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Marchers vent anger at G20



PICTURED are some of the more than 500 Aboriginal people and supporters who marched in the lead-up to the G20 summit in Brisbane last week to bring attention to Indigenous deaths in custody. The chant of “they say justice, we say murder” echoed through the near-deserted and heavily policed streets of the Queensland capital as the crowd waved Aboriginal flags and banners saying “Australia is a crime scene”. The G20 summit is an international meeting of the governments of 20 major economies, including Australia. Full report, page 7. Getty image

Under threat

SA, WA target remote communities

A DISPUTE with the Federal Government over funding essential services last week led to threats from the South and Western Australian governments to close remote

Aboriginal communities, forcing thousands of people out of their homes.

Kimberley Land Council chair Anthony Watson accused the Barnett WA

Government of being “discriminatory and unjust”.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion called on both states to take

responsibility for providing essential services for their Aboriginal residents, as they do for non-Aboriginal residents.

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HERE I am at an Aboriginal hostel in Alice Springs with my sister Barbara (on the left) and my youngest sons Joseph and Lawrence.

I've come down from my home country at Tennant Creek to be with Barbara, who has to have dialysis.

I've been here a while, but I'll soon be moving to Borroloola, in the NT Gulf Country, to be with my other son Tyson, who's 14 and in school there. Naturally I'll be taking Joseph and Lawrence.

I was born and raised around Tennant Creek. I'm a local Waramunga woman, and speak the language.

I've got lots of family in and around Tennant, as well as spread across the Northern Territory.

Education is really important to me. Our people can't get ahead without it, and

I'm determined to make sure my sons have a good one.

Tyson is already an excellent student and he wants to complete high school and look for a good job or take his education even further.

Joseph is just five years old and Lawrence is only one, but I'll be making sure they follow their big brother's example.

When I was younger I enjoyed sports like softball and basketball, but I've got my hands full now with my sons and helping other family.

I've been to Borroloola before and like it there. I'll be able to set up a proper home for myself and the boys in the community, settle down and also do a few things for myself. The fishing's really good there, and I really like fishing!

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OUR CHILDREN



THE evening of Wednesday, November 12, was one of celebration for five Aboriginal students at Cootamundra High School, NSW. Joshua Kite, Tristian Manton, Maddison Byrne, Jaydon Brinckley and Andrew Perrin completed Year 12 and all are preparing for tertiary study. The graduation dinner proved a glamorous event. Pictured from left are Joshua Kite, Tristian Manton, Maddison Byrne and Jaydon Brinckley.

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Sydney in for huge Corroboree



AN interactive arts and cultural installation hosting a series of free events celebrating

Aboriginal life in Sydney will be the hub of this year's Corroboree Sydney event from November 21-30.

The Rocks Boatshed, to be set up on the western promenade lawn in front of the Museum of Contemporary Art on Circular Quay, will open this Friday, November 21, with the official launch of Corroboree Sydney 2014.

Along with tucker and drinks, the Rocks Boatshed will host film screenings, live music, dance workshops, writing workshops, storytelling, panel discussions, comedy acts and kids' activities, with Koori Radio broadcasting live every day.

'Eternal flame'

During the opening ceremony, Eora Elders will light an 'eternal flame' in a cauldron on the forecourt next to the Boatshed, accompanied by performers from the Bangarra Dance Theatre.

Throughout the evening, characters from the Moogahlin Players dressed in 1800s costume will bring the past to life and tell Aboriginal history through stories.

Children can learn to make their own 'nowie' (Aboriginal canoe) and Aboriginal flag, while popular Aboriginal bands will launch new EPs and the Koori



The Rocks Boatshed creative artists Mic Charlton, Marjorie Anderson, Kalkani Choolburra, Joe Hurst and Tracey Skinner.

Radio Supper Club will open.

There will also be a Sundance Indigenous film retrospective and Wiradjuri author Dr Anita Heiss will be in conversation with Aboriginal authors and personalities including Larissa

Behrendt and Wesley Enoch.

Created by the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority (SHFA) and curated by Aboriginal programming manager Marjorie Anderson, the Rocks Boatshed was formed last year. Eight

prominent Aboriginal artists – performing artists Colin Kinchela, Nardi Simpson and Kyra Kum-Sing, photographer Barbara McGrady, cultural representative Donna Ingram and artists Joe Hurst, James Simon and Jasmine

Sarin – worked with historians, Elders and cultural leaders to create the project.

Corroboree Sydney will feature more than 100 free and ticketed events. For more information go to www.corroboreesydney.com.au

Death at NT grog centre



AN Aboriginal woman has died at an alcohol rehabilitation centre in the Northern Territory.

The woman, believed to be in her late 30s, died last month at the Central Australian Aboriginal Alcohol Programs Unit (CAAAPU) in Alice Springs, where she was undergoing contentious mandatory alcohol rehabilitation.

Despite the woman dying while under a mandatory residential rehabilitation order, the NT Government is not treating it as a death in custody.

On October 30, NT Health Minister Robyn Lambley announced amendments to the *Alcohol Mandatory Treatment Act*, including dropping the offence provision for absconding from a treatment facility.

In a statement on that day, Ms Lambley singled out CAAAPU for praise, saying they were doing "some great work with their clients".

CAAAPU chairwoman Eileen Hoosan told News Corp it was unlikely to be the last death at the centre. "It's the first time we've had a passing, but it won't be the last," she said.

"We've always known that

one day it would happen."

The NT Health Service confirmed the death but could not release any more details.

The woman's date of death has not been confirmed, but her sister, Elizabeth Raggette Naparula, found out about it from another relative last week.

She said no one from the treatment centre had contacted her. "All my grandchildren are crying every night for her," she told ABC radio.

"I wanted them to look after her properly so she could get healthy and not have so much grog. I can't understand what happened, I don't know what happened."

Criticism

Mandatory alcohol rehabilitation began in July last year. Anyone who is found to be drunk and placed in police custody three times in two months is required to attend the program. The program has attracted criticism from some experts, health and legal workers, who say it unfairly targets Aboriginal people.

Last week, NT Attorney-General John Elferink defended the controversial scheme as a life saver, despite the woman's death.

Mr Elferink, a former police officer, said the program was the result of years spent picking up "drunks off the streets ... in the NT. It was not unusual for me, as a police officer, to have to put these people in body bags in a park," he told AAP.

"The reason we have done it is to save lives and I would suggest we have probably saved many lives through this process. "Hopefully some of these people will go on to have productive and useful lives."

Mr Elferink said the Government had not made the woman's death public because she had died in a health centre, rather than in custody.

Ms Hoosan said patients receive medical assessments before being admitted and regular medical checks and treatment while in rehab.

"CAAAPU cares and offers a place of health, hope and healing to people suffering from alcohol and substance misuse," she said in a statement. "Sadly, the majority of clients suffer from serious medical conditions."

"CAAAPU took all possible steps to ensure family members and the community were informed about the sad passing."

The coroner is investigating the woman's death. – with AAP



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Tiriki Onus awarded inaugural fellowship



THE cultural significance of the possum skin cloak is about to be revived and redefined during a year-long artistic project by Yorta Yorta multimedia and performing artist Tiriki Onus, who has won the inaugural Hutchinson Indigenous Fellowship (HIF) residency at The University of Melbourne.

The first-of-its-kind fellowship, to be awarded annually, enables a Victorian Indigenous artist to undertake a \$45,000 one-year residency at the university to complete a project of their choice.

Mr Onus will work on a project that takes as its starting point the traditional role of the possum skin cloak, creating a new body of work by placing it in a contemporary context with a focus on identity and narratives.

Mr Onus said that for the Koori people in south-east Australia there was no more significant and defining work of art than the possum skin cloak.

"It was given to you at birth, and as you grew, it also grew," he wrote in his fellowship application.

"More panels would be added as

required, all the time incising your clan designs and stories into the skin of the cloak with a scribe. When you died, you were wrapped in your cloak and buried."

But Mr Onus said that over the past 10 generations much of the knowledge about the cultural role of the possum skins has been scattered, devalued and replaced with a growing sense of displacement and alienation for many Aboriginal people.

Mr Onus is the son of celebrated artist and Indigenous activist Lin Onus, who championed Indigenous art in Victoria.

"I constantly find myself asking the questions: What are the multiple narratives that inform my identity as a 21st century

Yorta Yorta man? What technologies and oral histories remain that I can draw upon in a quest for a greater understanding of my own identity as an artist? How can those technologies, narratives and cultural markers be employed for the betterment of the wider community?" he said.

"Over the course of the next year, I plan to investigate the motivations, emotions and pressures felt by many of those in my past, draw on their stories to inform my own practice and create a new body of work that, like a ceremony, draws together the stories of many for strength."

The perpetual Hutchinson fellowship was established with a \$1 million grant from the Helen Macpherson Smith Trust and is

named in honour of Darvell Hutchinson, who this year retired after 50 years' leadership of the trust.

Mr Hutchinson said he was "thrilled" with the selection of Tiriki Onus as the inaugural recipient.

"He is a very worthy recipient who exemplifies the qualities, skills and thinking of emerging Indigenous artists in Victoria today," he said.

Head of the university's Wilin Centre for Indigenous Arts Deborah Cheetham said the resources of The University of Melbourne would enable Mr Onus to create a multi-dimensional work that was truly representative of the spirit of the Hutchinson Fellowship.



Darvell Hutchinson, Tiriki Onus and Deborah Cheetham.

Picture: Peter Casamento

Bowraville families welcome outcomes

By MEZ FISHER



SITTING in Parliament House, listening to the final report of the committee inquiring into his sister's disappearance more than two decades ago and its recommendations to overhaul the NSW police and judicial systems, Lucas Craig said he felt the presence of all three young Aboriginal victims who had been murdered near Bowraville in the early 1990s.

"It was a pretty emotional day," said Mr Craig, who was eight when his 16-year-old sister Colleen Walker-Craig went missing in 1990, her body never to be found.

"Inside Parliament you could feel the presence of them there. It was really uplifting, like a big weight had been lifted off our shoulders.

"Somebody was finally taking notice and we were being heard. The Government was standing up and saying something has to be done."

As well as his sister, Evelyn Greenup, 4, and Clinton Speedy-Duroux, 16, became victims of the suspected serial killer at the NSW north coast town, leading to a bungled police investigation, the acquittal of a man charged with two of the murders in separate court cases (the third case never went to trial) and a 24-year campaign by their families for justice.

That campaign got one step closer on November 6 when the parliamentary committee investigating the deaths tabled its final report.

The committee handed down 15 recommendations, including a review of NSW Police Force procedures and policies regarding Aboriginal people, extensive Aboriginal cultural training for police and court officers, and the employment of two additional Aboriginal witness assistance officers in the NSW judicial system.

It recommended funding for mental health workers and the Red Dust Healing Program to support the victims' families, funding for outreach youth services, and funding for the beautification



Family members Audrey Walker, Lucas Craig and Shekara Hartnett in Sydney to hear the report from the Parliamentary inquiry into the Bowraville murders.

and maintenance of memorial sties.

But for the victims' relatives, the most important recommendations are those calling for changes to legislation that could lead to the matter going back to court.

The committee recommended that the NSW Government review section 102 of the *Crimes (Appeal and Review) Act 2001* to clarify the definition of 'adduced' and consider the merit of broadening the scope of the provision to enable a retrial when a

change of law renders evidence admissible at a later date.

"The main goal is to take it back to court and get the three cases trialled as one and hopefully get him (the suspect) back into jail," Mr Craig said.

With his sister's body still missing, it's particularly important for his family that they find out what happened to Colleen.

"He might open up if he's charged and put in jail. My mum just wants answers, just wants somewhere for her to be so we can go and

see her," he said.

Mr Craig stopped working last year to support his mother, who is 59 and suffers from depression, throughout the inquiry.

He said the process had allowed them to be heard and showed them that there are people who care – a far cry from the time of the murder when the police didn't believe his mother.

"I told the politicians, 'You should be so ashamed from all of this happening ... you'd never think it could go on in our society.' If it had happened to white kids it would have been solved," Mr Craig said.

But the committee acknowledged there was no silver-bullet solution to the legal obstacles faced by the families.

"There are a number of varied and stringent legal tests that must still be met in order for an acquittal to be quashed and a retrial ordered," the report said.

"The families have repeatedly called on the committee and the Government to 'be real' with them, and to not give false hope. For this reason, we

reiterate that there are substantial hurdles remaining in the way of a retrial."

Lucas Craig and Clinton Speedy-Duroux's aunt, Leonie Duroux, said all the families were happy with the outcomes of the inquiry and were hoping the Government would respond quickly. (The inquiry requires a response by May 2015.)

"We all feel the same – we are really happy this has happened and we couldn't have expected more... we got what we needed," Ms Duroux said.

However, she lamented the passing of Mr Craig's aunt, who had been an instrumental part of the justice campaign, just two months before the report was handed down. But she felt her spirit was also there on the day of the findings.

"She was like a mother to me," Ms Duroux said. "It felt like I was talking to her, especially when they dragged me into the press conference and I was trying to get out of it... I was talking to her, saying 'Aunty, you've got to give me the right words to say.'"

Top acts set for Sydney's Homeground



DAN Sultan, Bow & Arrow, OKA, Ursula Yovich, Sean Choolburra, Richard Frankland and the Charcoal Club and Digging Roots will all be on the stage

for Homeground this weekend, November 22-23, as part of Corroboree Sydney.

The free outdoor festival celebrating the music, dance and culture of Australian and international indigenous peoples taking place on the Sydney Opera House western boardwalk will also feature Teddy Lewis King, NAISDA dancers and Rako, an artistic movement formed by a group of Rotuman and Polynesian artists based in Fiji to revive ancient artforms and stories.

Alongside the packed schedule of leading acts, the Bennelong Walk Guided Tour is a bespoke tour exclusively for Homeground, taking in the Aboriginal history surrounding the land of the Gadigal, where the Sydney Opera House now sits.

For more information on the concert, visit www.sydneypoperahouse.com/homeground

● **Pictured: Dan Sultan, who has been nominated for five Australian Record Industry Awards (ARIA's), is playing at Homeground, the free First Nations show at the Sydney Opera House boardwalk this weekend, November 22-23.**



By AMY McQUIRE



IT has been four years since Aboriginal man Mark Mason Snr died after being

shot by a police officer at Collarenebri, in north-west New South Wales.

Last Friday, members of his family, friends and supporters, including NSW Greens MP David Shoebridge, gathered outside the house where he passed away, on the anniversary of his death.

This was their first protest since the well-liked former Aboriginal Legal Service field officer, who was renowned for his humour and his Johnny cakes, died, leaving behind four grieving children and a community torn apart.

On November 11, 2010, Mr Mason Snr was shot by a police officer, one of five who cornered him in a house in the small town of Collarenebri, on Kamilaroi country between Moree and Walgett.

According to the police version of events, Mr Mason Snr had crashed his vehicle into a police car during a pursuit. Police said they were chasing him over a domestic dispute.

The coronial inquest into his death heard that Mr Mason Snr had been cornered in a room in the small house, where he was capsicum sprayed and tasered twice in attempts to subdue him, before allegedly threatening police with a tyre lever.

Police state that Mr Mason Snr began to swing the tyre lever, and he was then shot by one officer, who fired twice in quick succession. The family, who have seen some of the police footage, dispute this version of events.

Originally, the family wanted to put their trust in the justice system. But after a three-year wait for the coronial inquest that handed down no recommendations, they say the trauma has compounded. It has left them with too many unanswered questions.

Mr Mason Snr's sister Marcia Mason Hoskins told the *Koori Mail* the family had delayed any protests

Four years on, family still in pain

because they wanted to heal from the tragedy.

"The emotions and the anger and the pain... and the pure hatred, wouldn't have helped anybody," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"They were things we had to deal with ourselves, before we could go or say or do anything. We, as individuals and as a family, we had to deal with those issues first because we had no understanding of this.

"It was a family decision not to protest. We wanted to sort ourselves out first."

That's been a long process, hindered by the long wait for the inquest, and police insensitivity.

For example, on the day of Mr Mason Snr's funeral in Walgett, the town had an increased police presence, with riot squad vehicles lining the streets.

Ms Masons Hoskins said community members had been asked by police whether the Mason family was likely to stage a riot.

"I don't know whether they think we're robots. That's my baby brother," Ms Hoskins Mason said.

"I have total devastation in my

Aboriginal man shot by police



NSW Police say one of their officers had 'no other option' but to shoot an Aboriginal man last Thursday in the NSW northern-west town of Collarenebri. Senior police say the man, who was not named as The Koori Mail went to press at the weekend, was attacking the officer with a tyre lever. They said the officer

The Koori Mail coverage of Mr Mason Snr's death in 2010.

life, how can I deal with wanting to riot?"

Immediately following Mr Mason Snr's death, NSW Police informed the media that the shooting was a last resort, and immediately cleared the officers involved of any responsibility, before any investigation.

Acting Deputy Commissioner of

Field Operations Alan Clarke had told media that Mr Mason had led a "determined attack" on police, who were given no option but to use lethal force.

"Police have dealt with a life-threatening situation," Superintendent Clarke said.

"It would appear they have exhausted all their options, prior to resorting to lethal force, and on the information before me I certainly believe that officer had no other option and resorted to the only remaining option they had to protect their own lives."

The police response – to absolve itself of responsibility before any investigation – provoked an angry reaction from the then chair of the NSW Aboriginal Land Council, Bev Manton.

"There have already been several premature media statements made by police before the facts have been fully correlated and the investigation completed," she said.

"One of these claims has been the conclusion that the police had exhausted all other options.

"I find it difficult to believe police

would be so forthcoming in making these sorts of statements if it hadn't been one of their own involved.

"I hope instead that the police will wait until a full, clear and transparent investigation has taken place before making claims like these."

Four years on, the family doesn't believe that full, clear and transparent investigation has taken place.

The original coronial inquest was halted after Deputy State Coroner Scott Mitchell fell ill and was replaced with Deputy State Coroner Hugh Dillon. The coronial findings were handed down in Dubbo in September 2013 and cleared police of responsibility, with Coroner Dillon agreeing that their actions had been in self-defence.

There were no recommendations handed down and, according to Dubbo's *Daily Liberal* newspaper, the coroner "delivered his findings with a message about understanding cultural issues".

But Ms Mason Hoskins says the coronial inquest has done nothing to ease the concerns of her family.

In a statement before Friday's rally it said "a long coronial inquest brought no closure to the Mason family and they are still very much puzzled by the outcomes of the process".

Ms Mason Hoskins told the *Koori Mail* she still didn't understand why her brother died.

She says there needs to be an independent process to ensure it's not just police investigating police.

"I will struggle with it until the day I die, until we get justice for Mark... You just can't take a life and there's no justification for it, and there's no recommendations to stop it happening again," Ms Hoskins Mason said.

"It was really rough and we are still trying to deal with the sheer devastation of not having him, and not understanding why.

"The pain today is still raw, the fact we are trying to get things moving, and get things happening to find out what has happened. And it's just torn the family apart. It's just total devastation."

Marchers vent deaths fury



MORE than 500 Aboriginal people and supporters rallied in Brisbane for the G20 summit last Friday

to bring attention to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander deaths in custody.

The G20 summit is an international meeting of 20 governments of 20 major economies, including Australia.

A chant of "they say justice, we say murder" echoed through the near-deserted and heavily policed streets of the city as the crowd waved Aboriginal flags and banners saying "Australia is a crime scene".

The group was urged to mobilise against the mistreatment of Indigenous people in custody by Lex Wotton, the man who was once jailed for his role in a riot over the death of Cameron Doomadgee on Queensland's Palm Island in 2004. (See report page 11.)

Young people needed to be educated about the struggles of the past, Mr Wotton said.

The family of Redfern teenager Thomas 'TJ' Hickey was still waiting for justice more than 10 years after his death in Sydney, his cousin Darren said.

Riots were sparked in the inner-Sydney suburb of Redfern when the 17-year-old was thrown off his bike while trying to escape police, and was impaled on a fence on February 14, 2004.

"We're here to change your hearts and your minds, because the biggest battle is inside," Darren said.

"If we can change one non-Aboriginal person here to say 'We're all in this together', the media, the police."

The only way to secure justice



Bundjalung man Gilbert Laurie (with clap sticks) marched with more than 500 people to highlight Aboriginal deaths in custody. *Getty image*

was to protest, Aboriginal poet Lionel Fogarty said.

"We've been struggling for so long to get justice and we're not getting any justice," he said.

The march stopped several times to perform traditional dances under the watchful eyes of dozens of police.

As the crowd made its way over the Kurilpa pedestrian bridge and arrived in West End, many younger protesters began

chanting, "Pigs kill blacks."

The rally marched into Musgrave Park in South Brisbane, just streets away from the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, the heart of the G20 security operation.

"Today we made history – we made Genocidal 20 history," protester Ruby Wharton told the crowd in front of a smouldering fire.

Ms Wharton, 16, had earlier

recalled how her aunty died while in custody west of Brisbane in 2008.

"The police officers were negligent to her health condition and they know damn well that Aboriginal health is on a downward spiral," she said.

Members of the Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network also staged a protest about fossil fuels outside the Brisbane Global Café.

Indigenous coordinator for the Australian Youth Climate Coalition Amelia Telford said energy companies were operating in an outdated industry.

"Unless world leaders take swift, ambitious steps to reduce pollution from coal and other fossil fuels, they will condemn our generation to catastrophic consequences from climate change," she said. – *with AAP*

Homelands threat



A DISPUTE with the Federal Government over funding services last week led to threats from the South and Western Australian governments to close remote Aboriginal communities, forcing thousands of people out of their homes and off their homelands.

WA Premier Colin Barnett said the state had no option but to act after the Federal Government

announced in September it would cut off its 50% funding of essential services in the small communities, leaving a "parting gift" of \$90 million.

"This is the biggest social issue this state faces," he said.

Mr Barnett said there were 274 remote Aboriginal communities in WA, with a total estimated population of 12,000, but some communities had only five to 15 people.

The Federal Government offered SA \$10 million to take over the funding, but SA Indigenous Affairs Minister Ian Hunter told the ABC that funding had historically been a federal responsibility.

"And we will not be picking it up without a better deal," he said.

"For the sake of \$10 million they are

prepared to see these communities closed.

"They are literally turning the lights out by turning off the generators."

Kimberley Land Council chair Anthony Watson said the WA Government's plan to shut down Aboriginal communities was discriminatory and unjust and that forcing people to move into towns would not solve any problems.

"If the WA State Government cannot continue to service remote communities, how

there was no doubt any move would cause great distress to Aboriginal people and affect regional towns where people were relocated.

"The smaller Aboriginal communities are simply not viable," he said.

"How can there be employment out in the desert? How can there be a fair opportunity for little Aboriginal boys and girls to succeed in life?"

WA Opposition spokesman on Aboriginal Affairs Ben Wyatt said he did not accept

Government was not cutting services and accused the SA Government of racism.

"The delivery of municipal and essential services, including the supply of power and water and the management of infrastructure is a state and local government responsibility," he said.

"The South Australian Government is the only state under the Municipal and Essential Services Program that did not reach an agreement with the Commonwealth

Government to take responsibility for its residents in remote Aboriginal communities.

"I am concerned that the Weatherill Government believes that it has an obligation to provide municipal and essential services to South Australia's white residents, but does not have such an obligation to its Aboriginal residents.

"Does Minister Hunter really believe that Aboriginal communities should not receive the same services as other residents in their state?"

Senator Scullion also claimed the WA Government was using the funding stoush as an excuse to implement a long-held plan to close remote Aboriginal communities.

He said the Federal Government would continue to work separately on arrangements for SA's Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands. – *with AAP*

"Colin Barnett has turned his back on Aboriginal people. His solution is to give up and do nothing at all. To say there is no answer is not good enough. There is always an answer." – Kimberley Land Council chair Anthony Watson

is it going to cope with the extra service demands put on towns because of an increased population?" he said.

"Colin Barnett has turned his back on Aboriginal people. His solution is to give up and do nothing at all. To say there is no answer is not good enough. There is always an answer."

Mr Watson invited Premier Barnett to sit with Aboriginal people and discuss the effects closing communities would have.

Mr Barnett told Parliament last week that

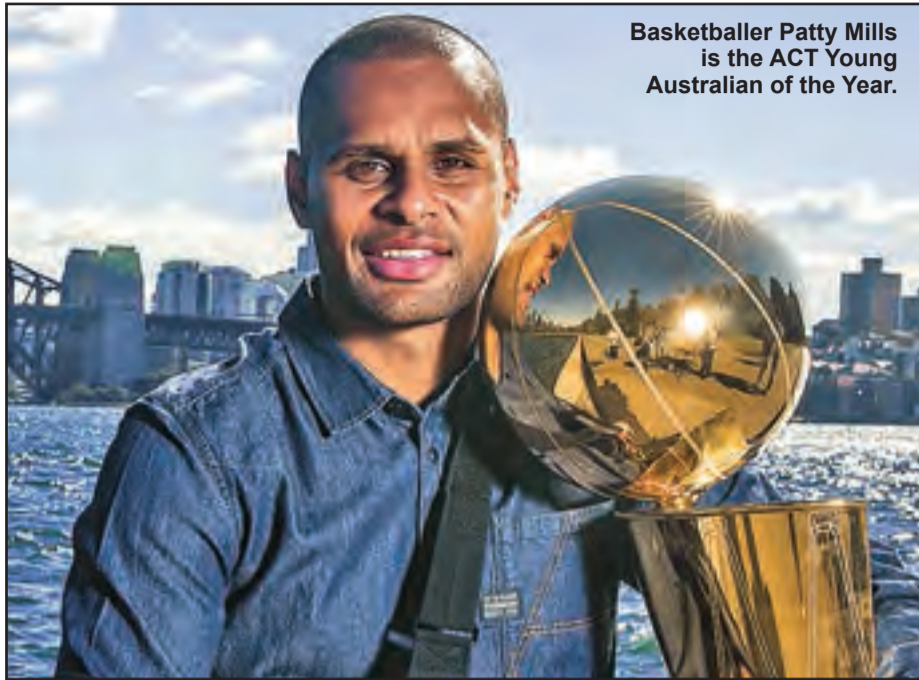
closing down communities and relocating Aboriginal people was the answer to the service delivery problem.

He said the only reason the Federal Government felt it could do this was because Aboriginal people in remote communities did not have "the sort of voice" others did.

Mr Wyatt and Kimberley Labor MP Josie Farrer were planning to hold meetings in the Kimberley.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said the Commonwealth

Australian of the Year Awards 2015



Basketballer Patty Mills is the ACT Young Australian of the Year.



Our people in the running



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander people have been named as finalists in all four categories for the Australian of the Year 2015 awards. Five Indigenous people have won their state or territory awards, putting them in the running for national honours.

Rosalie Kunoth-Monks has been named the Northern Territory finalist for Australian of the Year for her humanitarian work.

In the Senior Australian of the Year category, Eddie Robertson is the NT finalist.

Basketballer Patty Mills is flying the flag for the ACT in the Young Australian of the Year, while Chantal Ober is the NT finalist.

And South Australia's Vince Coulthard is a finalist in the Local Hero section.

Non-Indigenous historian Henry Reynolds, who has a significant body of work about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the Frontier Wars, is the Tasmanian Senior Australian of the Year.

Arrernte/Alyawarre Elder Ms Kunoth-Monks grew up on the remote Utopia Station in the NT, learning the laws of her tribe, the Anmatjere people.

After moving to Alice Springs to attend school, she was cast in the lead role in the classic Australian film *Jedda* in 1953.

She spent a decade as a nun in a Melbourne convent before leaving to establish the first Aboriginal hostel in Victoria.

In 1970 she married, settled in Alice Springs and became involved in social work and politics. Since then, she has been a government adviser, an interpreter, an environmental campaigner and has chaired or contributed to many boards and councils devoted to Indigenous issues.

Warlpiri Elder Eddie Jampijinpa Robertson has been a peacemaker, statesman and member of the Yuendumu community and the wider Warlpiri and central Australian communities.



Rosalie Kunoth-Monks is the NT Australian of the Year.

He holds positions on many boards and is chair of the Warlpiri Youth Development Aboriginal Corporation. His role addressing chronic petrol sniffing in Yuendumu continues to help save the lives of a generation of young people.

In his challenging role as Indigenous engagement officer for the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, Mr Robertson moves easily between two cultures.

He is also Yuendumu's longest serving mayor and a founding member of the Yuendumu Baptist Church.

Made history

Patty Mills, 26, made basketball history this year when he became the first Indigenous Australian to be a member of an NBA championship in America, with the San Antonio Spurs. He wrapped himself in the Torres Strait Islands flag after the win.

In 2012, Mr Mills led the scoring at the London Olympics, averaging 21.2

points a game with Australia's national basketball team, the Boomers.

While his basketball career has been spectacular, Mr Mills is most proud of the awareness he has created about his Indigenous heritage and he is now working on a documentary that showcases the culture and traditions of his people.

As a youth worker at Katherine YMCA, Chantal Ober, 25, faces daunting challenges every day.

Ms Ober, whose mother is from the Mamu Bagirbarra clan of the Innisfail area and father is from the Koeu Buway Samu clan of Saibai Island in the Torres Strait, grew up in Batchelor and Palmerston before moving to Katherine when she was 18.

She has implemented a number of initiatives, including the YMCA Girls Program that builds resilience and self-esteem and taking on the coordination of the Katherine Region Youth Group, which encourages young people to speak up and become leaders in their community.

Ms Ober volunteers her time to run the eight-week ShineGirl program in schools to help young girls gain self-worth, inner strength and purpose. She runs Youth Connect with her local church, in which she spearheads volunteer projects.

Adnyamathanha Elder Vince Coulthard honed his advocacy skills at an early age, when he accompanied his grandfather to land rights meetings.

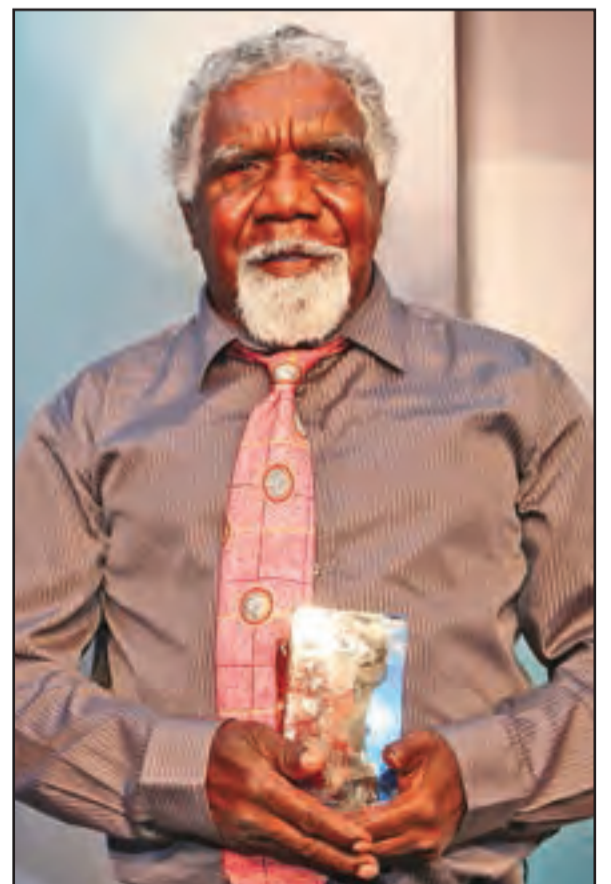
As chairperson of the Adnyamathanha Traditional Lands Association, Mr Coulthard led the development of South Australia's first native title claim over the Flinders Ranges, which was awarded in 2009.

Director of Umeewarra Aboriginal Media Service in Port Augusta for two decades, Mr Coulthard protects and conserves the cultural identity of his people and has fulfilled many leadership positions, including nine years as a regional councillor for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission.

The announcement of the Australian of the Year Awards 2015 will be held on the lawns outside Parliament House in Canberra on Sunday, January 25.



Adnyamathanha Elder Vince Coulthard is South Australia's Local Hero.



Northern Territory Senior Australian of the Year Warlpiri Elder Eddie Jampijinpa Robertson.

Govt is too negative: Dodson



YAWURU man Mick Dodson has called on the Abbott Government to stop contributing to the negative discourse about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

people. In a question-and-answer session following an address to the National Press Club in Canberra last week, Professor Dodson said the constant negativity from the Government and mainstream media was making Indigenous people sick.

"The concerns that are parroted like a mantra from the Prime Minister and others in the Government are: protect kids – and that's good, we all want to protect kids, that's a given – safe communities – of course we want safe communities – and jobs," he said.

"It's a three-piece mantra, as if we don't have social and cultural needs, as if we don't have linguistic needs, as if we don't exist as a people.

"It's a three-trick pony, and a very small pony at that.

"And all of three things are about our failure, supposedly, because we're Aboriginal.

"Makes people sick"

"The negativity actually makes people sick. If you're constantly told: 'You're a useless black and we're going to fix you,' it makes you sick. We need more of the positive narrative out there."

Prof Dodson delivered a positive narrative, speaking about the important roles of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS), particularly in storing important archival materials.

He made the case for investing in a spectacular new building for AIATSIS, similar to the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington DC.

"Long after each of us in this room



AIATSIS chair Professor Mick Dodson addresses the National Press Club in Canberra: "We need more of the positive narrative out there."

have passed on, what we leave our children, and their children, in fact what we leave as our contribution to the Australian nation, will be measured by the legacy we build, or fail to build, now," Prof Dodson said.

"As a nation we must now gather and cherish these materials, before it is too

late. So where to from here?

"With goodwill, intelligent design and funding, there's no reason why the institute and the Australian nation cannot do much, much better.

"What is needed, and here I agree with Noel Pearson, is a plan. A Before It's Too Late Mark III plan. A comprehensive and

urgent plan to identify, gather, safe-keep and share, the Indigenous heritage of this nation.

"To that end, I am moving to create the BITL Mk3 Steering Group – a small group which will include notable Australians both Indigenous and non-Indigenous that we can call upon to help put the meat on the bones of this plan."

Prof Dodson said to live up to his self-appointed title of the Prime Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Mr Abbott should stop talking negatively and capitalising on the "entertainment of black failure".

"Cheer squad"

"It's not just the white folks saying it. Some of our own prominent individuals are joining in like a cheer squad," he said.

"The reality is many, many of us are very successful."

Prof Dodson pointed to the success of the Indigenous Governance Awards (as featured in the *Koori Mail*, November 5 pages 1, 18, 19 and 24) as an example of a positive story that was ignored by the mainstream.

He said that while he was broadly supportive of recognising Indigenous people in the Constitution, he didn't think the current political climate was conducive to reconciliation.

"There's a lot of undoing being done, sadly," Prof Dodson said.

"I think the present Government is picking fights on a number of fronts.

"I'm very concerned that on the one hand the Prime Minister says he's going to be the Prime Minister for Indigenous Affairs, but on the other some important things that have been put in place over the years are being attacked deliberately.

"The attacks on the *Northern Territory Land Rights Act* are disturbing, because it's the pillar. If it's weakened, the rest falls."

Outrage over Tas track reopening

By JILLIAN MUNDY



TASMANIAN Aborigines have labelled the planned reopening of off-road vehicle access in the Arthur-Pieman Conservation Area as appalling, an attack on culture and an affront to cultural identity. The Tasmanian Government has announced it will reopen a 90km track through the reserve, renowned as one of the world's greatest archaeological regions, around mid-December.

The conservation and management of the area in north-west Tasmania has been a contentious issue for decades.

When the Labor Government closed around a quarter of the tracks in 2012 in bid to prevent ongoing vehicle damage, the Liberals said, if elected, they would be reopened. The Liberals were voted in this year.

The Interim Aboriginal Heritage Council (IAHC) set up by the previous Government said it was a ridiculous election commitment, designed to buy votes and save face with recreational vehicle users, rather than based on good management.

They are calling on Federal Environment Minister Greg Hunt to overturn the decision.

"What Government in their right mind would allow recreational vehicles to use some of the largest middens in the world, rare rock art sites and ancient burial grounds as their playground?" an IAHC spokesperson said.

Abandon pledge, new Tas Govt told



The *Koori Mail* report on the conservation area threat from March this year.

The IAHC said hundreds of thousands of dollars had been spent on flora, fauna, geological and heritage studies over the past decade to inform appropriate management of the area, and in particular track management.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC) state secretary Trudy Maluga said her community was betrayed, saddened and disgusted.

She branded the use of off-road vehicles in the area as an attack on culture and an affront to cultural identity, likening it to heavy machinery damaging convict buildings at Port Arthur.

"The damage done to our cultural heritage

by off-road vehicles is not fixable at all, and, until governments and responsible drivers can guarantee the protection of our heritage, we have no choice but to consider it a full frontal attack on our community and its values," she said.

"Tasmania needs to recognise the unique value of what is under the wheels of the off-road vehicles."

Ms Maluga reminded the Government and the public that the area gained reserve status because of Aboriginal values recognised nationally and internationally.

Liberal Member for Braddon Adam Brooks says reopening tracks presents opportunities for recreational users and potential commercial operators, and that natural and cultural values will be managed and protected, through re-routing of some tracks, a permit system, clearer signage, no access in winter and GPS tracking units to record vehicles' movements.

Mr Brooks said people caught damaging the Arthur-Pieman Conservation Area would face penalties under Commonwealth environmental legislation, a permit system yet to be finalised and the *Aboriginal Relics Act 1975*.

He said a rotation of two to three Parks and Wildlife staff at a field station in the north of the area would provide enforcement across the 100,000 hectare reserve.

He invites anyone to make a representation. *Jillian Mundy is a committee member of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre.*

Shame of NSW child death rate



ABORIGINAL or Torres Strait Islander children in NSW died

at three times the rate of other kids in the state, new figures show.

A report released by the Child Death Review Team (CDRT) found 80 children with an Indigenous background died in 2013, at a mortality rate of 87.8 per 100,000 kids.

This compares with 30.8 deaths per 100,000 children who weren't Indigenous.

The report also revealed three in five of the overall 567 child deaths in NSW were in children under the age of one.

The majority of the fatalities were due to natural causes, with perinatal conditions responsible for about one in three deaths while chromosomal disorders accounted for about 17%.

External causes, including road accidents and drowning made up 15% of fatalities.

While most of the 61 preventable causes of death were accidental, with car smashes accounting for nearly half of external fatalities, there were also 18 child suicides and two fatal assaults. – AAP

PM's 'nothing but bush' claim rejected



PRIME Minister Tony Abbott told a breakfast for British Prime Minister David Cameron last week that Sydney was "nothing but bush" before the arrival of the First Fleet. "As we look around this glorious city, as we see the extraordinary development, it's hard to think that back in 1788 it was nothing but bush," Mr Abbott said.

"The marines and the convicts and the sailors that straggled off those 12 ships, just a few hundred yards from where we are now, must have thought they had come almost to the moon."

"Everything would have been so strange. Everything would have seemed so extraordinarily basic and raw, and now a city which is one of the most spectacular cities on our globe."

In July, Mr Abbott came under fire for

saying Australia was "barely settled" before colonisation and in August he described the arrival of the First Fleet as the "defining" moment in Australian history.

National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Kirstie Parker told the ABC that the repeated comments dismissing Aboriginal people damage the relationship between the Prime Minister and Aboriginal people.

"I'd say they were a blunder except this

is becoming a habit for the Prime Minister," she said.

"On several occasions just in the last couple of months, he has made comments that have erased Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from the landscape."

"For the Prime Minister to say there was nothing here but bush is incorrect; there were people here with sophisticated systems and societies and rules."

"We were here."



Archie Roach, Leon Gieco and Eyal Chipkiewicz at a press conference in Spanish held in a puppet shop before the concert in Melbourne.

Roach, Gieco team up for peace anthem

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ARCHIE Roach has followed in the footsteps of other musical luminaries, including Bruce Springsteen, Peter Gabriel and Sting, in joining León Gieco on stage to perform the Argentinian folk rocker's famous peace anthem *Solo le Pido a Dios* (I only ask of God).

The pair joined up to cap off the first date of the Gieco's recent 2014 Australian Tour at the Collingwood Town Hall, in what could only be described as an electric and moving performance.

Gieco, who is considered by many as the Argentine Bob Dylan, rose to fame during the military dictatorship of the country in the 1970s. Several of his commercial releases were censored, and for a time he fled the country because of death threats.

He has released more than 30 albums and is considered one of his country's most endearing folk heroes.

A passionate advocate for human rights, Gieco has worked with non-government organisations to connect with aboriginal communities as he has toured the world.

Gieco and Roach both sing of resistance, hope and resilience.

"...I always work with original communities in every country in Latin America, and to me it is an honour that (Archie) has learnt one of my songs."

Solo le Pido a Dios, which Roach learnt in Spanish the day before the performance, was first recorded in 1978 and has since been translated into seven different languages and recorded by many artists.

"It's a beautiful language," Roach said. "I feel very honoured (to share the stage) with a famous Argentine singer and social activist."

"It's something close to what I feel and what I do as an Aboriginal artist in Australia: try to articulate what some of my people can't say. I say it for them."

Through an interpreter, Gieco told the *Koori Mail* that he was honoured to have Roach learn one of his songs.

"I take Archie as a representative of the original Indigenous communities in Australia, and I always work with original communities in every country in Latin America, and to me it is an honour that he has learnt one of my songs," Gieco said. "This has inspired a lot of respect on my part."

Gieco plans to learn one of Roach's songs and hopes that they might perform more songs together or record.

Roach said the last time he had performed at the Collingwood Town Hall was in Aboriginal community cabarets to raise money for funeral expenses, back in his drinking days.



FOLLOWING an outcry by Aboriginal people and supporters, the NSW Government has withdrawn its controversial *Crown Lands Amendment Bill* that would have retrospectively extinguished almost 2000 Aboriginal land claims, some dating back as far as two decades.

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) organised a rally outside Parliament House against the Bill that was attended by more than 500 people. NSWALC chair Craig Cromelin said that while he was glad the Baird Government had seen sense, he still held concerns about protection of land rights.

"Moving forward we're happy to talk to the Government, but this Bill was divisive and discriminatory and undermined land rights," he said.

"We call on the Government to respectfully deal with land rights and start from scratch by genuinely consulting with Aboriginal people before any changes are made to the way Crown lands in NSW are managed."

Mr Cromelin paid tribute to local Aboriginal land councils (LALCs) for mobilising their members.

"It means a lot to us to see such a great turnout from mob at such short notice, especially as many people travelled great distances, as well as those who sent letters, emails and tweets to protest against the Bill," he said.

"Power of mob"

"The rally shows the power of mob uniting for our land council, our mob and our future."

Mr Cromelin also thanked Labor, Greens and Christian Democrats MPs for informing Premier Mike Baird that they would oppose the Bill in the Upper House.

"On behalf of NSWALC and the Land Rights Network, I thank, in particular, Deputy Opposition Leader Linda Burney, Shadow Minister for Trade and Investment Mick Veitch, Christian Democrats Leader Rev Fred Nile and Greens spokesperson on Aboriginal Affairs Jan Barham for standing with Aboriginal people to defend our rights and achieving such a fantastic outcome," he said.



NSWALC chair Craig Cromelin addresses a land rights protest outside Parliament House: "The rally shows the power of mob uniting for our land council, our mob and our future."

NAAJA warns proposed new lock-up powers belong only in a police state



PLAYING annoying music, not keeping your yard tidy and giving police the impression you are about to commit an offence could have you hauled off the street and locked up for four hours under controversial changes to the *Police Administration Act* introduced into the NT Parliament last week.

The North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) said the laws are unnecessary and will give police powers that belong in a police state.

Police will be able to detain

people for four hours without charge if officers believe they have committed, were committing or were about to commit a minor offence that could otherwise be dealt with by issuing an infringement notice.

"Police already have the power to arrest people who commit offences and need to be taken off the street to protect public safety," NAAJA principal legal officer Jonathon Hunyor said.

"But this law would allow police to arrest you for a minor offence

and lock you up for four hours. You can't apply for bail. You won't be taken before a magistrate. You can protest your innocence all you like, but nobody needs to decide if you

Mr Hunyor said it's not good enough to say the measures will give police flexibility and efficiency.

"There is a reason why police have to bring cases to court: only courts can decide guilt and innocence and impose punishment," he said.

"This law effectively allows police to impose a sentence of four hours without a charge even being laid."

The range of offences covered by the proposed law is extensive.

It would apply to a range of minor offences including playing a musical instrument so as to annoy and failing to keep your yard tidy.

"Do we really think police should be allowed to lock up Territorians for four hours for minor offences?" Mr Hunyor asked.

"We know that this law will impact overwhelmingly on Aboriginal people and again the lessons of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody are being ignored. That stressed that we need to lock fewer Aboriginal people up to avoid deaths in custody.

"This is a bad law and Territorians should not accept it."

"This law effectively allows police to impose a sentence of four hours without a charge even being laid."

WA legal service marks 40 years



THE Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia (ALSWA) recently celebrated its 40th anniversary with a gala event at the Astral Ballroom in Perth, attended by 400 people.

Dennis Eggington, who has been ALSWA chief executive for 18 years, said the 1960s and 70s had been a time of great social change.

"However, both before and during this time, our people were being targetted by police, appearing in court without representation and being locked up far too frequently," he said.

"It is only because of the dedicated efforts of so many people in those early years that legal support and representation became available for our people at a time when it was so desperately needed."

Elder Barry McGuire welcomed people to country.

Former ALSWA deputy chief executive Colleen Hayward reflected on ALSWA in the 1990s, the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody and the return to ALSWA of chief executive Rob Riley, now deceased.

"His passing put a sharp focus on the Stolen Generations and none of us present at the 1995 Manguri opening of NAIDOC will ever forget when he told his story," she said.

"In fact, the ALSWA took a leading role in giving voice to so many whose voices had previously been unheard, leadership through the 'Telling Our Stories' collections and its solid testimony into the Bringing Them Home inquiry".

Prof Hayward recalled ALSWA's work as a Native Title Representative Body, and the occasion of the first native title win on mainland Australia through the Miriuwung Gajerrong determination.

"We were also active in national debates around recognition

Elder Barry McGuire welcomes people to country at the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia's 40th anniversary celebrations.



including through the 1997 Reconciliation Convention, when people in the audience turned their backs on (then Prime Minister) John Howard and his mean-spirited lack of leadership around Aboriginal issues, and the only one showing true, fair and honourable leadership seemed to be then Governor-General William Dean," she said.

Fred Chaney, the 2014 Senior Australian of the Year, was a key player in the early ALSWA/New Era Aboriginal Fellowship (NEAF) days of the 1970s and said it was a decade driven by a shared determination to deal with gross injustices.

"It is worth remembering the origin of NEAF with its engagement

of sympathetic non-Aboriginal people with leaders like Elizabeth Hanson, Elizabeth Isaacs, Jack Davis, Don Farmer, and Ken Winder," he said.

"NEAF spawned the legal service and the medical service. The justice committee, chaired by Bob French (now Chief Justice of Australia), led the way."

Privilege

Mr Chaney said it had been a privilege to have shared in a small part of the ALSWA journey and recalled the quality of field officers including Ivan and David Yarran and Sue Gordon, and lawyers including Western Australia's High Court judges.

The final speaker for the evening

was Gningala Yarran-Mark, whose father and uncle (David and Ivan Yarran) were two of ALSWA's first field officers.

Ms Yarran-Mark spoke of the enormous impact her parents and family had on her during her younger years.

Starting a law degree at 31, this mother of five, a former associate to Justice French at the Federal Court and a state prosecutor, inspired the audience with some of her own trials, tribulations and triumphs over the years.

As the final bids were made in the silent auction for sculptures of Noongar warrior Yagan, donated by sculptor Robert Hitchcock, Mr Eggington said everyone involved with ALSWA should be proud

of their achievements.

"The dedicated efforts of everyone gathered for this milestone event, along with our greatly respected absent families and friends from years gone by, have contributed so much to a fairer justice system that has, and will continue to provide access to justice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Western Australia," he said.

Entertainment was provided by Dennis Simmons on didgeridoo, the Gya Ngoop Keeinyarra Dance Group, Urban Youth Crew, The Merindas and the Yabu Band, with MCs Narelda Jacobs and Jim Morrison.

● For more pictures see pages 32-33

Perry's mission possible



WORIMI man Joe Perry was inspired by his experiences growing up on the Karuah Aboriginal Mission, on the NSW mid-north coast, to write his doctorate at Newcastle University on the topic. Titled 'Mission Impossible: Aboriginal survival before, during and after the Aboriginal Protection Era', Dr Perry's thesis explores the 'forgotten history' of the Karuah Mission.

He hopes that by telling the story he will leave a legacy for his family and the wider community, giving insight into what life was like living on a segregated reserve.

Dr Perry has been involved in higher education for many years. He was first employed by Newcastle University's Wollotuka Institute 18 years ago to help write the cultural component of the Bachelor of Aboriginal Studies degree course.

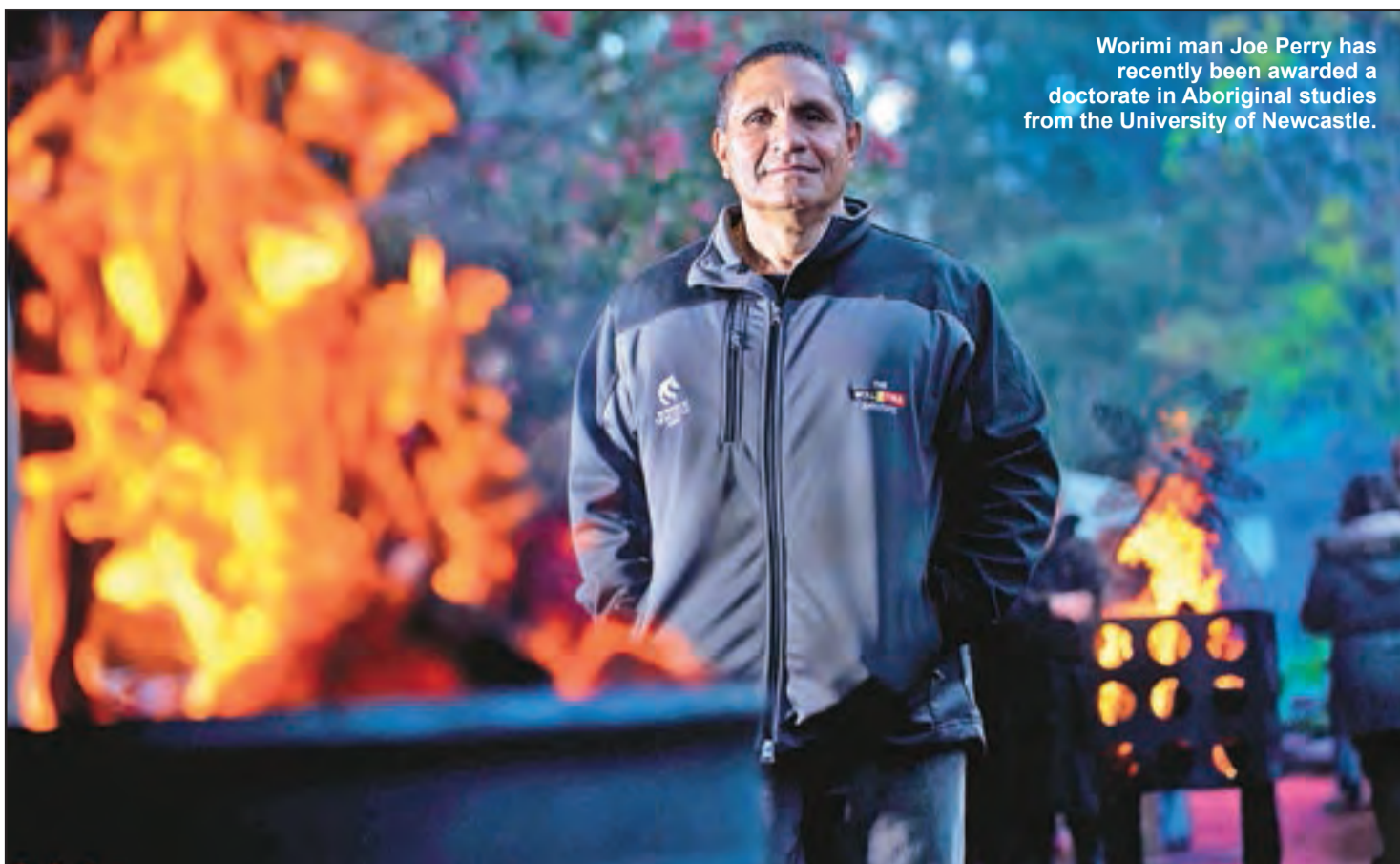
Since then he has been employed in a number of roles including as an academic, acting head of school and an academic coordinator. These roles helped develop his teaching portfolio, but delayed his move into research.

Achievement

This semester, Dr Perry was awarded a Doctor of Philosophy in Aboriginal Studies, an achievement made even more special by the graduation at the same time of his son, Jodan Perry, with a Bachelor of Communication.

The younger Perry is now working fulltime as a journalist and producer with Sky News Australia while studying a Masters of Digital Media. He hopes to realise his goal of becoming a sports reporter.

Dr Perry's daughter Gabrielle is now in her second year of a Bachelor of Medicine course at the University of Newcastle.



Worimi man Joe Perry has recently been awarded a doctorate in Aboriginal studies from the University of Newcastle.

"I'm very proud of what my children are doing," Dr Perry said.

"I cannot express the importance of people sticking to their undergraduate degree and completing them. I almost threw mine in a number of times. Like everyone else there are pressures and things going on while you are studying."

Dr Perry says the Wollotuka Institute has helped him broaden his horizons and expand his knowledge and experience.

"At the end of the day a lot of Aboriginal academics are educators and are very good at it, and that is why we are here, to help students through university," he said.

Dr Perry has seen many Indigenous

students come through Wollotuka Institute over the years.

"Without places like Wollotuka a lot of Aboriginal people wouldn't even attempt or last long in undergraduate or postgraduate studies," he said.

"Wollotuka has become an inspiration organisation for a lot of students."

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Focus on 'R' word

By JILLIAN MUNDY*



FOR, against and a fence-sitter – these were the views of a panel of Aboriginal leaders who came together in Hobart

recently to discuss recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Constitution. About 100 people, mainly from the Tasmanian Aboriginal community, gathered at Risdon Cove to hear Michael Mansell, Pat Turner and Rodney Gibbins explain their views on the proposal, in an event organised by the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre.

Arrernte woman Ms Turner, a former chief executive of ATSIC and deputy secretary of the Department of Premier and Cabinet, presented the case for recognition on behalf of the national 'R' (Recognise) campaign.

She said a successful yes vote on recognition would not solve social issues or political matters, but it would tell the world that most Australians, in the majority of the states, support history being reflected properly in Australia's founding document.

"It's a symbolic gesture which I think is important. Symbolism is important in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture. We use it all the time," Ms Turner said.

"We have a responsibility in my view to make sure that we've taken an incremental step in the right direction to secure our recognition and the acknowledgement of our history in our founding document so that future generations can use that to their benefit when they are arguing the case of our place, and our status, in our country."

Mr Mansell, a lawyer and activist, questioned why alternatives were not being explored, such as a treaty, supporting people in the Northern



Michael Mansell, Pat Turner and Rodney Gibbins on the panel in Hobart discussing recognition of Aboriginal people in the Australian Constitution.

Territory affected by the Intervention or land returns.

One of the recommendations made by the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians was to recognise Indigenous languages as the country's first tongues and confirm English as Australia's national language in the Constitution. Mr Mansell sees no benefit to Aboriginal people, only a threat to federal funding for Aboriginal language programs.

A Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples headed by MP Ken Wyatt and Senator Nova Peris has since recommended against this proposal.

Mr Mansell said the recommendation to remove the clearly racist Section 25 of the Constitution, which says states can ban people from voting based on

race, is of no legal consequence, given interpretations by the High Court and the existence of the *Racial Discrimination Act*.

He believes many white people want to see the section gone because of the shame. He sees merit in its presence.

"Leave the bastard there, as a reminder of what Aboriginal people had to put up with in this country," he said.

Mr Mansell said he does not understand how removing Section 51(xxvi), which enables laws that discriminate against people based on their race, and adding a section to preserve the Australian Government's ability to pass laws for the benefit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, can legally make any difference.

"Their theory is you leave it to the judges to decide if a law is a positive law or a negative law. As a lawyer, I can tell you the judges

won't do it," he said.

"They've said time and time again, politics is for politicians, we interpret the law.

"If they want to change the Constitution, let them put something up that says from now on Aboriginal people will decide whether a law is valid as it affects them.

"I oppose the campaign because it's been rammed down our throat without an opportunity for people to have their say."

Tasmanian Aborigine Rodney Gibbins, a former manager of the Office of Aboriginal Affairs in Tasmania and an ATSIC policy manager, said he could not categorically support constitutional recognition until he knows what the words are, where they will be placed and how they are going to affect his people.

"I think that years ago if there was a part in the Constitution that

actually recognised Aborigines as a whole, I think the kinds of battles, disappointment and chaos which is our lives at the moment may not have happened," he said.

Mr Gibbins believes that recognition of Tasmanian Aboriginal culture and life by the Tasmanian government of the day preceding the state's 1995 land returns, made for a smoother passage of those returns.

But he fears constitutional recognition at the moment, with the current attitude of Parliament. He also fears compromise and powerful people talking down the needs of Aborigines.

"I do believe in constitutional change, but I don't believe in constitutional change on recognition that is simply 'there you go, you're recognised,' because we all know who we are," Mr Gibbins said.

"If the words do not meet my expectations, like a lot of other people, I will withdraw my support."

He and Ms Turner do not believe constitutional recognition will shut down conversations on treaty and sovereignty.

Audience members questioned the real benefits that constitutional recognition would bring and voiced concerns on the cost of the high profile 'R' campaign, suggesting the money could have been used better elsewhere.

A spokesperson for the campaign said the Australian government has so far spent more than \$15 million in 'base funding' on the campaign.

Since the panel discussion, the Joint Select Committee has released a progress report, which includes three structural options and recommends that a referendum be held soon after the next federal election in 2016.

*Jillian Mundy is a member of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre state committee.



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Documentary on the scent of sandalwood



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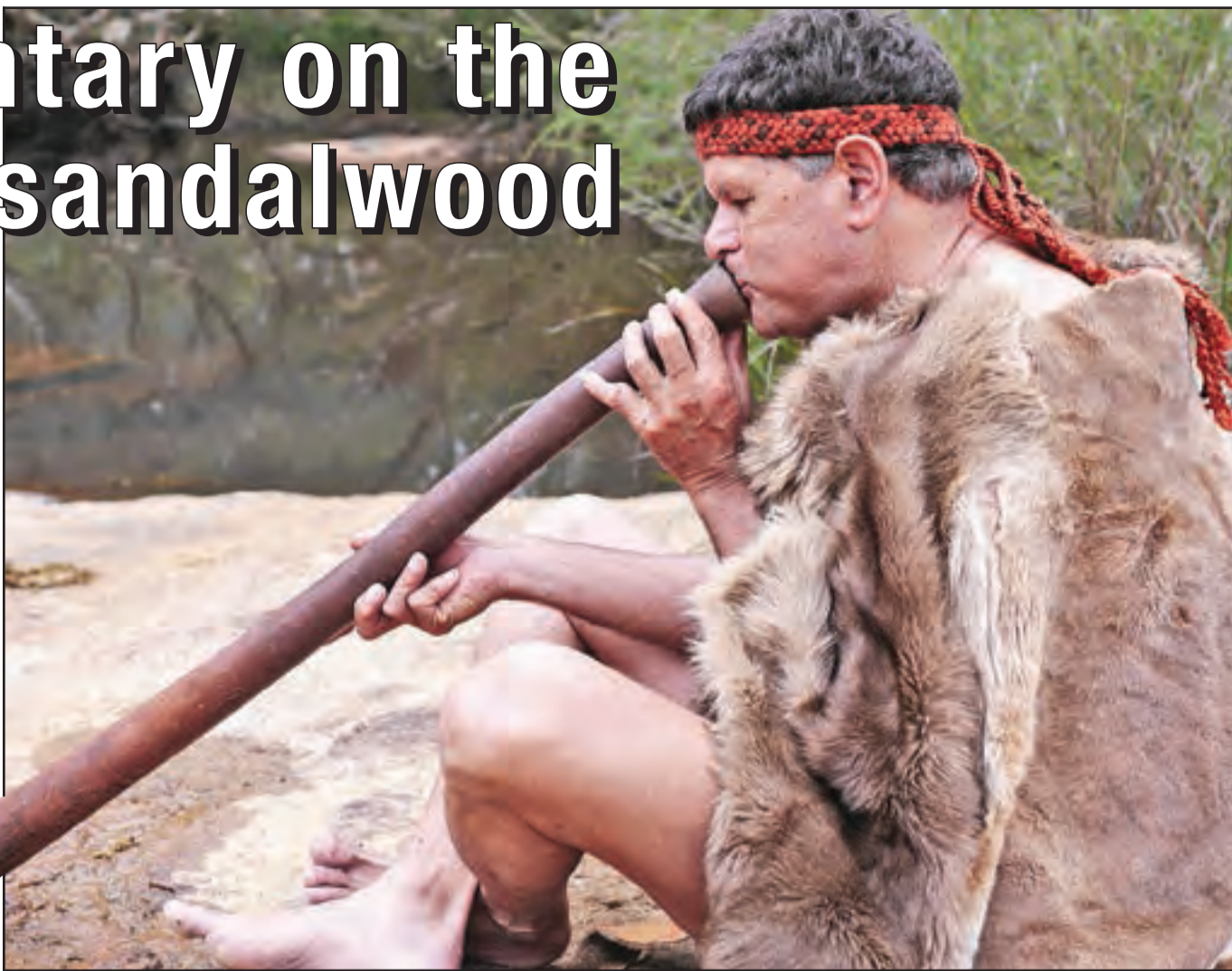
Indigenous Australians have been using sandalwood for meditation, body perfuming, cleansing ceremonies, medicines and love potions for millennia.

Tribal Scent, airing on NITV at 9.30pm on Wednesday, November 26, examines the history of sandalwood, along with its present uses and potential future uses.

Choreographer, activist and tribal leader Dr Richard Walley joins forces with scientists and the world's major perfume makers in Grasse, France, to work toward their shared goal of protecting one of the few remaining Indigenous sandalwood reserves in the world.

The documentary explores the importance sandalwood plays in ancient rituals and its vital contribution to the global perfume industry – how one of the oldest civilisations on the planet is working in harmony with one of the most sophisticated and urbane industries.

● **Pictured:** Choreographer and activist Richard Walley will explore the ancient aroma of sandalwood in *Tribal Scent*.



Plan to share sad history of Maralinga



WITH his hand on his heart, Keith Peters laments the haunting legacy of the black mist and "hurting history" Maralinga has endured. For thousands of years, his ancestors hunted there among the red desert dunes of the South Australian outback.

In the 1950s, Maralinga people were forced off their land into missions to make way for British nuclear testing.

Scores died from cancer after being exposed to radiation from atomic bombs.

The sorry saga is now one for traditional owners to share with Australians and the world after the Federal Government formally relinquished ownership of a 1782 sq km weapons testing range.

It's the final piece of their returned homeland, paving the way for unrestricted access and developing the region as a tourist destination to create jobs and lift locals out of poverty.

"It's a hurting history," Mr Peters told the handover ceremony at Maralinga.

"But right now there's hope and a lifting of spirits and great

ABOUT MARALINGA

● Maralinga is about 500km north-west of Ceduna in South Australia.

● The British tested nuclear weapons at Maralinga in the 1950s and '60s.

● Maralinga people in the area were forced off their land and into missions.

● Most of the Maralinga-Tjarutja land was handed back in 2009 after rehabilitation work was completed between 1993 and 2001.

● Defence kept the weapons testing range as part of the Woomera Prohibited Area, which has now been given back.

● Compensation claims from Aboriginal people and defence personnel over radiation exposure have mostly failed.

joy in coming together."

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion urged travellers to visit Maralinga to see a place that captured the thought processes of the 1950s. "We thought we were

the cleverest things going," he said. "How stupid we were. We didn't think anyone owned the land."

Authorities back then had not anticipated the fallout and health risks of radiation.

Education through tourism would ensure past mistakes were not repeated, Senator Scullion said.

"What was once shrouded in secrecy is now open so you can tell the story of the tests, of the black mist and what happened here," he said.

A trial tourism venture has so far attracted about 400 visitors solely through word of mouth.

Maralinga caretaker Robin Matthews will hire his grandson Patrick, 16, as an apprentice tour guide next year and hopes to employ 20 others within two years.

The community aims to lure at least 2000 tourists annually within five years with bus tours of the former test sites, bush tucker ecology tours and camping trips under the stars.

For great grandmother Maureen (Mima) Smart, the handback ceremony was bittersweet. "I feel the spirit of my people who walked on this land today," she said, crying. – AAP



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MY country model a first

By CHRISTINE HOWES



A THREE-dimensional model of Mandingalbay Yidinji (MY) country and culture featured in Sydney at the World Parks

Congress this month.

That's just one of a series of 'firsts' around the project, which features MY country, located just to the south of Cairns and around Yarrabah.

Project officer M'Lis Flynn said the Wet Tropics Management Authority (WTMA) was funded through the International Union for the Conservation of Nature to organise the project, which is otherwise driven by the people concerned.

"This process is actually about empowering people to map their knowledge and do it without Western views coming in and saying, 'You should put a road there, and that should be that colour,'" she said.

"This is about people doing the work from the very beginning to the very end, so there's ownership of the whole project.

"A key aspect of the project is to demonstrate how the knowledge mapping is done, in Sydney at the World Parks Congress. The Congress only



Mandingalbay Yidinji people with the three-dimensional model of their country in the north of Queensland. The model featured at the World Parks Congress, held in Sydney.

happens every 10 years and has people from all over the world coming to talk about protected area management."

Mandingalbay Yidinji people were also involved in discussions

with people from across the world about managing their traditional areas.

Cultural heritage ranger Maynard Bulmer travelled to Sydney with the project.

"On the map we got the country, but to map sacred sites and things like that we have to go back to the MY board and have a meeting and see what the other members of the tribe will allow to

be on the map – it's a process of going through the people and ask their permission," he said.

"What we have now we'll probably take around to the schools and other places to educate people about our country."

Djunbunji ranger Laurissa Mundraby said she thought the project was important.

"It brought us all together and shared knowledge as well, and making people bringing back memories of places," she said.

"We've had the kids involved as well, so they've helped out with the process.

"We're all used to seeing it from driving and walking on country, but to look down on it we're looking and going, 'Yeah, I know it doesn't look like it', but the minute we squat down beside the table we see the formations.

"As rangers we've had that bit of experience in regards to mapping, so we know contours and where things are because we're constantly looking at our country, whereas our family members are looking at it from a different perspective, and they've learned things along the way."

Ms Flynn said a video of the process was also being produced by filmmaker Victor Steffensen.

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Respect for 'Big Man'

By KERRIS McLIVER
of NCIE



UNDER the shade of the gums in the courtyard of the National

Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) in Redfern, legendary Gurindji man Jimmy Wave Hill shared his story.

"I came to Sydney to do something good for my friend," he said as he leaned against the tree, and his eyes closed for a moment to reflect.

"That day means so much to me and everyone. That's why we are here in Sydney to pay respect to his family and share our story."

The friend he speaks of is former Prime Minister Gough Whitlam, who on August 16, 1975, poured red desert soil through the hand of Gurindji stockman Vincent Lingiari to signify the return of land to the traditional owners.

"I was there on that day he gave Vincent Lingiari the sand and it fell through his hand," Mr Wave Hill said, remembering the words from that historic moment.

"This land is for you

and your family forever."

Mr Wave Hill is one of the group of Gurindji stockmen who waged a nine-year battle for the return of their traditional lands.

From his pocket he shares an old news article and points to a photo. "This is my father and here," his finger moves to a young man in a broad-brimmed hat, "this is me."

The article tells the story of the day the Gurindji stockmen and their families walked off Wave Hill cattle station in 1966. The historic protest known to many as the Wave Hill walk off, later led to the return of their traditional lands.

"I was a young man then," he smiles.

Now almost 50 years later, Mr Wave Hill and a group of Gurindji men and women, including Mr Wave Hill's son Patrick made the journey from Kalkaringi in the Northern Territory to Sydney, to share their story, pay their respects and remember 'Jangkarni Marlaka' (Big Important Man).

"He did real good, real good," Mr Wave Hill says of Mr Whitlam.



Gurindji men Jimmy and Patrick Wave Hill, from Kalkaringi in the Northern Territory, visit the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Redfern.

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Grandparent Carer of the Year Denise Duroux with four of her grandchildren.

She's Grandparent Carer of the Year



BUNDJALUNG grandmother Denise Duroux has become the first Indigenous recipient of a NSW Grandparent of the Year award since the awards began three years ago.

Ms Duroux travelled from her home in Ballina, on the NSW north coast, to Sydney with four of her grandchildren to receive the Council on the Ageing NSW title as Grandparent Carer of the Year.

She was selected from more than 100 entries across the state.

Ms Duroux has eight grandchildren and left her public service job nine years ago to care full time for four of them. At that time they ranged in age from 18 months to six years.

Her youngest grandchild suffers from a condition of the bowel and Ms Duroux stays with him when he goes to hospital while keeping the other children organised for school.

Each weekend she ferries the children to sports, often on separate fields in different towns. She also makes sure they have a proper holiday every year.

"Regimented soldier"

Her family call her a "regimented soldier" because she keeps everyone to a strict routine.

Ms Duroux said she learnt her caring style largely from her mother Bertha Kapeen, who had eight children, and her grandfather Bob Bolt, who she grew up with on Cabbage Tree Island.

Ms Duroux said the most important attributes she wants to pass on to her grandchildren are honesty, respect and self-worth.

She has canvassed the local community to find a part-time job for the eldest child who is now 15, as she felt it was important that he learnt the value of a dollar.

Ms Duroux is also active in community events, crocheting rugs, scarves and beanies to raffle for charities.

Described by the person who nominated her for the award as an "unsung hero" among grandparent carers, Ms Duroux stepped onto the stage to accept her title carrying her family close to her heart.

"Thank you kids, I love you," she said as she accepted her award.

GenerationOne points to results



IN the wake of an academic review challenging the 'demand-driven' employment model championed by billionaire miner Andrew Forrest,

GenerationOne chief executive Jeremy Donovan said any analysis that highlights accountability is welcome.

Indigenous employment expert Dr Kirrily Jordan, from the Australian National University, argues in her paper 'Andrew Forrest's Indigenous employment project: Do the arguments stack up?' that there is little evidence the demand-driven model works. ('Doubt cast on Forrest jobs claims', *Koori Mail*, page 7, Nov 5)

Mr Donovan said the report reminded

him of the hard work that needed to be done. "Right now we are in the process of reporting, calling our employers to get their reports, and our data shows 18,815 job commencements with a retention rate of over 75% beyond 26 weeks," he said.

"Cooperated fully"

"GenerationOne cooperated fully with Dr Jordan's research and always welcomes any focus on the great results achieved by our 349 employment partners.

"It's widely acknowledged that if a person sustains employment for 26 weeks they are likely to either stay in that job or self-select into other employment that is more desirable."

The Federal Government has signalled it is looking at overhauling the Remote Jobs and Communities Program, introduced to boost employment by the former Labor government.

Mr Donovan said GenerationOne's employment model had been "built with the experience of 349 Australian Employment Covenant (another initiative started by Mr Forrest) employment partners over five years".

"This model has since been adopted by the Federal Government as Vocational Training and Employment Centres (VTECs), which have been contracted to employ a further 4070 Indigenous Australians before July 2015," he said.



Borroloola traditional owners from four clan groups lead a protest about the McArthur River Mine, near the Gulf of Carpentaria in the Northern Territory.

Elders want mine action

By RUDI MAXWELL



SENIOR Garawa man Jack Green says contamination fears mean traditional owners can no longer fish safely and parents have banned their children from swimming in the McArthur River in the Top End.

An independent mine monitor's report released last month into the operations of McArthur River Mine (MRM) confirmed traditional owners' long-held fears of heavy metal contamination in edible fish species in the river.

The report found high levels of lead and copper in three different fish species.

It also said there were risks of poor water quality and high acidity, due to the mine.

The independent monitor's report was delivered at a community presentation in Borroloola last month that was attended by more than 150 traditional owners and local residents concerned about the environmental and human health risks posed by the zinc mine's operations.

Borroloola Elders from the four clan groups with responsibility for the McArthur River led a protest march to the meeting, calling for production at the mine to stop until the water contamination and waste rock fire problems had been resolved.

They presented a copy of the community letter and management plan signed by more than 100 Elders and traditional owners to NT Government representatives, calling on the Government and regulatory agencies to act to protect the community.



Senior Garawa man Jack Green at the community march in Borroloola on October 22. Picture: Monica Napper



Traditional owners together with children at the community meeting in Borroloola. Picture: Monica Napper

Glencore Xstrata, which operates the mine, did not attend the meeting.

"Fish is our food. It's very important to all of us," Mr Green told the *Koori Mail*.

"It's very hard to try and tell Aboriginal people who live here not to catch fish out of the river, because that's what we've always done."

"We would like to see the mine shut down."

The report made 131 recommendations requiring urgent action at the mine, including 39 critical actions to be implemented to reduce or stop significant environmental impacts, and identified numerous non-compliance items where the mine was

operating outside its licence conditions.

The independent monitor also criticised the NT Mines and Energy Department for the amount of time it took to issue audit reports and failing to failing to specify 'best practice' to assess MRM's environmental performance.

The report also found there were substantial erosion problems in and around the river as a result of the mine operators diverting part of the river six years ago.

"That river is part of old rainbow snake, and they dug up half his tail and backbone," Mr Green said.

"From that time on, a lot of old people passed away who had been arguing against the mine. We don't have any native title over the mine area, the only protection we have is our sacred site, and that's about it, because they don't care about Aboriginal country."

"The company and the Government they should sit down and talk with all the Aboriginal people, not in the white man's way, in the Aboriginal way."

"We are all frightened by what has happened to the river and worried about it."

"Our children used to play and swim in the river but not now."

"The lead has been leaking out of the mine, and affecting our land and water. The mining company should tell the truth, say 'Righto, we are responsible and we have to pay you compensation.'"

"Our songline lies along that river. They need to pay us compensation or pack up and get out of our land or both."

"Our country is beautiful country. We want to keep it that way and the mining company doesn't care."

Ngunawal Traditional Descendants Aboriginal Corporation

Annual General Meeting

When: Saturday November, 2014

Where: "Zac's Place"

Pritchett Street Yass NSW 2582

Time: 10.30 am approximately

The AGM will be held on country and should be an historic event with many Elders in attendance.

Public Notice

Aboriginal Corporation for Homeless and Rehabilitation Community Services

Annual General Meeting

Friday, 28 November 2014 at 1p.m.

At Yarra Bay Sailing Club, Yarra Bay

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Previous Minutes
3. Audit Reports
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**Aboriginal Hostels assistant manager
Wakka Wakka (Qld)
woman working in
Alice Springs**

Favourite bush tucker?
Porcupine. We call it budbudda in my country.

Favourite other food?
Chicken vermicelli.

Favourite drink?
In the Northern Territory, Paul's Iced Coffee. It's excellent.

What are you reading?
A bit of everything.

Favourite holiday destination?
The Whitsundays on the Great Barrier Reef in Queensland.

What are you watching?
On TV, *Resurrection*.

Favourite sport?
Rugby League. I'm a Broncos fan. My fiancé Dale is a South Sydney fanatic. He's still celebrating this year's grand final win which ended the Rabbitohs' 43-year premiership drought.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
My mum Annie and grandparents Pearl and Larry, all sadly passed on. And US President Barack Obama, so they could tell him about Aboriginal culture.

If you could, what would you do to help Indigenous people?
I work for Aboriginal Hostels, so I'd like to see proper housing for all our people. And I'd also like to see our youth given more help to deal with major issues they face like drugs and alcohol.

Quote



“People don't understand how much racial abuse can hurt people.”

– Australian of the Year and AFL star Adam Goodes

● See Page 4

Unquote

Positive stories need to be told

EVERY edition of the Koori Mail we run stories about the fantastic achievements of our mob.

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Stories speaking with First Nations people who have overcome difficulties – sometimes really profound disadvantage or horrendous abuse – to become successful.

The stories we tell show our mob can do anything.

And Professor Mick Dodson is 100% right when he says there's been enough of the negative discourse from Prime Minister Tony Abbott and others in the government. (See story page 9)

“If you're constantly told ‘You're a useless black and we're going to fix you,’ it makes you sick,” Prof Dodson told a room full of journalists at the National Press Club in Canberra.

“We need more of the positive narrative out there.

“The reality is many, many of us are very successful.”

This simplistic negative narrative from the Government and the mainstream media is as tired as it is lazy and damaging.

Yes, there are problems in some Indigenous communities. And some of them are serious issues that require creative thinking and input from those involved.

What they don't need is an oversimplification of a “three-trick pony”



OUR SAY

constantly trying to reinforce a damaging and hurtful stereotype.

And speaking of successful Aboriginal people, 2014 Australian of the Year Adam Goodes was attacked by some in the mainstream media last week for simply speaking the truth.

“The way I see it is that I can use my position to help educate people to see through the things that they've been taught growing up; for them to open their minds to say, ‘Oh that's not true, Captain Cook didn't found Australia, as I was taught in high school,’” he told a BBC interviewer.

“Education is a big thing.

“People can change.

“I know they can.”

Goodes is a wonderful speaker and fantastic role model.

His eloquence about addressing violence against women and racism is a welcome voice on issues that need to be discussed.

The BBC interviewer suggested Goodes could, one day, after he's finished playing for the Sydney Swans, become Australia's first Aboriginal prime minister.

Now that's a positive idea.

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Eddie Gilbert with his Queensland Sheffield Shield cricket teammates. *Image supplied*



Don Bradman hits the turf after a searing bouncer from Eddie Gilbert. *Image supplied*

On November 6, 1931, Donald Bradman was dismissed for a duck in a Sheffield Shield match against Queensland. That the great batsman failed to score a run made it a rare event in itself. But the manner of his dismissal, and the story of the man who claimed his wicket, makes the day a significant one for Indigenous Australia, writes MARTIN SMITH*

ON the opening day of Australia's summer of cricket 83 years ago, Donald Bradman arrived at the Brisbane Cricket Ground a national hero.

Less than three years after making his Test debut in the same city, Bradman had been elevated to God-like status following his record-breaking performances on the 1930 Ashes tour, which had provided a timely boost for a nation that had been crippled by the Great Depression.

He posted four Test centuries on that English tour, including two double hundreds and a world record score of 334, and followed it up with another double century against West Indies in the summer of 1930-31.

But The Don was brought back down to earth – literally and figuratively – by a fearsome spell of bowling from a man who, like many Aboriginal Australians at the time, had been removed from his family and forced to live in a settlement.

In what Bradman would later describe as the fastest bowling he ever faced, Queensland's Indigenous quick Eddie Gilbert first shook up and then dismissed The Don in a frightening opening over in the first Sheffield Shield match of the summer.

As recalled by Mike Colman and Ken Edwards in their 2002 biography of Gilbert, the fiery right-arm had NSW opener Wendell Bill caught behind with his first ball, which led to wild applause from the crowd as their hero Bradman walked to the crease.

Gilbert's second ball was confidently defended by The Don, but his third, a short lifting delivery, clipped the peak of Bradman's cap as the great man lost his balance and fell backwards on to the turf.

The fourth ball, another fast short one, flew over Bradman's head through to the keeper before the fifth ball knocked The Don's bat out of his hands as he attempted to play a hook shot. Having barely survived the

How The Don was felled by Eddie Gilbert



The *Koori Mail's* coverage from 2007 of the unveiling of Eddie Gilbert's new grave in his home community of Cherbourg.



Fast bowler Eddie Gilbert in full flight. *Image supplied*

onslaught, Bradman attempted another hook from Gilbert's sixth delivery, but only succeeded in edging behind to the wicketkeeper to be dismissed for a duck.

NSW skipper Alan Kippax managed to survive the final two deliveries of Gilbert's eight-ball over, meaning the Queensland quick had started with a double-wicket maiden to leave NSW 2-0.

At the end of Bradman's career, which included the infamous Bodyline series, he would say that Gilbert's deliveries were "faster than anything seen from (England fast bowler) Harold Larwood or anyone else".

Respected ABC radio broadcaster Alan McGilvray agreed, saying he had "absolutely no doubt" that Gilbert was "the fastest bowler I ever saw".

But while The Don's star would continue to rise after that match – he averaged an astonishing 201.50 in the Test series against South Africa later that summer – Gilbert would court controversy before he eventually faded into anonymity.

He was dogged by allegations of chucking throughout his career and restricted by the racist *Aborigines Protection Act*, which required him to have

written permission to travel from his Aboriginal settlement each time he played for Queensland.

The opportunities offered to Indigenous cricketers today, through Cricket Australia's partnership with the Clontarf Foundation and its national Indigenous competition, the Imparja Cup, are a far cry from those available in Gilbert's day.

So, despite finishing his career with 87 first-class wickets from 23 matches at an impressive strike-rate of 56.50, Gilbert never represented his country.

With powerful shoulders and wrists that were

reportedly developed by years of boomerang throwing, Gilbert possessed a slinging action that enabled him to generate great pace off a very short run.

It was this unique action that would lead to several allegations of chucking, including one match when he was no-balled 13 times in three overs.

On allegations that Gilbert had a suspect action, McGilvray said: "It was hard to tell whether he actually chucked or not, because he let the ball go with such a fling of his right arm you got precious little sight of it".

Despite the allegations,

Gilbert was never suspended for an illegal action.

His career ended in 1936 and, sadly, he spent the final years of his life at the Wolston Park mental hospital in Brisbane battling alcohol addiction and dementia. He died on January 9, 1978.

While Gilbert's achievements didn't receive the recognition they deserved during his career, efforts have since been made to acknowledge one of Australia's first great Indigenous athletes.

The Eddie Gilbert Perpetual Trophy is contested annually by teams representing the Wolston Park Centenary Cricket Club and Queensland Police, whose academy is now on the site of the former hospital where Gilbert died.

In 2008, a statue of Gilbert was unveiled at Brisbane's Allan Border Field, which adjoins the Bupa National Cricket Centre, the hub of Australian cricket

And in September this year, Queensland Opposition Leader Annastacia Palaszczuk confirmed her support for a proposal that would see the cricket ground near the former Wolston Park hospital renamed the Eddie Gilbert Memorial Field.

One of the most significant moments came in 2007 when Gilbert's unmarked grave at Cherbourg Cemetery, near the Aboriginal Reserve where he was forced to spend his early years, received an update more fitting of a man of his achievements.

Upon removing an Aboriginal flag that revealed an impressive gravestone featuring Gilbert's bowling record, his son Eddie Barney noted the significance of the gesture, even though it had come almost three decades after his father's passing.

Barney had himself been given the honour of representing his country – unlike his father – having competed in boxing at the 1962 Empire Games in Perth.

"It means recognition," Barney told News Ltd at the time. "For what he did, for Cherbourg settlement and for Queensland."

"For me it means an awful lot. It's taken 30 years but it's a milestone. I get emotional just talking about it. It's a great day for me but it's an even greater day for my dad."

*Martin Smith is a journalist with *Cricket Australia's news website cricket.com.au* Eddie Gilbert: the true story of an Aboriginal cricketing legend, by Mike Colman and Ken Edwards, was published in 2002 by ABC Books.

University hosts TEDx event



AN ancient story of how the crocodile got its teeth is now being shared around the world via YouTube, following a TEDx event hosted by James Cook University (JCU) in Cairns.

TED is a non-profit organisation devoted to ideas worth spreading. TEDx events are independently organised, presented to a small, live audience and then shared online.

TEDxJCUCairns brought together 15 university and community presenters, including Cairns artist and performer Bernard Lee Singleton, who gave a presentation titled '40,000 years of TEDx talks'.

"Our ancestors used to get together for ceremonies. They would share ideas, share stories, share dance," he said.

"Sound familiar?"

"Ideas worth sharing – sound familiar? This here isn't a new idea. Our ancestors just didn't have YouTube back then."

Mr Singleton's mother is a Djabuguy woman born from Mona Mona mission and his father is an Umpila/Yirrkandji man from Yarrabah.

"My father was an archaeological relics ranger, and one of his jobs was to receive taken artefacts and take them back to country, bringing them home the proper way," Mr Singleton said.

"He also documented and



Bernard Lee Singleton sharing ancient stories at TEDxCairns.
Picture: Romy Bullerjahn

monitored art sites, so from early childhood I saw some of the oldest paintings in the world and I heard some of the oldest stories. I was hooked. I would dream of these stories.

"These memories and stories, that's where I get my

creativity for my art."

During his TEDx presentation, Mr Singleton screened a time-lapse film that showed him working on a painting of the crocodile story. He unveiled the painting on stage at the end of his

presentation. Other presenters at the event included dengue fever expert Scott Ritchie, musician David Hudson, reef researcher Jodie Rummer, architect Shaneen Fantin, schoolboy (and promoter of the buddy bench, which helps

young students make friends) Charlie Cooper and public health researcher David MacLaren.

Bernard Lee Singleton's TEDxJCUCairns talk can be viewed online at www.youtube.com/watch?v=KJy10Xn0iyc

City backs Yabun



The Yabun Dancers perform at a recent Survival Day event. Picture courtesy of Yabun



SYDNEY'S Yabun Festival, an all-day celebration of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, can be circled on the calendar for another three years following a \$240,000 grant from the City of Sydney council.

The annual Survival Day (January 26) gathering at Victoria Park in Glebe showcases top Indigenous music, art, dance, performance and food, attracting locals and visitors from across Australia and around the world.

Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore said the council was proud to support the festival, ensuring organisers can plan for the future with confidence.

"Yabun gives us the opportunity to celebrate the immense contribution and achievements Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples make," she said.

"It's also a fun day out where art and music are on display, showcasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures that continue to flourish in the heart of Australia's global city.

"I congratulate Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal

Corporation for organising a successful Yabun Festival each year, and I look forward to seeing it grow."

Indigenous media and cultural organisation Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation has organised the Yabun Festival since the first event in 2002 and seen it grow to attract up to 25,000 people.

Each year, the festival's Yabun Stage puts the spotlight on some of the best music talent in the country, with past performers including Archie Roach, Dan Sultan and Jessica Mauboy.

On the Corroboree Ground, dancers from across the country have a reputation for kicking up dust, while the festival's SpeakOut Tent features some of Australia's leading artists, authors and thinkers.

The City of Sydney has sponsored the festival since 2007 through cash sponsorship and in-kind support. It will provide \$70,000 next year, \$80,000 in 2016 and \$90,000 in 2017.

The council will also provide in-kind support such as free park hire, banner poles and community venue hire, valued at up to \$27,000 a year for the next three years.



Desperately seeking 'Sasha'



Jennifer Bond pictured in the late 1970s.

WE'RE desperately seeking the daughter of Jennifer Bond and Steven Hart, born in 1978 in Melbourne.

She was named Sasha Mona Bond at birth, but it is unlikely she will still go by that name.

She was separated from her mother as a baby in 1978 from the Atherton Gardens park at Fitzroy, and her parents have been grieving and looking for her ever since.

If you can help, please contact me on (07) 3034 8444 or rloli@qld.link-up.org.au

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'Sasha's' parents Jennifer Bond and Steven Hart at their wedding in the 1980s.

POETRY

Mascots of Hope

As the **Storm** gathers **Sea Eagles** take flight
Following the beacons of the shimmering **Knights**
Down in the gorge like ink on the page
The **Broncos** are bucking expressing some rage
The **Tigers** are creeping with stealth across rocks
All keeping their eyes on **Sea Eagle** flocks
A beautiful lake is where they arrive
The haka is heard from **Warrior** tribes
The moonlight splashes on the water's calm face
As others appear to take up their place
The **Cowboys** are here, they've had a long ride
While **Bulldogs** in numbers howl at the sky
The **Panthers** like midnight on velvet paws
Parade near the edge of the silvery shore
Accompanied by **Raiders** wearing helmets with horns
Not a mascot in sight is weathered or worn
The waters now stir, the **Sharks** circle bolder
Their fins slice the surface like hot steel smoulder
And flashes of light from deep in the lake signal the **Eels** are now all awake
The tree edge moves softly a white line frames the site
Rabbitohs hop in like a ribbon in flight
The **Roosters** sit tall on their perch in the tree
Ruffling their feathers and plumage to see
The **Titans** alight from darkening surrounds
They journeyed from Heaven on the **Storm's** lightning shroud
Finally the **Dragons** fiercely ablaze, join other Mascots on this moonlit stage
Now all are present, the Lake has calmed down
The **Mascots of Footy** yield their sounds
These are the legends, the Mascots of Hope
They give us a freedom when changing our scope.

A gathering like this is a fantasy...
So dreams can come true for me and for you!

ZELDA QUAKAWOOT
Northern Territory

Put things right

THE world is 14 years into the 21st century, but in Australia you wouldn't think so, as it still owns a Constitution bereft of its first inhabitants. Far from an oversight, it is bigotry – criminal at its worst.

It was the turn of another century when the British decided it right to bring all together under the same structure (federation).

Smart they were, but not so smart. The most obvious was excluded.

Now these 114 years later it's time to put things right.

This is not 1770 when an English sailor had the audacity to claim the eastern seaboard of a faraway country. Blissfully ignorant were the inhabitants of this Great South Land.

This is not 1788 either, but 2014, where it is the 'Day of the Indigenous', worldwide. New Zealand has its Waitangi Day. North American

Indians claim their rightful place as those nations' First Peoples.

In our own struggle, remember the fight for full recognition by First Nations people across the globe, a whole 370 million individuals.

Allow their stories to strengthen our own resolve!

The draft of the Australian Constitution, according to Elizabeth R Kotlowski in her book *Stories of Australia's Christian Heritage*, states there was community outcry over the lack of acknowledgement of God in the document, so Alfred Deakin (who pushed for federation and was to become a prime minister) was instructed to rework it to allay this concern, coming up with "humbly relying on the blessing of Almighty God".

Today there is an increasing cry for an amended Constitution to reflect, and rightfully so, Australia's First Peoples.

Let's work at building that cry into a deafening roar from all areas of the community, a groundswell of public support, unstoppable because of the rightness of it.

In the doing of this, let us do what those eight words say: humbly rely on the blessing of Almighty God. And may it not end here but in the Australian parliaments, where Indigenous people need to, by legislation, be represented in all levels of government.

No more just acknowledging tribal groups in opening speeches or documents – now is the time for them to be actually sitting in the seats of parliament as is the case in several countries including Aotearoa New Zealand.

And on this matter of putting things right, God will bless us as a nation.

BRUCE DOCKER
Brisbane, Qld

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Miners have to be accountable

IN Queensland there is a constant amongst mining companies with Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs): sign and forget.

The saying is 'There is no honour amongst thieves' and, once again, Aboriginal people in the gas and coal sectors are losing out to these companies and their lack of desire and will to assist Aboriginal people gain maximum outcomes for ILUAs and projects.

All of these companies believe they have met their Indigenous social licence by signing ILUAs. What most people don't know is that Aboriginal people sign the deal or the companies will take and suppress or extinguish their rights with the tacit approval of the state... "in good faith".

The major failure is that these companies and their employees/contractors have no clue what is required to actually develop and implement these commitments. Most companies

would rather spend money on counteracting the negative feedback for their lack of knowledge and experience in the delivery of the ILUAs. These companies also know many Aboriginal groups in Queensland have limited resources or access to resources to independently develop and oversee the delivery of those strategies.

I, like many Aboriginal people,

"I, like many Aboriginal people, am tired of these companies not being accountable..."

am tired of these companies not being accountable for their performances under the environmental impact statement commitments, which the state fails to regulate and or make an effort to enforce. These companies know that this loophole can be exploited and

they also know the state will not make them accountable, as there are no real compliance regulators.

In order to hide this lack of desire and commitment these companies once again use the old negative trick, blame the Aboriginal people. And these companies make commitments under agreements that are wrapped tightly in confidentiality clauses that our people fear and that are used as gag orders.

Companies operating in the Surat Basin to Gladstone (gas) and those intending to operate out of the Galilee Basin to Abbot Point (coal) who do the wrong thing need to be exposed for their lack of intent, commitment and understanding as to what their obligations are to Aboriginal people, who, it should be noted, are the other partners in these ILUAs.

Name and address withheld by request

To all those searching, don't give up

I WAS taken by the welfare in Sydney in 1962, when I was 14 months old.

I was fostered and later adopted in 1964.

When I was nearly 16, I was told I was adopted. The 'story' was I was newborn and taken from the hospital, my mother was a prostitute and my father was a criminal!

When I was young my singing, art and poetry kept me going. When I was 17 I left home. The search for my story began when I was 31, when my adopted mother died in 1992.

It feels like it has taken a lifetime to find the truth. My local Elder, Aunty Lester, has helped me for six years, and on July 5, 2014, I was given my Aboriginality. With my life back, and after 35 years of no art or poetry, I now have a reason to do it again.

Many questions still remain. I know my great grandmother, Sarah Wilson, was born in NSW at Mount Foster, and she married, at Buckingham, in November 1883. That's all I know of her family.

I found my brother six years ago, who was also taken with me in 1962, and some cousins. I think of my brothers and sisters out there still searching, and relate 100% to them and their pain and emptiness.

I know I am one of the lucky ones to have found proof of my Aboriginal heritage, and my poetry reflects that.

To everyone still searching, don't give up!

Eventually we come home, eventually we find peace within ourselves.

HELEN ROBERTSON
Bundaberg, Qld

The power of music

NEW technologies provide a variety of ways for all of us to listen to our favourite musicians, bands and songwriters, but – call me old-fashioned – nothing quite matches a live performance.

As we enter the beginning of our summer festival season, many of us will be moved, mesmerised and changed by simply seeing our favourite band up close and personal, live on a stage in urban, remote and rural Australia.

Music in all its glory and diverse genres adds a deep richness to our cultural identity, our economy and our spirit. It simply makes us all feel better. From turning on your radio, downloading iTunes or buying vinyl, there is an eclectic charge across the country, and we are all getting more adventurous with our music listening.

I am thrilled to see more and more First Nations artists on the playlist.

The current changes with licensing and entertainment legislation have guaranteed something of an explosion of bands performing across bars, cafes, clubs and festivals. A recent report indicated that live music fuels the economy to the tune of \$1.2 billion – surprising when in the last national census, only 7900 musicians listed music as their main job.

Music, it's often said, is the first universal language, one that has the power to unite people and create positive social change. However, it's a tough gig. With some 60,000 musicians registered

with (licensing organisations) APRA/AMCOS, it is clear that considerable numbers of musicians are not working in musical occupations as their main source of income.

When the album *Charcoal Lane* was released and Archie Roach, along with his beloved Ruby, took to the stage at the Nambunda Festival (Sydney) in the early 1990s, little did we realise the impact his lyrics would have on everyday Australians. He captured the nation's attention with his landmark verse: *this story's right, this story's true, I would not tell lies to you*. It was awarded a Human Rights Achievement Award.

Took the Children Away became an anthem for the stolen children. Almost two decades later, the national government of the day said 'Sorry'.

And it's certainly not the first or last song that has galvanised our musicians to change the status quo of Australia's First Peoples. The rock protest song *From Little Things Big Things Grow* is one of the most enduring collaborations. Paul Kelly and Kev Carmody gave us an insight into custodian Vincent Lingiari's struggle for land rights and his deep connection to country.

With (former prime minister) Gough Whitlam's recent passing, we were reminded of the Gurindji stockmen's walk off at Wattie Creek, which led to the *Commonwealth Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976*.

The issue of land rights was not



Rhoda Roberts

far from my thoughts as I stood in London's Battersea Park on a sunny June day, singing along to the words *We have survived the white man's world and the horror and the torment of it all*, my fist raised in the salute. I will not forget the pride I felt: playing to a crowded audience was the very first Aboriginal band to tour internationally, *No Fixed Address*. It was the early 1980s and the

'Jobs for a Change' Festival was devised because the Greater London Council, under Lord Mayor Ken Livingstone, was worried that its initiatives to combat unemployment were not getting across to a wider public.

Bart Willoughby is perhaps one of our great musical geniuses, and should be a household name. There are many to add to the list along with Bart and his songs, including his cousin who followed not long after with the band Coloured Stone.

Music, it seems, can capture a nation's heart. Fifty-four is the number of albums and EPs released by Uncle Jimmy Little between 1957 and 2004, and some 8.7 million Australians tuned in to watch Christine Anu and Yothu Yindi perform in 2000. The latest figures of worldwide sales of Geoffrey Gurrumul Yunupingu's debut album are up in the millions.

There is finally a groundswell of success.

It's the songwriter more often than the politician that gets us thinking about current issues. How could we forget the impact of *Blackfella/Whitefella*, by The Warumpi Band? It was a huge hit in the 1980s.

In 1986, Midnight Oil and The Warumpi Band embarked on the *Blackfella/Whitefella* tour, which reached some of the country's most remote locations.

So with the next wave of festivals, the many songwriters and singers hitting our stages are continuing a long history of performance. From Troy

Cassar-Daley, with accolades including four ARIAs, 25 Golden Guitars, two APRA Country Song of the year awards, eight Deadlys and four CMAA Entertainer of the Year awards, to the latest star, Dan Sultan, nominated for five ARIAs this year.

There is diversity in our festivals and our music, so join me and feel the passion as the first wave of summer kicks off at the Sydney Opera House for Homeground on November 22-23 – our free event that is part of the celebrations of Corroboree Sydney 2014.

A mix of the old and the unexpected such as Sean Choolburra, and newcomers Chris Tamwoy and Teddy Lewis King, Homeground features an eclectic line-up including the Charcoal Club with Richard Frankland, Benny Walker and Oka, along with Canada's Digger Roots, Scotland's Breabach, Ursula Yovich and Dan Sultan. It promises to be a weekend of culture, rhythm and good fun. There's so much more from New Zealand, the Torres Straits and Fiji – and it's all free.

Details at www.sydneypophouse.com/about/homeground

Bundjalung/Widjabul woman Rhoda Roberts is an artist, actor, broadcaster, director and producer. She is head of Indigenous programming at the Sydney Opera House and has staged many Indigenous arts festivals, including The Dreaming and Boomerang festivals.

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Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship 2015

For the assistance and encouragement of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people studying for a medical degree at an Australian University

Applications are now sought for the Australian Medical Association (AMA) Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship for 2015. Applicants must be people of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background.

Applicants must be currently enrolled full-time at an Australian medical school and in at least their first year of medicine. Preference will be given to applicants who do not already hold any other substantial scholarship.

The Scholarship will be awarded on the recommendation of an advisory committee appointed by the AMA. The value of the Scholarship given in 2015 will be \$10,000 per annum, paid in a lump sum each year of the course.

The Scholarship will be awarded for a full course of study, subject to review at the end of each year.

Applications close 30 January 2015.

To receive further information and an application package, please contact Sandra Riley, Administration Officer, AMA on 02 6270 5452 or email sriley@ama.com.au. An application package can be downloaded from the AMA website www.ama.com.au/indigenous-peoples-medical-scholarship-2015.

The Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship Trust Fund was established in 1994 with a contribution from the Australian Government. The Trust Fund is administered by the Australian Medical Association.

The Australian Medical Association would also like to acknowledge the contribution of the Reuben Pelerman Benevolent Foundation to the Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship.



Pictured during the exercise, from left, Brenton Haig from the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA), ranger Christopher Muriata Giringun, GBRMPA's Gordon Johnston and Peta Ross, ranger Neil Leo Giringun, and Ben Kaesehagen from GBRMPA.

Girringun rangers join in compliance exercise



GIRRINGUN Aboriginal Rangers conducted patrols of the sky, land and sea in a recent

weekend exercise targeting illegal activities on country near Townsville.

The rangers, who patrol the waters between Rollingstone Creek and Maria Creek, joined in a two-day training and surveillance operation hosted by the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (GBRMPA).

GBRMPA senior compliance officer Peta Ross said the exercise at Crystal Creek enabled agency staff and rangers to share their on-ground expertise in tackling suspected illegal activities such as breaches of marine park zoning rules.

"While staff shared practical information on

detection, surveillance, investigation and evidence collection techniques, the rangers were able to pass on their own expertise and knowledge," Ms Ross said.

"The rangers' local presence and their intimate knowledge of country make the team a force to be reckoned with as far as non-compliant behaviour on their country goes."

The Cardwell-based rangers cover nearly 7300 square kilometres of the marine park, including 530km of coastline, as well as large tracts of local rainforests, bushland and rivers.

The Girringun rangers also administer a local Traditional Use of Marine Resources Agreement, which sets out how traditional owner groups work with the Australian and Queensland governments to manage traditional use activities in their sea country.

Girringun ranger coordinator Sean Walsh said the weekend exercise demonstrated the local compliance strength in the region.

"We're always looking out for professional development opportunities to specialise our local compliance program," he said.

"Participating in GBRMPA's regular compliance and enforcement patrols, as well as developing our own local compliance patrols, will mean people who break the rules will be reported."

"This exercise was a resounding success and immensely beneficial to Indigenous sea country compliance and management within the Girringun area."

GBRMPA Indigenous compliance manager Paul Cochran said the partnership had effectively expanded the

protection network for the Great Barrier Reef in providing extra eyes and ears across the water.

"The added benefit of these exercises is that it allows rangers to access the skills and knowledge of the Australian and Queensland governments' field management compliance program," he said.

The opportunity to take an aerial view of their country during the exercise also allowed rangers, Elders and traditional owners to record sightings of the rare snubfin dolphin, as well as fish traps and burial sites. They also monitored the extent of local seagrass meadows.

The GBRMPA Indigenous Compliance Program is funded through the Land and Sea Country Indigenous Partnerships Program supported by the Australian Government's Reef Program.

Summit a first in Torres Strait



COMMUNITY leaders in the Torres Strait have held their first strategic summit to explore economic development in region.

The Torres Strait Economic Development Summit, held this month, brought together delegates to examine opportunities for economic development under the theme 'Think Collectively, Act Together'.

Summit speakers included representatives from Indigenous Business Australia, Ecotourism Australia and Regional Development Australia (Far North Queensland and Torres Strait), providing ideas and concepts to

help drive economic and industry development.

Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) chairman Joseph Elu said summit participants included TSRA board members, councillors and Prescribed Body Corporate chairs.

"Opportunity"

"The summit was a unique opportunity to discuss key principles for a strategic approach to economic and industry development in the Torres Strait," he said.

"The objective of the summit was to provide our region's community leaders with the opportunity to consider key principles that will contribute to local

growth, jobs and long-term prosperity.

"This approach facilitates organisations from around the country to come together, share their views and help guide discussions to devise a road map for a self-sustaining economy in the Torres Strait."

Mr Elu said that before Torres Strait Islanders can achieve a strong economy, they must first build strong industries.

"Building up our existing core industries of fisheries and tourism and exploring new business opportunities for our region will effectively strengthen our local economy, he said.

The event was the first of a series of three planned economic development summits.

Amnesty seeks people to join advisory group

GLOBAL human rights organisation Amnesty International is looking for people to join a national advisory group as it gets ready to launch a campaign to tackle the escalating rates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in detention.

Indigenous youth aged between 10 and 17 account for about 5% of all children in Australia, yet one out of every two kids in detention (51%) is Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

The statistics are even worse in Western Australia, Queensland and the Northern Territory.

"But this isn't about stats, it is about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, their families and their futures," said Indigenous Peoples' Rights Campaigner Julian Cleary.

"We need your help to come up with effective ways to change the conversation, address the laws and policies that contribute to this problem and empower Aboriginal and Torres Strait



Amnesty's Indigenous Peoples' Rights Campaigner Julian Cleary.

Picture by Renee Stamatis

Islander communities to have their voices heard to make positive change."

Because each state and territory has its own laws and policies, Amnesty is doing research in the three jurisdictions with the highest

rates of Indigenous juvenile detention – Western Australia, Queensland and the Northern Territory.

The first phase of its campaign will focus on WA and give a national overview.

Amnesty is now looking for people to help plan its Indigenous Youth Justice campaign. The group is seeking people with activism or campaigning experience who are committed to justice for Indigenous people to join its National Advisory Group or the WA Tactics Network.

Successful applicants will be trained in campaign planning and cultural competency, with most of the meetings conducted via teleconference or webinar so they can be done from home.

Queensland and NT tactics networks will be recruited at a later date.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Applications close 9am on Monday, November 24.

More details at www.amnesty.org.au/

Guide to help stop violence



FAMILY violence and its impact on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children is being targeted by a new resource launched by Australia's peak non-government body for Indigenous children and families.

The Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) developed the resource, titled *Safe for Our Kids: A guide to family violence response and prevention for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families*.

SNAICC chairperson Sharron Williams said the guide offers communities and organisations key principles to reduce family violence, as well as an explanation of what these best practice principles mean and how they can be used to help children.

"Family violence is a serious and corrosive issue in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, as it is in the wider Australian society," Ms Williams said.

"While governments have a critical role to play, our communities and organisations must also be empowered to come up with local solutions to keep women and children safe from family violence."

The new guide was developed with Indigenous community-controlled service providers, drawing on their experience with programs to prevent and respond to family violence.

Ms Williams said the guide



SNAICC chairperson Sharron Williams, right, and SNAICC policy officer Hannah Donnelly at the launch of the family violence prevention guide.

would improve the awareness of service providers, researchers, policy makers and other decision makers on successful family violence prevention principles and strategies.

SNAICC is holding workshops on the *Safe for Our Kids* resource to talk about how the principles help services address family violence.

SNAICC is also in the

process of producing a companion video for the *Safe for Our Kids* guide. The video, to be available early next year, will provide examples of how services can use the key principles in everyday practice.

To obtain a copy of *Safe for Our Kids*, contact SNAICC on (03) 9489 8099. It can also be downloaded from the SNAICC website www.snaicc.org.au



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The program is also available through the Aboriginal Maternal and Infant Health Services (Wel-leng-lie) and Building Strong Foundations (Mudang Mudjin) which operate in the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District.

To find out more and enrol in the program, speak to your midwife or contact your local Smoking Care Advisor (Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District clients): Tel: 0437 583 505.



The walkers gather in Canberra.

Sisters walk for freedom

By MEZ FISHER



SISTERS and aunties, mothers and grandmothers, walked into the nation's capital

on November 8 carrying messages of spiritual healing for Aboriginal people – and all Australian people – by turning away from the human-made systems of authority and back to natural law.

Accompanied by “brothers of all colours”, the women taking part in the Seven Sisters Ceremonial Walk for Freedom gathered at the Canberra Tent Embassy “to set our people free from bondage to an alien law system that is not of our own choosing”.

Organiser Susan Rankin, a Kulin (Victoria) woman, had walked more than 700km from her home town of Melbourne with her colleague Jennifer Hunt. She was continuing a journey passed down to her from her grandmother, a healer who as a little girl had visions of leading people out of this political system.

“We need to come back to the female,” Ms Rankin told the *Koori Mail*.

“This system is not about choosing the universal rule of natural law. As grandmothers, mothers, aunties, sisters – we are all in this together under spiritual law.”

The walkers met with a ‘United Nations’ of like-minded people who were in Canberra to “encourage people to break free of the human-made political and legal system and its bondage to creating money”.

“It’s not about money; it’s about sharing,” Ms Rankin said.

“My great granny said money will be the root of evil and the downfall of all humanity.

“Our spirit needs a reawakening; our people need a rebirthing. It’s about uniting, not separating ourselves through man-made borders.”

Ms Rankin and Ms Hunt began their walk on August 30 with a breakfast send-off from Coburg Lake Reserve, north of Melbourne.

The walk was organised “because for too long our sisters,



Susan Rankin, Jingki (Kerriane Cox) and Turikatuku Gumada with police at Parliament House, Canberra.

aunties, mothers and grandmothers have been witness to the pain and suffering, hopelessness and despair of our people that is a result of systematic genocide and the destruction of our homelands”.

They met in Canberra with other walkers including Kerriane Cox, an Aboriginal singer from the Beagle Bay community in the Kimberley, and Katherine Napaltjarri Parker, a Pintubi woman from Kintore in the Northern Territory.

“Connect”

“They know we’re here because we were welcomed by the Federal Police,” Ms Cox said. “We have not done this ceremonial walk for a long time. It’s to care and connect with our ancestors. Through our different directions we come together as children under the sun. We are all part of Gondwanaland.”

As well as political statements, the walkers brought messages of environmental healing and care of the land, urging authorities to turn away from destructive practices such as mining.

“We are all going to die if we don’t stand up. If we do not stop now we are all going to perish,” Ms Cox said.

Ms Parker claimed how, when Europeans first arrived in this country, Governor Arthur Phillip had been told by First Nations people not to mine at Newcastle “because it might break the egg of life”.

“Our myths and parables do have a science,” she said.

“We have a knowledge, we have a system, which we have maintained since the beginning of time. Our spirits and our ancestors tell us what you can touch and what you can’t.”

Ms Parker said the present system of Aboriginal land councils and native title bodies was “corrupt” and left many traditional owners out of the process, without rights or a fair share of the proceeds.

While in Canberra, the walkers will renounce their Australian citizenship and hand back their documents.

Ms Rankin said politics is about division, not inclusion, and people have to learn to love one another.

“It’s about reconciliation of all people and it has to be done through spirit. There’s treason against spirit here (in Canberra),” she said. “We’ve got to get over this colour bar business and put the anger and racism aside.”

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Talent on show at GulangFest



Enjoying GulangFest, from left, Tamara Maher, Neree Lambert, Sara Meiklejohn and Stevie Aston.



CENTRAL Coast schools joined for a celebration of the region's Aboriginal heritage at the 2104 GulangFest Aboriginal Youth Cultural Festival.

It was standing room only at The Entrance's Dolphin Theatre when 16 schools from the Tuggerah Lakes and Terrigal areas presented a showcase of the talents of their Aboriginal and other students.

This year, hundreds of students from preschool to Year 12 took part in the concert and art competition. GulangFest partner Kuriwa Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) also presented its annual Awards for

Excellence in Aboriginal Education.

Bateau Bay PCYC's Koori Krew Hip Hop Dancers joined local Aboriginal dancers and artists who spent time with the students helping them prepare for the event.

With a strong and growing enrolment of Aboriginal students in the area, GulangFest has become a focal point for the community. It has built friendships and partnerships between teachers, students and parents.

Director of Public Schools Lisa Muir said it was a great celebration of Aboriginal culture, identity and the arts.

"The vision, energy and commitment has enabled the realisation of an extraordinary event which showcases

the talents of our students, fortifies identity and builds true community connections and deep partnerships," she said.

"The involvement of Tuggerah Lakes Learning Community of Schools, Terrigal Learning Alliance, Bateau Bay PCYC and AECG, students, parents and community was second to none.

"What is even more significant is the many programs and events that are ongoing across the community and schools throughout the year in the lead up. The message stick, the Koori choir, the sewing circle, the dance groups, the didge groups, the collaborations in visual arts and the essence of reconciliation to name a few, are just incredible."

\$200,000 to help tackle dumping



THE NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has allocated \$200,000 to help Local Aboriginal land councils tackle illegal dumping on Aboriginal land across the state.

The EPA's Robbie Beale said as part of its Aboriginal Lands Clean-Up and Prevention Program, the authority was offering grants of between \$5000 and \$50,000 to individual councils to remove illegally dumped waste and put measures in place to prevent dumping.

"Not only does illegally dumped rubbish significantly impact on the health of our environment but it also costs many land managers, including Aboriginal land councils, thousands of dollars a year to clean-up and dispose of," he said.

NSW Aboriginal Land Council chairman Craig Cromelin welcomed the funding.

"This is a good first step and will greatly assist local Aboriginal land councils in cleaning up country and preserving it," he said.

For information about the grant program and to download an application visit www.epa.nsw.gov.au/waste/

Calma out, Prouse in as AILC chair



TOM CALMA has resigned as chair of the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre (AILC). But he will remain as a director of the Indigenous education organisation.

Charles Prouse, a Nyikina (WA Kimberley) man who also serves as chief executive of Supply Nation, will take over as AILC chair.

"The AILC has a critical role to play in creating a fairer, stronger Australia and I am delighted Charles has taken on this new challenge," Dr Calma said.

Mr Prouse originally graduated from the AILC in 2002 and has served on the board for many years.

"My story is symbolic of the value of Indigenous leadership and Indigenous governance education programs – having risen from being a graduate of the program to becoming chair," he said.

Call for more psychologists



WITH nearly one in every three Indigenous adults having high levels of psychological distress, Darwin psychologist Tanja Hirvonen is keen to make a difference. Miss Hirvonen is the rural and remote psychology representative for the Australian Indigenous Psychologists Association and is also a member of the Australian Psychological Society's Rural, Remote and Regional Advisory Group.

She grew up in Mt Isa, north-west Queensland, and now lives in Darwin working for Industry Health Solutions with a team doing rehabilitation work.

She spoke to the *Koori Mail* during National Psychology Week from November 9-15.

Miss Hirvonen said there are distinctive psychological strategies for dealing with Indigenous mental health issues.

"The protective factors are things such as resilience, tolerance, the ability to cope with adversity, and strong cultural systems – some families still have that in place," she said.

"We also have a holistic way of looking at our health. So when we look at the social and emotional wellbeing of Indigenous people, it's not only



Aboriginal psychologist Tanja Hirvonen with her grandmother Maisie Smith.

ourselves, but our families and our connections, and our connections to land."

Miss Hirvonen said factors such as the Stolen Generations and dispossession of land had made a big impact on the social and emotional wellbeing of many Aboriginal people, but said it was important not to underestimate people's strengths as well.

She encouraged more Indigenous

people to consider psychology as a career, as they can bring their local knowledge, familiarity and links with communities to working with their own mob.

"Obviously looking at the numbers and figures, it's complex and it's significant for our people," she said.

"The concerns are significant and heading out into rural areas increases the rate. And there's less services in the bush."

"So we're asking more Indigenous people to be involved in psychology, to work with our people and work alongside and with them, working with their own mob. It's a long journey but it's worth it, and they are able to provide that cultural viewpoint."

Miss Hirvonen said her grandmother, Maisie Smith, from Tennant Creek, who has more than 60 years' experience working with young people, says that people need to listen to children and help have a voice for them.

"She says kids don't have the language or the words to say when something's up with them, like adults do," she said.

"Young Indigenous kids don't always know how to say something's wrong, so we need to do it for them."

Western board in push for advisors



THE NSW Western Local Board is seeking Aboriginal community members to join two new advisory groups. Board chairman Tom Hynes said the groups were an opportunity for people to have a say on decisions that affect the long-term sustainability of the environment and to ensure that Aboriginal culture and values underline natural resource management.

The Western Local Region is home to 16 Aboriginal language groups, and two Aboriginal community advisory groups will be formed – one in the north and one in the south.

An information pack is available from www.western.ils.nsw.gov.au or by calling Local Land Services Western Region offices. Expressions of interest from people for the advisory board positions close at 9am on Monday, December 8.

Guaranteed jobs for NSW and WA



ANOTHER 260 Indigenous people will be placed into guaranteed jobs following the announcement of two new Vocational Training and Employment Centres (VTECs) to be established in western NSW and the

Pilbara region of Western Australia. The Riverina/New England VTEC, operated by TAFE NSW Western Institute, will train 200 Indigenous jobseekers for careers in the transport and agriculture industries.

And the South Hedland VTEC, operated by the Bloodwood Tree Association, will train 60 people and place them into jobs with a focus on small businesses and industries that support the mining sector.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said the VTEC model "brings an end to the cycle of training for training's sake".

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WEDNESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER

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1:15 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
1:30 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
2:00 NITV On The Road: Laura Festival G (Entertainment)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
5:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
11:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 Rugby League: Fox Memorial Shield 2014 NC (Sport)
1:30 Awaken: First Response NC (Current Affairs)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 In The Frame G (Series)
8:00 Custodians G (Documentary Series)
8:30 First Contact (Series)
9:30 Awaken: Ernie Dingo - Full Circle NC (Current Affairs)
10:30 Lore Poles G (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)

THURSDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
11:00 In The Frame G (Series)
11:30 Art At The Interface MA (Documentary)
12:00 Torres To The Thames PG (Documentary)
1:00 Custodians G (Documentary Series)
1:30 Awaken: Ernie Dingo - Full Circle NC (Current Affairs)
2:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
3:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
3:30 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
4:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Kids)
4:30 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Pacific Sport 360 NC (Series)
8:00 Custodians G (Documentary Series)
8:30 First Contact (Series)
9:30 Rabbit-Proof Fence PG (Movie)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)

FRIDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
2:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
3:00 Away From Country PG (Sport)
4:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Alick Tipoti G (Documentary)
11:30 Among Us PG (Documentary)
12:00 Pacific Sport 360 NC (Series)
1:00 Among Us PG (Documentary)
1:30 We Still Live Here G (Documentary)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Samagan: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Around The Traps PG (Entertainment)
8:30 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary Series)
9:00 Blackstone MA (Drama)
10:00 The Boondocks M (Comedy)
10:30 Mana Mamau M (Series)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Samagan: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)

SATURDAY 22ND NOVEMBER

12:00 Queensland Murri Carnival 2014 NC (Sport)
1:00 Rugby League 2014: 44th Annual Koori Knockout 6 NC (Sport)
2:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
3:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
4:00 NITV On The Road: Boomerang Festival G (Entertainment)
5:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
12:30 Indians And Aliens G (Documentary Series)
1:00 Back To Munda G (Documentary)
2:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
2:30 Surviving PG (Documentary Series)
3:00 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
3:30 Our Footprint G (Documentary Series)
4:00 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
4:30 Unearthed PG (Documentary Series)
5:00 Ngurra PG (Documentary Series)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
6:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
7:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
7:30 Once A Queen G (Documentary)
8:30 Black Music: An American (R)evolution M (Series)
9:30 Jazz PG (Series)
10:30 Australia Daze M (Documentary)
11:30 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
9:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
10:00 Hyundai A-League: MELB V BRIS Live NC (Sport)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
12:30 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 Let's Talk Sovereignty PG (Documentary)
2:00 Queensland Murri Carnival 2014 NC (Sport)
3:00 Rugby League 2014: 44th Annual Koori Knockout 7 NC (Sport)
4:00 Unearthed G (Documentary Series)
4:30 Double Trouble G (Series)
5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News)
6:00 Around The Traps PG (Entertainment)
7:00 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
7:30 Dark Science PG (Documentary)
8:30 Medicine Line, The G (Documentary Series)
9:00 The Other Side PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Standing In The Shadows Of Motown PG (Movie)
11:15 Back To Munda G (Documentary)

MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
10:30 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Torres To The Thames PG (Documentary)
12:00 Medicine Line, The G (Documentary Series)
12:30 The Other Side PG (Documentary Series)
1:00 Let's Talk Sovereignty PG (Documentary)
2:00 Among Us PG (Documentary)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News NC (News)
6:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News NC (News)
7:30 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
8:00 Alick Tipoti G (Documentary)
9:00 Afghan Cameleer Australia PG (Documentary)
10:00 Arctic Air M (Drama)
11:00 NITV News NC (News)
11:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)

TUESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

12:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
1:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
3:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
4:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
10:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Behind The Heart PG (Documentary)
12:00 Kai Time On The Road G (Lifestyle)
12:30 The Dream And The Dreaming PG (Documentary)
1:30 First Citizen: Albert Namatjira PG (Documentary)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 Among Us PG (Documentary)
9:00 Hard Rock Medical M (Drama)
9:30 The Boondocks M (Current Affairs)
10:00 Rugby League: Fox Memorial Shield 2014 (Sport)

WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

12:00 NITV News (News)
12:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
1:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
2:00 NITV On The Road: Laura Festival G (Entertainment)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Bush Bands Bash G (Entertainment)
5:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou G (Kids)
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8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
8:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
11:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
12:00 Rugby League: Fox Memorial Shield 2014 (Sport)
2:00 Bikkies PG (Documentary)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Our Footprint PG (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Bush Plum G (Documentary)
8:00 In The Frame PG (Series)
8:30 Awaken 2014 Forum: Ella (Current Affairs)
9:30 Tribal Scent G (Documentary)
10:30 Bush Plum G (Documentary)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Our Footprint PG (Documentary Series)

THURSDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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9:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Kai Time On The Road PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Our Footprint PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 Bush Plum G (Documentary)
11:30 In The Frame PG (Series)
12:00 Awaken 2014 Forum: Ella (Current Affairs)
1:00 Tribal Scent G (Documentary)
2:00 The Brush Sings G (Documentary)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Pacific Sport 360 NC (Series)
8:00 Bury My Heart In Dresden PG (Documentary)
9:30 Rose Against The Odds (Documentary Series)
10:30 Defining Moments PG (Documentary Series)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)

FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
2:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
3:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou G (Kids)
7:00 Bushwhacked G (Kids)
7:30 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
8:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
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9:00 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Around The Campfire G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Pacific Sport 360 NC (Series)
11:30 Bury My Heart In Dresden PG (Documentary)
1:00 Kids To Coast G (Documentary)
1:30 Keeper G (Documentary)
2:00 The Brush Sings G (Documentary)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Samagan: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Around The Traps PG (Entertainment)
8:30 Twelve Canoes PG (Documentary)
9:30 Blackstone M (Drama)
10:30 The Boondocks M (Comedy)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Samagan: Water Stories G (Documentary Series)

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Queensland Murri Carnival 2014 NC (Sport)
1:00 Rugby League 2014: 44th Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
2:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
3:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
4:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
5:00 Chocolate Martini PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review (News)
12:30 Goin' Troppo In The Toppo PG (Lifestyle)
1:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
1:30 Twelve Canoes PG (Documentary)
2:30 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
3:00 Desperate Measures G (Documentary Series)
3:30 Our Footprint PG (Documentary Series)
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 (News)
6:00 Away From Country PG (Documentary Series)
7:00 Unearthed PG (Documentary Series)
7:30 Ethnic Business Awards 2014 PG (Entertainment)
9:30 Jazz PG (Series)
10:30 Alick Tipoti G (Documentary)
11:30 Unearthed PG (Documentary Series)

SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Chocolate Martini G (Entertainment)
9:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
10:00 Hyundai A-League: MELB V ADEL Live (Sport)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review (News)
12:30 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
1:00 The Quest Of Jimmy Pike G (Documentary)
2:00 Queensland Murri Carnival 2014 (Sport)
3:00 Rugby League 2014: 44th Annual Koori Knockout (Sport)
4:00 Unearthed PG (Documentary Series)
4:30 Double Trouble G (Series)
5:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review (News)
6:00 Around The Traps PG (Entertainment)
7:00 Ngurra PG (Documentary Series)
7:15 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
8:30 Medicine Line, The PG (Documentary Series)
9:00 The Other Side PG (Documentary Series)
9:30 Boy M (Movie)
11:00 Yudem M (Documentary)

MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER

12:00 Volumz PG (Entertainment)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Laura Festival G (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Te Kaea 2014 NC (News)
10:30 Ngurra PG (Documentary Series)
10:45 Ngurra G (Documentary Series)
11:00 Henare O'keefe PG (Documentary)
12:00 Medicine Line, The PG (Documentary Series)
12:30 The Other Side PG (Documentary Series)
1:00 Flying Boomerangs PG (Documentary)
1:30 Pomppurraw Art PG (Documentary)
2:00 Goin' Troppo In The Toppo PG (Lifestyle)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Surviving (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
8:45 Surviving G (Documentary Series)
9:00 Matakau M (Series)
10:00 Arctic Air M (Drama)
11:00 NITV News (News)
11:30 Surviving (Documentary Series)

TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER

12:00 The 42nd Annual Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
1:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
2:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
3:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
4:00 Away From Country G (Documentary Series)
5:00 NITV On The Road: Saltwater Freshwater PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
6:30 Bizou 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 Move It Mob Style G (Kids)
9:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
10:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
10:30 Surviving (Documentary Series)
11:00 Yarrabah The Musical G (Documentary)
11:30 Sisters In League PG (Documentary)
12:30 Matakau M (Series)
1:30 Arctic Air M (Drama)
2:30 Move It Mob Style 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 Bizou G (Kids)
5:00 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:30 NITV News (News)
6:00 Fit First PG (Lifestyle)
6:30 Desperate Measures (Documentary Series)
7:00 NITV News (News)
7:30 Down 2 Earth PG (Documentary Series)
8:00 Living Black NC (Current Affairs)
8:30 Bush Plum G (Documentary)
9:00 Hard Rock Medical M (Drama)
9:30 The Boondocks M (Current Affairs)
10:00 Rugby League: Fox Memorial Shield 2014 (Sport)

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200 join in Adelaide's Sober Walk 2014



The start of Sober Walk 2014 in Adelaide.

Event raises awareness

Pictures by Colleen Strangways, Nharla Photography



ABOUT 200 people attended Sober Walk 2014, organised by the Aboriginal Sobriety Group (ASG), in Adelaide last month.

ASG spokesperson Rachel Neumann said the aim of Sober Walk 2014 is to encourage people who are affected by drugs and alcohol to seek the help they need and to increase awareness of the harmful impacts drug use and alcohol has on families, individuals and the community.

"This was our fifth Sober Walk, which started after our board member Major Sumner visited Canada and saw an initiative by the Cree Indians," she said.

"It was really quite a successful day, we had a lot of other agencies there with stalls.

"Some of our clients from the

Kesha Roesch and Quinarha Scott.



rehab centre came and we saw a lot of our homeless clients joining in.

"I think everyone enjoyed the day and was happy with the entertainment, and it was a good opportunity for families to catch up and network."

The event was supported by

organisations including Nunkuwarrin Yunti, Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council (SA), Towards Independence, Disability SA, Relationships Australia, Finding Workable Solutions, Uniting Communities, Community Benefit SA, the Aboriginal Health Council of SA and Hope Church.



Relaxing after the walk, from left, Colin Powell, Rodney Weetra, Ronnie Coopock, Roger Jackson, Dwayne Walker, Kevin Carbine and Steve Cain.



Renee Seccafien, Ruth Tulloch, Raechel Barber, Trisha Perelman and Danielle Rentis, all from Uniting Communities.



Lena-Pearl Bridgland, Sarah Betts and Quinariha Scott at the Keep It Corka display.



Lani Soulio, Anton Lleshi, ASG chair Pastor Gary R Paynter, Uncle Moogy Sumner and Alex Zefi.



Rosemarie Laviolette and Bradley Ferguson from the Drug and Alcohol Services SA Aboriginal Connection Program.

40 solid years for

Gningala Yarran-Mark with some of her family.



THE Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia (ALSWA) recently celebrated its 40th anniversary with a gala event at the Astral Ballroom in Perth, attended by 400 people. Special guests at the event included former ALSWA deputy chief executive Colleen Hayward, 2014 Senior Australian of the Year Fred Chaney, and lawyer Gningala Yarran-Mark, whose father and uncle (David and Ivan Yarran) were two of ALSWA's first field officers. Entertainment was provided by Dennis Simmons on didgeridoo, the Gya Ngoop Keeinyarra Dance Group, Urban Youth Crew, The Merindas and the Yabu Band, with MCs Narelda Jacobs and Jim Morrison.

ALSWA chief executive Dennis Eggington.



ALSWA Executive Committee president Michael Blurton.



The Gya Ngoop Keeinyarra Dance Group was among the performances.

Guest speaker Professor Colleen Hayward.

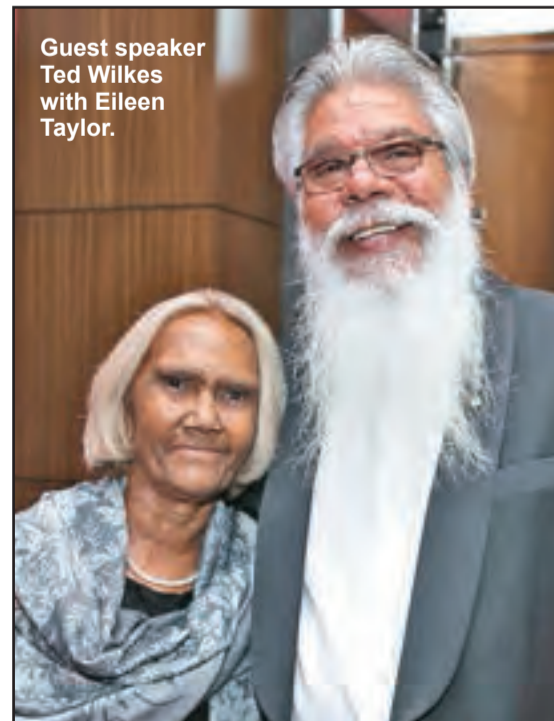


Robert Hitchcock with the Yagan sculptures he created.



Some of the members of the Urban Youth Crew.

Guest speaker Ted Wilkes with Eileen Taylor.



The Yabu Band.



Elder Janet Hayden and celebration guest speaker Fred Chaney.



Elders Dennis Hayward, Shirley Harris, Marie Bartlett, Oriel Green and Moira Bartlett at the celebration dinner.

WA Legal Service



Kevin Blurton with partner Denise Duff and their children Genna, Roy and Viv (with partner Bronwyn Keating). All of the Blurtons pictured above are ALSWA court officers.



MCs Narelda Jacobs and Jim Morrison.



The Merindas on stage.



Berni O'Hara, Patrick Smith and Rodney Cox.



Back from left, Paul and Sorgi Eggington, Nicki Humphreys and Dion Eggington and, front from left, Leashay and Louella Eggington, Luke Yates and Cherry Hayward.



John Bedford, Grant Sarra and Kim Bridge enjoyed the night.



Peter and Paula Collins at the event.



Cedric Jacobs with daughters Narelda and Karen.



Daniel Morrison, Maisie Weston and Jeannie Morrison.

Marathon effort by Indigenous squad



Nathan Riley, from Dubbo, western NSW, who is now the fastest Aboriginal person to run the New York Marathon after finishing the race in three hours and nine minutes.



The 2014 IMP New York Marathon squad, with marathon legend and IMP founder Rob de Castella, left, and IMP head coach Mick Rees at right. Back: Allirra Braun (Katherine), Sarah Carmody (Alice Springs), Elsie Seriat (Thursday Island), Ruth Wallace (Adelaide) and Toni Daisy (Townsville). Front: Nathan Riley (Dubbo), Harold Matthew (Thursday Island), Brendan Peeters (Cairns), Adrian Dodson-Shaw (Broome) and Raymond Ingram (Sydney).

Riley runs hot in New York cold



The squad with a supporter at the start of the New York Marathon.



Harold Matthew, from Thursday Island, celebrates completing the run.



DUBBO (NSW) man Nathan Riley has run his way into the history books

after becoming the fastest Aboriginal man to finish the world's largest marathon – the New York City Marathon.

Riley and his nine fellow Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) squad members crossed the line on Sunday, November 2.

It has been a whirlwind five months for the boxer-turned-runner who only started running in May after his selection in the 2014 IMP team.

Riley said the inclement Big Apple weather added to the challenge of running 42.195km.

"It was by far the hardest thing I've done and most pain I've ever felt from 30km onwards," he said.

"Freezing conditions and a strong headwind most of the way didn't make it any easier.

"Starting on Staten Island, then through Brooklyn, Queens, Bronx and finishing in Central Park in Manhattan didn't seem real, especially with the millions of cheering people the whole 42km. It just goes to show what you can do when you work hard."

The 2014 squad's results: Nathan Riley (Dubbo, NSW) 3:09:20; Brendan Peeters (Cairns, Qld) 3:19:40; Adrian Dodson-Shaw (Broome, WA) 3:36:51; Raymond Ingram (Sydney) 3:48:18; Harold



● Above: Runner Adrian Dodson-Shaw being congratulated by IMP coach Mick Rees.



● Left: Toni Daisy and Sarah Carmody celebrating their New York Marathon finish.

Matthew (Thursday Island, Qld) 4:04:13; Allirra Braun (Katherine, NT) 4:21:12; Elsie Seriat (Thursday Island, Qld) 4:36:19; Ruth Wallace (Adelaide, SA) 4:50:11; Toni Daisy (Townsville, Qld) 5:03:25; Sarah Carmody (Alice Springs, NT) 5:17:06.

IMP founder Rob de Castella, said the 2014 squad was a beacon of inspiration for Indigenous and other Australians.

"What incredible results. We are all so immeasurably proud of the entire squad," he said.



IMP supporter Ayesha Razzaq, Rob de Castella, Toni Daisy (Townsville), Mahani Taylor (Ayesha's friend who ran with her), and Sarah Carmody (Alice Springs) after the race.

Tjyllyungoo shares culture



WESTERN
Australian
Nyoongar artist
Tjyllyungoo
(Lance Chadd)
has shared his
cultural heritage

in an art project designed to capture the historical and spiritual significance of the Porongurup Ranges in Western Australia.

The Porongurups, formed about 1400 million years ago, are recognised as one of the world's oldest hill ranges.

"(The Porongurups) is a place that is sacred, through all time and for all time," Tjyllyungoo said.

"It is an ancient place that harbours ancient beliefs of our culture and traditions. It's very important that we record the meaning of this place."

The exhibition, *Boorongurup*, had more than a dozen contemporary pieces, each telling its own story about the spiritual connections and interpretations of traditional Aboriginal Australia.

"Boorongurup is the place of the totemic spirits of all the (Nyoongar tribe) Bibbulmun people," Tjyllyungoo said.

"It's a shrine to the totemic system and a very important one to my people. It's what we call Winartj (sacred place), and is one of the most important



Tjyllyungoo (Lance Chadd), with canine friend, at the artist's exhibition held this month at the Perth Town Hall.

Winartj in our country."

The exhibition, held this month in the Perth Town Hall, was also a chance for the

artist to work with young people.

"For me this is very important work – as an artist, a

cultural expressionist and an Elder of my people," Tjyllyungoo said.

"It has always been my

intention to reconnect our people to culture, as well as promote it to the wider community."

Assistance is on offer for playwrights



EMERGING
regional
playwrights could
soon have the
assistance they

need to tell their stories in theatres. With an increasing number of contemporary Aboriginal stories, such as those in TV shows *The Gods of Wheat Street* and *Redfern Now*, beginning to reach a broader audience, Orana Arts, based in Gilgandra, western NSW, is looking for Aboriginal people to tell their stories on stage.

The new statewide project, called Staging Stories and based in Dubbo, is open to Aboriginal people aged over 16 in regional NSW.

Funded through Arts NSW, Staging Stories includes writing, acting and directing workshops. It opens with a seminar run by professional mentors from



A reading from the Aboriginal play *Songrites*. Picture: Daniel Boud

Playwriting Australia.

"Our introductory workshop is a fun and accessible entry into storytelling structure and gives participants the opportunity to create a character, write dialogue and see it performed by

actors. There is enormous potential for new talent to be uncovered," Playwriting Australia's Tim Roseman said.

For more information, contact Melissa Ryan on 0409 245 020 or email aado@oranaarts.com



A scene from *Uncle Joe and the Winnunga Frog*.

Corroboree frog hops into health service



THE endangered corroboree frog is helping to highlight the services of Canberra's only

Aboriginal health service, Winnunga Nimmitjiah, in a new book called *Uncle Joe and the Winnunga Frog*.

In the book, the frog, which features in the organisation's logo, travels to different sections of the health service on a broom pushed by Uncle Joe the cleaner. The frog is unseen by all except Carly, a little girl who visits Dr Kirsty.

The story gives a glimpse of the workings of the different areas in Aboriginal health services. On his adventures, the frog visits primary health care, practice nurses, the Aboriginal social and emotional wellbeing team and the midwifery section to reveal how an Aboriginal holistic health centre operates.

Written by Nerelle Poroch, from Winnunga Nimmitjiah, with illustrations by Hugh Brocklebank from Smart Cartoons, the book is available directly from the Winnunga Nimmitjiah Health Service in Canberra for \$30.

My Brother's Keeper by Janine McAullay Bott.
Picture: Artitja Fine Art



McAullay Bott gets serious



WEAVER and bush sculpture artist Janine McAullay Bott has moved away from her humorous depictions to tell a more serious story.

As the youngest of seven children, she was the only child permitted to remain with her Aboriginal mother following the death of her father in the 1950s.

The Noongar (Western Australia) artist felt compelled to make a statement about the issue of the Stolen Generations, having witnessed at close hand the misery of her brothers' time at the Clontarf Boys' Home.

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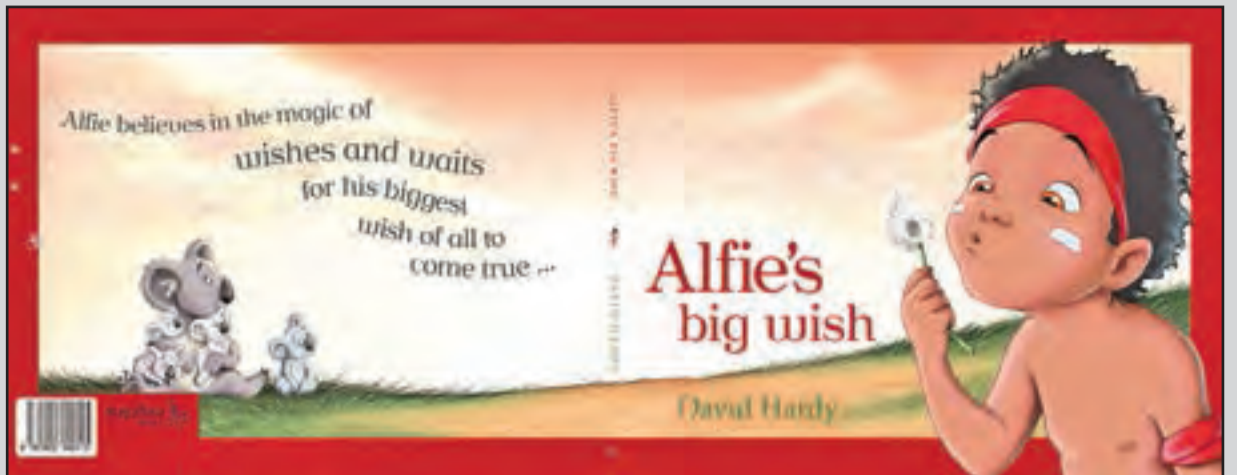
The resulting work, *My Brother's Keeper*, has been acquired for an exhibition at Les Musées de la civilisation in Quebec, Canada.

The exhibition, with the working title *Contemporary Artworks by Indigenous People of Australia*, will open in October next year

and includes works by some of Australia's most high-profile Indigenous artists.

McAullay Bott developed her skills and profile in fibre-weaving while living in Hawaii, including spending time with Hopi Indian rug reavers and Kachina doll makers in the US state of Nevada.

After living for many years in Hawaii and travelling the globe, McAullay Bott returned to Perth to dedicate much of her time caring for her elderly mother to whom most of her artwork is dedicated.



The cover of *Alfie's big wish*, the sequel to David Hardy's *Alfie's Search for Destiny*.

Wishes come true as young Alfie returns



INDIGENOUS artist David Hardy has launched a sequel to his first children's book *Alfie's Search for Destiny*.

Alfie's big wish, again illustrated by Hardy who spent more than eight years as a Walt Disney animator, follows

the young Alfie on a quest for companionship.

When Alfie's best friends leave he sets out to search for somebody new to play with. There are other kids but they are much older and bigger, and the various animals he encounters all have companions of their own.

Sad and lonely at the end of the day, Alfie makes a wish. When he wakes up, he finds out that sometimes wishes really do come true.

Alfie's big wish is available from this month in selected bookshops and online from Magabala Books (www.magabala.com) for \$17.95.

Legends book republished



THE Legends of Moonie Jarl, hailed as Australia's first Indigenous children's

book, originally published in 1964, has been republished to celebrate the publication's 50th anniversary.

Written and designed by Butchulla (Queensland) siblings Moonie Jarl (Wilf Reeves) and Wandi (Olga Miller), who have both since died, the book is a collection of 12 traditional stories from the people of K'gari (Fraser Island) and the adjacent mainland around Hervey Bay.

Butchulla Elder Glen Miller, the son of Olga Miller, said it was important to recognise Wilf Reeves' achievements after 50 years.

"Uncle Wilfy was a strong figure in my childhood," he said.

"He was the moonie jarl, which means story teller. This was his book; Mum illustrated it. Together they achieved quite a lot."

The book was



Fraser Coast councillor George Seymour and Elder Glen Miller show the first and second editions of *The Legends of Moonie Jarl*. Mr Miller holds the original version of the book from 1964.

relaunched just two weeks after the official recognition of native title on Fraser Island (K'gari).

"To celebrate the 50th anniversary of this book's first publication is significant enough and to do it so soon after the

Fraser Island (native title) acknowledgement makes it especially exciting," Mr Miller said.

Fraser Coast councillor George Seymour worked with Mr Miller and local Butchulla Elders to arrange the republication.

"This is a very important local book and is nationally significant," he said. "It has been republished by the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, an organisation that is doing amazing work right across the country."

University of Qld to get Poche Centre



A POCHE Centre for Indigenous Health will be established at The University of Queensland, thanks to a \$10 million gift from philanthropist Greg Poche.

UQ pro vice-chancellor (Indigenous education) Professor Cindy Shannon said renowned philanthropists Mr Poche and his wife Kay van Norton Poche had given more than \$100 million nationally to tackle major issues such as melanoma research and improving the lives of Indigenous Australians.

"The UQ Poche Centre for Indigenous

Health will bring together Indigenous and health expertise across the university, and will work collaboratively with Indigenous community organisations and health providers," she said.

Prof Shannon said there had been some progress in closing the gap in Indigenous health in Australia, but more work was needed.

"Nationally, there remains significant disparity between the health and wellbeing of Indigenous people compared to non-Indigenous people, reflected in lower life-expectancy of about 11 years and higher rates of illness across all ages," she said.

Mr Poche, the founder and former owner of logistics company Star Track Express, said the health and life-expectancy gap was unacceptable.

"Improving the health and wellbeing of Indigenous Australians is one of our nation's biggest challenges," he said.

"It is vital that we do more to address this by taking practical action that delivers outcomes for Indigenous Australians."

Prof Shannon said the new centre would focus on training and increasing the Indigenous health workforce, increasing the number of Indigenous Australian health discipline graduates and translating

research into improved health promotion and service delivery models, with an emphasis on education and prevention.

"An integral part of the centre's activities will be collaboration with clinical partners to provide greater support, mentoring, career opportunities and placements in Indigenous health for students studying at university," she said.

Greg and Kay Poche have funded other centres at The University of Sydney, Flinders University in Adelaide and the Northern Territory, The University of Western Australia and The University of Melbourne.

Prostate cancer taking a big toll



NEW research by Cancer Council NSW shows Aboriginal men are 50% more likely to die from prostate

cancer than the general population. But Cancer Council researchers say increasing awareness of prostate cancer and making resources available through health professionals in Indigenous communities could significantly close this gap.

The council's findings, published in the *British Journal of Urology International*, showed that the age and spread of disease at diagnosis were similar for Aboriginal and other men. But prostate cancer deaths five years after diagnosis were higher for Aboriginal men.

It was also found that Aboriginal men are 13% less likely than other men to have surgery within 12 months of being diagnosed.

In the largest study of prostate cancer in Australian Aboriginal men to date, researchers suggest that timing of diagnosis, cultural differences, and reduced access to treatment may lead Aboriginal men to have poorer survival than other men.

"Prostate cancer is the most

commonly diagnosed cancer in Aboriginal men, but there is still a large survival gap that needs to be closed between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal men," Cancer Council NSW community programs coordinator Rowena Terone said.

"More research is needed on the prostate cancer journey of Aboriginal men, and their access to treatment services, as the results from this

study indicate that they are less likely to have surgery and have poorer survival after a prostate cancer diagnosis."

Dena Moore, the Aboriginal chronic care worker at the Northern NSW Local Health District, said the findings highlight an urgent need for health professionals to be better informed of prostate cancer risks in Aboriginal men and to assist men to make more appropriate and timely healthcare choices, including ongoing monitoring of prostate issues.

Aboriginal men who are concerned

about prostate cancer, symptoms and treatments should speak to their local healthcare professional or visit Cancer Council NSW's website for further information: www.cancercouncil.com.au/prostate-cancer/

"Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in Aboriginal men, but there is still a large survival gap that needs to be closed between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal men."



Acknowledgment to Inala Indigenous Health Service
Acknowledgment to artist

Aunty Rene (left) has been a non-smoker for 2 years. She used patches to quit smoking the first time. Charmaine (right), Aboriginal Health Worker
If you want to quit, call the Koori Quit Smoking Clinic, La Perouse Aboriginal Community Health Centre on 9382 8026

Quitline
137848

One of the new 'If I can QUIT...' posters featuring Elder Aunty Rene Campbell and La Perouse Aboriginal health worker Charmaine Moran.

New posters have a quit smoking theme



'If I can QUIT... you can QUIT too!' That's the theme of a series of new quit smoking posters launched this month at the La Perouse

Aboriginal Community Health Centre in southern Sydney.

The poster campaign is the result of work by the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District (SESLHD) Health Promotion Service Tobacco Control team and Prince of Wales Hospital Community Health Service.

The organisations worked with La Perouse Aboriginal health worker Charmaine Moran, Elders and other senior community members to finalise the posters.

"It was a great opportunity for our community members to be involved and

share their quit-smoking journeys with others," Ms Moran said.

"This resource would motivate community members to take steps towards quitting. The Elders will also become mentors for those who are wishing to quit."

The posters also promote the Koori Smoking Cessation Clinic at the La Perouse Aboriginal Community Health Centre and the Aboriginal Quitline - 13 78 48.

La Perouse Elder Aunty Maxine Ryan said it was a pleasure to work with the Tobacco Control team. "They didn't just come in here and tell us what to do, they helped us and our community," she said.

For more information on the Koori Smoking Cessation Clinic, call Charmaine Moran on (02) 9382 8026.

GPs urged to Measure and Act



AUSTRALIAN general practitioners are being urged to join an initiative that could improve health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Closing the Gap: Measure and Act is an Improvement

Foundation (IF) initiative aimed at helping general practices and other health services better respond to specific Indigenous health issues.

Adelaide-based IF is a not-for-profit organisation whose main objective is to provide expertise in the development and delivery of quality improvement in primary health care.

The foundation says medical general practices

can participate in Measure and Act by measuring important quality improvement indicators that will help determine if there are any service level gaps at the practice. Under the scheme, general practices will also be able to benchmark their work with other peers participating in the initiative.

"After some basic steps to submit quality indicators we will be able to demonstrate any gaps to the general practice through a specifically designed dashboard in our secure web portal," IF chief executive Colin Frick said.

IF says its work has won the support of Federal Assistant Minister for Health Fiona Nash.

More information at www.improve.org.au/ctg

Review puts mental health in spotlight



A NATIONAL review examining effective mental health strategies for Indigenous people has highlighted the ongoing need for culturally-appropriate and holistic programs and services. A new Closing the Gap Clearinghouse issues paper shows that prevention, treatment and early intervention programs that are Aboriginal-led, family-focussed and culturally responsive are the most effective in supporting positive change in Indigenous mental health and wellbeing.

The review looked at a range of services and programs in place around Australia and found the ones that acknowledge the importance of self-determination, community leadership and governance, community life and connectedness to country were more effective in dealing with Indigenous mental health issues.

Joint first authors Professor Pat Dudgeon, from the School of Indigenous Studies at the University of Western Australia, and Associate Professor Roz Walker, from the Telethon Kids Institute, said the paper provides significant feedback to government and service providers about the best way forward on the issue.

"Ultimately the paper confirms what many Aboriginal people have been saying for the past two decades — that targeted programs with a focus on culture, family and community will deliver the best outcomes," Assoc-Prof Walker said.

Prof Dudgeon, who is also chair of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leadership in Mental Health, and a National Mental Health Commissioner, says the review provides an important reference to government.

"This review has allowed us to report back to government on what are effective strategies and what aren't, and we are hopeful this information will provide valuable guidance for future policy and ongoing success for the Australian Government's Closing the Gap agenda," she said.

This paper was commissioned by the Closing the Gap Clearinghouse, a Council of Australian Governments initiative jointly funded by all Australian governments. The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare and the Australian Institute of Family Studies run the clearinghouse.



At the after-hours general practice service launch in Alice Springs, from left, AMSANT chief executive John Paterson, NT Health Minister Robyn Lambley, Wurli Wurlingjang Health Service chief executive Marion Srymgour, Congress chief medical officer public health Dr John Boffa, Baker IDI executive director David Lloyd and Congress chief executive Donna Ah Chee.

Alice service launched



ALICE Springs now has an after-hours general practice service.

Northern Territory Health Minister Robyn Lambley officially launched the service,

which has already attended to hundreds of people this month.

The service is run by Central Australian Aboriginal Congress Aboriginal Corporation, funded by the Federal Government, and administered by NT Medicare Local and the NT Government.

The practice offers urgent treatment for illnesses such as allergic reactions,

acute vomiting and fevers in children and treatment for accidents such as cuts, sprains and falls. It does not replace a regular GP appointment or offer services provided by the Alice Springs Hospital Emergency Department.

"This is the first time in Australia that an Aboriginal community-controlled health service has used its expertise and resources to deliver an after-hours general practice service to the whole community based in the local hospital," Congress chief executive Donna Ah Chee said.

"The new service will ease some of the pressure placed on the Alice

Springs Hospital's Emergency Department, which often becomes congested with patients experiencing non-life-threatening health problems.

"We hope to provide more services to the whole community, building on the success of our headspace service which, for many years, has cared for young, non-Aboriginal people, and now following this, our new after-hours service."

The new service is open Monday to Friday, 6-9pm and Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays (except Christmas Day), 2-5pm.

It is in the Outpatients Department at the Alice Springs Hospital.

Warning over dementia risk



HEALTH authorities want Indigenous communities to "start yarning about dementia, healthy ageing and aged care".

Dementia is the third leading cause of death in Australia, and currently affects more than 332,000 people.

It's an important health issue for Aboriginal and Torres Strait people, with research showing there are high rates of dementia in many Indigenous communities.

Dementia is a word used to describe the symptoms of up to 70 diseases that cause the brain to stop working properly. Health authorities say it's not a normal part of getting old, and it's not a sign of a person going crazy or mad.

Some of the signs that someone may have dementia can include them having problems remembering names or recent events. They may find it hard to do everyday tasks or learn new things, and their moods or behaviour might change.

Health authorities say people with such symptoms should immediately visit their doctor or medical centre.

They says it's also a good idea for families to take the time to speak on a regular basis about the health and wellbeing of older family members, and the care they may need in the future.

For more information on dementia, call the National Dementia Helpline on 1800 100 500.

Apunipima in Hall of Fame



CAIRNS-based Apunipima Cape York Health Council has been inducted into the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) Hall of Fame.

Apunipima was recognised because of the organisation's commitment to ensuring good governance through community control. The induction was held during the QAIHC 2014 award ceremony, held this month.

Apunipima has a community control philosophy, with a board made up of elected community members and skills-based directors.

The organisation's strategic plan sets out clear objectives to be met by 2019 and its health action teams and communities receive regular reports on the health of residents.

Apunipima chairman Thomas Hudson welcomed the award.

"It recognises our community control philosophy and the outcomes it is achieving in terms of improved access to health services, improved health literacy, engagement and accountability," he said.

"We have a clear vision to become a community-owned organisation that has achieved optimal wellness for Cape York people and we recognise the only way to do that is for health services across Cape York to become fully community controlled.

"We are committed to maintain strong governance systems and processes to make sure that Cape York people receive the best quality health services we can deliver."

Apunipima was originally established in 1994 as an advocacy organisation, but has grown into a health service delivery organisation providing maternal and child health, allied health, health promotion and medical officer services to the 11 communities of Cape York.



Former Apunipima chairman Bernie Singleton at the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council awards.



Former Young Australian of the Year Tania Major and special guest comedian Sean Choolburra with the Catholic colleges award winners in Townsville.

Major inspires award winners

By ALF WILSON



MORE than 100 people, including 35 students, heard an inspiring speech from former Young Australian of the Year Tania Major during a recent Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander education awards presentation in Townsville.

Students and staff from Catholic colleges in Townsville, the Burdekin, Ingham, Abergowrie, Charters Towers,

Proserpine and Mount Isa received awards based on their leadership, academic and sporting achievements, as well as their contributions to the life of their school communities.

Students eligible for the awards were involved in two key programs – the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program (IYLP) and the Sports Academy, coordinated by Townsville Catholic Education.

Senior education officer (Indigenous education) Jenny Wills said the awards program was a great opportunity to

recognise the achievements of Indigenous students as well as acknowledge the staff who support them.

"These students are receiving awards for their achievements, leadership and overall behaviour as role models for others in their school and home communities," she said.

Commitment

The program included the presentation of the inaugural Bishop Michael Putney Year 12 Scholarship in memory and recognition of the late bishop's

commitment to Indigenous education. Samuel Pearson, of St Teresa's College, Abergowrie, won the scholarship and was successful in several other award categories.

Elder Jim Gaston attended the award to see his 14-year-old grand daughter Maya Gaston, who attends Ryan Community School, win one of the awards. "The whole family is so proud of her; she is an amazing young woman. And our son James Gaston Jnr will finish his degree in teaching this year," Mr Gaston told the *Koori Mail*.

Minister praises Clontarf Academy program for boys



A PROGRAM at Cecil Andrews Senior High School in the Perth suburb of Armadale designed to encourage Aboriginal boys to

attend school and increase their job prospects has been praised.

Western Australia Education and Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier said that after only five months, the Clontarf Academy program was having a positive impact on the 30 students, improving overall attendance by 10%.

"Improved attendance has been the most notable effect of the academy, which has changed students' experiences of, and attitudes towards, school," he said. "Some students weren't attending school regularly at the start of this school year and

didn't have an interest in their education. They are now emerging as confident and conscientious school leaders."

The academy has increased overall attendance levels from 55% in term one to 65% at the end of term three.

The Clontarf Academy aims to improve the education, discipline, life-skills, self-esteem and employment prospects for young Aboriginal men, often using participation in an Australian rules football team as motivation for attending school.

It offers students extra academic support, Aboriginal mentors, morning training and breakfast programs, transport to and from school, and life skills classes that help them achieve their best at school and in further education and employment once they graduate.

PALS win for Harvey



HARVEY Primary School is the overall winner in this year's Western Australia PALS (Partnership, Acceptance, Learning, Sharing) Awards.

PALS is an initiative of the WA Department of Aboriginal Affairs aimed at encouraging youth to help strengthen relations between Aboriginal and other people.

State Aboriginal Affairs Minister Peter Collier said the winning project was a great example of how the PALS program was used in schools to build cultural awareness and understanding through shared experiences.

"Harvey Primary School ran activities during NAIDOC week that included Noongar language lessons, dancing, art, a football clinic, storytelling, a cook-up and a focus on bush medicine," he said. "This was a fantastic project that allowed all students to engage with Aboriginal culture through something that appealed to them, be it sport, art, storytelling or food."

This year, 188 schools across WA coordinated 225 PALS projects.

Winning and finalist schools in each category –

● Aboriginal Language: Glen Huon Primary School (Eaton, winner) and Babakin Primary School (Wheatbelt).

● Community Participation:

Bremer Bay Primary School (winner) and East Wanneroo Primary School.

● Student Engagement: Canning Secondary Behaviour Centre and Cecil Andrews Senior High School (winners) and Assumption Catholic Primary School (Meadow Springs) and John Pujajangka-Piyirn Catholic School (Mulan – East Kimberley).

● Health: Margaret River Primary School (winner) and Wagin District High School.

● Environment: Ardross Primary School (winner) and Australind Senior High School.

● The Arts: Coolbinia Primary School (winner) and Christ Church Grammar School (Claremont).

Healthy results for Winnunga pair



IT'S been a big month for two workers at Canberra's Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health

Service. Jordan Savage was accepted into the Australian National University's post-graduate medical degree program, while Kale Moore won the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers' Association Young Warrior Award.

"I was absolutely rapt – it was totally unexpected," Wiradjuri man Mr Moore, 20, said.

For Mr Savage, it was a case of third time lucky.

"I had tried to enter the ANU medical degree program twice before but missed out. It is terribly competitive," the 23-year-old, who already has a medical science degree, said.

"To study medicine has been a lifelong dream," Mr Savage said.

Winnunga chief executive Julie Tongs said both achievements had special significance.

"They are two young Aboriginal achievers," she said.

"It is proof positive that when young Aboriginal people are encouraged and working in a nurturing environment they can make their dreams come true. I am immensely proud of them both."

● Pictured: Jordan Savage, left, and Kale Moore with Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service chief executive Julie Tongs.

High praise for DARE program



THE University of Southern Queensland (USQ) DARE (Dream Aspire Reach

Experience) Program has been praised at its annual awards ceremony.

The thirds annual DARE ceremony, held at USQ Toowoomba, offered a chance to acknowledge mentors and student participants of the DARE Indigenous Secondary School Student Mentoring Program.

DARE project manager Megan Darr said it was an important and enjoyable event.

"More than 170 students took part in the DARE program this year and I was pleased to recognise their hard work over the past year," she said.

"Our DARE mentors also received awards, as the program would not be possible without their dedication.

"I was also heartened by the massive turnout to the ceremony – we had



Jack Kearns and Danni-Rae Connelly at the University of Southern Queensland DARE Awards ceremony.

students, parents and mentors travelling from Cunnamulla, Charleville and Fraser Coast areas as well as across Toowoomba and the Darling Downs."

Mrs Darr said there were plenty of highlights to celebrate.

"It was only recently that hundreds of students attended the university for the DARE Traditional Indigenous Games School Competition," she said.

"That competition brought many people together to experience and enjoy traditional Indigenous

culture. Another successful event was the DARE Leadership Camp, held in August, where 200 students improved leadership skills over three days.

DARE aims to develop the aspirations of students through face-to-face mentoring and engagement with parents, teachers and the Indigenous Community.

It connects Indigenous secondary school students with USQ students, Indigenous organisations, business owners and Elders.

Grants to fund ANU research



THE Australian National University (ANU) will lead new research aimed at improving public discourse on Indigenous issues and safeguarding the language of the people of the Western Desert.

The research will be funded under new Australian Research Council (ARC) grants.

ANU was one of only two institutions to secure funding for two Indigenous Discovery grants, worth a total of \$936,000.

Professor Mick Dodson, from the National Centre for Indigenous Studies, secured \$456,000 for three years for a project to examine 'deficit discourse', which frames Indigenous identity in a narrative of negativity and deficiency.

The research will examine how Indigenous school children are affected by deficit discourse. "We're excited by this grant. It's long overdue," Prof Dodson said.

"We've wanted to look at the question of deficit discourse for some years now. The aim is to see if we can improve the public discourse, and improve the outcomes for Indigenous school students."

The other ARC Indigenous Discovery grant went to research led by Elizabeth Marrkilyi Ellis, from the Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research, aimed at revitalising endangered language styles of the Ngaanyatjarra and Ngaatjatjarra people of the Western Desert.

Ms Ellis is a Ngaatjatjarra educator, interpreter and linguist.

"The project will provide a significant and unique contribution to our understanding of speech styles and the verbal arts in the Western Desert," she said. "It will be an investment in the heritage value of the world's small endangered languages."

The project received \$480,000 funding over three years.

Kevin's world...



WHAT'S it like to be a proud black man in Australia? This question and many more will be answered when Aboriginal comedian Kevin Kropinyeri takes to the stage in Sydney later this month.

He'll be doing a one-man show called *Welcome to My World*. Kropinyeri's sharp wit will focus on such topics as childhood, 'black in-laws', and extended family.

The show will be held at Giant Dwarf, 199 Cleveland Street, Redfern, on Saturday, November 29, from 8pm. Costs apply. For more details and to book, go to www.giantdwarf.com.au/tickets

We welcome items for our Calendar of Events. Please keep them short and to the point, and send them to any of the addresses listed in the panel on page 23.

Ongoing: Lifeline. Saving lives. Crisis support. Suicide prevention. Call 13 11 14.

Carer Line is a free national 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. For more information, call the Registration and Information Service on 1800 242 636 or visit www.carersnsw.org.au

Until December 11: Frank Yamma's *Uncle* album launch Tour. Performing at venues across Victoria and NSW. Details: www.frankyamma.com

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 Indigenous people across NSW who would benefit from a regular yarn. Details: Kerrie on 0429 151 112.

Until November 23: *Our Culture, Our Compass* exhibition. Featuring works by the NSW Aboriginal Women's Collective. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Art Co-op, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt

from Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or visit www.boomalli.com.au

Until November 30: *Martu Art from the Far Western Desert* exhibition. A selection of paintings by 29 Martu artists of their ngurra (country), a vast area of the Great Sandy, Little Sandy and Gibson deserts in Western Australia. At the Museum of Contemporary Art, 140 George St, The Rocks, Sydney daily 10am-5pm and 10am-9pm Thurs. Free entry. Details: (02) 9245 4361 or visit www.mca.com.au

Until December 23: Beauty skill set course. An opportunity to complete a course in beauty, make-up and skincare. Held at Wollongbar TAFE, northern NSW, on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9.30am-2.30pm. Free course. Details: Leanne Holmes on 0409 074 401 or email Leanne.holmes6@tafensw.edu.au

November 19-20: Poche Centre for Indigenous Health Key Thinker Forum and Aboriginal Health Research Showcase Forum. Held at The University of

Sydney from noon-4.30pm on November 19 and 9.30am-4pm on November 20. Details: Sheree or Jemma on (02) 9114 0829 or email poche.admin@sydney.edu.au

November 19-December 13: *Figuratively Speaking: Town Camp artists tell their stories* exhibition.

An exhibition of soft sculptures by Yarrenyty Arltre artists and paintings by Tangentyere artists from Alice Springs.

Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St, Waterloo from Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm. Free gallery entry.

November 20: Book launch and public dialogue event.

Join Sean Choolburra, Tanya Hosch, Tim Gartrell and a group of eight Aboriginal and other authors for a discussion about black-white relations in Australia. Held at The Utzon Room, Sydney Opera House, from 6-9pm.

Cost: \$35 a person (includes refreshments).

Details (02) 8262 3589 or visit www.benevolent.org.au/leadership

November 20-November 27: Breast screening and cervical screening programs launch. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their families are invited to the launch of Cancer Institute NSW's new resources, includes food, drink and entertainment. Held at various locations including Shoalhaven (Nov 20), Maitland (Nov 26) and Tamworth (Nov 27) all 10am-1pm. Free. Details: Janine French on 0432 364 828.

November 20-30: Corroboree Sydney 2014. A celebration of Australia's Indigenous cultures, featuring artists, writers, dancers and musicians showcasing their creativity and sharing stories in over 100 free and ticketed events. For details of the full program visit www.corroboreesydney.com.au

November 21-December 14: Bangarra's *Page 8* performance. A one-man show about Munaldjali and Nunukal man David Page. Held at Studio Theatre, Pier 4, 15 Hickson Rd, Walsh Bay (various time - refer to website). Cost:

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\$49 full, \$35 concession. Details: (02) 9251 5226 or visit www.bangarra.com.au/performance/

November 21: Paul Davis-Welsh Memorial Golf Day. Featured a four-person ambrose, memorabilia auction and past and present NRL players. Cost: \$200 a team, \$50 a player. Details: (02) 6552 3244.

November 21: Ballina Community Centre open day, to provide information about aged care, disability services, carer support, respite services, family and youth services, housing, volunteer services, mental health support and more. Held at 83B River St, Ballina, from 10am-12pm. Details: (02) 6618 7400 or visit www.fsg.org.au

November 22-23: Homeground Festival. A free outdoor festival celebrating the music, dance and culture of Australian and international indigenous peoples as part of Corroboree Sydney, including performances by Dan Sultan, Kids of Leo and many more. Free. Held at the Western Broadwalk, Sydney Opera House, Bennelong Point, Sydney Details: (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneyperehouse.com/homeground

November 25: Indigenous Storytelling Garden official opening. Yenmala Nura, Reverse Garbage and Billyara Art have transformed the once derelict and run-down garden area into a community space with Indigenous designs, patterns and colours. Held at Reverse Garden, in the Addison Road Community Centre, 8/142 Addison Rd, Marrickville, from 12.30pm. Free. Reply to garden@reversegarbage.org.au or call mark on 0413 277 311

November 25 and December 4: Reduce Risk Increase Student Knowledge (RRISK) seminar 'Alcohol and other drugs: what people working with adolescents need to know', presented by Paul Dillion. Held at the Southern Cross University, Lismore, from 4-6pm, and at the Tweed Civic Centre, Brett St, Tweed Heads on December 4 from 4-6pm. Free. Details: (02) 6620 7504.

November 26: *Breimba* – looking for you official launch. This is the next stage in the search for identity of the Aboriginal people portrayed in the photographs taken by John William Lindt in 1874 in Grafton. Held at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton, from 10.30am. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

November 26: Night talk and exhibition viewing titled *Sea Country*. Held at the Australian Museum, 6 College St, Sydney, entry via Williams St, from 6.30-8.30pm. Cost: \$30 members, \$40 non-members. Bookings: (02) 9320 6225 or visit www.australianmuseum.net.au

November 27-28: Aboriginal Family Law Conference. A two-day statewide conference at UTS, The Guthrie Theatre, Peter Johnson Building, Building 6, Harris St, Broadway from 9.30am. Free. Details: Jenny Dawson or Rick Welsh on (02) 8522 4412 or www.greatersydney.flpn.com.au

November 29: *Welcome To My World* comedy show featuring Aboriginal comedian Kevin Kropinyeri. Held at Giant Dwarf, 199 Cleveland St, Redfern, from 8pm. Cost: \$25 a person. Bookings: www.giantdwarf.com.au/tickets or (03) 9533 2602

November 29-30 – June 6-7: Playwriting Australia-Aboriginal Playwriting Course (stage one). A project to support Aboriginal people to share their stories through playwriting and performance. Based in Dubbo, but is open to Aboriginal people 16 and over living in regional NSW. Details: Melissa Ryan on 0409 245 020 or email aado@oranaarts.com



The authors of *Lost Conversations*, from left, Kim Robertson, Jane Martin, Geoff Aigner, Cheryl Godwell, Libby Varcoe, Liz Skelton, Grant Paulson and Mark Yettica-Paulson. Absent: John Rawnsley.

Lost Conversations at the Opera House



COMEDIAN Sean Choolburra, Recognise Campaign directors Tanya Hosch and Tim Gartrell and eight Aboriginal and other authors will feature in a discussion tomorrow (November 20) about black/white relations in Australia at the launch of *Lost Conversations—Finding new ways for black and white Australians to lead together*.

The result of two years' experience working together as part of a Social Leadership Australia initiative, *Lost*

Conversations brings together the perspectives and personal stories of five Aboriginal and four non-Indigenous authors, all with first-hand knowledge of what happens when black and white Australians come together to try and work on change.

The panel will discuss a range of topics relevant to all Australians.

Lost Conversations will be held from 6pm tomorrow (Thursday) at The Utzon Room, Sydney Opera House.

Tickets are \$35. More details at www.benevolent.org.au/leadership

November 30: Bangarra celebrates 25 years. Marking the final night of Corroboree Sydney 2014, this is a free outdoor event, including short performances, music and dance performances, MCed by Debra Mailman.

Held on the forecourt of the Sydney Opera House from 6.30pm. Free event. Details: (02) 9251 5333 or visit www.bangarra.com.au

December 5-6: Aboriginal Studies Association (ASA) 2014 conference. Keynote speakers are Linda Burney MP, Dr Don Weatherburn and Dr Paddy Cavanagh. Conference fees apply. Registration closes November 28. Details: NSWAECC on (02) 9550 5666 or email [tara.ryan@aecg.nsw.edu.au](mailto: tara.ryan@aecg.nsw.edu.au) or dave.lardner@aecg.nsw.edu.au

December 9: YWCA's Goonellabah Christmas Party. Includes carols, jumping castle, activities, visit from Santa, wet and wonderful, lucky ticket raffle and free barbecue. Held at Goonellabah and District Soccer Club, Reserve Rd, Goonellabah, from 4-6pm. Free event. Details: (02) 6625 5800.

December 10-13: NAISDA Dance College *Your skin, my skin* production. Held at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson St, Eveleigh, daily at 2pm and 8pm. Cost: Adults \$18-\$38, Children 16 and under \$20. Bookings essential. Details: (02) 8571 9099 or visit www.carriageworks.com.au

Northern Territory

Until November 28: Sista Sounds workshops. Sista Sounds will visit eight Central Australian communities for the second block of remote music workshops.

They will be run through schools and youth programs. Communities include Kintore, Mimili, Warakurna, Ntaria and Titjikala. For more information and to register, call (08) 8952 0322 or email sistasounds@musicnt.com.au or visit www.musicnt.com.au/divas

November 25: Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council 20 years anniversary. Commemorating 20 years of protection for women on the APY lands. Held at NPY Women's Council, gate 2, 3 Wilkinson St, Alice Springs. Details: (08) 8958 2345 or visit www.npywc.org.au

Queensland

Until December 6: *Stockroom Expose* exhibition. Introduces a selection of new works from established artists including Netta Loogatha and Ethel Thomas. Held at KickArts Contemporary Arts, 96 Abbott St, Cairns, from Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (07) 4050 9494 or visit www.kickarts.org.au

Until January 15: Entries open for the 2015 *Gab Titui Indigenous Art Award*, an annual showcase of art and craft produced in the communities of the Torres Strait and Northern Peninsula Area. Details: (07) 4069 0888 or visit www.gabtitui.com.au

Until November 29: *KINSHIP: A culture of Connection* exhibition. A touring solo exhibition by Jandamarra Cadd, showcasing the relationships between family members, the passing on of teachings and traditions. Held at Brisbane Modern Art Gallery, 483 Brunswick St, Fortitude Valley on Tues-Sat, 10am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (07) 3358 1230 or visit www.brisbanemodernart.com.au

Western Australia

Ongoing: Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company Writers Group meeting for new and emerging playwrights.

Held on the second Monday of the month at Yirra Yaakin, 65 Murray Street, Perth, from 6.30-8.30pm.

Details: Irma on (08) 9202 1966 or www.yirrayaakin.com.au

Victoria

Until November 21: *I Love A Calendar Show: Aboriginal Art from the Koorie Heritage Trust*. An exhibition of 12 artworks from the trust's collections that will feature in the 2015 calendar. Held at the Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King Street, Melbourne, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

November 25 and December 9: Weaving Circle activity to learn how to make a set of coasters, placemats or baskets. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King St, Melbourne, from noon-1pm. Cost: \$15 a session. Bookings essential. Details: (03) 8622 2614 or visit exhibitions@koorieheritagetrust.com

Until December 7: Rivers To Recognition campaign, which aims to raise awareness of recognition of the First People. A series of free workshops and community forums will be held to examine what constitutional recognition means for Indigenous Australians.

Held in the western region including Brimbank, Maribyrnong, Melton, Moonee Valley and Wyndham council areas. Details: (03) 9932 1000 or visit www.hobsonsabay.vic.gov.au

Until February 27: *Men's Business: From The Darling To The Bay* exhibition. Presenting a journey into the lives of 10 Indigenous men from south-east Australia. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King Street, Melbourne, weekdays 9am-5pm. Free. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

November 28: *Saltwater Dreamings: Indigenous Animations from the Yanyuwa PG*. This is a series of short animated songlines brought to the big screen for the first time.

Held at CLIFF Theatre Royal, 30 Hargraves St, Castlemaine, from 7pm. Cost: \$12-\$15.50. Details: (03) 5472 1196 or visit www.cliff.net.au

December 8-February 27: The Koorie Art Show 2014. Showcasing the talent of Victoria's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists in one space. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, 295 King Street, Melbourne, weekdays 9am-5pm. Free. Details: (03) 8622 2600 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

December 14: Aborigines Advancement League (AAL) Christmas Tree. Celebrations include a raffle, barbecue lunch, show bags, rides, games and more. Held at Aborigines Advancement League, 2 Watt St, Thornbury from 11am-3pm. Cost: \$5 a child. To register contact reception on (03) 9480 7777.

South Australia

Until December 7: *Our Mob* exhibition. An annual exhibition showcasing the talents of South Australian-based Aboriginal artists, it aims to create an outlet for artists to share their stories. Held at the Artspace and Festival foyers, Adelaide Festival Centre, King William St, Adelaide, Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free. Details: (08) 8216 8600 or visit www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au

Employment

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New Aboriginal Employment Strategy chief executive Kristy Masella.



From being the first in her family to finish high school to completing a master's degree in Human Rights Law and Policy, the new chief executive of the Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES), Dharumbal (central Queensland) woman Kristy Masella, is all about game changing.

Not only does she aim to build on the AES's results in securing employment and rewarding careers for Indigenous people – more than 5000 jobs created in three years – Ms Masella says she wants to work with Indigenous Australians to break

into industries and careers that have been “off limits” in the past.

As well as securing more employment and training opportunities for Indigenous Australians, she is focussed on supporting jobseekers to get into careers like finance, banking and information technology, and she wants to create opportunities for Aboriginal women to break into what have been male-dominated careers.

“It's about creating opportunities for Indigenous Australians, creating more choices, opening new doors and knocking down barriers,” Ms Masella said. “I will be focussing on the big opportunities, but also

want to broker career opportunities in niche areas – areas young Aboriginal people haven't even considered. Nothing is off limits.”

AES chairman Dick Estens welcomed Ms Masella. “Kristy packs a determination that will see the AES Group tackle continued success toward careers for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people,” he said.

Passions

Education and training and social justice are the passions of Ms Masella, who was a nominee for the 2014 NSW Aboriginal Justice Award.

“The AES is focussed on

creating career opportunities, building skills and also pushing into areas that have not been traditionally open to us,” she said.

“We want to build a new generation of Aboriginal professionals with solid education and training. This has a flow-on effect to our communities in that it creates wealth in those communities where people are working.

“That leads to access to better services, better education and home ownership. Aboriginal people have a right to these opportunities.”

Ms Masella says one of the great strengths of the AES is that it understands business needs,

combined with understanding local Aboriginal people's interests and aspirations and their talents.

“It's a personalised approach and the AES prides itself on its strong relationships, and that we are there for the long haul with a full swag of supports,” she says.

“That ‘Indigenous know-how’ means we offer a culturally competent service, particularly for local jobs in smaller communities, because we know and understand the community and its history and challenges. That ‘know how’ in turn means we are trusted by the local community.”

For further information about the AES, visit the website <http://www.aes.org.au/>

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Australian Government
Department of Industry

State based Indigenous Traineeship

Job reference number – 0103TB

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For more details and to apply go to: <http://www.industry.gov.au>

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Australian Government
Department of Human Services

The Department of Human Services (the department) is about people and is the Government's focal point for delivering social and health related services to all Australians at different stages of their lives. The department includes Child Support, Centrelink and Medicare, as well as CRS Australia and Australian Hearing. Each day, about a million people make contact with the department and each year we deliver more than \$140 billion in payments. The department is in the process of filling a wide range of jobs in many locations and is seeking talented and motivated people to join the department.

Ongoing (permanent) job roles in Service Delivery Operations and Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

The filling of these employment opportunities is intended to constitute a Special Measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 and is restricted to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

If you identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander we have job opportunities for you.

The Service Delivery Operations job roles are located Australia-wide in all metropolitan, regional and remote areas, and the Information and Communication Technology job roles are located in Adelaide and Brisbane.

Salary range: \$50,580 - \$132,809 (depending on APS classification level: APS Level 2 – Executive Level 2 and professional equivalents)

The Service Delivery Operations job roles cover all front-line jobs ranging from face-to-face service centres, call centres, social work support, outreach services, and mobile service centres.

The Information and Communication Technology job roles support the organisation's ICT strategies, plans and operations.

The job levels vary depending on the nature and complexity of the work.

These positions are advertised under the RecruitAbility Scheme. Should you declare you have a disability, opt into the scheme, and meet the minimum requirements for the positions at the shortlisting stage, you will be progressed to further assessment (which may or may not include an interview depending on the recruitment process). For more information see: <http://www.apsc.gov.au/disability/recruitability>.

To apply: Visit humanservices.gov.au/joinus or call our Indigenous contact officer on 1800 906 144, press 1 (DHS staff), then press 1 (HR Services), then press 3 (Recruitment).

Applications close at 11:30 pm Thursday 27 November 2014.

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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.



NSW RURAL DOCTORS NETWORK

Western NSW Eye Health Senior Project Officer

- Sydney based
- 3 days/week
- \$75,709 - \$85,173 FTE per annum

The NSW Rural Doctors Network (NSW RDN) is a not for profit organisation supporting access to health services in rural and remote NSW communities through a range of activities.

RDN is currently seeking the services of a Senior Project Officer to improve access to eye health services for populations in Western NSW with a particular focus on eye care for Aboriginal populations.

Based in Sydney this role offers a great opportunity for an experienced project officer to implement a range of initiatives to improve accessibility to eye health services in Western NSW.

Major responsibilities of the position include:

- Developing and implementing tools to promote and facilitate improved communication and coordination and collaboration between service providers;
- Undertaking eye health service and workforce planning for the region;
- Developing a comprehensive eye health service model that is integrated with chronic care;
- Providing secretariat support for quarterly Eye Health Partnership meetings

Please refer to the RDN website for an information package, including the full job description and selection criteria. Go to www.nswrdn.com.au, click on "About Us" and then "Careers with RDN".

All applicants must address the selection criteria as outlined in the Job Description.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for this position.

Applications will be accepted until close of business 28 November 2014.

For further information or a confidential discussion, please call Dr Rose Ellis, Director Workforce Training and Development, NSW Rural Doctors Network on 02 8337 8100 or email applications to ggoninan@nswrdn.com.au

ANINDILYAKWA LAND COUNCIL
Groote Eylandt



Learning on Country Coordinator

Are You An Experienced Educator Seeking an Exciting Challenge?

- **Do you have demonstrated experience in coordinating youth programs within protected areas?**
- **Do you have the capacity to work independently and remotely, as well as collaboratively and cross culturally?**
- **Do you have in depth knowledge and appreciation of remote-based Aboriginal issues and experience working with Aboriginal people?**

If you answered **YES** to the above you have a unique opportunity to make a **REAL** difference as a Learning on Country Coordinator.

The Anindilyakwa Land Council (ALC) is located on Groote Eylandt. The Groote Eylandt Archipelago is situated on the western side of the Gulf of Carpentaria and has a unique and pristine terrestrial and marine environment.

In this role you will work as part of the Land and Sea Management Unit and at times, you will be required to manage a group of rangers working on country. This role will work closely with Aboriginal community members and the four schools across the Archipelago to develop and collaboratively implement the Learning on Country Program. A critical outcome to the Program's success is developing pathways to employment for school children to enter land and sea management on the Eylandt. This position will report to the ALC Land and Sea Manager and will work closely with two other coordinators in our team.

This position is based in Alyangula, which offers facilities such as a gym, golf course, tennis and squash courts, swimming pool and an oval. There is great fishing across the Archipelago.

An attractive and highly competitive salary package will be offered, including holiday travel assistance, relocation and accommodation. We welcome applications from Aboriginal people.

This role is a fixed term contract funded to 3 March 2016 with the expectation that funding will be extended.

Applications close 28 November 2014.

For further information and to receive a position description outlining relevant selection criteria please contact Rick Taylor on 0429 854 223 or email manager@alcrangers.com.au



Government of South Australia
Department of Environment,
Water and Natural Resources

Manager, Co-Management & Public Lands

NATURAL RESOURCES ALINYTJARA WILURARA
NATURAL RESOURCES CENTRE, CEDUNA OR METROPOLITAN ADELAIDE

Term Contract until 30/06/2017

\$89,572 – \$97,230 p.a. (ASO7)

Vacancy No: C8058/2014

The Manager, Co-Management and Public Lands is an integral part of the Region's Leadership Team and provides leadership and support to Co-management Boards, the AW NRM Board, Traditional Owners and DEWNR staff in relation to the management of lands and waters and Aboriginal owned land in accordance with the NPWS Act (1972), relevant Co-Management Agreements, Marine Parks Act (2007) and NRM Act (2004) in the Alinytjara Wilurara NRM region. In partnership with other branches of DEWNR, the role will also play a key leadership, influencing and support role in the development and successful delivery of co-management park plans which align the aspirations of recognised Traditional Owners, the Director of National Parks and Wildlife and the Alinytjara Wilurara NRM Board.

The Manager, Co-Management and Public Lands will take a leadership role in relation to management of staff located at the Ceduna Natural Resources Centre.

Essential Qualifications: A degree in Natural Resource Management or a related field is highly desirable.

Enquiries to: Dr Matthew Ward, Regional Manager, phone 0428 116 023, matthew.ward@sa.gov.au

For more information visit the Notice of Vacancies website: www.vacancies.sa.gov.au

Applications Close: 5pm 21 November 2014

Persons from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are strongly encouraged to apply.

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Careers in the Tropics

Lecturer – Social Work

Ref. No. 14274 – Townsville or Cairns

The appointee will contribute to the Bachelor of Social Work and Masters of Social Work programs through teaching and research informed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Equal Opportunity in Employment if University Policy.

Employment Type: Appointment will be full-time on a continuing basis.

Salary: Academic Level B - \$84,700 - \$99,942 per annum.

Commencing salary will be in accordance with qualifications and experience.

Benefits include a generous superannuation scheme with 17% employer contributions, five weeks annual recreation leave, flexible working arrangements and attractive options for salary packaging.

Applications close on 25 November 2014.

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Employment Opportunity



SOCIAL & COMMUNITY SERVICES EMPLOYEE

Aboriginal Intensive Family Support Service

Full Time Permanent: 76 hours/fortnight - Ref No: 14/57

Centacare, Port Macquarie requires a suitably qualified and experienced Social and Community Services Employee for the Aboriginal Intensive Family Support Service. This position will support families who reside in the traditional land of the Biripi or Dughutti people. The primary purpose of this position is to undertake case work with Aboriginal Families, with a child or young person with a disability under a high level of stress or in crisis, to resolve their immediate difficulties and create a safe, stable and nurturing home environment. In fulfilling this purpose the incumbent is required to be familiar with, support and act in accordance with, the Parish Vision and Mission as they relate to this position.

Salary and conditions are in accordance with the Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010, Level 3. An attractive salary packaging arrangement is also available.

HOW TO APPLY

An information package, which contains the vacancy's Selection Criteria, must be obtained in order to complete your application. This can be downloaded from the website: www.stagneparish.org.au, or by calling HR Administration on 6588 7444. All applications must address the selection criteria listed above, and enclose a current Resume and copies of relevant qualifications.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: FRIDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2014

Direct enquiries for this position can be made to Angie Stewart, Business and Development Manager, by calling 6581-6800 or by email to ASTewart@cc.stagneparish.org.au

Applications quoting **Ref No: 14/57** should be addressed to the HR Recruitment & Training Officer, and emailed to positionapplications@stagneparish.org.au OR posted to PO Box 1736, Port Macquarie NSW 2444.

Child Legislation requires preferred applicants to be subject to employment screening. A Criminal Record check will also be needed as well as the requirement to undergo an occupational assessment. St Agnes is an EEO Employer.



Justice
Juvenile Justice

Administrative Assistant (JJC)

Clerk Grade 1/2

Juvenile Justice

Taree

On-Going Part-Time

Position No: 00003A0Y

Salary range \$57,256 pa – \$62,245 pa pro-rata (\$31.35 ph – \$34.08 ph) PLUS employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Administrative Assistant is an integral part of the team. They provide essential clerical and administrative support to the Manager, supervisors and staff, as well as providing front line services to clients.

Selection Criteria:

- Effective oral and written communication skills.
- Excellent customer service and negotiation skills.
- Demonstrated computer/keyboard skills using a range of software.
- Demonstrated ability to work independently and exercise judgement in dealing with sensitive and confidential issues.
- Experience in general clerical duties.
- Ability to learn and assist in the budget monitoring process.
- Knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal Culture.

Job Notes: This is an **Ongoing (Permanent) Part-Time** role for 17.5 hours per week. Applicants are encouraged to obtain an information package. Recommended applicants will be subject to a criminal record check. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks.

The Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012, requires persons engaged in children related work to have Working with Children clearances. If successful in this role you will be required to provide a Working with Children Check clearance number prior to commencing in the role. To obtain further information and to apply for a WWCC clearance please visit www.kids.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/new-working-with-children-check

Enquiries: Graham Scaysbrook (02) 6562 0808

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 00003A0Y

Closing Date: 5 December 2014

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Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation



Do you have a passion for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music, culture and current affairs?

BLACKCHAT PRESENTER

\$50,000 pro rata

25 hours per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for presenting and producing content for Koori Radio 93.7FM's flagship news and current affairs program, Blackchat. The Presenter will provide current local and national stories and news. This position works Monday to Friday, 9am to 2pm. This is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identified position..

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

\$48,998 pro rata

3 days per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for key marketing initiatives as outlined in the GIS marketing strategy. The Communications Officer will develop promotional materials and communication strategies to inform and improve relationships with the community and our key stakeholders. Working days are negotiable.

MAKING TRACKS PRESENTER

\$46,496 pro rata

25 hours per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for presenting and producing content for Koori Radio 93.7FM's- daily drive time program. Our drive time show broadcasts in the afternoon from 3pm - 6pm and is a light entertainment program. This position works Monday to Friday, 1pm to 6pm. This is an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identified position.

PRODUCTION COORDINATOR

\$44,987 pro rata

30 hours, 5 days per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for the production of content and maintenance of technical equipment for Koori Radio 93.7FM and KrOO digital, and GIS website. This position will provide daily production support for the on air studio, production studio, sponsorships, community service announcements, broadcasters, and programming. This is a full-time position working Monday to Friday, 9am to 3pm. This position also receives a Rostered Day Off (RDO) once a month.

ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

\$35,000 basic salary package

30 hours per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for the smooth functioning of the GIS office. The Administration Officer will provide reception duties and support the General Manager with administrative duties. The Administration officer is responsible for the management of GIS records including memberships. This is a full-time position working Monday to Friday, 9am to 3pm. The position also receives a Rostered Day Off (RDO) once a month.

PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR

\$44,987 pro rata

25 hours, 5 days per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for the production of content and maintenance of technical equipment for GIS, Koori Radio 93.7FM, KrOO digital, and GIS website. This position will provide daily production support for the on air studio, production studio, sponsorships, community service announcements, broadcasters, and programming. This is a full-time position working Monday to Friday, 5:30pm to 10:30pm.

ARTS DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

\$55,000 pro rata

4 days per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for the delivery of high quality arts and cultural programs. The Arts Development Coordinator leads the artist development sector of GIS. Projects include Gadigal Music, Klub Koori, and other art and cultural events as required. The position manages the delivery of outcomes as outlined in strategic plans, funding agreements and GIS business plan. The position also receives a Rostered Day Off (RDO) once a month.

WEEKEND SUPERVISOR

\$44,987 pro rata

10 hours, 2 days per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for the production of content and supervision of Koori Radio on weekends. GIS, Koori Radio 93.7FM, KrOO digital. This position will provide production support for the on air studio, production studio, sponsorships, community service announcements, broadcasters, and programming. This position is a weekend position working Saturday and Sunday for a total of 5 hours per day.

PROGRAM MANAGER

\$58,000 basic salary package

37.5 hours per week 12 month contract This position is responsible for managing the day to day operations of Koori Radio 93.7FM and its new digital platform KrOO. The Program Manager provides liaison between internal and external stakeholders and key media organisations. The Program Manager will manage the weekly programming schedule, broadcasters, sponsorship, and coordinate training opportunities. The position will also be responsible for the implementing and monitoring of Broadcasting rules and regulations, GIS policies and procedures and other relevant legislations relevant to radio operations. The position also receives a Rostered Day Off (RDO) once a month.

If you are interested in applying for any of the above positions please request an information package by contacting Jodie Choolburra, General Manager on (02) 9384 4000 or email generalmanager@gadigal.org.au

NOTE The Blackchat Presenter and Making Tracks Presenter positions are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander identified positions. The remaining positions are not Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified positions, however GIS encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to apply.

Applications close by 6pm, Friday, 28 November 2014

Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation (GIS) is a not-for profit organisation based in Redfern. GIS is home to Koori Radio 93.7FM and KrOO Digital Radio and is a leading Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander media and arts organisation. Our projects promote an understanding and appreciation of our cultures both locally and nationally. In 2014, the new GIS management undertook an organisational review and restructure and now we have some fantastic opportunities for you to join our team.

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Business Administration Trainee (Aboriginal)

Coffs Harbour: Temporary Part-Time (3 days/week) Job Ref: J00005518

This Traineeship with the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service provides the opportunity to acquire a Certificate III in Business Administration qualification over 12 months (with possibility of extension).

The position works with existing Administration staff and the Joint Management Coordinator in support of the Board of Management for Gaagal Wanggaan (South Beach) National Park.

To apply for the vacancy candidates must go to the following website: www.novaskill.com.au, and follow the prompts to vacancies – apprenticeships and traineeships.

Employment opportunities in Gaagal Wanggaan (South Beach) National Park aim to be filled by Gumbaynggirr people wherever reasonably practicable.



ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICER

Aboriginal Targeted Position
Forensic Services Group
Clerk Grade 1/2
Permanent Full-time
Jobs.NSW Requisition No.0000391Z

Salary Package: \$68,687. **Salary:** \$57,256 to \$62,245. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Administrative Support Officer assists team members from the Technology Unit by the way of administrative and clerical support of electronic fingerprint and biometric applications that include a number of field based biometric and digital equipment; including fingerprint capture devices and cameras.

This position provides a wide range of administrative and clerical functions across the Technology Unit. The nature of the duties varies and depends upon the nature, volume, period and workloads across the unit.

Job Notes:

- This position is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants **only** in accordance with the NSW Police Force Employment Strategy. Applicants for this position must satisfy the Aboriginality criteria.
- For your application to be considered, you **must**:
 - Give written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application; **or**
 - Attach a document addressing each of the selection criteria to your application; and
 - Attach an up-to-date resume to your application.
- The successful applicant will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.**

Enquiries: Fiona Martin on (02) 9768 0548

For the selection criteria, a full downloadable position description, an information package and to apply, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 0000391Z.

Closing date: Sunday, 14 December 2014

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Located in Batemans Bay, our client, SEARMS Aboriginal Corporation, operates to provide secure, affordable and culturally appropriate Aboriginal housing and other community services to the south eastern region of NSW. SEARMS is focused on providing the highest quality of housing services and being a viable and efficient Aboriginal controlled organisation that provides relief from poverty, misfortune, distress and helplessness to Aboriginal families and individuals.

Due to a recent restructure, SEARMS has an opportunity for a 2 senior positions available.

Both are Aboriginal identified positions.

General Manager (level 8 SCHADS Award)

- Full time
- 3-5 years GM experience
- Finance/Accounting qualification

The GM must have a thorough understanding of the contemporary issues impacting Aboriginal people and communities and be committed to driving housing and community programs to improve outcomes for our clients.

You must have excellent communication skills, and an accounting/finance qualification backed by at least 3 years experience leading a similar organisation within strict regulatory, governance and compliance frameworks.

Finance and Administration Manager (Level 6 SCHADS Award)

- Part time
- AP/AR skills and/or qualification ie Cert IV Fin. Services or equiv.
- 2 years' experience in a similar role and managing a team

This position ensures the smooth running of the office and includes management of the customer service team. Duties include day to day accounting, HR admin as well as purchasing and general admin support.

You must be proficient in the MS Office suite including advanced Excel and MYOB.

In return, SEARMS offers its staff an Award salary enhanced by salary packaging as well as commitment to the continuous training and development of its staff. SEARMS also offers benefits such as long service leave after 5 years and a day off for your birthday.

If you believe you have the skills and experience to be successful in either role please apply on line by going to <http://bloominghr.com.au/job-search/> to submit your resume and cover letter.

Post your application to: Natalie Carrington c/o SEARMS PO Box 584, Moruya, NSW, 2537.

For more information or to receive a copy of the resume, you can also contact Natalie Carrington on 0439 626 393.



The Australia Council is seeking applications for two key leadership positions, to commence in early 2015:

DIRECTOR NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

DIRECTOR THEATRE

Full time positions – contract term 3 years

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Director National Development will lead the development and implementation of Australia Council national arts strategy. This important role will be charged with ensuring that art form expertise and industry knowledge inform all Council activities, including the achievement of our strategic plan

Director Theatre will join a prestigious team of senior leaders who bring deep and rich arts practice knowledge and sector expertise to the Council's work as a champion and investor in Australian arts.

To obtain further information, please visit our careers page at <http://jobs.australiacouncil.gov.au>

Applications close Monday 8th December 2014 at 5.00pm (AEDT)

Aboriginal Project Officer Part Time Fixed Term



We are looking for a part time fixed term Project Officer to work on an exciting research program. The program focuses on safe travel for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, and aims to increase access to and use of child car seats in several Aboriginal communities across New South Wales. The position will be based at The George Institute for Global Health office in Sydney and will involve some travel to each of the sites around NSW.

THIS IS AN IDENTIFIED POSITION

In this position, the incumbent's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. The George Institute will accept proof of Aboriginality confirming the incumbent:

- Is of Aboriginal descent
- Identifies as an Aboriginal person, and
- Is accepted by the Aboriginal community in which they live.

To apply for this job go to:
www.thegeorgeinstitute.recruitmenthub.com.au
& enter ref code: 1838321.
Applications close 23 November 2014

DISCOVERY INNOVATION IMPACT



VAC as VAC/GMHC was formed in 1983 as a central part of the Victorian community response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic. VAC continues to lead the response by providing a range of services which include prevention education, treatment and care of PLHIV and counselling services. VACCHO is the peak body for Aboriginal health in Victoria. VACCHO is the leading advocate for the health of Aboriginal people in Victoria and a peak organisation to its Membership. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Men who have sex with Men [MSM] Peer Education & Support Project is collaboration between VAC and VACCHO and specifically works to promote the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander gay men and sister girls.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peer Education & Support Worker

The Melbourne based position is part-time (0.5 EFT) at 19 hours per week and is being offered as a 12 month contract with the possibility of extension.

Salary is paid under the Victorian AIDS Council Inc. and Gay Men's Health Centre Inc. Employment Agreement, Community Development Worker Class 2B Yr 1/SACS Level 5.1. The salary for the position is currently \$60,077 per annum pro rata (\$30.29 per hour). There is the option to salary package. Employer's contribution to superannuation (9.5%) will be paid on top of this package.

You will:

- Establish an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander MSM peer support model for the delivery of peer education and support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander MSM, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living with HIV
- Development or sourcing of culturally appropriate printed and electronic resources in HIV prevention and support for the Victorian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community
- Increase knowledge and awareness of HIV and prevention strategies in the Victorian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander MSM community
- Deliver Peer support groups, education workshops and information forums for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander MSM
- Increase access to culturally sensitive information, practical



Health
Justice Health &
Forensic Mental Health Network

Aboriginal Population Health Trainee (Aboriginal Identified)

Malabar

Temporary Full Time (up to 29/07/17)

JH No: 223663

Salary: Health Manager (State) Award, Level 1: \$1,260.40–\$1,695.40 pw.

Enquiries: Denise Monkley on 0408 273 465 or denise.monkley@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 24 November 2014.

- This is a dedicated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be able to prove Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act. JH&FMHN deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginal status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions either during the interview process or prior to commencement of the position.

To apply for this position please visit <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>
NSW Health Service – Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network is committed to Work Health & Safety, EEO, Ethical Practices, and the Principles of Cultural Diversity. Personal criminal records checks will be conducted. Prohibited persons as declared under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998 are not eligible to apply for child-related employment.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



(Funded by NSW Ministry of Health)

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service is currently recruiting to the position of Aboriginal Family Health Worker. This position forms part of the Social & Emotional Wellbeing team which also consists of Bringing Them Home male and female worker, Drug and Alcohol Worker, Men's Sexual Health Worker, Intake Officer and the Social & Emotional Wellbeing Team Leader.

Aboriginal Family Health Worker (Female)

The Aboriginal Family Health Worker position will provide culturally respectful and sensitive family health programs and services to the Aboriginal community, including health promotion and case management activities to achieve improved outcomes for individuals, families and the community. The successful applicant must possess or be committed to obtain Certificate IV or higher qualifications in Aboriginal Family Health which must be supported by extensive experience with Family Health Programs.

Note: *Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above position and is authorised under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. WACHS considers being a female as a genuine occupational qualification for this position under s. 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).*

An attractive package will be negotiated with the successful applicant in line with relevant qualifications, skills and experience.

Suitably qualified, skilled and experience persons are to contact Cherie Colliss, SEWB Team Leader at **Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (02) 6845 2565** for an information package which will detail the "Essential Criteria" to be addressed in the application.

Application close 5pm 5th December 2014

No faxed or late applications will be accepted.



People & Organisation Development Officer

Full Time, Permanent, Melbourne.

Details: <http://www.bushheritage.org.au/employment>



Health
Justice Health &
Forensic Mental Health Network

Senior Project Officer – Aboriginal Court Diversion Malabar

Temporary Full Time (up to 08/01/16)

JH No: 223277

Salary: Health Managers (State) Award, Level 3: \$1,926.60–\$2,196.20 pw.

Enquiries: Sharon Jacobs on (02) 9700 3016 or Sharon.Jacobs@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 30 November 2014.

• *This is a dedicated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be able to prove Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act. JH&FMHN deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginal status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions either during the interview process or prior to commencement of the position.*

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NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Aboriginal Liaison Officer

Position No: CCS114

We are seeking a highly motivated and experienced individual to join our Community Development Team. The role of the Aboriginal Liaison Officer is to facilitate effective relationships between Bega Valley Shire Council and local Aboriginal communities and ensure appropriate outcomes in relation to services, policies and planning.

Responsibilities include:

- Assist Council staff to build effective relationships with the Aboriginal community for the delivery of relevant services and projects
- Assist Council and the Local Aboriginal Lands Councils to develop, review and implement the Memorandum of Understanding
- Provide input into the development of Council policies and processes
- Support Council staff, Aboriginal communities and others to implement initiatives identified in Council's Delivery and Operational Plan
- Act as a cooperative member of the Community Development Team

Status: Permanent, 21 hpw.

Salary Range: From \$758.28–\$891 per week pro-rata, negotiated subject to the qualifications, experience and skills of the successful person, plus a 9.50% employer superannuation contribution.

Enquiries: Anne Cleverley on (02) 6499 2367.

Applications Close: 5pm Friday, 5 December 2014.

Note: Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a pre-requisite for this position as described under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

The Shire

The Bega Valley Shire is located in the south-east of New South Wales, approximately half-way between Sydney and Melbourne. The Shire's coastal fringe extends from Wallaga Lake (Bermagui) in the north to Cape Howe and the Victorian border in the south. Collectively, this 106-kilometre section of coastline forms the beautiful Sapphire Coast. Inland, higher peaks of the Great Dividing Range give way to rolling hills, and numerous rivers and streams. Undoubtedly it is the natural environment that attracts residents and visitors to the area. The Shire covers an area of 6,277 square kilometres and has a relatively small population of around 33,000 people.

To download a position description visit our website:
www.begavalley.nsw.gov.au



Department of
Environment and
Primary Industries

Native Title Coordinator

\$72,584 - \$82,354 + super.

Position No: DEPI 800865

Do you have excellent knowledge of Crown land property law and administration? If you have experience in Native Title law, administration and issues in relation to future acts, indigenous land use agreements and related activities, then his may be the job for you.

The Grampians Region of the Department of Environment & Primary Industries is seeking a highly motivated person to coordinate the Department's regional response to native title issues and represent the Department on issues related to native title. Indigenous people are encouraged to apply.

To apply online and for further information on position description and selection criteria visit

www.careers.vic.gov.au

Closing date for applications is
30 November 2014.

www.depi.vic.gov.au

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Health
South Western Sydney
Local Health District

Aboriginal Mental Health Worker (AHEO Grad)

Ref: 219999 – Perm F/T at Mental Health, Campbelltown

Salary: \$55,200 – \$81,733 pa

Enquiries: John Pullman 0417 406 058

Closing Date: 2 December 2014

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

Female Aboriginal Health Worker (Aboriginal HEO Non-Grad)

Ref: 218921 – Perm P/T at Narellan

Salary: \$24.16 – \$35.59 ph

Enquiries: Erika Lehner (02) 4640 4515

Closing Date: 3 December 2014

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Clinical Information Officer (Admin Officer Level 1/2)

Ref: 212443 – Weekday Evenings – F/T at Liverpool

Salary: \$41,753 – \$50,900 pa

Enquiries: Elise Chater (02) 8738 3763

Hospital Assistant (Grade 2)

Ref: 209544 – P/T at Liverpool

Salary: \$22.15 ph

Enquiries: Aolele Fuimaono (02) 8738 6444

Administrative Officer (Level 2)

Ref: 213238 – F/T at Liverpool

Salary: \$49,168 – \$50,900 pa

Enquiries: Phillip Sumners (02) 8738 4434

Security Officer

Ref: 201320 – Casual at Liverpool

Salary: \$23.44 ph

Enquiries: Ross Hughes (02) 8738 3398

Ward Clerk (Admin Officer Level 2)

Ref: 202744 – P/T 20hpw at Liverpool

Salary: \$24.79 – \$25.67 ph

Enquiries: Rachel Tran (02) 8738 3764

Closing Date: 3 December 2014

These are targeted positions in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply and greater consideration will be given to suitable Aboriginal applicants, in order to improve access to employment and career opportunities. Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criterion.

Please apply online by visiting:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Justice
Juvenile Justice

Assistant Manager JJCO

Clerk Grade 8

Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice

Taree, Northern Region

Ongoing Full-Time

Job Reference No: 00003AWP

Salary range \$92,120 pa to \$95,050 pa PLUS employer's contribution to superannuation. An on-call allowance of \$4,665 pa also applies during occupancy of this position.

Job Description:

Direct and control resources and service delivery functions of a community office, leading a team providing services directly to youth justice conferencing clients, victims of crime, court mandated young people and their families.

Selection Criteria:

- Recognised tertiary qualifications (diploma or higher) in social work, welfare, psychology, criminology, education or related field or relevant experience.
- Ability to manage staff and team building skills.
- Demonstrated experience in the management and professional development of staff/teams delivering therapeutic interventions to young people with challenging behaviours.
- Demonstrated understanding of contemporary juvenile justice issues and legislation and a sound knowledge of adolescent development.
- Ability to apply and interpret policy, procedure and legislation relating to Juvenile Justice.
- Proven experience liaising with and influencing stakeholders.
- Minimum Class C Driver's Licence.
- Knowledge of and respect for Aboriginal Culture.

Notes: This is an **Ongoing (Permanent) Full-Time** role. Applicants are encouraged to obtain an information package. Recommended applicants will be subject to a criminal record check. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks.

The Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012, requires persons engaged in children related work to have Working with Children clearances. If successful in this role you will be required to provide a Working with Children Check clearance number prior to commencing in the role. To obtain further information and to apply for a WWCC clearance please visit www.kids.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/new-working-with-children-check

Enquiries: Graham Scaysbrook (02) 6562 0808

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 00003AWP

Closing Date: 5 December 2014

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Australian Government

Government Engagement Coordinator (GEC)

Division: PM&C Regional Network

Employment Type: Ongoing, Full-time

Classification: Executive Level 1

Salary Range: \$96,266 to \$105,362

About the Job

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) has a number of current vacancies for Government Engagement Coordinators (GECs) in the Regional Network across locations in the Northern Territory.

A key part of the government's commitment in the new Regional model is to establish and maintain a remote presence and a footprint in remote communities. The Northern Territory Office employs Remote Engagement staff consisting of Indigenous Engagement Officers (IEOs) and Government Engagement Coordinators (GECs) who work as part of the Regional office for that region. IEO and GEC positions are embedded in remote communities across the Northern Territory.

Government Engagement Coordinators harness the use of Indigenous Engagement Officers knowledge of the community and language to help government understand local issues, communicate government priorities and to make sure community feedback is heard. They work closely with Aboriginal community members where they reside, nearby communities and homelands. Government Engagement Coordinators manage and support the development of Indigenous Engagement Officers.

Vacancies currently exist in Gunbalanya, Maningrida, Wadeye, Bulla, Bulman, Lajamanu, Kalkarindji, Numbulwar, Umbakumba, Yirrkala, Ampilatwatja, Wutunungurra, Elliott, Santa Teresa, Ti Tree, & Papunya.

For further information on these vacancies, including how to apply, please visit our Careers website: <http://careers.pmc.gov.au/>

Contact Officer:

Greg Broadfoot – Senior Advisor, Northern Territory Office
greg.broadfoot@network.pmc.gov.au

Ph (08) 8928 6147

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making a difference
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Key Roles in Indigenous Economic Development

Various Positions - IBA Investments

Indigenous Business Australia's Investments program makes strategic investments in commercial enterprises with a view to creating wealth, employment and other opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and groups. Our portfolio comprises over \$200 million in investments across Australia in a variety of sectors, including tourism, property, manufacturing, energy & resources, primary industries and retail businesses.

Associate and Manager - Transaction Assessment, Structuring and Execution (TASE) Services

Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, Darwin or Perth

Salary \$81,374 to \$113,563 plus superannuation of 15.4%

We seek two high calibre and motivated professionals with relevant commercial and transaction experience to join our team.

The Roles

The Associate and Manager's primary responsibility is to identify and develop investment opportunities in conjunction with Indigenous, professional and capability partners, and undertake rigorous financial analysis and due diligence prior to Board approval. Following Board approval, the Manager has responsibility for managing all aspects of the transaction including negotiation, documentation and settlement, with the support of the Associate.

To be successful in these roles you will need:

- + Practical business experience and sufficient knowledge of accounting and legal requirements to effectively assess and acquire businesses
- + Tertiary qualifications in economics, commerce, business, accounting, actuarial studies and/or law
- + Awareness of the economic development aspirations of, and commitment to working ethically with and in the interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- + Ability to use and display discretion, patience, empathy and sensitivity when advising and negotiating with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander partners
- + Excellent oral and written communication skills.

Direct Investments Assistant

Canberra (12 month contract)

Salary \$65,154 to \$77,125 plus superannuation of 15.4%

The Role

This role requires a self-starter with strong organisational and project management skills. The primary responsibility is to provide reporting, administrative and project management support to the IBA Direct Investments team, with particular focus on assisting the Canberra based staff to ensure the efficient and effective achievement of branch objectives.

To be successful in this role you will need:

- + Knowledge of or experience and proficiency in the preparation of financial and other reports, data analysis and data entry.
- + Familiarity with administrative responsibilities associated with office management for a medium-sized team.
- + Excellent oral and written communication skills.
- + Proficiency with Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint.

Associate Portfolio Manager

Capital City Location

Salary \$81,374 to \$113,563 plus superannuation of 15.4%

The Role

This role requires sound commercial acumen and business analytical skills. The primary responsibility is to provide support to a Portfolio Manager overseeing a number of IBA's portfolio investments in order to drive strong financial performance and economic impact in accordance with IBA's Investment and sector based strategies as well as adding to IBA's industry expertise through coordinating market intelligence, industry and competitor analysis to facilitate sound business judgement and help assess business risk.

To be successful in this role you will need:

- + An understanding of investment and/or financial analysis including strategy development, financial/portfolio management, governance, risk management, impact creation and/or financial & impact reporting.
- + Demonstrated analytical, lateral-thinking and project management skills to help drive strategic directions.
- + A demonstrated understanding of cultural awareness and the economic development aspirations of, and experience working with and in the interests of, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- + Sound judgement based on thorough research and strategic analysis.
- + Well-developed organisation, planning and prioritisation skills
- + Excellent oral and written communication skills.

This is a unique opportunity for candidates to join a dynamic, successful and outcome focused organisation.

For further information including the Position Statement and how to apply go to **www.iba.gov.au/about-us/working-at-iba/current-vacancies/**. Applicants must submit their CV and a cover letter addressing the **Required Capabilities and Selection Criteria** outlined in the Position Statement.

If, after reading the Position Statement you have any questions, please contact Cronje Wolvaardt on (08) 9229 1413 or email **cronje.wolvaardt@iba.gov.au** in relation to the TASE positions, or Tom Jenkins on (02) 6110 2641 or email **tom.jenkins@iba.gov.au** in relation to the Direct Investment positions.

Applications close 5pm on Friday, 5th December 2014.

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLE ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

IBA is a progressive, commercially focused organisation that promotes and encourages self-management, self-sufficiency and economic independence for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



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AOD Counsellors (Alcohol & Other Drugs)

Pormpuraaw, QLD

- * Rewarding role providing AOD Counselling services to Aboriginal communities!
- * Attractive remuneration circa \$78k, + locality allowance & shared subsidised housing!
- * Two opportunities available!

Pormpur Paanthu Aboriginal Corporation has a rewarding and exciting opportunity for two **AOD Counsellors (Alcohol & Other Drugs)** to join its dedicated team in Pormpuraaw, Qld.

Reporting directly to the Integration Healing Services Manager, and team leading, if appropriately skilled, you'll be **responsible for the delivery of alcohol and other drug services** including assessment, brief intervention, counselling, treatment and case management, crisis intervention and relapse management.

Enjoy an **attractive salary package circa \$78,565.76, incl. generous salary sacrificing, isolation leave, locality allowance and subsidised shared housing!** Don't miss this rare opportunity - Apply Now!



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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council

- Senior Executive Role
- Turning Vision into Reality
- Enabling and Supporting Community

The Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council (GLALC) is seeking its next CEO to enable its members to further develop a sustainable, economic foundation for their long-term independence. The GLALC, based in Liverpool, NSW, provides health, transport and other community services to its members through mutual commitments and partnerships. The Council is one of the largest single landowners in the Liverpool and Sutherland Shire Council areas.

The CEO will be coming into the organisation at a critical time, reporting to a newly established set of Councillors, with a clear focus on judicious economic and social development. Working with the Council, the CEO will provide effective strategic and operational leadership of the organisation, enabling clear prioritisation of services and resources. Strong member engagement will be important for success.

High quality candidates will have a well-developed understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal communities, societies and cultures and sound judgement to solve problems in a sensitive environment. They will have successful organisational leadership and business management experience and a track record of effective strategic implementation experience. They will demonstrate strong interpersonal and communication skills, and sound commercial and business acumen. This is an Identified Position (Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)).

To obtain Candidate Information, including the position documentation, or to apply, please email **applications.australia@ngs-global.com**.

Information about the GLALC is also available at **www.gandangara.com.au**. If further information is required after reviewing documentation, please contact Dr Marianne Broadbent or Kym Fletcher on 1 300 138 863.

Applications are required by **Thursday November 27, 2014.**



Midwife / Child Health Nurse Part time position

Based in Cairns servicing the communities of Cape York

An exciting opportunity has arisen for an experienced and outstanding Midwife/ Child Health Nurse to join the Apunipima team. This position will work as part of a multidisciplinary and multicultural team on a fly in fly out basis to coordinate and deliver a family focused maternal and child health service for families living in Cape York. This service provides a flexible model of delivery and provides both community and facility based intervention for families depending on their need.

An attractive salary package is available for this position dependent on qualifications and experience. Five weeks annual leave and the option of generous salary sacrifice, a great team environment, supportive networks and diverse duties make for an exciting opportunity. In addition there are opportunities for professional development.

Further information about Apunipima is available on our web site **www.apunipima.org.au**

An application kit outlining the recruitment process and selection criteria to be addressed is available from the Work For Us page of our web site.

To discuss this role please contact Nie Sheehan or Johanna Neville - Maternal and Child Health Team Leaders by e-mail:

nie.sheehan@apunipima.org.au or johanna.neville@apunipima.org.au
Or by phone:

Nie (07) 4037 7168 or Johanna (07) 4037 7162.

For enquiries regarding the recruitment process contact the HR team by email: hr@apunipima.org.au or phone (07) 4037 7269.

Applications close: 5pm on Friday 28th November 2014.

Apunipima Cape York Health Council is an equal opportunity employer

www.apunipima.org.au





Health Mid North Coast Local Health District

Administration Support Officer

Location: Kempsey
Enquiries: Adam Ulrick (02) 6562 0344
Ref ID: 215023
Closing Date: 1 December 2014

Apply online at:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

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AIME Mentoring careers

AIME is a dynamic education program that is proven to support Indigenous students through high school and into university. AIME was ranked 26th in BRW's Best Places to Work in 2013.

CENTRE MANAGER Perth, WA

Lead and manage a team of staff to see the successful delivery of the AIME program across Murdoch and Notre Dame Universities. Maintain and develop key relationships including schools universities, media, key guests and influencers in the region around the program. \$68,200 p.a. + training & development package.

PROGRAM MANAGER Coordinator roles – various locations

- Melbourne
- Gold Coast
- South Coast NSW
- Rockhampton QLD
- Bunbury WA

Attract and connect with both Indigenous high school kids and a wide range of university students to undertake the operations, presentation and delivery of the AIME program at the site. \$55,474 - \$66,000 p.a. + training & development package.

Applications close Monday 24 November
For more information and to apply see:
jobs.aimementoring.com



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST DIRECTOR - CASUAL VACANCY

A casual vacancy exists on the Board of Aboriginal Housing Victoria. AHV undertakes tenancy and asset management for a portfolio of 1500 properties across Victoria. Our vision is that Aboriginal Victorians secure appropriate, affordable housing as a pathway to better lives and stronger communities.

We are seeking expressions of interest from candidates with suitable skills and expertise, who are keen to contribute to the achievement of our goals. Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants and female applicants are encouraged to apply.

Eligibility Criteria

- You must have specific expertise and qualifications in the area of Asset Management and Development, or suitable experience in the areas of Community Housing, Project Development or Strategic Planning.
- You must have been a Victorian resident for at least 12 months.
- You must be a minimum age of 18 years.
- You must have not been disqualified from managing a corporation or, have been disqualified by the ACNC Commissioner within the past 12 months.

Appointment Process

- Aboriginal Housing Victoria calls for Expressions of Interest.
- All Expressions of Interest must include a covering letter which demonstrates your ability to meet the eligibility criteria, a completed Board of Directors Application Form and resume outlining qualifications and education.
- The successful candidate will be appointed by the Members of the Company for the temporary period ending at the 2015 Annual General Meeting.

For a full application and information pack, please contact Mr Darren Smith, Director, Executive Coordination on 03 9403 2143 or email darren.smith@ahvic.org.au. Completed Expressions of Interest should be forwarded to Ms Jenny Samms, CEO at email jenny.samms@ahvic.org.au or mailed to:

Private and Confidential
Ms Jenny Samms
Company Secretary
Aboriginal Housing Victoria
125-127 Scotchmer Street
North Fitzroy Vic 3068

Time considerations:

Directors should be available to undertake official AHV business up to one full day per month.

Deadline:

The closing date for the Expressions of Interest is COB Friday, 5th December 2014.

SEARMS Aboriginal Corporation
(Two Aboriginal Identified Positions)
Base at Batemans Bay NSW



Housing Manager

Permanent Part time 21 hours per week
Level 4 SCHADS Award

Sustainable Tenancy Manager

Permanent Part time 14 hours per week
Level 5 SCHADS Award

For information packages please email
admin@searms.com.au

Closing date: 28 November 2014



Redfern Jarjum College SYDNEY

Redfern Jarjum College is a dynamic new Catholic, Jesuit Primary School which embraces the children of families from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community of Redfern and surrounding suburbs.

Applications are invited for the following position: **Commencing Term 1, 2015.**

Office Assistant

The essential role of the Office Assistant is to assist the Principal in providing the best possible office environment and pastoral care/well-being for each student. This involves working closely with students, parents/carers, fellow staff and the local Aboriginal communities.

A genuine commitment to the philosophy of the College and willingness to participate in the life of the school and community is essential.

The Office Assistant role is a multi-faceted collaborative role with duties that cover a full range of office management duties including Information and Communications Technologies and PA duties to the Principal.

Applications must be posted providing full description of qualifications and experience, with supporting documentation, and the names and contact details of two referees to:

Email Fran McCarthy to request to receive an Information Pack:
fmccarthy@rjc.nsw.edu.au

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders persons are encouraged to apply.

Applications can be submitted via email to fmccarthy@rjc.nsw.edu.au or via post to:

Fran McCarthy, Principal
Redfern Jarjum College, PO Box 3177, REDFERN NSW 2016
PH: (02) 9936-5450 or 0450 601 484

Further information can be obtained by visiting our website at:
www.rjc.nsw.edu.au

Applications Close: Friday 5th December 2014



Redfern Jarjum College SYDNEY

Redfern Jarjum College is a new Jesuit primary school for children of families in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities of Redfern and surrounding suburbs.

Applications are invited for the following positions: **Commencing Term 1, 2015.**

Part time Teacher

This is a unique opportunity to make a difference in a teaching environment which requires a broad diverse approach to Education.

Teachers are required to have additional skills to work with children who have learning and behavioural needs and who are consistent, flexible and resilient in their approach to working with our children.

A genuine commitment to the philosophy of the College and willingness to participate in the life of the school and community is essential.

Teacher Assistant

The role of the Teacher Assistant is to support the teacher with the children's learning in groups or individually, participation in playground duties, possible bus driving role and are flexible consistent and resilient in their approach to working in this role.

Teachers are to be registered with the NSW Institute of Teachers.

Applications must be posted providing full description of qualifications and experience, with supporting documentation, and the names and contact details of two referees to:

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www.rjc.nsw.edu.au

Applications Close: Friday 28th November 2014

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YOUR NEW CAREER AS A CORRECTIONAL OFFICER STARTS WITH G4S.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People:

We are looking for new recruits for 2015, to join our G4S team as a Correctional Officer, based at Port Phillip Prison, Truganina, Victoria.

You are invited to attend our **information session at Port Phillip Prison on the 26th November at 6.30pm**, to hear about the opportunities, ask questions, meet with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Staff and register your interest.

As a permanent member of our team, you'll enjoy not only job security, but a highly competitive salary and generous annual leave benefits. Fully paid training is provided.

For more information, email PPP.Recruitment@au.g4s.com or phone our HR Department on (03) 9217 7200 and ask to speak with Sharon or Helen.



DJA DJA WURRUNG CLANS ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation is seeking to employ a proven leader as CEO to achieve a common vision for the Dja Dja Wurrung people, for whom the corporation is the peak body and has responsibilities under the native title settlement reached with the state of Victoria in 2013.

The CEO manages the overall operation of the corporation including the implementation of strategic priorities, performance standards, compliance benchmarks, risk management strategies and ensures compliance with relative legislation and agreements with government and the private sector. The position will work effectively and report to the Board of Directors and achieve outcomes in accordance with board policy and planning documents.

The CEO is an experienced professional, with the unique capacity to balance cultural imperatives, legislative obligations and significant economic opportunities for the DDW people, whose guiding values include integrity, leadership, competence, enterprise, fairness, commitment, confidence, respect, accountability and transparency.

How to apply

To obtain the selection documentation and application processes, please request a copy of the Applicant's Job Pack by email: ora@oric.gov.au

Should you require any further information regarding the position, please contact Matthew Storey on 03 9321 5305 or email mstorey@ntsv.com.au

Applications close: 30 November 2014

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Australian Government Attorney-General's Department

The Classification Board, located in Sydney, is responsible for classifying films, publications and computer games on behalf of the Australian, State and Territory governments. No formal qualifications are required to become a member of the Board. Board members are representative of the community. Broad life experience will be highly regarded and people from diverse backgrounds and regional Australia are encouraged to apply.

MEMBER

(\$128,000 pa including base salary of \$110,080 pa)

Duties of Board Members are:

- view and determine classifications and consumer advice for films, computer games and certain publications;
- apply formal guidelines and other legislative requirements in making classification decisions; and
- write reports on the reasons for classification decisions.

CONDITIONS FOR THE POSITION: Successful candidates may be appointed for an initial fixed term of up to five years, most commonly for a three year term, and may be eligible for reappointment to a statutory maximum of seven years. The remuneration and allowances for Members of the Classification Board are determined by the Australian Government Remuneration Tribunal.

NOTES FOR THE POSITION: All applicants must first obtain an **Information Pack (which contains position requirements, selection criteria, contact details and address for applications). Information Packs are available at www.ag.gov.au/classificationappointments or at www.classification.gov.au.**

All applications close 5:00pm on Friday 28 November 2014.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	08/507	KALAMAZOO RESOURCES PTY LTD	185.97HA	42km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 50' S Long: 115° 27' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	39/1093	GLENMURRIN PTY LTD MURRIN MURRIN HOLDINGS PTY LTD	407.01HA	53km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 121° 52' E	LAVERTON SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 19 November 2014

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **19 February 2015**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 19 March 2015**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
38/1642	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) PTY LIMITED	450552	8.39HA	27km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 45' S Long: 122° 38' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
46/728-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	452792	17.50HA	64km S'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 28' S Long: 120° 5' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
37/1174	TERRAIN MINERALS LTD	454487	311.24HA	28km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 37' S Long: 121° 19' E	LEONORA SHIRE
40/324	RUBIANNA RESOURCES LTD	454638	92.13HA	55km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 32' E	MENZIES SHIRE
74/311	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	456097	5.92HA	16km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 39' S Long: 120° 12' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 19 November 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 **19 February 2015**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 19 March 2015**), 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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Notice of a non-claimant application for determination of native title in the State of Queensland

Notification day: 3 December 2014

This application is a 'non-claimant' application, an application made by persons to the Federal Court who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the notice below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in this area may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 2 March 2015. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over this area on or before 2 March 2015, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to this non-claimant application must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE QLD 4003, on or before 2 March 2015**. After 2 March 2015, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Data statement: Non-claimant application boundary compiled by National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Qld.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Tracey Jefferies on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nmtt.gov.au.

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National
Native Title
Tribunal



GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICER

Aboriginal Targeted Position
Rose Bay Local Area Command, Rose Bay & Paddington
Clerk Grade 1/2
Permanent Full-time
Jobs.NSW Requisition No.000037ZX

Salary Package: \$68,687. **Salary:** \$57,256 to \$62,245. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the Rose Bay Local Area Command, focusing on quality advice and high level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force. The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including within the Court Process Office.

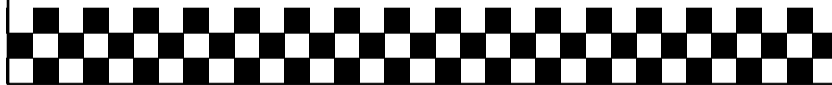
Job Notes:

- This position is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only in accordance with the NSW Police Force Employment Strategy. Applicants for this position must satisfy the Aboriginality criteria.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines. The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- For your application to be considered, you **must**:
 - Give written responses addressing each of the selection criteria using the text boxes provided in the online application; **or**
 - Attach a document addressing each of the selection criteria to your application; and
 - Attach an up-to-date resume to your application.
- The successful applicant will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the Jobs.NSW website.**

Enquiries: John Threlfo, Local Area Manager, on (02) 9362 6035

For the selection criteria, a full downloadable position description, an information package and to apply, please go to Jobs.NSW (www.jobs.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 000037ZX.

Closing date: Sunday, 30 November 2014



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Court Services Victoria Koori Liaison Officer

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TEAM LEADER Tribal Dreaming

Job No: N48947
Location: Guilford



Being a Team Leader means working with different challenges each day, from providing advice and guidance to Case Workers in the field, to negotiating with other providers and health professionals on suitable activities, reporting on team outcomes and completing administration tasks.

To be successful you will have:

- Hands-on supervisory experience in the community services field;
- Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander;
- Relevant Qualifications in community services or a related field;
- A can do attitude and a professional approach to working as a part of a team.
- Understanding of the complexity of Aboriginal culture and history, and the impact that culture including social and emotional issues and history has on the provision of health services to Aboriginal clients.

If you are interested in the position visit our New Horizons careers website to complete the online application.

Applications close COB 30th November 2014.

MOORUNDI ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY CONTROLLED HEALTH SERVICE RIVERLAND/MALLEE REGION, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

- **Initial 12-Month Contract with Excellent Salary Package Available**
- **Relocation Assistance Negotiable**
- **Generous Salary Sacrificing under PBI rules**

MACCHS is a 'start-up' service that will provide a range of high quality services to the local and surrounding Communities of the region that are designed to improve the wellness and health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It is a community controlled Aboriginal health service operating from Murray Bridge, a large regional town situated on the River Murray in South Australia offering excellent working conditions, supportive and skilled colleagues and an organisational culture that focuses on continuous improvement and ongoing learning.

The CEO will be responsible for the efficient and effective planning, budgeting, management and administration of all aspects of the organisation. The position has the day-to-day responsibility and accountability of the organisation through implementing the broad direction of the organisation's Business Plan and, in conjunction with the Board, develop and implement a long-range Strategic Plan that will provide a responsive and innovative model of health service delivery that meets the requirement of the Aboriginal community.

The successful candidate will possess: outstanding leadership and communication skills; a deep understanding of Aboriginal culture and community; a sound knowledge of Aboriginal health issues; and strong business acumen.

Aboriginal People are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information about the position, contact: John Evans, Project Manager, AHCSA, by phone: 08 8273 7200 or 0498 400 207, or email: John.Evans@ahcsa.org.au

For a copy of the Job & Person Specification AND Guidelines for Applicants, please email: Dianne Jacobs, HR Consultant on dianne@pinnaclehr.com.au

Applications will close strictly at MIDDAY on Monday, 8 December 2014. No late applications will be accepted, unless pre-arranged.

All applications must adhere to the Guidelines, and be emailed to: dianne@pinnaclehr.com.au



Family & Community Services

Community Program Officer – Aboriginal

Clerk Grade 7/8
Department of Family & Community Services
Community Services

Requisition No. 00003BB1

- **Operations**
- **Location: Burwood**
- **Salary range \$85,868 pa – \$95,050 pa PLUS employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading**

Implement the Agency's funding and performance management policies and procedures with funded services; undertake service planning and development, ongoing monitoring and review of services and oversights service improvement processes; and develop and maintain relationships within the community.

Job Notes:

This is an ongoing full time position in accordance with the *Government Sector Employment Act 2013*. This recruitment process would be used to create an eligible talent pool of candidates which will be used to recruit future vacancies.

There are no selection criteria to be addressed. Your application should consist of a two (2) pages covering letter which includes a statement in response to the two targeted questions below and an up to date resume that clearly states details of your skills and experience in this role.

Part of the assessment process may include additional online capability testing in accordance with the new Government Sector Employment Act, therefore you may be contacted to participate.

Successful applicant will be required to have a current Driver's Licence and provide proof of Aboriginality.

It is an offence under the *Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* (section 33) for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. The *Commission for Children & Young People Act 1998* require that all recommended candidates are screened for national criminal records, relevant Apprehended Violence Orders (AVOs), and relevant employment proceedings.

The *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012* requires persons engaged in children related work to have Working with Children clearances. If successful in this role you will be required to provide a Working with Children Check clearance number prior to commencing in the role. To obtain further information and to apply for a WWCC clearance, please visit: www.kids.nsw.gov.au

Targeted Questions:

1. Please describe your experience and capacity to communicate, engage and negotiate with multiple stakeholders to achieve set outcomes in a timely manner.
2. Please describe your experience and capacity to think strategically and manage competing priorities.

Information Packages and to apply on-line: Please visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au for details on how to apply.

Closing date: 26 November 2014

For enquiries: Joyce Campbell – (02) 8303 6511

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Government of **Western Australia**
Department of Lands

NOTICE OF INTENTION To Take Interests in Land to Confer Interests under Written Law **LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) – sections 165 & 170** And To Compulsorily Acquire Native Title Rights and Interests **NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) - section 29**

Land being required for the purposes of the grant of an estate, interest, right, power or privilege in, over or in relation to land under a written law, I, the Honourable Donald Terrence Redman MLA, Minister for Lands, **HEREBY GIVE NOTICE:**

- (a) in accordance with section 170 of the *Land Administration Act 1997 (WA)* (LAA) that in relation to the land required as described under each heading "PARCEL OF LAND" in the Schedule:
- (i) it is proposed to take, pursuant to section 165 of the LAA, those interests specified in the Schedule for the purposes of making the proposed grant(s) specified in the Schedule;
 - (ii) the purpose of the proposed grant(s) for which the land is proposed to be designated is as specified in the Schedule;
 - (iii) it is proposed to make a grant or grants out of the interests proposed to be taken as specified in the Schedule;
 - (iv) the reasons why the land is suitable for, or is needed for, the proposed grant are as specified in the Schedule;
 - (v) the date from which the land is likely to be required is as specified in the Schedule; and
- (b) in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* (NTA) that the taking of interests in land as specified in the Schedule will involve the compulsory acquisition of any native title rights and interests in relation to that land.

SCHEDULE

PARCEL OF LAND NO 1

DESCRIPTION OF LAND REQUIRED: Part Lot 285 on Deposited Plan 30477 as is shown as inset Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 65321 Part Volume 3127 Folio 274 Area: 2247 square metres
LOCATION OF LAND: The land is located on portions of Minilya Pastoral Station and North West Coastal Highway adjoining the Minilya Roadhouse, about 123km north of the Town of Carnarvon in the Shire of Carnarvon.
NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including any Native Title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Description of Land Required" other than the interests of the Crown.
PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: Sale by amalgamation to the owner of the adjoining freehold Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 169560.
PROPOSED GRANT: Grant of fee simple in the land described under the heading "Description of Land Required" to the owners of adjoining Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 169560 for amalgamation into that lot.
REASONS WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: The land under the Description of Land Required is located adjacent to Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 169560 and being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1706 Folio 591 (Adjoining Land). The inclusion of the additional land into the freehold will contribute to the integrity of the property and provide economic and social benefit to the locality .
DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: The date after the final date on which objections may be lodged under s175 of the LAA as stated below.
DoL FILE: 00332-2009-03RO DoL REF.: 091586

PARCEL OF LAND NO 2

DESCRIPTION OF LAND REQUIRED: Part Lot 182 on Deposited Plan 28412 as is shown as inset Lot 501 on Deposited Plan 65321 Part Volume 3069 Folio 390 Area: 6432 square metres
LOCATION OF LAND: The land is located on portions of Minilya Pastoral Station and North West Coastal Highway adjoining the Minilya Roadhouse, about 123km north of the Town of Carnarvon in the Shire of Carnarvon.
NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including any Native Title rights and interests) in the land under the heading "Description of Land Required" other than the interests of the Crown.
PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: Sale by amalgamation to the owner of the adjoining freehold Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 169560.
PROPOSED GRANT: Grant of fee simple in the land described under the heading "Description of Land Required" to the owners of adjoining Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 169560 for amalgamation into that lot.
REASONS WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: The land under the "Description of Land Required" is located adjacent to Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 169560 and being the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 1706 Folio 591 (Adjoining Land). The inclusion of the additional land into the freehold will contribute to the integrity of the property and provide economic and social benefit to the locality .
DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: The date after the final date on which objections may be lodged under s175 of the LAA as stated below.
DoL FILE: 00332-2009-03RO DoL REF.: 091586

PARCEL OF LAND NO 3

DESCRIPTION OF LAND REQUIRED: Part Lot 182 on Deposited Plan 28412 shown marked E on Deposited Plan 65322 Part Volume 3069 Folio 390 Area: 200 square metres
LOCATION OF LAND: The land is located on portions of Minilya Pastoral Station and North West Coastal Highway adjoining the Minilya Roadhouse, about 123km north of the Town of Carnarvon in the Shire of Carnarvon.
NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN: All registered and unregistered interests (including Native Title rights and interests) other than the interests of the Crown, sufficient to grant an easement.
PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED: To create an easement for "Water and Access" to benefit the landowner of amalgamated lot.
PROPOSED GRANT: Grant of an easement over the land described under "Description of Land Required" to the benefit of the owners of amalgamated Lot 50 on Deposited Plan 65321.
REASONS WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT: The land under the "Description of Land Required", over which the easement will run is adjacent to the amalgamated Lot and it is necessary to grant the easement interest for access to and delivery of water to support the Minilya Roadhouse operations.
DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED: The date after the final date on which objections may be lodged under s175 of the LAA as stated below.
DoL FILE: 00332-2009-03RO DoL REF.: 091586

FOR ALL PARCEL(S) OF LAND

Particular statements for the purposes of the LAA:

MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING THE LAND: Section 172 of the LAA provides that a person may not enter into a transaction affecting the above land without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister for Lands, except as provided in section 172(7). Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void: section 172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in writing and in accordance with section 172(5) of the LAA.

MINISTER'S APPROVAL TO ANY IMPROVEMENTS TO THE LAND: Section 173 of the LAA provides that a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the above land to be commenced or continued except with the prior approval in writing of the Minister for Lands.

OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED: Section 175 of the LAA provides that certain persons with particular interests in the land which are affected by the proposed taking may lodge a written objection to the taking of interests in the land (not relating to compensation). While section 175(2) of the LAA generally requires objections to be lodged within sixty (60) after the date of registration of this Notice by the Registrar of Titles or the Registrar of Deeds, as appropriate, at the Western Australian Land Information Authority (Landgate) for the purposes of this Notice I will allow objections to be lodged within 3 months after the notification day as described below. Objections can be served at the following address:
Department of Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth, 6872 or Level 2, 140 William Street, Perth, 6000

Lily Sutomo, State Land Officer, Mid West, 6552 4616

PLAN OF LAND REQUIRED MAY BE INSPECTED AT: Department of Lands, Level 2, 140 William Street, Perth, 6000 on Mondays to Fridays between 8.30am-5pm, except public holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lily Sutomo, State Land Officer, Mid West-Gascoyne, Regional and Metro Services, PO Box 1143 West Perth WA 6872 or by telephoning 6552 4616

Particular statements for the purposes of the NTA:

CLEAR DESCRIPTION OF THE AREA TO WHICH THE ACT RELATES: The area to which the taking of interests in land the subject of this Notice relates is that described under each heading "PARCEL OF LAND" in the Schedule by reference to parcel description ("LAND REQUIRED") and general location and approximate boundaries ("LOCATION OF LAND"). As noted above, a plan of the land required is also available for inspection as described above.

NATURE OF THE ACT: In relation to the land required as described under each heading "PARCEL OF LAND" in the Schedule, it is the taking of interests in land which involves the compulsory acquisition of any native title rights and interests in relation to that land. The taking is for the purpose of making the grant(s) specified in the Schedule.

NAME AND POSTAL ADDRESS OF PERSON BY WHOM THE ACT WOULD BE DONE: Minister for Lands, Department of Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth, 6872

NOTIFICATION DAY: The notification day is 2 January 2015

NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under section 30 of the NTA, persons have until three (3) months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this Notice. Any person who is or becomes a native title party is entitled to the negotiation and procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA.

PRESCRIBED DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lily Sutomo, State Land Officer, Mid West, or by telephoning 6552 4616

Dated this 29th day of October 2014

DIRECTOR GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF LANDS
For and on behalf of the Minister for Lands, under delegation

adcorp F96550A

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of New South Wales
Notification day: 26 November 2014



NI2014/001 Gundungurra ILUA
Description of the agreement area:
Agreement covers about 6942 sq km, approx. 8 km south of Lithgow and approx. 18 km north of Goulburn.
Relevant LGAs: Blue Mountains City Council, Goulburn Mulwaree Council, City Of Lithgow, Oberon Council, Penrith City Council, Upper Lachlan Shire Council, Wingecarribee Shire Council, Wollondilly Shire Council
Agreement area boundary compiled using data sources from, and with permission of, the LPM Authority, Land and Property Information Division, NSW.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:
Elsie Stockwell and Mervyn Trindall on their behalf and on behalf of the Gundungurra People
C/- Eddy Neumann Lawyers, Level 1,
255 Castlereagh Street Sydney NSW 2000
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation
C/- Eddy Neumann Lawyers, Level 1,
255 Castlereagh Street Sydney NSW 2000
Gundungurra Aboriginal Heritage Association Inc.
C/- Benetatos White Solicitors & Attorneys, DX 8307
Katoomba NSW 2780
Attorney General of New South Wales
C/- Crown Solicitor for the State of New South Wales,
GPO Box 25 Sydney NSW 2001
Blue Mountain City Council
Locked Bag 1005 Katoomba NSW 2780
Minister for the Environment of New South Wales
C/- Crown Solicitor for the State of New South Wales,
GPO Box 25 Sydney NSW 2001
Office of Environment and Heritage
C/- Crown Solicitor for the State of New South Wales,
GPO Box 25 Sydney NSW 2001
Sydney Catchment Authority
C/- Crown Solicitor for the State of New South Wales,
GPO Box 25 Sydney NSW 2001
Forestry Corporation of New South Wales
C/- Crown Solicitor for the State of New South
Wales, GPO Box 25 Sydney NSW 2001
Deputy Premier of New South Wales
C/- Crown Solicitor for the State of New South Wales,
GPO Box 25 Sydney NSW 2001

The agreement contains the following statements:
[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]
14.6 The Applicants, the Gundungurra Corporation and the Gundungurra Association consent to the undertaking by the State or BMCC of Class 2 Post Registration Acts, being those acts that fall within the classes of acts set out in clause 14.7.
14.7 The Parties agree that the following classes of Post Registration Acts lawfully undertaken in the Agreement Area comprise Class 2 Post Registration Acts: (a) the compulsory acquisition of all interests including native title rights and interests where the Right to Negotiate does not apply; (b) the grant of a lease or licence other than a lease or licence to which subdivisions G, H, and I of the NTA applies; (c) construction or establishment of Public Works; (d) preparation, adoption and implementation of a plan of management for any part of the Agreement Area.
14.17 It is the parties' intention that the consent by the Applicants, the Gundungurra Corporation and the Gundungurra Association in subclause 14.6 includes agreement that subdivision P (the right to negotiate) Division 3 Part 2 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Class 2 Post Registration Act.
14.18 The Parties agree that the following classes of Post Registration Acts lawfully undertaken or any interest (including a lease, licence, permit or authority) granted to undertake any of the following classes of Post Registration Acts in the Agreement Area comprise Class 3 Post Registration Acts:
(a) an act done in good faith in the Agreement Area so long as the act's impact on native title is no greater than the impact that any act that could have been done under or in accordance with the previous reservation of the Agreement Area would have had, or an act done under or in accordance with the current reservation; (b) grant of an easement or right of way; (c) construction, maintenance and repair of signage and plaques; (d) fire suppression and fire prevention management activities, including hazard reduction burning and temporary closure within the Agreement Area for fire suppression or fire prevention purposes; (e) environmental assessment or protection activities including research, survey and monitoring of species, clearing or spraying of noxious or introduced species, regeneration, rehabilitation, actions in relation to a biosecurity incident and acts carried out in accordance with plans with objectives including any of these acts; (f) excavation or clearing necessary for public health and safety; (g) construction of a track or other access; (h) maintenance of existing roads, tracks, boardwalks, platforms, bridges and fire trails including gravel extraction, grading, sediment control, gravelling, tree lopping and clearing; (i) construction, maintenance and repair of fences and gates; (j) maintenance, operation and repair of Public Works; (k) maintenance, cleaning, operation and repair of existing Public Works; (l) replacement of existing Public Works with similar or upgraded works within the same area of the existing Public Works or with a minor realignment; (m) removal of existing Public Works; (n) any urgent management activities that are required or desirable for public health and safety; (o) renewal or re-grant of existing interests which confer rights or interests substantially the same as rights or interests which have previously affected the area covered by the renewal or re-grant; (p) re-establishment of timber plantations as Forestry Corporation of New South Wales Forestry Corporation of New South Wales *[sic]* is authorised to do under the Plantations and Reafforestation Act 1999 (NSW); (q) any accepted normal management practices in plantation and native forests management, including land preparation such as post harvest burning, planting, weed control, road construction, road maintenance, thinning, harvesting, transport and sale of logs; (r) any other act described in section 24KA of the NTA; (s) any other act that is similar to any one or more of the acts in the above paragraphs or any other act relating to the care, control and management of the Agreement Area; (t) the exercise by the SCA of its statutory functions as set out in the Sydney Water Catchment Management Act 1998, and (u) the exercise by BMCC of its statutory functions under the Local Government Act 1993 and the Crown Lands Act 1989 so far as they relate to its role as reserve trust manager.
14.19 The Parties consent to the undertaking of Class 3 Post Registration Acts and the Applicants, the Gundungurra Corporation and the Gundungurra Association agree they shall have no procedural rights in relation to the undertaking of the Class 3 Post Registration Acts. The Parties agree that the Non Extinguishment Principle applies to Class 3 Post Registration Acts.
15.1 The Parties agree that any Public Works constructed or established within the Agreement Area and prior to the date this Deed is Registered, are valid to the extent of any invalidity that may exist by reason of the existence of native title.

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified:
Because this application for registration of the agreement has not been certified by the Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body/ies for the area, there is no opportunity to make a formal objection to its registration. However, if you claim to hold native title in relation to any of the land or waters covered by this agreement, you may wish, within the notice period, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. **The application must be made by 26 February 2015.** If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.
Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.
For assistance and further information about this application, call Nicole Maher on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Shared country, shared future.



Koori Liaison Officer CISP Remand Outreach Pilot

- VPS Grade 3.2 (\$66,165 per annum + superannuation)
- Based at the Sunshine Magistrates' Court
- Full-time, fixed-term until 30 November 2015

The Court Integrated Services Program (CISP) is provided by the Magistrates' Court of Victoria (MCV), and aims to stabilise persons with multiple and complex needs, and those that have a history in the criminal justice system.

In July 2013, the CISP Remand Outreach Pilot (CROP) was piloted to reduce the front-end demand for prison beds, with the aim of identifying Koori clients who may be eligible for bail and to determine if there are any impediments on them receiving bail.

The Koori Liaison Officer CROP will work to address the issue of over-representation of Koori people in the Victorian justice system by working with Koori clients when they enter the court system to maximise their chances of rehabilitation through culturally appropriate and sensitive intervention.

If you have any questions, please contact Glenn Rutter - Manager, Court Support and Diversion Services on (03) 9032 0794.

For more information on this role, please visit
www.careers.vic.gov.au
Applications close Wednesday 26 November 2014



BYRON BAY BUNDJALUNG NATIVE TITLE CLAIM GROUP MEETING

NTSCORP, is convening a meeting of all the members of the Byron Bay Bundjalung People native title claim group, being the descendants of Bobby Bray of Bumberbin, Harry Bray and Clara Bray, Linda Bray and Jimmy Kay.

Date & Time: Saturday 13 December 2014 (9am - 5pm)
Place: ANZAC Room, Byron Bay Services Club, 132 Jonson Street, Byron Bay NSW 2481

The AGENDA for the meeting is

1. Introduction, welcome and acknowledgment;
2. To provide an update on developments on the native title application; Update on the Court process, including changes to the persons who jointly comprise the Applicant in the native title application.
3. To consider and authorise any amendments to the Native Title Determination Application (Form 1) in respect of:
 - i. amendments to the rights and interests of the claim group in accordance with recent changes in native title case laws;
 - ii. amendments to the claim area for instance the low water mark to 5 kms east into the Southern Pacific Ocean;
 - iii. amendments if necessary to the Claim Group Description.
4. Instructions and authorisation from the Claim group regarding NTSCORP's role in renegotiating the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the government department that is taking over the management of the Marine Park.
5. Any other matters as determined by the meeting.



Who should attend

The descendants (including adopted descendants) of:
Bobby of Bumberbin, Harry Bray and Clara Bray, Linda Bray and Jimmy Kay.

Refreshments will be provided.

Please contact NTSCORP by Wednesday, 10 December 2014 to confirm your attendance and travel assistance on (02) 9310 3188.

TOLLFREE 1800 111 844

Four Indigenous boys in Hobart under 17 cricket carnival



FOUR Indigenous players will be in action at the Australian under 17 national cricket carnival starting in Hobart on December 1. They are Damon Egan (Victoria), Brandon King (Northern Territory), and South Australians Tyrell Sinclair and Ayden McGregor-Baptista. McGregor-Baptista, a member of the national Indigenous squad for the

past two years, will captain South Australia. He has received a rookie contract with the Adelaide Strikers in the 2014-15 Big Bash League. King also is a member of Cricket Australia's national Indigenous squad. Teams playing in Hobart are South Australia, Western Australia, Queensland, ACT-NSW Country, Northern Territory, Victoria, NSW Metropolitan and Tasmania.



Brandon King
Pictures: Peter Argent



Ayden McGregor-Baptista



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid		Shire
Exploration Licence	04/2369	PILBARA SANDS HOLDINGS PTY LTD	2BL	116km N'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 12' S	Long: 125° 11' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2371	PILBARA SANDS HOLDINGS PTY LTD	4BL	130km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 11' S	Long: 124° 56' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2373	PILBARA SANDS HOLDINGS PTY LTD	8BL	98km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 34' S	Long: 124° 54' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2374	PILBARA SANDS HOLDINGS PTY LTD	5BL	35km S'ly of Derby	Lat: 17° 37' S	Long: 123° 33' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2631	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	65BL	103km SW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 22° 27' S	Long: 115° 51' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2644	ANGLO AMERICAN EXPLORATION (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD	28BL	50km E'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 45' S	Long: 115° 35' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2117	GOLDEN PHOENIX AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	18BL	133km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 4' S	Long: 116° 47' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2118	GOLDEN PHOENIX AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	2BL	137km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 5' S	Long: 116° 45' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1417	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	7BL	22km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 40' S	Long: 121° 40' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1439	AVOCA RESOURCES PTY LTD	4BL	21km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 35' S	Long: 121° 46' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	21/182	MURCHISON GOLD MINES PTY LTD	20BL	26km SE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 34' S	Long: 118° 5' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2497	VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD	199BL	52km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 50' S	Long: 124° 43' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2500	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	200BL	57km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 39' S	Long: 124° 49' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	31/1071-I	GOLDENRICH MINING RESOURCES PTY LTD	6BL	121km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 42' S	Long: 122° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/840	CAVALLARO, Justin Charles	29BL	62km W'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 51' S	Long: 120° 4' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2956	BABB, James Michael	1BL	23km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 48' S	Long: 122° 30' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2982	RACHLAN HOLDINGS PTY LTD	181BL	147km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 5' S	Long: 122° 12' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2983	DUKETON MINING LTD	3BL	43km N'y of Laverton	Lat: 28° 14' S	Long: 122° 22' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2986	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	130BL	109km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 1' S	Long: 123° 1' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2988	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	53BL	88km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 13' S	Long: 123° 6' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2989	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	1BL	80km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 17' S	Long: 123° 4' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2990	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	1BL	76km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 19' S	Long: 123° 5' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2991	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	3BL	81km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 20' S	Long: 123° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2992	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	6BL	80km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 22' S	Long: 123° 18' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2993	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	1BL	74km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 26' S	Long: 123° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2994	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	13BL	75km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 22' S	Long: 123° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	39/1817	ATRIPLEX PTY LIMITED	24BL	68km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 16' S	Long: 121° 52' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	15/5935-7	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	541.82HA	27km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 44' S	Long: 121° 33' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
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Retention Licence	21/1	ENERGY METALS LTD	2500.16HA	17km W'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 25' S	Long: 117° 42' E	CUE SHIRE
Retention Licence	58/2	ENERGY METALS LTD	4428.38HA	59km W'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 1' S	Long: 118° 41' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of 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.

Notification day: 19 November 2014

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **19 February 2015**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

The 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. **19 March 2015**), 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.

* - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²

Season at Lord's lifts Christian



DAN Christian enjoyed an off-season at Lord's, where he was employed to play Twenty20 cricket.

Christian is now back whacking the red ball as he chases a one-day World Cup recall in the Sheffield Shield.

It's the sort of helter-skelter schedule that hurtles players between formats and causes angst among many cricket fans, but not Christian.

"I like to be continually playing. It keeps me fit," Christian said.

"I'd much rather that than running around a freezing cold MCG in June."

Playing at the spiritual home of cricket for the first time was an obvious thrill, but the lessons learned were lasting.

"It was really good for my cricket. I was playing every weekend and some second-team stuff during the week," he said.

"I definitely learned some new things in those conditions."

Christian has been away for most of the year, linking up with the national T20 side in South Africa during March before they journeyed to Bangladesh for the World Cup.

A short break was followed by Middlesex commitments, then it was back to Melbourne for pre-season training with Victoria.

Christian has become somewhat of a forgotten man among Australia's all-rounder stocks in that time, missing out on one-day tours to Zimbabwe, UAE and the upcoming home series against South Africa.

But the 31-year-old, on the cusp of a Test debut three years ago, gave national selectors a reminder of his powerful stroke play in last week's season-opening Shield clash.

Christian played a NSW attack that featured Josh Hazlewood and Gurinder Sandhu, belting six sixes in an unbeaten century.

"I felt like I was hitting them really well in the one-dayers as well, but I just couldn't get that big score," Christian said.

"It was nice to convert one."

With the domestic one-day competition over, Christian must build his World Cup case in the Shield and Big Bash League.

"Runs in any format are going to be important for anyone trying to make their way into the Australian side. I'm no different," he said.

"I just want to try and win some games for Victoria." – AAP

Girls wield willow in Perth cricket



RISING cricket star Samara Williams is the captain of an all-Aboriginal women's team playing in Perth.

The girls play for the University of Western Australia (UWA) in the Perth district competition.

Williams is one of Australia's most promising Indigenous women's players and represented her state in this year's Imparja Cup carnival in Alice Springs.

Women's cricket in Western Australia is in its development stage, but the state is making rapid progress.

Involving Aboriginal players is part of the strategy.

The UWA women's team support staff is also Aboriginal.

The team manager is Roseanne Wynne and the head coach is Phil Cox and assistant coach is Greg Cross.

The girls have been receiving coaching from England women's captain Charlotte Edwards, who is spending three months in Perth and is captaining the Western Fury in domestic Australian women's cricket competitions.

The UWA team is: Samara Williams (captain), Chelsea Whitehurst (vice-captain), Martina Bundamurra, Kira Hayden, Moesha



Samara Williams
Picture: Graham Hunt

McCormack, Raquel Cross, Fileshe Swan, Teleisha Hill, Shontell Hartog, Kira McAdem and Bessie May.

Kira is the niece of former AFL star Gilbert McAdam.

Greg Cross, father of Raquel, is an inspiration to his daughter and the team.

Samara Williams is a state under 18 player.

The Noongar-Koori Yorgah (Mingnang country, local dialect Noongar) 17-year-old loves sport and being with family.

Over the years she has played soccer, tennis, netball, basketball, rugby, and cricket.

Cricket and tennis are her favourites, and she harbours dreams of one day playing cricket for Australia.



The East Arnhem Cats, who finished fifth.

Central Australia snare the Long Cup from Tigers' lair



JUST three points decided the Australian Football League Northern Territory (AFLNT) under 14 Long Cup grand final between reigning champions Nightcliff and the Central Australia Power.

The Power were fierce throughout the carnival, hungry for a win over a strong Nightcliff outfit that fields two under 14 teams in the TIO NTFL competition and were favourites heading into the two-day competition.

Central Australia Power left it all on the field and were rewarded with a narrow win, with goals coming from Kristoff Nelson (6), Kane Linch-Williams and Lehman Corby (5 each).

The Centralians left Alice Springs by bus and stayed overnight in Tennant Creek to play fellow Long Cup participants Barkly, before hitting the road to Darwin.

The 1500km trip did nothing to dampen the spirits of the young team, winning the first two pool matches by more than 60 points before a narrow seven point win over Southern Districts.

Talent and education manager Tavis Perry

said each team had a number of standouts and the quality of players reached the lofty expectations of organisers.

"We saw quality AFL being played at Northline Oval over the weekend which made selecting the two Michael Long squads a real challenge," Perry said.

"Each team is represented in the City or Country squad which is indicative of the talent on show, and demonstrates the promising future of Territory football."

Individual Award Recipients: Barkly, Kyrell Barton; Big River Hawks, Steven Rory; Central Australia Power, Dominic Forbes; Darwin Buffaloes, Beau O'Connell; East Arnhem Cats, Byron Marrawilli; Nightcliff, Travis Rose; Palmerston, Peter Wees; Southern Districts, Brandon Rusca; St Mary's, Josh Hubbard; Wanderers, Jack Biniat; Waratahs, Justin Puruntatameri; West Arnhem, Zakorah Gibson

Final placings: 1 Central Australia Powers, 2 Nightcliff, 3 Southern Districts, 4 Wanderers, 5 East Arnhem Cats, 6 Darwin, 7 Waratah, 8 Big River Hawks, 9 Barkly Giants, 10 St Mary's, 11 Palmerston, 12 West Arnhem Bombers.



The Big River Hawks, who finished eighth.



The ninth-placed Barkly Giants.



So close... Matt Hodgson stretches for the tryline but his effort was disallowed during the Killick Cup match against the Barbarians at Twickenham Stadium, London, on November 1. *Picture: Getty Images*

Hodgson ready to rush home



MATT Hodgson's spring tour with the Australian rugby union Wallabies could be cut short if his wife Jodi goes into labour.

The expectant father is nearing the end of the Wallabies' tour of England, Wales, France and Ireland.

The Western Force captain earlier this month had the distinction of captaining the Wallabies in their opening tour match against the Barbarians at Twickenham, London.

It was the first time since Mark Ella that an Indigenous player had captained the Wallabies.

"Waking up on game day is as exciting today as it was when I was 12 years old," Hodgson tweeted on November 8.

The Wallabies won 40-36, scoring six tries to five.

The following weekend, Hodgson came off the bench for Australia in their 33-28 win over Wales at Cardiff.

Captaining the Wallabies was the biggest challenge of Hodgson's career, but becoming a father has been the greatest reward.

On the eve of the Barbarians match, Hodgson opened up about how two IVF pregnancies with wife Jodi had put rugby in perspective and added extra inspiration to his Wallabies dream.

"We started (trying to get pregnant) when I was 29, I'm 33 now, and Hunter was three years in the making,"

Hodgson said.

"It was a tough time, but the end product is something you never forget. It put balance back in my life. I used to focus on rugby and bring a bad day home with me.

"But having someone else in your life and someone so dependent, no matter how bad or good rugby is, brings joy every time you come home and he's another thing to play for."

Hodgson and Jodi tried for eight months to have a child after marrying. They then moved to 12 months of injections before going to IVF.

Son Hunter, now 19 months, was born two weeks premature. Every time there was a contraction, he would push on the umbilical cord and would stop breathing.

"We had to get in there pretty quick. Lucky enough we were monitoring it and we're very blessed that it all worked out well," Hodgson said.

That's why Hodgson and Jodi have a short-list of names for their next son, but won't decide until he is born.

If Jodi goes into labour while Hodgson is in Europe with the Wallabies, he will leave the tour to be by his family's side.

"When we started trying (IVF for the second time), I never thought Wallabies (selection) was on the cards," Hodgson said.

"I haven't thought about it, but yes (I would go home). We've worked it out and it's highly unlikely it will happen before the end of the tour."

New Wallabies coach Michael Cheika picked flanker Hodgson to lead a team boasting former Test captains James Horwill and Will Genia.

It's a sign of Hodgson's standing in Australian rugby after a long battle to establish himself and playing just nine Tests since his debut in 2010.

While the ARU is battling the fallout of the Kurtley Beale-Di Patston drama, Hodgson is a feel-good story.

"We've got a couple of captains in this team, (Hodgson's) been around a few years, maybe 100 years," Cheika joked.

"He's done a superb job with the Western Force... it comes from leadership."

Turnaround

It's a remarkable turnaround for someone who considered quitting Australian rugby three years ago after being overlooked for World Cup selection before getting a late call as an injury replacement.

Now he's part of superb openside flanker depth in Australia.

"(After the World Cup) I struggled to get back to that rugby... I put Wallabies on the backburner," Hodgson said.

"To captain (Australia) is something I never thought about. There were many times where the option (to go overseas) came up, but I had unfinished business in Perth. I started something in 2006 (with the Force) and I want to finish on a big note." — *With Chris Dutton, Canberra Times*



● LEFT: Captain Matt Hodgson holding the Killick Cup after the Australian Wallabies beat the Barbarians 40-36 at Twickenham, London, in the opening match of the Wallabies' northern spring tour. *Picture: Getty Images*

Alby Clarke to celebrate 80th birthday the hard way



LONG-distance runner Alby Clarke plans to celebrate his 80th birthday by running a 42km marathon from his home town of

Warrnambool to the Framlingham Aboriginal settlement and back.

He will undertake the run on November 28 – the day of his birthday.

The *Koori Mail* knows of no other runner of Alby's age who can match his stamina.

This time he will be accompanied by his 20-year-old son Ty.

"I can't say for sure, but this may be my last run," Alby told the *Koori Mail*.

We reported earlier this year that Alby had an impressive list of athletic achievements since vowing to improve his health and beat diabetes through exercise.

He had been recognised as the first Indigenous rider to complete the Melbourne to Warrnambool Cycling Classic and won several awards for other events.

Boxer, cyclist

He took up running after earlier being a professional boxer and cyclist.

As a boxer he had seven pro fights for six wins and a draw in the featherweight division.

He gave up the fight game after being concussed in his last fight.

Among his cycling achievements is one huge effort – riding from Perth across the Nullarbor to Warrnambool, a distance of 3300km.

Nine years ago, he ran in the six-day Clifty Young Ultra-Marathon – equivalent to a marathon each day – running 345km around Colac's Memorial Square.

For years Alby has been seeking official recognition for his achievements as a runner and cyclist.

"I'll go down fighting," he said.

He told the *Koori Mail* he was seeking recognition as the first Indigenous Australian to compete in the Clifty Young Ultra-Marathon and the 275km Melbourne-Warrnambool cycle race in 2001 at the age of 66.

Alby Clarke's link with sport goes back a long way.

He was cycling competitively in 1950 and stepped into the boxing ring in 1955.

In 2007 he took part in the 3300km Perth to Warrnambool Reconciliation Ride.

Before that, he tried his hand at ultra-marathons and still continues today.

At the age of 70 in 2005, he ran in the 344km Clifty Young Ultra-Marathon.

Two years later, he lined up in the 320km Melbourne-Warrnambool Ultra-Marathon.

At the age of 75 in 2010, he ran in the 100km Portland-Warrnambool Ultra-Marathon Run for Diabetes.

Another feat in 2010 was running from Portland to Geelong along the Princes Highway for the Koorie Youth Education and Close the Gap.

That challenge held special significance for Alby as he was accompanied all the way by his then 17-year-old son Ty, while another son, then-15-year-old Allie, accompanied them on a bicycle.

Kurtley Beale recalled to Wallabies in Ireland



KURTLEY Beale has rejoined the Australian Wallabies following his run-in with the code's officialdom.

The Australian Rugby Union announced last weekend that The Qantas Wallabies have made two changes to their squad with backrower Jake Schatz and playmaker Beale to join

the team in Dublin ahead of this Saturday's Test against Ireland.

Their inclusion comes with experienced backrower Scott Higginbotham returning to Australia after being unable to overcome a hamstring injury he initially suffered in the opening game of the spring tour against the Barbarians.

Beale and Schatz joined the team in

Dublin last Sunday, following Saturday's clash against France at Stade de France.

The match against France was Australia's third of their five-game spring tour, and will be followed by games against Ireland and England.

Win over Barbarians

The Wallabies began their tour with a 40-36 victory over the Barbarians at

Twickenham, London, before toppling Wales 33-28 at Millennium Stadium, Cardiff.

Beale was fined \$45,000 for sending an offensive photograph to then-Australian Rugby Union employee Di Patston in June.

He was fined a further \$3000 after being found guilty of breaching team protocols.

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forfeiting his position as head of football at the conclusion of the season.

I will always be indebted to these two men personally for the opportunity they gave me – on and off the field – and was saddened that they felt the need to step aside for the benefit of the club.

All this occurred as the club undertook an internal review conducted by an external consultant that they hope will give them a blueprint with which to build a successful organisation into the future.

After three weeks filling in in an interim capacity, assistant coach Neil Henry was handed a three-year appointment as head coach, but faces an almighty challenge to win back the faith of Gold Coast fans.

Obviously, I also know Neil as a coach and know he will bring a new sense of energy and direction to the playing group.

Spate of injuries

On the field, the promise of the opening two months evaporated under a weight of injuries that saw first-choice halves Aidan Sezer and Albert Kelly play just eight games together all year.

Ryan James played four games before he succumbed to a shoulder injury; William Zillman and David Mead were troubled by hamstring injuries, while Greg Bird was kept to 17 games due to Origin commitments and suspensions.

They lost Jamal Idris to homesickness in the pre-season and acquired Brad Tighe from Penrith in his place, while James Roberts and Daniel Mortimer made positive contributions after making mid-season moves.

With James Roberts and Dave Taylor at their disposal, the Titans just need a consistent halves pairing in 2015 to be able to rectify many of their woeful attacking statistics.

With Albert's departure, I hope Aidan Sezer steps up and takes on a real leadership role as I know he is a player capable of going to the next level.

His loss from round 10 through until round 22 effectively stripped the Titans of any sense of direction through the most important period of the season.

After rupturing his pectoral muscle against the Broncos while attempting to make a tackle, the absence of Sezer's kicking game – not to mention 90-plus per cent goal-kicking – made it nigh on impossible for the Titans to build

any pressure or rescue a poor set with a good kick.

Despite missing almost half the season, Sezer was still responsible for 28 per cent of total kicks by Titans players and 29 per cent of all kick metres and forced far fewer goal-line drop-outs from the opposition.

In a roller-coaster season that had a short climb before a terrifying fall to the bottom, the astonishing nature of their round 26 win may just be enough to get fans through until 2015 with some hope.

It's been a similar glum year for Canberra fans.

Not even the return of prodigal son Ricky Stuart could inspire their team to a better finish than last season's 13th-placed result.

There were two wins in the first month and three straight to close out the year, which at first glance lays the foundation for a nice and meaty rugby league sandwich.

But there was very little for fans to munch on in the 19 weeks in between, with the team dusting off its victory song just four times during the winter months, ensuring a colder-than-normal dressing shed in Sticky's first campaign holding a clipboard.

Only the ASADA-damaged, injury-plagued, drama-engulfed Cronulla Sharks stopped the former NSW Origin coach from becoming the first mentor to take back-to-back wooden spoons at different clubs.

Talented youngsters

The one shining light for the Raiders is the crop of talented youngsters they have coming through the ranks – including some great Indigenous talent.

Jack Wighton could be anything.

Once Ricky gives him the opportunity to settle on a position, I believe he will be knocking on the door for representative selection.

I know Laurie Daley has a high opinion of his talents and I expect him to be an All Stars selection.

Edrick and Branko Lee are also excitement machines and will bring an extra dimension to the Raiders' attack next season.

I was also pleased to see Kurt Baptiste resurrect his career in Canberra and believe he has a lot to offer at this level.

So all the Raiders and Titans fans know at least one thing – next season surely can't be worse.

There is only one direction for them – up!



Talented youngsters like Edrick Lee could lift the Canberra Raiders in the 2015 NRL season after a dismal 2014.

All-Yarrabah final

By ALF WILSON



SEAHAWKS Pink won the final of the Yarrabah Gindaja All Blacks rugby league carnival, beating Djumbunji Bigun 24-18.

The two sides consisted of mostly Yarrabah players.

Twelve sides competed and were split into three pools of four for the qualifying rounds at Jones Park, Cairns, on November 8-9.

Players came from around North Queensland, including Yarrabah, the Torres Strait, Townsville, Palm Island, Cape York, Hope Vale, Wujal Wujal, Coen and other places.

Points after the day one qualifying rounds were –

Pool A: Palm Island Bwgcolman Warriors 13, Appun Warriors Michael Creek Memorial Team 6 (-6 f/a) Innisfail Waru 6 (-10), Ibuwaw Baw 5.

Pool B: Djumbunji Bigun 10, Seahawks Pink 10, Vanuatu Descendants 8, Palm Island Barracudas 1.

Pool C: Woorabinda Warriors 14.5, Seahawks Maroon 8.5, Mooraridgi United 6, KC Raiders 1.

In the winner's grand final for the Gindaja Cup, Seahawks Pink tryscorers were Menmuni Murgha (2),

with singles to Ross Maloney, Badu islander Maipele Morseu and Milton Mossman. Brian Murgha kicked two goals.

Djumbunji Bigun tryscorers were Martin Dabah, Jake Webster and Brian Fourmile. Coleridge Dabah kicked two goals and Jim Fourmile one.

In the quarterfinals of the winner's Cup section, Woorabinda Warriors beat Appun United 42-8, Bwgcolman Warriors scraped home 24-22 against Mooraridgi United, Djumbunji Bigun easily accounted for Vanuatu Descendants 38-10, and Seahawks Pink beat Seahawks Maroon 66-22.

Following that were the semifinals, where Yarrabah Pink beat Woorabinda Warriors 20-14 and Djumbunji Bigun beat Bwgcolman Warriors 20-16.

The bottom-placed four sides battled it out in the loser's plate division and in the final, Palm Island Barracudas beat KC Raiders 48-16.

Caleb Geia (2) Fred Haines Jnr, Vernon Baira, Billo Mosby, Adrian Poynter, Aidan Ketchup, Costa Sam and Justin Sibley scored tries for the Barracudas.

KC Raiders tryscorers were James Burns, Sonny Rea and Aaron Guligo, while Phil Nona kicked two goals.

In the plate semifinals, KC Raiders defeated Innisfail Waru 16-12 and Barracudas beat Ibuwaw Baw 22-10.



Greg Fourmile, chairman of Gindaja, presents the winning shield to Seahawks Pink star Brian Murgha. Picture: Supplied



Carnival organisers, from left, Ian Patterson, Ailsa Lively and Bishop Arthur Malcolm. Picture: Christine Howes



Seahawks Pink players: Maipele Morseu, left, and Cyprian Mossman. Picture: Supplied



A Seahawks Pink player reaches out for the tryline in the game against Djumbunji Bigun. Picture: Christine Howes

Athletics to open academy doors



AS many as 30 participants will be selected by Athletics Australia to attend an academy next year to further their education and give them a pathway in athletics.

Athletics Australia will team with the University of Melbourne to host its inaugural Raise the Bar Academy on the university's campus from next January 19-22.

The initiative is part of Athletics Australia's Athletics for the Outback program.

The academy will aim to support Indigenous Australian secondary school

students who are interested in pursuing tertiary education and a career in the sports industry.

The academy is open to Indigenous Australian secondary school students who are entering Years 10, 11 or 12 in 2015.

Athletics Australia's Indigenous participation coordinator Bridgid Junot said the academy was aimed at helping Indigenous Australians turn their love of sport into a career as well as encouraging them to complete secondary school and pursue tertiary studies.

"This is a new initiative on behalf of Athletics Australia's Athletics for the Outback program and we hope it will become an annual event that Indigenous

students can look forward to every year," said Junot.

"It will be a great way for kids to get on track to start the school year right, be inspired by peers just like themselves, meet new friends and learn from some of Australia's best athletes who are excelling in all areas of their lives, not just in the sports arena.

University education

"The academy participants will have the chance to explore their leadership potential and discover how to pursue a university education at Australia's leading academic and research Institution."

The free program consists of a four-day summer residence camp at the University of Melbourne.

Participants will develop new skills in athletics coaching, sports media training and community sports events management as well as having the opportunity to connect directly with sports industry professionals and some of Australia's best athletes.

Up to 30 participants will be selected to attend the Raise the Bar Academy.

Applications are open and more information is available by visiting www.athletics.com.au/Portals/56/Participation/Documents/AFTO/applicationForm.pdf



Long jumper Robbie Crowther and hurdler Shannon McCann are two of Australia's most promising Indigenous athletes. They competed in this year's Glasgow Commonwealth Games. Pictures: Getty Images

Two from two for Malu Kiwai

By ALF WILSON



MALU Kiwai made it two rugby league All Blacks carnival wins in a fortnight when they beat Bamaga Roos (2) 17-14 in the final of Bamaga's Dan Ropeyarn Memorial

Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) Cup.

Malu Kiwai consisted of many players of Boigu descent and narrowly won the decider at Bamaga's Yusia Ginou Memorial Oval after scores were deadlocked 8-all at halftime.

The carnival was held from October 30 to November 1.

Just two weeks earlier, Malu Kiwai had beaten Cherbourg Gunboat Raiders 30-27 in the final of the non-sanctioned Cairns All Blacks carnival.

At Bamaga, teams were split into two divisions with Malu Kiwai, Injinoo Crocs, Coen Colts and Bamaga Roos (1) in pool A. Pioneer Natives,



The Malu Kiwai team which won Bamaga's Dan Ropeyarn Memorial Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) Cup. Pictures: Roger Bartlett

Bamaga Roos (2), Alau Eagles, and defending champions Argun Warriors were in pool B.

Player of the carnival went to Bobby Nona (Argun Warriors); best back, Windsor Bowie (Injinoo Crocs); best forward, Ben Schell (Bamaga Roos 2); best utility, Ricky Barba (Malu Kiwai).

In the final, Malu Kiwai tryscorers were Kalani Anau, Ricky Barba and Judah Gibuma. Judah Gibuma kicked two goals and the crafty Eddie Daniel slotted a field goal at the seventh minute mark in the second half.

For Bamaga Roos (2), Hezron Murgha, Bert Whap and Linc Port scored tries and Bernard Mosby kicked

the goal. Star Malu Kiwai utility Eddie Daniel said that his side went into the final as an underdog.

"We had a very small forward pack and were heavily outweighed but never gave up," he said.

In the semifinals Bamaga Roos (2) defeated last year's champions Argun Warriors 30-6, while Malu Kiwai rolled Injinoo Crocs 32-18.

Numerous Torres Strait Island and Cape York players took part in a best-of-three-games women's competition between Alau Eagles and Women's Allstars teams.

Two games were drawn and Alau Eagles won the other narrowly and were declared the winners.



Carnival runners-up the Bamaga Roos (2).

Tips from the top



Tyson Demos brings the ball up the court for the Wollongong Hawks in the round 14 NBL match against the Perth Wildcats at Challenge Stadium, Perth, in January, 2011. Picture: Getty Images

By CHRIS PIKE



WOLLONGONG Hawks guard Tyson Demos has now played more than 200 games in the National Basketball League

(NBL), but he is always on the lookout for ways to improve and he drew plenty of inspiration off NBA-championship winner Patty Mills in the build-up to the 2014-15 season.

The 26-year-old is now in his eighth season in the NBL and earlier in the 2014-15 campaign he reached his 200th game in the league, but spending some time in the United States with Mills opened his eyes to ways he could still improve.

While Mills was playing a starring role for the San Antonio Spurs in winning the NBA championship, Demos spent time with him, with the pair having had a bond since representing Australia together at the under-19 World championships in 2007.

Mills had a breakout NBA season with San Antonio that saw him go from a little-used player 12 months previous to being a key player off the bench in the Spurs team that won a championship, and he informed

Demos that a key to that was getting significantly fitter and dropping some weight.

Demos saw first-hand just how much Mills had improved on the biggest stage in the world just from dropping a little weight, and he made a vow to do the same once he returned to Wollongong in preparation for the 2014-15 season, and that's exactly what he did.

"I worked really hard to drop a heap of weight, which has been good for my knees and I'm probably in the best shape I've been in," Demos said.

Picked Mills' brain

"I was at Patty's house while he was playing in the play-offs and the whole time I was there I was just picking his brain, picking up little things like diet and his individual training schedule.

"He dropped something like four per cent body fat last year and had a standout season, and he said the difference was dropping a bunch of weight. It helped him avoid injuries and he was playing a lot better."

Demos learned plenty from being around Mills during the NBA finals that he has now been able to bring back with him to the NBL.

Demos is starting to enter the

veteran stage and having been behind 500-plus game veterans Mat Campbell and Glen Saville when he started with his home-grown Wollongong, Demos now is a senior head.

He is happy to take on that leadership role, particularly to help in the development of the young guards like Dom Cooks, Luke Jamieson and rookie import Jahii Carson.

Demos has won the Hawks' best defensive player award the last three seasons since joining the club after beginning his NBL career with the Gold Coast Blaze, and after learning so much from Mills, he is keen to continue to be leader to the young players with Wollongong.

"It was good to get some tips and ideas, and when I came back, it gave me a bit of motivation. I lost about seven or eight kilos and I'm in a good place physically and mentally now," Demos said.

"I'm going to play the same way this season and just bring that energy, but definitely slow down at times as well and take on more of a leadership role with our group.

"I'm getting up there to being one of the older guys in the team now and I need to go out and lead through my actions. That's probably the biggest change to my role."



Jarrod Garlett
Pictures:
Peter Argent



Nakia Cockatoo



Jarrod Pickett



Paul Ahern

Top contenders

By **PETER ARGENT**



FOUR Aboriginal players – two of them from the west – have been touted as top 20 candidates in this year's Australian Football League (AFL) draft.

They are West Australians Jarrod Garlett and Jarrod Pickett, Melournian Paul Ahern and Northern Territorian Nakia Cockatoo.

"Those four, along with Clem Smith, are red hot contenders to be picked up in the first round," AFL international and talent manger Kevin Sheehan said.

"I'm confident of about 40 players who will be welcomed into AFL programs.

"The next 20 or so – you could state a case for 100 different lads.

"This means there will be rich pickings in the rookie draft as well."

The draft, to be held on the Gold Coast on Thursday, November 27, is expected to be a very open affair, with a number of other Indigenous players in the mix for selection for that and the rookie draft on December 3.

There is a rich AFL heritage in the Garlett name, as Jarrod has already had three cousins who are or have been in the system – Cruize (North), Jeffery (Carlton-Melbourne) and Dayle (Hawthorn).

A gifted two-sided player, which is becoming less common in the game, Jarrod Garlett is a skilled wingman who breaks lines and performed strongly at the national championships.

He also played a couple of WAFL (West Australian Football League) games with South Fremantle in a full year of football.

His Bulldogs teammate Jarrod Pickett is a versatile type of small forward-midfielder who played the last five games of the season at WAFL level and has blistering speed.

Named as a member of the inaugural Laguntas squad in 2013, Paul Ahern has been called a 'Rolls Royce' by recruiters at the national under 18s championships this year, where he gained All Australian honours as a midfielder.

In a recent interview, the shy Ahern confirmed that off the field, he had his eye on the next chapter of his career.

"I've definitely come out of my shell a little bit this year," he said.

"I've enrolled into a Victorian university course in sports management, so I'll look to do that alongside footy if I get drafted."

Impressive year

Ahern competed an impressive year, being the Calder Cannons' best in the TAC Cup grand final they lost to Oakleigh. He secured 26 possessions, took seven marks and kicked a goal.

After Nakia Cockatoo's inspiring best-afield performance for the Allies on AFL grand final day, issues with fractures in his foot have been allayed.

After the 186cm power midfielder made recruiters' jaws drop with a brilliant goal from the middle in that Allies appearance at the Melbourne Cricket Ground, he tested

brilliantly at the draft combine the following week.

On the second line are 2013 All Australian and 2013 WA most valuable player Clem Smith, and another All Australian from Tasmania – Josh McGuinness, who was superb in the division two competition at the nationals.

Tasmanian high-performances manager Matt Armstrong called McGuinness a skilful footballer, with good size, who had played the majority of his career in defence.

Clem Smith played the opening three games of the 2014 WAFL season before AIS commitments in Europe.

After kicking the match-winner in his last game with the WA under 18s, his performances plateaued a little towards the end of the year.

A player who impressed AFL talent guru Kevin Sheehan was Nathan Drummond, a 19-year-old from the Murray Bushrangers.

He tested impressively at the national combine.

One of the real smokies in the draft is Norwood premiership player Anthony 'Rabs' Wilson who is blessed with lightning speed and played a key role in the Redlegs' flags retention.

His coach Ben Warren was high in his praise of Wilson, suggesting his pure speed was an attribute that many clubs would desire.

More likely as rookie chances are Robert Young (Port Adelaide), who played 13 SANFL games, Shane Yarran (Subiaco), the 25-year-old cousin of Carlton's Chris,

who adapted well to WAFL football in 2014 after missing the game for five years due to incarceration, and Jermaine Miller-Lewis, who didn't play due to injury this year.

Aiden Anderson is another hopeful from the west. A small forward who played senior football at 17, he loves kicking goals.

Shannon Taylor, a former Claremont talent who was touted at a rising star in 2011, played 10 games this season with the Frankston Dolphins in the VFL.

Headed east

He is also back on the draft radar after moving his family across the continent.

"He had a couple of hamstring injuries early and is a ripper lad," Dolphins 2014 coach Simon Goosey said.

"In his first game for us, he took the mark of the day and kicked the goal of the day.

"He worked very hard over the pre-season and has all the tools to go to the next level."

Another outside chance is Marcus Hamilton, from Big River Hawks, in Katherine, who also plays with Southern Districts. His strengths include being a strong contested mark for his size and having a solid defensive capacity.

This year's AFL draft is intriguing as there could be only between 60 to 65 live picks, with the players who have already been committed to clubs under the father-son, upgraded rookie, delisted player free agency and academy selections.



Anthony Wilson



Josh McGuinness



Clem Smith



Shannon Taylor

Keeping our young stars

Magic's Moments



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In my last column, I wrote about the need to ensure we worked on pathways to ensure we gave as many young Indigenous players the opportunity to pursue their dream to play in the Australian Football League (AFL).

This issue in itself has caused a lot of debate and discussion – all for the good.

Last week, the need to improve systems was further highlighted with the decision of Dom Barry to leave the Demons to return home.

Last year, more Indigenous players were recruited by AFL clubs than ever before.

The AFL has no trouble identifying and attracting elite Indigenous talent and getting them to clubs; the trouble has always been retaining those players at clubs.

Dom Barry decided to abandon AFL and his two-year contract to return home to central Australia, to the land he left as a young teen to pursue football.

Reconnect with culture

Now he wants to reconnect with the life he left behind and reconnect with his culture.

The sense of belonging and being accepted is not an Indigenous issue alone, but is one that is acutely felt by so many of our players from regional and remote communities in particular.

Others who have given up their football dreams to return home in recent years include Austin Wonaemirri, Zeph Skinner, Liam Patrick and Troy Taylor – all, like Barry, felt the pull of home, family and community more strongly than AFL football.

Liam Jurrah, of course, also quit the game, although in more exceptional circumstances, and Dayle

Garlett at the start of the year only lasted a brief time at Hawthorn before quitting the club.

Players walk away from the game for their own reasons.

While not a uniquely Indigenous phenomenon, the retention rate among Indigenous players continues to cause concern among clubs and the AFL.

At a time of capped list sizes and significant investment in every player drafted, there is concern when any selected player does not last.

"Seventeen (Indigenous) players were drafted last year, which is a record," said AFL head of diversity Jason Mifsud.

"You can argue about number on primary lists or rookie lists, but that is irrelevant. The facts are 17 players joined club lists ... which showed that the appetite is as strong as ever for Aboriginal players and we have more Indigenous kids than ever before in talent pathways."

But retention, unless addressed, will invariably affect recruiting if clubs shy away from recruitment because of concern at retention.

"The working party's view was it would be better to spend time and effort building clubs' Aboriginal capacity than worry about new rookie categories," Mifsud said.

The idea of providing more education and resourcing for clubs is something that was promoted by the working party.

Outside the cap

The AFL Players Association has been strongly of the view that all welfare support and indeed medical services should be outside the AFL's cap on football-department spending, arguing that clubs should not be limited on broader personal development and medical help players can be offered.

The issue of the cost of additional support for retaining Indigenous players was only a further issue to illustrate this point.

AFLPA Indigenous manager Kelly Applebee said the players' union had introduced programs this year and provided all clubs with more resourcing on advice on handling new arrivals.

A handbook – *The Best Practice Guide to Supporting Indigenous Players* – was written by Indigenous players at the last Indigenous players' camp in Alice Springs two years ago and has been distributed to clubs.

Mifsud said Indigenous players who came through the AFL pathway programs – Flying Boomerangs – had a higher retention rate than those from outside the pathways.

The Boomerangs players this year will not travel overseas on a playing development tour, but instead do a placement at an AFL club.

"As disappointed as I am for Dom, for Melbourne and for the AFL industry

that we don't get to watch a talented player perform, you cannot look on that as a failure," Mifsud said.

"Dom Barry goes back to his community an educated young leader."

Indigenous great Che Cockatoo-Collins brought another perspective to the debate.

He believes Indigenous recruiters would be a key plank in solving football's problem with the retention of Aboriginal players.

Cockatoo-Collins — a central figure in football's fight against racism alongside Michael Long and Nicky Winmar — said much more could be done to stop clubs losing good Indigenous players.

Near the top of the list was to have Indigenous people involved in the recruiting process.

"How many Aboriginal recruiting managers are there?" Cockatoo-Collins asked.

"If you had an Aboriginal person involved in the whole recruitment process of Aboriginal players, they would be able to see it through the other person's eyes."

But Cockatoo-Collins said the recent cases were unlikely to deter recruiters from recruiting Indigenous players, provided the club had a strong structure in place.

The ones with the right support systems would back themselves at the AFL national draft on the Gold Coast next week to pick players from anywhere provided they were the right fit for the club.

Port Adelaide was one of them.

"From day one, Port Adelaide's always had Aboriginal players who felt they contributed and were an important part of the club," Cockatoo-Collins said.

"The clubs that blame the player for leaving are failing in their duty."

Support systems

"Good organisations make sure they have the right support systems to hang on to good people."

Cockatoo-Collins said the support systems needed to be part of the organisation, not rustled together when there was a difficult issue at hand.

He was heartened by hearing Essendon was planning to bring in a mentor program for Indigenous players next year to continue the good work which essentially began under long-serving coach Kevin Sheedy.

"But each case is different," Cockatoo-Collins said. "Melbourne is a very big place and it can feel very foreign for players who come from smaller places. That goes for country white kids and country Aboriginal kids."

The issue is as simple as it is complex.

We all want to be accepted and respected for who we are.

Until Next Time.... Keep Dreaming!

Barba signs with Sharks



STAR Cronulla recruit Ben Barba has revealed he thought he may have to switch codes from the National Rugby League (NRL) after being cut loose by Brisbane.

But the game-breaking back is confident the off-field demons that blighted him during his time with Canterbury won't re-emerge after returning to Sydney.

The Sharks will play Barba at five-eighth rather than at fullback, where he made his name and won the 2012 Dally Medal with Canterbury, as coach Shane Flanagan said they already had one of the best fullbacks in the competition in Michael Gordon.

Cronulla's move for Barba ended a brief period of uncertainty for him, as he said being cut by new Brisbane coach Wayne Bennett came as "a bit of a shock".

He was worried about providing for his young family, with his partner recently giving birth to their third child.

"There was a bit of a thought that I wasn't go to end up at a club and I might have to switch codes," newly-arrived Barba said at Cronulla training on Thursday.

"It was really worrying me, that I might not end up at a club, because with the salary cap some teams can't fit you in."

Barba rose to prominence with his dazzling form in 2012, but off-field issues in 2013 halted his momentum and he moved to Brisbane for the 2014 season, when he was again unable rerecapture anything like his 2012 form.

"The footy I've played the last two years hasn't been too crash hot," Barba admitted.

He was confident he now had the maturity to stay out of trouble off the field.

"If ever things start going wrong, I'll still seek help, but at the moment I think I'm doing pretty well with the people I have in my life," Barba said.

Flanagan hit out at media stories about how much the Sharks were paying Barba and for reporting the club had banned him from living in the Cronulla area.

"We need to stop these ridiculous rumours and innuendo about our club," Flanagan said.

"Our board and myself have always stood up and tried to get the truth out there."

"He's been here 24 hours and there's two ridiculous stories about Ben Barba not living in Cronulla."

"(That) he won't be living in Cronulla has been Ben's decision, not anyone else's."

A six-line Broncos media release last week confirmed Barba's departure barely a year after the former Dally M Medallist had been welcomed at Red Hill with much fanfare.

Barba put pen to paper last Tuesday after visiting the Sharks the weekend before – AAP

Surfing comp at Culburra Beach



AN Indigenous surfing and community day is to be held at Main Beach, Culburra, on Saturday, November 29.

The Gadu Surf Fest is being organised by the Tackling

Tobacco-Healthy Lifestyles Team from the South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation at Nowra, on the NSW South Coast.

It will start at 7.30am.

The aim of the drug- and alcohol-free event is to celebrate community and culture.

Organisers are expecting about 200 people to attend.

There will be free food, stalls, giveaways and beach games for kids.

Contestants in the competition can win prizes ranging from surfboards to surfing accessories.

Details: Call CJ on 4448 0200 or visit southcoastams.org.au or Facebook pages South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation or Tackling Smoking and healthy lifestyle – south coast mob.



Michael 'Smokey' Beeton was inducted in the Tasmanian Aboriginal Sporting Hall of Fame.



Father and son Darren and Pip Thomas, from Launceston, took out the best player awards for their respective teams in the Lawrie Lowrey Football Challenge.



Michael Mansell shows he's still got it in the over 30s football team.



On opposing teams – Guy Grey and his son Brady – who was drafted to the Fremantle Dockers last year. Guy was a long-time captain of the Tasmanian Imparja Cup cricket team and still is involved.

Generations come together

Story and pictures by
JILLIAN MUNDY



WHILE experience beat youth in softball and netball at this year's Generation

Cup in Launceston, it was the younger generation who brought it home at the day's main event – the Laurie Lowrey Aussie rules match between under 30s and over 30s.

Not that the scores really mattered anyway.

Aborigines travelled from around Tasmania to attend the event in its 19th year where teams of made up of participants under 30 years old play teams of over 30s.

For Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC) state secretary Trudy Maluga, the day was not about winners or loser, but about getting together promoting healthy lifestyle. "It is a day when the older generation play our young ones, passing down pride, fair play, sportsmanship, community pride, strengthening our connection together as a community," Miss Maluga said.

"The day promotes healthy living, healthy food and the benefits of exercise for our community."

A highlight of the Generation Cup was the announcement of Michael 'Smokey' Beeton's induction into the Tasmanian Aboriginal Sporting Hall of Fame.

Mr Beeton's lifelong involvement in sport started at the Beaconsfield Football

Club when he 10, some weeks playing reserves, others as a boundary umpire. As a 14-year-old, he played in the senior grand final and won the club's best and fairest.

He went on to play in three winning grand finals with the club, was their youngest ever life member at the age of 34 and was a coach, head trainer, president and committee member.

He was bench coach in a further three winning grand finals after his club amalgamated with the Tamar Cats.

Mr Beeton has also excelled in cricket and lawn bowls, recently being invited to play for Tasmania's over-60s team.

He has been a youth worker with the TAC for many years, encouraging people of all ages to be involved in team sports.

Mr Beeton said sport was good for discipline and self-esteem.

"It doesn't matter what sport you play, as long as you play a team sport, get involved and get active," he said.



The football team captains watch on as Dorothy Murray tosses the coin.



The ball flies off the boot of Victor Ralph, from Devonport.



Rachel Gibbins outruns Danny Gardner in the headline event at the Generation Cup.



Trudi Maluga celebrates a catch on first base in the softball match.



● ABOVE: Tylo Hobbs and Kawanji Greaves try out lawn bowls with the Bowls Australia's Junior Jack Attack Program.

● BELOW LEFT: Bianca Hammersley and Trudy Leslie took out the best player awards in their respective teams in the Amy Beeton netball match.

● BELOW: Sara Maynard, from Hobart, gets some air in pursuit of the ball for the Over 30s.



They're off to Europe



GUMBAYGNIRR (Nambucca Heads) youngster Troy Junior Dargan and Gideon Gela, of Darnley Island descent, are in the Australian under

18 schoolboys rugby league team that is touring England and France this month and next month.

Troy Junior (TJ) was born and raised at Liverpool and lives at Prestons, between Parramatta and Campbelltown, and attends Knox College, where he is a boarder on a scholarship.

He was previously at Westfield Sports High from Year 7 to Year 10. He started playing rugby league with the Mounties at the age of seven and moved over to Cabramatta at the age of 11.

He has now signed a three-year deal with the Parramatta Eels and has started pre-season training with the Parramatta National Youth Competition team. The deal with Parramatta did not come out of thin air.

Troy has been kicking goals since being a ball boy at the 2010 Four Nations tournament.

In 2012, he was in the NSW Combined High Schools under 15 side that played in Darwin.

The same year he was a member of the Parramatta Harold Matthews Cup team.

He played in the same competition the following year and won the best back award.

He also played with the 2013 NSW Indigenous junior team that took on Queensland Indigenous team before the NRL All Stars game at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane.

He capped off 2013 by being named captain of the first all-Indigenous junior team to tour Spain, the UK and France.

This year he was in the NSW Combined Independent Schools team that competed in Darwin and now is off to England with the Australian Schoolboy team that left yesterday (Tuesday) and returns on December 23.

Fullback Gideon attends Kirwan State High School, Townsville, on a sporting scholarship and represented the recent Queensland under 18 schoolboys team at the National championships in Darwin.

"Not bad for a kid from Darnley Island who 12 months ago chose to move to Kirwan High and leave his family and friends in Cairns to pursue his rugby league dreams," said Dave Ackers, head of Kirwan High's rugby league.



Troy Junior Dargan holding the Harold Matthews Trophy. Troy's Parramatta Eels won the trophy in 2013.



Gideon Gela

Mayweather fight may have to wait



WHILE his sponsor Mick Gatto is talking of filling the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG)

for a showdown with boxing superstar Floyd 'Money' Mayweather, Anthony Mundine says he doesn't deserve the fight just yet.

Mundine became the mandatory challenger for Mayweather's WBC light middleweight title with his defeat of previously unbeaten Belarusian Sergey Rabchenko in a split decision at Hisense Arena,

Melbourne, last Wednesday night.

The 39-year-old said he wanted to fight the American pound-for-pound king but, as the best in the sport, Mayweather could pick and choose his bouts.

"Personally, I don't think it's realistic he will fulfil his obligation as mandatory," Mundine admitted.

"He (Mayweather) probably doesn't think I've earned my right which I probably haven't."

"So in saying that, I would like to go after one of the other guys, whether it be (Saul) Alvarez or (Miguel) Cotto."

Mexican Alvarez is a former World Boxing Council (WBC) light-

middleweight who lost the title to Mayweather last year, while Puerto Rico's Cotto is the current WBC middleweight champion.

Should Mayweather sidestep Mundine before the 12-month deadline, the veteran Australian will take his WBC belt, making him a more attractive fight proposition.

Early offers

Mundine's camp said they had already fielded phone calls overnight from America about a fight after his impressive showing against European champion Rabchenko.

"I will become the sole

champion and that will draw some big attention like Alvarez and Cotto," Mundine said.

"That's the names I'm after. I don't want to go backwards."

"Off this win I want to fight the best fighters in the world."

Mundine said he wanted to fight three or four more times and then "sail into the sunset after I make that 15 or 20 million".

Asked if he had left his charge to the big time too late, Mundine said age wasn't a factor because he only started boxing as a 25-year-old after switching from his successful rugby league career.

"I'm in my prime right now," he

said.

"The next two or three years I'll be at the top of my game."

"I'm a rare species that comes along every few hundred years."

Underworld identity Gatto said they would go hard after Mayweather and Alvarez and if they couldn't make it happen at the MCG, they would go offshore.

"We are going to try to bring one of the biggest fights that this country's ever seen," he said.

"I believe that Floyd would want to come to this country. It's virgin territory," Gatto said.

"You'd fill the MCG with 100,000 in a heart-beat." - AAP

Mundine wins narrowly

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Mundine showed his desperation and fought back towards the end of the round but the damage was done with the fight all tied up at the end of the eighth.

One judge had the Belarusian ahead, one a draw and one scored Mundine in front.

Rabchenko then rocked his elder at the end of the 11th but the fight was still anyone's heading into the final round.

Crowd support

Mundine was willed on by the vocal home crowd. He couldn't land a knock-out blow but did enough to get the win.

One judge scored Rabchenko the winner 115-113, with the other two giving Mundine the fight 115-113 and 116-112.

Mundine said he knew he could beat Rabchenko even when many others didn't.

"I fought a young lion tonight who can punch, a young Lion who had power in both hands but I took

everything he had," he said.

"I showed him my chin plus heart."

In Mundine's last fight he was knocked down five times in a loss to Ghana's Joshua Clottey.

He said he was much better prepared and his defence was significantly improved.

The outspoken Mundine maintained his belief he could go after even bigger fights, with Mayweather the biggest prize.

He's now the mandatory to fight him.

"I think Floyd is the best and it's up to him if he wants to fight me," he said.

Mundine's record now stands at 47 wins (27 by KO), six losses (two by KO), no draws.

Mundine said before the fight that he performed best when he was backed into a corner and that's where he found himself with his boxing career on the line against Rabchenko.

The pair weighed in before the Hisense Arena showdown with Mundine at 69.7kg, half a kilogram lighter than his opponent.

While fighting superstar Mayweather is a massive reward, the consequences were high had Mundine lost successive fights for the first time in his career.

He was knocked down five times before suffering a unanimous points decision loss to Ghana's Joshua Clottey in April. But he said later than he "didn't have his head on" for that fight.

Best under pressure

"My biggest moments have come when I'm under the most pressure, so I'm ready," Mundine said in the lead-up to the Rabchenko fight.

"This time it's on the line."

The Fred Mundraby-Zhanat Zhakiyanov undercard fight did not come off.

The Kazakhstan Zhakiyanov instead fought at the Sleeman Sports Complex, Brisbane, on November 8, on the same card as Damien Hooper and Cameron Hammond.

He had a second-round knockout win over Sydney-based Filipino Roberto Leiro. - With AAP

Blues name team

SELECTORS have named the 2015 NSW Indigenous under 16s squad to play the Queensland Murri under 16s in one of the curtain raisers to the NRL and Indigenous All Stars clash on the Gold Coast on February 13.

Those who missed out on the squad are still in the running to make the NSW under 16s Young Achievers side. The Young Achievers will take on the West Coast Pirates under 16s as the NSW side looks to defend the Rhys Wesser Shield in Sydney on January 18.

NSW Indigenous under 16s: Zac Nuttall (Cranebrook), Kane Allen (Forde), Lincoln Stewart (Eden), William Baker (Wauchope), Blake Taaffe (Killarney Vale), Braden Stewart (Chifley), Tristan Reilly (South West Rocks), Johnathon Walsh (Belmont), Kyle McLean (Umina), Zac Saddler (Cooma), Feleti Mateo (Orange), KC Edmonds (Inverell), Josh Curran (Castle Hill), Jai Merritt (Dubbo), Josh Cook (Phillip Bay), Tyson Hodge (Wagga Wagga), Learoy Brown (Kingswood), Isaiah Barker (Kempsey), William Lockwood (Kempsey), Allan Lockwood (Kempsey).

Train-on squad - Backs: Jai Doolan (Cowra), Jack Carney (Sydney), Warren Baxter (Forbes). Forwards: Liam Bashford (Ngunnawal ACT), Luke Rosworre (Cranebrook), Percy Cubby (Goodooga).

● Players need to email Steve Hall on shall@nswrl.com to confirm their place in the team and receive a player profile kit and team paperwork.



Josh Lalor in action against South Australia in the Sheffield Shield match last week at the Adelaide Oval. After taking a first innings lead, South Australia collapsed in the second innings when set a target of 330 for outright victory. The Redbacks were dismissed for 161. Lalor was 10 not out in NSW's first innings total of 230. He took 2-56 in South Australia's first innings of 293 and 0-5 off five overs in their second innings. He did not bat in NSW's second innings' total of 5-392 declared. It is understood that Lalor has signed with the Sydney Thunder in the Big Bash League (BBL) T20 competition. *Picture: Peter Argent*

● INSET: Jonte Pattison *Picture: Peter Argent*

Pair to tackle India



NSW Aboriginal players Josh Lalor and Jonte Pattison have been named in Cricket Australia's 12-man squad to take on India at Glenelg Oval, Adelaide, on November 24-25.

It will be the opening match of the Indians' tour of Australia.

India will tune up for the four-Test series against Australia with a pair of two-day

games in South Australia.

Ashton Turner will captain the CA XI in the Glenelg match.

Troy Cooley, head coach at Cricket Australia's world-class National Cricket Centre in Brisbane, will mentor the side.

Lalor has been in and out of the NSW Sheffield Shield side, usually playing in the Blues' Second XI when the frontline players are available.

But it has been a monumental month for

the left-handed Lalor, who also has signed to play T20 cricket for Sydney Thunder in the Big Bash League (BBL) competition.

Pattison, a NSW Imparja Cup player, is not long back from Sri Lanka, where he and another NSW Imparja Cup player, Lain Beckett, played with the Australian under 19 side.

India are set to arrive in Adelaide on Friday.

Cricket Australia will name a squad for

the second game, to be played at the Adelaide Oval on November 28-29, at a later date.

Cricket Australia squad for Glenelg game: Ashton Turner (WA) (c), Ryan Carters (NSW), Alex Gregory (SA), Sam Grimwade (VIC), Sebastian Gotch (VIC), Josh Lalor (NSW), David Moody (WA), Jonte Pattison (NSW), Gurinder Sandhu (NSW), Matthew Short (Vic), Kelvin Smith (SA), Nick Stevens (Qld).

Damien Hooper flattened in 11 seconds



DAMIEN Hooper suffered a shock first-round knockout loss to West Australian kickboxer Rob Powdrill to end his undefeated run in professional boxing.

The fight was just 11 seconds old when last-minute substitute Powdrill landed a powerful overhand right that sent Hooper crashing to the canvas.

Fighting for the World Boxing Council Eurasia Pacific Boxing Council light-heavyweight title at the Sleeman Sports Complex in the Brisbane suburb of Chandler, the 22-year-old Hooper was steadily climbing the rankings until this latest setback.

Before the fight, Hooper had a 9-0-0 record as a professional light-heavyweight and was ranked

No 2 in Australia.

Following his defeat, he is now ranked No 4.

Powdrill, 30, took the fight at the 11th hour and was not expected to bother Hooper. Powdrill had had just four previous pro fights for three wins (all on points) and one loss – all in the cruiserweight division.

The unheralded Powdrill, who had never seen Hooper fight, went into the ring simply with the aim of surviving.

Hooper was to fight Ghanaian-born Fijian Joseph Kwadjo. But Kwadjo had his visa refused by the Australian Government.

A few days before the Powdrill fight, Hooper's promoter, former British world champion Ricky Hatton, touted that Hooper would become an all-time great.

"He's a magnificent talent.

Damien Hooper I think can be one of Australia's all-time greats, I really do," Hatton told AAP.

"His potential is that frightening."

Hatton acknowledged Hooper sometimes got himself into strife outside the ring.

He broke Australian Olympic team rules by wearing a shirt bearing the Aboriginal flag instead of his official uniform at the 2012 London Games and has appeared in court on a number of occasions.

"He's a colourful character to say the least, Damien; he sometimes lands himself in trouble," Hatton said.

"But he's an unbelievable talent, an unbelievably nice guy – a pleasure to work with and I think what he can achieve is endless."

Meanwhile, an "embarrassed" Hooper will take stock following this latest setback.

"He caught me with a good right hand to the temple," said Hooper, who showed his class by praising his conqueror.

"I'll congratulate him on a good win. I'll have a little bit of time off and then get back into it."

Hooper's manager Matt Clark, who had warned beforehand that Powdrill had the power to cause trouble, backed his man to return strongly.

"That's boxing and it's all about how Damien bounces back from here," he said.

"I've got faith in him."

Meanwhile, Moree-born welterweight Cameron Hammond continued on his winning way on the same card as the Hooper fight. Hammond extended his

undefeated professional record to 11 (5KOs) when he stopped Filipino Romeo Jakosalem with a TKO in the ninth round of a scheduled 10-round.

Hammond always appeared in control of the fight. The Filipino was troubled by a cut near his left eye after a head clash in round six.

Hammond is now the No 12 contender for the world welterweight title held by American Floyd Mayweather.

He was fighting for the World Boxing Association (WBA) Oceania welterweight and the vacant World Boxing Council (WBC) Eurasia Pacific Boxing Council welterweight titles.

Hammond's promoter is also Ricky Hatton, who, coincidentally, gave Mayweather one of his hardest fights.



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Dubbo favoured to host 2015 NSW Aboriginal Knockout

By GRAHAM HUNT



DUBBO looks set to host the 2015 NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival.

It will be held from Friday, October 2 to Monday, October 5. Official confirmation will be

announced in the next edition of the *Koori Mail*.

According to carnival spokesman Mark de Weerd, Dubbo's Caltex Oval is one of the finest facilities in NSW for holding an event like the Knockout.

There are four very good grounds available and the associated facilities are first class.

The 2015 Knockout will be hosted

by Walgett Aboriginal Connection (AC) following their 28-16 win over the Newcastle All Blacks in the final of the 2014 Knockout at Raymond Terrace, where the event had been held for three successive years.

Dubbo is one of four cities vying for the right to host the 2015 Knockout – the others being Bathurst, Wagga and Albury.

De Weerd said organisers would hold a delegates' meeting in Sydney before Christmas to keep teams informed on developments.

The date and venue of that meeting will be announced in the *Koori Mail*.

If Dubbo is the venue, players and spectators are sure to welcome the choice because it is centrally situated in the state.



Anthony Mundine celebrates after beating WBC number-two-ranked Belarusian Sergey Rabchenko for the WBC silver light middleweight title at Hisense Arena, Melbourne, last Wednesday. The winner earns the right to challenge current WBC light middleweight champion Floyd Mayweather. Picture: AAP

Back in business



ANTHONY Mundine wound back the clock to outclass Belarusian boxer Sergey Rabchenko and keep alive his dream of another world title. The Australian veteran used his experience and ring smarts at Melbourne's Hisense Arena to nullify his younger opponent's

power and win on a split points decision.

The victory gave the 39-year-old the WBC silver light-middleweight title and moved him closer to a fight with American pound-for-pound king and WBC light middleweight title holder

Floyd Mayweather.

With his career on the line, Mundine looked sharp from the outset with the big hitting Rabchenko unable to penetrate his tight defence.

After four rounds two of the judges had Mundine ahead.

The Australian copped plenty of punishment in the seventh round from Rabchenko, who was previously unbeaten in 25 fights with 18 by knock out.

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