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Pictured right: Erub (Torres Strait) artist Florence Gutchen with one of her creations.

Picture by Mahala Strohfeldt



# Our kids are



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander children continue to be over-represented in child protection orders, where a report of neglect or abuse has been substantiated by authorities.

And the head of the peak body for Indigenous children believes until responsibility for Indigenous programs is in Indigenous hands, the situation will not get any better.

Following the release of a report by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

(AIHW) into child protection, Frank Hytten, chief executive officer of the Secretariat of National Aboriginal Islander Child Care (SNAICC), told the Koori Mail that the best way to get better results for Indigenous children was to follow the Aboriginal community-controlled health model.

"The best thing for Aboriginal services is for them to be locally driven, by the community, who is best-placed to know what is needed,

"There will be some mistakes, true, but

government makes mistakes too, and we shouldn't let fear of making mistakes stop us from doing what needs to be done.

The AIHW report found that in 2012-13 Indigenous children were eight times more likely (45.3 per 1000) to be the subject of a child protection order than other children.

Children from areas of lowest socioeconomic status made up 42% of the subjects of substantiations.

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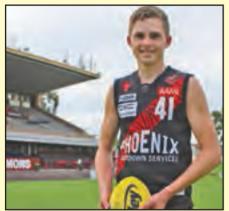
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## INSIDE MY FAMILY MARY DANIEL – Leichhardt, Sydney



ERE I am at the NAIDOC in the City event at Hyde Park in central Sydney. I'm with my son Thomas, his girlfriend Emma, and their child - and my granddaughter - Layla.

I've got both Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal heritage in the family. My father hailed from Yam Island in the central Torres Strait, while my mother is from Erub (Darnley Island), in the eastern **Torres Strait.** 

I've got five brothers and two sisters and we spent our young years living around central Queensland.

I've been living in Sydney now for about 20 years. I'm a mother of seven four boys and three girls.

Education is a vitally important part of my life. There's a saying I like to quote - "People perish through lack of knowledge" – and I tell my children and grandkids just that.

I'm now studying cultural art at the TAFE Eora Centre in Sydney and hope to be able to use what I have learned to move into a good job.

Right now I make jewellery and sell it at the local Indigenous markets. That's what I was doing at the NAIDOC day in

I also dabble in art, and hope that will lead to something bigger in the future.

Layla is Thomas and Emma's first child. Thomas has been laid off recently and he's looking for more work in the warehousing field.

I'd love to get back home to the Torres Strait and to see my mum in Mackay, central Queensland, but things are a bit tough at the moment, so I'll have to wait and see what happens.

I'm a Christian woman and find great comfort in my faith. I believe there are better things just around the corner.

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## **OUR CHILDREN**



MARZANA Churchill, Katherine Mosquito, Jacqui Copley, Jhonessiha Gallagher and Melinda Echo, from Warmun in the Kimberley region of Western Australia, were in Melbourne on a Two Way Cultural Exchange Leadership Program. They are pictured here having a yarn on 3KND Koori Radio at the launch of the new Melbourne Magistrates' Koori Court. Picture by Jillian Mundy

New court launched. See report page 11.

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## Arnhem Land mob cleans up

THE work of the Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation and the Dhimurru Rangers in Arnhem Land was recognised last week when

Nhulunbuy was named the overall winner in the Keep Australia Beautiful, Australian Clean Beaches Awards 2014 at Currumbin, Queensland.

Nhulunbuy is on the traditional lands of the Yolngu people and has about 4000 residents.

Locals, including the Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation and the Dhimurru Rangers, have taken on responsibility for managing the huge amount of beach litter, including lost fishing nets and marine debris, that washes up on the beaches of Cape Arnhem.

Australian Clean Beaches judge Averil Bones said Nhulunbuy also won the Dame Phyllis Frost Litter Prevention Award. "The commitment and determination of the residents to take on such a huge litter challenge, and their success in maintaining an active program of litter collection under such extreme circumstances, in particular remoteness, scale and climate, is truly inspiring," she

Keep Australia Beautiful Council NT chief executive Heimo Schober said the actions of the Dhimurru Rangers increased regional pride and



esteem and created opportunities for Indigenous tourism promotion in the region.

"The Dhimurru Rangers are strongly connected to the local beach environment as were their

forefathers thousands of years before them," he said. "We are so proud that they

have been recognised and acknowledged for their contribution towards coast care.'

## Burial site on radar



A TEAM of scientists from the University of the Sunshine Coast (USC) has been using high-tech radar equipment

to help Butchulla traditional owners in the search for a century-old Aboriginal burial ground on K'gari (Fraser Island).

USC soil scientist Peter Davies said his research team would use ground-penetrating radar (GPR) to assist Elders, the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service, South Pacific Strategic Solutions, and Fauna and Flora International (Australia) in their bid to determine the exact location of the burial site.

The Bogimbah Creek mission was established on the west coast of K'gari in 1897, but appalling conditions caused the deaths of more than 100 Aboriginal people from illness and malnutrition.

The mission was abandoned in 1904, but the location of the burial site was never marked and was lost to history.

Earlier this year, representatives from the Fraser Island World Heritage Area



Scientists are using ground-penetrating radar on K'gari (Fraser Island) in the hope of finding an Aboriginal burial ground.

Indigenous Advisory Committee approached Mr Davies to ask for assistance in locating the area.

"We will work with them using the GPR, to develop 3-D images of what lies below the ground," he said.

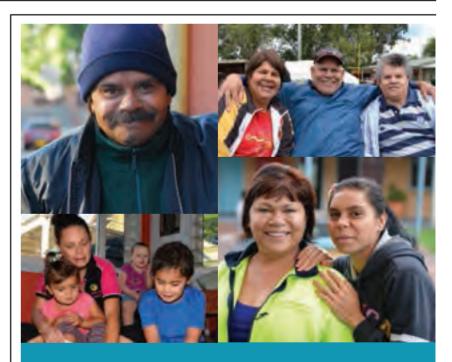
"The GPR is the ideal instrument to locate disturbed ground, human remains and artefacts and has been previously used in locating Indigenous burial sites up to 20,000 years old.'

Mr Davies and USC science and engineering lecturer Dr Adrian McCullum are working

with visiting coastal geologist and geophysicist Dr Allen Gontz, from the University of Massachusetts in the US city of Boston (UMB), on the project.

Mr Davies said Dr Gontz had previously worked with other traditional owners in NSW.

"The USC and UMB team is really looking forward to providing assistance to the K'gari community in such a worthwhile and important project, and to shed some light on a fairly notorious part of the island's history," Mr Davies said. - With AAP



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## It's Stronger than Fiction



THE second annual Stronger than Fiction documentary film festival will

host the world premiere of Message from Mungo, a feature-length documentary from Canberra filmmakers **Andrew Pike and Ann McGrath** that charts the conflict that erupts between scientists and Indigenous people after the discovery of 40,000-year-old human remains at Lake Mungo, in south-western NSW.

The festival will also feature a double bill of two outstanding films by Indigenous filmmakers: Buckskin, the award-winning first film of Dylan McDonald (the son of Samson and **Delilah director Warwick** Thornton); and Big Name, No Blanket, about charismatic Warumpi band front man George Rrurrambu, directed by Redfern Now writer Steven McGregor. Mr McGregor will attend the

festival and be interviewed by ABC Canberra's Alex Sloan after the screening.

The Stronger than Fiction documentary film festival runs from tomorrow (July 31) to this Sunday (August 3) at the Palace Electric Cinema in Canberra

It will open with a gala night hosted by Australian documentary filmmaker Bob Connolly, best known for Mrs Carey's Concert.

Its line-up of award-winning documentaries from France to Bangladesh aims to provoke thought, inspire discussion and embrace a diversity of

For the full program and more information, visit strongerthanfictiondocs.com

Tickets are available at the Palace Electric box-office or online at www.palacecinemas.com.au

Pictured: Jack Buckskin in the first film of Aboriginal filmmaker Dylan McDonald, Buckskin.



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## Plan to save historic film



THOUSANDS of videos, audio tapes and photographs from remote Aboriginal communities will

be lost forever if they continue deteriorating in the dusty and humid conditions where they are being kept on country.

Indigenous media organisations are now taking steps to develop a national strategy to deal with the urgent challenge of protecting culturally significant audio-visual material, which dates back to the early 1980s.

A meeting of Indigenous and archival experts in Alice Springs recently recognised the importance of local management of these remote collections, which record significant cultural songs and performance, sites, community events, stories and oral histories in language.

The Warlpiri Media Archive, at Yuendumu, has been recognised as a nationally significant collection, but its thousands of VHS tapes are deteriorating rapidly.

The collection at the Central Australian Aboriginal Media Association (CAAMA) in Alice Springs contains more than 50.000 hours of video recordings dating back to the early 1980s.

The meeting at the Strehlow Research Centre included expert representatives from the National Film and Sound Archive (NFSA), the Australian Institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), Northern Territory Library, Ara Irititja, Strehlow Research Centre, University of Melbourne and remote Indigenous media organisations PAW Media, Ngaanyatjarra Media, PAKAM and TEABBA.

PAW Media archive officer Simon Japangardi Fisher described the importance of cultural ownership and community control over these collections.

#### "Keeping place"

"This is the keeping place for a lot of important stories and history for our communities," he

"It's got a lot of cultural stories and recordings from both men's and women's side. It also has images of people who have passed away.

"People trust us to look after it the right way. We are the custodians. This is an important

The group discussed topics such as cataloguing standards, community access software,

digital format standards, training and employment and Cloud

They recognised that local management of remote collections provides culturallybased employment and that enhancing the support for remote collections will create jobs growth as well as preserving collections that contribute to Australia's national cultural heritage.

The Indigenous Remote **Communications Association** (IRCA) has now partnered with national cultural institutions and existing archive projects to develop a national strategy to preserve the collections and to make appropriate materials available for community access.

A key outcome of the Alice Springs meeting was an agreement to develop an accord for remote Indigenous media collections between IRCA, remote Indigenous media organisations, and national and territory/state cultural institutions. It will establish partnerships, collaboration and resourcing plans to support the national strategy.

The national strategy will be developed over the coming months with a draft expected in September.

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**Detail from the winning** artwork showing Nicky Winmar's famous gesture.

## \$100,000 prize to Albert



ABORIGINAL artist Tony Albert has won the \$100,000 Basil Sellers Art Prize for his work Once Upon a Time... which explores racism and attempts to address it in sport.

The Basil Sellers Art Prize is a contemporary art award and exhibition that focuses on 'art and sport' and has been staged at the Ian Potter Museum of Art, University of Melbourne, every second year since the first in 2008.

Albert's winning work consists of a painted target over which are hung 23 small framed works comprising watercolours on paper, photographs and collage, and small vignettes made of found objects - toys, blocks and

It includes images of famous Aboriginal footballers, including Nicky Winmar, Adam Goodes and Michael Long, and phrases, including 'racism has no place in sport' and '18C racial vilification is not freedom of speech'. It also explores the racism behind calling someone an ape, with motifs of different species



Tony Albert's award-winning work.

of apes, some with pictures of Goodes super-imposed over them.

The work is introduced by a typed letter by Albert to fellow Indigenous artist Gordon Bennett that pays tribute to Bennett's important contribution and influence on Albert's work, and acknowledges the elder artist's sustained championing of Indigenous rights and stand against racism.

In 2010 Albert was so affected by an incident in which a high-profile football coach referred to

an Aboriginal player as a "black c@#\$" that he wrote to his hero Bennett, praising him for his vigilance against racism in his art and explaining the profound and life-changing effects it had on him as a young man.

"When I heard about the Basil Sellers prize this year, I was reminded about an incident very recently, in AFL, about Adam Goodes and him being called an ape," Albert said.

"I felt that the prize would be a great opportunity to explore that issue further.

"In the initial instigation of this work I thought back about the Nicky Winmar incident, which is embedded in my head. I remember watching it on TV as a child. It was such a significant moment.

Albert said the incident last year in which Goodes was racially abused made him question how far Australia, as a society, has come – and where we still need to go.

'This is a really great area where a dialogue can be created and reach a broader audience." he said.

The exhibition runs at the Ian Potter Museum of Art until October 26.

## United bid to stop rising HIV rates

By RACHAEL HOCKING



YORTA Yorta woman Michelle Tobin believes the only way to overcome the stigma and culture of shaming surrounding HIV is to talk about it.

Ms Tobin, who chairs the Anwernekenhe National HIV Alliance and speaks openly about her HIV positive status, was one of hundreds of Indigenous experts, Elders and youth who united to fight rising HIV rates in their communities at the AIDS 2014 conference in Melbourne last week.

Ms Tobin, who has endured discrimination from some family members and health professionals, said the culture of shaming is debilitating.

"We find it hard to come out because of the judgment that gets past around, and the fear," Ms Tobin said.

"Fear that comes from not understanding what HIV is and thinking they're going to contract it just by talking to you or drinking out of the same cup.'

Djamabanna Ngargee Birrarung Marr, the AIDS 2014 Indigenous Peoples Networking Zone, saw Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and international organisations come together to tackle AIDS and HIV through a series of working groups and yarning circles.

Associate professor from the Baker IDI institute James Ward, a plenary speaker at the conference, said higher risk factors in Indigenous community meant that infection rates were rising.

"Proportionally, the number of cases diagnosed in the Aboriginal and TSI population is higher among people who inject drugs, women and heterosexual people compared to the non-Indigenous population," he said.

Despite being a life-changing illness, people diagnosed with HIV are currently excluded from the Close the Gap medication benefits, something Assoc Prof Ward said he and others were working towards changing.

Assoc Prof Ward said myths, including



Robert McGuinness and Destiny Haz Arrived at Djamabanna Ngargee Birrarung Marr, the AIDS 2014 Indigenous Peoples Networking Zone, in Melbourne last week.

HIV being a "gay man's disease", stop people from understanding that it "affects everyone and is everyone's problem".

He pointed out that while in the non-Indigenous community 80% of HIV cases are gay men, there is a 50/50 HIV infection split between gay and heterosexual people in Indigenous people.

Youth group ANTHYM - the Aboriginal Nations Torres Strait Islander HIV Youth Mob – is fighting the stigma by promoting conversations around safe sex and safe injecting practices.

During the week members assisted in

the launch of the Deadly Sexy Health Toolkit, a resource designed by Victorian sexual health workers to educate communities about sexually transmitted infections and blood-borne viruses.

Prof Ward said youth groups such as ANTHYM were instrumental in raising awareness on the way to finding a cure

The campaign will accelerate with the rollout of a national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander HIV/AIDS awareness week in December, to coincide with World AIDS Day on December 1.

## Plan calls for action

CALL to action to step up the pace Aresponding to HIV in Aboriginal and **Torres Strait Islander communities was** sounded this month.

The Eora Action Plan was launched on Eora country at Darling Harbour, Sydney. It seeks to bring greater attention and efforts to the prevention of HIV, including best clinical care and management of Indigenous people with HIV.

The plan's goals, by 2017, are to:

 Reduce the number of newly diagnosed HIV cases among Indigenous people by half;

Eliminate all mother-to-child HIV transmissions among Indigenous people;

Ensure antiretroviral treatments are available and accessible and correctly used by 80% of Indigenous people with HIV;

• Move towards reducing rates of other STIs in Indigenous communities by half; and

Reduce rates of sharing injeequipment by 80% among Indigenous people who inject drugs.

It also aims to:

• Ensure timely diagnosis and linkage to care with equitable access and engagement in health services for Indigenous people with HIV. These health services must be systemically non-discriminatory, and encompass cultural values and practices, be culturally respectful and safe. Care and support must be extended to an individual's immediate family affected by HIV.

• Eliminate stigma and discrimination in and outside of Indigenous communities, particularly towards gay men, other men who have sex with men, sistergirls, brotherboys, people who inject drugs and sex workers.

For more information and to read the plan, go to eoracalltoaction.wordpress.com/

## Helping hand for band's journey

By RUDI MAXWELL



**EAST Journey** guitarist Patrick (PJ) White's East Arnhem band has been learning from the best:

Yothu Yindi. "We've been in a recording studio in Cairns for a week with members of Yothu Yindi. They helped us restructure the songs, mentored us and guided us along through the recording," he said.

'Growing up in a little community, music is always in our blood, from bilma (clapsticks) and yidaki (didgeridoo).

Yothu Yindi looked at bringing that culture into a more contemporary setting.

"Yothu Yindi helped open doors for all Aboriginal musicians, that's how we got inspired and looked at starting up a band from this generation.

"We (East Journey) are all related to one another. We are all cousins and brothers. Some of us grew up together, went to school together, so it was really easy 'cause we all know each other from childhood

"We all have a similar mindframe to what a song is going to sound like, we all agree to everyone's ideas, everyone has input - it's really good to have that because everyone understands one another.'

East Journey's video for their song Bright Lights Big City has



East Journey's video for Bright Lights Big City is a finalist in the National Indigenous Music Awards Film Clip of the Year.

been named as a finalist in the National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs) Film Clip of the Year, along with Jimblah's Brotherman and Dan Sultan's Under Your Skin.

"Bright Lights Big City is about how it's a fast world, and it showed us what it really means 'cause we had to do it for the

video clip," White said.

Jessica Mauboy, Gurrumul, Dan Sultan and Shellie Morris have been nominated for Artist of

East Journey has also made the shortlist for New Talent of the Year, along with Central Desert's Tjintu Desert Band and hip-hop trailblazer Briggs. (See page 24

for an item about Briggs' song The Children Came Back.)

The NIMAs are part of the Darwin Festival and the winners will be announced during a show at the Amphitheatre, George's Green, on Friday, August 15.

The line-up includes Dan Sultan, Tiintu Desert Band, Tom E Lewis, Desert Divas, Djuki

Mala aka Chooky Dancers and a hip-hop showcase with Briggs, Jimblah and Last Kinection.

For more on Indigenous events at the Darwin Festival, which runs from August 7-24, go to www.darwinfestival.org.au

For a full list of finalists for the NIMAs go to www.musicnt. com.au

## Fears held for our kids' future

By RUDI MAXWELL



THE head of the peak body looking after Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children believes that until responsibility for Indigenous programs is in

Indigenous hands, we are doomed to repeat mistakes of the past.

Frank Hyttten, chief executive officer of the Secretariat for Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC), said last week's release by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) of a report into child protection contained heart-breaking statistics regarding Indigenous children.

But, he told the *Koori Mail*, unfortunately, he was not surprised.

"Until we as society get serious about acknowledging the history of this country, until we start to rectify the mistakes of the past and make amends for the incredible damage caused to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by colonisation, we won't be able to even start to reverse these statistics," Mr Hytten said.

"This continued practice of blaming the victim, blaming Indigenous people, only makes the situation worse.

"Colonisation hasn't stopped assimilation continues in a variety of ways, sometimes subtle, sometimes overt.

The AIHW report found that in 2012-13, Indigenous children were eight times more likely (45.3 per 1000) to be the subject of a child protection order, where a report has been made to state or territory authorities and substantiated.

Mr Hytten said there were three main reasons that Indigenous children were over-represented.

"The obvious one is that Aboriginal families aren't coping with the situations in which they live," he said.

"The second is that many Aboriginal people live in inter-generational poverty, have been dislocated, marginalised, and have to deal with the detrimental effects of racism. There are some causal issues that have to be dealt with, otherwise these

"It's not about human rights at the moment, but it should be. Human rights have to be the bedrock of everything we do for Aboriginal children."

numbers will continue to grow.

"And the third possible explanation is that there has been inadequate support to rectify 200 years of disadvantage. Many Aboriginal people don't want to talk about that; they want to talk about moving forward, but the analogy I like to use is with a car. No-one can move forward if their car's tyres are flat and if the tyres keep being punctured by government decisions then that will continue to disadvantage Aboriginal people.'

The report found that the most common type of substantiated abuse for Indigenous children was neglect (40% of

substantiations), followed by emotional abuse (34%)

Across all jurisdictions, sexual abuse was the least common type of substantiation for Indigenous children (9%).

Nationally, the rate of Indigenous children in out-of-home care has increased since 2009, from 44.8 to 57.1 per 1000 children. At June 30 last year, there were 13,952 Indigenous children in out-of-home care, ranging from 22.2 per 1000 in the NT to 85.5 per 1000 in NSW.

Nationally, the rate of Indigenous children in out-of-home care was 10.6 times the rate for other children. In all

jurisdictions, the rate of Indigenous children in out-of-home care was higher than for other children, with rate ratios ranging from 3.9 in Tasmania to 16.1 in Western Australia.

Across all children, 42% who were the subjects of substantiations were from the areas of lowest

socioeconomic status.

Mr Hyten said the only way to get better results for Aboriginal children was to follow the Aboriginal-controlled health model, and put decision-making power and capacity in Indigenous hands.

'We'll keep fighting," he said.

"It's very frustrating that we don't get traction. All these reports don't seem to make any impression on bureaucracy.

"It's not about human rights at the moment, but it should be. Human rights have to be the bedrock of everything we do for Aboriginal children.'

## Campaign is under way to save Deadlys



A PETITION and a crowdfunding campaign have been launched to try to save the Deadly Awards.

The Deadlys are the annual awards recognising and celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander excellence across a range of fields. This year a special 20th year of the awards was scheduled to be held at the Sydney Opera House on September 30.

Last month Vibe Australia – the company responsible for the Deadly Awards, Deadly Vibe and InVibe magazines, Deadly Sounds radio program and Move it Mob Style TV was informed that funding had been cut and would be "directed to the Australian Government's programs that deliver frontline services" from July 1.

A statement from Vibe said the company was in a "transition arrangement".

"Everyone at Vibe is extremely proud and humbled by the work we do on behalf of the community and of the support we receive from community, and the wider Australian public," it said.

As of June 30, all Vibe's activities were officially concluded.

"However, our commitment to Vibe and our belief in the work we do on behalf of community remains firm," the company said.

More than 20,000 people had signed the petition to save the Deadlys at the time of the Koori Mail going to press.

To add your name go to the website www.change.org/en-AU/petitions/ savethedeadlys

To donate to the crowd-funding campaign go to www.kickstarter.com/ projects/2123772652/deadly-awards-2014

## Flying high to make FASD history



KIDS from the Fitzroy Crossing community in the Kimberley region of Western Australia have proved they've got what it

takes to fly high.

The children have been spotted daily swinging, somersaulting and leaping through the air as they joined in circus skills workshops with Flying Trapeze Australia, a troupe of acrobats from Melbourne and Mullumbimby, northern NSW, run by Holly and Steen Shoar.

The troupe set up a 10m high trapeze rig in the grounds of the Fitzroy Valley District High School. After a few hours, the students were performing stunts at giddying heights, culminating in a performance at this month's Fitzroy Bandaral Ngarri Festival.

Every day in the run up to the festival, the kids came out of their classes to learn the skills of the circus. The students had the choice of spending time on the trapeze - learning how to swing and do a trick to fly over to the 'catcher' in mid-air and backflip on to the safety net, or catching the bar again for a return - or they could join other circus classes on the ground.



For two weeks, the streets of Fitzroy Crossing became the home of budding circus performers. Students wobbled about on unicycles, spun hula hoops and juggled balls.

The trapeze was an initiative of the Marulu Unit, which has staff working across organisations to determine the prevalence of Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) in the region.

The unit researches FASD preventative strategies and support services, along with raising awareness about the causes and consequences of

The Marulu team, operating from Marninwarntikura Fitzroy Women's Resource Centre (MWRC) and Nindilingari Cultural Health Services, wanted to highlight the children's natural acrobatic talents and to bring people together in appreciation of the skills and complex needs of many of the valley's children.

Tourists joined locals to applaud the children's acrobatic work at the Bandaral Ngarri Festival, held during NAIDOC

The festival, coordinated this year through MWRC, featured artisans, fashion designers, musicians, singers and visual artists, as well as the daredevil group of freshly-trained local acrobats.

In the lead-up to the afternoon performance, morning market shoppers were given t-shirts with an image of a child being supported and nurtured by a womb of Aboriginal colours. Wings spread across the back of the t-shirt carried the wording 'Come Fly With Me. Make FASD

The crowd stood watching the catapulting students, wearing identical t-shirts, leaping from poles and tumbling off trampolines.

## Alaskan mob part of ambitious jobs plan

By MEZ FISHER



A PILBARA Aboriginal corporation has teamed up with a global business enterprise owned by the Inupiaq people of north-west Alaska to build a nationwide Aboriginal employment network and use

its mining income to help improve the lives of Indigenous people around the country.

Karlka Nyiyaparli Aboriginal Corporation (Karlka) has enlisted the expertise of the Australian arm of the \$1.8 billion Indigenous Alaskan NANA Development Corporation to build its economic strength in an ambitious entrepreneurial plan to help all Aboriginal Australians.

NANĀ is sharing its four decades of Indigenous capacity-building experience in a business mentoring role with the Nvivaparli people, who have one of the nation's largest native title claims of about 36,684 square kilometres, including the township of Newman.

The Karlka Recruiting Group (KRG) is one of the first enterprises to emerge from the partnership, which has also spawned a successful tender for a mixed-use commercial and residential development in Newman, including 40 apartments for key workers.

NANA Australia chief executive Roderick Gonzales said KRG brings a much-needed and all-important Indigenous-to-Indigenous network and capacity-building element to Australian Aboriginal employment.

"The value of an Indigenous networked approach with a national focus is that we are able to make a real difference at a local level in multiple locations so as to achieve a national impact on Aboriginal employment,"

KRG is a joint venture partnership with national recruitment services provider the



On the job: KRG director Charles Tucker, Karlka Nyiyaparli Aboriginal Corporation manager Sue Bergersen, ARG director Greg Nicholson, NANA Australia chief executive Roderick Gonzales and PEEDAC director John Penny.

Brisbane-headquartered Australian Recruiting Group (ARG).

Karlka Business and Workforce Development manager Sue Bergersen said KRG would expand into a national Indigenous employment agency.

"It's a recruitment organisation offering a full suite of recruitment services, with the idea

it will become a national network as a 'go-to' place for Indigenous people seeking employment and employers seeking to employ Indigenous people," she said.

Jobs are offered across all sectors. KRG's first business partner is Peedac, an Indigenous not-for-profit organisation and subsidiary of Kaarta-Moorda Aboriginal

Corporation, which provides employment and training services for jobseekers in Perth.

KRG has already secured 300 jobs with the Compass facilities management group and placed Aboriginal workers with companies including Shell, BIS Industries and MSS Security.

The Nyiyaparli traditional owners have land access agreements with major iron ore producers including BHP Billiton, Rio Tinto, Fortescue Metals Group, and the Roy Hill Project that are estimated to generate more than \$2 billion over the next 40 years through their professionally managed trusts.

Ms Bergersen said Karlka had strong governance under the leadership of chief executive Henk Rhee.

"We are a very small team working directly with the board and leadership group to take action and implement projects effectively and quickly with a lower cost base," she said.

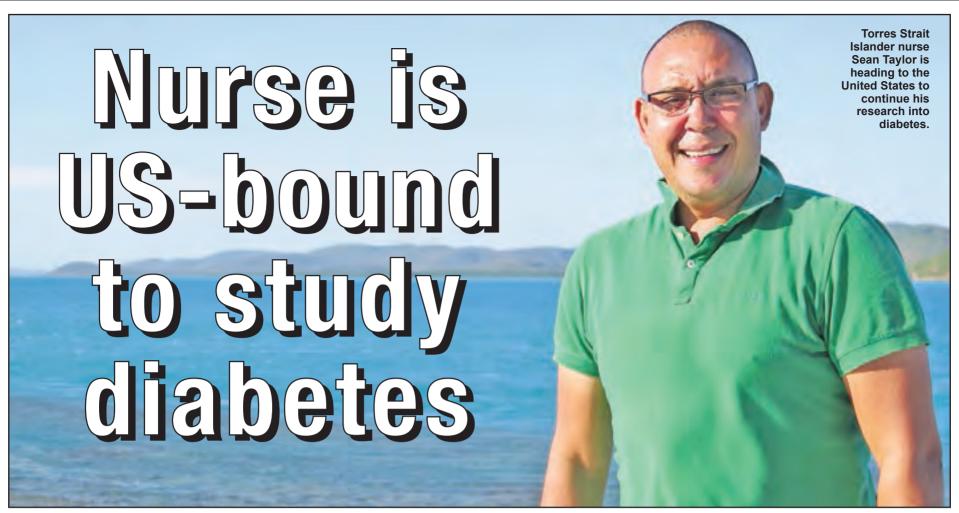
"This alliance is not just seeking commercial success, but measurable social impact at the local, regional and national levels.

"The employment of Indigenous people has the power to transform the life of the individual, their community and their nation."

The Alaskan expertise has also helped Karlka secure the \$25 million Newman Iron Ore Parade Development, to be built on Nyiyaparli land in Newman.

The facility is close to Kiripirna Park, which is a Dreaming and ritual site of deep meaning and significance to Nyiyaparli people. It will create jobs for Aboriginal people and provide housing for key workers as well as commercial spaces for Nyiyaparli and other community businesses.

"The Nyiyaparli people's vision is to mirror the NANA business model - providing significant employment through employing their own," Ms Bergersen said.





**TORRES Strait** nurse Sean Taylor will embark on the trip of a lifetime next year to study at one of the world's leading

diabetes research centres.

Mr Taylor, a Mer (Murray) Islander, will undertake a three-month doctoral student attachment at the University of California's Behavioral Diabetes Institute in the US city of San Diego from next January.

His work at the institute will contribute to his doctorate in public health as a research fellow with James Cook University.

"For any clinician interested in tackling the unmet psychological

needs of people with diabetes, the institute is a world leader in this field," Mr Taylor said.

"Through direct clinical services, innovative research and training for healthcare providers, institute staff work to help people overcome the emotional and behavioural obstacles to living well with diabetes and achieve a more hopeful, confident outlook on life.'

Mr Taylor's research in the United States has been made possible partly through an \$8000 fellowship from the Roberta Sykes Indigenous Education Foundation, which provides funding for Indigenous postgraduate students to undertake research at a recognised

overseas academic institution.

As well as working full-time as a telehealth coordinator at the Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service, Mr Taylor is employed part-time with the JCU Centre for Research Excellence, researching chronic disease prevention in rural and remote communities.

#### Career

He started his career as an Indigenous health worker in his home community of Mer in the mid-1990s and then became a registered nurse. He was one of the first three nursing students to graduate from James Cook University's Thursday Island campus, at the end of 2005.

His research work has involved studying the association between blood sugar control and health literacy in Torres Strait Islanders with diabetes

"Chronic disease, particularly diabetes, is a major issue in Indigenous communities," Mr Taylor said.

"Obesity also is a major problem in the Torres Strait and leads to all sorts of medical complications - such as diabetes.

"Witnessing the diabetes epidemic in the Torres Strait, and seeing first-hand the complications associated with type 2 diabetes, led to my current

"I was determined to make a difference and prove that

comprehensive primary health care can help change poor health outcomes.

"I'd like to be able to help my people overcome those health problems and lead a healthier lifestyle, that's why I'm so driven to study, improve myself and succeed.

"Nursing was a stepping stone to advance my career as I was eager to learn and gain the skills required.

"Many health professionals throughout my journey across Australia supported and contributed to my mission and I'm very grateful for the examples they set me, as well as their support in getting me to where I am now.

## Packer money for education



ONE of Australia's richest dynasties has announced a new philanthropic fund that will support Indigenous education. Packer Family Foundation chair Gretel Packer launched the \$200 million National Philanthropic Fund in

Melbourne this month, marking a commitment over 10 years by the Crown Resorts Foundation and the Packer Family Foundation.

The fund will be structured with a \$100 million **Community Partnerships and Indigenous Education** Fund for charities supporting Indigenous education and a \$100 million National Arts Fund for charities that promote the arts.

The foundation will identify and support community projects that are innovative, well run and that will drive lasting social change.

"This exciting collaboration between Crown Resorts and our family creates a platform from which to contribute towards strengthening communities in Australia and developing our artistic future," Ms Packer said.

At the launch, Crown Resorts chair James Packer said his sister Gretel had been the driving force behind the establishment of the fund.

"This announcement commits us to another decade of financial support for organisations which work tirelessly to deliver services, assistance and opportunities for people from disadvantaged backgrounds," he said.

The \$200 million National Philanthropic Fund will be administered jointly by the Crown Resorts Foundation Board, chaired by former Liberal senator Helen Coonan, and the Packer Family Foundation Board, chaired by Ms Packer.

## Refuge closure sparks protest

By MEZ FISHER



ABORIGINAL people from the NSW mid-north coast are taking to the streets on August 8 to protest against the

closure of the Kempsey Women's Refuge following a shake-up of the community services sector.

Organiser and Dunghutti woman Teminya Fernando says the refuge is due to close on August 31 and she fears women escaping family violence will have nowhere to go after the NSW Government awarded the tender for homeless services to the Samaritans, run by the Newcastle Anglicans.

"We are not happy that our community will no longer have this much-needed service and specialist staff that it has worked so hard to establish over the years," she said

"Myself and a group of concerned community members have banded together to stand up and voice our concerns about how the decisions at government levels are affecting women and children in our community."

Ms Fernando said Kempsey was NSW's fourth poorest town and had a high Aboriginal population.

"With the reforms to domestic violence services, the Government has removed all funding from the refuge, and in its place funded the Anglican Samaritans in Newcastle, 280km away from Kempsey," she said.

### No consultation

Ms Fernando said the Samaritans did not specialise in domestic violence support and there had been no consultation with the community on what the new service would be like.

A rally will be held on August 8 at the Kempsev RSL Club, with quest speakers including Opposition Family and Community Services (FaCS) spokesperson Linda Burney and Opposition Housing and for the Status of Women spokesperson Sophie Cotsis.

"It's shameful that this Liberal Government is putting women and children out onto the streets - especially now, in winter," Ms Burney said.

"The Kempsey women's refuge offers women safety and support, but is now being forced to shut its doors collateral damage in the Liberals' ideological crusade of sell-offs and cuts.

"We're calling on the Liberal Government to recognise this reform package for what it is - a complete mess and abject failure that is now putting people on the streets.'

The Koori Mail understands that half of the staff at the refuge have already been sacked. Further, a report on independent media website newmatilda.com claims that refuge manager June Wilson was 'exited' from her role a month before she was due to finish and escorted from the building.

A FaCS spokesperson said the Samaritans would deliver a range of services for women and children in Kempsey, including crisis and transitional accommodation for women and children escaping violence.

He said the Samaritans would meet with Kempsey refuge staff to confirm transition arrangements and would also consult on how the service operates.

## NAISDA on its toes for new generation



NAISDA Dance College is looking for the next generation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander dancers.

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Applications close on August 10. For more information download the NAISDA audition pack at www.naisda.com.au or phone 1800

Pictured: Shae Duncan performs in Latin Threats as part of NAISDA's 2013 end of year show Ngalpun Mudth (Our Home). Ms Duncan completed the Diploma of **Professional Dance Performance at** the end of last year and graduated from NAISDA. *Picture by Branco Gaica* 



## Yolngu in warning on leases



THE Yolngu Nations Assembly (YNA) has added its voice to the growing swell urging caution when it comes to considering entering into 99-year township leases with the

Federal Government.

In October last year, Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion announced that Gunbalanya traditional owners (TOs) from west Arnhem Land had agreed to work towards finalising a 99-year lease by June 30.

Senator Scullion said at the time that he and TOs "agreed that a township lease was the most effective way to achieve economic and commercial development in Gunbalanya".

However, during Senator Scullion's visit to Gunbalanya last month – when he'd been hoping TOs would sign the lease - the owners asked for more time to consider their options.

The YNA is an extension of the Madayin (Yolngu law) system of governance representing eight provinces from west, central and north-west Arnhem Land (Miwatj, Laynha, Raminy, Marthakal, Garriny Gumurr-Rawarran, Gattjirrik and Midiyirrk).

YNA spokesperson Mark Guyula talked with residents at Gunbalanya about their experiences with 99-year lease negotiations.

The traditional owners didn't make an agreement," he said.

"They agreed to negotiate, but didn't agree anything about the 99-year lease.

"When Yolngu say 'yes, we understand' that doesn't mean 'yes, we can go ahead'.

The senior Elders (at Gunbalanya) are saying, 'Let us consider it more. Give us a bit of time to think about these things.

"We come from a law where we consult about issues within the traditional law, and we are used to that. Only when we come to an agreement does the project proceed.

"Unfortunately, the 99-year lease has

been a bit of a rush and has hit us unexpectedly.

"The Government is promising that there'll be these good things coming out of the 99-year lease or any lease that we are asked to sign up. When the Government comes, they should not talk only about the good things, but also the negative. The last thing we want is to lose our identity, our culture and our land.

"There's also the rest of the community living here. Where are their rights? They've been brought in from their clan estates into a hub community. And they've been forgotten about. They have no say whatsoever in this community, which they would have back home on their country.

"We, at the Yolngu Nations Assembly, want to sit with people, negotiate and explain things. Sometimes there are nongovernment people who want to help our people understand.

### "Work together"

"Of course we want to make businesses, of course we want to run businesses and make corporations, but we will do it when we are ready, and we will do it with help and work together."

The Northern and Central land councils have been at odds with Senator Scullion over 99-vear leases.

The councils are concerned about Federal Government plans to permanently devolve their powers to small Aboriginal corporations, which they say might not be democratic or accountable to TOs.

The land councils want the authority over any leases to remain with TOs.

Concerns about 99-year leases have also been raised by prominent Aboriginal leaders, including Rosalie Kunoth-Monks and the Rev Djiniyini Gondarra.

Mr Guyala cautioned other Aboriginal communities not to rush in to 99-year

"Don't forget your land, history, identity and culture on this land," he said. "Once you say yes to 99-year lease, you're gone, finished. That is history for your land, your children."



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## Very white Christmas looms

By MEZ FISHER



APART from a Year 12 school trip to Perisher and a blistering white Christmas spent in London, Quandamooka man Christopher Day hasn't

spent a lot of time in the snow.

But that's all about to change for him and eight Indigenous people aged 18 to 20 when they head off to Antarctica in December for a world-first Indigenous leadership expedition on ice.

Mr Day, a teacher at Cleveland District State High School in Brisbane's east, is one of 39 travelling mentors selected to lead the youngsters on the inaugural 16-day Outback to Icecap adventure via

Mr Day and Waverley Stanley, the founding director of the Indigenous scholarship foundation Yalari, are the only Indigenous mentors on the expedition.

"I am excited to see how this trip will change us all in no uncertain terms and to witness the growth in the youth in such a short period of time," Mr Day said.

"The outdoors has the tendency to bring people out of their shells and I am very keen to see what connections we can make to the countries in which we will be exploring and challenged on."

The eight youths and 39 mentors will leave Australia on December 15 for Buenos Aires, Argentina, where they'll do some tree canopy gliding, glacier trekking and horseback riding in the Andean Mountains.

They'll then board the ice-strengthened vessel Plancius and spend two days at sea making their way to Antarctica. There they'll do kayaking, snow shoeing, and ice and mountain climbing.

The youth will be video journaling the



Quandamooka teacher Christopher Day is heading to Antarctica as a mentor for eight Indigenous young people taking part in the Outback to Icecap leadership expedition.

entire expedition and this will be part of an Indigenous travelling showcase in 2015 called Through Indigenous Eyes," Mr Day said.

At 27, Mr Day is one of the youngest travelling mentors to be picked for the program by expedition leader and polar

explorer Peter Bland, the first Australian to walk to the north and south magnetic poles. The idea blossomed after Mr Bland visited Arhnem Land in 2012 and noticed a need to develop leadership programs at a grassroots level for Indigenous youths.

Mr Day will be using one of his favourite

methods of teaching through drama to explore the differences and similarities between outback Australia and the vastness of Antarctica.

"Education is a privilege which I appreciated as a young child, especially as my father did not have the same opportunity," Mr Day said.

"Learning from both younger and older people on this trip really ignites something within me. Education is my biggest passion and leadership comes a very second close. Not the leadership that is tied to positions or people in authority, but personal leadership, belief and resilience - the stuff that makes us truly discover who we are, what our abilities are.'

The Antarctic trip is just part of a yearlong interaction between the youths and their mentors. Their adventure starts next month with a three-day boot camp in Mt Macedon, Victoria.

The five young participants named so far are Brandon Skeen (Halls Creek, WA), Shauna Sandow (Cherbourg, Qld), Allira Searle (Glen Innes, NSW), Mikayla Roe (Woorabinda, Qld) and Tyson Holloway-Clarke (Tasmania), with three more to be selected in the coming

Mr Day has started a crowdfunding campaign aiming to raise \$15,000 to help with costs - visit www.chuffed.org/project/ outback-to-icecap-an-educational-journeyof-leadership to donate. He has also organised a fundraising evening at Redland Performing Arts Centre on August 14 – phone (07) 3829 8131.

The expedition organisers are still looking to fill some travelling mentor positions and are keen to have more Indigenous leaders on board – visit www.leadershipgroup.com.au or call Beatrice Imbert on 0408 566 071.

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## Church in spotlight



THE Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse will

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The hearing will inquire into allegations of child sexual abuse by members of the church and investigate the Archdiocese's response to victims.

The commission specifically wants to hear about the experience of people who have been involved in the archdiocese's 'Melbourne Response' process, or otherwise sought redress from the archdiocese.

Anyone with a direct and substantial interest in the scope and purpose of the public hearing is invited to lodge a written application to appear at the hearing by August 4.

Applications should be made using the form available on the royal commission website and include a short submission setting out the basis on which the applicant has a substantial and direct interest in appearing. The form and the submission can be lodged via email to solicitor@childabuseroval commission.gov.au or mail to GPO Box 5283, Sydney NSW 2001.

The public hearing will be streamed live to the public via webcast on the Royal Commission's website at www.childabuseroyal commission.gov.au

The Melbourne hearing follows the Victorian Aboriginal Forum held in Ballarat on July 22, attended by more than 80 people.

Commissioner Helen Milroy spoke at the event and the commission says it received positive feedback that the event was relaxed and that people felt comfortable to discuss such a difficult topic.

#### **Support**

Assistance and support is available for victims of child sexual abuse. For more information, contact Alister McKeich at the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service on (03) 9418 5999 or Jeannie McIntyre at Link Up on (03) 9470 3666 or go to www.healthepast.org

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## New court launched

#### By JILLIAN MUNDY



A NEW Victorian Koori Court, where Aboriginal Elders and respected community members take part in the sentencing process of Aboriginal

offenders, was launched earlier this month.

Victorian Attorney-General Robert Clark said the Koori Courts were helping offenders to address the causes of their offending and prevent re-offending. Since the state's first Koori Court was opened in Shepperton during 2002, failures to appear, breach of court orders and imprisonment of Aboriginal offenders have dropped.

More than 100 members of the judiciary and legal community, police force and Victorian Government joined Aboriginal people, Elders

and respected leaders for a cleansing smoking ceremony inside the courtroom and a reception at the William Street premises, in Melbourne's legal precinct, for the launch.

The new court is the eighth adult Magistrates' Koori Court in Victoria, and will start fortnightly sittings next month.

While part of the mainstream system. the Koori Court is

less formal. The accused sits around a table with family, lawyers, prosecutors, representatives of relevant agencies, Elders or respected community members and a magistrate to discuss relevant issues and sentencing.

The presiding magistrate then determines and imposes the sentence - Elders do not make the decision.

Uncle Glenn James is one of those Elders. He said his decade as a top level VFL umpire and three decades as a teacher put him in good stead for the role, and he compared pulling young offenders into line in court to pulling into line grown men on the football field.

"We try to get them back on track and concentrating on doing the best they can for their team. I ask them do they want to be a team, a player, be on our side," Mr James said. He said that while the role requires

compassion, he does not accept mediocrity.

"I want to see them respect their Elders, I encourage them to be involved in sport and their community, so they can meet a wide range of people and enhance their social stripes," he said.

"I say, 'I don't want to see you back in the Koori Court. I want to see you on the street building up some respect and paying back for the things you've done wrong.

"I will pull them up and chat to them wherever they are - that's probably something we don't do enough of - about what they've done and what they want to do, then they realise someone cares for them.

"We've had some fantastic results. "(In court) we are telling kids we love them, and we're here for them and we're on their side and we want them to be part of the team.

> "You see their eyes light up. They haven't been told in a lot of cases that they've been loved and we love them.

For a case to be heard in the Koori Court, a person who is Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander must plead guilty and be willing to discuss their offending and its context in court.

The court does not hear sexual offence cases or breaches of intervention orders.

The Koori Courts are an initiative of Victoria's Aboriginal Justice Agreement from 2000, a response to the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody and the Victorian Government's plan for reducing the overrepresentation of Aboriginal people in the justice system, both as offenders and as victims.

Victoria's eight adult and seven children's Koori courts employ 19 Aboriginal people, plus 80 Elders and respected persons, provide professional development and training opportunities for those Elders and respected people in relevant areas, and cultural awareness training for mainstream court staff.

The Melbourne Magistrates' Koori Court sits within the Melbourne Magistrates' Court building on William Street, and will complement Melbourne's existing County and Children's Koori Courts.



Watjabulk woman Magistrate Rose Falla, from the Broadmeadows Koori Court, and Nunga woman Aunty Helga Lehtinen, who is an Elder in the Koori Children's Court and County Koori Court.



Wurundieri Elder Bill Nicholson Jnr conducted a smoking ceremony in the court. He is pictured here with Uncle Glenn James, an Elder and respected person in the Koori Court, who says the courts have improved lives.

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The position will champion the organisation's vision and goals, providing leadership and direction to meet QFCC's strategic objectives. You will drive the implementation of child protection reform, leading the development of policies, practices and services that build the capacity of the sector and deliver results to improve overall performance and cross sector outcomes. You will provide expert advice on current research and child protection practice, enhancing education and information available to families. Further, you will lead change processes, developing a positive culture in delivery of high quality community services,

Victoria's Deputy Chief Magistrate, Jelena Popovic,

and Koori Courts manager Travis Lovett at the

launch ceremony in Melbourne.

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A key support to the Principal Commissioner, you will provide strategic leadership, expert advice analysis and support in building and a governance strategy for the QFCC. The development of cross sector strategies to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, young people and families is a critical component, including increasing collaboration between parties and building capacity to improve the delivery of services.

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## Robert names spider for dad

By JILLIAN MUNDY



PAKANA boy Robert Beeton has named a species of racing stripe spider he discovered

'paruwi' after his late father Leigh

Robert, 12, from Burnie, made the find on a 'Bush Blitz' expedition to discover and record hidden plants and animals, with scientists and his community, at Gowan Brae, an Aboriginal-managed property in central Tasmania, earlier this

"We were out at nighttime, looking for spiders with (arachnologist) Dr Raven, the spider man," Robert explained to the Koori Mail.

"I picked up a rock and the spider started to run. I shone my torch on it and caught it and took it back the scientist.

"It's got eight eyes, tiger stripes and its body is about as big as a 50c piece.

Robert, an aspiring young scientist himself now, was bestowed the honour of naming his eight-legged pal, now officially known as Miturgopelma paruwi.

"Beetle was my Dad's

nickname, paruwi was the Aboriginal word for that Unfortunately my Dad died in 2010," Robert said.

The budding junior scientist said his Dad was also keen on spiders.

"They are just like people," Robert said.

According to Robert, his mother and siblings are not so

"My mum and four brothers are scared of them. They thought it was cool but creepy," he said, referring to a framed award featuring images of paruwi, which his mother has bravely hung above the TV in their lounge room.

Robert travelled to Melbourne last week to receive the special award from Environment Parliamentary Secretary Simon Birmingham at a Bush Blitz funding announcement.

The Australian Government and BHP Billiton have each contributed \$6 million to extend Bush Blitz, which partners with Earthwatch Australia, to 2017. Australia's largest nature discovery project, it sends teams of scientists, assisted by BHP Billiton staff, school teachers and land mangers, to remote parts of Australia to discover hidden plants and animals.

Since starting in 2010, Bush Blitz surveys have come across more than 700 new species, including a water-walking wolf spider in the Kimberley and a native truffle in Victoria. They have recorded 20,000 known plant and animal species and located more than 350 threatened, vulnerable or endangered species, providing land managers with valuable information to protect some of Australia's most fragile and precious ecosystems.

"To keep our habitats healthy we've got to know what species habitats contain and Bush Blitz is helping to fill in those crucial gaps in our knowledge," Senator Birmingham said.

Earthwatch Australia chief executive Professor David McInnes said the program was a great example of citizen science.

"These expeditions are lifechanging experiences that transform how participants think about science and biodiversity,'

Bush Blitz field expeditions have been run on several Indigenous-owned properties across Australia and involve traditional owners, Indigenous rangers and scientists exchanging traditional and scientific knowledge



Spider enthusiast and discoverer of paruwi Robert Beeton: "I'm a junior scientist. I'm a junior spider man." Picture courtesy of Bush Blitz

## Assault charges n court



THE charges against six police officers relating to the assault of young Dhunghutti man Corey Barker in Ballina, north-east NSW, in 2011 and lying under oath about the incident were mentioned in the

Downing Centre Local Court in Sydney on July 17. Constable Lee David Walmsley, Const Ryan Charles Eckersley, former const Luke Christopher Mewing and Sen Const David Ryan Hill have been charged with assault, fabricating evidence, making false statements and perjury.

Former sgt Robert Campbell McCubben and Snr Const Mark Graham Woolven have been charged with perverting the course of justice and fabricating evidence.

The charges come after the Police Integrity Commission (PIC) found the officers subjected Mr Barker to "brutal and violent" treatment and falsely claimed he had hit an officer.

Mr Barker was arrested in January 2011 after a late-night confrontation with police in Ballina and charged with a string of offences, including assaulting Sen Const Hill.

However, during Mr Barker's trial Magistrate David Heilpern viewed CCTV footage from Ballina Police Station that clearly showed officers assaulting Mr Barker. He referred the matter to the PIC and dismissed charges against Mr Barker.

The Indigenous Social Justice Association staged a rally outside the Downing Centre on July 17 to show solidarity with Mr Barker.

The matter is due to return to court on September 4.



Rising star Meyne Wyatt has scored a regular role on the long-running TV series Neighbours

Wyatt heading from Redfern to Ramsay St

REDFERN Now's acclaimed young star Meyne Wyatt is moving to a new neighbourhood and will

soon be settling into the streets of Erinsborough when he takes up a regular role on the longrunning series, Neighbours.

The 24-year-old will debut on the show next month in a character who already has a connection with two of Ramsay Street's residents, Susan and Karl Kennedy.

He becomes the first Aboriginal actor to be a regular cast member since Neighbours began in 1985

At this year's TV Week Logie Awards, Mr Wyatt was nominated for the prestigious Graham Kennedy Award for Most Outstanding Newcomer for his role in the award-winning series Redfern Now.

He played a character torn between his Aboriginal family and white girlfriend when their baby goes missing.

The young star has also recently completed the feature film Strangerland starring Nicole Kidman, Joseph Fiennes and Guy Pearce, due for release in 2015.

Born in Kalgoorlie in Western Australia, Mr Wyatt is a graduate from NIDA (National Institute of Dramatic Arts) and already has an impressive body feature film roles, including Tim Winton's The Turning.

His passion for acting emerged when he attended boarding school in Perth.

"Playing footy was usually the first preference at school so I was in a very small group who pursued acting, although I still managed to play footy, which I enjoyed too," Mr Wyatt said.
Mr Wyatt has relocated to

Melbourne for his Neighbours role and his character will arrive in Erinsborough in classic soap opera style – to bring closure to a part of his life that he initially keeps secret from his hosts.

## Jandamarra stars at opera house

#### By YATU WIDDERS HUNT



THE Sydney Symphony Orchestra (SSO) delivered a world premiere choral performance at

the Sydney Opera House this month inspired by the story of Jandamarra, a member of the Bunuba people who led one of the first documented armed uprisings against Europeans in Australia.

The major new work, Jandamarra, composed by Paul Stanhope with a libretto (text) by Steve Hawke, was based on the Jandamarra stage play, originally produced in Perth in 2008 and which toured the Kimberley region in 2011.

The transition from theatre production to musical work is one that Bunuba Cultural Enterprises (BCE) company director June Oscar, who is language coach and cultural adviser to the project, says was a natural step.

"A major theme of the play is the power of song, its central role in the life of the community, its role in celebrating and remembering country and Jandamarra's quest to 'sing



Emmanuel James Brown as Jandamarra on stage during the choral performance. Picture by Jane Dempster

home' the rainbow snake Yilimbirri Unggud in order to heal the land," she said.

"This makes the choral work drawing from the story and the play seem especially appropriate and exciting to the Bunuba community."

The performance was of particular significance for Emmanuel James Brown, who played the role of Jandamarra.

"My grandfather's father (Adam Andrews) dreamt the Junba which is being used in the show," he said.

"If he knew his son and many of his grandchildren were performing at the Sydney Opera House, he would be a very happy man right now.

"It's a real honour for me to play Jandamarra. It is a privilege for me to be in Sydney and I can't believe I'm actually performing here."

The new work, which had three performances on the opera house stage and involved performers from the Yilimbirri

Ensemble and Gondwana Children's Choir, was described as a groundbreaking collaboration that was of major importance to Australia's cultural scene.

"Jandamarra is the second SSO commission in six years which brings together Western classical music and Indigenous culture, culminating in performances at the Sydney Opera House," SSO managing director Rory Jeffes said.

"It is a clear example of the considerable role music can play in the joining of cultures in

The significance of the show will extend beyond the stage, with the SSO and the BCE working towards developing a curriculum resource kit for schools, encompassing the musical, theatrical, cultural and historical elements of the project and the Jandamarra story.

The Sydney performances were dedicated to Adam Andrews, creator of the Yilimbirri Junba used in the work, the late Hazel Hawke, a patron of the SSO and mother of librettist Steve Hawke, and Molly Jalakbiya, creator of the Dirrari lament incorporated in the work.

## Bawinanga is back on track



AN extended special administration of the Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation in Arnhem Land is over. Bawinanga was placed under special administration in October

2012 after the directors requested assistance from the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations in helping to resolve financial difficulties.

Based at Maningrida, Bawinanga is one of the largest Aboriginal corporations in Australia. It runs more than 40 programs and a number of commercial businesses, including the Barlmarrk supermarket.

Registrar Anthony Beven said Bawinanga faced some complex financial issues, which the special administrators were able to resolve with the assistance of the Maningrida Progress Association and Bawinanga's funding agencies.

He said Bawinanga was once again solvent and trading profitably.

New policies and procedures to guide Bawinanga's day-to-day operations. including tight controls over its financial management, were introduced during the special administration. Two independent directors have also been appointed to strengthen the skills on the board.

"This has been the longest and most challenging special administration in recent years," Mr Beven said. "The corporation's problems were entrenched and it was necessary to rebuild the corporation from the ground up. Bawinanga is once again on a sound footing, but it still faces a number of challenges."

In addition to the two independent directors, a transition manager and human resources manager have been appointed for six months to assist Bawinanga as part of its ongoing recovery.





### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

#### Mick Gooda

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

#### **Tania Major**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

### Gina Milgate

Research Fellow in Indigenous Education Australian Council for Education Research

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## **Shooting at fame**



ABORIGINAL artist Tracey Moffatt has been awarded the Australia Council's

prestigious Creative Australia New Work grant, which will allow her to show her work on an international stage.

Moffatt, one of five visual artists to receive the award, will use the award for her project Art Calls, a live TV show in

which she interviews other artists about their work and lives, which she hopes will become a regular series.

Its premiere will form part of a major Australian solo show and then screen at Artpace in San Antonio, Texas, next year.

Australia Council visual arts director Julie Lomax said the grant provided up to \$50,000 to visual artists who had been invited to present their work in a major

international venue or event to create new work.

Tracey is an artist at the cutting edge of her craft and her work was recognised in 2012 at the Australia Council's Visual Arts Awards," she said.

Applications are now open for the Australia Council's Visual Arts Fellowships and the Visual Arts Awards. Applications close July 31. For more information go to www.australiacouncil.

## Carnival inspires bloggers

By YATU WIDDERS HUNT



INSPIRED by NAIDOC Week and Blak History Month, a new kind of digital celebration was held during July. The Deadly Bloggers Blog

Carnival was a month-long online event that encouraged Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander bloggers and writers to increase their engagement with the digital world.

Participants were asked to create and publish posts throughout the month, which were recorded and shared on social media by Deadly Bloggers, the online portal that connects and promotes Indigenous digital content creators.

Carnival blog posts covered a wide range of topics such as Indigenous business, health, cultural identity and the arts

Deadly Bloggers founder Leesa Watego said the goal of the carnival was to help grow the audience of Deadly Bloggers, of Indigenous writers more broadly and to support the online publication of ideas.

Although the carnival attracted some well-known and active writers such as Anita Heiss and Ebony Allen, Ms Watego hopes it has also sparked the interest of people who haven't participated before, but who are curious about how the digital world can bring about positive change.

"The benefits of Indigenous people participating in the digital world can be enormous," she said.

You can experiment with writing, the creation of images and the expression of ideas. You can also increase your leadership role within your industry or community and, of course, many people are making a living from being online.

Carnival participant Dameyon Bonson said he sees great benefit in the way digital platforms can connect people all around Australia.

il've been following Deadly Bloggers on Twitter for a while now and when the carnival came up just in time for NAIDOC Week, I thought it would be a good thing to connect with



**Deadly Bloggers founder** Leesa Watego.

because I couldn't actually attend any NAIDOC events this year," he said.

"I live and work across the north west remoteness of Australia and you can sometimes feel isolated on the road. Something like the @IndigenousX Twitter account has been a great asset for our mob to stay connected and showcase our diversity. As a guest host of the account, I was able to share some of the blogs from the carnival to a wider audience.

The @IndigenousX Twitter account has a guest Indigenous host every week, who tweets on whatever they

The carnival resulted in an increase in the Deadly Bloggers audience numbers; throughout the month it attracted almost one new blogger a day. Organisers are planning to make the carnival an annual event with increased incentives and prizes over the coming

 A full list of Deadly Bloggers Blog Carnival posts can be found at deadlybloggers.com

Blogger Nathan 'Mr Deadly' Leitch writes about why Briggs is a modern-day songman on page 24.

## Grants available for leaders



THE Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership is offering more than a quarter of a

million dollars to Victorian Indigenous leaders driving positive change in their communities.

The fellowship is calling for applications for its \$210,000 grant over three years for an established Indigenous leader and two \$30,000 awards for emerging leaders.

Shepparton-based Yorta Yorta man Paul Briggs was named the first fellow in 2003. Since then, the fellowship has supported three

fellows and 13 emerging leaders conducting social and economic work in Victoria.

Mr Briggs is a current senior fellow and has launched or served on more than a dozen organisations assisting Victoria's Indigenous people in areas including social inclusion, justice, employment, sport, health, the arts, financial service, leadership and education

He is best known as the founding president of the Rumbalara Football and Netball Club in Shepparton, set up as much to increase the self-esteem and leadership of the Yorta Yorta

people as for sport.

'The football and netball club is not so much about football and netball, it's about cultural expression and identity of the people and a community place for social inclusion," Mr Briggs said.

Just three years ago most Indigenous youth in Shepparton struggled to secure even an interview, let alone a job. So the club decided to do something

More than 200 young people have now been employed through the club's negotiations with industry leaders.

"We engaged with senior

captains of industry coming up to Shep and standing beside us at the football club," Mr Briggs said.

"Jobs in Target and Coles became available to Indigenous kids for the first time.

At a national level, Mr Briggs is contributing to the design and implementation of 'Empowered Communities' aimed at improving how funding is spent on the ground in Aboriginal communities in eight regions, including the Goulburn-Murray.

The Fellowship for Indigenous Leadership's 2012 emerging leader, Melbourne-based Rueben Berg, used the Fellowship's

support to co-found Indigenous Architecture Victoria.

"What we're trying to do is give awareness and confidence to young people in design that their cultural knowledge and background is a powerful resource that can be used," Mr Berg said.

"Having the award enabled me to take the risk of leaving the public service to go out on my

To apply to be this year's fellow or an emerging leader visit www.indigenousfellowship.net.au or contact Glenda Morrison on 03 9686 4200. Applications close 5pm on Thursday, July 31.



## **Githabul Nation corporation** placed under administration



THE Githabul Nation Aboriginal Corporation (GNAC) registered native title body corporate has

been placed under special administration. Based in Lismore, northern NSW, GNAC's main objective is administering land on behalf of the Githabul people.

In 2007 the Federal Court made a consent determination recognising the Githabul people's native title rights and interests over 1120 square kilometres. The land is spread across nine national parks and 13 state forests in northern NSW.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven decided to place Githabul RNTBC under special administration after his office received complaints from members about the way its affairs were being conducted.

"Following an examination of the corporation's books and records some serious governance concerns have come to light," he said.

The examiner's report revealed that the corporation has not maintained accurate membership records, it had not held an annual general meeting within the required timeframe for over three years, and it had not kept proper financial records. The last time it lodged an annual return was for the year ending June 30, 2012.

Above: At the inaugural meeting of the National Indigenous Labor Network, back from left, Joe Cavanagh, Warren Roberts, Gerry Moore, Trevor James, Bryce Nimmo and Peter **Botsman and, front NSW Labor Party Deputy** Leader Linda Burney and Bill Moyle.

## Labor **Party** group meets



THE NSW Labor Party has heard the voices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people following the inaugural meeting of its new Indigenous Labor

Network. NSW Deputy Opposition Leader and Aboriginal Affairs spokesperson Linda Burney welcomed the initiative, which is aimed at increasing Aboriginal people's involvement in the

'Since becoming the first Aboriginal person elected to NSW Parliament over a decade ago, I've worked tirelessly to increase Aboriginal representation," Ms Burney said.

"I'm pleased to co-chair this network to further encourage Aboriginal people to join the Labor Party and have their voices heard."

Ms Burney co-chairs the NSW branch with Trevor James, while Gerry Moore is secretary of the network

#### **Participation**

The network aims to increase the participation of Aboriginal people across the party, including by making a case to appoint Aboriginal delegates, proportional to population, at country, state and national conferences.

"Not only is this network intended to increase involvement of Aboriginal peoples at all levels of NSW Labor, importantly, we're also working to increase awareness of Indigenous issues throughout the ALP," Ms Burney said.

"It's critical that we sufficiently take into account how our policy positions impact Aboriginal Australians. That's why we will work towards a review of the National ALP platform from the perspective of Aboriginal peoples.

"This is a welcome development for the Labor Party, and it is just the beginning. I look forward to helping the network grow, with a view to go national in the coming years."



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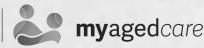
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## Coming of Light marked

Story by ALF WILSON Pictures by AARON SMITH, of the Torres News



COMING of the Light ceremonies to celebrate Christianity's introduction to the Torres Strait were held on

Thursday Island, St Paul's Village on Moa Island, at Seisia on the Northern Peninsula Area and in Townsville.

The Coming of the Light marks the day that missionaries arrived in the Torres Strait - July 1, 1871.

It is a significant day for many Torres Strait Islander people, who are predominantly of Christian faith, and celebrates the interaction of Torres Strait Islander customs, traditions and beliefs and the practices of Christianity.

Re-enactments of the arrival by London Missionary Society Christians on Erub in 1871 were held on Thursday Island, St Paul's and Seisia. **Townsville Torres Strait** Islander residents also held a church service.

Each re-enactment was



**Bishop Saibo Mabo during** Thusday Island's Coming of the Light commemoration.

based on the actual event and gave those watching an insight into what it would have been like in 1871.

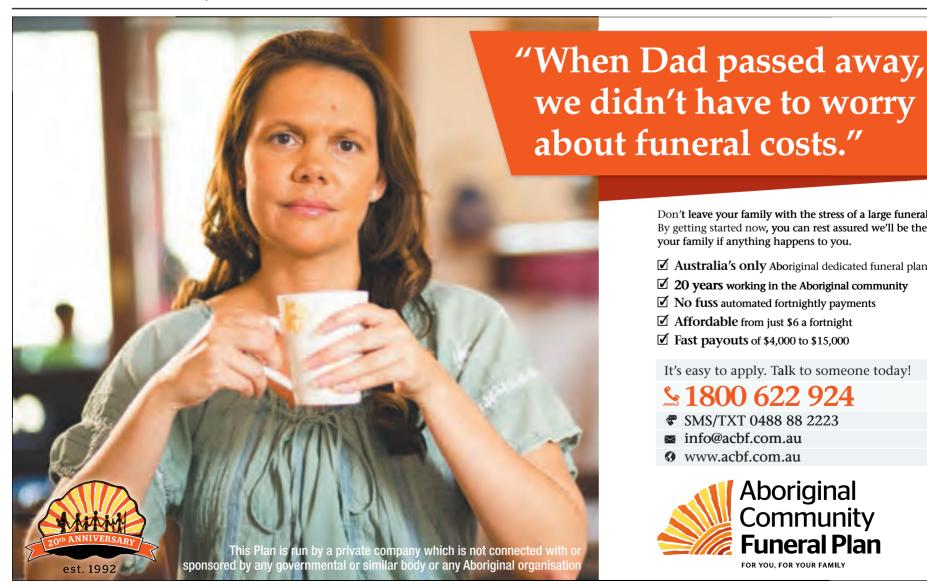
The Seisia event was held on the beach in front of the community hall, and included many young people.

Residents from the sister Northern Peninsula Area communities of Bamaga, Umagico, New Mapoon and Injinoo were also involved.



Above, Torres Strait Islander Leo Akee, with spear, and 'missionaries' Grant Smith, State Member for Cook David Kempton and Bruce Ranga during the Coming of the Light re-enactment on Thursday Island and, below, the street parade to the Anglican Church on Thursday Island.





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Blekbala Mujik's new song The Sun Shines on *Ngukurr* is featured on the latest *Snapshot* album and provides a taste of what's to come from their Greatest Hits Live album.

## Blekbala Mujik and more on *Snapshot III*



**CAAMA Music has** released its new compilation album Snapshot III.

The annual compilation highlights

current CAAMA successes such as Tjintu Desert Band, new artists such as Helena Smith and established talent including Warren H Williams.

It also provides a taste of what's to

Influential Aboriginal rock band Blekbala Mujik will release its Greatest Hits Live album in August, just before band members headline the Sand Tracks tour of remote Central Australia.

The Sun Shines on Ngukurr is a new song and a taste of the classic Aboriginal rock sound Blekbala Mujik made famous in the 1990s.

Djiliwirri, by Stewart Gaykamangu, is a preview of the most anticipated debut release to come from CAAMA Music in recent years. His song Lorrpu won Best Pop Song at the NT Song of the Year Awards last year, and his album will be launched in September.

North Tanami Band, which will release its sixth album later this year, performs Warlpiri Reggae in an example of the style the band has been delivering for over 20 years.

The Ringer's Girl, sung by Lisa and Rachael Maza, is from the upcoming tribute album to Bob Randall, the Aboriginal land rights leader and campaigner for the Stolen Generation who also gained recognition in the 1970s for his song My Brown Skin

CAAMA Music will soon produce an Aboriginal women's compilation featuring Cassandra Williams. Her powerful voice and songwriting skills are introduced on the Snapshot album in Falling Down.

Snapshot III is available for sale digitally via iTunes and distributed by CAAMA Music.

## NAISDA Garma-bound



**NAISDA Dance** College has received \$6000 sponsorship from the Indigenous Communities Alliance to participate in the Garma Festival in

Gulkula, Arnhem Land.

The Garma Festival is run by the Yothu Yindi Foundation and held on a traditional meeting ground of the Yolngu people. It is a celebration of cultural traditions and practices, dance, song, music and art, and the annual venue for a major key forum on Indigenous issues

At Garma, NAISDA developing artists will join in cultural events, run dance workshops, act as youth leaders and work with other Indigenous artists.

NAISDA's recent mid-year show Mud Map was inspired by memory, place and country. It was directed

by Aku Kadogo, choreographed by the developing artists and featured a finale to Midnight Oil's The Dead

Indigenous choreographer Vicki Van Hout said one of the great things about NAISDA was the juxtaposition of Western and Indigenous movement.

"At one point the leg can be extending slowly, outward and upward in a grand battement (movement), to be brought down in a resounding flat-footed, doubleshunted, backward stamping motion," she said.

"There are endless possibilities as each new generation assimilates the variety of movement styles within their bodies".

The NAISDA Foundation will host a major event next month at Government House in Sydney, hosted by patron NSW Governor



## **Remains thought** to be Aboriginal



BONES found at a building site in Adelaide's northern suburbs are believed to be historic Aboriginal remains. Workers dug up the bones at a new housing development in Parafield Gardens and called police. Major crime detectives and a

forensic anthropologist attended the scene

Kaurna Nation Cultural Heritage Association chair Georgina Williams told the Adelaide Messenger that such discoveries had a "bad effect" on local Aboriginal people and a map of burial sites across Adelaide should be created so it did no happen again. - with AAP

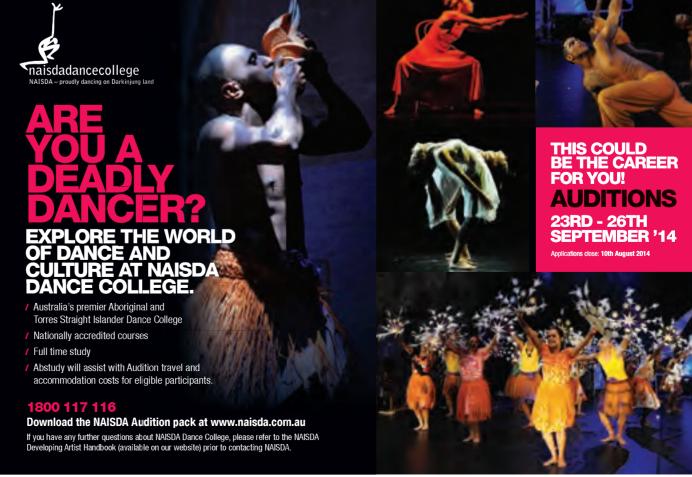
### **Ancestors 'coming** home' from Germany



TWO Indigenous communities will receive ancestral remains returned from Germany.

Goemulgal of Lag Mabuyag in the Torres Strait and the Wajarri Yamatji peoples of Western Australia

will receive 14 ancestral remains returned from the Charite University Hospital in Berlin. The Charite repatriated other Indigenous remains in 2013. Its decision influenced other German museums to return remains to Indigenous people, Arts Minister George Brandis said. – AAP



## Centre wins kudos for ACT hody



Wirliyajarrayi Learning Centre in Willowra has won a commendation for Indigenous community

architecture in this year's NT Architecture Awards.

The award jury recognised that the centre, which opened last year, was an important step forward for the small community, 330km north-east of Alice Springs.

"This centre, partly funded by the community, represents a major move to a more harmonious future between the family groups who live here," jury members commented.

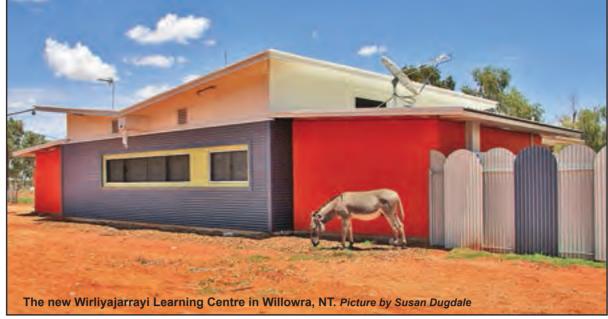
Central Land Council (CLC) director David Ross congratulated the architects, Susan Dugdale Associates from Alice Springs, on the commendation.

"This honour acknowledges the extensive consultations they undertook with the community in determining the centre's design,'

'They worked closely with the CLC's community development team over a number of years and really took on board what local people were telling them.

The jurors were impressed with the architects' response to the challenging infill site and also appreciated the finishing touches by local people.

"We entered the centre through a walled courtyard and were greeted by 16 bold rectangular paintings done by Willowra's different family groups.



The paintings made a strong statement about a common future," they said.

The panels were an art project of Yuendumu's Warlukurlangu Art Centre and funded by the CLCadministered Warlpiri Education and Training Trust (WETT).

The centre includes an early childhood facility, a large meeting space, training rooms for informal and formal training, a library, computers and internet access, and an outdoor movie screen. There is also staff accommodation.

Maisie Kitson from Warlpiri **Education and Training Trust** shows some of the painting panels at the centre.



## **Votes in** body



Territory's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elected Body (ATSIEB) have been decided.

Elections are held every three years and this year saw a significant increase in both the number of nominees and voter turnout. with more than double the number of votes cast.

Amangu-Wajuk man Rod Little, a member of the inaugural ATSIEB in 2008, was again elected as chair. Mr Little is a director with the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, and is a member of many high-level boards and councils.

The other elected members are Fred Monaghan, Diane Collins, Jo Chivers, Jo Donovan, Maurice Walker and Ross Fowler.

ATSIEB provides direct advice to the ACT Government with the ambition of improving the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Canberrans in a step towards true reconciliation.

Voting in the ATSIEB elections took place over one week from July 5 and, for the first time, included the NAIDOC on the Peninsula event. Polling stations were also established at major

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## Focus on justice



A scene from King's Seal, a new NITV documentary about the South Australian Letters Patent.



documentary, King's Seal, that highlights the Letters Patent of South Australia

will premiere on NITV next month. In 1836, King William IV and the British Parliament enshrined into law the Letters Patent, the founding document that established the state of South Australia.

The Letters Patent included a unique guarantee to protect

and legally secure land rights for all of South Australia's Aboriginal people and descendants, giving Aboriginal people the right to occupy and enjoy their land for always.

This legal right, still enshrined in law today, was the first ever Aboriginal land rights secured in Australia's history rights that have been denied since 1836.

NITV is dedicating August to justice, featuring new and older documentaries, current affairs

and special Q&A debates.

Other highlights include Protecting Manuwangku, which documents the struggle against ongoing attempts to build a nuclear waste dump on Aboriginal Land in Muckaty in the Northern Territory, and an in-depth look into the current situation of the Bowraville murders inquiry in Justice Just Us: Bowraville Special.

Kings Seal will premiere on Wednesday, August 13, at 8.30pm.

## Adults will benefit from new literacy foundation



than 150 Aboriginal adults each year will have

the chance to learn how to read and write following the successful trial and launch of a new literacy foundation.

The Literacy for Life Foundation will roll out its innovative approach across Australia after successful pilot programs in three western NSW communities.

The foundation uses a model known as Yes I Can, developed by the Institute of Pedagogy of Latin America and the Caribbean (IPLAC) in Cuba, which has helped more than six million people in 28 countries learn to read and write.

The Yes I Can model involves teaching the importance of literacy and its wide-reaching social and economic impacts. It runs for 10 to 13 weeks with a maximum of 15 people in each class, followed by eight to 12 weeks of post-literacy structured activity designed to boost employment and community involvement including cooking, first aid and computing skills.

The pilot campaigns conducted in Bourke, Wilcannia and Enngonia had a total of 81 graduates since 2011. The University of New England managed and evaluated the trials, which were funded by the Federal Government and the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office, with some private support.

Literacy for Life Foundation executive director Jack Beetson, a Ngembaa man, said the need for adult literacy in Indigenous communities was urgent and the pilot programs had yielded promising results.

"Recent pilot campaigns



Front, from left, Hogan Shillingsworth, Lucy Nunez, Maria Edwards and Jaycee Edwards at the Yes I Can trial in Bourke. Picture by Edwina Pickles/Fairfax

have been immensely successful. We are so proud of the graduates, they have overcome immense adversity and are fully engaged in their communities and now spread the word about the importance of literacy," Mr Beetson said.

#### "Great outcome"

"Another great outcome is that beyond the campaign participants, we have seen whole communities become engaged in the process, with parents and grandparents now reading to their families, and schools reporting that general participation is up.

"Local people have been trained as course facilitators as part of the community engagement. Those

facilitators have used their leadership roles to further the area with some helping to establish a local Men's Shed that assists men with social and physical health

About 65% of Aboriginal people are functionally illiterate in English.

Estimates suggest that 40% of Aboriginal adults are currently at or below level one on the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF). The minimum level necessary to succeed in most training, study and employment opportunities is level two or three.

Government and nongovernment agencies in the targetted communities are working together through the literacy campaign to help

graduates in training and

Literacy class staff and students also participate more actively in other events including workshops on tenancy rights and responsibilities and on dealing with violence, in meetings of local land councils and health services.

The Literacy for Life Foundation now plans to target four regional communities and improve the literacy of more than 150 people each year.

The foundation is supported by a combination of government funding from Medicare Local and donations from private sector organisations. It is seeking more private donors so it can expand its literacy campaign.



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### Health Infrastructure

### Invitation to Aboriginal People to **Register Interest**

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An Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment will be undertaken for this project and used in undertaking an environmental assessment under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979. It may result in HI applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974.

In accordance with NSW Government guidelines, HI invites Aboriginal people and or Aboriginal groups to register who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects(s) and or place(s) relating to the proposed project area.

Registrations from Aboriginal people and or Aboriginal groups wishing to be consulted must be received by phone or in writing by Friday 15th August 2014.

To register your interest, please contact: Rod Bennison at Advitech Environmental

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Tensions ease as chair given leave



THE Central Land Council has approved one month's leave for its chair Maurie Ryan in a bid to end months of destabilising and distracting leadership tensions. At a meeting in

Tennant Creek from July 22-24, the delegates directed the chair to stop "improper attempts" to remove the director, David Ross, and resolved that any further comment on the leadership of the organisation must be authorised by the council.

They also agreed on a range of measures to strengthen the CLC's governance.

"The council is keen to get on with the important job of fighting for the interests

of Aboriginal people," acting chair Francis Kelly said.

He cited the example of the tough grog restrictions that had just been achieved at the Top Springs roadhouse, near Kalkarindji, on the Buntine Highway 480km south-west of Katherine.

### Grog restrictions

Mr Kelly congratulated the Kurdiji Law and Justice Committee, a group of Warlpiri leaders in Lajamanu, on its win in the struggle for alcohol restrictions at the roadhouse.

The CLC had strongly supported the group to apply to the Northern Territory Licensing Commission for restrictions to minimise the considerable harm stemming from takeaway alcohol

sales by the roadhouse.

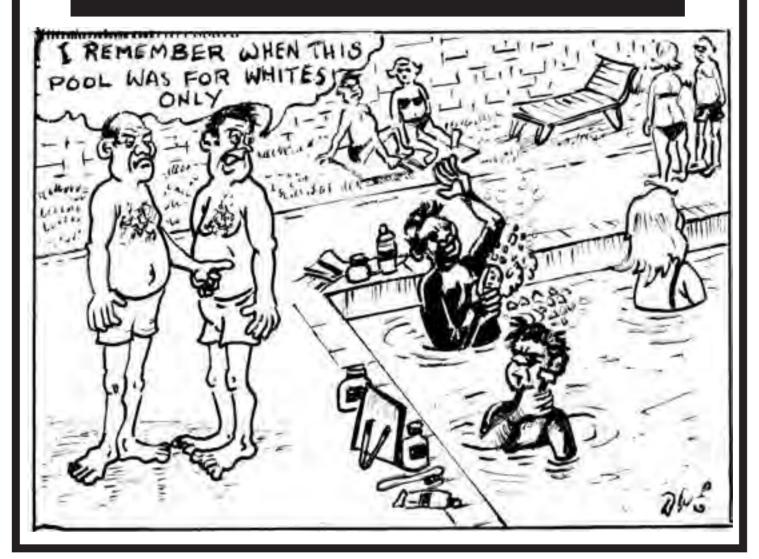
"The CLC convinced the commission to hold hearings in Lajamanu and Kalkarindii in April and May so it could hear first-hand about the devastating impacts of takeaway grog on the ground," Mr Kelly said.

Under the new restrictions, takeaway grog must be mid-strength or lower and in containers not larger than 400ml or with an alcohol content of no more than

Nobody will be able to buy more than 24 drinks a day, with the number of cartons of beer bought restricted to three per day, per vehicle.

The hotel also must record details of the person buying alcohol and what they bought.

## Danny Eastwood's View



## 4 Quote



"I'd like to be able to help my people overcome health problems and lead a healthier lifestyle, that's why I'm so driven to study, improve myself and succeed."

- Torres Strait Islander nurse and doctoral student Sean Taylor

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## Our kids deserve appropriate care

Γ another report that shows disempowerment and disadvantage are hurting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This time, children.

The report into child protection by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) found our kids are more likely to be neglected than other Australian kids

But the most telling statistic is the one that shows nearly half of children who made the sorry side of the child protection stats came from the most disadvantaged socioeconomic areas.

Poverty, disadvantage and a system that doesn't provide proper care or cultural understanding are letting down our children.

And Frank Hytten, the chief executive officer of SNAICC (the Secretariat of Aboriginal and Islander Child Care), is right. Until decisionmaking power is in Aboriginal hands the situation is not going to get better.

"Until we as a society get serious about acknowledging the history of this country, until we start to rectify the mistakes of the past and make amends for the incredible damage caused to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by colonisation, we won't be able to even start to reverse these statistics," Mr Hytten said.

The Aboriginal communitycontrolled health model works.

Surely, it follows that the same model should work for child services. At the moment we are seeing a



rash of much-needed - and in many cases loved - community services being shut down, and government officials making decisions without any consultation with those who access them.

Too often policy makers and bureaucrats don't understand or see the real effects their decisions to "redirect funds to frontline services" or restructure have on people.

Our children deserve to have proper care that is culturally appropriate, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people need to be at the front and centre of any decisions involving their families.

n the facing page you'll find a tribute to the late Gavin Jones, who founded Deadly Vibe.

Many of us at the Koori Mail knew Gavin. We liked him and – most importantly - we respected him, as a man and a professional.

His passing is a loss to Indigenous Australia, but it is some comfort that his legacy will endure. Gavin made a real difference for his people.

Rest easy, brother.

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## **A Yarn**



## **Jinny Jane Smith**

**Community woman** from Batemans Bay, southern NSW, living in Redfern, Sydney

Favourite bush tucker? Abalone.

Favourite other food? Bimbilas (cockle shells) and oysters.

Favourite drink? Soda water.

Favourite music? Old rhythm and blues.

Favourite sport/leisure? Baseball.

#### Favourite read?

A book called Confessions of a Video Vixen, a memoir written by Karrine Steffans.

Favourite holiday destination? Home at Batemans Bay.

What are you watching? The Voice on TV.

What do you like in life? The innocence of children.

What Indigenous person would you most like to meet? Basketballer Patty Mills.

Which three people would you invite for a night at the campfire? My aunty Bronwyn and my sisters.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation for Aboriginal people? Change government policies to make lives better.

N Saturday morning, July 12, the managing director of Deadly Vibe, Gavin Jones, passed away in his home town of Goulburn, NSW, at the age of 47.

Gavin was a respected and widely admired figure and leader in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, who worked tirelessly towards the advancement and health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

He was born on the traditional lands of the Ngunnawal and Gundungurra peoples at Goulburn, southern NSW. While he grew up in the provincial town between Sydney and Canberra, the family's roots were in Bigga, Binda, Crookwell and Tuena. He was raised by his mother, father and grandmother, along with his three sisters.

After finishing school, Gavin started a journalism cadetship at the Goulburn Post newspaper before completing a communications degree at the University of Canberra in 1989. He then began working in journalism across various Government departments.

The company he founded in 1993, Deadly Vibe, forged new ground in its holistic approach to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander advancement. Gavin's vision and mission for Deadly Vibe was to: 'Support all Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander people in reaching their full potential by providing positive imagery, identifiable role models and quality media to improve community and quality of life.

Deadly Vibe launched a series of unique and successful products, all reinforcing the importance of self-worth and self-esteem to the overall health of the Indigenous community by the promotion of positive Indigenous stories, and focussing upon the achievements of Indigenous Australians across all aspects of society, along with targetted health messaging.

Importantly, this approach came at a time when the national media cycle served only to reinforce negative stereotypes and negative depictions of Indigenous Australians. It was this negative and 'unhealthy' imbalance in the reporting of Indigenous peoples and communities that spurred Gavin to launch Deadly Vibe.

After launching the Deadly Sounds radio program in 1993, in 1995, Gavin launched Deadly Vibe magazine, a first of its kind monthly publication that delivered positive Indigenous stories and health messaging directly to schools and communities. At the time of Gavin's passing, Deadly Vibe magazine had reached its 209th issue, and is among the most recognised Indigenous media products in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, reaching a national distribution of 55,000 a month, most of the readers being students.

Commenting on the genesis of Deadly Vibe magazine, Gavin wrote in the editorial for the 200th issue in 2013. "Overly negative



## We've lost one of our very best

media was the reason why we started Deadly Vibe magazine. To put something positive in the hands of our young people; something of a high professional quality that could be read and handed around at home or school that told a different story. A story we could be proud of. A magazine that was ours. Something that had blackfellas achieving and breaking stereotypes – achieving in music, sport, at a community level, in the health sector, at school and in the work force. Something our young people can get excited about, and

Soon after Deadly Vibe magazine, Gavin launched InVibe magazine, an insert into Deadly Vibe produced specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in prison and iuvenile detention centres. delivering targetted health messaging focussing on mental health, sexual health, information on substance abuse, and Vibe's mission of promoting pride and

The ethos of Deadly Vibe and Deadly Sounds was also refashioned into a youth event the Vibe 3on3, a travelling event

that brought Indigenous role models, health and education expos, breakdancing workshops, and a round-robin basketball tournament into regional communities - all with the aim of fostering cultural pride, self-worth and improved health awareness for young people. Over its 15 years, the Vibe 3on3 has made an impact on the lives of countless young Australians.

The first event that would become the Deadlys was held in 1994 as a celebration for the first year of Deadly Sounds broadcasting. Gavin's conviction in

the importance of Vibe's messaging quickly propelled the event from being a low-key community get-together to a unique national Indigenous awards night, celebrating the achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders peoples.

In 2013, the Deadlys celebrated its 19th year, by then having become one of the major and most highly anticipated events on the Indigenous calendar, held at the Sydney Opera House, and broadcast nationally on the SBS network.

In a 2012 interview, Gavin stated the inspiration behind the Deadlys: "Like the whole Vibe organisation, I see the Deadlys as a vehicle to empower our people. Indigenous health is a disgrace, but I see our work as a way of improving this. If people are proud of who they are and where they come from, then that will lift their self-esteem. And that can only lead to better health."

In 2008, Gavin launched Vibe TV, producing the programs *Living* Strong, which delivered informative health stories and profiles, and Move it Mob Style, a program which combined Vibe's promotion of self-worth and cultural pride with other health messaging and hip hop dance workshops and routines. Move it Mob Style is currently broadcast on NITV and ABC3, bringing Aboriginal faces and culture into the homes of thousands of Australians of all backgrounds, and, in 2014, was nominated for a Logie Award in the Children Entertainment category.

Gavin was a silent leader, continually pushing the achievements and contributions of others into the spotlight while himself shying away from accolades and recognition. Through his passionate and incredible work ethic, ambition, creative drive and commitment to the empowerment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over more than two decades. Gavin leaves behind an impressive legacy and will be remembered as a man who made a huge contribution to his community and helped to change the fabric of Australian society, providing successful and impactful nationwide platforms for Indigenous Australians to celebrate their achievements, survival, pride and culture.

Noted for his generosity, kindness and genuine care for others, Gavin was one of the true pioneers and heroes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander advancement, and will be missed and remembered by the countless individuals whose lives he touched and helped to improve.

- This tribute was written and first published by Deadly Vibe. To add your own tribute go to www.deadlyvibe. com.au/2014/07/gavin-jones-1966-2014/
- The family of Gavin Jones has asked that instead of flowers, donations be made to the Jimmy Little Foundation, the Go Foundation and the Yothu Yindi Foundation.

What a blessing, when 21 years ago Gavin and I ... talked about how great it would be to have a national radio program, our own AFI's, and a magazine, and look what he did with his wisdom, passion and love for all our mob. So many seedlings have been produced across the industry because of this one man and his passion. He really was a pioneer, and I thank you, deadly brother. Rest, then dance well with our mob because you will always be in our hearts and are one of the greatest shining stars. - Rhoda Roberts

avin Jones worked tirelessly to build and celebrate Gride in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' cultures and achievements. The positive promotion of these by Gavin has had an immense and

### Tributes flow for a hero

These are just some of the tributes paid to the late Gavin Jones.

lasting impact on our community, and changed Australia for the better. His legacy will live on. Gavin was a towering inspiration. His passion in life and work was the advancement of our Peoples, which makes his passing all the more sorrowful. All of us at Congress will mourn his loss with the wider community. We acknowledge the deep sadness felt by his family and community and wish them all strength in the days ahead. - National Congress of Australia's First Peoples

Gavin Jones is a true hero of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. He was selfless and he dedicated his life to celebrating our achievements and inspiring our youth in particular to develop the resilience they need to face their future. RIP Gav.

- Dr Tom Calma

We are deeply saddened by Mr Jones' passing. Our condolences go out to his family, friends and colleagues.

He was a man who was dedicated to making a difference and to working with, and on behalf of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

- Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion and Assistant Health Minister Fiona Nash

## Women's leadership award to NT minister



**NORTHERN Territory Government minister** Bess Price, a Warlpiri woman, has been named the NT winner of the Awards for Excellence in Women's Leadership.

"This is a huge honour and I hope I can help inspire other women to take on positions of leadership, no matter where they are from," Ms Price said.

"Too often, women are victims of violence in our community and I am serious about being a voice for those who can't speak for themselves.

"As the Territory Minister for

Women's Policy, I won't stop working to end this cycle of violence once and for all.

"I thank Women and Leadership Australia for organising these awards and congratulate them on their efforts in closing the gap on gender inequality."

The awards recognised female leaders from every state and territory. Former Prime Minister Julia Gillard took out the national honour.

NT Chief Minister Adam Giles said Ms Price was a "proud Indigenous woman who talks frankly about the disadvantage and violence faced by Aboriginal women and children in our community".

"She joins a stellar list of women being recognised from around the country, including Ita Buttrose, former Queensland Premier Anna Bligh and much-loved Australian cook Maggie Beer," he said. "These awards are aimed at

promoting the need for a greater percentage of female leaders and I could not think of a better person to advance this cause than Bess Price.

"This year she bravely spoke out about the way violence has touched her own life and that of her family with tragic consequences.

"I know her heartfelt words have inspired many to stand up and say



Warlpiri woman Bess Price with her NT Award for Excellence in Women's Leadership.



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### RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING **FUND - TRUSTEES**

Applications are invited from persons wishing to be considered for appointment as a Trustee of the Responsible Gambling Fund.

The Responsible Gambling Fund provides grants for projects, activities and services relating to problem gambling in NSW. The Fund draws its income from a levy placed on the Sydney Casino's gaming revenue. A governing Trust Deed sets out the purposes to which Fund monies can be allocated. Trustees are supported by staff from NSW Trade & Investment.

The Trustees make recommendations to the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing about allocations from the Responsible Gambling Fund.

Two appointments will be made in 2014. One of these appointments is identified as an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander position.

Trustees can be appointed for a period of up to four years and for a maximum of two terms

Applications in writing, clearly marked private and confidential, may be forwarded by email to: rgf@olgr.nsw.gov.au

An information package can be requested by A/Manager, contacting Dr Kimberley Webber, Industry Engagement, by phone (02) 9995 0634 or email Kimberley.webber@olgr.nsw.gov.au

Closing date for applications is close of business on  $\frac{1}{2}$ Monday, 25 August 2014.

## **Archie Charles now** 'under Bunjil's wing'

## **OBITUARY**

RTHUR Charles, widely known as Archie, passed away at age 61 from a heart attack on July 15, at James Barker House aged-care centre in

Uncle Archie was a member of the Stolen Generation. He was removed from his mother and siblings at age four at Mooroopna, Victoria. His mother, Blanche, did not get to cuddle her little boy again nor did Archie receive the love and warmth of his mother. He did not get to play with his brother and sisters as children or experience the variety and strengths of his kinship group and culture

Archie was made a ward of the state and placed in a succession of institutions.

His case file history is, with few exceptions, harrowing reading.

He received his first penal sentence at 13, for larceny, and spent six months in Turana youth prison. Archie also endured the horrors of Pentridge Jail, and spent time in notorious and brutal divisions including H division and J ward, Ararat. There are many stories by reliable witnesses of the beatings Archie received at the hands of guards. On one occasion he received six months' jail in Gippsland for the theft of food and blankets and on another, six months' jail for vagrancy in

His files are a textbook example of how not to help Stolen Generation members and others who have been traumatised and brutalised by state power and theories of race.

Archie's devoted and loyal older brother Jack, the internationally honoured actor and activist, wrote and advocated for his brother throughout their time in institutions and prisons. Jack continued to advocate and offer unconditional love to his younger brother throughout his life. Their mother, Aunty Blanche, tried to have her sons returned but was dismissed and ignored by the department responsible.

A retired schoolteacher called Mrs



Legend and trickster

Uncle Arthur 'Archie' Charles, Koori legend, innocent trickster. Picture by Rod McNicol

Tywford became interested in Archie's plight as a child and she became an eloquent advocate and foster mother, offering Archie love and care. Jack said that when Mrs Tywford died "Archie really went downhill".

His movement disorder was caused by the side-effects of antipsychotic drugs. This disorder was magnified by the brain injuries he suffered in prison and from beatings. A police handgun fired next to his head allegedly destroyed his left eardrum.

Galiamble half-way house, but was caught by the poisoned flour of heroin in the late 1970s. He was a noted figure on the streets of Melbourne and was the most accomplished 'cold biter' in recent history. The number of fares Archie received from well-meaning people on the street to get him "to Albury to see my family" would have taken him around the world first class many times. Instead, it went up his arm or into the arms of some who stood over him.

Archie shared what he had – money, food and cigarettes. He shared blankets in lanes when he slept out. And he shared laughter, in a booming, powerful voice that the great Aboriginal opera singer Harold Blair would have been impressed by.

His dear vounger sister Aunty Chrissie Charles, a retired Victorian Aboriginal health service worker, said that the time she spent with Archie taught her "to smile and laugh again ... he freed part of me".

In the last three years of his life, Uncle Archie gained better and more appropriate support after determined advocacy. He gained an Indigenous care team, an aged-care package and appropriate supported housing. His workers, Chris Arnott, Lisa Zammitt, Debora Kerr, Kerry James Fox and myself, understood his levels of posttraumatic anxiety and the harrowing journey he had survived.

His gentle and wise Irish GP, Dr Niall Quiery, of the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service, managed complex health issues with love and skill. Many people offered support and love to Uncle Archie, and many Indigenous families gave him a bed, a meal, and friendship across Australia during his wide-ranging travels.

The state and its institutions sent a four-year-old boy on a journey to hell alone. Archie's undefeatable spirit led him on the road home. It was a long

Yet, despite the horrors he experienced, Uncle Archie described himself as "a happy person". His sister Chrissie described him as "the face of innocence". His brother Jack said that "he is under Bunjil's wing everywhere with us forever".

My dear friend Archie taught complex, challenging lessons about how we should support the healing of the Stolen Generations, the lost, the outcast, and all those trying to find their way home.

The role of the trickster spirit is sent to perform in Indigenous cultures, to overturn the normal, to make us think differently, to challenge our preconceptions.

Uncle Archie Charles, innocent trickster, Koori legend, Melbourne identity, passed away drug-free, surrounded by care and love.

Uncle Archie was buried next to his older sisters Aunty Esme and Aunty Eva-Jo in the family plot at Weeroona, the Indigenous burial ground in Greenvale.



## **Aboriginal Heritage**

## **Tooleybuc Bridge Replacement**

Roads and Maritime Services proposes to build a new Murray River bridge to replace the existing single lane bridge at Tooleybuc, in South West NSW.

Roads and Maritime invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who would like to be consulted and hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for Tooleybuc Bridge to register their interest with:

Andrew Whitton Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer Wagga Wagga NSW 2650 Ph: (02) 6937 1647

Email: Ándrew.Whitton@rms.nsw.gov.au

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by

#### Wednesday 20 August 2014.

The proposal to replace Tooleybuc Bridge may result in Roads and Maritime:

- · Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, and/or
- Undertaking investigations in accordance with the Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW
- Undertaking an environmental impact assessment under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979.



## YOUR SAY



On page 24, Nathan Leitch writes about hip-hop rapper Adam Briggs (on the left in the picture), a man he reckons is worthy of our support and respect.



David Gulpilil in Charlie's Country, a film about an Elder's struggle with his cultural ties in a world dominated by white law. Letter-writer Kerrie McKenzie believes the film should be seen by everyone in Australia.

## Praise aplenty for Charlie's Country

I SAW the movie Charlie's Country at a special advance screening earlier this month at the Cremorne Orpheum

It played to a packed house, was well received and most thought-provoking.

The audience was totally drawn into the film itself and seemed to respond as 'one'

during the various scenes of heartbreak, humour and injustice - and with much discussion afterwards as people slowly left the theatre.

The following night, the film screening was to be followed by a discussion with the filmmaker, Rolf de Heer.

David Gulpilil's acting is brilliant and mesmerising...

and for which he received a 'Best Actor' award at the Cannes Film Festival in France.

The film should be seen by everyone in Australia and screened around the world to reveal just what is happening within this 'Secret Country'.

As said on ABC Radio,

"Compelling and enthralling. A powerful journey. It is impossible to take your eyes off David Gulpilil. Charlie's Country offers a deeply affecting portrait of contemporary Aboriginal Australia."

**KERRIE McKENZIE** Lane Cove, NSW

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## **P**OETRY

## **Excuse** me, Sir

Excuse me sir, I'd like to have a word Our people are suffering, have you heard? You make us empty promises each year Things are going to get better we hear.

Same words, same promises never fulfilled No great changes, just more and more bills We watch you climb the political ladder What our voices have to say doesn't matter.

Telling us to set role models for our kids But we look at you and shake our heads You stand in the white house and debate Using your countrymen as your baits.

Excuse me sir, have you ever touched dirt? Or even had a stain on your perfect shirt? Were you fed with a silver spoon in life? Don't you see Australia in financial strife?

I ask you to swap shoes with me for a day See how far you get on my low-income pay Your eyes will be opened to the real world How much I pay to educate my boy and girl.

You rule blackfella country with white hands Wrong attitudes to lead this great land Poisoning the dirt from under our feet Killing all our seafood and shell meat.

Have you lived a life without recognition? Have you ever been hungry with no nutrition? So no more empty promises, enough is enough Sit down, pull up a chair, and hear it from us.

Excuse me Sir, may I get your attention Oh Mr Prime Minister if you just listen Take my place in life and you will see What it's like to be low-income Me.

**DANIELLA ROCHFORD** 

## Alyawarr on the job

F you drive 325km north-east of Alice Springs through a region called Utopia you'll reach Ampilatwatja and its donkey-proof fence. The fence was funded by government to keep out the local wild donkeys and give unemployed adults something to do building it.

But donkeys still wander through Ampilatwatja. The bureaucrats, service providers, consultants and contractors who designed and built the fence didn't think to install cattle grids on the roads and it was never finished.

The fence was a waste of money. It didn't move people from welfare to work, create real jobs or contribute to building a real economy. It didn't even stop the donkeys.

There are many examples like this in Ampilatwatja.

If you ever wonder how governments spend billions on Indigenous people with little to show for it, look no further than Ampilatwatja's donkey-proof fence.

Ampilatwatja is the central location for John Pilger's film Utopia, a film that condemns Australia's treatment of Indigenous Australians. The Ampilatwatja scenes show third-world living conditions where preventable diseases thrive. Pilger says "apartheid is deep within Australia's past and present"

Ampilatwatja isn't actually in Utopia. It's 100km north, in Alyawarr country. Turns out his depiction of remote Indigenous

Australia is about as insightful as his geography.

I stayed in Ampilatwatja in June, spending time with community members and Elders and understanding how things currently operate and the community's aspirations.

My visit confirmed to me that governments have got Indigenous affairs completely wrong for

Housing is one example. Last year, government replaced nine Ampilatwatja dwellings with new houses. A 2014 environmental health assessment on 31 Ampilatwatja dwellings, including six of the new houses, found that not one of the 31 has a compliant effluent disposal system. But they all have new satellite dishes installed in the conversion to digital TV.

A few years ago government funded a four-day program for women on cleaning and hygiene, costing more than \$56,000. Content included cleaning bathrooms and using septic systems. Each day ended with a 'fun women's activity' like 'nails' or 'hand massage'. Barely anyone attended. Apart from being patronising and sexist, this did nothing to address key health-risk factors like poor housing and overcrowding. Septic systems fail because they aren't built to service overcrowded homes, not from

Cockroach infestation also



## Nyunggai Warren Mundine

causes illness. But I'm told that pest control services don't turn up for the required (and paid for) follow-up visits. So infestation continues.

The abysmal state of Ampilatwatja's housing isn't from lack of spending. It's from poor planning and management by outsiders who don't understand community needs, don't follow through and don't think locals

are capable of doing anything themselves.

Ampilatwatja has an Indigenous engagement officer, Centrelink office and Jobs Services Australia provider. I bet they all say there are no jobs in Ampilatwatja. Apart from the jobs they and other non-locals do, of course.

The attitude to Ampilatwatja hasn't moved past the 1960s mission-manager mentality that Aboriginal people need a caretaker. Yet, unlike the various caretakers over the years and despite the many obstacles, the Alyawarr people have managed to create real jobs and real businesses. Ampilatwatja's health centre is owned by traditional owners, gets revenue from Medicare bulk billing and is wellresourced and equipped. It has also hired eight locals who are completing vocational training. The traditional owners also own the store, a small supermarket as good as any you'll find in country Australia

Alyawarr people have other aspirations for their region and the biggest obstacles to these are bureaucracy, structural barriers and approvals - even for Alyawarr people doing things on Alyawarr

I was inspired by the Alyawarr people's momentum and farsighted thinking. The Elders have a vision of Alyawarr people being responsible for their own destiny and decisions affecting their land,

culture, heritage, language, education of their children and their communities. They want to wake up the Alyawarr nation.

Instead of governments telling the Alyawarr people what they'll get and delivering it poorly, they should ask what they need. When governments do invest, they should engage locals instead of outside contractors and stop making excuses why they can't.

You say there aren't enough locally skilled people? Then identify what needs to happen to ensure there are. For example, targeting training towards specific skills or requiring non-local suppliers to partner with locals and enable skills transfer. You say locals don't want to work? Well that's not the health centre experience.

There's no apartheid in Australia. Alyawarr people choose to live on Alyawarr land as they've done for thousands of generations. Poverty doesn't persist because of racism, segregation or lack of government money. It persists because communities are treated like dependent children and smothered in bureaucracy. It's time they're treated like adults.

Nyunggai Warren Mundine is managing director of NyunggaBlack, executive chairman of the Australian Indigenous Chamber of Commerce and chair of the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council.

## Worthy of our respect

By NATHAN LEITCH

AST week was NAIDOC week. Also, July is Blak History Month, so most blackfullas are pretty out and proud about things this time of year.

Up until Friday morning I was having a fairly boring time. I attended a few community events (got my free feeds and pulled off a showbag heist with my aunt as coey at the Fitzroy Town Hall Government NAIDOC event. Truly, filled up the whole backseat of the car with all sorts of promotional goodies. You mob know what I'm sayin'...) and I even wrote a couple of blog posts for the Deadly Bloggers Blog Carnival, looking at my own Identity, and what I feel it means to me to be black in a contemporary world, vastly different from our ancestral forebears

In my article 'Contemporising and Continuing Culture', I mentioned an Aboriginal hip hop artist by the name of Briggs. I suggested that his music, a special brand of rap with all the qualities of a master in a young man's body, is the continuation of his Yorta Yorta people's culture of entertainment.

Adam Briggs is, essentially, the contemporary equivalent of the songmen of days passed. His commitment, injection of emotion, pride, and sheer theatrical prowess is the modern version of those old ceremonies. Those songs. Those stories.

So, on Friday morning, when I turned on my radio and started my drive to work, I felt a physical surge of black fervency within me, when I heard my djarmbi (brother), accompanied by the one-and-only Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu (also present was a respectable cast of session musicians, including James Mangohig from Sietta, Mr Trials from The Funkoars, and vocalist Dewayne Everettsmith), perform a

homage to Uncle Archie Roach's classic They Took the Children Away for Triple J's 'Like a Version' segment, a weekly event where artists are invited to the ABC studios to perform a song of their own, and a cover version of a song of their choice. Briggs' version is The Children Came Back. Watch the footage at http://www.youtube. com/watch?v= Of7JZK8ITEI&index =3&list=PLCC51 BF0C94BE62E8

I cried (just a bit). I sent cuzzo a text as soon as it was done and told him he'd made me tear up, told him how proud I was of what he'd just done... FOR

ALL OF US. Of course, he laughed at me, but going by the social media response to the song, I'd say emotions were pretty extreme for lots of other people too. Briggs probably couldn't have chosen a better song to cover, or make reference to, as it were.

The original Took the Children Away by living legend and Aboriginal icon Uncle Archie Roach, is by far one of the most powerful and emotionally charged songs in Australian contemporary music. It was a key selection in the mix-tape of my childhood. It has played an



Deadly trio of performers: Briggs, Gurrumul and Trials (of The Funkoars). Picture by Michelle Grace Hunder.

important role in the education of, and healing from, an horrific time in our recent national history. A sad, and quintessentially black song, that has now made a path for a new voice, with a new story.

The respect paid to the original (and its subject) is undeniable, however Briggs has brought a new theme of triumph, pride,

achievement, and a sonic equivalent of every Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person who has faced a world which often behaves as if it doesn't want them, and smiled. To be executed with the assistance (and absolute support of) Gurrumul, who is high on the list of most revered Australian musicians and artists, is almost

sublime in its poetry. A magical collaboration between differing generations of Aboriginal music, where we almost feel a passing of the baton has occurred. The accreditation from industry leadership bestowed upon a new keeper of the flame.

The references to some of our greatest sporting heroes, like Gavin Wanganeen, Anthony Mundine. Cathy Freeman, the mighty Fitzroy

Stars, and, of course, Uncle Lionel Rose. The references to some of our political and cultural heroes, like Uncle Doug Nicholls, Uncle Jimmy Little, and Uncle William Cooper. The references to Adam's own family heroes, his father and uncles, and his traditional country. All these things, brought together so effortlessly (I've been informed

that this whole 'Like a Version' thing was pulled together in a week. I can't even get my head around that) with support from an amazing group of artists and friends, to create what is easily, in my opinion, the greatest anthem of Aboriginal pride of this generation.

There. I said it. I'm annoyed, because Adam is already brash enough to snarl a train off its tracks, but he deserves to be acknowledged for his hard work. This is a bloke who has done things the thorough way. The right way. I've had a few sneak previews of the new album, and I can honestly say that it deserves all the hype. At the risk of committing the Kooridinal sin of nepotism by promoting my brother, I've got this to say about Briggs...

Support him. Invest in him. Respect him, for it is certainly due. In an industry where it's all too easy to sell out and claim that quick dollar, Briggs stays true to his ethics. He's a strong black role model. He comes from one of the most politically involved mobs in Australia. He gives a damn about his people, and he seeks to represent us all through strong, high-quality music. No corners cut. All boxes ticked. As his hand tattoos say, "2 Black - 2 Strong" and "Always Was - Always Will Be". Go get 'em, brother.

Nathan 'Mr Deadly' Leitch blogs at nattywarbucks.tumblr.com/ This piece was one of his blogs for the Deadly Bloggers Festival.



### THE STRONGEST CHOICE IS **ALSO THE SMARTEST CHOICE**

After receiving a record number of 'People's Budget' submissions, the Queensland Government has announced a strong plan to fix our debt and interest problems.

We've already cut waste, now our plan includes the sale or lease of some assets.

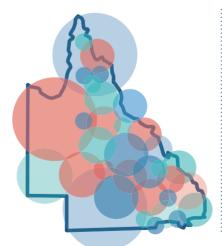
The government has already addressed waste and inefficiency and implemented a plan to run government services more effectively. As a consequence, reducing services has been ruled out. With so many Queensland families feeling increased cost of living pressures, raising taxes to reduce debt has also been ruled out.

Not everyone will agree with every part of our plan, but Queenslanders do agree that strong choices are essential to fund the schools, hospital upgrades, roads and highways we need for Queensland's growing future.

You can see Queensland's detailed plan for secure finances and a strong economy at the Strong Choices website.

### **HOW YOU HAD YOUR SAY ON QUEENSLAND'S DEBT AND INTEREST PROBLEMS**

Since February, more than 70,000 Queenslanders have collectively tackled the unprecedented threat to our future prosperity: our \$80 billion debt and the \$4 billion in interest, or 'dead money', that we pay each year. Never before in Australia has there been this level of public consultation about the economic choices facing a community.



- 37 days of public information from 13 April to 19 May
- 24/7 'People's Budget' interactive tool
- 14 Community Forums
- 27 local shopping centre information booths
- 15 Community Leader roundtable forums
- 19.000 kilometres travelled
- 4 region-wide Virtual



SEE OUR DETAILED PLAN.

www.StrongChoices.qld.gov.au

Great state. Great opportunity.



Government

## Plenty of interest in packed

Teresa Fatnowna, Gail Mabo and Noarelle Heise enjoying all the Cairns art fair had to offer.



**Artist Nickeema Williams** 



Members of the the CIAF crew, from left, Asarah Anau, Marcia Pablo and Ulum Robin



Mossman Gorge artists Robert Oui, Vanessa Cannon, Demilio Denman and Lawrence Waigana.



Pormpuraaw artist Christine Holroyd with one of her works



Delina Andrews, Elizabeth Doolah, Preston Campbell, Arlene Watson, Margret Blackman and Delvene Cockatoo-Collins enjoyed the fair.

## Cairns hosts huge event

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THE fifth annual Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF) made a triumphant return to its full

program this year with a stellar line-up of performers, artists and events.

Held over three days, art aficionados, communities from all over Queensland as well as international collectors and curators flocked to far north Queensland for the premier arts event of the season.

Overlooking the Trinity Inlet, the Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal provided the perfect backdrop for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists to showcase their work to thousands of potential customers; locally, interstate and on an international level. By the end of day one, artists were enjoying a high level of interest in their work with visitors in the high hundreds.

The opening party, 'My voice, Our Voice, One Voice' kicked the celebrations into high gear with performances by Songs of Austranesia, a musical ensemble bringing the languages of Kuku Yalani and the Torres Strait Islands together with a stirring song created especially for CIAF.

The Arpaka Dance

Company gave high-energy performances throughout the art fair, with traditional dance and songs in Kala Lagua Ua and Miriam Mer languages.

This year there was major interest in the edgy artwork of Aboriginal artist Christian Thompson, who was represented by Michael Reid. Mavis Ngallametta brought her work to the north as well as being a guest speaker to a packed audience.

### **Popular**

Vernon Ah Kee returned to CIAF with his popular contemporary artworks as well as a line of well-received t-shirts, with slogans like 'Aboriginal all the time' and 'Australia - drive it like you stole it', that were worn proudly throughout the weekend.

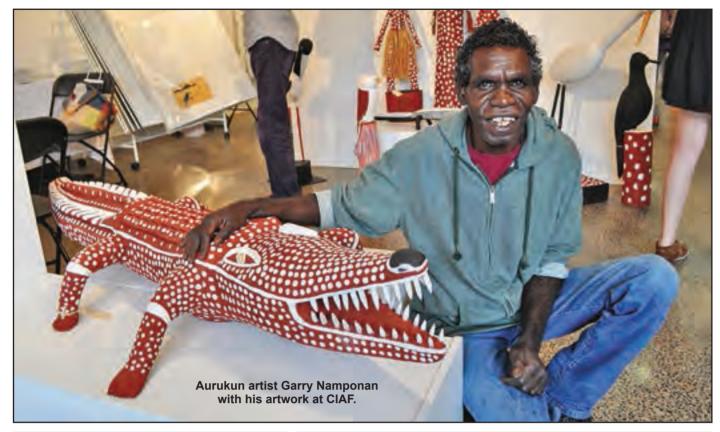
Once again, remote communities of the Cape York and Torres Strait Islander artists were also strongly represented.

Designer Grace Lee headed up another vibrant Ufla Yumpla fashion performance. going strong on the success of last year's inaugural show, and Proper Solid - a vision by Steven Oliver about the country's first Aboriginal president - played to packed audiences and rave reviews at the Jute Theatre on Friday



Clinton Toopi, Kyel Dancey, Lynda Ah Mat and Laurie Nona at the art fair.

## Indigenous art fair program





Carly Jia and designer Shaun Edwards.



International artist Mavis Ngallametta.



One of the Maluilgal dancers.





Artist Vernon Ah Kee, wearing one of his popular t-shirts, made a return to CIAF.



Aurukun artist Bevan Namponan.



These happy young Aurukun dancers were entertainers at the art fair.



National Gallery of Australia's Tina Baum, artist Elisa Jane Carmichael and Belinda Close.

## **Reconciliation in** focus at Kyogle



generation has taken the reins at the Kyogle Reconciliation

Group, in north-eastern NSW. Alethia Walker is now president of the group, with Sarah Pederson as secretary, John O'Neil as treasurer and Muranda Goodsell looking after publicity.

"The committee is looking forward to continuing the focus on reconciliation and

bringing all of our community together by acknowledging our differences and celebrating our similarities," Ms Walker said.

"We all would like to sincerely thank the outgoing committee for all their years of dedication to reconciliation in Kyogle. A special shout out to Ruth Haig, Noelle Lyndon-Way, Don Jolly and Suzie Coulston and (the late) Patsy Nagas, who is forever here with us in heart and spirit.'



The new Kyogle Reconciliation Group and supporters.



Yaegl men Ken (Fox) Laurie, Darren Mercy, Michael Randall and Ron Heron at the ceremony to bury their ancestors on country in far northern NSW.

## Yaegl ancestors return to country

## Session aimed at deaf



PEOPLE who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing are invited to attend a community

information session in Parramatta on Monday (August 4) to find out more about the work of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual

The national event will feature live captions and Auslan

interpreters, and will also be webcast.

Royal commissioner Robert Fitzgerald will explain the work of the commission and answer questions from the floor.

The information session, facilitated by the Deaf Society of NSW, will be from 5.30pm at the Park Royal Hotel, 30 Phillip Street, Parramatta. For more details, contact stakeholders@ childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au



FOUR Yaegl ancestors came home to Maclean, north-east NSW, last month, much

to the relief of their descendants. One of the men, believed to be from the Brushgrove area, was

returned from Vienna, Austria, while the other three, from Yamba and Iluka, were repatriated from Sydney under the National Repatriation Program.

Elders and other Yaegl community members, including Deidre Randall, campaigned for years to have their ancestors returned to country.

"For them to come home and finally, finally, be buried back on Yaegl country is very, very special," Mrs Randall told the ABC.

#### "At peace"

"They would not be at peace until that happened. Some were dated to be thousands of years old, so for them to be taken away, most of them had been buried traditionally in their land... that's upset the spirits.

"It's been a long time coming in relation to bringing our beautiful people back home and putting them back at peace in their home

Yaegl people wrapped their ancestors in bark and performed a traditional smoking and water ceremony for the burial.

National Repatriation Program heritage conservation officer Ashley Moran said not much was known about the ancestors, but he believes two were pre-colonisation and two post-colonisation.

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## Dad's the word for new study



A NEW project at the University of Melbourne is looking at

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander fathers and the effectiveness of programs that aim to address violence - and they are looking for an Indigenous research assistant to help.

While the importance of strong male role models has long been acknowledged, often the role of fathering and the experiences and needs of children in the context of family violence can get lost, particularly when there is limited understanding of the effectiveness of programs.

For Indigenous communities this can be compounded by lack of access to services and programs, cultural safety and discrimination.

The Indigenous Fathering Project is a stream of the

## Fathering project looks at violence solutions

Responsible, Responsive and Reparative Fathering in the context of Domestic and Family Violence (RRReF) Project, funded by an ARC Research Linkage Grant, at the University of Melbourne.

The project will look at three different areas: men's behaviour change; culturallyspecific programs for

Indigenous men who have perpetrated family violence; and fathering programs that address abuse.

The Indigenous Fathering Project is examing programs specifically designed to address family violence in Indigenous households, considering how the components address the issue of fathering in the context of family violence, what issues are addressed, what practice interventions and methods are being used, and what evidence there is for the success of the programs.

Melbourne University is looking for a research assistant for the project.

For more information contact Shawana Andrews on shawanaa@unimelb.edu.au to discuss options.

Applications close on August 10 and can be submitted online at: http://jobs.unimelb.edu.au/caw/

## Forum focusses on healing

A HEALING forum held at the University of NSW has marked a crucial first step in advancing the

dialogue about trauma and healing and developing best practice policy responses, NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello says.

The NSW Government hosted the 'Mapu Yaan Gurri, Mapu Marrunggirr - Healing Our Way' forum in partnership with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation.

Up to 200 representatives from 66 organisations attended, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda, NSW Mental Health Commissioner John Feneley and **NSW/ACT Stolen Generation Council** chairperson Matilda House.

Mr Dominello said the forum reflected the goal of enabling all Aboriginal people to live healthy and purposeful lives.

Aboriginal people who have suffered trauma need to find ways to reclaim their culture and rebuild pride in their identity," he said.

"Today was about listening to Aboriginal people and experts in the field to understand what role government can play in addressing trauma and loss of culture.

"It was also an opportunity to learn about what works - whether it is the courage of the men from Kinchela Boys Home recording their stories through film or the ingenuity of the women from Lismore's Wake Up Time Weavers – it's about sharing examples of healing."

Healing Foundation chief executive Richard Weston said acknowledging trauma and its roots in the history of colonisation is the first step towards healing.

"Healing from trauma enables individuals to gain control of their lives and create positive pathways forward to a more hopeful future," he said. "There are many examples of positive changes for our people because of healing programs.

"NSW should be congratulated for being the only state or territory that has built healing into its central policy for Aboriginal affairs. Let's hope other governments follow their lead.

Mr Dominello said the forum's discussions about healing will inform the NSW Government's approach to future policies and practices in Aboriginal affairs.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation CEO Richard Weston, Lorraine Peeters (Wanangali Marumali), Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello, Allen Madden, Kristy Masella and Mick Gooda at the first NSW healing forum.

## Help engineers build bridges



**ABORIGINAL** people interested in advising a bunch of humanitarian

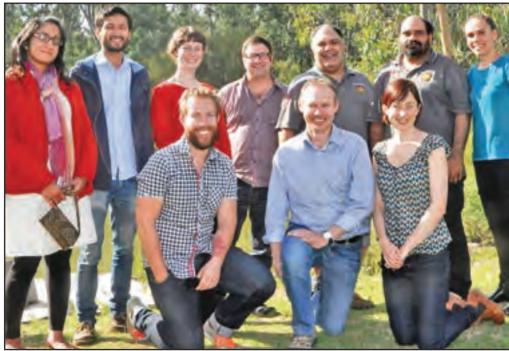
engineers can put their hand up to join the Engineers Without Borders Australia (EWB) Aboriginal Advisory Committee.

EWB is seeking expressions of interest for committee members with backgrounds in community development to provide strategic and operational advice for its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander program.

EWB carries out a range of sustainable engineering projects responding to the specific desires of partner communities.

The group worked with the Kuku Nyunkgal people in the Queensland Daintree on the Shipton's Flat cultural healing place, which won a Queensland Reconciliation Award in 2011 for its incorporation of natural resource management, ecotourism and a drug and alcohol recovery service. Partnered with the Bana Yarralji Bubu Aboriginal Corporation, the Centre for Approproate Technology and Aurecon, EWB helped build the basic infrastructure.

In another partnership, EWB helped the Yorta Yorta **Nation Aboriginal Corporation** (YYNAC) in the Murray River region develop training and skills opportunities for the community, especially youth.



The Aboriginal Advisory Committee for Engineers Without Borders Australia.

The engineers also provide support to manage key cultural and environmental assets, as well as education activities combining traditional and western science.

EWB now has two new Reconciliation Initiatives, aiming to extend its past work to create broader and deeper change in the engineering sector.

The first initiative is focussed on identifying best practice within the engineering sector and how to implement it across the sector.

The second initiative is focussed on creating technical career pathways to support to Aboriginal youth, students and graduates across Australia. The EWB aims to create a multiparty collaboration of organisations providing education and career support.

The EWB Aboriginal Advisory Committee will play a key role in developing the strategic direction and content of the group's Reconciliation Action Plan and its new Reconciliation Initiatives.

Expressions of interest from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people wanting to join the EWB Aboriginal Advisory

Committee can be emailed to Alanta Colley at a.colley@ ewb.org.au.

Committee members don't need to have engineering or professional backgrounds, but rather experience in working with Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities. The committee meets biannually in Melbourne, with sitting fees, travel and accommodation costs covered by EWB.

For details visit www.ewb. org.au/announcements/54/114 10 or phone the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander program coordinator Alanta Colley on (03) 9329 1166.

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### **Aboriginal Heritage** Albion Park Rail bypass

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the Albion Park Rail bypass to register to be consulted.

To register your interest, please contact:

Joanne Damcevski Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer – Southern Roads and Maritime Services M: PO Box 477 Wollongong, NSW 2520 E: Joanne.Damcevski@rms.nsw.gov.au

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Wednesday 13 August 2014

Roads and Maritime is planning for a future extension of the MI Princes Motorway between Yallah and Oak Flats to provide a bypass of Albion Park Rail.

A map of the study area is available at: rms.nsw.gov.au/roadprojects/apr or by contacting Roads and Maritime.

The proposal may result in Roads and Maritime:

- Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, and/or
- 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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- WEDNESDAY 30TH JULY
  12:00 NITV News NC (News)
  12:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
- 1:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
- 2:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater
- 3:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G
- (Entertainment)
  4:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
- 5:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
- Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids) Raven Tales G (Kids)
- 7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
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- 9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
- 10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Lifestyle)
  10:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
  11:00 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
- 11:30 Twelve Canoes PG (Documentary)
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- 8:00 Fusion Feasts G (Lifestyle)
- 9:00 Eternity G (Documentary
- 10:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
- 11:00 NITV News NC (News)
  11:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)

### **WEDNESDAY 6TH AUGUST**

- 12:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment) 3:00 Away From Country 6 (Documentary Series)
  4:00 NATSIBA NC (Documentary Series)
  5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG

- 8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
- 8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids
- Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
- 9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
- 10:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
- 11:00 Colour Change M (Documentary)
  12:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
- 12:30 Kids To Coast G (Documentary) 1:00 Arctic Air M (Drama)

- 2:30 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
  2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
  3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
- 3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
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- 5:30 NITV News NC (News)
- 6:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
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  7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
- 8:00 Memory Tree PG (Documentary) 9:00 By The Rapids PG (Comedy) 9:30 The Boondocks MA (Comedy)
- 10:00 SARL All Stars Carnival NC (Sport)
- 10:30 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)
- 11:00 NITV News NC (News)
  11:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)

**MONDAY 11TH AUGUST** 

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9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids) 10:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)

10:30 Justice 'Just Us' Bowraville Special PG

11:30 Courting With Justice PG (Documentary)

2-00 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary Series)

6:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary Series)

8:00 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
8:30 Finding Dawn M (Movie)
10:00 Arctic Air M (Drama)

6:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)

11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)

12:00 When The Natives Get Restless 12:30 Gideons Army (Movie)

3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)

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- 12:30 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
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- 6:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport) 8:00 NITV News NC (News) 8:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
- 9:00 Hunting Aotearoa M (Series) 10:00 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment) 10:30 By The Rapids PG (Comedy)
- 11:00 NITV News NC (News)
- 11:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)

30TH JULY ⊤○ 12TH AUGUST

- 6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
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- 9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)

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- 7:00 NITV News NC (News)
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  8:30 Rez Rides PG (Documentary Series)
- 10:30 Mana Mamau M (Entertainment) 11:00 NITV News NC (News) 11:30 Samaqan: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)

**THURSDAY 7TH AUGUST** 

6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)

10:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
11:30 Fusion Feasts G (Lifestyle)

12:00 Innocence Betrayed M (Documentary)
1:00 Justice 'Just Us' Bowraville Special PG
(Documentary)

2:00 Courting With Justice PG (Documentary)
2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
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9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment

- SATURDAY 2ND AUGUST
  12:00 The 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
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- 4:30 Korraiyn G (Documentary)
  5:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
- 6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
- 12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News) 12:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
  2:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary
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- 3:00 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
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  4:00 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
  4:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
- 5:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series) 5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
- 6:00 Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current Affairs)
  7:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
  7:30 Roots Music PG (Entertainment)
- 8:30 Go Girls M (Documentary Series
- 9:30 Murundak Songs of Freedom M
  (Entertainment)

  11:00 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)

  11:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)

### **SUNDAY 3RD AUGUST**

- 12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
  6:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
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  9:00 NITV On The Road Boomerang Festival G
  (Entertainment)
  10:00 FIFA Women's World Cup NC (Sport)
  12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
  12:30 Outback Cafe PG (Lifestyle)
- 1:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G
- 2:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
  3:00 The 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
  4:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
- 4:30 Characters Of Broome G (Documentary) 5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (Current Affairs)
- 5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
  6:00 Around The Traps G (Entertainment)
- 7:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series) 7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
- 8:30 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary Series)
  8:30 A Sister's Love M (Documentary)
  9:30 Black And White M (Movie)

- 11:15 Marrka Wangka G (Documentary) 11:30 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)

#### **MONDAY 4TH AUGUST**

- 12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
  6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
  7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
  7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
- 8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids) 8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
- 9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids) 9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
- 10:00 Australian Biography PG (Documentary Series)

  10:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
- 11:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
  11:30 Big Girls Don't Cry PG (Documentary)
- 12:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series) 12:30 A Sister's Love M (Documentary)
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- 7:30 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
- 8:00 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
  8:30 Colour Change M (Documentary) 9:30 Love Patrol M (Drama)

### 10:00 Arctic Air M (Drama)

- TUESDAY 5TH AUGUST 12:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
- (Entertainment)
  6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
- 6:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
  7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
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- 3:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G
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- 11:00 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
  11:30 Memory Tree PG (Documentary)
  12:30 SARL All Stars Carnival NC (Sport)
- 1:00 By The Rapids PG (Comedy)
- 2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
- 3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
  4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
- 4:30 Raven Tates (Nots)
  5:30 Rol Lingo G (Kids)
  5:30 NITV News NC (News)
  6:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (Doc Series)
  6:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
  7:00 NITV News NC (News)
  7:30 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
  8:00 Fusion Feasts G (I ifestyle)
- 8:00 Fusion Feasts G (Lifestyle)

- FRIDAY 1ST AUGUST
  12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
  1:30 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
- 2:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
  3:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
  4:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
  5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG
- 7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
  7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
- 9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
- 10:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Doc Series)
  10:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
  11:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
- 12:45 Marrka Wangka G (Documentary)
  1:00 The Road To St Andrews G (Documentary)
  1:30 Australian Biography G (Documentary Series)
  2:00 By The Rapids PG (Comedy)
- 3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
  4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
  4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)

- 9:00 Twelve Canoes PG (Documentary)
  10:00 The Boondocks MA (Comedy)

- 12:00 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
  1:30 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
  2:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
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  12:30 Blackfellas, Bulls And Bucking G
- 1:30 Australian Biography PG (Documentary
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  4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids)
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    8:30 Rez Rides PG (Documentary Series)

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- SATURDAY 9TH AUGUST 12:00 The 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
- 6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment) 12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
- 2:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
- 3:00 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
- 5:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)

Maori TV's Native Affairs NC (Current Affairs)

8:30 Go Girls M (Documentary Series From Sand To Celluloid M (Movie)
Big Fella M (Documentary)

11:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series

### 11:00 NITV News NC (News) 11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)

- 12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
- 9:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
  9:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G (Entertainment)
  10:00 FIFA Women's World Cup (Sport)
- 12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
  12:30 Outback Cafe PG (Documentary Series)
  1:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G
- 2:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
  3:00 The 43rd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
- 4:00 Unearthed G (Entertainment)
- 4:30 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)
  5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
  5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
- 8:30 Kill The Matador M (Documentary) 9:00 When The Natives Get Restless (Documentary)
  9:30 Gideons Army (Movie)
  11:00 Justice 'Just Us' Bowraville Special PG (Documentary)

#### (Entertainment) **Bush Bands Bash** G (Entertainment)

- 8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids) 8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids) 9:00 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
- 1:30 Defining Moments G (Documentary Series)
  2:00 Not Just Cricket PG (Documentary Series)
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- 1:00 Arctic Air M (Drama) 2:00 Pursuing The Flame PG (Documentary Series)
- 4:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)

#### **TUESDAY 12TH AUGUST** 12:00 NATSIRA NC (Sport)

- Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
- 9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids) Nganampa Anwerr
- 11:30 Gamarada: A Spiritual Awakening PG
- 2:30 Yamba's Playtime G (Kids)
  3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
  3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
- **6:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe** G (Documentary Series)
- 7:00 NITV News NC (News)
  7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series) 8:00 Peppimentarti PG (Documentary)
- 11:30 Desperate Measures (Documentary Series)

- 5:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG
- 4:30 Raven Tales G (Kids) 5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids) 5:30 NITV News NC (News)
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- 9:30 The Boondocks MA (Come SARL All Stars Carnival (Sport)

- Sisters In League PG (Documentary)
  Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
- 12:30 The Marngrook Footy Show 2014 NC (Sport)
  2:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (Documentary
- 4:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
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  4:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
- 7:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series) 7:30 Roots Music G (Entertainment)

- **SUNDAY 10TH AUGUST**

- 7:00 Around The Traps 6 (Entertainment)
  7:00 Awaken NC (Current Affairs)
  7:30 Courting With Justice PG (Documentary)
  8:00 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary Series)

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## Celebrations nationwide

NAIDOC Week has been marked in communities large and small around Australia and beyond. On this and the next eight pages you'll find coverage from some of those events, all of which celebrated this year's NAIDOC theme 'Serving Country: Centenary & Beyond'.







THE Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service (IAMS), Illawarra-Shoalhaven Medicare Local and the Heart Foundation NSW launched the Koori Cook-Off Illawarra during the NAIDOC Family Fun Day at 'The Land' Primbee Aboriginal Reserve, on the NSW south coast. Pictured are IAMS staff with the newly-launched cookbook Flavours of the Coast and entrants in the Koori Cook-Off.



BASEBALL player Jordan Bill, 16, was named as the Midland, Perth, NAIDOC Young Person of the Year 2014. Jordan, who is also the **WA** St John of God Midland Public and Private Hospitals' inaugural Aboriginal Youth Ambassador, won the award for his dedication to baseball, while maintaining a focus on his school studies and still having the energy to fit regular part-time work into his schedule. Jordan, a student at Governor Stirling Senior High, trains regularly with his local team, the Diamond Baseball Academy, and recently completed two weeks of work experience at the RSPCA.



SINGER Archie Roach with Bundjalung man Greg King at Southern Cross University, Lismore, northern NSW. Both Mr King and **Gumbangyrr man Jason Donovan said it** had been a lifelong dream to meet Uncle Archie - a day they would never forget.

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## NAIDOC 2014 - Tasmania



Above: Aboriginal Scholar of the Year Jayden Monaghan with his dad Andrew, mum Kellie and sister Kirra.



Sisters Matron of the Ball Edwina Shaw, from Bruny Island, Nanette Shaw, from Launceston, and Dyan Shaw-Summers, from Flinders Island.

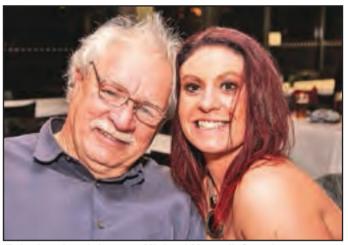


Albie Jones with his cousin Fiona Hughes and son Nick Jones, who was Beau of the Ball.



Above: Birthday girl Audrey Beeton, left, Maz Barbari and Sheralee Armstrong, from Launceston.





Enjoying the night were Michael Mansell, from Launceston, and Karlie Goodwin, from Hobart.



Deanne Hooper and Natalie Brown-Cameron, from Launceston, Tricia and Chantelle



Sisters separated for 54 years and reunited only last year and now all living in Launceston enjoy their first NAIDOC Ball together, from left, Sharon Holbrook,



Delia Summers, from Launceston, Michael Paxton, from Bruny Island, Leonie Dickson, from Hobart, and TAC state secretary Ruth Langford, from Forcett.



Some of the Maynard mob at the ball, from left, Sara, Rachel, Nathan and Suzanne.

## NAIDOC 2014 - Tasmania



Some of the mob who had travelled from Tasmania's north-west coast, standing from left, Ollie Ralph, Tamera Summers, Wendy Pitchford (from Launceston), Karen Stone, Marilyn Snooks, Angeline Stuar and Cheryl Ransom, with father and son Shane and Athol Burgess at front left. The ball was somewhat of a farewell for Athol, who is moving to South Australia.

## Summers named Aborigine of Year

By JILLIAN MUNDY



**RONNIE Summers was** named Tasmanian Aborigine of the Year at this year's state NAIDOC ball, held in Launceston. The gently spoken 70-year-old from

Flinders Island told the audience he would be going home to cry tears of joy.

"It's tops. It's the best thing I've ever come across," Mr Summers told the Koori Mail.

Following the presentation, Mr Summers performed the beautiful The Songlines of the Moonbird, penned by his proud wife Dyan.

Body Builder Coorinna Burgess, from Hobart, was named Tasmanian Aboriginal Sportsperson of the Year, but was unable to make the ball due to sporting commitments.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Youth of the Year went to nine-year-old Jacob Mayer Maynard, from Cape Barren Island. He received his award at Cape Barren's own NAIDOC Ball.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Scholar of the Year was jointly awarded to Jayden Monaghan and Jacqui Spotswood.



Dougie Mansell, who presented Ronnie Summers, right, with his Tasmanian Aborigine of the Year award. They are pictured on stage after performing a duet, much to the delight of the audience.



Tasmanian Aboriginal Scholar of the Year Jacqui Spotswood with her mother Helen and sister Ruby



Sisters Loreena Brown, from Burnie, Michelle Brown, from Launceston, and Rebecca Brown, from Victoria.



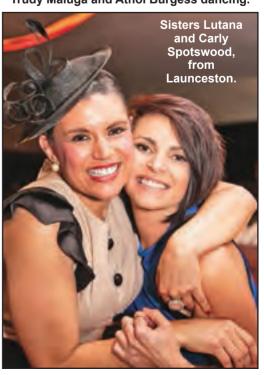
Smiling cousins: Belle of the NAIDOC Ball Rene Burgess, left, and Angela Richardson, from Launceston.



Ronnie Summers shows his delight at being named Tasmanian Aborigine of the Year.



Trudy Maluga and Athol Burgess dancing.



## **NAIDOC 2014**





NSW-based artist Cleonie Quayle presenting City of Holroyd Mayor Nasr Kafrouni with her works for a special NAIDOC Week art exhibition held in western Sydney.



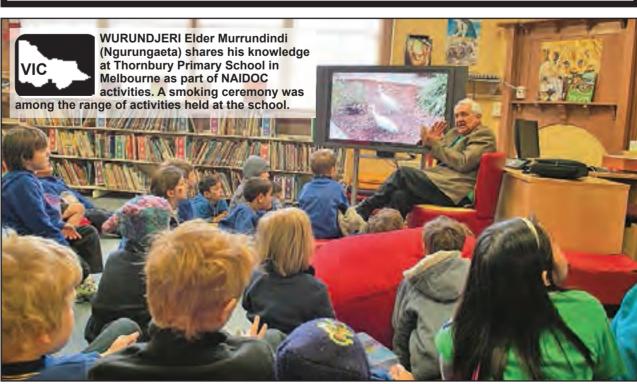


**ARTIST Jakeob Watson with his winning** artwork from the Angus Knight Confidence by Art project, held on the Newcastle foreshore for the Awabakal NAIDOC Family

Fun Day. The project, which comprises an annual art calendar competition, a coffee table book and exhibitions, including at NSW Parliament House, creates an opportunity for Jobfind clients to explore and express their sense of culture and identity, and show their talent. A selection of winning artworks from the Jobfind calendar competition were exhibited at the NAIDOC Week event. competition were exhibited at the NAIDOC Week event.









## Crowds turn out



**NAIDOC South Australia** ambassador Frank Lampard and other Elders from the Kaurna, Arabana.

Ngarrindjeri and Narungga nations led the annual Adelaide NAIDOC march from Tarndanyangga (Victoria Square) to the steps of Parliament House, where record crowds turned out for the celebrations.

The crowd was addressed by Opposition Leader Stephen Marshal, MP Katrine Hilyard, Commissioner for **Aboriginal Engagement** Khatija Thomas and Narungga Elder Tauto Sansbury.

The Family Fun Day was held at Bonython Park for the first time, with government, non-government and community organisations promoting their programs and services from their stalls.

**Local Indigenous caterers** provided food and drinks and local entertainment kept the 1000-plus crowd entertained throughout the day.

#### **Tribute**

This year the family day was opened with a tribute to the service men and women of the country, reflecting on the theme 'Serving Country: Centenary and Beyond'.

The memoriam began with a minute's silence, the reading of the Ode by Corporal Tara Enchong, and the playing of the Last Post.

Performers, including Swamp River Band, Big Sexy and Eddie Peters performed throughout the day, and a special dance workshop presentation was facilitated by Rikki Wilson and Taro Miller-Koncz.

The annual gala ball was held in the Grand Ballroom at the Adelaide Hilton International Hotel on the

## **SA winners** 'outstanding'

\*HIS year's NAIDOC South Australia awards were announced in a ceremony at Adelaide Town Hall, attended by NAIDOC SA chairperson Joyleen Thomas, ambassadors Sharon Gollan and Frank Lampard, and patrons Josie Agius and Lewis O'Brien.

Adelaide Lord Mayor Stephen Yarwood said the awards recognised the contribution made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in a range of areas.

"Congratulations to all the recipients on their well-deserved awards. Their achievements really are outstanding," he said.

The Aboriginal flag was first raised in Victoria

Square/Tarntanyangga on July 9, 1971, in support of land rights for Aboriginal people and as a symbol of

reconciliation and hope.

This year, for the first time, Aboriginal flag banners were flown along the length of Adelaide's King William Street to mark NAIDOC Week.

Ms Thomas said working with Adelaide City Council on

matters of reconciliation was "a wonderful example of what can be achieved through collaboration".

"Announcing the winners in the Adelaide Town Hall shows Adelaide City Council's commitment to reconciliation and positive action," she said.

- The award winners were: • Female Elder of the Year, Rosie Moyle
- Male Elder of the Year, Tauto Sansbury
- Youth of the Year, Jardi Welch
- Person of the Year, Basil Coleman
- Trainee of the Year, Jemima Rickett
- Scholar of the Year, Dwayne Coulthard
- Female Sportsperson of the Year, Vanessa Stokes ● Male Sportsperson of the Year, Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera
- Artist of the Year, Damien Shen
- Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Business of the Year, Bookyana Enterprises.

Saturday night, headlined by singer Christine Anu.

Local artists and favourites Martin Pascoe's Flash Blacks Cabaret, the Bec Gollan Band, Konnected and Warren Milera Band also performed at the ball, which was MCed by Josh Warrior.



Christine Anu performs.



Khatija Thomas, Joyleen Thomas, Jo Wilmont and Sandra Peel during NAIDOC Week in Adelaide. Pictures by Benjamin Warlngundu Ellis Bayliss



- Above: The Taikurtinna Palti dance group performing at the Adelaide **NAIDOC** celebrations.
- Right: NAIDOC **South Australia** ambassador **Frank Lampard** stands with **Corporal Tara** Enchong, of the **Royal Australian** Air Force, during the NAIDOC tribute to the service men and women of the country.



## **NAIDOC 2014**





In Charters Towers, far north Queensland, local woman Christine Hero organised army personnel from Townsville's Lavarack Barracks to bring two armoured vehicles for local NAIDOC celebrations. Soliders with local kids are pictured above. "Most importantly, the day was about acknowledging the Elders who fought and giving them recognition for their work." Shown at right is Shanti Mosby, wearing an army hat. Pictures by Jodie Henderson







**THE National** Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Redfern,

Sydney, held a major NAIDOC celebration. Pictured above are members of the NCIE school holiday dance group on stage, ready to perform. At left are dancers from the **Descendance Aboriginal** and Torres Strait Islander Dance Theatre, while below, local kids are introduced to a baby crocodile as part of the NAIDOC activities.





MORE than 300 people from 24 Australian Public Service agencies took part in the annual NAIDOC Week Touch Football Competition in Canberra. Over 80 games were contested throughout the day. In the hard-fought Trophy Final, Department of Defence downed the Australian Sports

Commission 5-4. The Cup Final was won by the Australian Reasearch Council (pictured above) who defeated the Department of Finance 5-3. The Canberra NAIDOC Week Touch Football Competition is organised by the Australian Public Service Commission and the Department of Education (team pictured below), with Touch Football ACT.





**Employee** Network, in southern NSW, held a smoking ceremony to cleanse one of its offices in Moruya. The smoking was followed by a wreath-laying ceremony. A NAIDOC march, pictured, was also held.

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### NAIDOC 2014 - Cherbourg



Steven Hart was only too happy to sign a petition to get the Cherbourg Police Rangers more funding so they can expand from St Joey's, Murgon, into other local schools. Mr Hart was later recognised with a NAIDOC award for his community work. The rangers getting his signature were, from left, Kyeisha Warner, Jaylah Purcell and Lennox Bligh.

# Hundreds turn out at museum



Above: Gundoo group leader Janelle Carlo accepted an award on behalf of the day care. She is pictured with Jeremiah Wiley, Bella Barrett, Kerri Weazel and Daniella Weazel.

Right: Police liaison officers Victor Alberts and Joe Sullivan caught up with James Saltner and children Jaichelle Bligh and Lornetta Simpson.



Story and pictures by MARCUS PRIAULX



**HUNDREDS** of people turned out for the main NAIDOC Week event at the Ration Shed Museum in Cherbourg, south-east Queensland.

They came from different cultures and from as far as Papua New Guinea and Queensland's Sunshine After a minute's silence, Mayor Ken

Bone thanked the forefathers for their fight, referring to the NAIDOC theme of 'Serving Country: Centenary & Beyond'.

"A lot of our people suffered at the hands of the government set up to 'protect' us," he said.

"A lot of our people were persecuted." Vietnam war veteran Eric Law said people had to learn from history.

He told a story of how he ran into his friend Claude Malone during the war and, as they sipped on catch-up beers during the Christmas of 1970, Mr Malone said, wonder what they're doing in Barambah Avenue tonight?'

"Even though we were far away, home was never far from our minds," Mr Law

Founding member of the Ration Shed Museum Sandra Morgan asked people to look at its exhibits to learn more about Cherbourg and its residents' history.

"Our work here sheds more light on the past and strengthens the ties that bind us together as a community and promotes reconciliation in the region," she said.

"There are many people who have worked hard over the years to make this place a success.

"I want to thank the community for protecting and caring for this place and supporting us."



Laurence Douglas with his granddaughter Shania Cobbo at Cherbourg.



Miranda 'Mindy' Fisher is an UsMob Radio trainee broadcaster, young woman with an eye on a bright future and community role model who was recognised during NAIDOC.



Ada Simpson and Sandra Morgan were recognised for their outstanding work as Ration Shed founders and volunteers.



Sisters Martina and Sophie Jacobs were recognised for their work in educating children at Cherbourg State School.



### **NAIDOC 2014**







Professor John Maynard, from the University of Newcastle's Wollotuka Institute, addressed the large crowd at Lake Macquarie City Council's Administration Building on the NSW central coast for the annual flag-raising ceremony.



ABC radio station 666 Canberra's Louise Maher, left, and winners of a competition listen to Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) community engagement manager John Paul Janke detailing the history of an Eddie Mabo self-portrait housed in the institute's vaults in the national capital.





At the Indigenous Business Australia breakfast on the Gold Coast, above from left Torres Strait Regional Authority chair Joseph Elu, PwC Indigenous Consulting director Jodie Sizer, South East Queensland Indigenous Chamber of Commerce director Murray Saylor and PwC Indigenous Consulting's Gavin Brown and, below, Reconciliation Australia chief executive Leah Armstrong, Supply Nation chief executive Charles Prouse and IBA chair Anthony Ashby. IBA holds a NAIDOC breakfast every year before the national ball.







Pictured at the NAIDOC celebrations in Brewarrina, north-western NSW, were, top, Austin Bloomfield and Dylan Rosser and, below, Malakye Biles, Kobi Bennett and Sam Trapman.



### **NAIDOC 2014**





THE Department of Human Services presented NAIDOC Awards to recognise staff who have provided exceptional service to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander customers and communities. Pictures are Mossman Service Centre manager Laurel Denman, who won the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employee Achievement Award; Cairns staff co-ordinator Hahine McCaskill, who was recognised for her individual achievement in Indigenous servicing, and Paul Boag from the Indigenous Language Services Team, based in Marrickville, NSW, who won the Team Achievement in Indigenous Servicing Award.



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AT the NAIDOC celebration at the University of Melbourne's Rural Health Academic Centre in Shepparton, Victoria, from

left, Karyn Ferguson, Lou Bennett, Chana Orloff, Alf 'Uncle Boydie' Turner, Prof Bill Adam and Peter Ferguson and, inset, Black Arm Band member and Tiddas singer Lou Bennett performing in Shepparton.





PALM Island, in north Queensland, joined in the celebrations. Pictured at top near the war memorial are Edna Coolburra with her grandchildren Edna Jnr, 16, and Carlo, 4. Mrs Coolburra's late husband Bill served with the Australian Army for many years. "It is great that we celebrate NAIDOC and when I see the

war memorial here I think of my husband," she said. Below are Mal Mabo, left, and Eddie Mabo Jnr during the Palm island celevrations, and at bottom are members of the St Michael's Deadly Dancers ready to perform. Pictures by Alf Wilson





# **Scholarship**

A YOUNG South Australian who hopes to improve the life expectancy of Aboriginal people has been awarded this year's Terry Roberts Memorial Scholarship.

Daniel Zweck, from Cumberland Park in Adelaide, won the scholarship,

named in memory of long-serving MP Terry Roberts. It supports Aboriginal people in fulltime undergraduate study at a South Australian university by providing financial assistance towards meeting living and study-related costs.

Higher Education Minister Gail Gago said the scholarship was an important way to help Aboriginal



students excel and succeed in tertiary education and beyond

"Daniel shows great leadership potential and his determination to succeed is in the spirit of the scholarship's inaugural winner in 2007, Rebecca Richards, who went on to be Australia's first Indigenous Rhodes Scholar," Ms Gago said.

"This scholarship is an

investment in the future of an exceptionally bright young man who has shown great potential. Daniel has shown tremendous passion and determination in his desire to support and strengthen Aboriginal communities, and I look forward to seeing him make a significant contribution here in years to come."

Mr Zweck, 19, is in his first year of a Bachelor of Health Science degree at the University of Adelaide and hopes to transfer to a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.

"Winning the Terry Roberts Scholarship will help my studies by providing financial security, allowing me to work less and focus more time on study and education," he said. "I want to work towards closing the gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians' life expectancy through rural work, or raising awareness of the issue."

# Daniel wins Terry Roberts Winter School popular



**ONE** hundred Indigenous high school students from across Australia have taken part in a week-long

residential program at the University

of NSW (UNSW) in Sydney. The Year 10, 11 and 12 students from as far afield as Alice Springs in central Australia, Emerald in Queensland, Mandurah in Western Australia and Boggabilla in NSW's north-west, visited the campus for the Nura Gili Winter School program.

Student services manager at **UNSW's Nura Gili Indigenous Programs Unit Michael Peachey said** 30% of Indigenous students currently enrolled at UNSW had come through

the winter school program.

"Winter school provides an opportunity for students to experience university and hear from other Indigenous students who have gone on to complete degrees in their chosen field," he said.

"Students stay on campus and choose an area of focus, for example, engineering, business, law or medicine. There is a full timetable of academic sessions, excursions and activities as well as a graduation ceremony at the end of the week."

Mr Peachey has been overseeing the program since 2009. It is sponsored by global financial firm UBS, covering all costs for the

The Balnaves Foundation also contributes significant funding to Nura Gili and to Indigenous scholarships at UNSW.

UNSW currently has 376 Indigenous students enrolled in undergraduate, postgraduate and research programs. It has one of the best Indigenous student retention rates in the country, with more than 78% of students

completing their studies.
The UNSW Medical Faculty has the highest number of Indigenous medical students in Australia and there is also a strong Indigenous group in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and the Faculty



A taste of uni: some of the participants at the latest University of NSW Nura Gili Winter School program.

### **Sydney TAFE** Gili Awards



SIX Sydney TAFE students and teachers have received prizes at this year's TAFE NSW Gili Awards.

The Gili Awards celebrate and recognise the achievements of

Aboriginal TAFE NSW students, staff and programs that have contributed to Aboriginal communities through training and education.

They acknowledge achievement in training and



Jessica Clark, who won the TAFE NSW Gili Award for Academic Excellence.

education through recognising academic excellence and accomplishment of Aboriginal students; the contribution and dedication of TAFE NSW staff and the outcomes of TAFE NSW engagement with Industry, schools and Aboriginal communities.

Sydney TAFE winners were Judy Beddoni (Achievement Award), Jessica Clarke (Award for Academic Excellence), Shane Lyons (Apprentice of the Year), Chico

Monks (Aboriginal Staff Award), Merryn Thatcher (Non-Aboriginal Staff Award) and Ann Cribb (Bruce Kendall Award for Recognition of Service to TAFE NSW).

# Sydney TAFE Bridges scheme takes out six Bridges scheme working: report



A PROGRAM to increase higher education participation for students from disadvantaged communities is having a profound effect, according

to a new report. Compiled by major professional services company KPMG, the interim assessment of the \$21.2 million Commonwealth program Bridges to Higher Education shows the initiative is working for families from Greater Western Sydney and rural NSW, as well as those from Indigenous backgrounds.

The report showed that in two years, Bridges programs had been in schools and TAFE colleges in Greater Western Sydney and rural areas, reaching more than 143,000 students, over 12,000 parents and carers, and more than 8500 teachers.

"Increasing access to higher education for sections of the community who traditionally miss out on this invaluable opportunity is one of the most pressing issues facing contemporary Australia, Bridges chair Annette Cairnduff said.

"That means we first have to change

some prevailing attitudes around higher education, build an awareness of the opportunities available, and improve academic outcomes in the years leading up to university.

"The Bridges program is achieving all these goals, having had a major impact not only on students, but also on teachers, parents, carers, and community members who provide such an important support network."

Starting two years ago, Bridges to Higher Education involves the University of Technology, Sydney, Macquarie University, University of Western Sydney, The University of Sydney and the Australian Catholic University. It has 88 projects including student-mentoring initiatives, summer schools, tutoring and preparatory programs, and community engagement programs.

Key KPMG interim report findings show

- 98% of participating students had
- improved academic performance; 88% of students showed improved
- learning progress; 84% of students reported improved

motivation to continue to Year 12 and greater confidence in their academic

- 87% of students reported an increased awareness of alternative pathways to university;
- 98% of participating teachers reported being better supported to engage students in learning; and
- 91% of parents and carers reported an increased capacity to support their child's higher education goals.

"Bridges work encompasses all aspects of increasing higher education awareness and access," Ms Cairnduff said.

"Our programs not only help prepare students for the challenges they're likely to encounter throughout high school and university, they also help schools to enrich classroom practices and motivate their students to learn.

"Bridges programs have also broadened families' views around the availability and value of higher education opportunities, and even increased students' confidence to challenge cultural or gender-specific expectations around their future.



### Taste of uni life for **Arnhem Land pair**



**SIBLINGS** Tristan and Shierese Cunningham, from the

Cobourg Peninsula in the Top End, have jumped at an opportunity to explore tertiary education opportunities and life away from home.

The West Arnhem College students took part in Melbourne-based Trinity College's Indigenous program that allows students to

experience university life first-hand. Both flew to Melbourne with college staff to take part in the program.

"This experience has opened my eyes to the world. Melbourne is a big city," Tristan said.

Shierese said: "I've met so many different people. We got a chance to talk about why the land is important to Indigenous people. We explained it's because it's our ancestors' land.

Tristan and Shierese are completing school-based apprenticeships with mining company Energy Resources of Australia's (ERA) Ranger uranium mine, and are on course to be the first members of their family to graduate in

The apprenticeships are part of an education partnership between West Arnhem College, the Northern Territory Department of **Education and ERA** 

# SEAM in more NT centres

THE Federal Government's School **Enrolment and** Attendance Measure (SEAM) is to be rolled out in the East Arnhem Land communities of

Milingimbi, Galiwinku, Gapuwiyak, Nhulunbuy and Yirrkala. Federal Indigenous Affairs

Minister Nigel Scullion said SEAM was one of a range of initiatives designed to improve and sustain school enrolment and attendance in remote areas.

"Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory have been clear that they want their children to attend school regularly and that parents have a responsibility to help make this happen," he said.

'SEAM provides support to encourage long-term and sustainable behavioural change by parents to identify and address obstacles in enrolling and keeping their kids at school.

"Under SEAM, every attempt is made to assist parents to get their children to school. As a last resort, if parents do not comply with their requirements and no special circumstances apply, a parent's schooling requirement income support payment may be suspended.

"Community information sessions were held throughout East Arnhem Land in late May and early June to give communities an understanding of how SEAM works and to explain why it is important that

kids go to school every day.

"On the day of the meeting in Gapuwiyak, the school broke its own attendance record. This suggests that just knowing SEAM was coming to the community was motivation for most parents to ensure their kids went to school."

SEAM is already operating in Groote Eylandt (Umbakumba, Angurugu and Alyangula), Katherine and Katherine Town Camps, Milyakburra, Ntaria (Hermannsburg), Numbulwar, Wadeye and Wallace Rockhole, Alice Springs, Yuendumu, Lajamanu, Ngukurr, Tennant Creek and Gunbalanya.

#### Strategy

Senator Scullion said SEAM was complemented by the Government's Remote School Attendance Strategy (RSAS) which, with providers and parents, operates in all the new communities except Nhulunbuy.

"Attendance levels have significantly improved in NT schools where the RSAS has been operating since the beginning of this year,"

'Compared to 2013, the number of children attending RSAS schools in the NT is up nearly 17 per cent.

"Getting children to school is the Government's highest priority for Indigenous children and their families.

"Going to school every day gives a child the best chance for a good start in life, opens up employment opportunities and helps the child to reach their potential.'

### Strong, smarter and better off



**QUEENSLAND'S** Stronger Smarter Institute (SSI) has secured financial support from a major gas company.

QGC, a natural gas producer and developer of the Queensland Curtis LNG Project, has provided \$497,000 to support two Stronger Smarter Leadership Programs this year.

The funding will enable SSI to work with school and community leaders to support, develop and enhance leadership capacity through the leadership program.

The partnership was launched at The Ration Shed Museum in

Cherbourg, with 22 participants taking part in a week-long residential program.

SSI will provide support and coaching for program participants, with the aim of building a self-sustaining local network of leaders with links to the national stronger smarter network of educators.

SSI chief executive Lisa Siganto said the insititute was pleased to be with QGC in a partnership that would enable change for 44 school and community leaders in regional areas of Gladstone and the Western Downs regions of Queensland.

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An Australian Government Department of Health initiative supporting nurses and midwives. Australian College of Nursing is proud to be the fund administrator for this program.

### Dementia advisory group sets priorities



INDIGENOUS people nationwide have been benefitting from the work of the National Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Islander Dementia Advisory Group (NATSIDAG).

Established in 2006, the group continues to tackle dementia issues throughout Indigenous communities.

This year it will have a major emphasis on community awareness and prevention, care and support, and ongoing research.

Chairperson Fred Tanner said NATSIDAG has six priority areas:

Community Awareness and

Prevention – assisting Alzheimer's Australia to develop and deliver community awareness raising and prevention programs targeting Indigenous people and increasing awareness of 'successful ageing';

 Care and Support –
 ensuring Indigenous people with dementia and their carers have access to care and support in a range of service settings;

● Research – Indigenous people implementing a research agenda in partnership with existing organisations to determine the prevalence of dementia in communities; potentially determine modifiable risk factors; address the unmet



National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dementia Advisory Group chairperson Fred Tanner.

needs of people with dementia and their carers; and improve dementia services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;

● Diagnosis, referral and treatment – providing flexibility in responses to the needs of Indigenous people, their families and the services involved in the diagnosis, referral and treatment of people with dementia:

● Workforce Issues — developing a workforce in a manner consistent with community values, aspirations and cultural frameworks and able to provide information, advice, counselling and other services in a manner consistent with the needs of a community; and

 Partnerships and collaborations – Alzheimer's Australia and the NATSIDAG overseeing the development of strategic, operational and training partnership with appropriate organisations.

"Since our beginning in 2006, the NATSIDAG has steadily worked towards addressing the six key priority areas," Mr Tanner said.

"Our members come from around the country and have diverse professional backgrounds including social work, nursing, health and aged care."

For further information about becoming a member of NATSIDAG, contact Kristen Holdsworth via email kristen.holdsworth@alzheimers.org.au or (03) 9816 5715.

# Women take plunge for better health



AN aqua fitness class for Aboriginal women in the Blue Mountains.

west of Sydney, has had more than one benefit.

As well as improving their health, participants have been able to connect with other women and forge links with health organisations.

The weekly fitness class, coordinated by the Aboriginal Culture and Resource Centre (ACRC) with the Nepean-Blue Mountains Medicare Local's (NBMML) Aboriginal Healthy For Life Program, is held at the Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital hydrotherapy pool.

Program coordinator and manager of the pool Patricia Honeysett said the program was about more than just exercise.

"It's also about feeling comfortable with institutions such as hospitals and being aware that they have become more culturally sensitive," she said.

ACRC Elders Service support officer Sharon Brown welcomed the pool program.

"It provides an avenue for our women to be able to participate in a healthy exercise program which empowers them to take control of their health while having a laugh," she said.

The program participants are also impressed.

"It's been great and my knees feel a lot better and I am able to move a lot easier," Aunty Bev Eaton said.

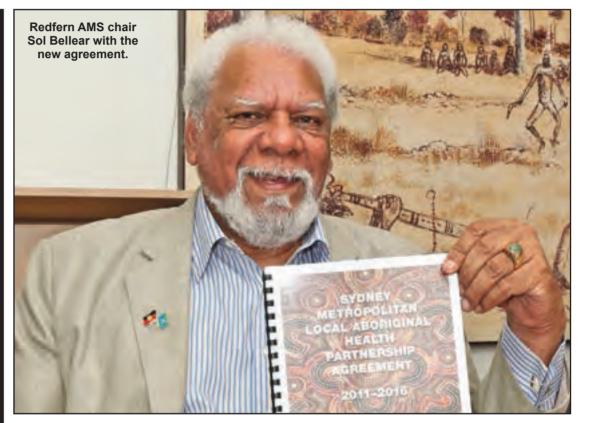
Another participant, Ellen Begg, said: "It's been so relaxing, loosening and just getting out and being part of a team"

The aqua fitness class has been so successful that the Aboriginal Healthy for Life Program has now started another 12-week fitness program.

Program female outreach worker Tracey Callegari said an important aspect was that it had provided an avenue for socially isolated people to meet regularly.



Blue Mountains Aboriginal women in the pool and laughing their way to good health during their agua fitness class.



# Partnership aids Redfern



A PARTNERSHIP between three metropolitan local health districts and the

Aboriginal Medical Service (AMS) Redfern has been renewed and strengthened through support from two major health organisations.

St Vincent's Health Australia and The Sydney Children's Hospital Network joined AMS Redfern, Sydney Local Health District, South Eastern Sydney Local Health District and Northern Sydney Local Health District in a commitment designed to achieve better health for Aboriginal people in metropolitan Sydney.

The agreement is the first of its kind signed by any NSW local health district.

AMS Redfern chairperson Sol Bellear said ongoing work between AMS Redfern and these organisations would ensure health policies and programs met local Aboriginal health needs.

"The renewal of this partnership, and the addition of St Vincent's Health Australia and The Sydney Children's Hospital reaffirms the commitment to work together to improve Aboriginal life expectancy," he said.

#### **Essential**

Sydney Local Health District chief executive Dr Teresa Anderson said understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal culture was essential for providing care to improve Indigenous people's health.

"Through this partnership, we will continue working to improve life expectancy by reducing and better managing chronic illnesses, improving access to health services, and increasing

participation in health programs," she said.

The partnership includes an agreement on health priorities and engages locally identified health programs. It focusses on creating health services that are culturally appropriate and providing expert medical, nursing and allied health services.

Sydney district director of Aboriginal health George Long said there were serious illnesses which had a dramatic effect on the local Aboriginal population.

"These include diabetes, heart disease, kidney disease and smoking-related illnesses," he said.

"The partnership will continue to focus on these conditions, while encouraging wider communication, improved health education, and greater participation in Aboriginal health programs."

### Eye checks urged for those with diabetes



PEOPLE with diabetes and that's many Indigenous Australians are being encouraged to have regular eye examinations.

The RANZCO (Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists) Eye Foundation pushed for regular testing during its annual JulEYE campaign.

Indigenous Australians suffer diabetes, and diabetic retinopathy, at a rate far greater than the national average.

**RANZCO** says that despite effective treatment available, nearly 40% of people with diabetes neglect regular eye examinations, with one in three people diagnosed with diabetes admitting to never having had their eyes tested.

Nearly one million Australians are



diagnosed with either type I or type 2 diabetes, and diabetic retinopathy is the Gillies, a specialist in emerging most common cause of vision loss in

the working age population. **RANZCO** fellow Professor Mark treatments for diabetic eye disease, said in the early stages of diabetic retinopathy, there were usually no warning signs.

'Diabetes can cause progressive damage to the eye's retina, causing the blood vessels at the back of the eyes to swell and eventually leak fluid," he said.

"In order to reduce the risk of blindness, people with diabetes should not wait for symptoms to occur.

"Retinopathy can become quite advanced in eyes with apparently normal vision.

"Treatment is designed to prevent loss of vision.

"By the time vision is affected, permanent damage may have been

More information is at www. eyefoundation.org.au or www. facebook.com/EyeFoundation

# Council right at iPad app to tackle home with arant hep virus home with grant



THE Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia (AHCWA) has received state government funding to help buy its base in Perth. WA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier has given \$2.2 million to the council,

which will fund about half of the cost of its Beaufort Street office.

AHCWA chairperson Marelda Tucker said the grant was a "significant milestone" for the council. "The new office provides a strong base to recruit and retain staff, and provide sustainable services," she said.

As the peak body representing 20 Aboriginal community-controlled health services (ACCHS), AHCWA provides services to Aboriginal and other people statewide, especially those in remote communities.

"Nineteen of the 20 services are located outside the Perth metropolitan area in rural and/or remote regions of WA, so it is imperative we continue to provide our services to these communities," Ms Tucker

AHCWA moved to the Beaufort Street premises in late 2012 on a two-year lease with an option to buy the building at the end of June 2014 at a fixed price of \$4.5 million.

#### **Opportunity**

The council said the move to a stable, secure facility with an option to buy gave it the opportunity to expand its operations and programs, secure its future, and provide

"We are very grateful for the generosity of the Government of WA, through the support of Lotterywest, to be able to make the Beaufort Street office our home," Ms Tucker

"We have set it up with a dedicated training centre and offices that show the world AHCWA means business when it comes to improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people in WA.

"Home is about stability and connection, and for AHCWA it was really important to find that in Perth.

AHCWA's key service centres range from multi-functional practices with medical practitioners and services to small practices that rely on Aboriginal health workers and/or nurses to provide most of the primary care services.



Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia chief executive Des Martin, AHCWA chairperson Marelda Tucker and WA Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier at the council's Beaufort Street building in Perth.

These services often focus on preventative and health education, and include child and maternal health, oral and dental health, men's and women's health, health checks, eye and ear health, and quitting smoking and healthy eating

"For Aboriginal people, primary health care is about ensuring the whole community is working to achieve and maintain wellbeing," Ms Tucker said.

AHCWA also provides education and training for its member organisations.



A NEW iPad app offers new hope in tackling the high rates of hepatitis B infections in

remote Indigenous communities. Infection with hep B virus can lead to liver failure and liver cancer. In northern Australia, between 10 and 20% of the Indigenous population is infected.

Poor understanding of health issues and language barriers are compounding the problem.

Developed by the Menzies School of Health Research (Menzies), the Hep B Story iPad app has been designed to enable Indigenous people and their health workers to target hepatitis B infection.

The interactive app, available in Yolngu matha and English languages, was officially unveiled at a ceremony in Galiwin'ku.

#### Motivated

Research project leader Dr Jane Davies said the Menzies Hep B Team had been motivated by local people's desire to drive the development of an information tool that would meet educational needs.

"The team have spent the last two years collaborating and developing an educational tool to help develop strong treatment partnersnips between nealth workers, community members and Indigenous patients with the virus," she said.

"We have had a lot of enthusiasm throughout the development of the app from both health workers and patients and look forward to seeing the app in use.'

The app will soon be available for download free from iTunes.

The development of the Hep B Story app was funded by a grant from Gilead Sciences, and salary support from the National Health and Medical Research Council.

## Artists explore 'existence'



Nickeema Williams' digital photography artwork Connections I, part of Freshwater Saltwater: Existence in Cairns.



Indigenous artists are on show at UMI Arts' annual Freshwater Saltwater: Existence exhibition, in Cairns until September. Each of the artists

involved represents a far north Queensland region that is diverse in history and has strong cultural connections. This year's exhibition theme is 'interconnectedness and self'. Selected works by each artist explore 'existence', drawing inspiration from their ancestors, present-day lives, experiences and cultures.

Artworks including paintings, ceramics, works on paper, sculpture, headdresses, stainless steel and carvings are part of the exhibition.

Photographic artists Sharon Karami is among the exhibitors. "Photography allows me to explore the world in a new way - to look at life from a different view point," she said.

"For me, photography is about creating an image without words. It is the image that tells the story."

Emerging artist Nickeema Williams' works are about herself and her journey to find her identity. She expresses herself through cartoon works on paper.

Vincent Babia's 2014 Gab Titui Art Award winning piece Adhe Buiya, a vinyl-cut print, will also be displayed.

Freshwater Saltwater: Existence will be on display at UMI Arts Galleries until September 25. More details at umiarts.com.au or phone (07) 4041 6152.

# for memorial



A CAMPAIGN for a dedicated memorial to Indigenous war veterans is being stepped up. Officials from the

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dedicated Memorial Committee Queensland** (ATSIDMCQ) are seeking expressions of interest from artists to create a memorial in Brisbane.

The group has been lobbying for more than 18 months for a suitable memorial.

ATSIDMCQ's Dale Kerwin said the group would welcome written proposals from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander professional artists from Queensland. Jagera and Turrbul artists are particularly encouraged to apply.

"The memorial concept must include symbolism and be representative of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture," Dr Kerwin said.

"In addition, it must represent the Australian navy, army and air force. The design will be a signature memorial piece that reflects the artistic expression of our time, so that in 100 years people can see that the memorial truly represents our period and our

Those interested should contact Dr Kerwin by email at d.kerwin@ griffith.edu.au

# Expessions of interest sought BOOMERANG TO return in 2015



THE Boomerang Festival, held for the first time last year, will become a two-yearly event.

Originally planned as an annual cultural celebration on the far north coast of NSW, organisers said recent funding cuts to the arts sector as well as tough financial times for Indigenous organisations, had led to the change. It is now planned to hold the festival at the Tyagarah site from October 2-5 next year.

Boomerang Festival director Rhoda oberts is now in Glasgow, Scotland, for the 2014 Commonwealth Games to present the Boomerang Concert, featuring some of the performers from last year's inaugural festival.

"Boomerang is a world-class event and it is, for many, their first real interaction at an event that is programmed by and with a First Nations perspective," the veteran festival organiser said.

"It is our cultural responsibility to ensure the authenticity, control and authorship of the event reflects the depth and diversity of our cultures, rituals and arts practices.

"It is essential that the festival program represents remote, rural and regional Australia along with international and often unseen First Nation global music and culture. This is an essential ingredient to what gives Boomerang its edge, but faces



"While we are saddened the 2014 event is not taking place, making our event biennial allows us to nurture and strategically look at the marketplace and seek financial support that will enable us to deliver an extraordinary event..." - Rhoda Roberts

costly challenges due to the nature of distances and travel expenses.

"While we are saddened the 2014 event is not taking place, making our event biennial allows us to nurture and strategically look at the marketplace and seek financial support that will enable us to deliver an extraordinary event and meet even the most discerning festival-goers' expectations.

"We need (people's) help to join us to

share in the diversity. Ideally we are seeking sponsorship support in some way for what is a truly unique Australian and international cultural event.

"Boomerang 2015 will continue to demonstrate the standard of excellence, the empowerment across community and highlight the extraordinary and meaningful cultural practices that reflect our age-old traditions and its relevance, discovery and maintenance in the 21st century.'

# **Book about** protestor wins award



documenting the story of the first Indigenous activist to campaign overseas has taken

out an award. The Lone Protestor, written by historian Dr Fiona Paisley and published by Aboriginal Studies Press, took out this year's Magarey Medal for Biography.

The book documents the travels and previously unknown details of Anthony Martin Fernando who left Sydney in the early 1900s and travelled throughout Europe, publicising the plight of Aboriginal people.

The biennial Magarey Medal is awarded to a female historian judged to have published the best biographical writing on an Australian subject by a panel established by the Australian Historical Association and the Association for the Study of Australian Literature.

Dr Paisley said it was a great honour to receive the award, especially given the quality of books in the running for the medal.

"I am most grateful and very thankful to the judges for recognising the significance of AM Fernando's story," she said.

'The book was a challenge and a wonderful experience and its fascinating subject has kept me company for many years.

The judges noted "the meticulous research, and the grasp and evocation of the national and international context, and the politics of the archive". They said, "Paisley's is an intelligent, nuanced and compelling biography set within an insightful and analytical framework.'

Dr Paisley has compiled the first full-length study of Fernando and the self-professed mission that was to last half of his adult life.

#### Injustice

A relatively unknown pioneering activist, Fernando was interned in Austria during World War I, attempted to present a private petition to the Pope, and protested in a Swiss newspaper against Australian injustice towards Aborigines.

By 1928 he was back in London where he continued his crusade by picketing Australia House for many years, wearing a long black overcoat, pinned with tiny skeletons. Fernando died in January 1949 at Ilford, Essex.

During her research, Dr Paisley uncovered three small handwritten notebooks kept by Fernando which describe his life as a street trader in Depression-era London. In July 2012 she donated the notebooks to the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS).



Dr Fiona Paisley with a copy of The Lone Protestor.



Taking part in this year's Theatresports, back from left, Angela Bishop, Jioji Ravula and Bruce Carter and, front, Tim Handley, Julia Zemiro, Kate Stephenson and Shari Sebbens.

### Indigenous actors to join in this year's Theatresports



INDIGENOUS actors will be among the stars to come out for this year's Celebrity Theatresports challenge in Sydney on August 9. The

annual event, at Enmore Theatre, raises funds for CanTeen, the organisation that helps young people with cancer.

Theatresports is a series of games and scenes, where teams compete for the audience's laughs and the judges' votes.

Among this year's celebrities are Indigenous actors Shari Sebbens from The Sapphires, Leah Purcell from Redfern Now and McLeod's Daughters, and Bruce Carter, from The Gods of Wheat Street.

# Applications sought for fellowship



INDIGENOUS artists from across NSW are being urged to apply

for this year's \$30,000 NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellowship. The fellowship is open to arts practitioners in all art forms including collections and cultural heritage, community arts and cultural development, dance, literature, multi art form, music (including opera and musical theatre), theatre (including circus and physical theatre), and visual arts (including craft and design).

**NSW Arts Minister Troy** Grant said the fellowship was open to professional Aboriginal artists living in metropolitan or

regional NSW, at any stage of their career.

"The NSW Government is offering \$30,000 to support the Aboriginal Arts Fellow to undertake a self-directed program of professional development which might include travel, mentorships, residencies, workshops, research, and the creation of new work," he said.

#### "Richness"

"Aboriginal artists and arts groups in NSW contribute to the social and cultural richness of the nation as well as in local communities.

"As home to the largest Aboriginal community in

Australia, NSW Aboriginal artists are producing high-quality works that fuse traditional stories and culture with contemporary art forms and media.

"This is an important opportunity for Aboriginal artists to gain recognition for their work and to further develop their artistic practice.

"I particularly encourage Aboriginal artists living in regional NSW to consider applying for the Fellowship.'

The NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellowship is offered by Arts NSW. Applications close on August 11. For more information and to apply, go to www.arts. nsw.gov.au

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#### **National**

Carer Line is a free telephone information and support service 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.

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 Registration and Information Service on 1800 242 636 or visit www.carersnsw.org.au

Until July 31: Art submissions for the Our Mob - God's Story book project. The book will feature faith stories and paintings by Indigenous artists. Artists nationwide are invited to submit paintings that tell Bible stories or depict Christian symbols. Details: Louise Sherman on (08) 8292 4888 or email louise.sherman@biblesociety.org.au

August 4: National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day. The theme this year is 'Kids in Culture: Strong, Proud, Resilient'. Details at snaicc.org.au

#### **NSW-ACT**

Ongoing: National Museum of Australia 'Go on a Gallery Tour'. Explore Indigenous people's history, cultures, spirituality and connections to country on this one-hour guided tour of the permanent collection. Held at the National Museum of Australia, Lawson Cres, Acton, daily at 3pm. Costs apply. Details: (02) 6208 5000 or visit www.nma.gov.au

Ongoing: TeleYarn, a Red Cross project that provides phone calls to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people living across NSW who would benefit from a regular yarn. Details: Kerrie on 0429 151 112.

Until August 10: Two Ways Together exhibition. A blended show of established and emerging artists. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-op, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt, Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or visit www.boomalli.com.au

Until August 11: 20 Questions, a cabaret and talk show rolled into one. Each Monday night a new Indigenous performer will be asked 20 questions. Held at Belvoir St Theatre, 25 Belvoir St, Surry Hills. Cost: Full \$68, snr/industry/group \$58, concession \$48, previews \$48. Details: (02) 9699 344 or visit www.belvoir.com.au

Until August 28: Through Our Eyes, a Sydney story of contemporary black dance (1972-1979) exhibition. Held at Surry Hills Library, 405 Crown St, Surry Hills from 10am-5.30pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 8374 6230.

July 31-August 3: Stronger than Fiction Film Festival. Includes guest speakers and Q&A time. Held at Palace Electric Cinema, NewActon, Canberra. For the full program and more information visit www.strongerthanfictiondocs.com

August 2-3, August 29-31 and September 5-7: AUSTWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Course. Held at Bomaderry (Aug 2-3), Coffs Harbour (Aug 29-31) and Katoomba (Sept 5-7). Fully funded for Indigenous participants. Details: Melissa Savage on (02) 9894 2077 or email msavage@austswim.com.au or visit www.austswim.com.au

August 2-3: 'Shared Stories, Shared Lives' foster care training. This course is designed to provide more information on becoming a foster carer, what is involved in taking on a foster child and preparing prospective carers for the role of fostering. To register and for venues,



Aboriginal women and staff with the BreastScreen Bus which will be visiting many communities in coming weeks and months.

### **BreastScreen Bus** takes to NT roads

A NEW service to help women tackle cancer in remote areas has begun in the Northern Territory. NT Health Minister Robyn

Lambley launched the BreastScreen NT Bus that will give remote women the opportunity to have screen tests closer to home

The BreastScreen Bus will make a big difference to the lives of women living in the bush," she said.

"Remote women have always had to travel hundreds or sometimes 1000km to have a breast screen, and some did not access the service at all.

"Thanks to the BreastScreen Bus they will no longer have to put up with the tyranny of distance, and it will encourage more women to access the test.

'The service ... will visit 20 remote communities on a two-yearly cycle, with women from neighbouring communities encouraged to attend.

"In addition the bus will provide screening services in Katherine, Tennant Creek and Nhulunbuy, to complement services in Darwin, Alice Springs and Palmerston.'

BreastScreen NT Bus schedule 2014 (depending on weather).

August: Nhulunbuy - Yirrkala, Gunyangara, Dhalinybuy, Ski Beach and Layhnapuy.

September: Kalkarindji. Pigeon Hole -Lajamanu and Yaralin. Borroloola -Robinson River, Wandangula Station, Lorella Springs, Bauhinia Downs and Mabinji Outstation. Tennant Creek - Ali Curung, Canteen Creek, Wutunugurra, Waauchope, Avon Downs, Anyinginyi Health, Murray Downs and Epenarra. Ti Tree - Willora, Nturyia, Barrow Creek, Laramba, Alyuen, Tara, Ti Tree 6 mile, Ti Tree South and Ampilatwatja.

October: Yuendumu - Nyrippi and

November: Ntaria - Haasts Bluff, Areyonga, Papunya, Mt Liebig and Wallace Rockhole. Yulara – Docker River, Mutitjulu, Imanpa, Kulgera and Kings

phone Challenge Training on (02) 6760 0700.

August 3: Black Markets on Bare Island at La Perouse, Sydney. Details on 0408 113 407.

August 4: National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day. Activities include traditional children's games, storytelling, dance performances, face painting, free lunch and more. Held at Goonellabah Sport and Aquatic Centre, Lismore, from 11am-1pm. Free. Details: Zoe on (02) 6625 5809.

August 4-8: Bangara's ReKindling Youth Program - third gathering. An intensive dancebased program for secondary students exploring 'who you are' and 'where you come from'. Held in Coffs Harbour. Details: (02) 9251 5333 or visit www.bangara.com.au

September 13-October 5: 22nd Annual Mil-Pra AECG exhibition. The theme for this year's exhibition is 'Frontline Warriors: Celebrating the fighting spirit of our brothers and sisters from Dreamtime to today'. Held at Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre, 1 Powerhouse Rd. Casula. Details: (02) 9824 1121 or visit www.casulapowerhouse.com

September 15-17: First Bangamalanha Conference, aimed at helping change lives and bridge the Indigenous education and employment gap. David Peachey is MC. Held in Dubbo. For further details visit wwww.wit. tafensw.edu.au/bangamalanha-conference

#### **Victoria**

**Until September 26: Threaded Journey** exhibition. Focusing on the importance of the string bag, it brings together husband and wife Naup Waup (Papua New Guinean)

and Lisa Waup (Torres Strait Islander). Held at Koori Heritage Trust, 295 King St, Melbourne on Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

Until October 5: The Empty Coolamons: A Memoriam to the Stolen Generations exhibition. Held at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum, Nicholson St, Carlton. Cost Adults, \$10, children and concessions, Free. Details: (03) 8341 7141.

August 1-23: Walking Into the Bigness production. These are Richard Frankland's yarns exactly as he spins them, unvarnished and rich in blackfella humour. Held at the Malthouse Theatre, 113 Sturt St, Southbank, Victoria. Costs apply. Details: (03) 9685 5111 or visit www.malthousetheatre.com

August 14: Wurundjeri Stories Interpretive Signage Trail unveiling. It will be held at Pound Bend, Warrandyte State Park, North Warrandyte, (follow the signs) from 1.30-2.30pm. Details: Elissa on (03) 9840 9246

#### Queensland

Until August 31: North of the Tropic exhibition. Featuring artworks from Indigenous communities north of the Tropic of Capricorn, including Cardwell, Hammond Island, Cairns and Bentinck Island. Held at Kuril Dhagun, Level 1, State Library of Queensland, Stanley PI, South Bank, Brisbane from 10am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (07) 3842 9836.

Until September 16: The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dedicated Memorial Committee Qld is seeking expressions of interest to create a public art memorial

commemorating Indigenous servicemen and women. The proposed work should be an artistic expression of our time that symbolises the Australian navy, army and air force and represents Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Details: State Library of Queensland Cultural Precinct on (07) 3840 766.

August 7: Griffith Review annual lecture titled 'Beyond victims: the challenge of leadership'. Dr Chris Sarra will examine the styles of leadership that have emerged and prevailed since white settlement and argue it is time for a new approach. Held at the State Library of Queensland, Stanley PI, South Brisbane, Auditorium One, Level Two from 6.30pm. Free event. Bookings: (07) 3840 7768 or visit www.slq.eventbrite.com

August 22: Deadly Futures 2014 - A Job Placement and Community Event. More than 40 exhibitors providing jobs and training opportunities. Held at Brisbane Showgrounds (EKKA) Exhibition Centre, (Hall A), Bowen Hills from 10am-2pm. Free event. Details: Aaron James on (07) 3274 9961 or email Aaron.James@DATSIMA.qld.gov.au

#### **Western Australia**

Until August 17: Noongar Country 2014 -Koorliny Mia, Coming Home exhibition. This display features new work by Indigenous artists and people living on Noongar country. Held at the Bunbury Regional Art Galleries, 64 Wittlenoon St, Bunbury, daily from 10am-4pm Free entry. Details: (08) 9721 6390.

July 30-August 2: Bangarra Dance Theatre's *Patyegarang* performance at the State Theatre Centre of WA, 174-176 William St, Perth, on 7.30pm daily plus one show at 2.15pm. Cost: \$35-\$75. Bookings: 136 246 or www.premier.ticketek.com.au

**August 26:** Epilespy evening seminar at Broome, for those who have, or care for someone with, epilepsy. Held at Broome Civic Centre, Hamersley St, Broome, from 6-8pm. Free event. Details: 1300 37 45 37 or visit www.epilepsy.org.au

August 30: Aboriginal family gathering event. Promoting culture and community wellbeing, a free forum for all people interested in exploring culture, mental health and alcohol and other drugs. Held at Mandurah Bowling and Recreation Club, 87 Allnutt St, Mandurah, from 8.30am. Details on (08) 9581 4010 or email Sandra Harris, sharris@palmerston.org. au and Kate Lolohea, klolohea@palmerston.

October 18: 15th Annual GWABA Indigenous Football Carnival Bunbury. Nominate a team now and compete for the Syd Jackson Cup. Details: Les Wallam on 0427 689 200 or email les@roelandsvillage. com.au or Lera Bennell on 0401 448 152 or lera.bennell2@bigpond.com

#### **Northern Territory**

August 1-4: Garma Festival 2014. This annual celebration of the Yolngu (Arnhem Land) culture, presented by clan Elders and the Yothu Yindi Foundation, includes a range of artistic and cultural performances, workshops, exhibitions and other activities. Costs apply to number of events. Details: (08) 8941 2900 or visit www.garma.com.au

August 7-24: Darwin Festival 2014. This year's program includes the annual National Indigenous Music Awards, Darwin Aboriginal Art Fair and the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards. Details: Mary Thompson on (03) 9419 8837 or www.darwinfestival.org.au for full program.

#### **Tasmania**

August 18: Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC) Certificate II in Indigenous Leadership course to give students the knowledge, skills and behaviours to start Indigenous leadership roles. Held in Hobart. Details: Rachelle Towart on (02) 6251 5770 or 0431 772 377 or email genevieve@fiftyacres.com

### Employment **EXECUTIVE** • PROFESSIONAL • POSITIONS VACANT



# Melissa leading the way

THE first trainee to graduate from the Mallee **District Aboriginal** Services (MDAS)

says her experience has given her higher ambitions for her career and community.

Melissa Badenoch, 20, has completed her Certificate Three in Business and is now moving on to a project officer position in MDAS's People and Culture Division in Mildura.

MDAS established an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment strategy last year, which initiated a system of scholarships, traineeships, cadetships and identified (Indigenousonly) positions.

"We're proud of Melissa's commitment and dedication to completing her traineeship – she has delivered all the potential we saw in her when she was selected," MDAS manager of people and culture Debbie Fankhauser said.

"One of the aims of our employment strategy is to be proactive in succession planning within our workforce. Melissa's experience is the strategy in action - she now moves up within the organisation, and we are now advertising for another trainee to take her place.

Ms Fankhauser said two others were undertaking their formal training period – Indi Clarke (in corporate services) and Simone Philp (early years services) - and another two new trainees had recently been appointed in the health and family services areas.

Miss Badenoch said she was proud to be the first Koori trainee to complete her training through MDAS.

"When I was chosen for the traineeship I had a part-time job and I was doing volunteer work, but what I really wanted was any full-time work to establish a worklife balance, keep me motivated and to try to set myself up financially," she said.

"I was mainly interested in community services or child care, but I was applying for anything full-time at the time.

"The experience has been fantastic! I've been exposed to many experiences and opportunities I just wouldn't have had elsewhere and everyone is so supportive and helpful."

Miss Badenoch said her career goals were always evolving, and had changed significantly since beginning her traineeship in June 2013.

"Back then, I just wanted to be an office person - now I want to be someone who creates and contributes to positive changes within my community and hopefully, one day, our whole nation," she said.

"In my lifetime, I want to see a 'no gap' between our cultures and I'm on the right track as one of many proud employees of MDAS.

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#### **BlakDance Project Officer**

BlakDance Contract Position, 3 days per week, for 3 months

BlakDance Australia is a national performing arts organisation that advocates for Indigenous contemporary dance in Australia with the vision of contributing significantly to the cultural landscape of Australian Dance

This position will coordinate the day to day administration of BlakDance; coordinate the application for grant funding; and provide secretariat support for Board Meetings

Our ideal applicant identifies as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander with strong cultural qualifications; is based in (or can relocate to) Brisbane; has excellent administration skills; has experience in project management; and has strong networks within the Australian Indigenous dance sector.

To be considered for this exciting opportunity, please email your CV and a short cover letter of no more than 1 page to Cameron Costello, ceo@qyac.org.au

Applications close 5.30pm, Friday 8 August 2014

You can learn more about BlakDance at www.blakdance.org.au



#### RESEARCH AND POLICY OFFICER

Salary: Pro rata of \$70,000

Based on experience and qualifications, includes superannuation. Salary Packing is available

Conditions: .75 EFT 4 days per week (Melbourne based)

#### First Nations Foundation (FNF)

First Nations Foundation (FNF) was established in early 2006 by a group of respected First Australian leaders, with the vision of enabling First Australians to make informed decisions about their financial wellbeing, in turn securing a sound economic future for themselves and

FNF is a not-for-profit company limited by guarantee and is an income exempt charitable institution, set up with the support and assistance of Credit Union Australia, Arnold Bloch Leibler, ANZ and Indigenous Enterprise Partnerships.

The First Nations Foundation is providing an exciting opportunity to work with its team as part of its future direction and forward thinking around developing specifically tailored programs aimed at meeting the financial education needs of Indigenous Australians on a national level. We focus on strategies that encourage and increase financial inclusion and build financial literacy and confidence. We play a vital leadership role in promoting the development of strong and sustainable relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the financial sector.

The primary role of the FNF Research and Policy Officer is to support the FNF Team to undertake detailed research, develop specific policies and processes and manage the partnerships in place to deliver the Financial Education Program.

There will be a strong focus on providing the evidence base to support specifically tailored programs to meet the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through the FNF Financial Education Program nationally.

The FNF Financial Education Program will be supported by a Communications and Branding Strategy

#### **Application Process:**

All applications must address the Selection Criteria as outlined within Position Description

For further enquires and Position Description contact: Nathan Banicevic Ph: 03 9670 5904 Email: admin@fnf.org.au

Applications Close: Monday, 18th of August 2014



#### **Aboriginal Health Education Officer**

Queanbevan

Salary: \$47,921 to \$70,582 per annum Enquiries: Rick Shipp (02) 4823 7800

Position No: 194407

Close Date: 9 August 2014

This vacancy is Aboriginal Identified. Please see selection criteria. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Log-on to http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au for further information on this and other opportunities. APPLY ONLINE NOW!

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



#### **People and Culture Branch**

**Various Ongoing Full-time Positions** Locations: Hurstville/Goulburn Street, Sydney

There are various new positions located in our People and Culture Branch, relating to Group Coordination and Governance; Workforce Pay & Benefits, Workforce Capability Development, Recruitment, Employee Relations, Workforce Management Systems, Work Health & Safety, Workforce Performance, Organisational Development and Culture.

For further enquiries and to obtain the Information Packages, please go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Ensure you enter OFH within the keyword search. This will enable you to access the aforementioned vacancies. For assistance in finding these positions, please contact  $\frac{1}{20}$ Jenny Wight on (02) 9585 6696.



#### **LINKERS**

Kurranulla Aboriginal Corporation is looking to recruit 2

Location: Metro South / South Eastern Sydney

Salary: As per award - Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010 (level 4). A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing

to local area coordination for people with disabilities, their families and carers. The 'Linker' will assist them in planning for the future, building on their strengths and skills and engaging in community and activities.

#### About you:

- The position is an identified Aboriginal position. Aboriginality is a genuine qualification authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination ACT 1977.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Demonstrate ability to work with limited supervision and manage a variety of tasks and display initiative, flexibility
- Approved and current NSW Working with Children

For a copy of position description and key selection criteria please contact Tracie McNally on (02) 9528-0287 or email

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 15TH AUGUST 2014** 



#### 2X ABORIGINAL ABILITY

people for the role of Aboriginal Ability Linker

arrangement will be negotiated. The role: Ability Links NSW (ALNSW) is the NSW approach

- and integrity
- Have an understanding and awareness of people with
- check, Drivers licence and Police check

manager@kurranulla.org.au





#### **Care Worker (Aboriginal)**

Grade 2

Home Care Service of NSW - Daramulen Aboriginal Newcastle **Hunter New England District Casual Roles** 

Job Reference no: 000032JJ

Total remuneration package valued up to \$55,883 per annum (salary: \$50,418 pa), including employer's contribution to superannuation. Full-time salary quoted. Hourly rate: \$25.43 ph.

Aboriginal Home Care Service of NSW is a state-wide service providing household support to frail aged people, people with disabilities and their carers to enable them to live independently

We are seeking to employ three (3) Casual Grade 2 Care Workers to provide basic care and domestic assistance (housekeeping) services to our clients in their homes. Flexible days and hours of work from Monday to Sunday are available based on a minimum of 30 contracted hours per fortnight.

#### Are You:

- · Caring and understanding;
- people with disabilities and people from all backgrounds
- Able to work varying hours including early mornings, evenings, some weekends and public holidays?

#### In Return, We Will Offer You:

- Good rates of pay and kilometre allowance;
- Ongoing paid training;
- A supportive work environment; and
- A rewarding career

Job Notes: There are three (3) Casual Grade 2 Care Worker roles available; these roles are located at Cardiff, covering the Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Hunter Valley and Nelson Bay areas. Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander People and people from a non-English speaking background are encouraged to apply. Qualifications in community care, aged care or disability would be well regarded but are not essential. Further information about this position is available online.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Information Packages & Enquiries: Visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au or contact Janice Smith on

Application to: A/Administrative Assistant, Home Care Services, PO Box 29, Cardiff NSW 2285 Closing date: Friday, 8 August 2014



#### **NT Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation**

#### PROJECT OFFICER

\$55 000 p/a

NTSGAC is an organisation which assists Stolen Generations people in the NT and hosts the top end Link Up Service.

We are currently seeking to fill the above position.

The successful applicants will need to be able to work as a part of a team in a diverse and

Attractive salary sacrifice options available and flexible working arrangements.

> **Applications Close:** 4:00pm Friday 8th August 2014.

Applications to be submitted to:

**CEO - NTSGAC** PO Box 43372 Casuarina NT 0811

Or via email to: frank.spry@ntsgac.org

For copies of the position descriptions and selection criteria please contact Mr Tyron Major on 08 8947 9171 or via tyron@ntsgac.org

Previous applicants need not to apply

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.



#### **FINANCE OFFICER**

Salary - \$55,000 pa (Full Time Equivalent) plus Superannuation **Part Time** 

The Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council is seeking applications from suitably experienced, skilled and motivated people for the above 3 day per week part-time position. The position will be responsible to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council.

The successful applicant will be required to assist the CEO in meeting the LALC's financial and reporting obligations including processing payments and receipts, preparing and lodging BAS's and other tasks allocated by the CEO. Relevant experience with financial management systems is essential along with an understanding of accounting principles and practices. The successful applicant will also have sound oral and written communicative skills, possess an ability to prepare, interpret and present financial reports and have an understanding of the issues affecting Aboriginal communities and a current working knowledge of MYOB.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer Trent Lynwood by email: trent.lynwood@alc.org.au or phone (02) 6659 1207.

Applications can be forwarded to trent.lynwood@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

CEO

Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council PO Box 876, Port Macquarie NSW 2444

Applications close 15th August 2014 Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.



#### **NT Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation**

#### LINK UP CASEWORKER

12 month Vacancy - \$57 499.00 p/a

NTSGAC is an organisation which assists Stolen Generations people in the NT and hosts the top end Link Up Service.

We are currently seeking to fill the above

The successful applicants will need to be able to work as a part of a team in a diverse and dynamic workplace.

An initial 12 month contract will be offered with a possibility of extension. Attractive salary sacrifice options available and

flexible working arrangements. **Applications Close:** 

4:00pm Friday 8th August 2014. Only applications addressing the selection

criteria will be considered.

Applications to be submitted to:

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Or via email to: frank.spry@ntsgac.org

For copies of the position descriptions and selection criteria please contact Mr Tyron Major on 08 8947 9171 or via tyron@ntsgac.org

Previous applicants need not to apply

Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.





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
- voung people
- families and children
- financial inclusion
- business and finance
- marketing and fundraising
- organisational development
- social policy and research

We advertise all our positions at www.goodshepvic.org.au where you can also register to receive job updates via email for all Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service's vacancies.

Please remember to follow the application process outlined in the position description and address the **key selection criteria** if you wish your application to be considered.

Employment is subject to a current Working with Children Check (E) & Police Record Check.



#### **ABORIGINAL HEALTH WORKER - CLINIC** (FULL-TIME)

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service is looking to employ an Aboriginal Health Worker to join our Medical Team

The role of the AHW - Clinic is to provide clinical support to patients of VAHS within Practice, Medical Standards and Clinical Guidelines. The role is responsible for the provision of clinical services including advocating on behalf of patients both internally and externally, conducting patient screening, triage, participation in care planning and case management and the recording of patient information.

The successful applicant will possess the following

- Qualifications as an Aboriginal Health Worker or equivalent,
   Demonstrated understanding of health promotion and quality assurance
- A demonstrated understanding of working in a community controlled setting.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively as part of a multi-skilled team.
- Knowledge and commitment to occupations health & safety legislation
   A current Victorian Drivers License would be an advantage
- Must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent (provided for by Section 12 of The Victorian Equal Opportunity Act 2010)

Great salary packaging benefits available

For a copy of the Position Description and Key Selection Criteria please contact Merindah Brown on (03) 9403 3300 and if you want to find out more about the position please contact Andrew Baker or Tracy Williams on (03) 9419 3000

#### Closing Date: 15th August, 2014

Applicants should address the selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including referees to

Mr Jason B King, CEO, Victorian Aboriginal Health Service, 186 Nicholson Street, Fitzroy 3065 or employment@vahs.org.au



#### **COMMUNITY PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & NUTRITION WORKER** (MATERNITY LEAVE REPLACEMENT)

The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service currently has a vacancy in their Community Programs Unit and is looking to employ a Physical Activity

The role works closely with the Allied Health Staff in delivering appropriate exercise, physical activity and nutrition programs to the Melbourne Aboriginal Community in line with the HACC Active Service Model.

The successful applicant will possess the following:

- Certificate 3 in Aboriginal Health Work, Fitness instructor or other recognized qualifications or the ability to undertake training. Current first aid certificate with CPR qualifications
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of physical activity and nutrition issues affecting Aboriginal people
- · Demonstrated ability to plan, implement and evaluate health promotion
- programs
   Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- A current full Victorian driver's licence
- Knowledge and commitment to occupational health & safety legislation
- Must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent (provided for by Section 12 of The Victorian Equal Opportunity Act 2010)

Great salary packaging benefits are available.

For a copy of the Position Description and Key Selection Criteria please contact Merindah Brown on (03) 9403 3300 and if you wish to find out more about the position please contact Denise McGuinness on (03) 9419 3000.

Closing Date: Friday 15th August, 2014

Applicants should address the key selection criteria and state full details of qualifications and experience including referees to: Mr Jason B King, Chief Executive Officer, Victorian Aboriginal

Health Service, 186 Nicholson Street, Fitzrov 3065 or email employment@vahs.org.au

#### Senior Aboriginal Hospital **Liaison Oficer**

Nganampa Health Council has an exciting opportunity for a Senior Aboriginal Hospital Liaison Officer to join their team in Alice Springs, NT. This role will see you ensuring the smooth and effective operation of the Nganampa Health Council Hospital Liaison Team including the day-to-day coordination of staff, liaison, advocacy and resource management. Your dedication will be rewarded with an attractive base salary of \$58,000. In addition, you will also enjoy a number of benefits including district allowance, salary sacrificing, fully maintained vehicle, relocation assistance and generous leave provisions.

If you have any further questions phone 1300 366 573. Apply online at http://ApplyNow.net.au/Job58705



#### **PROFESSIONAL**

#### **Administration Officer**, Riawunna Centre

Centre for University Pathways and Partnerships

Riawunna provides academic and cultural support for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, staff

The Administration Officer will provide professional, welcoming and informative reception duties in the Hobart office of the Riawunna Centre. Tasks will consist of a range of administrative tasks that support all Riawunna programs. The incumbent will be responsible for assisting in the organisation of promotional initiatives for the Centre, including website

The incumbent will also provide support for staff with policy, administrative matters and enquiries, and provide administrative support for the Indigenous Tutorial Assistance Scheme.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Vacancy 14212

For more information and other career opportunities visit utas.edu.au/jobs



Blacktown City is a modern city of 48 suburbs, home to over 325,000 people. Council is continuously evolving and our Vision will inspire and motivate you to be part of Blacktown City's future.

#### **Apprenticeships**

2015 Placements (4 Years only)

Apprenticeships for 2015 placements are:

- Heavy Vehicle Plant Mechanic x 1
- Plumber x 1 • Electrician x 1
- Gardener x 2
- Greenkeeper x 1

- The selection process requires selected applicants for all positions to undertake an aptitude test and a medical examination.
- Morning and afternoon shift arrangements will apply from the second year onwards for the Heavy Vehicle Plant Mechanic apprenticeship.
- Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: HR Services on (02) 9839 6000. Closing Date: 4.30pm Friday 12 September, 2014.

#### **Business Administration Traineeships**

#### 2015 Placements (12 months only)

Traineeships are available in the following areas:

- Arts and Cultural Development (Arts Centre)
- Blacktown City Information Centre
- Civil and Open Space Maintenance
- Finance and Corporate Services
- Learning & Development/Human Resources Corporate Services
- Records Services
- Public Relations

#### Note:

- The selection process requires selected applicants for all positions to undertake an aptitude test and a medical examination.
- Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: HR Services on (02) 9839 6000. Closing Date: 4.30pm Friday 12 September, 2014.

For all positions: Application forms and descriptions are available on our website. Applications MUST quote relevant position number. Salary and conditions of employment are in accordance with the Blacktown City Council's Enterprise Agreement.

How to apply: Applications should be directed to The General Manager, Blacktown City Council, PO Box 63, Blacktown NSW 2148 or emailed to council@blacktown.nsw.gov.au

www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au



#### **Ngulingah Local Aboriginal Land Council** is seeking a Chief Executive Officer

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

Ngulingah Local Aboriginal Land Council in Lismore is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer (35 hours/week).

The successful applicant will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act; organisational & management experience including decision making; capacity to interpret & implement legislation; possess sound written & oral communication skills, be proficient in the use of M/S Office; consultation & negotiation skills with the capacity to prepare written reports & submissions; demonstrated experience preparing & implementing workplace policies & standard operating procedures; experience preparing budgets; human resources, recruitment, asset management experience, possess a current driver's license with the ability to meet deadlines. Understanding of Aboriginal issues,

including property & tenancy management issues is also desirable

Applicants must obtain a recruitment package & address all selection criteria for their application to be considered.

A recruitment package may be obtained from the Contact Officer - Stephen Dabrowski, by telephone on (02) 6621 5541 or email stephen.dabrowski@ngulingah.org.au

Applications can be forwarded to jobs@ngulingah.org.au or marked 'Confidential' and posted to:

**CEO Recruitment Panel** Ngulingah Local Aboriginal Land Council, PO Box 981, Lismore, NSW, 2480

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply

Applications close: 20 August 2014



#### CENTRE **MANAGER**

Ngallu Wal (Aboriginal Child and Family Centre) This is a designated Aboriginal position.



Childrenfirst are looking for a manager for the new Aboriginal Child & Family Centre in Doonside. The building has been operational since February and we would like to recruit a motivated, energetic and skilled Centre Manager.

The successful applicant will manage the services of the centre that deliver support to families in the Blacktown area (including Riverstone, Prospect, and Doonside). He/she will work with Childrenfirst, Yawarra Community Child Care and the Advisory Board in a collaborative approach to service

The role of the centre manager will include: planning and implementation of innovative programs; budgeting; community development; overseeing the quality of service provision; working closely with health and disability services to deliver programs and reporting on all aspects of service delivery to *Children*first and the Advisory Board for this service.

We are looking for a person with a practical can-do attitude and the capacity to inspire and motivate others.

#### **Essential Criteria**

 An understanding of the needs of the Blacktown and surrounding areas Indigenous community

- A passion for children, families and our community
- Excellent inter-personal skills
- 3 years experience of the early childhood/inclusion/community sector
- 3 years experience in managing a team

#### Desirable Criteria

- Time management and organisational skills
- Demonstrated experience collaboratively with Aboriginal families and community organisations
- Current drivers licence

This in an ongoing position that is currently funded for 2 years. Pay will be based on qualifications & experience.

For more information or to request an application pack please contact Paula on 02 9831 5121 or at recruitment@childrenfirst.asn.au

Closing date for applications: Monday 4th August 2014

#### **Education Liaison Coordinator Uniting Care Ageing - Pitt Street Sydney**

 $\label{lem:continuous} \textbf{Get a job that matters}... \textbf{ Progress your career with UnitingCare Ageing NSW.ACT, the aged care}$ ministry of the Uniting Church and the single largest provider of aged care services in NSW and the ACT.

With a strong industry presence, UnitingCare NSW.ACT. is a highly regarded, non-for-profit employer with a future vision which is both ambitious and strategically achievable. UnitingCare NSW.ACT is responsible for the provision of community and residential services, chaplaincy and social justice advocacy. We deliver innovative, quality and holistic services to assist individuals, families and communities to participate fully in life and society with deeper meaning and

We now seek to engage two motivated Education Liaison Coordinators to join our Clinical Excellence, Governance and Research team based at the Pitt Street corporate head office,

Reporting to the Manager, Education Strategy and Research, you will act as the interface between UnitingCare Ageing NSW.ACT and our University and RTO partners in planning, allocating, coordinating and evaluating the clinical placement of undergraduates, trainees as well as assessment of competence program participants. You will contribute to ongoing education initiatives, post graduate enrolment education and publication and presentation of

#### work undertaken. Key Skills & Experience:

- Current registration as a Registered Nurse with the Australian Health Professionals Regulation Agency (AHPRA)
- · Effective clinical leadership skills, including highly developed communication skills (written, verbal and electronic)
- · Good computer literacy including demonstrated ability with MS Office Suite and an
- understanding of clinical information systems Hold (or working towards) a relevant post graduate qualification in Education
- · Relevant post graduate experience including 3 years in a relevant speciality area

Applicants must be in a position to demonstrate the values of UnitingCare, have a high level of personal integrity and a willingness to work within the ethos of the Uniting Church This role provides you with the excellent opportunity to work for an industry leader, which

enriches lives through its contribution and services. Reap the benefits and rewards in being a valued member of our team because we are committed to ensuring that our people are "well looked after." We do this a number of ways. We offer diverse, friendly and supportive work environments with motivated staff and management, competitive salaries, salary packaging, ongoing educational opportunities, Work Life Balance through flexible work arrangements, social events, parental leave, public holiday exchange, annual leave cash plus other benefits.

#### Love Your Work. Join Our Team. Make a Difference. Apply Now.

For Further Information Please Contact: Kath Sharples on (02) 9376 1479

If you require assistance with your online application please contact HR Services on (02) 1300 797 358.

Closing Date: 5pm on 6th August, 2014

Please visit our careers page www.unitingcarenswact.org.au/careers to apply for this role and to view additional opportunities with UnitingCare NSW.ACT.

UnitingCare is proud to be an EEO employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Appointment will be conditional upon a satisfactory Federal Criminal





#### **NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL**

#### **SENIOR LALC SUPPORT OFFICER SOUTHERN ZONE (QUEANBEYAN)**

Salary Range: \$84,018 to \$101,661 per annum

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) Southern Zone Office is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Senior Local Aboriginal Land Council Support Officer.

As a part of a committed pro-active team you will be responsible for providing an extensive range of assistance, support and advice to enable Local Aboriginal Land Councils to meet procedural and legislative requirements.

The successful applicant will have the capacity to interpret and implement legislation, experience with program delivery, sound communication skills and the ability to coordinate a diverse range of functions. An understanding of Aboriginal issues and a willingness to travel

All applicants must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Human Resources Coordinator, Diane Lee by email: diane.lee@alc.org.au or (02) 9689 4499 and forward completed applications to the above email or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

> Human Resources Coordinator, NSW Aboriginal Land Council PO Box 1125, PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

**Applications close Monday 11 August 2014** 

**BLACK ARM BAND** music of the Australian Indigenous experience

#### **ARTISTIC DIRECTOR/CO-CEO EXECUTIVE PRODUCER/CO-CEO**

Black Arm Band is one of Australia's most important and dynamic Indigenous music organisations, delivering large-scale music theatre productions and regional/remote programs. The Company is currently undergoing an exciting period of growth and strategic development. The Board of the Black Arm Band is currently initiating a rigorous recruitment process to identify a new executive team to lead the organisation's next period of growth and

Working as joint-CEO's the Artistic Director and the Executive Producer, will build upon Black Arm Band's significant reputation and lead the company to the next level

It is essential that these positions possess highly developed and practical working knowledge of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and cultural sector; the Australian performing arts sector; and the national and international arts touring sector; as well as demonstrated and intimate working knowledge of:

- · Indigenous cultural protocols and processes particularly with respect to copyright and
- contract negotiation; operations and management of arts infrastructures and funding processes;
- best-practice human resource management;
- diverse contexts of contract development and negotiation;
   Organisational leadership and key stakeholder relationship management;
- Strategic, business and programming planning including development, implementation and review within artistic and creative contexts;
- Working collaboratively with a diverse range of stakeholders across a number of sectors.

These are fulltime positions, based in Melbourne. Excellent salary package available commensurate with skills and experience.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

Please send a cover letter (including contact details for three professional referees), CV and a statement against selection criteria marked "confidential" employment@blackarmband.com.au no later than 5pm on 13 August 2014.

For further information and to obtain detailed positions descriptions, please contact

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply

#### Department of Justice

#### **Principal Practitioners**

- Pivotal positions in parole management
- Manage a team of case managers
- Opportunities available across Victoria

Multiple full time, ongoing roles are available for people looking to utilise their highly developed case management experience in leading and managing a team of case managers who manage and monitor prisoners on parole and those subject to post-sentence orders.

As a Principal Practitioner, you will provide specialist and technical advice to a team of staff in relation to case management, identified offender risk escalation behaviours, incident management and quality assurance practices and processes.

Principal Practitioners are responsible for:

- Providing leadership, making authoritative decisions based on sound practice expertise and provide authoritative advice to a team of case managers, with particular focus on identified risk and incident management;
- Providing expert advice to senior stakeholders on risk and case management practices:
- Preparing and presenting comprehensive reports, briefings and submissions on high profile and sensitive cases, and on professional standards and operating practices: and
- Conducting quality audits of case practice and interventions that contribute to practice improvements

Ideal candidates will possess extensive experience in the case management of complex and/or high-risk individuals and the capability to provide effective staff management, training and mentoring across a service stream of prisoners on parole, including violent and sexual offenders and those subject to post-sentence orders.

For further information on this position and to submit your application please visit careers.vic.gov.au

#### Reference: VG/6648 6662

Applications close Sunday 10 August 2014.





#### **Aboriginal Client** Services Officer, Clerk Grade 5/6, Forbes Community Corrections **Temporary Full-Time** (Up to 12 months)

This role works closely with Community Corrections Officers in the Forbes area (covering Peak Hill, Parkes, Forbes, Condobolin, Lake Cargelligo, West Wyalong & all areas in between) and is required to assist CCOs in case management of Aboriginal offenders primarily relating to alcohol and other drug issues. A team player who can work closely with all communities within the

#### For inquiries contact:

Michala.Todd\_Rowe@dcs.nsw.gov.au or (02) 6361 4666

For further information or to apply for the advertised vacancy go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 10/08/2014



#### Cataloguer / Researcher - News Library

We have an exciting opportunity for a keen researcher to join the News Library in Sydney.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Equity and Diversity Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

#### **Molonglo Support Services**

#### **Homelessness Support Worker**

Molonglo Support Services is currently seeking applications from experienced, compassionate and motivated candidates to join a supportive team, as a full time homelessness support worker.

Queanbeyan Homelessness Support Service provides support to individuals and families that are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

#### **Duties include:**

• Intake and assessment, including immediate intervention Strength based case management, information, advocacy and referral for homeless clients

Current driver's licence and computer skills are essential Salary range \$49,933 - \$59,833. Salary packaging

you would like further information and/or selection criteria please call (02) 6297 5827 or email us at info@gunyahwh.net.au

'It is an offence under the Prohibited Employment Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position'. Molonglo Support Services is an equal opportunity employer. Males are strongly encouraged to apply. Applications by COB 20 August



**Bega Local Aboriginal Land Council** ABN: 60 937 578 961 First Floor,187 Carp Street, (PO box 11), Bega NSW 2550 Ph: 02 64923950 / Fax: 02 64924087 Email: begalalc@sctelco.net.au

#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable

The Bega Local Aboriginal Land Council (Bega LALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the dayto-day management of Bega LALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities, the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act NSW 1983, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Chairperson. Graham Moore begalalc@sctelco.net.au or on (02) 6492 3950.

Applications can be forwarded to begalalc@sctelco.net.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

> The Chairperson Bega Local Aboriginal Land Council Bega NSW 2550

Applications close COB Friday 15th August 2014 Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

#### **Molonglo Support Services**

#### **Domestic Violence Crisis Support Worker**

Molonglo Support Services is currently seeking applications for two experienced, compassionate and motivated candidates to join a supportive team, as a full time domestic violence support worker.

Louisa Domestic Violence Service provides support, accommodation and outreach to women, children and men

Current driver's licence and computer skills are essential. Salary range \$49,933 - \$59,833. Salary packaging available

If you would like further information and/or selection criteria please call 62994799 or email us at info@louisawr.net.au

Molonglo Support Services is an equal opportunity employer. CALD women are strongly encouraged to apply.

'It is an offence under the Prohibited Employment Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position'. Molonglo Support Services considers being a woman is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under s.31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW). Applications by COB 20 August

#### Case Manager, Aboriginal

Life Life Without Barriers aims to partner with 38 people (including people with a disability, in out of home care, are homeless, who WITHOUT may suffer mental illness or are refugees) to change their lives for the better. We value relationships, imagination, courage, responsiveness and we are respectful and caring in all our dealings.

We are currently seeking for a full time Case Manager, Aboriginal to join the team in Alstonville, FNC

In order to be considered for this position you will have an understanding of the issues facing foster carers & young people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage in out of home care and of contemporary approaches to challenging behaviours. The Case Manager is responsible in developing and implementing high quality case plans or individual Plans for clients as well as maintaining supportive relationships with children and young people in Out-of-Home Care, to promote positive outcomes. The successful applicant must be identified as a person of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and have a current drivers licence. LWB considers that being from Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

An attractive remuneration package exists that includes; salary sacrifice, a fully maintained motor vehicle with private use and a mobile phone.

To be considered for the position, applicants must visit www. lwb.org.au to address the selection criteria. The selection criteria needs to be addressed in the same document as your resume. For all other enquiries please contact Dora Zevgolis on (02) 9508 4108 or email nswrecruitment@lwb.org.au.

#### Applications close Wednesday, 6th August 2014.

All positions within LWB will be required to undergo probity checks including criminal record checks and hold **a** current working with children check (where relevant to the position). LWB is committed to the principles of EO and we encourage people of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background or people with disabilities to apply.

#### www.lwb.org.au





#### CAMPBELLTOWN FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE

CFSS is recruiting!

#### Aboriginal Team Leader (Nabu)

We are looking for an experienced Aboriginal person to join our strong and caring team and lead our Aboriginal team who provides exceptional services to Aboriginal families and young people in Macarthur.

#### Do you have:

- Aboriginality\* Aboriginality is an essential requirement and genuine occupational qualification for this position and authorised by Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977
- Tertiary Level (TAFE, University etc) qualification in a Community Welfare Field or demonstrated work experience within a child, youth and family welfare role.
- A current class C drivers licence and a comprehensively

Then our Aboriginal Team Leader position might be right for you. The position will deliver casework supervision and

administrative leadership to a small team and, provide casework through home visiting, outreach and group work to Aboriginal families, children and young people in Macarthur. The position is permanent part-time 35 hours per week,

SCHaDS Award Level 5. The successful candidate will be required to successfully complete a Criminal History Record Check and Working With

Interested applicants will need to respond to essential criteria. For an Information Pack, please call (02) 4620 4667 or

Applications close 5pm Friday August 15th 2014.

email: admin@camfss.ngo.org.au



#### **Aboriginal Care Coordinator**

Part Time 15.2-22.8 hours per week,

Fixed Term until end June 2015

We are seeking an Aboriginal Care Coordinator who will contribute to improved health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with chronic health conditions. This will be achieved by working collaboratively with Aboriginal Staff and other members of the Access Team, cohealth GP's and other local agencies

To apply for this job go to: www.cohealthcareers.org.au/Jobs All applications are required to address the key selection criteria in the Position Description in order to be considered. Applications close 5th August 2014





#### Health

South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

#### **Learning and Development Consultant** (Targeted Aboriginal Position)

Sutherland/Randwick Permanent Full Time

Enquiries: Sally Laugesen - (02) 9540 7971

Reference ID: 205653 Closing Date: 31 August 2014

This is a targeted Aboriginal Position. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Part 9A, Section 122J of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977. Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criteria.

#### **Aboriginal Employment Consultant**

The Sutherland Hospital, Caringbah Permanent Full Time

Enquiries: Sally Laugesen - (02) 9540 7971 Reference ID: 205686

Closing Date: 31 August 2014

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

#### Apply online at: nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

or email application quoting Ref. No. to: sesIhd.recruitment@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au or send application to: Recruitment Unit, **Ground Floor Admin Building No. 2** Prince of Wales Hospita Randwick NSW 2031

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice** 



#### **Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer** (HEO Graduate or Non-Graduate)

Reference: 203892

Salary: \$47,921 - \$81,733 pa

Employment Status: Permanent full-time at Narellan Enquiries: Kerry Welsh, 0457 547 210

Closing date: 12 August 2014

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

> Please apply online by visiting: http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice** 



#### Senior Practitioner / **Case Management**

**East Brunswick Location** 

Full Time position, 12 month contract Generous salary packaging available

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services

The position is part of a new initiative funded by the Department of Health. The objective of the initiative is to engage key stakeholders to achieve a viable and sustainable partnership for delivery of a whole of community approach to coordinated care

The Senior Practitioner will support the partner organisations to enhance the delivery of their case work and case management functions. The position will provide a range of supports to the organisations such as live supervision, reflective practice, assist in the development of assessments and case plans, chair case conferences and review client documentation. The position will also participate in training that is offered to the partners organisations

#### The successful applicant for this position will possess:

- High level technical knowledge and extensive experience in case management and in the delivery of services to Aboriginal people
- Demonstrated record of achievement in delivering effective case outcomes for clients particularly in relation to complex cases.
- Demonstrated experience in developing and implementing culturally appropriate case management practice strategies

For a copy of the position description which contains the key selection criteria that all applicants must address, please email: recruitment@vacca.org

For information specific to the position please contact Kerry Crawford on (03) 8388 1855.

Applications close: Sunday 3 August 2014

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER**

- Broome based
- Dynamic growing team
- Excellent salary sacrifice tax savings



Nyamba Buru Yawuru (NBY) means "This is the place of Yawuru". NBY is the operational company of the Yawuru Native Title Holders Aboriginal Corporation. NBY manages the day to day business of Yawuru and is engaged in a diverse range of projects which help to provide social, cultural, environmental and financial sustainability for the future of Yawuru people.

Due to rapid growth, NBY has a newly created role for a Human Resources Manager. Working closely with the General Managers, this position is pivotal in leading and directing the Human Resources department of the organisation to meet

As the Human Resources Manager you will be responsible for leading the strategic and operational Human Resources and Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) functions; and providing expert advice on all people related initiatives, policies, practices and processes within the organisation.

#### Key responsibilities include:

- · Develop, manage and oversee Human Resource policies and practices which meets the organisation's legal obligations
- · Provide expert HR and OH&S advice to management, including the development and delivery of training across the
- · Exploring future possibilities to further develop and drive innovation and change

To be successful in the role you need senior generalist Human Resources experience, a tertiary qualification in Human Resources or a related discipline, high level knowledge of Human Resource Management, Organisational Development and Occupational Health and Safety, strong leadership and management skills, high level policy and report writing and organisational development experience.

Benefits include attractive remuneration and the opportunity to be part of a unique, values based and ever expanding organisation. Experience working for an Aboriginal corporation is an advantage; Yawuru and other Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Details of our privacy policy are available at www.anson.com.au

To apply, please submit a copy of your resume via our web site

Confidential enquiries should be directed to Peter Andrew on (08) 6242 0308.



#### **Juvenile Justice Officer**

Clerk Grade 5/6 Job Reference No: 000031Y7

Total remuneration package valued up to \$90,161 per annum (salary: \$73,882 pa to \$81,520 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

#### Job Description:

This position is to provide effective, offending focused intervention through assessment, supervision and case management of juvenile offenders.

- Understanding of the legislation and issues relevant to juvenile offenders.
- Demonstrated casework experience including demonstrated ability in assessment, report writing and case planning.
- Demonstrated experience in working with adolescents and/or their families.
- · Ability to build and maintain relationships with stakeholders to resource services for clients. Sound negotiation, oral and written communication skills, including well-developed computer and keyboard skills.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team and meet tight deadlines.
- Current NSW Driver's Licence.
- Knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal culture.

Job Notes: This is an ongoing full-time position and applicants are encouraged to obtain an information package and must address the full selection criteria. It is an offence under the NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998 for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position.

This position will require a Working with Children Check if you are successful; please go to www.kids.nsw.gov.au for details on how to apply. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks

Enquiries: Bernadette Terry, (02) 6752 3403 Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au Job Reference Number: 000031Y7

Closing date: 15 August 2014

Government **Education and Training** 

**Office for Schools Tuggeranong Network Richardson Primary School** 

#### Koori Preschool Assistant

**School Assistant 2** 

Salary Range: \$41,826 - \$46,188 (PN: 30731)

An exciting opportunity exists for a Koori Preschool Assistant to join the educational team at Richardson Primary School. The successful applicant will be working as a member of a team to provide support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. The successful applicant will work closely with and receive direction from the teacher in assisting with the management and learning of children in Richardson Primary School's Koori Preschool program. As a part of a team the Assistant will assist with program material preparation, behaviour management, supervision of children on the playground and on excursions and any specialised medical requirements.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Desirable: First Aid qualification, or willingness to undertake appropriate training. From the start of 2014 all ACT public school preschool unit Assistants will be required to have, or be working towards a minimum qualification requirement of a Certificate III in Children's Services or Certificate IV in Education Support.

**Notes:** This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified position. This is a part-time position at 15:37 per week. Prior to commencing in this role, a current registration issued under the Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011 may be required. For further information on Working with Vulnerable People registration refer to

http://www.ors.act.gov.au/community/working\_with\_vulnerable\_people.

Contact Officer: Jason Borton (02) 6205 8200 jason.borton@ed.act.edu.au

**Applications Close**: 11 August 2014

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#### Notice of an application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory

Notification day: 13 August 2014





This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box 1806, Darwin, NT, 0801 on or before 12 November 2014. After 12 November 2014, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



**Application name:** Aileron Pastoral Lease Federal Court File No: NTD8/2014

Date filed: 21 March 2014

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description of the application area: Application covers about 4,012 sq km in the vicinity of Aileron.

Relevant LGA: Central Desert Regional Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Lands and Planning (NT).

For assistance and further information about this application, call Lisa Jowett on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

#### Shared country, shared future.

#### Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi Native title application (SAD6016/98) **NOTICE** of

#### (1) WANGKANGURRU / YARLUYANDI CLAIM GROUP MEETING (2) GENERAL MEETING FOR THE WANGKANGURRU / YARLUYANDI **ABORIGINAL CORPORATION**

A Community Meeting is to be held for the Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi People who comprise the Native Title claim group in the Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi Native Title Claim (SAD6016/98) being descendants of the people identified in the Form 1, and for all persons who hold or may hold Native Title in relation to the land or waters in the claim area as depicted in map no. 1 and map no. 2.

#### **CLAIMANT GROUP MEETING DETAILS**

DATE: Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th August 2014

TIME: 9:00am

Standpipe Motel Corner Eyre and Stuart **VENUE:** 

Highways PORT AUGUSTA ŚA 5700

#### **GENERAL MEETING DETAILS**

DATE: Sunday 17th August 2014

TIME: 1:00pm

VENUE: Standpipe Motel Corner Eyre and Stuart Highways PORT AUGUSTA SA 5700

#### **PURPOSE of CLAIMANT GROUP MEETING**

The meeting has been called for the purposes of

obtaining authorisation for:

- A Consent Determination in the Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi Native Title Application (SAD6016/98) over the 1. land depicted in map no. 1.
- 2. Approval for the Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi Aboriginal Corporation to be the prescribed body corporate for the Native Title Claim and for it to hold the Native Title Claim on trust for the Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi Native Title holders.
- 3. The making of the following ILUA's in relation to land being part of the land depicted in map no. 1:
  - 3.1. Whole of Claim Settlement ILUA with the State of South Australia.
  - 3.2. Parks ILUA over the Simpson Desert Regional Reserve and Simpson Desert Conservation Park.
  - 3.3. Parks ILUA over Munga-Thirri (Simpson Desert National Park)
  - 3.4. PastorallLUA 's over pastoral properties in South Australia and Queensland.
- Certification for each application for registration of each ILUA identified above pursuant to section 251 A 4. and section 203BE of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)



- A new Native Title determination application in relation to unclaimed areas (outside the current claim) as depicted in map no. 2 and being situated in the Simpson Desert region of the Northern Territory.
- Certification for an application for a new determination application (as above) pursuant to section 251 Band section 203BE of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).

#### PURPOSE of GENERAL MEETING OF THE WANGKANGURRU **YARLUYANDI ABORIGINAL CORPORATION**

The purpose of the General Meeting will be to hold a meeting to elect a Management Committee.

#### **CONTACT DETAILS**

Please call Katija Thomas from SANTS on (08) 8110 2800 or free-call 1800 010 360 for assistance for travel, an agenda or further information about the meeting. Assistance will be provided in accordance with SANTS policy.

#### **AUTHORISED BY**

Wangkangurru / Yarluyandi Management

**Good Shepherd Youth & Family** Service is a community service organisation that has been helping people battle poverty and disadvantage since 1976.



As an organisation committed to social justice, Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service, is working towards reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

We employ direct services, administrative and management staff in the following areas:

- women and girls
- young people
- families and children
- financial inclusion
- business and finance
- marketing and fundraising
- organisational development
- social policy and research

We advertise all our positions at www.goodshepvic.org.au where you can also register to receive job updates via email for all Good Shepherd Youth & Family Service's vacancies.

Please remember to follow the application process outlined in the position description and address the key selection criteria if you wish your application to be considered.

Employment is subject to a current Working with Children Check (E) & Police Record Check.



The Housing Trust is a leading provider of social and affordable housing in the Illawarra. We have been serving the Illawarra community for over 30 years. Due to continuing growth, we are excited to be able to offer the following positions.

#### **Business Development & Marketing Manager**

(Part-time, 3 days per week)

Your role will be to identify and explore new business development opportunities, create strategic partnerships with government, business and other stakeholders, and promote the organisation to existing and new clients.

Housing Trust staff enjoy the benefits of a 35 hour week, access to generous tax-free salary packaging, a flexible work environment, and regular and on-going training

#### **Human Resources Manager** (Part-time, 3 days per week)

Reporting to the Director, Corporate Services and partnering with the senior leadership team, the role encompasses the full suite of generalist HR responsibilities with involvement at both strategic and operational levels.

For further information & how to apply please visit www.housingtrust.org.au

or for a confidential discussion contact

Peter Andrews on (02) 4254 1166.

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply Applications close: Friday 8 August 2014



#### **Health Service Supervisor**

**Bunurong Health Service** 

- Make a positive impact
- Supportive and flexible team environment
- 2 year fixed term contract

**Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd** Incorporating

**Bunurong Health Service** 62 Stud Road, Dandenong VIC 3175



#### **About the Organisation**

The Dandenong & District Aborigines Co-operative Ltd (DDACL) is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (ACCHO) which is governed by a community elected Board of Directors. It is committed to the provision of a high quality range of services which will foster and support positive and fulfilling lifestyles for individuals and families within our community. These services are delivered in a professional and efficient manner and in keeping with our culture, traditions and heritage.

DDACL is a family friendly, flexible, supportive workplace that supports staff and encourages training and development. This position provides a great opportunity to work with the Aboriginal community in southern

The DDACL provide a range of services including Primary Health Care through the Bunurong Health Service

#### **About the Opportunity**

Roll up your sleeves and get involved in improving Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health in the southern metropolitan region by providing leadership, supervision and support to nursing and allied staff at the Bunurong Health Service.

Reporting to the Manager, Aboriginal Health Services, and working with the clinical team of Doctors, Nurses. Specialists and Aboriginal Health Workers, you will have the opportunity to develop and implement key processes and systems to ensure the local Aboriginal community receives the best quality health care

This is a diverse role which encompasses supervising staff, managing clinical risks, rostering, monitoring inventory, conducting clinical supervision, providing reports, managing patient flow, and developing and implementing clinic improvements.

To be successful in this role you will be a Registered Nurse (Divison 1) and hold a current AHPRA registration. Importantly, you will need experience in a similar role and be able to demonstrate a genuine interest in improving Aboriginal Health as well as an ability to show cultural safety when working with the Koori community.

Suitable candidates will possess a demonstrated understanding of and commitment to Aboriginal culture, the concept and practice of Aboriginal community control and Aboriginal health, as well as excellent leadership skills the ability to build great working relationships, develop staff skills, a flexible approach, and excellent verbal and written communication skills.

Please contact Amali Aluthgamage at amali@ddacl.org.au to obtain a position description and instructions on how to apply. Applicants should address the selection criteria to be considered.

Applications close on 13th August 2014.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians are strongly encouraged to apply.







#### **CAMPBELLTOWN FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE**

#### CFSS is recruiting!

We have one position that is 21 hours per week currently available. The position consist of the following roles;

#### **Aboriginal Playgroup Faciliator**

Permanent part-time, 14 hours per week commencing at SCHaDS Award Level 3.

The Playgroup Facilitator will facilitate a supported playgroup providing age appropriate play and learning activities. The facilitator will be able to employ early intervention strategies for playgroup participants through basic support, information

#### **Aboriginal Family Worker**

Permanent part-time, 7 hours per week commencing at SCHaDS Award Level 3.

The Family Worker role will deliver early intervention, preventative casework through home visiting, outreach and group work to families, children and young people in

We are looking for experienced, enthusiastic people to join our strong and caring teams that provide exceptional services to families and young people in Macarthur.

- Aboriginality\* Aboriginality is an essential requirement and genuine occupational qualification for this position and authorised by Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Tertiary Level (TAFE, University etc) qualification in a Community Welfare Field or demonstrated work experience within a child, youth and family welfare role.
- A current class C drivers licence and a comprehensively insured car

#### Then this position might be right for you.

The successful candidate will be required to successfully complete a Criminal History Record Check and Working With

For an Information Pack, please call (02) 4620 4667 or email: admin@camfss.ngo.org.au

Applications close 5pm Friday August 15th 2014.

#### Health **Hunter New England** Local Health District

Applications can be lodged online at www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4985 3150.

#### Secretary/Receptionist

John Hunter Hospital Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin, (02) 4921 4266 Reference ID: 203548

#### Closing date: 10 August 2014

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

#### **Community Health Receptionist**

Cessnock

Enquiries: Kerrie Moore, (02) 4991 0438 Reference ID: 202769

#### **Clinical Support Officer**

John Hunter Hospital Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin, (02) 4921 4266 Reference ID: 203155

#### Patient Support Officer -**Operating Theatres**

John Hunter Hospital Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin, (02) 4921 4266 Reference ID: 203287

#### **Clinical Support Officer**

John Hunter Hospital Enquiries: Mitchell Griffin, (02) 4921 4266 Reference ID: 203865

#### Closing date: 10 August 2014

These are targeted Aboriginal positions. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under S21 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

#### **Aboriginal Mental Health Liaison Officer** Waratah

Enquiries: Bronwynn Pascoe, 0428 425 324 Reference ID: 203799

#### Closing date: 14 August 2014

This is an identified Aboriginal position. 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

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

#### GUNGGARI PEOPLE #3 AND GUNGGARI PEOPLE #4 NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETINGS

The Gunggari People #3 and the Gunggari People #4 native title claim groups ('The Gunggari Claim Groups') are the descendants of the

following people:

Lucy of the Balonne River Kate Meathers/Meadows Jinnegah Harry Collins Mary of the Maranoa Harry Rookwood Coombra Jack Clifton George King Billy Dick Jimmy and Nelly Flourbag Charlotte Moffatt Nellie Walker

Maria of Tongy Station Mary of Bollon Kitty of St George & Maggie of the Moonie

The Gunggari Claim Groups have made Applications to the Federal Court of Australia (QUD448/2012 and QUD550/2012) under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) for determinations recognising their native title rights and interests ("Gunggari Native Title Claims") over the Gunggari claim areas outlined below

This Notice invites all members of the Gunggari Claim Groups to three authorisation meetings at the times and location below:

Authorisation Meeting #1 - Gunggari #3 & #4 Replacement of Applicant

**Date of Authorisation Meeting:** Saturday, 9 August 2014

**Venue for Authorisation Meeting:** Mitchell Shire Hall (Great Artesian Spa Hall) 2 Cambridge Street, MITCHELL, QLD

**Time of Authorisation Meeting:** 9:30am (for 10:00am start) – 12:00noon

#### Purpose of the Authorisation Meeting is to:

- Authorise a new Applicant for each of the Gunggari People #3 and #4 Native Title Claims to replace the existing Applicant for each claim pursuant to section 66B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth); and
- Determine the role of the Applicant and scope of their authority.

#### Authorisation Meeting #2 – Gunggari #3 Consent Determination Authorisation

**Date of Authorisation Meeting:** Saturday, 9 August 2014

Mitchell Shire Hall (Great Artesian Spa Hall) **Venue for Authorisation Meeting:** 2 Cambridge Street, MITCHELL, QLD **Time of Authorisation Meeting:** 12:30pm (for 1:00pm start) - 2:30pm

#### **Purpose of the Authorisation Meeting** is to:

• To authorise the Applicant (as authorised at Meeting #1) to agree to the settlement of the Gunggari #3 Native Title Claim on the terms of a draft consent determination to be tabled at Meeting #2, including any consequential amendments to the claim that

Authorisation Meeting #3 – Gunggari People / Indigenous Land Use Agreements

**Date of Authorisation Meeting:** Saturday, 9 August 2014\*

Mitchell Shire Hall (Great Artesian Spa Hall) **Venue for Authorisation Meeting:** 

2 Cambridge Street, MITCHELL, QLD 2:30pm (for 3:00pm start) - 5:00pm\*

**Time of Authorisation Meeting:** \*If additional time is required to complete the business of Meeting #3, the meeting will be adjourned at 5:00pm and recommenced on Sunday, 10 August 2014 at 9:30am.

#### The purposes of Meeting #3 are to:

1) AUTHORISE an Indigenous Land Use Agreement ('ILUA') between the Gunggari People and the Maranoa Shire Council ('Gunggari #3 / Maranoa Shire Council ILUA'). The ILUA will provide, among other things:

(i) a mechanism for resolving native title issues with the Maranoa Shire Council within the ILUA area; and

(ii) for the mutual recognition of the rights and interests of the Gunggari People and the Maranoa Shire Council within the ILUA area.

2) AUTHORISE entry into an ILUA between the Gunggari People and Ergon Energy Corporation Limited ABN 50 087 646 062 ('Gunggari People #3 / Ergon Energy ILUA'). The ILUA will provide, among other things:

i) a mechanism for resolving native title issues with Ergon Energy Corporation Limited; and

ii) for the mutual recognition of the rights and interests of the Gunggari People and Ergon Energy in the ILUA area.

3) AUTHORISE entry into ILUAs between the Gunggari People and the following pastoral parties: (1) Kaylean Terese Killen and Michael Humphrey Killen (Gunggari People/Drysdale Ponds ILUA); and (2) Don James Noon and Kim Kelman Noon (Gunggari People/Cedarvale ILUA) ('Gunggari People #3 / Pastoral ILUAs').

The purposes of the Gunggari People/Pastoral ILUAs are to:

- · Provide for the mutual recognition of the rights and interests of the Gunggari People and the pastoral parties in the Pastoral ILUA areas; and • To establish arrangements for the exercise of the Gunggari People's native title rights and interests on the pastoral properties in a manner
- that is not inconsistent with the pastoral lessee's rights and obligations under their lease.

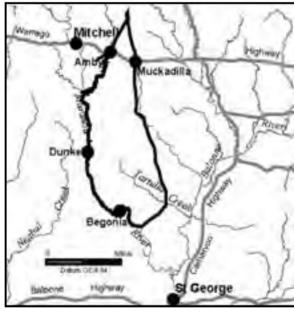
ILUA Areas - The areas of each of the agreements to be authorised at Meeting #3 are:

- 1. Gunggari People/Maranoa Shire ILUA all of the lands and waters within the external boundary of the Gunggari #3 claim area (pictured below).
- 2. Gunggari People #3/Ergon Energy ILUA all of the lands and waters within the external boundary of the Gunggari #3 claim area
- 3. Gunggari People #3 /Pastoral ILUAs those areas of the various pastoral lease properties held by the persons listed above, including (1) Lot 11 on COG134 ('Drysdale Ponds'); and (2) Lot 13 on COG97 (part of 'Cedarvale') that fall within the external boundary of the Gunggari #3 claim area (pictured below)

Gunggari #4 QUD448/2012:

The external boundaries of the Gunggari Native Title Claims are depicted in the maps below:

Gunggari #3 QUD448/2012:







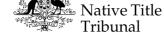
All Gunggari People are invited to contact Hank Wymarra, Community Relations Officer, of Queensland South Native Title Services on 1800 663 693 to register their intention to attend the authorisation meetings.

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with transport to or from the meetings, however morning tea. lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.



#### Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of **Indigenous Land Use Agreements**

State of Western Australia Notification day: 6 August 2014



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WI2014/007 Esperance Nyungar - FQM Mining Validation **Indigenous Land Use Agreement** 

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers about 15 sq km and is located north of the South Coast Highway approximately 30km east

Relevant LGA: Shire of Ravensthorpe

#### Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Elaine Bullen, Jenny Woods, Diane Clinch, Veronica Williams-Bennell, Jarman Jamieson and Graham Tucker the Registered Native Title Claimant for and on behalf of the Esperance Nyungar People

c/- Goldfields Land and Sea Council PO Box 3058 Adelaide Terrace Perth WA 6832

FQM Australia Nickel Pty Ltd c/- Ashurst Australia Level 32, Exchange Plaza 2 The Esplanade Perth WA 6000

State of Western Australia c/- State Solicitor's Office 141 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000

#### The agreement contains the following statements:

10.2 To the extent that the grants of the Mining Tenements, or the Mining Tenements themselves, are invalid because of Native Title, for the purposes of sections 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the Native Title Act, the Parties agree that: (a) the grant of each of the Mining Tenements;

(b) the exercise of rights pursuant to the Mining Tenements; and

(c) the Mining Tenements,

are validated to that extent by this Agreement.

11.4 For the purposes of sections 24EBA(1)(a)(i) and 24EBA(3) of the Native Title Act, the Parties agree to the validating of the grant of the Mining Tenements to the extent the Mining Tenements have been invalidly granted, without conditions but in accordance with this Agreement.

"Mining Tenements" means the mining leases M74/169 and M74/172, held by FQM Australia; and the renewal or substitution of those Mining Tenements under the Mining Act.

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 South West Aboriginal Land and Sea 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 (Cth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA, 6848 by 6 November 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 Claire Smith on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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# PROPOSED CHANGES TO WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S ABORIGINAL

### HERITAGE LEGISLATION

The Western Australian Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 is an important piece of legislation and was designed to protect our unique Aboriginal heritage.

The State Government has released the draft Aboriginal Heritage Amendment Bill 2014, drafted to allow for amendments to the way the State's Aboriginal heritage is managed.

These amendments offer a balanced suite of reforms that will satisfy the needs of those that work with the Act and provide greater protection, certainty, fairness and consistency.

Some of the key improvements proposed include:

- a much stronger compliance regime with increased penalties;
- a stronger voice for Aboriginal people;

streamlined permitting processes; and

increasing transparency and accountability.

To review the changes, or to access a series of fact sheets designed to provide an overview of the proposed amendments, visit the Department of Aboriginal Affairs website: www.daa.wa.gov.au

The Department invites feedback on the proposed amendments by close of business (5pm) on Wednesday, 6 August 2014.

For further information, please contact the Department of Aboriginal Affairs:

Email: aha.reform@daa.wa.gov.au

Telephone: 1800 727 985



#### INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT **AUTHORISATION MEETING**

Saturday 9 August 2014 and Sunday 10 August 2014 Date: Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre, 155 Darling St, Dubbo

Venue: NSW 2830

Time:

9 August 2014 - 9:30am to 4pm

10 August 2014- 9:30am to 1pm

NTSCORP Limited and the legal representative for the Tubba-Gah People is convening a meeting to authorise an Indigenous Land Use Agreement ("ILUA") in accordance with the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to land and waters described as Goonoo National Park and Goonoo State Conservation Area. The ILUA is proposed to be between Tubba-Gah People and the State of NSW in settlement of the Tubba-Gah People's Native Title Determination Application (NSD 6010/2002; NC02/9).

The following people are invited to attend the meeting to authorise the proposed

\* members of the Tubba-Gah native title claim group, currently described as all of the descendants of the following apical ancestors: Amy (also known as Jane Amy or Emily) Taylor (who was born in Dubbo around 1865; Harriet Taylor (who was born in Dubbo around 1866) and Thomas Taylor (who was born in Dubbo around

\* the descendants of Robert Smith (who was born in Dubbo around 1841); and \* any other Aboriginal person who asserts native title rights and interests within the area proposed to be subject to the ILUA.

The area proposed to be subject to the ILUA includes all of the land and waters within the external boundary of Goonoo Community Conservation Area Zone 1 National Park (Reserve Number N1055) and Goonoo Community Conservation Area Zone 3 State Conservation Area (Reserve Number N1084), an area of approximately 636.12 square kilometres, situated approximately 25 kilometres north-east of Dubbo in NSW and as show in the map below.

The agenda for the meeting is:



- 1. To provide an update on ILUA Negotiations;
- 2. To confirm the decision making process for the authorisation of the ILUA;
- To consider and make decisions in relation to the authorisation of the ILUA;
- To consider and make decisions in relation to the description of Tubba-Gah People to be included in the ILUA, specifically to refer to all of the descendants following apical ancestors: Amy (also known as Jane Amy or Emily) Taylor (who was born in Dubbo around 1865; Harriet Taylor (who was born in Dubbo around 1866), Thomas Taylor (who was born in Dubbo around 1826) and Robert Smith (who was born in Dubbo around 1841);
- 5. Any other business

Please contact Natalie Rotumah or Carla Di Giusto at NTSCORP on tollfree phone 1800 111 844 or (02) 9310 3188 to confirm your attendance at the meeting. Limited assistance for travel and accommodation may be available.

# Look out - GI is back



GREG Inglis is in the best shape he's ever been in after a State of Origin series, says South Sydney coach

Michael Maguire.

Maguire was an assistant at Melbourne under Craig Bellamy when Inglis made his Queensland debut in 2006 and was involved with the Storm until he took up a coaching role with Super League's Wigan Warriors in 2010 before reuniting with the Australian representative at Redfern in 2012.

at the back end of the 2013 National Rugby League (NRL) season as the Rabbitohs premiership push ended at the preliminary final, as it did the year

But Maguire has warned the Rabbitohs rivals the 27-year-old is in top condition heading into the final third of the NRL season.

"I have known Greg for a long time. I have seen him come back from Origin many times and I reckon he is in the best shape since I have known him," Maguire said.

"So we are looking forward now to Greg applying what he does for our team

#### "Good shape"

"He is in good shape and mentally he is in a very good place as well. He has a young son now and he has got a lot to play for.

"He is really looking forward to what is in front of us now.

"He is always a great person to come back into the team.

"Our Origin boys are back again and their enthusiasm at the moment is something we need to feed off.

"We are back settled again with all the distractions gone. Now it is up to us."

Inglis at the top of his form could help finally end the Rabbitohs' five decade-long

premiership drought, with his ability to bring the ball back crucial.

"He is one part of the big picture of what we are building and Greg knows his role and does that very well," Maguire

"It is about creating opportunities for Greg through

the good things that everyone is doing and vice versa.

"The way Greg brings the ball back, how the team feeds off that as well is important.

"The way when he runs back at a hundred miles per hour and every team stands back and takes a breath... he is pretty handy to have." – AAP

#### AGREEMENT) UNDER THE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) Inglis struggled with a foot injury

Adani Mining Pty Ltd (Adani) proposes to develop its North Galilee Basin Rail Project (Project), involving rail facilities connecting to the Abbot Point export terminal.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF CONSULTATION AND CONSENT INFORMATION

SESSIONS INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (BODY CORPORATE

Adani proposes to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (Body Corporate Agreement) (ILUA), pursuant to Subdivision B of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (NTA), with the Kyburra Munda Yalga Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC (Kyburra) (as trustee of the Juru People's native title under the Approved Determination of Native Title made by the Federal Court on 11 July 2014 (Juru Determination)) and the State of Queensland (State). The ILUA will relate to that part of the Project (ILUA Project) located wholly within the external boundaries of the Juru Determination.

# Legend Juny Determination area NGBR ILUA Area

The ILUA provides for the consent of the parties to certain Agreed Acts set out in the ILUA, including the grant of all approvals and land tenure for, and the undertaking of, the ILUA Project. While generally the non-extinguishment principle will apply to the proposed Agreed Acts, the ILUA will also provide for the possible surrender of native title to the State and/or taking of native title by the State, where these are required in order for ILUA Project approvals

Under the Native Title (Prescribed Bodies Corporate) Regulations 1999 (Cth) Kyburra cannot make a decision to enter into the ILUA unless it has consulted with and obtained the consent of the Juru People to enter into the ILUA. Kyburra must also consult with and consider the views of the native title representative body for the ILUA Project. Kyburra and Adani have organised a number of consultation and consent information sessions (Information Sessions) for the Juru People to attend for this purpose.

The Juru People are described in the Juru Determination as being the descendants of one or more of the following people:

- Emily Pickard;
- Con Lymburner:
- · Nellie Steele /Stell;
- · Lena Taylor;
- · William Morrell and his wife Bessie Rook;
- Jinnie Ross:
- Eliza Lampton (mother of Arthur Lampton); or Rosie Wake (mother of William and Emma Nicol).

Details of Information Sessions - Information sessions for Juru People about the proposed ILUA will be held in Cairns, Townsville, Bowen, Brisbane and Cherbourg as follows:

> Cairns Monday, 4 August 2014 Time

Rydges Esplanade Resort, 217 Abbott Street, Cairns, Qld Place

Townsville Tuesday, 5 August 2014

Townsville Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Women, 33-37 Place

Aitken Street, Aitkenvale, Townsville Qld

Wednesday, 6 August 2014 **Bowen** 

Girudala Coop, 50 George St, Bowen, Qld Place

**Brisbane** Friday, 8 August 2014

Time Adani, Level 25, AMP Building, 10 Eagle St, Brisbane, Qld

Saturday, 9 August 2014 Cherboura

Time 11 am

Ration Shed, 19 Barambah Av, Cherbourg, Qld **Place** 

Purpose: to provide information to Juru People on the ILUA. All Juru People are invited to attend an Information Session.

If you have any questions concerning matters relating to the ILUA, please contact:

North Queensland Land Council (NQLC) 61 Anderson St, Cairns, Qld, 4870

Phone: 1800 814 779

Fax: 07 4031 7414 Email: administration@nglc.com.au

Please note travel assistance will not be available to Juru People to attend an Information Session.

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

#### BIGAMBUL PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Bigambul People are those persons descended from the following Aboriginal people:

- 1. Queen Susan, also known as Granny Susan (also known as Susan of Welltown);
- 2. Nellie of Goondiwindi;
- 3. Nellie Yumbeina;
- 4. Jack Noble and Sally Murray.

#### **Authorisation Meeting**

This Notice invites all members of the Bigambul People (as described above) to an Authorisation Meeting at the time and location below:

#### **BRISBANE**

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 9 August 2014

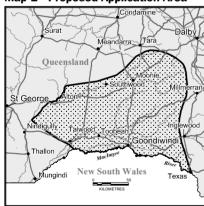
Venue of Meeting: Tavernetta Function Centre, 144 Dorville Road. Carseldine, Queensland

Time of Meeting: Registration 9.00 am; Meeting Starts at 9:30 am

#### The purposes of the Authorisation Meeting are to:

- 1. authorise the making of a native title determination application (Application) for a determination of native title in relation to land and waters that include the traditional estates of the Bigambul People (depicted in Map 1 below); and
- 2. authorise an Applicant to make the above Application and deal with all matters arising under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) (Native Title Act) in relation to it.

**Map 1 - Proposed Application Area** 



#### Notes:

- 1. This Authorisation Meeting is organised by Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd (QSNTS) in exercise of its statutory functions under the Native Title Act and in response to requests for assistance by the Bigambul People (as described above).
- 2. The proposed Application is NOT Federal Court proceeding, QUD101 / 2009 Russell Doctor and Ors on behalf of the Bigambul People v State of Queensland & Ors.

Map is indicative only

3. The proposed boundaries in Map 1 are only indicative. Boundaries are to be confirmed and settled at the Authorisation Meeting.

#### **Information Session**

An information session will be held to discuss the authorisation of the above Application at the time and location below:

#### **BRISBANE**

Date of Meeting: Friday, 8 August 2014 Venue of Meeting: Tavernetta Function Centre, 144 Dorville Road, Carseldine, Queensland

Time of Meeting: 10.00 am

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with transport to or from this meeting or information sessions. However, morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided to participants at the Authorisation Meeting.

All Bigambul People (as described above) are invited to contact Hank Wymarra, **Community Relations Officer, at QSNTS on** freecall 1800 663 693, or (07) 3224 1200 to register their intention to be present at the Authorisation Meeting and / or the Information Session notified above.



### League legends at disability match



**RUGBY** league greats Ron Gibbs, Cliff Lyons and Rhys Wesser turned out as guest

players in the inaugural physical disability representative rugby league match in Sydney.

The NSW Physical Disability

Representative Rugby League Association (NSWPDRLA) All Stars beat the Combined Indigenous Nations (CIN) 28-16 in an exciting match at Redfern during NAIDOC Week.

Awards for best and fairest included Nick Riches for PDRLA and Kyle Schaberg for CIN.

Disability Services Minister

John Ajaka said sport had a special place in Australian society, encouraging healthy living and social engagement, while providing a sense of belonging and personal achievement.

"People with disability should have a chance to enjoy these benefits as well," Mr Ajaka said.

"Nine sporting codes and organisations, including rugby league, receive funding, so more people with disability could participate in matches like this," he

"I hope to see the sport expand for people with disability so more people can get involved and enjoy the benefits of team sport.

The NSWPDRLA attracts players with a variety of disabilities including cerebral palsy, amputation, acquired brain injuries and muscular atrophy. It welcomes players from all backgrounds, cultures, gender and

Anyone interested in playing should visit http://www. nswpdrla.com.au



#### NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978.

Exploration No	. Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
63/1142	POLAR METALS PTY LTD	450415	126.31HA	35km N'ly of Norseman	Lat: 31° 56' S Long: 121° 53' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, DUNDAS SHIRE
80/4466	GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD	450000	24.99HA	54km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 56' S Long: 128° 0' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals

Notification day: 30 July 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 30 October 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

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 30 November 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 3518

All Stars captain David Gretch with NSW Disability Services Minister John Ajaka.

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#### **NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS**

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	08/2608	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	12BL	96km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 21' S Long: 115° 48' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2096	COSMOPOLITAN MINERALS LIMITED	63BL	154km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 28' S Long: 117° 2' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2101	BUXTON RESOURCES LTD	30BL	130km SE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 25° 33' S Long: 116° 22' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/460-I	CHURCH, Sean David	2BL	57km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 34' S Long: 120° 2' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/464	MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	13BL	68km SW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 12' S Long: 120° 40' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/923	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	122km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 120° 0' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/924	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	31BL	117km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 119° 58' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/925	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	4BL	125km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 119° 53' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2944	GOLD ROAD RESOURCES LIMITED	101BL	138km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 22' S Long: 124° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3896	CENTRAL PILBARA NORTH IRON ORE PTY LTD	18BL	110km Wly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 7' S Long: 119° 4' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3114	LADYMAN, Geoffrey Ross	1BL	49km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 37' S Long: 118° 16' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	47/3117	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	6BL	114km S'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 39' S Long: 116° 23' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3120	ATLAS IRON LIMITED	4BL	72km NE'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 16' S Long: 118° 20' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/2745	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	68BL	86km E'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 29' S Long: 118° 27' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3045	WOOLMATON PTY LTD	70BL	118km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 38' S Long: 117° 58' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3060	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	6BL	67km W'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 26' S Long: 119° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1808	ALLOY RESOURCES LTD	12BL	29km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 50' S Long: 120° 54' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/960	FORMULA RESOURCES PTY LTD	34BL	22km SE'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 9' S Long: 119° 25' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/968	DIGADIG PTY LTD	66BL	16km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 6' S Long: 119° 11' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2055	ATTGOLD PTY LTD	15BL	7km SW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 17' S Long: 117° 37' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	63/1706	PUCK RESOURCES PTY LTD	43BL	96km W'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 23' S Long: 120° 47' E	ESPERANCE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3283	WINDWARD RESOURCES LTD	16BL	4km NE'ly of Balladonia	Lat: 32° 26' S Long: 123° 54' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4880	PINDAN EXPLORATION COMPANY PTY LTD	35BL	104km N'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 21' S Long: 128° 1' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4883	NORTHERN MINERALS LIMITED	33BL	133km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 43' S Long: 128° 49' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	08/676-S	PAVLOVIC, Tony	8.96HA	125km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 5' S Long: 116° 27' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	09/483	SAN RITA PTY LTD	147.99HA	71km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 24° 38' S Long: 115° 45' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	20/2232	WESTERN MINING PTY LTD	1.17HA	3km E'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 25' S Long: 117° 54' E	CUE SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	24/4812-3	KOCHANSKI, Mark	230HA	34km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 121° 23' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4821-6	GPM RESOURCES PTY LTD	947.79HA	37km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 121° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1272	WARNOCK, Stephen Manton	141.83HA	115km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 10' S Long: 122° 27' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	39/5449	MADIGAN, Michael Francis AUSTRALIAN MINERALS AND RESOURCES LIMITED	200.65HA	44km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 51' S Long: 121° 46' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/2686	CLEMENT, Robert John SMITH, Ronald James	27.23HA	40km N'ly of Merredin	Lat: 31° 7' S Long: 118° 17' E	NUNGARIN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4261-2	TAPLAN PTY LTD	376.52HA	107km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 55' S Long: 119° 6' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Retention Licence	29/1	ENERGY METALS LTD	3616.28HA	59km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 120° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. grant. Grant of retention licences which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

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 30 October 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. 30 November 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 3518.\*

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### **Upgrade** in time for big Yuendumu sports day

THE Central Desert Regional Council will deliver a major upgrade to the Yuendumu Sports facilities in time for the Yuendumu Sports Weekend.

This will come courtesy of the Northern Territory Government according to Central Desert

Regional Council president Adrian Dixon.

'The Yuendumu Sports Weekend has always been a major event on Central Australia sporting calendar," he said.

"The huge success of the 50th anniversary weekend last year proved how much people love Yuendumu Sports.

"With the assistance from the NT Government and Minister Bess Price, we hope that the council can help make this year's event even

"We want everyone to have a great time. We also need to get through the program and get kids back to their home communities so they don't miss out on school.'

Following the success of the 2013 Sports Weekend, the Yuendumu Local Authority called for improvements to sports facilities.

Mr Dixon sid the council was delivering on

"Through the Remote Jobs in Community Program (RJCP), the council has already started upgrading the football oval by repairing the fencing, and new seating, grandstands, shade shelters and scoreboards will follow," he said.

There will be a new change room, with toilets and showers, and the oval surface will be reshaped to improve drainage.

Softball won't miss out, with council community service acting director Ross Fraser saying a six-metre high backstop fence, team, scoreboard dugouts and shade structure will be erected and the pitch will be reshaped to improve the playing surface.

Over the coming months, more than \$375,000 will be spent on improving the playing fields in Yuendumu," Mr Fraser said.

The Yuendumu Sports weekend is planned for the long weekend of August 2-4.

### Tough baptism for Territory netball team



THE Northern Territory Storm last weekend entered their second round of matches in Brisbane in what was round four of the Australian Netball League (ANL).

There are two Indigenous players in the NT team - Michelle

Kerrin and Jamie Collins. The team is looking to build on a tough

opening in Perth a fortnight earlier.

There, in their first games of the competition, they were beaten 67-33 by Western Sting and

67-28 by Vic Fury. In a tough baptism of fire, the Territory Storm will have played five of the top six teams in their first five matches.

The tough initiation will provide coach Scott Waddington with strong indicators before the second half of the competition.

The Territory Storm were to encounter a red hot NSW Waratahs outfit who were coming off a week's rest after two resounding victories against ACT (54 goals) and Tasmania (39 goals).

The Storm then were to back up on Sunday morning against the Queensland Fusion, who were in action after a two-week lay-off.

### **Ipswich Murris** to take on **Yarrrabah** mob



THE first tentative steps are being taken for an all-Murri bodybuilding competition involving teams from around Ipswich, near Brisbane, and Yarrabah, near Cairns.

Organiser Peter Detourbet, of Ipswich, said October 25-26 had been locked in as the dates for the clash at Yarrabah.

Detourbet said he belonged to an informal bodybuilding group at Ipswich and someone else in the group said they had links with Yarrabah and suggested that competition between the two

communities sounded like a good idea and lots of fun.

He said the Ipswich Murri group only numbered about six, while he understood there were about 20 men and women at Yarrabah who were into bodybuyilding.

He said the Ipswich group may look elsewhere, maybe around Inala, to increase their numbers.

Detourbet meanwhile is looking for sponsors and anyone interested in joining he group.

He can be contacted on 0426 957 040 or email onionz05@yahoo.com.au

#### NOTICE OF INITIATION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES **SOUTH AUSTRALIAN MINING ACT 1971, SECTION 63M**

TAKE NOTICE that MATTHEW FENTON HUTCHENS ACN 219 477 136 ("HUTCHENS") of 150 Walkerville Terrace WALKERVILLE SA 5081 and any of its respective successors or assigns proposes to undertake mining operations in an area located within Exploration Licence Nos 5190 and 5191 (including any extensions, renewals, grants, transfers, assignments or other dealings with the Exploration Licences and any other exploration authority or interest in any exploration authority from time to time held over the area of the Exploration Licences or any part of that area) on the following land held by HUTCHENS:

EL 5190 - EIGHTEEN MILE HUT AREA - approximately 75 km WSW of Olary, bounded as follows

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°17'S and longitude 139°30'E, thence east to longitude 139°35'E, south to latitude 32°19'S, east to longitude 139°47'E, south to latitude 32°25'S, west to longitude 139°10'E, north to latitude 32°20'S, east to longitude 139°30'E, and north to the point of commencement. Area: 616 sq km approximately

EL 5191 - OOPINA AREA - Approximately 90 km WNW of Olary, bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°07'S and longitude 139°13'E, thence east to longitude 139°30'E, south to latitude 32°16'S, west to longitude 139°24'E, north to latitude 32°14'S, west to longitude 139°13'E, and north to the point of commencement. Area: 380 sq km approximately

(All the above latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on page 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated 6 October 1966 (AGD66))

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is as follows:

**HUTCHENS** proposes to carry out exploratory 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 5190 and 5191 (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).

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, HUTCHENS 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 proponent, HUTCHENS, for the purposes of negotiating an agreement in respect of the proposed mining operations on the

TAKE NOTICE that if within four (4) months of the initiation of these negotiations, HUTCHENS 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:

Matthew Fenton Hutchens C/- Teneman Consulting PO Box 115 KENT TOWN SA 5071 Ph: 08 8342 4914 Fax: 08 8342 4914 Contact person: Teena Coppin

#### NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES **MINING ACT 1971 - SECTION 63M**

1. PANDA MINING PTY LTD, ACN 137 548 237 OF PO BOX 1204 FREMANTLE WA 6959 proposes to carry out mining operations on the following land(s)

The land comprised within Exploration Licences 5189, 5330 and 5331, as described below:

Land located approximately 60km southwest of Olary in the area of One Tree Hill and bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°29'S and longitude 139°46'E, thence east to longitude 139°56'E, south to latitude 32°35'S, west to longitude 139°49'E, north to latitude 32°33'S, west to longitude 139°44'E, north to latitude 32°30'S, east to longitude 139°46'E, and north to the point of commencement.

EL 5330

Land located approximately 25km WSW of Olary in the area of Manna Hill and bounded as follows:

AREA A - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°14'S and longitude 140°04'E, thence east to longitude 140°06E, south to latitude 32°15'S, east to longitude 140°07'E, south to latitude 32°16'S, west to longitude 140°04'E, and north to of commencement.

AREA B - Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°19'S and longitude 140°01E, thence east to longitude 140°04'E, south to latitude 32°22'S, east to longitude 140°08'E, north to latitude 32°20'S, east to longitude 140°10'E, south to latitude 32°23'S, west to longitude 140°09'E, south to latitude 32°25'S, west to longitude 140°02'E, north to latitude 32°23'S, west to longitude 139°56'E, north to latitude 32°21'S, east to longitude 140°01'E, and north to the point of commencement.

Land located approximately 55km southwest of Olary in the area of Benda Range and bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°30'S and longitude 140°00E, thence east to longitude 140°03'E, south to latitude 32°37'S, west to longitude 139°59'E, south to latitude 32°38's, west to longitude 139°53'E, south to latitude 32°40'S, west to longitude 138°51'E, north to latitude 32°36'S, east to longitude 139°56'E, north to latitude 32°35'S, east to longitude 140°00'E, and north to the point of commencement.

All the within latitudes and longitudes are 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)

2. The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the land(s) is as follows:

Exploratory operations to determine the geological structure of the land and presence of mineralisation. The operations may include reconnaissance, geological mapping and gridding; rotary mud drilling, downhole probing, and diamond core drilling; sampling and radiometric testing of drill cuttings; aerial and other photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; geochemical sampling, water sampling, hydrological studies; and include all things necessarily incidental to such operations.

3. The proposed operations are or will be authorised by the following exploration authorities and/or production tenements under the Mining Act 1971:

Exploration Licences 5189, 5330 and 5331.

4. PANDA MINING PTY LTD seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the Mining Act 1971.

Note: If, two months after this notice is given as required by the Mining Act 1971, there are no persons registered under the law of the State of the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the land, the Company may apply ex parte to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the land, and the conduct of mining operations on the land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the proponent PANDA MINING PTY LTD as follows:

- Contact telephone number: (08) 8210 1200
- 2. Contact facsimile number (if available):
- (08) 8210 1234 3. If a company:
  - (1) ACN. 137 548 237
  - (2) Contact person: Chris Alexandrides

# Revenge was sweet

By ALF WILSON



WHAT a difference a year, a new venue and the addition of Torres Strait and Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) players



At Thursday Island's Ken Brown Memorial Oval on July 19, Northern United beat Queensland Outback 30-24 in a

rugby league representative showdown before an enthusiastic local crowd.

In the match between the sides in Cairns a year earlier, Outback had thrashed United 60-22

The United side was picked after the Remote Area Rugby League FNQ Challenge in Cairns on July 28-29 contested by the Torres Strait Kaiwalagal Stingers, Northern Cape, Southern Cape, Palm Island Barracudas and Bowen

The X-factor in the turnaround was that Torres Strait players from the Kaiwalagal Rugby League



The United team after their win.

(KRL), outer islands and NPA were included in the latest United

United coach Thomas Loban took on the job in the week

leading up to the game when Weipa's Garreth Smith withdrew for personal reasons.

Loban did a wonderful job with astute tactics and United led 1812 at half-time.

'Greg Handley (Bowen) Samson Zitha (TI), James Binawel (TI) Luke Murray (Weipa), and not forgetting wily old veteran Stevie

Singleton, who also picked up best on ground, were our best," Loban told the Koori Mail.

Outback's best player was Cameron Jackson.

#### **Great day**

KRL official Terry Abednego said it was a spectacular day of footy at the what is known as the 'Rock'

"The rep game was the first time a match of this calibre has been held on Thursday Island. With all the hype around the main game, fans and supporters were treated to under 12, 14, six, eight, 10 and women's matches, as well as the two local club games," Abednego

He said the Northern United-Outback clash was everything fans could hope for.

"It was evenly balanced with big hits, fast plays, try-saving tackles and classy ball movement," he said.

Weipa-based Queensland Rugby League (QRL) game development officer Karl Adams said Northern United worked very well as a unit.

By ALF WILSON



ARGUN Warriors won their third Island of Origin rugby league series in a row when they beat another local side Kulpiyam 28-10 in the grand final of the 2014 carnival on Badu

Island.

Five men's sides and three women's teams battled it out over the three days.

Argun Warriors had won the 2013 and 2011 series finals, but no carnival was held in 2012.

In the men's semifinals, Argun Warriors beat Malu Kiai 22-6 and Kulpiyam beat Goemu Bau Raiders

The other men's side was Dabu Titans. A PNG Sharks University team had nominated but was a late withdrawal.

The women's teams were Western women's United, Wakeyama and Paraman Giants.

Paraman Giants won the final over Wakeyama and NPA's Elsja Mosby was named player of the carnival.

During the carnival there were 24

games played and only two had margins of more than 10 points.

Keiji Bowie said that Argun Warriors would compete next at the Dan Ropeyarn Memorial Carnival at Bamaga later in the year.

Qualifying rounds: Kulpiyam d Titans (forfeit), Argun Warriors d Malu Kiai Boigu (forfeit), Goemu Bau Raiders Mabuiag d PNG Sharks (forfeit), Malu Kiai 38 d Dabu Titans 12, Argun 22 d Goemu Bau 10, Kulpiyam d PNG (forfeit), Argun 10 d Kulpiyam 8, Malu Kiai 16 d Goemu Bau 14, Goemu Bau 22 d Dabu Titans 20, Kulpiyam 22 d Malu Kiai 4, Argun 22 d Dabu Titans 10, Goemu Bau 22 d Kulpiyam 6.

Semifinals: Argun 22 d Malu Kiai 6. Kulpiyam 14 d Goemu Bau 12.

Final: Argun Warriors 28 d Kulpiyam

Women's qualifying: Wakeyama 26 d Parama Giants 20, Wakeyama 22 d Western United 12, Western United 6 d Parama Giants 4.

Final: Parama Giants 24 d Wakeyama 16

Under 18 game for Reverend Edmund Blanket Cup: Badu 22 d Malu Kiai 16.

The winning Argun **Warriors** with their trophy after beating Kulpiyam 28-10 in the Island of Origin final.

• LEFT:

# Argun makes it a hat trick TSI kids turn out at junior carnival

By ALF WILSON



time, a junior rugby league team from the **Torres Strait** made the trip to Townsville to compete in the prestigious Gorden Tallis Cup.

FOR the first

A record 51 teams battled it out at the

under 10 carnival and many young stars of the future were on show.

Held at the Townsville Junior Rugby League grounds, there were so many teams that teams were placed in one of eight pools.

Sides were from across North Queensland and as far away as Brisbane.

The carnival is named in honour of former St George, Brisbane Broncos, Queensland State of Origin and Test forward Gorden Tallis, who grew up in Townsville and played junior football there.

Known as the 'Raging Bull', Tallis is a commentator and remains a role model for juniors.

Melbourne Storm and former Manly forward George Rose was a quest in his role for Shooting Star



The Stingers with league legend Gorden Tallis.

Sports Cards.

The Torres Strait Kaiwalagal Stingers competed in pool seven against Greenbank Raiders, Burdekin, Upper Ross River. Southern Suburbs and Springsure.

Spokesman Terry Abendego said although the Stingers won only one game, it was an unbelievable experience for the kids

"We lost 12-8 to Burdekin, 24-16 to Southern Bank, 16-12 to Springsure, won 16-8 against Upper Ross Rams and lost 12-8 to Southern Suburbs," he

The team was coached by TI Sacred Heart teacher Tauvele Faleono. The team manager was Mrs Jodie

Dorante. Players were Manu Nona, Eli Gebadi, Malama Ahmat, George Abednego. Simaka Laifoo, Ali-John Charlie, Tyreece Ahmat, Horace Baira, Shaneal Nona, Moigida Loban, Rusia Bann, Mateo Cvete-Leuger, Chris Mosby, Nicholas Wall-Visini and Ben Mills.

Twelve players were from the KRL juniors and three from the newly-formed Mulga juniors at Badu.

Many of the other teams had players of TSI descent and talent scouts from NRL clubs were on hand to check out potential signings.

Wests Panthers defeated Sarina on July 13 to win the Gorden Tallis Cup, Greenbank Raiders beat Upper Ross to take out the Reggie Matthews Plate, and Mackay Souths rolled Burdekin to snare the inaugural Jannita Dunn Trophy.

# Inglis and Goodes back new peak body



ADAM Goodes and Greg Inglis are among a collective of Australian professional sportspeople which

says athletes and fans have been failed over the past year, calling for a new integrity unit to help stop threats

Lax health and safety standards, poor investment in player wellbeing and growing integrity challenges such as match-fixing have led the Australian Athletes Alliance (AAA) to muscle up to sporting bodies.

Launching a campaign last Wednesday to give athletes more power to govern and protect their sports, AAA general secretary Brendan Schwab said athletes were not the cause of major problems.

"Athletes need to be empowered to be the first line of defence against threats to the integrity of sport," he said.

"The challenges for Australian sport will be to address its own shortcomings, appreciate that corruption and cheating does not begin with athletes, and to stop treating athletes as the problem, instead of the solution.

#### "Poorly governed"

"If we look at football, cricket and some of the workplaces in AFL and rugby league, it's been clear they have been victims of poorly governed situations through no fault of their own ... which threaten their careers."

Representing 3500 professional athletes in eight of the country's biggest codes, the AAA has called for the creation of an athletes' integrity unit to address major challenges.

Tired of responding to crisis situations involving athletes, including the high-profile ASADA supplements scandal that has engulfed the Australian Football League (AFL) and the National Rugby League (NRL), Schwab said a new regime was needed.

"(The ASADA case) has played a part, but I don't want to overstate that because we represent sports like cricket and soccer as well... global sports that have had problems with poor governance and match-fixing.'

Fronting the campaign are highprofile athletes Adam Goodes, Mark Schwarzer, Greg Inglis, Meg Lanning and Ricky Ponting.

Schwab, a former head of the Australian footballers association and current world footballers' union vicepresident, said the integrity unit would be a world's best solution.

The unit would be a whistleblower service and one-stop-shop for



Adam Goodes (above) and Greg Inglis (below) have thrown their weight behind a new body representing professional sportsmen and women.



Australian athletes – overseas and at home - on integrity challenges

"Athletes need to be empowered to be the first line of defence against threats to the integrity of sport," he said

"Australia is uniquely placed as we have our athletes organised so we should take advantage of that.

"(The unit) would provide the best level of engagement and education to players ... and it could hold sports to account.'

The challenge will be to find funding for the unit, a task Schwab said he would throw himself into.

The AAA sits above professional player associations for eight sports: AFL, basketball, cricket, football, horse racing, netball, rugby league and rugby union. - AAP



Action from the Cathy Freeman Foundation 2014 Netball Challenge on Palm Island.

### Focus on netball on Palm Island



THERE were winners everywhere at the Cathy Freeman Foundation 2014 Netball Challenge on Palm Island last month.

Held as part of the Cathy Freeman Foundation (CFF)

Activities Program, 100 netballers competed in perfect conditions after several days of poor

Seventy students travelled from Townsville and Magnetic Island to take on Palm Island sides St Michael's Catholic School and the reigning champions from Bwgcolman Community School. An additional two schools this year brought the total number of competing teams to eight - the largest tournament yet.

Hosted at the Palm Island PCYC, the competition was opened with a welcome to country by Ruth Gorringe.

Palm Island councillor Roy Prior welcomed the competitors and Deanne Sibley gave a brief history about Aunty Kathy Tarpaulin and her significant contribution to netball on Palm

Both Palm Island schools competed strongly, making it through to the semi-finals, where St Michael's beat Bwgcolman 11-6 to advance to the grand final against Ryan Catholic School.

The local crowd cheered on the St Michael's team, but eventually the clean passing and extra height of the Ryan led them to a 13-5 victory to take out the Kathy Tarpaulin Memorial Shield.

The prelude to the grand final was the CFF Development Shield - a chance for the vounger students from Bwgcolman and St Michael's to test their skills. The local derby was a tight contest, although in a reversal of the previous result, Bwgcolman won 6-1.



Tournament runners-up St Michael's Catholic School, Palm Island.

#### **Wanted: Carnival teams**



THE 15th annual GWABA Indigenous Football Carnival will be held at Bunbury, in Western Australia's south-west, on October 18. Organisers are calling for nominations from teams to contest the Syd Jackson Cup.

Details: Les Wallam 0427 689 200 or les@roelandsvillage.com.au or Lera Bennell 0401 448 152 or email lera.bennell2@ bigpond.com

#### **Rugby league at Mareeba**

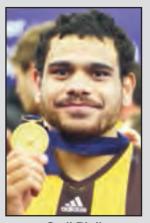


AN Indigenous rugby league carnival for boys aged 15-17 years will be held at Mareeba, in north Queensland, on October 3-4

Teams will play for the PCYC Cup at Davies Park. The Mareeba PCYC will provide free accommodation for

all boys in the PCYC hall. It will cost teams \$150 to nominate and all profits will go to future carnivals and a scholarship achievements program. Details: April (07) 4092 4231.

### Rioli making good progress



Cyril Rioli



star Cyril Rioli is making better than expected progress in his recovery from a

hamstring injury with the club now confident he could return before the finals.

AFL.com.au reported that Rioli was initially expected to miss up to 10 weeks after scans revealed he had suffered a hamstring tendon injury against Gold Coast in round

That would have sidelined Picture: Peter Argent him until a possible preliminary final, but the Hawks now believe he could be available in round 22 or 23 ahead of the club's September campaign.

"He's been full of beans since his return and has started his rehab from the hamstring," Hawthorn general manager of football operations Chris Fagan told hawthornfc.com.au.

AFL.com.au said Rioli was back jogging and his rehabilitation was progressing as expected, according to the club, after he spent a week back home in the Northern Territory following the injury.

# \$1.63m grant to Lismore league club



THE Lismore-based Northern United Rugby League Club has secured a \$1.638-million grant to redevelop their training headquarters at Clifford Park, Goonellabah.

The ground will undergo a major facelift, with the bulk of the money being spent on new amenities and lighting.

NSW Hospitality, Gaming and Racing Minister Troy Grant visited Lismore last week to announce the \$1,638,590 grant.

Northern United use Clifford Park as their training base, but play their competition matches at other grounds in Lismore.

But once Clifford Park has been redeveloped, junior rugby league matches will be played there.

"The upgrade will bring together a range of community, recreational and sporting activities, including walking tracks and exercise and

playground equipment to address community needs for safe open spaces for children and youth to gather," Mr Grant said.

The site, which is currently unfit for use, will be transformed into a place where community can come and participate in sport and recreation in a safe and functional environment."

Mr Grant said it was expected the project would increase participation among Aboriginal youth, many of whom came from disadvantaged backgrounds, by promoting pride and identity within the local community.

A big portion of Lismore's Aboriginal population lives in the vicinity of Clifford Park.

Local MP Thomas George said Northern United did fantastic work with local kids.

He applauded Northern United and the Lismore City Council for their outstanding application through the NSW Government's ClubGRANTS process





From left, Coober Pedy captain Dylan Warren, Mark Bell and Matty Sampson (crouching) and Allan O'Toole, with Andrew Dingaman, who was playing his last match. His teammates made sure it was a match Dingaman would never forget - winning by a comfortable 238

### Memorable match for Indigenous round



ANDAMOOKA has a bit of catching up to do if they are to threaten Coober Pedy in next year's Indigenous round of Australian

football in South Australia's remote north.

Playing for the first time for

the Indigenous round trophy at Coober Pedy's Oz Minerals Oval, the local Saints beat Andamooka 37.25 (247) to

The Coober Pedy Saints are about 80% Aboriginal and they wore specially designed jumpers for the Indigenous



Dancers, from left, N'ky Carbine, Robert Brown, Elder Johnny Ulah, Cameron Lennon and Grant 'AJ' Burns with the two teams in the background. The Coober Pedy players are on the left.



The Indigenous round trophy that Coober Pedy and Andamooka played for in South Australia's Woomera Districts and Far North Football League.

# Continuous Cable

By CHRIS PIKE



THE name Cable is perhaps the most famous in the history of the Perth Football Club and one of the most vaunted in West Australian

football, and now a third generation of the family is playing colts football with the Demons.

Barry Cable is one of the greatest players the game has seen, with the champion rover amassing a remarkable career across two states.

With Perth in the West Australian Football League (WAFL), he played 225 matches, kicked 325 goals, won three Sandover medals and seven fairest and best awards, and starred in the premiership hat trick between 1966-68.

He then went on to play 115 games and kick 133 goals with North Melbourne in the Victorian Football League (VFL) while playing in the 1975 and 1977 premiership teams

Cable then finished his WAFL career with East Perth firstly as a premiership-winning playing coach in 1978, and then coaching

#### String of honours

Since, he has been honoured with being named as a Legend in the West Australian Football Hall of Fame, inducted into the Australian Football Hall of Fame, the Sport Australia Hall of Fame, and was named rover in Perth's Team of the Century, North Melbourne's Team of the Century and the Indigenous Team of the Century.

His two sons, Barry Jnr and Shane, then played with distinction at Perth as well.

Barry Jnr played six matches with Perth between 1988 and 1989 and then joined Subiaco in 1990. Since, he has done well in a variety of junior football coaching roles and was even named the Junior Rules Coach of the Year in

Shane played 159 matches with Perth, including being the





The Perth Demons Indigenous players who were part of the NAIDOC round in the WAFL game against South Fremantle, from left, Chance Bateman, Gerald Ugle, Joel Houghton, Callum Collard and **Brennan Stack.** 

club's leading goalkicker in 1993 and 1995, and winning the fairest and best award in 1995.

He also played one AFL match with the West Coast Eagles in 1989 and spent time playing with Subiaco alongside his brother.

After he finished playing,

Shane coached Perth's reserves team before then becoming senior coach at Peel Thunder, guiding the team to its most successful season yet in the WAFL in 2000

Now, Barry Jnr's 18-year-old son Tim and Shane's 17-year-old

son Ben have begun playing colts football with the Demons and in a bleak season yet again for Perth.

With the club still not having played finals since 1997 when Shane was a key member of the line-up, having two more members of the Cable family

beginning their careers is something to look forward to.

Tim is the elder of the two emerging Cables and he has worn his famous grandfather's No 2 jumper so far in his three colts matches with Perth in 2014.

He played his three matches between rounds 11 and 13 with a best of 11 possessions on debut against East Perth before he also worked hard in his last appearance against Peel Thunder with four tackles.

Ben is still only 17 and has some filling out to do, weighing just 66kg while standing 185cm tall, but he has all the physical tools and skills to suggest he can take his career a long way.

So far, he has played six colts matches this season with Perth and his best showing coming in round 15 against East Fremantle when he picked up 15 possessions, took four marks and laid two tackles.

He will again play colts, the under 19 competition, in 2015 and if all goes to plan then be eligible to play senior football with Perth from 2016 and beyond.

Perth continues to have a strong Indigenous link overall as well, even without taking into account the fact that a Cable has been playing with the Demons in one form or another for much of the past 50 years.

Perth has produced AFL products such as Leon Davis, Troy Cook, Michael Johnson, Dion Woods and Cruize Garlett this century, and has several Indigenous players in its current

The Demons celebrated the NAIDOC Round in the WAFL with a home match at Lathlain Park against South Fremantle, with Chance Bateman, Gerald Ugle, Joel Houghton, Callum Collard and Brennan Stack (all pictured) representing the club on the day.

That match was for the Cable-Michael Cup, named after Perth legend Barry Cable and South Fremantle all-time great Stephen Michael. The Bulldogs won the match by 12 points to win the cup for the first time since it was instituted in 2012.

# Jawa Nathan Jawai Picture: Getty

#### By CHRIS PIKE



AUSTRALIA'S most successful US National Basketball Association (NBA) player Luc Longley has been impressed with the progress made by big

man Nathan Jawai in recent months after a tough injury and health run, and sees no reason why he can't be part of the Australian team at the upcoming basketball World Cup in Spain.

Longley is a three-time NBA championship winner with the Chicago Bulls, having played in the NBL for 11 seasons, and now is enjoying what he is seeing from Jawai in camp with the

Longley is an assistant coach for the Australian team preparing for the World Cup that begins in Spain in late August and despite Jawai not having played since injuring his neck and suffering a health scare while playing for Turkish Euroleague powerhouse Galatasaray late last year, Longley has been impressed with what he's seen

Jawai is making all the right moves to put himself in contention to be part of the Boomers team at the World Cup and with someone his size, skills and ability to dominate, the only question mark, as ever, surrounds his health and fitness.

#### **Springboard**

However, Longley has seen a focus in the 27-year-old that suggests he is ready to make the most of the tools he has and being part of the Boomers again could just be the springboard needed, given it has been enormous in the now NBA careers of Patty Mills, Aron Baynes, Cameron Bairstow and Dante Exum.

"If he stays healthy and keeps improving, then is a very good chance to make the team," Longley said.

"I think he has proven a lot of people wrong with this patch of work that he's done over the past six months. He has

really applied himself. He has moved to Canberra to live to put himself in a position to succeed and he's doing it. I think that just shows great maturity on his part.

"I think he recognises that we've had a lot of guys come through the Boomers and kick on to success.

"Players are starting to recognise that it's a great supportive environment to take another step in their career and Nate sees that as well."

As a big man himself, Longley is fully aware of how difficult it can be to stay healthy while possessing such a big frame, but he is working closely with Jawai to not only help him get closer to 100 per cent health, but to also be able to dominant when on court for the Australian

"According to Nate, he's more focussed than he's ever been on his conditioning and on his game, and on his career. He is reaping the rewards for that now because there have been times in this camp that he's dominated on the floor," Longley said.

### **Sport**



Open women's placegetters, from left, Rachel Baker (Galiwin'ku), Alicia Sabatino (Thursday Island) and Hannah Gondarra (Galiwin'ku).



All the runners before the start of the Uluru Deadly Fun Run.



Placegetters in the open men's division, from left, Chris Guyula, Thaine Mills, and Daniel Lloyd with the IMP's Nadine Hunt.



David Neller, of Mossman, North Queensland, approaches the finish at Yulara.



Skyeisha Rigney, of the Murraylands, South Australia, on her way to victory in the junior girls' division.



● ABOVE: The male youth placegetters, from left, Luke Gurruwiwi (winner), Malachi Gurralpo (3rd) and Reece Knitschke (2nd).

● LEFT: The youth female placegetters, from left, Jacinta Gurruwiwi (Galiwin'ku) and Jody Wunungmurra (Gapuwiyak).

# Uluru fun run was deadly



GAPUWIYAK, in north-eastern Arnhem Land and with a population of 1000, took out the Deadly Fun Run

championship at Uluru on Saturday, July 12.

A record number of runners and volunteers gathered at Uluru, in Central Australia, to compete for the title of 2014 Deadly Fun Run champions.

The Northern Territory, represented by four communities,

was always going to be a force. But with just four runners, the remote community of Gapuwiyak came away with the 2014 crown.

Thursday Island (Torres Strait) finished second, with last year's winners, Murraylands, finishing third.

Inspired by Australia's Governor-General Sir Peter Cosgrove and the Prime Minister Tony Abbott, a record number of Australian Indigenous

#### Celebration

Deadly Fun Run coordinator and event manager Nadine Hunt said the event was a celebration of the effort and commitment Indigenous people were making to create active and healthy lifestyles.

"It isn't about the fastest time or fittest person. It's about communities supporting and encouraging each other, and inspiring future generations," the Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) official said.

"We have seen this event double in numbers in just two years and we know it will continue to grow.

"We are so proud to see these runners setting an example in their communities. To see such a range in ages, from four years old to 58, running three and five kilometres is simply remarkable and certainly worth celebrating.'

The event brought together runners from eight communities around Australia, with more than 50 runners taking part.

Gapuwiyak was represented by just four runners aged between 12 and 18.

Second-placed Thursday Island had just two runners.

Juniors challenged a 3km course, while the seniors completed

3km junior girls: Skyeisha Rigney (Murraylands, SA) 13:59 1, Faith Kempster (Mossman, Qld) 17:14 2, Nikisha Swan (Mutitjulu, NT) 7:16 3.

3km junior boys: David Neller (Mossman, Qld) 16:47 1, Kunmanara Okai (Mutitjulu, NT) 16:50 2, George Gallagher (Utju,

5km senior women: Rachel Baker (Galiwinku, NT) 28:37 1, Alicia Sabatino (Thursday Island, Qld) 28:59 2, Hannah Gondarra (Galiwin'ku, NT) 29:55 3.

5km senior men: Chris Guyula (Gapuwiyak, NT) 22:12 1, Thaine Mills (Thursday Island, Qld) 25:05 2, Daniel Lloyd (Murraylands, SA) 25:36 3.

5km youth (15-18 years) female: Jody Wunungmurra (Gapuwiyak, NT) 32:34 1, Jacinta Gurruwiwi (Galiwin'ku, NT) 45:18 2.

5km youth (15-18 years) male: Luke Gurruwiwi (Gapuwiyak, NT) 22:33 1, Reece Knitschke (Murraylands, SA) 24.34 2, Malachai Gurralpo 28:46 3.

# A shooting star

### RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON **CAMPBELL** 

N the main, I am very cautious about talking up a young prospect as the next best thing.

They have enough pressures in their life without carrying around the additional burden of public expectation.

There are a lot of extremely talented kids out there playing park football or not playing at all who have failed to fulfil their undoubted potential.

This can include kids who have worked extremely hard to get an opportunity at the top level, but disappear like a falling star after a short blaze of glory.

Mostly, these players disappear from the scene because they forgot what it took to get them there in the first place

In the main, that is the simple dedication to hard work.

Players who believe their own publicity or just listen to the back-slappers often lose their way.

#### Fickle fans

A young player on the rise will have a lot of fair-weather friends who quickly disappear once they are no longer the next superstar.

And debuting in the National Rugby League (NRL) does not make you an NRL player.

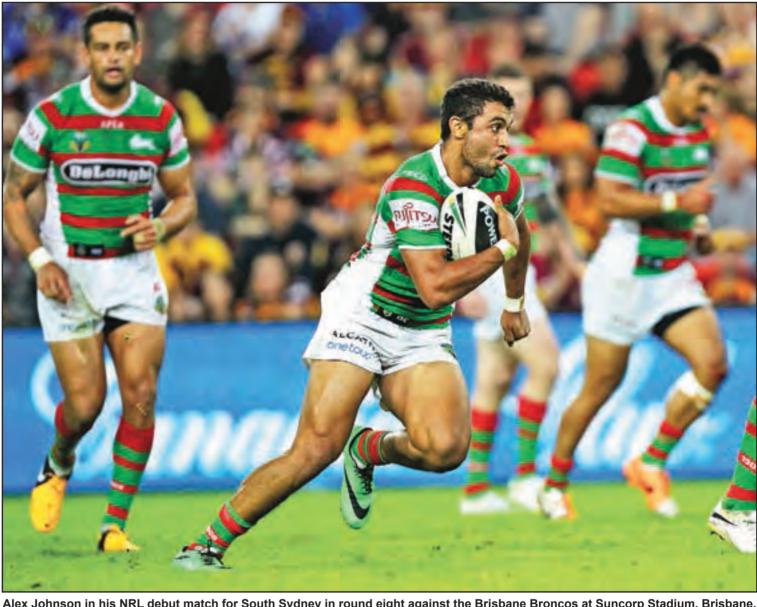
I once heard Australian Coach Tim Sheens say to a group of young players that if you played 50 NRL games, you may start to consider yourself an established professional player.

All that being said, it would be remiss of me if I did not make comment on the exceptional first season that Alex Johnson from the Rabbitohs is having.

My first knowledge of Alex goes back to 2008 when the Dreamtime team was training at La Perouse

The NRL was looking for a young Indigenous player who looked like Greg Inglis to take part in a promotional campaign.

They said they had the kid. He not only looked like GI he played like him.



Alex Johnson in his NRL debut match for South Sydney in round eight against the Brisbane Broncos at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, last Anzac Day (April 25). Picture by Colin Whelan - nrlphotos.com

In fact, they said he was the next Greg Inglis.

We have all heard these claims before, but how prophetic these words were

Alex Johnston not only played the part of a young Greg Inglis in the NRL's 2009 season advertisement, he is now playing alongside his idol.

And to get there, he has had to replace one of the Rabbitohs all-time greats – Nathan Merritt – who in true form has been a great mentor for young Alex.

Johnson was barely in his teens when he was plucked from obscurity to play the role as Inglis in the NRL's advertisement.

In the ad, a shirtless Johnson catches a bomb and then scores a try before morphing into Inglis.

It's almost as if he did not change back!

#### Same traits

Like Inglis, the 19-year-old is a rangy outside back who has had a distinguished junior representative career, having played Australian Schoolbovs plus representing NSW in their under 16 and under 18 sides.

Importantly, Alex has been extremely successful off the field and has an outstanding record as a student and a reputation as being modest and well-rounded.

Alex scored a HSC ATAR of

91.8 at Endeavour Sports High School in 2012.

Since then, he has eased into full-time training with the Rabbitohs and featured in the club's two pre-season trials plus the Auckland Nines.

Comments from his school mentor give an insight into how Alex has succeeded at such a voung age.

Endeavour Sports High School rugby league coach Dave Howlett – who also coaches Cronulla's under 20s side - said Johnson was a rare talent.

"In year 12 he missed significant schooling because he was away with Australian and NSW rugby league teams, but he was super organised with his school work and got above 90 in his ATAR," Howlett said.

"He was our best player in 2012, but he was still the most committed trainer, dedicated with everything he did and was the same in the classroom. He was well behaved and focussed."

Endeavour finished national runners-up in the fullback's final

He joined the sports school's athletics program and then switched to cricket until finding his feet in rugby league in Year

"He wasn't always destined to be a rugby league player," Howlett said.

"He was destined to achieve something though, with his education, athletics, cricket or rugby league.

Our 2012 team over-achieved because the good players like AJ loved the school and were really good on and off the field. It created an environment where the best and most talented player was the hardest working and that had a massive effect on the team.

"He has a real connection with where he comes from. He still comes to our school games."

These attributes of loyalty and commitment are all part of the mix of what makes a young player successful.

Johnson played 18 under 20s matches last year for South Sydney in his debut season.

#### **Promoted**

The South Sydney junior started this year at that level before being promoted alongside fellow youngsters Cameron McInnes and Aaron Gray into the club's NSW Cup side, North Sydney.

It is the same approach South Sydney coach Michael Maguire took with Dylan Walker last year before his NRL debut.

The Bears coach Wayne Lambkin said Johnson was performing strongly.

"He is achieving at a fairly

high standard for his age," Lambkin said.

"Madge (Maguire) has moved him into NSW Cup to see if he was going to be any good to him over the next 12 months.

"He is quite intelligent and is certainly a grounded kid. That's why he is able to take in what's being coached to him. He is very well mannered and no trouble.

"There are no rough edges to

Johnson, who was named man of the match in the Australian Schoolbovs second Test against Great Britain in 2012, had long dreamed about playing alongside Inglis.

In 2011 he was interviewed about what he dreamed about in terms of his career.

"Ideally, I'd love to play first grade with some of my idols," Johnson said.

"I'd love to play with Greg Inglis. Also Billy Slater, but he is a Queenslander and plays for the Storm, so I'm not sure how that's going to work."

Not only is Johnson living his dream, but he is part of the future dreams of a lot of young

There is a whole tribe of kids playing for the La Perouse Panthers who now aspire to play alongside Alex Johnson.

They couldn't have a better role model.

# Academies: opportunities, not advantage

### MAGIG<sup>9</sup>S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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VERYONE loves a winner, but sometimes there is a fine line between being a winner and falling victim to the tall poppy syndrome.

I must declare my vested interested as an employee involved in the Swans academies with GWS and the Suns and the Lions in Queensland.

Eddie McQuire and others have called for the academies in their current structure to be abolished and that there should be a 'pure draft' as part of the game's talent equalisation

Because the Swans have been successful, special conditions available to the four 'expansion' clubs have come under scrutiny, with the academies and living allowance policies being specific targets.

The arrival of Buddy Franklin at the Swans has helped bring these initiatives under focus.

#### **Positives**

I want to try to take the politics out of the debate and more argue the positive benefits of the academies in providing opportunities for youth in NSW and Queensland that would otherwise be not provided.

In particular, the academies provide unique opportunities for kids in regional and remote communities where Indigenous kids in particular are provided a potential pathway to the elite

I am all in favour of talent equalisation, so the Australian Football League (AFL) remains one of the most competitive elite sports in the world.

We want every fan being able to attend a match knowing that their side can compete against any other team and be capable of beating them on any given day.

But in the developing states of NSW and Queensland, we should not throw the baby out with the bath water.

Development of the game and opportunities for kids should come before the self-interest of any club or group.

And to prove my point, I am going to use current US National Basketball Association (NBA) champion Patrick Mills as an example of what I am talking about.

When the academy program was announced, then Sydney Swans boss Andrew Ireland said Mills could have been playing in the AFL if there had been an academy program in NSW.

Ireland says Mills had been identified as a talented footballer, but Australian rules missed out.

Mills has obviously gone on to bigger and better things in the NBA and nobody begrudges him his success.

#### Effective model

It is more the case that there is talent out there to be identified and the academies are the most effective model we have to access them with the expansion clubs contributing significant resources to ensure their success.

Mills was the perfect example of a kid who could have gone either way, but we the game or the Swans – have the capacity to influence him with an elite program.

So at least now when we identify the next Patrick Mills, he can say 'here's the Sydney Swans academy, I will go there', rather than to another sport.

It would be interesting to get the current view of Demons coach Paul Roos, who was then at the Swans

At the time, he said an elite program for young players would keep them in the sport.

"It's not only just trying to get the best athletes from other codes, but in my opinion it is a way to keep the best athletes that are already in our codes when they start in the Auskick program," he said.

"We probably haven't been able to get enough talent out of

"It's about 11 per cent out of

NSW (and Queensland), which is not acceptable."

Even now, we are in a very competitive market place and I is not as if the program has provided the Swans with a stream of talent currently playing in the AFL

Far from it.

This is a long-term investment.

Taking my Swans hat off, I can see the benefits for a lot of our Indigenous kids.

The Suns have been doing a great job in the Cape and when I travel to areas like Coffs Harbour, I see a heap of Indigenous kids with talent crying out for an opportunity.

Current Swans chairman Andrew Pridham has hit back at Eddie McGuire in particular.

#### Context

I don't won't to get involved in any personality clash, but some of Andrew's points need to be seen in the proper context.

"I think it is important we clarify why the academies were developed and how they operate in terms of access to talent," Pridham wrote.

"Players can only be selected via a bidding system – identical to that available for father-son selections.

"Players are not 'hidden away' as McGuire claims. All will play in the under 18 national championships for the whole football world to see.

"Despite his claims, McGuire and the entire football world seem to have a very good grasp on a number of talented players currently within our academy system, as we would expect.

"The academy system is doing a fantastic job, but there is a long way to go.

"If the AFL competition becomes flooded with talent from NSW and Queensland, it will be the best problem we have ever had.

Brandon Jack, Pridham explained, was the only player from the Swans' Academy to play in the AFL to date.

The academies can only but increase the participation base of players to increase our elite playing pool.

We know the success that AFL has in providing real opportunities for our kids in Indigenous communities.

The academies are an important part of that strategy. I would have loved the

opportunity to play alongside Patrick Mills in a Swans jumper! Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

## Such a rich heritage

#### By PETER ARGENT



THE Barossa, Light and Gawler (BGL) Australian football competition is celebrating its 125th anniversary, reviving key South Australian

Aboriginal names like Morey, Wilson and Graham.

One of them, Sonny Morey, had a great career in the South Australian National Football League (SAN FL) club of Central District, having come to Adelaide from his foundation club, Gawler Central.

A child of the Stolen Generation, Morey moved to Gawler township and started his football at the local oval, affectionately known as the 'Dog Track'.

He had four seasons at the Tigers at junior and senior levels before playing in his first SANFL game with the Bulldogs in 1964.

In his era, Gawler Central played in the Gawler and Districts competition.

"I had only ever played soccer in the year before at St Francis House, down at Port Adelaide," Morey told the Koori Mail.

"Living in First Street, I was actually in the South Gawler area, but they didn't want me, so I went across to Gawler Central.

"The Tigers were my first football club.

"I played four years at the club, starting in the juniors.

#### Two games a day

"Then for a couple of seasons. I'd played colts football in the morning and in the A grade later in

"One of our imports in those days at the Tigers, Ron Ashby, a former West Torrens footballer, encouraged me to go down to Central District and have a crack at SANFL football.

After his retirement from league football, he went on to be a successful coach of Eudunda, in the Barossa and Light competition. He would return to Elizabeth and coach the Bulldogs under 17s, taking this team to the 1985 premiership.

He is the only known Aboriginal coach of a SANFL flag at any level.



SANFL player Adam Cullen is another product of the BGL competition.

By 1987, the Gawler clubs became a part of the extended Barossa and Light competition.

Gawler Central achieved their 14 premierships and their first in the BLG in 1991, with another SA Aboriginal icon Wilbur Wilson as coach, while his nephew Darren Wilson and Phil Graham were key players.

"We only dropped one game for the year," Wilson said.

Another junior from the Tigers and now a SANFL footballer in the current era at Central District is talent Adam Cullen.

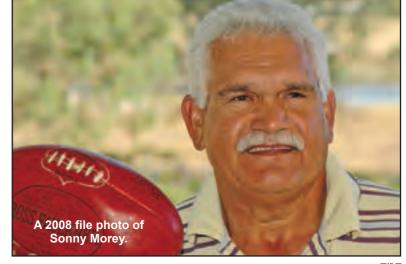
"He has been in our system for a few years now, but at 20, is a developing player," Bulldogs coach Jeff Brown said

"He's has a taste of SANFL football and were looking for big things from him in the next couple of seasons.

"There are some mercurial traits that Adam has displayed."

Last season former Indigenous state country footballer Waylon Johncock was recruited to the Tigers when work commitments took him from the west coast of the state to Adelaide.

His outside run and pace was a key ingredient in a midfield that made it to the season decider, only for the Tigers to give up a threequarter time lead, and giving the Bulldogs back-to-back titles.



# Another accolade for AFL legends

By PETER ARGENT



AUSTRALIAN Football League (AFL) greats Wanganeen and Michael

O'Loughlin have made a South Australian primary schools All Stars team

Between them, Wanganeen and O'Loughlin played 603 games at the very top level of Australian football.

Koori Mail columnist O'Loughlin developed into a superstar at the Swans, while Wanganeen has had stellars in Victoria and South Australia.

"I remember we went up to Murray Bridge and were billeted out," Wanganeen recalled one of his first representative experiences in the South Australian Primary Schools **Amateur Sports Association** (SAPSASA) football.

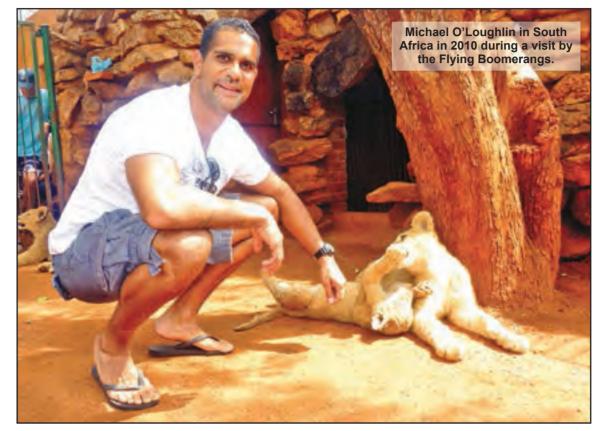
"We played against representative teams from the Riverland and other country districts

"I went to Salisbury Primary School

"'Micky O' and I played our junior football at Salisbury North.

"I went down to Alberton (Port Adelaide) and Michael played the junior grades at Central District."

In the early stages of their football development both were SAPSASA footballers, along with



thousands of other students.

representative football was with

Recently, an All Stars team was selected from players who represented at state schools sports carnivals.

It reads like a who's who of South Australia football.

O'Loughlin won selection in Some of their first the forward pocket in this honorary side, while 1993 the SAPSASA teams. **Brownlow Medallist Wanganeen** was picked on a half back flank. The side is:

> Forwards: Adam Cooney -West (SANFL), Bulldogs (AFL); Warren Tredrea - Port, Power; Michael O'Loughlin - Central District, Swans.

Half Forwards: John Halbert -Sturt; Stephen Kernahan -Glenelg, Blues; Matthew Pavlich - Woodville-West Torrens, Dockers.

Centre: Barrie Robran - North; Russell Ebert - Port, Kangaroos; Craig Bradley - Port, Blues.

Half Backs: Bryce Gibbs -Glenelg, Blues; Paul Weston -Glenelg, Bombers; Gavin Wanganeen - Port, Bombers, Power.

Backs: Ben Hart - North, Crows: Darryl Wakelin - Port, Saints, Power; Paul Bagshaw -

1st Ruck: Shaun Rehn - West, Crows, Hawks; Mark Rucciuto -West, Crows; Haydn Bunton Jnr -North, Norwood, Swan Districts, Subiaco (WAFL).

Interchange: Fred Phillis -Glenelg; Sam Fisher - West, Saints; Neville Roberts - West Torrens, Tigers, Norwood; Ryan Griffen - South, Bulldogs.

#### Many accolades

Along with being part of the Swans' 2005 AFL premiership (the club's first in 72 years), O'Loughlin has many other accolades over a 15-year

It started with an AFL Rising Star nomination in 1995. and included the Bob Skilton Medal as the Swans' best and fairest in

He was Sydney's leading goal kicker in 2000 and 2001.

There were All-Australian honours in 1997 and 2000, along with a Fos Williams Medal 1998, playing for South Australia in a State of Origin match.

He also was honoured with the Most Outstanding Achievement in AFL in 2005 and 2009 at The Deadlys.

Wanganeen was SANFL premiership player with the Port Adelaide Magpies in 1990 as a 16-year-old.

He moved to the Bombers the following season and spent 16 winters at the top level.

#### **Outstanding 1993**

During an outstanding 1993 campaign, Wanganeen won the Michael Tuck Medal in the pre-season and was a part of the Baby Bombers flag that September, becoming the first Aboriginal Brownlow Medallist on the Monday of grand final week.

He returned to his home state and was Port Adelaide's inaugural captain in the AFL, having the role from 1997 to

At 30, now a senior player with the Power, he was runnerup to the Brownlow Medal and the John Cahill Medallist (Port's best and fairest) - the only one of his career - in 2003.

The following winter he was a key part of Port Adelaide's initial AFL premiership, beating Brisbane.

He was an All-Australian selection five times: 1992, 1993 and 1995 with the Bombers, and then two for Port (2001 and 2003).

Wanganeen was inducted into the Australian Football Hall of Fame in 2010.

He and O'Loughlin are members of the Indigenous Team of the Century.

### **Relief for** Mills after new **NBA** deal



**PATTY Mills** knew there were many better ways of going into US National

Basketball Association (NBA) free agency than with his right arm in a sling.

So the new bumper three-year deal with the San Antonio Spurs was a big relief for the Australian basketball star.

Mills returned to Australia on July 15, a month after he and compatriot Aron Baynes helped the Spurs win the NBA title.

It has been a massive time for the 25-year-old since the Spurs beat LeBron James' Miami Heat for the title.

Mills needed surgery to repair the torn rotator cuff in the right shoulder and that will put him out of action until early next

It rules him out of the Boomers squad for the September World Cup in Spain.

But the confirmation of the new contract with San Antonio in early July took some of the sting out of his injury setback.

"I was very worried, actually," Mills said.

"This was going to be my first chance to be able to go through a whole two weeks of free-agency and experience what it's really like.

"I'm very happy with what's happened with my contract."

Mills and Baynes fronted the media in Melbourne a day before they started a national tour with the NBA trophy.

Mills, a two-time Olympian, said it would hurt to miss this year's World Cup.

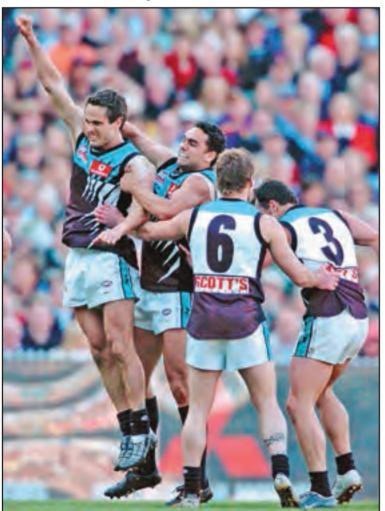
But the Indigenous sports star also spoke of his pride of showing off the Torres Island flag when the Spurs secured the NBA title.

"When you talk about my heritage, it's by far the thing that comes first - my family and my heritage," he said.

'To represent those groups on such an elite stage, it was a very special moment for me to carry the Torres Strait flag... after we won, with the trophy." - AAP



Patty Mills at a publicity event in Melbourne on July 15. Picture: AAP



Flashback to Septemer 25, 2004, and Gavin Wangerneen celebrates a goal in the last quarter during Port Adelaide's win in the AFL Football grand final over the Brisbane Lions at the MCG. Picture: AAP

## Cricket backs Clontarf



Australia (CA) has entered into a partnership with the Clontarf Foundation to

help improve the wellbeing of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men around the

Following a successful pilot program last year, CA is supporting the introduction of a cricket program into the Clontarf Foundation's curriculum that uses sport to improve the education, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Indigenous Australians.

It will be introduced into Clontarf Foundation's 57 academies that cater for more than 3000 students across Western Australia, Northern Territory, Victoria and New South Wales

In each academy, students will participate in a minimum of two cricket sessions a week over an eight-week period.

#### Cricket carnival

At the end of this time, they will take part in an inter-academy cricket carnival.

Speaking at the launch of the partnership in Darwin last Wednesday, CA executive general manager of game and market development Andrew Ingleton said the work with the Clontarf Foundation was an important step in cricket's efforts to drive Indigenous participation in cricket and help bring about social

"For many years we have admired the work that the Clontarf



Australian first-class cricketers, from left, Pat Cummins, Moises Henriques and Gurinder Sandhu with Sanderson Middle School students in Darwin where Cricket Australia announced its new partnership with the Clontarf Foundation.

Australia and have looked for ways to help," Mr Ingleton said.

"A program like this has the potential to open up a range of opportunities for these young men and to expose cricket to a culture under-represented in the game since an Aboriginal team made the first trip to England in

"In partnering with Clontarf, we are proud that cricket can help play a role in improving the

communities.

"It is critical if we are to realise our vision of being Australia's favourite sport and a sport for all Australians."

Clontarf Foundation chief executive officer Gerard Neesham said: "We are very excited about our partnership with Cricket Australia.

"The advent of cricket into our program has already brought increased levels of enthusiasm and excitement among our boys

and staff."

The partnership is a key element of CA's National Indigenous Strategy which will be rolled out this season and over the next four years.

#### More participation

A primary aim of the strategy is to increase cricket participation in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities with an ultimate aim of seeing Indigenous representation.

That program includes the annual all-Indigenous cricket carnival, the Imparja Cup. From humble beginnings, the Imparja Cup has grown from a community-based tournament to a major fixture on the Australian cricket calendar, attracting state and territory sides from around the

The Clontarf Foundation opened its first academy for 25

### CA joins Recognise movement



CRICKET Australia (CA) has joined Recognise, the movement to acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Australian Constitution.

Australian Cricketers Brad Haddin, Ryan Harris, Steve Smith, George Bailey and Nathan Lyon joined Commonwealth Bank Southern Stars Meg Lanning and Ellyse Perry to pledge their support for the Recognise movement in a community service announcement launched online that also calls for fans to sign up.

Cricket's support for Recognise coincides with National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week that ran from July 6-12 The week was designed to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and it provided an opportunity to recognise the contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians.

#### Support from Gillespie

Speaking from the United Kingdom where he is coaching the UK county team Yorkshire, former Australian Test cricketer and the first Indigenous Australian to represent Australia, Jason Gillespie said:

"I'm proud to see Australian cricket throw its support behind a movement to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution and ensuring it is free from discrimination.



"Despite Australia's rich history, at the moment the chapter recognising Indigenous Australians is missing from the document that makes us a nation.

"It's a positive step forward and it's great to see cricket taking a leadership position with such a history-making moment for our

Cricket Australia chief executive James Sutherland said the organisation's involvement with Recognise was part of Cricket Cares, CA's community action

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians have a strong heritage with cricket. The efforts of leading cricketer Tom Wills to involve Aboriginal players with the game in 1866 was in itself an important early gesture of reconciliation," Sutherland

"Two years later in 1868, the first Australian team to tour England was made up of Indigenous cricketers.

"Cricket Australia is proud to lend its support to the historic quest to acknowledge the first part of

Australia's story.

"Recognising Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in our nation's founding document and ensuring there is no place for racial discrimination is about fairness, inclusion and respect – values Australian cricket aims to live by."

Recognise spokeswoman Tanya Hosch said it was great to see Cricket Australia and the players joining the grassroots movement of Australians working for this

"Every one of us needs to bring our leadership to this and stand up for what we know to be right so that we can fix this together," she said.

Cricket Australia says it is investing heavily in developing participation and talent development programs specifically tailored to Indigenous Australians.

It said it had a a goal to get more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians playing cricket and was achieving this through its national Indigenous competition, the Imparja Cup, along with game and market development participation programs.

As part of its support for NAIDOC Week and the launch of the partnership with Recognise, Cricket Australia and Queensland Cricket invited a group of Indigenous children from Queensland's Cherbourg community to participate in a skills clinic at Allan Border Field with cricketers James Faulkner, Pat Cummins and Moises Henriques.

# Beale in 32-man rugby squad



KURTLEY Beale is in the 32man Australian rugby union squad for the upcoming Rugby Championship.

The squad was announced in Brisbane last week and contains no shock selections.

The Rugby Championship involves four southern hemisphere countries - Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Argentina.

There has been speculation that Beale could leave rugby union and try his hand at rugby league after Wallabies coach Ewen McKenzie did not use him in the starting line-up in the recent three-test series against France.

Beale came off the bench in those games. There are no surprises in McKenzie's squad, captained by Michael Hooper and including 25 players who tasted action in the 3-0 series clean sweep of France in June.

#### **Bledisloe Cup opener**

The series will open with a Bledisloe Cup game against New Zealand at ANZ Stadium, ,Sydney, on August 16 when the All Blacks will strive for a world record 18 straight Test victories.

The Wallabies will assemble on August 3 for a week-long Bush2Bledisloe regional road trip across Dubbo, Orange, Bathurst and Penrith.

The Wallabies' second game is also against the All Blacks - in Auckland's Eden Park on August 23, followed by games against the Springboks at Patersons Stadium, Perth, on September 6, Argentina at Cbus Stadium, Gold Coast, on September 13, the Springboks at Newlands, Cape Town, on September 27, and finally against Argentina in Argentina on October



Kurtley Beale in action for Australia against Italy in the 2011 World Cup in New Zealand. Picture: AAP



# Triathlete off to world titles



**RISING Indigenous** Raymond Terrace triathlete Morgen Kafer, 19, is off to Canada next month to compete in the International

Triathlon Union sprint distance triathlon world championships.

The event will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, on Friday, August 29.

A sprint distance triathlon involves a 750m swim, 20km cycle and a 5km run - half the distance of an Olympic triathlon.

Last weekend, Morgen was to compete in Penrith in the first of seven duathlon events making up the Australian duathlon championships. A duathlon is a 5km run, 20km ride and a 2.5km run.

In the meantime, Morgen, who has Dharawal (Botany Bay-Macarthur-Illawarra-Southern Highlands-Shoalhaven) blood on her father's side and Wonnarua (Upper Hunter) blood on her mother's side, is busy

seeking sponsorship.

She made the Australian triathlon team for the world sprint distance championship after winning a nationwide series earlier this year.

"Since 2010 it has been my goal to make it on to the Australian team for my age group," Kafer told the Port Stephens Examiner.

She returned to competition in 2013 after taking time off to recover from injury and complete her Higher School Certificate.

#### Dad's advice

She took up the sport in 2008 on the insistence of her father, Port Stephens councillor Peter Kafer.

"Basically, Dad wanted me and my sister to do them (triathlons) since we were little," she told the Examiner.

"He convinced my sister to do it and I was roped along.

"They actually weren't that bad." She balances studying at the University of Newcastle with a full

regime of training, including swimming six days a week, running five days and cycling four.

"I definitely want to take triathlons as far as I can," she told the Examiner.

Opportunities like competing in Canada come at a price and Morgen is seeking sponsorship to assist in her further endeavours, including the Australian University Games and Australian Duathlon.

It is estimated it will cost \$4461, including accommodation, flights, insurance and team uniform, for Morgen to take part in Canada.

The Examiner said that according to Triathlon Australia team guidelines, Morgen can gain sponsorship with logos allowed to be included on her race suit in four places. She has three spots available on her suit, which will be worn at all events she enters between now and 2015.

To contact Morgen about sponsorship email kafer.morgen@ gmail.com

### Williams in World Cup fitness race



AUSTRALIA'S No 1 goalkeeper Lydia Williams faces a race to be fit for next

year's FIFA women's World Cup as she prepares to undergo a second knee reconstruction.

Williams is returning to Australia for the surgery after scans showed she ruptured the ACL in her left knee while playing for the Western New York Flash in the US Women's National Soccer League (WNSL).

A standout performer in the Matildas' silver-medal winning run at this year's Asian Cup, Williams is expected to miss the entire upcoming Australian W-League season with Canberra United.

She suffered the same injury to the knee in 2012 while playing for Swedish club Pitea IF and missed the whole 2012-13 W-League season.

Her surgery in Adelaide will be supervised by Matildas doctor James Ilic and Williams is determined to be back in time to play in the 2015 World Cup in Canada, which starts in June.

"As soon as I did it I knew I had injured my ACL and it was pretty devastating," said Williams.

"I knew the feeling and I was pretty sure that I had done it again and immediately started thinking about how I could get back on to the field in time for the World Cup.

"Because I've been through an ACL rehabilitation previously, the one advantage I have is that mentally I know what's ahead of me and I know what's required to get back onto the field, which is now my focus."



A file picture of Lydia Williams with the Australian W-League trophy. Picture by Joseph Mayers

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### **Brooke** on the ball in **Games** opener

**AUSTRALIA'S Brooke** Peris is challenged by Malaysia's Juliana **Mohamad Din during** an opening hockey pool game at the **Commonwealth Games** in Glasgow last Thursday. Australia won that game 4-0. Peris came on as a substitute and created plenty of headaches for the Malaysian defence. In their second game on day two - Friday - the **Hockeyroos thumped** Wales 9-0, with Peris, again coming on as a substitute, scoring a field goal. Australia led 5-0 at the break and Peris was the first to score after half time. Peris is one of six Indigenous athletes in the Australian **Commonwealth Games** team. The others are athletes Benn Harradine, **Robbie Crowther** and Shannon McCann and wrestlers Shane Parker and Stevie Kelly. Picture by Ady Kerry



# Blow for Geale



**TASMANIAN Aboriginal** boxer Daniel 'Real Deal' Geale was defeated by Kazakh champion Gennady Golovkin by technical knockout in

the third round of their middleweight world title fight in New York's Madison Square Garden on Sunday (AEST).

Golovkin had been unbackable favourite to retain his World Boxing Association and International Boxing Organisation middleweight titles – and he didn't disappoint, keeping his unbeaten record intact.

Geale was cut in the first round, then knocked to the canvas in the second.

### Golovkin proves too good for 'Real Deal'

In the third Geale swung a right that barely glanced off his opponent's chest. Golovkin countered with a huge right square to the jaw that sent Geale to the deck and followed with a softer left for good measure on the way down.

Referee Mike Ortega stopped the fight to give Golovkin his 17th straight knockout win. Golovkin's professional record moves to 30 wins (27 knockouts) while Geale's record drops to 30 wins (KO 16) and three losses.



Daniel Geale in New York. Newspix image

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