBS, Gregory Wayne	11BL	47km NE'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 18' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4272	HOLOCENE PTY LTD	181BL	158km SE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 40' S Long: 123° 22' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4275	ABEH PTY LTD	7BL	69km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 39' S Long: 119° 19' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4279	SEGUE (PARDOO) LTD	70BL	26km NE'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat: 20° 8' S Long: 119° 37' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4282	NEWSEARCH PTY LTD	99BL	84km W'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 47' S Long: 121° 25' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1005	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	13BL	122km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 2' S Long: 120° 52' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2962	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	44BL	54km S'ly of Karratha	Lat: 21° 13' S Long: 116° 48' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, ROEBOURNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1613	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	17BL	91km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 55' S Long: 119° 2' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1615	MITHRIL RESOURCES LTD	60BL	66km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 0' S Long: 118° 58' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2944	COSMOPOLITAN MINERALS LIMITED	125BL	175km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 24° 55' S Long: 119° 56' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2945	COSMOPOLITAN MINERALS LIMITED	62BL	177km S'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 24° 57' S Long: 119° 38' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2964	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	53BL	85km SW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 49' S Long: 119° 4' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2968	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	35BL	71km SW'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 23° 53' S Long: 119° 21' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2983	MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	8BL	28km SE'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 23' S Long: 117° 51' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2984	MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	8BL	36km SE'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 24' S Long: 117° 57' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2985	MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	4BL	32km SE'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 27' S Long: 117° 49' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1789	WA MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	16BL	96km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 31' S Long: 119° 53' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1795	KIMBA RESOURCES PTY LTD	5BL	72km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 31' S Long: 120° 7' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/947	DIGADIG PTY LTD	70BL	17km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 5' S Long: 119° 10' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2007	PENTAMIN PTY LTD	15BL	43km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 117° 20' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1655	YILUN PTY LTD	16BL	24km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 2' S Long: 121° 57' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3227-I	WA MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	25BL	150km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 15' S Long: 120° 34' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3228-I	WA MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	31BL	140km N'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 20' S Long: 121° 0' E	WILUNA SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	20/2176	MARTIN, Graham Richard MARTIN, Lester John	16.88HA	29km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 13' S Long: 117° 42' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4789	LAW, Geoffrey Ronald	88.70HA	64km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 120° 57' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
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Prospecting Licence	77/4242	TAYLOR, Graeme Francis	0.43HA	59km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 43' S Long: 119° 34' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	80/1821	MCKINTOSH RESOURCES PTY LTD	110.86HA	73km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 36' S Long: 111° 54' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 15 January 2014

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 15 April 2014. 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. 15 May 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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# Flying Boomerangs star in New Zealand

The Flying Boomerangs perform their warcry during their tour of New Zealand  
Picture: AFL



THE Flying Boomerangs Australian football squad returned from their 10-day tour of New Zealand with wins from two matches against the New Zealand Hawks.

The Flying Boomerangs is a personal development and leadership program for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young men aged 14-15.

Selected from the 2013 Australian Football League (AFL) KickStart under 15 championships, the Flying Boomerangs squad of 23 players played against the New Zealand Hawks in Wellington at Hutt Park.

They were coached by Eugene Warrior.

Boomerangs player Jy Simpkin, from Shepparton, Victoria, was awarded the Michael Long Medal, voted by the players, judged on strength of character demonstrated on the tour.

The Boomerangs were accompanied by AFL Indigenous programs mentor and former Melbourne Demons star Aaron Davey.

## Great leadership

AFL head of diversity and international Jason Mifsud said the Boomerangs demonstrated great leadership and talent while abroad.

"Congratulations to the Boomerangs squad and coach Eugene on the two solid wins against the New Zealand Hawks in Wellington," Mifsud said.

"The tour focussed on developing the participants into confident young men and leaders in their community, as well as encouraging the players to reach their football potential."

In 2013, six Indigenous players who graduated through the Flying Boomerangs program were drafted: Jarmen Impey (Port Adelaide), Malcolm Karpany (West Coast Eagles), Jay Kennedy-Harris (Melbourne), Karl Amon (Port Adelaide), Zac Bates (Geelong Cats) and Jack Martin (pre-listed with Gold Coast Suns).

The 2013 Flying Boomerangs squad was: Shai Bolton (Meadow Springs, WA), Kobe Broome (Holland Park West, Qld), Lenny Christie (Kedron, Qld), Antionne Forrest-Yarran (Hamilton Hill, WA),

Denver Garlett (Adelaide, SA), John Garlett (Parmelia, WA), Logan Gray (Banks, ACT), Jamie Hampton (Alice Springs, NT), Callum Harrison (Launceston, Tas), Dion Johnstone (Dennington, Vic), Jordan Jeffery (Palmerston, NT), Kym LeBois (Ceduna, SA), Keiran Martin (Alice Springs, NT), Liam Nelson (Surf Beach, NSW), Tommy Nickels (Northam, WA), Sam Powell-Pepper (St James, WA), John Pupangamirri (Mullumbimby, NSW), Jy Simpkin (Mooroopina, Vic), Kyle Thomas (Reservoir, Vic), Calvin Thorne (Rockingham, WA), Samuel Walsh-Bannam (Milltown, Vic), Keenan Waterbury (Fred's Pass, NT), Mathew Wilkes (Armada, WA), Anthony Young (Newborough, Vic).

# Alby wants recognition



THERE'S just no stopping Alby Clarke, the ageless Victorian athlete who seeks out physical

challenges that would halt most men one-quarter of his age.

The Warrnambool Standard has reported that the veteran Framlingham athlete, 79, who is campaigning for official recognition, has been described by a world expert as the godfather of Aboriginal ultra-marathon running.

The Standard said British-based Andy Milroy, who was recognised as a global authority on the history and statistics of long-distance running, had suggested Clarke could be a role model for younger Aboriginal athletes.

"To a degree Alby Clarke is the pioneer, the godfather of Aboriginal ultra running," Milroy told The Standard.

"But to build on that, other Australian Aborigines need to tackle such races, not six days, but perhaps 50 kilometres.

"Once Alby Clarke is no longer seen as a lone individual, but as a pioneer, helping to build positive goals for his community, his voice

becomes much, much stronger."

Clarke has an impressive list of athletic achievements since vowing to improve his health and beat diabetes through exercise.

The Standard said although he had been recognised as the first Indigenous rider to complete the Melbourne to Warrnambool Cycling Classic and won several achievement awards for other events, he had been unsuccessful in his quest for official Koori status in the six-day Cliff Young Ultra-Marathon.

## 'Go down fighting'

Eight years ago he achieved 345 kilometres in the gruelling event around Colac's Memorial Square.

"I'll go down fighting," Mr Clarke told The Standard.

"I want recognition as the first and oldest Koorie to compete in the ultra marathon. I won my age section."

The Standard said the Australian Ultra Runners Association had ruled that neither it nor equivalent international bodies were able to create a record for Mr Clarke based on one race.

He is considering ramping up his daily 20-kilometre training

Alby Clarke, then 67, at the start of his ride across the Nullarbor from Perth, Western Australia to his home at Warrnambool, Victoria, in August 2002. The blue-haired rider made the long trip promoting reconciliation.

Picture: AFP



routine for a proposed six-day race in Adelaide this year.

In that event he could be joined by his son Ty, who along with brother Alie, accompanied their father on his 300km Portland-Geelong run three years ago.

He told the Koori Mail last week that all he was seeking was recognition as the first Indigenous

Australian to compete in the Cliff Young Ultra-Marathon eight years ago, and the 275km Melbourne-Warrnambool cycle race in 2001 at the age of 66.

## 'Getting nowhere

"I don't seem to be getting anywhere," he said.

"All the Koories down here support me, but I am banging my

head against a wall when it comes to official recognition.

"I'm thinking about writing to the Queen."

Alby Clarke's link with sport go back a long way.

He was cycling competitively in 1950 and stepped into the boxing ring in 1955.

In 2007 he took part in the 3300km Perth to Warrnambool Reconciliation Ride.

Before that, he tried his hand at ultra-marathons and still continues his love for such events.

At the age of 70 in 2005, he ran in the 344km Cliff Young Ultra-Marathon.

Two years later, he lined up in the 320km ultra-marathon from Melbourne to Warrnambool.

At the age of 75 in 2010, he competed in the 100km Portland-Warrnambool Ultra-Marathon Run for Diabetes.

Another feat in 2010 was running from Portland to Geelong along the Princes Highway for the Koorie Youth Education and Close the Gap.

That challenge held special significance for Alby as he was accompanied all the way by his 17-year-old son Ty, while another son, 15-year-old Alie, accompanied them on a bicycle.





Kaurna, the 13 and under Nunga netball winners.



Ruakkan, the 15 and under winners.

## Another big Nunga day

Story and pictures by  
**PETER ARGENT**



FOUR age groups contested the fourth annual South Australia Nunga netball championships at the Argana Park courts on Saturday, November 30 – 11 and under, 13 and under, 15 and under, 17 and under.

"Our annual carnival was another success," creator of the concept Vanessa Wilson said.

"We were glad to see Netball SA back working with us and excited that we had NITV there to cover the event.

"We added to our Hall of Fame with the induction of Leah Torzyn."

In the 11 and under level, Raukkan defeated Ravens comfortably in the final, while in the 13 and under division, Kaurna beat Raukkan by 10 goals.

The 15 and under decider was thriller, with Raukkan, who played in all four deciders, winning by the smallest of margins.

Black Lightning dominated the 17 and under competition, winning the final in emphatic style by 21 goals.

At the completion of the carnival, an elite development squad was selected in each grade.

"Our development squad remains strong and naming of the top ten is another highlight of the carnival," Wilson said.

"All four squads have the

opportunity to be part of a program that will provide chances at the elite level in this state as we are discussing closer links to Netball SA."

Best and fairest trophies, along with winners and participation medals were presented to all competitors.

11 and under best and fairest: Ravens, Aaleya Turner; Black Panthers, Kayannie Swan; Raukkan, Tasharia Shaw; Kaurna, Caitlyn Walker; overall runner-up best and fairest, Tasharia Shaw; overall best and fairest, Caitlyn Walker

13 and under best and fairest: Black Panthers, Janaye Grose; Ravens, Mykayla Walker; Kaurna, Alannah Aldenhoven; Raukkan, Mekayla Rigney; overall best and fairest runner-up, Janaye Grose; overall best and fairest, Alannah Aldenhoven.

15 and under best and fairest: Black Panthers, Denika Brawn; Kaurna 2, Kayla Sunmer; Kaurna 1, Helena Norton; Raukkan, Dulice Karpany; overall runner-up best and fairest, Dulice Karpany; overall best and fairest, Helena Norton.

17 and under best and fairest: Kaurna, Kalesha Crain; Ravens, Shenyse Duroux; Raukkan, Brianna Wilson; Kaurna Plains, Shaye Burgers; Black Lightning, Mikayla Saunders-Pickett; overall best and fairest runner-up, Mikayla Saunders-Pickett; overall best and fairest, Brianna Wilson.



Raukkan, the 11 and under winners.



New Nunga netball hall of famer Leah Torzyn, left, with Nunga netball carnival founder Vanessa Wilson.



Kiara Gollan, from Raukkan, during the 17 and under grand final.



● ABOVE: Nunga netball carnival 17 and under overall best and fairest Brianna Wilson, left, from Raukkan, and overall runner-up best and fairest Mikayla Saunders-Pickett, from Black Panthers.



● LEFT: Black Panthers, winners of the Nunga 17 and under division.

## Leah Torzyn in hall of fame

FORMER top South Australian netballer Leah Torzyn has been admitted to the South Australian Nunga Netball Hall of Fame.

"What a wonderful surprise and honour it was to receive the awards," Torzyn told the *Koori Mail* after the presentation at the completion of the fourth annual Nunga Netball junior championships at Argana Park, in Adelaide's northern suburbs.

"I can honestly say it is right up there with the most prestigious awards I have ever received... Wow!

"I'm mighty proud to be Aboriginal and very proud to be involved with SA Nunga netball.

"It's a great way for me to give back to the community, helping where I can."

Torzyn said she could not wait to see the next generation of girls in Premier and National League clubs.

Mainly a wing defence or circle defender, Torzyn played more than 200 Netball SA State League for Garville and Oakdale, making the State League Team of the Year on three occasions.



# 'Dizzy' forges a coaching career

By CHRIS PIKE



JASON Gillespie might have been the unlikelyst of candidates to become a coach when he began his Sheffield Shield career for South

Australia, but now the former Australian fast bowler will be right at the top of the list of any future national coaching positions in world cricket.

Gillespie was the first player of Aboriginal descent to play cricket for Australia and compiled a career that will always have him as one of Australia's great fast bowlers.

But now he is establishing a coaching career that should keep him involved in the game for as long as he wants to be, and to go as far as he wants it to.

When Gillespie arrived at South Australia, he was a quiet teenager, nothing more than a tame medium-pacer, but before long his confidence grew and so did his pace, and he went on to compile a remarkable career.

He finished his career with 71 Tests for Australia which saw him take 259 wickets while also proving a more than handy batsman, highlighted by his stunning unbeaten 201 against Bangladesh which ironically also turned out to be his last match for Australia in April 2006.

Gillespie also played 97 one-day internationals for 142 wickets with Australia and his first-class career saw him take 613 wickets at an average of under 27 while also averaging almost 20 with the bat, hitting three centuries.

Over that time, understandably the now 38-year-old compiled a knowledge of the game and he is now keen to transfer that into current and future cricketers as a coach.

## Turned things around

Gillespie took an unconventional path to beginning his coaching career, taking over Zimbabwe domestic team Mid-West Rhinos, but has now been coach of English country side Yorkshire, where he also played in 2006 and 2007, since 2011 and is doing some terrific things.

He took the helm of a poor Yorkshire team that had just been relegated to the second division after a horror 2011 season, and his first task was to get things back on track for the proud county and get them back up into the first tier.

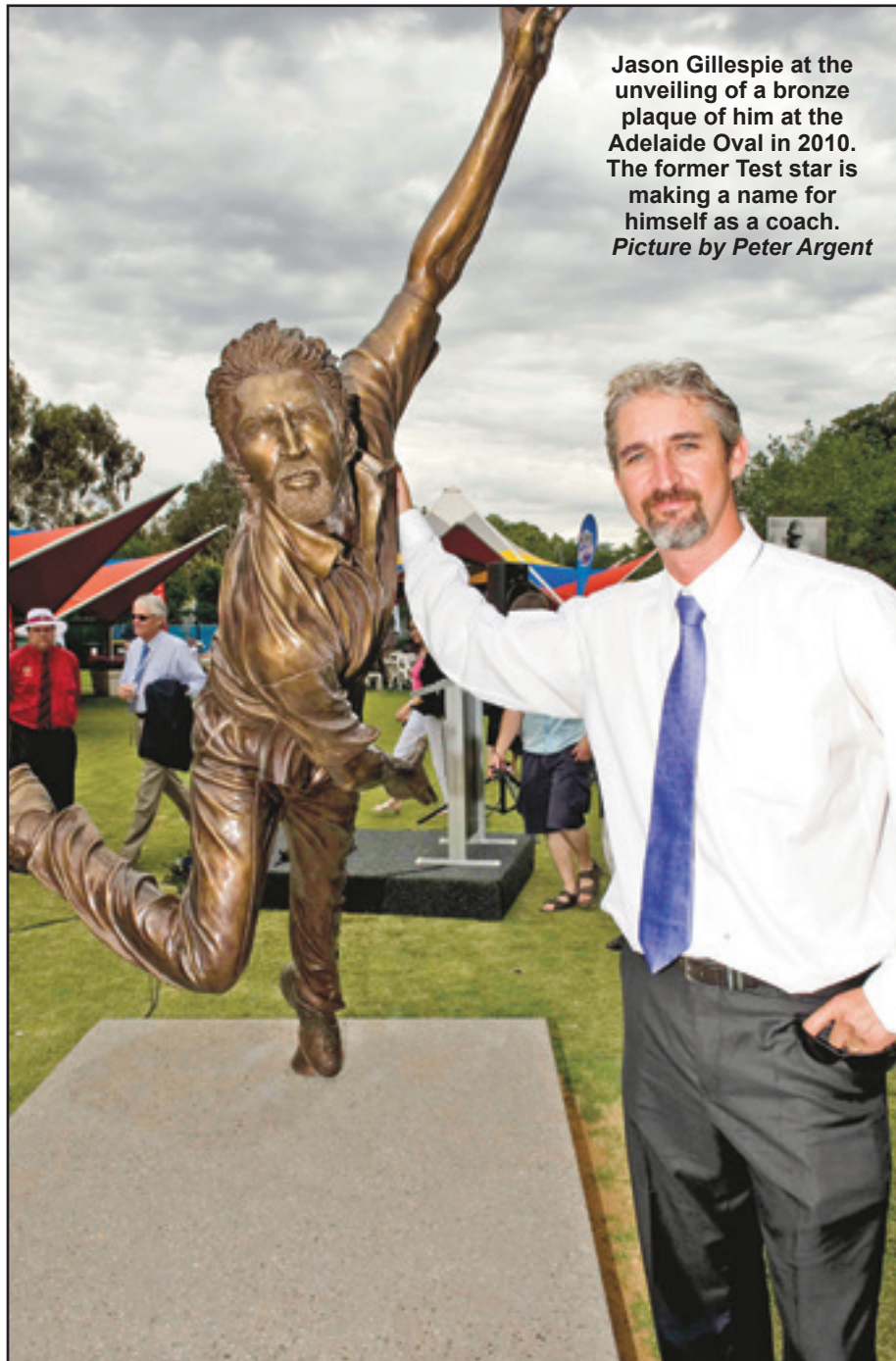
Gillespie succeeded in 2012 in guiding Yorkshire back into the first division of the county championship.

After guiding Yorkshire to a solid 2013 season, his plans are already well advanced for 2014 with the signing of New Zealand No 3 batsman Kane Williamson while having an English contingent that he expects will be more than competitive.

He will continue to do his best at Yorkshire, but without question bigger things remain on the horizon for Gillespie the coach.

He did have an unsuccessful interview to be an assistant coach to Mickey Arthur when the South African took over the West Australian team before becoming Australian coach. Arthur was unceremoniously sacked midway through 2013.

Gillespie's coaching philosophies all revolve around ensuring the players work hard and provided they do all the right things, the rewards for them will come and



Jason Gillespie at the unveiling of a bronze plaque of him at the Adelaide Oval in 2010. The former Test star is making a name for himself as a coach. Picture by Peter Argent

hopefully they will enjoy themselves as well.

"We keep things as simple and fun as possible. We have very clear and simple plans of how we want to play cricket. We believe if you put the time and effort into everything, you will enjoy it," Gillespie said.

"We can't control expectations, but we can control our efforts and preparations. If we do that, we've definitely got a squad that can compete for trophies this season. There's no doubt about that – or the fact that we're going to enjoy ourselves."

There is no question that should state coaching jobs come up in Australia, Gillespie's name will be right at the top of the list.

The same is likely to be for any international teams that might need a new coach.

That could mean that Gillespie, the proud Indigenous Australian who is already helping English cricket, could very well end up leading England, New Zealand, South Africa, the West Indies, Sri Lanka or even Pakistan against Australia – and there's no doubt he'd do a fine job.

Gillespie also kept a close eye on the just completed Ashes series in Australia for two reasons.

Firstly, as a player, he represented Australia in an Ashes series five times and won four of those before being part of the team that lost in England in the memorable 2005 series.

However, Gillespie also has helped the likes of Joe Root, Tim Bresnan, Gary Ballance and Jonny Bairstow develop at Yorkshire and was now following them closely as part of the English squad so he has mixed emotions when it came to who he wanted to perform well.

"I'm an Aussie through and through and love to see them perform strongly. That will always ring true. Having said that, I'm involved in the English game with Yorkshire, who are my priority. I want to see our players taste success," Gillespie said ahead of the Ashes series.

"I know that's probably getting splinters in my backside, but I want to see Joe, Jonny and Gaz score a mountain of runs and Tim come back from his injury and be a part of a winning team."

"I don't want our players to go and get their backsides kicked. I want them to experience success. But it's a really difficult call because, at the end of the day, I'm an Aussie who loves seeing his country do well."

It's history now that the English players did get their backsides kicked.



Patrick Clarke in a bout.

## Palm boxers to turn pro

By ALF WILSON



PALM Island looks set to have two boxers in professional ranks this year – rising star Reggie Palm Island and powerhouse punching machine Patrick Clarke.

Reggie, who turned 21 on Christmas Eve, and Clarke, 20 in September, are set to turn professional soon, according to trainer Ray Dennis.

"They have been star amateurs who have represented our island with distinction," Dennis said.

"They are going to turn pro in February and will be forces to be reckoned with."

Reggie Palm Island started boxing under the tuition of Dennis at the age of 14 and drew blood from the face of champion pro boxer Danny Green when he visited Palm Island.

"Both of the lads have any amount of ability and will acquit themselves well in the professional ranks," Dennis said.

"Reggie will fight in the 54kg division and Clarke in the 67kg class."

Dennis said that as amateurs, he had to organise sponsors and sometimes pay for some of their trips to tournaments out of his own pocket.

"Now, they will be paid to fight and their costs will be met," he said.

Dennis said there would be no shortage of fights for his boxers.

"I have been contacted by a representative of a Melbourne promoter who is confident they will get regular fights," he said.

"There is so much interest and Reggie and Patrick did their training with us. Now we have many youngsters ready to go."

These include gifted 15-year-olds Steen Walsh and Joey Geia, who have impressive amateur records.

Kathleen Haines, 15, and Natalie David, 13, are teenagers with the chance to impress.

"Kathleen is such a brilliant boxer and Natalie is going in the right direction," Dennis said.



Reggie Palm Island



Kathleen Haines, left, and Natalie David are some of the next crop of Palm Island amateur fighters.



# Tjimarri aims for the top

By PETER ARGENT



AFTER the heroics of sprinter Joshua Ross in last summer's Bay Sheffield final, where, for the first time in the 126-year history, a scratch marker won, another young Indigenous star is starting to make his mark on this event.

Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera, just 20 and one of the shooting stars in athletics, made the final for the first time and finished a highly creditable fourth.

The Bay Sheffield is South Australia's richest professional foot race and is second only to the Stawell Gift in prestige.

"I was really rapt to make the final," Sanderson-Milera told the *Koori Mail* after his Bay Sheffield performance.

"It would have been great to get a podium finish, but I'm still very happy with the result.

"I will be going to Stawell over Easter, which is exciting.

"My form has been solid all summer and I've been happy with the progress."

Sanderson-Milera was a semifinalist in the 2012 Bay Sheffield at Colley Reserve, Glenelg

and took another step this year.

Sanderson-Milera's 2013 included a trip to Jamaica early in the year where he trained with their national team and received a top signed by Olympic champion Usain Bolt.

After going through a twice-a-day training regime, he came back inspired and motivated.

In the 2013-14 athletics season, Sanderson-Milera has been in strong form, including a close second-place (behind Alex Saliu) at the pre-Bay Sheffield Gift in mid-December.

## Lifesaver

Before his transition to track running in 2011, Sanderson-Milera competed for a number of years as a surf lifesaver at state, national and international level.

He was also awarded Open Male Athlete of the Year and South Australian Athletic League (SAAL) Athlete of the Year for Port Adelaide Athletics Club in 2012-13.

His coach Peter Burdett believes his charge is a different athlete this year and considers he has the talent to go a long way.

Sanderson-Milera is considered to have the ability to follow in the footsteps of Indigenous sprinters Patrick Johnson and Ross.



Tjimarri Sanderson and his specially painted indigenous running shoes.  
Picture by Peter Argent



Grounds used in the Goldfield Ashes cricket carnival may fall short of the likes of Lord's or the Melbourne Cricket Ground, but the Charters Towers event is touted as the world's biggest cricket tournament, with more than 220 teams set to compete.

# Stout chasing 'Ashes' crown

By ALF WILSON



QUEENSLAND Imparja Cup star Bradley Stout, who recently became a father for the first time, will be one of the

trump cards for A Fish Called Wanda as they shoot for their fourth straight victory in the A-1 grade section of the world's biggest cricket carnival – the Goldfield Ashes at Charters Towers.

The 66th Ashes will be held from January 25-27 at the north Queensland city with more than 220 teams nominated in six grades.

An estimated 500

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cricketers will compete.

The carnival started in 1948 with just six teams and has expanded and in 2007 was recognised by Queensland Events as a regional icon event worthy of funding.

## 60 venues

Sides will battle out on more than 60 fields around Charters Towers in A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2 and social men's grades as well as a women's division.

In 2013, Stout lined up for A-1 winners A Fish Called Wanda and was named player of the carnival.

Stout, a 24-year-old proud

Bindal man, smashed 109 and 177 not out in two wonderful innings and also snared five wickets bowling his medium pacers.

His older brothers Anthony and Gus will line up for the family side Mingela that will compete in the B-2 grade, where more than 140 teams will be playing.

Last year Mingela finished 101st in their division.

Former Australian Test and one day all-rounder Andrew Symonds is expected to again line up for B-2 division side Hidden Talent.

The all-Indigenous Black Bream will be back to defend their women's title won last year.



Black Bream women's captain Christine Hero with the winning trophy in 2013.



Bradley Stout and his partner Hannah with their baby Georgia born on December 10, 2013.



# Garlett's second chance

By CHRIS PIKE



DAYLE Garlett's talent was never questioned or never the reason why he was overlooked by Australian Football League (AFL) clubs in 2012, but he knuckled down at WAFL club Swan Districts and has now been rewarded by arriving with reigning premier Hawthorn ahead of the 2014 campaign.

Garlett has never had a question mark over his talent and was only overlooked in the 2012 national draft because of concerns over his behaviour away from the football field.

Subsequently, he was not drafted despite training with Essendon for a brief period, but the supremely talented star knuckled down in 2013 at Swan Districts in the WAFL, had a tremendous season and now is rewarded with a place in the AFL.

And not just any AFL club.

Garlett finds himself joining the reigning AFL premiers Hawthorn who already possess some exciting Indigenous talent with the likes of Shaun Burgoyne, Cyril Rioli and Brad Hill.

Garlett came of age in 2013 after already showing exciting signs in the Swan Districts league side in 2012.

Playing mostly as a forward, Garlett still averaged more than 16 possessions a game, including highs of 29 in round seven and 27 in



Dayle Garlett

round nine, but it was his goal kicking that really made him shine.

With his deadly left boot able to kick goals from anywhere, he finished with 45 majors for the season, including six in round 11 against Perth, and five on three occasions with four twice as well.

## Training strongly

Garlett has already impressed all at Hawthorn since moving to Melbourne and training strongly, and he will certainly push for an AFL debut early in the 2014 season.

It won't be easy to break into the Hawthorn line-up, with the Hawks coming off the premiership and even though the Hawks lost Lance Franklin, there's no reason to think they won't again contend for the flag in 2014.

For Garlett, though, he is just glad to receive an AFL chance after 12 months previously he thought he might have blown his chances for good.

"Last year when I didn't get drafted, the first thing that came into my mind was that there was no second chance," Garlett said.

"And then I had a couple of weeks to think about what I wanted to do with my life. Coming back to footy training, from there on, that's when it just clicked.

"It just made me come to my senses and focus on my footy, and realising what's important in life, just that if I made AFL, I had a great future and life ahead of me."

Hawthorn coach Alastair Clarkson, now having been in charge for two premierships in his tenure, is not concerned over the question marks others had over Garlett.

"We held that view too, but we're satisfied enough with the things he's been able to put in place over the course of 2013 that he deserves an opportunity," Clarkson said.

# The end of the line for Motlop?



THE career of former North Melbourne and Port Adelaide forward Daniel Motlop could be over after he copped a nine-match suspension

and was ordered to undergo anger management counselling.

Motlop, playing for Wanderers Eagles in the Northern Territory Football League, was given an eight-match ban for a front-on charge and an additional week for striking.

He was sent off in a January 5 match at Darwin's TIO Stadium, where he kicked four majors.

The 31-year-old could be automatically deregistered due to his lengthy list of indiscretions.

The suspension means that his 2013-14 NTFL season – and career – is effectively over after the clash with St Marys.

The anger management course must be undertaken at the expense of Motlop or the Wanderers Football Club.

## 'What's done is done'

A distraught Motlop, who had said this season would be his last, left the tribunal lost for words.

"There isn't really much to say. I got what I got," Motlop said.

"What's done is done. I've had a long career and I'm happy with that."

The 31-year-old was handed eight weeks for a front-on charge on Henry Labastida and an additional one week for striking John Anstess in the third



Daniel Motlop, right, with his cousin Marlon Motlop.

quarter, which resulted in Motlop being sent from the field against St Marys.

Wanderers have indicated they will not appeal the decision.

It is believed Motlop has already accumulated more than 10 suspensions across his AFL, SANFL, NTFL and River Murray Football League careers.

Under AFL policy, once a player reaches 16 weeks of suspension, they are automatically de-registered for 12 months before given the chance to appeal, which is only granted under

'exceptional circumstances'.

Motlop is a Larrakia footballer who played for North Melbourne and Port Adelaide in the AFL.

He booted 208 AFL goals before retiring at the end of 2011, and is one of a number of family members to have played in the elite level. He is the younger brother of North Melbourne and Melbourne player Shannon, the older brother of Geelong player Steven and the cousin of former Port Adelaide player Marlon.

# Austin Wonaeamerri signs with Thunder



AUSTIN Wonaeamerri has signed with the Northern Territory Thunder for the 2014 Australian football season.

Former Melbourne Demons star Wonaeamerri, 25, will play with NT Thunder for the third consecutive year after a consistent 2013 season which saw him take out the club's most courageous award and finish in the top 10 of the best and fairest.

He was elevated to the leadership group in 2013 due to his AFL experience and respect within the playing group despite being based on the Tiwi Islands.

Known for his silky skills, ability to carry the football and goal-kicking prowess, Wonaeamerri was also a member of the 2012 grand final team and will again form an integral part of the club's

success in 2014.

He was rookie listed by the Melbourne Demons in 2007 and debuted against Geelong in round three of the 2008 season when elevated to the main list.

Spending four years with the Demons, Wonaeamerri played 31 games, kicked 37 goals, picking up a Rising Star nomination in his debut year and represented the Indigenous All Stars in 2009 against the Adelaide Crows.

Thunder head coach Xavier Clarke said it was great news knowing that Wonaeamerri would line up in 2014.

"Aussie brings great leadership on and off the field and is a key part of our core group of players that brings experience," Clarke said.

"It's a credit to Aussie in choosing to stay and play for Thunder and I hope he has set the example for a lot of other Territory players."

Austin Wonaeamerri





# Idris makes new home at Panthers



LESS than a year after Penrith released Michael Jennings to the Sydney Roosters, the Panthers have found someone capable of filling the rugby league superstar centre's shoes – Jamal Idris.

In a shock move, Idris joined the Panthers from the Gold Coast last week for the next three NRL seasons.

It is a swap for fellow centre Brad Tighe, who has moved to the Titans on a two-year deal.

Idris, who was released by the Titans on compassionate grounds to be closer to his sick mother, joins Jamie Soward, Elijah Taylor, Brent Kite and Peter Wallace as high-profile off-season recruits at the foot of the mountains.

In a statement released by the Panthers, Gould could hardly contain his excitement at the signing of Idris.

"It is a major coup to recruit a player of such a high profile and tremendous ability," Gould said.

"Jamal will be a wonderful acquisition for Penrith on and off the field."

Idris will join New Zealand Test

representative Dean Whare in an impressive centre pairing for the Panthers.

But Idris' departure leaves the Titans' depth in the centres in question and his switch with Tighe was unlikely a straight swap.

"I'm not aware of their circumstances but they probably had to make a little bit of room (in the salary cap) to fit Jamal in," Titans coach John Cartwright told reporters.

Idris joined the Titans on a big money five-year deal in 2012, but made just 35 appearances in two years with his 2013 campaign coming to a premature end after he broke his leg in round 16.

The 23-year-old had last year begun to show glimpses of the form that saw him break into the NSW and Australian teams in 2010 and 2011, and earned him a recall to representative football with NSW Country last season.

Former Panthers premiership winner Cartwright gave an indication of what the Titans will be missing this year, and the Panthers gaining, when he paid a farewell tribute to his former player.

"He is a tremendous player and at his best he is as good as anyone in the game,"

Cartwright said.

Idris made a name for himself with Canterbury during a four-year stint after making his debut as a teenager in 2008.

After making his State of Origin debut for NSW in the 2010 series, he scored a try in his only Test for Australia the following year.

Idris said he'd struggled to live away from his family, particularly with his mother battling an illness.

"I've enjoyed my time here at the Titans and I'm grateful that the club has favourably considered my request for a release," he said.

"For personal reasons, I have decided it would be best to be closer to my family as my mum has been ill for the past year and it's been difficult living interstate."

Tighe, 29, has played 157 matches for the Panthers and Newcastle, and Cartwright said his arrival should ease the damage caused by Idris' departure.

Gould said Tighe had been one of his favourites.

"He is a truly wonderful person and we sincerely wish Brad and his family all the best with the next phase of his career," he said. — AAP



Jamal Idris

# Seize the moment

## RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

I have been involved in the planning of the event through my role with the NRL Indigenous Council and have also been part of the selection of the First Nations Goannas team.

I was impressed with the talent on display at the NSW and Murri Knockouts and I am certain the match will provide some of these players with the opportunity to have a crack at the NRL level.

I would like to place on record my personal appreciation of the continued support and critical role of Wayne Bennett in ensuring the success of this event as well as the initial All Stars concept.

I remember meeting with Wayne in Brisbane to discuss the proposed format game and I was a little intimidated by meeting him for the first time.

Within minutes any fears were put to rest.

### Critical

He was on board from the start and his involvement was critical in giving the concept credibility.

His continued commitment has been great and he has always gone above and beyond to promote the game and what it provides to Indigenous communities.

He involved himself in media activities and other promotions that was counter to some people's perception of him.

In many respects, he has been as important to Indigenous rugby league as Kevin Sheedy has been to Indigenous AFL.

If anybody was to question that, I simply have to point to the fact that as part of the Knights' preparation for the NRL season, he has committed his squad to the game against the Goannas to



NRL All Stars coach Wayne Bennett, left, and captain Benji Marshall at a press conference at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, last February after the game against the Indigenous All Stars. Bennett is coach of the Newcastle Knights team that will take on the First Nations Goannas at Hunter Stadium, Newcastle, on February 8.

ensure the festival has a pinnacle event.

This in itself is a great compliment to the Indigenous talent in the game.

The fact that Wayne recognises that many of these players have been overlooked or lost in the system and have the ability to compete at this level should give every player in the bush or running around in state leagues a sense of hope that their dreams are still alive.

I know the Goannas players I have spoken to are buzzing with excitement about the match and the other experiences they will have prior to the game itself.

The Festival of Indigenous Rugby League will take place in Newcastle in February with the week-long event to culminate in the clash between the First Nations Goannas and the Newcastle Knights.

This historic match will be played at Hunter Stadium on February 8.

The First Nations Goannas brings together a selection of 16

of the country's most talented 'non-elite' Indigenous players who dazzled selectors at the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout and the Queensland Murri Carnival.

The team will also star four current or former Indigenous NRL players who are yet to be announced.

The Indigenous stars will take on the Knights, with Wayne pledging to put forward a quality line-up for the inaugural event.

### Opportunity

Bennett believes the trial provides a great opportunity for young Indigenous players to compete against NRL players while also ensuring the momentum of the special celebration is continued.

"It is a privilege for Newcastle to host the Festival of Indigenous Rugby League," Bennett said.

"This game will form an important part of our pre-season as we get ready for season 2014."

The Knights are also eagerly

gearing up for their first game of 2014.

"We're all really excited to have the festival here in Newcastle and to get the chance to celebrate the importance of Indigenous culture in rugby league," Knights halfback Tyrone Roberts said.

"It's definitely something I'm looking forward to."

The official trial match promises to entertain as it provides a platform for both elite and non-elite players to shine.

The match day will also feature matches between the Queensland Indigenous women and NSW Indigenous women sides, and the Queensland Indigenous and NSW Indigenous under 16s prior to the main game.

The whole week will provide a community celebration that will keep the spirit of the All Stars alive.

I look forward to being involved and hope you all share my excitement.

I hope to see you there.



# Athlete or footballer?

## MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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ONE of the great things about the start of a new year is the knowledge that the AFL kick-off is just around the corner.

Like many fans, I am excited about the new competition and the challenges it will bring.

There will be huge expectations of my beloved Swans, and Buddy Franklin will be one of the most scrutinised athletes in Australian sport.

I use the term athlete because the changing nature of AFL with rules changes and increasingly scientific levels of training means that talent identification is just as much about athletic ability as it is about football talent.

Buddy is just as much an athlete as he is a footballer, but it will be interesting to see how he and others fare under the new replacement rules as interpreted by Chris Scott, which I will discuss later.

But there is no doubt that in signing Buddy, the Swans made a very good list exceptional with their stunning coup and their price to win the premiership shortened considerably as a result.

And why not?

Add a dual Coleman Medallist to one of the best midfields in the competition, alongside another massive problem for defenders in Kurt Tippett, and it is hard to see a more dangerous side in the competition.

Looking at every line, it is difficult to spot a weakness in

the Sydney side.

It would be stupid to claim the Swans are a lay down misère to win the flag in 2014, but unless something goes disastrously wrong, they should finish top four and that is all you need to do to give yourself a chance.

As well as watching Franklin's adjustment to Sydney, a lot of eyes will be on Adam Goodes and how he has recovered from an injury that brought a premature end to the 2013 season.

After enjoying a remarkable run with injury for most of his career, it appears as though luck may have finally caught up with Adam.

The veteran Swan missed the entire second half of last season with a knee injury and is only taking part in limited training drills in the pre-season.

All things considered, though, any games he plays this year will just be cream on the cake.

We all know Adam can still pull out some top-shelf performances, as he did against Collingwood in round nine.

The Swans will aim to ensure he is available to play in the finals, as much to send a champion off in style as for his contribution in the heat of battle.

Goodes and Franklin are supreme athletes, but even they may be tested by the new interchange cap.

I can understand that the

game always needs to evolve, but I hope that in making changes, we do not stray too far from the game's origins.

Footballers can be good athletes, but good athletes do not necessarily make good footballers.

I hope that in looking for athletic ability that we do not lose those players who have a natural feel for the game.

These are the players who have a special relationship with the fans and make the game what it is.

Geelong coach Chris Scott believes the introduction of the interchange cap will further shift the game in favour of the better-equipped aerobic athletes.

### 120 rotations

Teams will only be allowed to make 120 rotations a game this season as the AFL tries its best to ease congestion on the ground.

The Cats averaged 138 rotations a game in 2013 and Scott and his coaching staff are already looking at ways of getting around the rule for this season.

"We're thinking about it a lot," Scott said.

"There are some logical changes that you can make that should reduce your numbers pretty quickly.

"When the sub rule was implemented, we did a lot of talking and it wasn't really until we got to put it into practice that we were able to clearly

define what we needed to do.

"I suspect that it'll be the same with the cap.

"There'll be a lot of theorising and when we get to put it into practice, we'll make some hard and fast decisions about how we'll manage it."

Scott said he's already noticed a distinct difference in how the rule changes have affected the way teams are drafting and developing their players.

"It's undeniable that you need to be a better aerobic athlete these days. The rule-makers have dictated that the game should be played that way and we have no choice but to adapt," Scott said.

"Most clubs would be training for a more aerobic game and we still value the power and speed of the electrifying players in the game, but the rules have gone some way to blunting that a little bit.

"Hopefully, we'll come up with some ways to keep that excitement in the game."

And that to me is what it is all about.

Players like Goodes and Franklin are great footballers who provide the excitement that makes our game great.

We want to ensure that in looking at aerobic athletes, we do not miss the great potential.

Like you, I can't wait for the footy!

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

## Buddy helps Swans with Hawk talk



SYDNEY co-captain Jarrad McVeigh says star recruit Lance Franklin has delivered the Swans valuable insider information

from his nine Australian Football League (AFL) seasons at Hawthorn.

Franklin was signed on a nine-year \$10 million deal on the basis of his dazzling on-field exploits, but McVeigh said his words of wisdom at pre-season training had also made an impression.

"He's been fantastic," McVeigh said of Franklin on Friday.

"He's offering good opinions about the things he's seen at Hawthorn, because they're the best team at the moment,

"He has been sharing a few things they do, which we can bring into our training and into our games.

"He's made contributions about the way the game is being played, because Hawthorn has been at the forefront of the competition for a number of years.

"(He's talked about) the way players play different positions, and you have to do that now with the interchange cap (being introduced in the 2014 season)."

Dual Brownlow medallist Adam Goodes is still restricted by the knee injury that limited the veteran to 12 games last year and forced him to miss the Swans' 2013 finals campaign. But McVeigh expects this will change soon.

"He's flying at the moment," McVeigh said of Goodes, who ran laps on Friday.

"We've got a camp in a few weeks and I think he'll be coming back then, so he's going quite well at the moment.

"Being 34, it takes a bit longer but he doesn't do much pre-season anyway because he is so skilful and he knows how the game is played.

"I can't wait to see him back out on the field."

The Swans' first pre-season game of the year is against Greater Western Sydney on February 20 in Canberra, while the cross-city rivals start their premiership seasons with a derby clash on March 15. — AAP

Sydney Swans AFL player Lance Franklin takes part in pre-season training for the 2014 season in Sydney last month. *Picture: AAP*





# This Jett can fly!



Jett Bennett



Jett Bennett on the karting track.



**YOUNG** Jett Bennett declares that one day he wants to be a Formula 1 racing driver.

The Gamilaroi Year 8 Windsor High School student is off to a flying start in his quest to make it to the top in motor sport.

Karting is at the beginning of such a journey and Jett is making every post a winner as he burns up tracks around NSW and Victoria.

His approach to karting is slick – he already has his own website – and has attracted major sponsorship.

Jett started kart racing at the age of seven and in his very first race finished second.

The sport quickly became a passion and now Jett races most weekends.

He is well known in karting and has established himself at the top of the time sheets in the Junior division.

During his six years of karting, Jett has won many major races and series and club championships.

## Fitness regime

Kart drivers experience G-force power, so to counter this, Jett keeps fit. He trains three times a week with a mixed martial arts instructor and has a cardio training regime and regularly attends boot camp.

He also has specific daily exercises for racing and he's learning to juggle to refine his reflexes.

Jett's short-term goal is to compete in the full 2014 Commission Internationale de Karting (CIK) Australian Stars of Karting with the Australian factory Kosmic Racing Team.

Kosmic is seen to be the pinnacle in karting with Jett being the only junior driver to be chosen in 2014.

Jett will be the first Aboriginal to represent Australia in karting when he contests a European World Series karting event in Italy in November.

In the medium term, he aims to compete at the highest level of karting, the CIK and Pro Tour until he turns 16, where he hopes to transition into cars.

He wants to race in open wheelers and hopes one day to race in Europe and be the

first Indigenous Australian to race cars professionally and internationally.

His long-term goal is to be the first Indigenous Australian to race in Formula 1.

Jett's Gamilaroi links are through his father Greg, who grew up at Baradine, in north-western NSW.

## Role model

Jett wants to be a role model to the Aboriginal community, in particular he wants to be a role model to Aboriginal youth for healthy eating, fitness, school attendance, academic and sporting achievements.

Jett has a social media profile and is on twitter jettbennett4 and has his own website [www.jettbennett.com.au](http://www.jettbennett.com.au)

# Kyara burns up the track



**MEET** Kyara O'Brien, an eight-year-old Yorta Yorta girl in a hurry. The Kariang (NSW Central Coast) youngster has just finished her first year in motocross and she seems revved up for more success.

She has already notched wins and placings at club, interclub and state levels.

Her achievements include winning the Dirt X Junior Girls Series 2013 at Baulkham Hills, winning the Dirt X C grade 50cc title at Baulkham Hills, and being the most improved girl rider in the 2013 junior trails Miniclub.

She competed in the State Minikhana titles and

finished with a win and second in minicross and received a series of medals for finishing first and second in other trail events.

Kyara finished second overall in the 2013 Sutherland regional interclub championship and throughout the year finished first, second, and third at club, interclub and other motocross events.

Her small army of supporters say this is a huge achievement for such a young Koori girl.

Kyara began riding motorcycles when she was just three years old – her first bike being a pee-wee with trainer wheels.

She began riding at club level at the age of four. Kyara attends Kariang Primary School.



Kyara O'Brien



Kyara in action on her motorcycle.

Chad Reed



# Reed off to flying start



**AUSTRALIAN** motocross rider Chad Reed has finished third in his opening race on the US AMA Supercross 450SX series in the United States.

Reed, one of Australia's highest paid sportsmen, has switched from Honda to Kawasaki.

The opening round was at Angel Stadium, Anaheim, California, in front of 45,000 fans. There are 17 rounds of the

series.

The next race was to be last Sunday (Australian time) in Phoenix, Arizona, then it's back to Anaheim on January 18.

Other races will be in Oakland (California), San Diego (California), Arlington (Texas), Atlanta (Georgia), Indianapolis (Illinois), Daytona (Florida), Detroit (Michigan), Toronto (Canada), St Louis (Missouri), Houston (Texas), Seattle (Washington), East Rutherford (New Jersey) and ending in Las Vegas (Nevada) on May 3.



# Barty's Mt Everest



Ashleigh Barty Picture: Getty



AT first glance, it was a horror Australian Open draw for the Australians. On closer inspection, it's even worse.

The nation's brightest youngest tennis prospects, Ashleigh Barty and Bernard Tomic had the nightmare of facing world No 1s Serena Williams and Rafael Nadal in the opening round.

That alone was enough to make tournament director and Tennis Australia chief executive Craig Tiley instantly squirm.

"There was a hole in my seat I was going to fall through," Tiley told reporters after last Friday's draw in Melbourne.

But Australia's second-ranked player Casey Dellacqua said her 17-year-old doubles partner Barty should consider her first-round clash with all-conquering Williams an opportunity.

"What an experience for Ash to be able to play the No 1 in the world in Australia, in her backyard," she said.

Barty's preparation for the 2014 Australian Open was thrown into disarray after the rising young Indigenous tennis star pulled out of two lead-up tournaments.

The Queenslander teenager set-up a Brisbane International second round clash with the Russian superstar Maria Sharapova after claiming arguably the biggest win of her brief career with a 6-3 7-5 victory over former world No 5 Daniel Hantuchova at Pat Rafter Arena on December 30.

But the next day she announced she was pulling out of the tournament because

of a left adductor muscle tear that would force her to also miss the Hobart International.

She said she remained hopeful of being fit enough to play in the Australian Open.

Barty was scheduled to play world No 4 Maria Sharapova in Brisbane after claiming an upset first round win over veteran Daniela Hantuchukova.

Barty said she had opted to withdraw from her hometown event despite the lure of taking on four-times Grand Slam winner Sharapova in the hope of being fit for the Open in Melbourne.

"It's a tough decision, but a smart one that we had to make," Barty said.

"It's pretty much just I need give myself, my body, 10 to 12 days to recover and hopefully be right for the Australian Open.

"From the medical advice that I received, I should be fine."

## Stayed at home

Barty remained in Brisbane after the injury before heading to Melbourne to prepare for the opening Grand Slam of the year.

Barty said that despite her injury, if she plays at the Australian Open she still intends to compete in the singles and doubles alongside West Australian Casey Dellacqua.

Barty and Dellacqua reached three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013, including at the Australian Open.

The teenager admitted she and coach Jason Stoltenberg had contemplated pushing through the pain barrier for the

experience of playing Sharapova but decided withdrawing was the only option in the end.

"It's not every week you get opportunities like this to play against the best players in the world," she said.

"Of course it was a little bit in me and also Jase, my coach, as well. We really wanted to go out and have a go.

"Unfortunately, I would just make it worse, and that's just no way to go out and play a tennis match really."

Sharapova meanwhile hailed Barty as a future star of tennis.

Sharapova, who famously won Wimbledon at the age of 17 in 2004, said while she had only seen a little of Barty's play, her three Grand Slam finals doubles appearances alongside Casey Dellacqua last year marked her as a special talent.

Barty was playing in just her 15th main draw match in a top level singles tournament against Hantuchova, who had played more than 770 top-tier singles clashes in her career.

But for the first time in eight attempts, Barty overcame a top-50 ranked opponent.

"I was never much of a doubles player, so I consider it pretty amazing what she's been able to do at her age," Sharapova said.

"She is another future star and someone that I've seen grow up from the juniors and now on to the tour.

Barty, just eight when Sharapova was winning her maiden Grand Slam as a teenager, admitted she hadn't watched that 2004 win. — AAP and other sources

# Thaiday steps aside



BRISBANE have confirmed veteran forward Corey Parker and centre Justin Hodges will be the National

Rugby League (NRL) club's new co-captains following Sam Thaiday's decision to relinquish the role.

Parker and Hodges were unveiled on Friday just over two hours after Thaiday revealed he'd decided to step down as captain under pressure from coach Anthony Griffin.

Thaiday, who captained the Broncos for the past two seasons following Darren Lockyer's retirement in 2011, was told by Griffin following Australia's World Cup campaign that the captaincy was affecting his playing form.

The Queensland and Australian front-rower said he fought to retain the role, but had reluctantly accepted it was the best move for the club to step down.

"The coach's thoughts were that it would be best for myself, and the team, and I play my best football when I don't have the added responsibility of being the Broncos' captain," he said.

"I'm 100 per cent behind the team and what we're doing in the 2014 season ... This decision, even though it's probably one of the toughest ones I've had to make in my footballing career, has been made to benefit the team and, myself being a team man, I'm



Sam Thaiday scored for Queensland during last season's State of Origin matches. Picture: NRL

always trying to put the team first."

Parker, 31, is coming off a brilliant 2013 when he regained a spot in the Queensland State of Origin team and earned a spot in Australia's World Cup-winning squad.

Hodges, also 31, is recovering from an achilles tendon injury and Parker says he is happy to share the role.

"One of Hodgo's greatest traits is he's got a lot of followers who want to follow us," he said.

"I think between the two of us, we'll do a good job."

## Interests of club

Griffin said he had to deliver his thoughts to Thaiday in the best interests of the club.

"My role is not to always tell people what they want to hear," he said.

"By not addressing what I see as

a coach, I'm not helping the player. Sam's going to be a more consistent and relaxed player without those responsibilities."

Thaiday said he would remain committed to the Broncos despite losing the captaincy.

"This is my 11th season at the club," he said.

"I'm contracted here until 2015 and I have every intention to re-negotiate with the club and stay here.

"It's a decision that I've made and I'm looking forward to getting back to playing the best football I can."

Thaiday is banking on a permanent return to his preferred back-row position to help spark a Brisbane National Rugby League (NRL) revival this year.

Thaiday was a somewhat reluctant fixture in the Broncos front row through much of their

disappointing 2013 season due to injuries and a lack of depth in their squad.

But with the Broncos bolstering their prop stocks for this year, Thaiday is eagerly awaiting a move back to the second row, where he has made his name through much of his 11 seasons at Red Hill and where has represented Queensland and Australia.

"I hope so ... I really do miss playing in the back row," Thaiday said.

"It just gives you a little bit more freedom and the opportunity to be more of a ball player which is something I like to do.

"Just to get away from playing straight up and down the field ... It is a role I have played in the past but hopefully with the changes that have been made at the Broncos for this season, I will be playing a bit wider."

Thaiday's plight last year summed up Brisbane's season as they struggled from start to finish and failed to qualify for the finals for just the second time in 21 years.

The 28-year-old was explosive on the edges as Queensland claimed an unprecedented eighth straight State of Origin series win, but at club level he was asked to ply his trade up the middle.

He struggled for impact at times and Brisbane missed his ability to challenge the defensive line out wide, but he was still one of the Broncos' best players alongside Corey Parker and Justin Hodges.

— AAP

## Fifita ponders code switch

CRONULLA rugby league prop Andrew Fifita is reportedly considering a switch to rugby union.

An Australian Rugby Union spokeswoman confirmed to the *Daily Telegraph* that Fifita met Wallabies coach Ewen McKenzie in December, although she could not say whether things would move beyond that meeting.

The newspaper reported that the 24-year-old had also recently changed management, and was now working with Sutherland Shire accountant Greg Willett, who also manages McKenzie.

Willett also attended the weekend meeting, but would not detail what was said.

Fifita had a remarkable rise last year, making his NSW Origin debut in June and then featuring in the Kangaroos' successful World Cup campaign.

— AAP



# Mundine's detour



ANTHONY Mundine's journey to become the world's greatest fighter in his weight division appears to have taken a detour as he takes on little-known Carson Jones in Brisbane on January 29.

Light-middleweight Jones has a US ranking of 13 and a world ranking of 25.

He has won 35 fights (25 by knockout), lost 10 (three by knockout) and drawn three.

He will take on Mundine at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre at Boondall in a fight that doesn't appear will do much to boost Mundine's prospects for a world title shot at the likes of Floyd Mayweather Jr.

After stopping highly-rated veteran American Shane Mosley in Sydney last November, Mundine declared he wanted to take on the world's best and would chart a course that would take him in that direction.

Mundine was ahead on the scorecard of all three judges when Mosley failed to answer the bell at the start of the seventh round.

His previous fight was a points loss to Daniel Geale at the Sydney Entertainment Centre on January 30 last year for the IBF world middleweight title.

## Won 45 fights

Mundine has won 45 fights, 27 by KO, lost 5 (two by KO) and drawn none.

Carson Jones, 27, is an orthodox light-middleweight from Oklahoma City.

The Mundine-Jones fight will be a super welterweight encounter.

Boxo Promotions said that after a 'sensational' TKO victory over 'Sugar' Shane Mosley, it was building momentum to chase the world's best fighters in the 154 pound division throughout 2014.

"Whilst other options within the top 10 had significantly out-priced themselves, Carson Jones offers the best possible opportunity within a tight timeframe to prepare for the January 29 show at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre, Australia," Boxa Promotions said.

Mundine said on Facebook on December 31 that 'we (are) close to naming an opponent for Jan 29'.

## Bennett pledges 'fair dinkum' league match

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boys' teams and Queensland and NSW Indigenous women's teams prior to the Knights-Goannas match.

Festival activities highlights:

● Monday, February 3: NRL Indigenous Players Camp starts; First Nations Goannas arrive into camp.

● Tuesday, February 4: First Nations Goannas training; team photo; personal development workshop.

● Wednesday, February 5: Community and school visits.

● Thursday, February 6: Training and workshops for the First Nations Goannas and Indigenous women's teams.

● Friday, February 7: Community Festival; Murriss v Koori Interstate Challenge (7pm).

● Saturday, February 8: Hunter Stadium, gates open 3pm; 3.15pm, Queensland Indigenous Women v NSW Indigenous Women; 4.50pm, Queensland Indigenous under 16 v NSW Indigenous under 16; 7pm, Newcastle Knights v First Nations Goannas.

"Had heaps of good names out-price themselves, but the goal is to stay active and have world title shot in 2014," he said.

"Then go after the best... which I'd fight now, but the big names call the shots! We need to checkmate em when we get the WBA 154p championship."

Meanwhile, following Mundine's win over Shane Mosley, the Australian now ranks in the top ten in the world on major boxing websites.

According to reputable site Boxrec.com, Mundine is ranked the No 7 light-middleweight in the world, and sits at fifth according to fightnews.com.

International Boxing Federation (IBF) light-middleweight champion Carlos Molina is considered one of the best fighters in the world, and there are rumours that the Mundine camp is negotiating a world title bout with him.

Such a fight could shorten his journey towards a tilt at the likes of Mexican superstar Canelo Alvarez and ring legend Floyd Mayweather Jr.



Anthony Mundine, left, and Daniel Geale during their IBF world middleweight title fight last January in Sydney. Geale won on points. Picture by Joseph Mayers

## 'Keep busy' fight for Geale



DANIEL Geale will step back into the ring on February 19 for a non-title fight with Australian Garth Wood.

Geale, 32, is using the fight to 'keep busy' as he builds up for a possible challenge to World Boxing Association (WBA) world champion Gennady Golovkin (Kazakhstan) in April or May.

There appears to be some doubt if that fight will come off, but Geale's promoter, Gary Shaw, is continuing negotiations.

The Geale-Wood bout will be at the Horden Pavilion, Sydney.

Geale and Wood were sparring partners just a few weeks ago as Wood prepared for a world title shot.

But Wood's fight against WBA interim champion Martin Murray was cancelled.

Wood, 35 (12-3-1, 8 KOs) has a high opinion of Geale, the former International Boxing Federation (IBF)

middleweight champion.

"Daniel is the best fighter to come out of Australia in 20 years with what he has done, going overseas and beating the champions on their turf," Wood told the *Daily Telegraph*.

"And even though Murray being cancelled was a disappointment I believe everything happens for a reason and it has led me to this, my biggest fight by far, and deservedly so."

Wood will be the underdog against Geale (29-2).

Geale said negotiating in securing world title fights could be frustrating.

"It takes a long time to negotiate," he said. "It can be very frustrating, and I want to keep busy and this came up. It's part of what we're trying to do now, which is to stay active."

Having sparred with Wood, Geale knows a bit about his next opponent, and is treating him with caution.

"Every fighter is dangerous and always dangerous in their own way," Geale

told the *Telegraph*.

"Garth has got that puncher's ability and he has got that strength."

"I just can't relax with him. I know if I use my skills and box the way I know I can, then I will be okay."

"But he can definitely be dangerous."

Wood stunned the boxing world when as a virtual novice, he knocked out Anthony Mundine.

Mundine beat Wood in a rematch.

"The role I'm playing is the underdog and that's exactly how I want it," Wood said ahead of his fight with Geale.

The fight will be Geale's first since his 12-round split decision defeat at the hands of Darren Barker last August.

Geale had the chance to fight Golovkin last year, but instead he vacated his WBA super world middleweight title that he had won from Felix Sturm in September 2012. That was because he chose to fight Anthony Mundine in an all-Australian clash last January.

## Sam makes successful ring debut



SAM Thaiday gave away 31kg and six years to Chiefs rugby union prop Ben

Tameifuna in a charity boxing match in Auckland, New Zealand, last month.

But the Brisbane Broncos prop forward came away with a points win in the three-rounder.

Fellow Kangaroos and rugby league hardman Paul Gallen showed again he may have a future in the ring after his playing days are over as he defeated All Blacks loose

forward Liam Messam in another match-up on the same card.

Gallen, who four-time world champion Danny Green believes could make the grade as a professional boxer, won a split decision against Messam over three two-minute rounds.

Rugby league also won the second battle of the codes bout with Gallen and Thaiday beating their rugby union opponents.

Last year 32-year-old Gallen easily dispatched former All Black Hika Elliot at the Fight for Life event, but found things tougher going against Messam

who had beaten Wendell Sailor in 2011.

The 29-year-old All Black found it hard to tag the Australian until the final round when a right hand found its mark to rock the Cronulla captain.

But Gallen steered clear of the knockout punch Messam needed to win the bout after the flanker was outpointed in the opening two rounds.

"He keeps coming forward ... I couldn't really hit him," Messam said.

The fight was the showcase of the event, raising funds for

children's charity KidsCan, but earlier Kangaroos international Thaiday gave away more than 31kg and six years to Tameifuna, who had broken the jaw of a sparring partner in training.

The 28-year-old Broncos forward avoided that fate and the judges ruled unanimously in his favour despite being caught by some stinging shots from the 144kg Tameifuna.

"It's the toughest thing I've ever done and I have a new-found respect for boxers," the rugby league World Cup winner said. — AAP



professional ranks. The unbeaten Moree junior-middleweight

is eyeing a fight with the winner of the Australian title fight on February 21 between Brisbane's Shannon King and Sam Ah See in Orange, NSW.

Hammond will fight on the January 29 Anthony Mundine-Carson Jones undercard in Brisbane against an opponent to be named.

He has had six professional fights, winning

all of them — three inside the distance.

Before turning professional, he had an amateur career that took him to the 2012 London Olympics and the 2010 Delhi Commonwealth Games.

Website BoxRec has Hamond ranked 12 light-middleweight in Australia and 331 globally.





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young age**  
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## Rookies get taste of the Big Bash

BBL community rookie signings, from left, Ben Abbatangelo, Ryan Lees and Hayden Collard at a BBL breakfast launch at West Beach Bathers Pavilion, Melbourne, on December 18.  
Picture: Getty



VICTORIAN Imparja Cup captain Ben Abbatangelo has joined West Australian Hayden Collard and Tasmanian Ryan Lees as community rookies with Big Bash League (BBL) cricket teams.

Throw in contracted stars Josh Lalor (Sydney Sixers) and Dan Christian (Brisbane Heat) and the 2014 BBL season will feature five Indigenous players.

Fans probably won't see much of the community rookies on the field, but they will be very much part of the scene at Big Bash matches, savouring the atmosphere

of the teams' dressing rooms and rubbing shoulders with some of cricket's biggest names.

Abbatangelo was announced as the Melbourne Stars' community rookie at an Indigenous family day at Casey Fields, Melbourne.

The 20-year-old is training with the Stars and is gaining access to the club's world-class coaches and support staff.

The Stars have bolstered the Cricket Australia community contract to create a 12-month Indigenous scholarship to continue Abbatangelo's development post-season.

The Northcote batsman has enjoyed a

strong start to the Melbourne Premier Cricket season, notching 180 runs in the Dragons' First XI.

He has played three seasons of Victorian District Cricket, debuting as a 17-year-old; has captained a half a dozen games this season and is the second youngest Northcote captain in the club's history; has had four seasons with Victoria's Imparja side – the last three as captain, and was in the Victorian under 19 team at the 2011-12 national carnival in Adelaide.

"I still have plenty of cricket development ahead of me," he said.

"This is an absolute privilege to get this

opportunity with the Stars. It's a great chance to fast-track my cricket."

Abbatangelo said he was keen to play as much cricket as possible in the next 12 to 18 months and that included playing in English conditions.

"I love playing in the Imparja Cup," he said. It's great chance for our young group to have a crack at the title. We think we can make a real push for the title."

Abbatangelo has been getting a lot of starts at district level, and now he looking to finish his season converting 20s and 30s into a couple of big scores.

He is from the Yorta Yorta country around Shepparton.

## Bennett's pledge ahead of historic Newcastle game

# 'We're fair dinkum'



NEWCASTLE rugby league coach Wayne Bennett says his players won't hold back when his team takes on the Indigenous Goannas rugby league side at Hunter Stadium, Newcastle, next month.

On Saturday, February 8, the National Rugby League (NRL) Knights will come up against a team made up of the best

non-elite Indigenous players in Australia.

Laurie Daley will coach the non-elite Indigenous team in a match that will mark the culmination of a week-long celebration in Newcastle of Indigenous rugby league.

The Goannas team will also star four current or former Indigenous NRL players who are yet to be announced.

Bennett has pledged to put forward a quality line-up

## Ticket prices – where to buy

General admission tickets: adults \$18, children \$8, family \$45.  
Reserved: adults \$25, children \$15, family \$65.

Tickets can be purchased at Ticketmaster: <http://www.ticketmaster.com.au/Indigenous-Festival-of-NRL-Newcastle-tickets/artist/1952132>

for the inaugural event.

He believes the trial provides a great opportunity for young Indigenous players to compete against NRL players while also

ensuring the momentum of the special celebration is continued.

"It is a privilege for Newcastle to host the Festival of Indigenous Rugby League," Bennett said.

"This game will form an important part of our pre-season as we get ready for season 2014."

The festival will run in place of the traditional Rugby League All Stars which is being 'rested' in 2014 post-World Cup.

The festival will feature extensive community activities, as well as a Murri v Koori match and curtain-raiser games between the Queensland and NSW under 16

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