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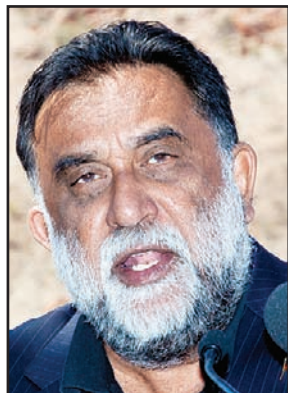
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Huge night at 2012 Deadlys

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Referendum fear



LES MALEZER



A CO-CHAIR of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has expressed growing cynicism that a referendum will ever be held to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Australian Constitution. Les Malezer said the Federal Government hadn't responded properly to its own expert panel on the subject but was still asking the Congress and others to blindly back legislation that it had yet to spell out and was unlikely to

reflect the panel's recommendations. That request forced the Congress into a vulnerable position given that – in the interests of consensus – it had not insisted upon a rights framework in the nation's founding document.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail* in Alice Springs last week during the representative body's second national annual policy meeting, Mr Malezer said he was concerned that, five years after adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, there was 'no sign of Government paying

any attention to it'. And he said the Government appeared to be putting Aboriginal issues 'to sleep' as it headed into an election year.

Mr Malezer said his comments represented his personal views and not necessarily those of the representative body's 4500-plus membership.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin announced last month that the Government would not proceed with a referendum on constitutional recognition before the next election because

current low community awareness meant such a plebiscite would likely fail.

Instead, the Government is proposing an 'Act of Recognition' as a step towards holding a successful referendum some time in the future.

The Congress has agreed that the timing of a referendum should maximise the chance of its success but Mr Malezer said the legislation proposed by the Government 'could very well be a wrong step, depending on what's in it'.

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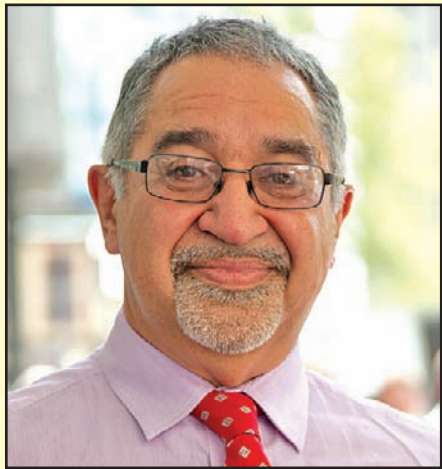
Yowies score league victory

THE Newcastle Yowies celebrate their victory in this year's NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout. The Yowies downed defending champions Mindaribba Warriors 26-20 in a hard-fought final at Raymond Terrace on Monday afternoon. Turn to our sport section for coverage and images from the major events in what was a huge weekend of sport.

Photo: Naomi Moran

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My FAMILY KYM EGAN – Alice Springs, NT



● Above: From left, Tahnee Egan, 15, Craig Greene holding 11-week-old Tay-eshia Egan, Kym Egan, and Danneele Egan, 20.

THIS photo was taken in Alice Springs last week at the annual meeting of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

I took my daughters Tahnee and Danneele Egan and my granddaughter Tay-eshia Egan to catch up with my brother Craig Greene who works for the National Congress. The photo shows just a small part of our big extended family.

I'm one of eight kids – five brothers and three sisters – who grew up together in one house. Craig and I have the same dad, Joe Egan who is 84, but different mums.

Craig's mum Doris Greene grew me up and I'm very close to her.

We live all around the place – four brothers in Darwin, a brother and a sister in Melbourne, me in Alice, and Craig in Sydney.

I have four kids; Tahnee and Danneele as well as my sons Richard, who is 21, and William, who is 19. I also have four grandkids – Joseph, Tah-Neele, Richard Jnr and Tay-eshia.

I was born in Darwin and grew up here in Alice. After school, I went to Batchelor College and did a diploma in community

nutrition. I work as a case manager for Bush Mob, a detox centre and the only one in Australia to accept kids – both Indigenous and non-Indigenous from all over the country – who have poly drug and alcohol issues.

It's a safe place where the kids can detox and we teach them about the damage drugs do. We do assessments and it's often boredom and peer pressure that lead kids to drugs, and sometimes negligence in the home.

The work is very hard and it can be heartbreaking to see what some of the kids have been through, but it has shown me how lucky I have been with my own.

I talk to them a lot about stuff happening out there. The earlier kids know about the dangers of drugs, the better.

Me and my kids are always together. We go shopping or out bush camping. I hope my kids grow up healthy, strong, educated and happy.

You see a fair amount of racism in Alice Springs and being educated helps you know how to deal with it.

My kids are my everything; they know that I love them.

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OUR CHILDREN



Brothers Kelly, left, and Lincoln Conway were among the 400 people at an Indigenous youth conference late last month in Townsville, north Queensland. See Page 16 for our report. Photo: Alf Wilson

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Check out the boots!

If North Queensland Waru players Dai Saub, left, and Mitchell Bandicoota didn't have the deadliest boots at the Queensland Murri Carnival rugby league event in Ipswich last weekend, we'd like to know who did. Turn to Pages 80 and 81 for our carnival coverage, including full results, and see Page 27 for people at the carnival.

Photo Naomi Moran



ICAC finds corruption



DISGRACED developer Ron Medich and his former business associate Lucky

Gattellari acted corruptly by offering almost \$200,000 in bribes to an Aboriginal land council on the NSW south coast, the state corruption watchdog says.

The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) recommended the Director of Public Prosecutions consider action over the bribes, which it says were paid to 'facilitate negotiations to sell, develop and lease properties' controlled by the Wagonga council.

The first set of payments, between March 2005 and March 2006, was made in a failed bid to push through the sale, at below market prices, of four beachfront and lakeside properties in Narooma.

Acting on behalf of the Medich Group, Mr Gattellari was found to have provided payments and other benefits totalling \$38,300 to former Wagonga council chairman Ron Mason and \$31,300 to former council co-ordinator Ken Foster.

Watchdog says bribes were paid

The bribes included cash, Christmas bonuses and the paying of personal bills, an ICAC inquiry was told in February.

However, the NSW Aboriginal Land Council stopped the deals going ahead.

The idea of buying the properties at Narooma came from Mr Gattellari's associate Ron Binge, who suggested approaching land councils with proposals to develop their land.

But as Mr Gattellari did not have the money to fund the land developments, he approached the multi-millionaire Mr Medich.

"The commission accepts Mr Gattellari's evidence that Mr Medich was told by Mr Binge that payments would need to be made to decision makers within the LALCs in order to secure land deals," ICAC said.

"Mr Gattellari's evidence is

supported by the fact that such payments were eventually made to Wagonga LALC decision makers and by the fact that decisions favourable to the interests of Mr Gattellari, Mr Binge and Mr Medich were ultimately made by Wagonga LALC decision makers."

A further \$127,746 in bribes was paid to former chair and CEO Vanessa Mason between February 2009 and August 2010, to secure a number of long-term oyster leases for a Gattellari company, Water View Developments.

Mr Gattellari and the three land council executives were found to have acted corruptly by making and accepting the bribes, while corruption findings were made against Mr Medich for 'facilitating some of these payments'.

ICAC recommended the DPP consider action against Mr Medich and the three land council executives, but not Mr Gattellari because of the assistance he provided to the commission.

Lawyers for Mr Medich said any charge stemming from the ICAC inquiry 'will be vigorously defended'. — AAP



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For Jerry, the FIFO lifestyle is a blast



INDIGENOUS drill and blast engineer Jerry Frewen is dwarfed by a massive ore carrying vehicle at the Eastern Ridge mine in the Pilbara region of Western Australia. The 27-year-old, pictured below, is one of many Indigenous people joining the thousands of FIFO (fly-in fly-out) workers taking advantage of mining boom conditions in the west. See our report on Page 29



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Jobs go in north Qld

By ALF WILSON



THIRTY employees of North Queensland aged-care centres and a school with mainly Indigenous clients and

students have lost their jobs since the companies which ran them were placed into administration. Star of the Sea (Thursday Island), Diji Meta (Cairns), and Shalom Elders Village in Townsville, along with Shalom Christian College, were placed under administration on 20 August.

Congress Community Development and Education Unit Ltd (CCDEU), and Shalom Development Services Pty Ltd (SDS) had run the facilities.

Deloitte was appointed joint voluntary administrator of CCDEU and SDS.

A spokeswoman for Deloitte confirmed the 30 redundancies of a total of 380 staff on 21 and 23 September.

Deloitte communication manager Eileen Kerrigan said some redundancies resulted from the closure of Shalom



Star of the Sea Aged Care Centre on Thursday Island.

Development Services Pty Ltd, the building arm of CCDEU.

"As voluntary administrators, we remain focused on ensuring the various CCDEU school, aged-care and drug and alcohol rehabilitation facilities continue to operate as normal during the administration," she said.

"At the same time, CCDEU is being restructured to ensure it, and its services, remain viable into the future.

"Across its various operations, the companies

employ about 380 people. Around 30 people have been advised that their roles have become redundant.

"Some will leave the business immediately; some will remain for a further four weeks. We understand this is difficult for them, but our role is to do everything possible to ensure a future for CCDEU and the services it provides."

It is understood up to 18 of the staff made redundant were from SDS.



Indigenous model Samantha Harris ... "I am very excited to be the face of Australia's first national Australian Indigenous Fashion Week."

Indigenous fashion in the spotlight



AUSTRALIA is in line to get its own major Indigenous fashion event.

The inaugural Australian

Indigenous Fashion Week (AIFW) is being planned for 30-31 August next year in Sydney.

The group behind the event, communications company All The Perks, says AIFW will provide a platform for promoting authentic Australian Indigenous-made designs and products. The Indigenous-run organisation is confident it will expand to a full week-long celebration by 2015.

Indigenous model and David Jones ambassador Samantha Harris has signed on as AIFW ambassador for the first year. She has already had a taste of the diversity of Australian Indigenous designs after a fashion shoot in August.

The shoot, designed by creative consultant Michelle Jank, Kamilaroi artist Jonathan Jones and Murri artist Jacob Nash and photographed by Justin Ridler, features traditional and contemporary Indigenous designers such as Vicki West, Lola Greeno, Mia Brennan, Lucy Simpson, Alison Page and Eva Wanganeen.

"I am very excited to be the face of Australia's first national Australian Indigenous Fashion Week," Ms Harris said.

"I want the world to learn about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, stories, and to see the high-end quality designs produced by individual designers and communities nationwide."



Samantha Harris modelling Indigenous fashion. Photos courtesy All The Perks

Ms Harris will lead a runway fashion event which All the Perks says will feature a new pool of Indigenous male and female models.

Fashion categories will feature women's and men's wear, street wear and luxury and children's wear collections. An Indigenous fashion marketplace is planned.

"This is the first event of its kind, bringing together Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander fashions, and a diverse group of designers under the one banner," All The Perks managing director Krystal Perkins said.

Billions are eaten away – NT report

By DARREN COYNE with AAP



Northern Territory co-ordinator general for remote services Olga Havnen has delivered a report that calls for more

financial accountability for billions of dollars being spent by bureaucracy.

Ms Havnen said money for programs in remote Northern Territory Indigenous communities was being eaten away by bureaucracy, with little accountability.

She also called for more Indigenous control of such programs.

"Determining to what extent Indigenous communities are benefiting from the increased expenditure of public funds is problematic when so much of the expenditure appears to be taken up by the bureaucracy," Ms Havnen said.

She also questioned whether money was getting to where it was needed most, telling the *Koori Mail* that "for the last 30 years there appears to have been an unspoken assumption that those remote communities would die away but in fact population in the bush has doubled".

"Eighty per cent of the Aboriginal population lives outside Darwin and other main centres," she said.

The report makes 12 recommendations, including the evaluation of spending on a value-for-money basis, rather than just reflecting inputs and outputs.

Ms Havnen also said more Aboriginal people needed to be involved in the formulation and delivery of programs if commitments aimed at closing the gap were to be achieved.

She said more work needed to be done to identify the patterns of mobility and migration of Aboriginal people to ensure that their needs were being met by current and future services.

She also called for the establishment of 'one-stop-shop business centres' to provide services related to births, deaths marriages, motor vehicle registrations, postal services, banking, housing Centrelink and other government and non-government services.

Ms Havnen's report also focused on financial accountability, arguing that the annual expenditure on Indigenous programs should include a breakdown of

administrative costs such as staffing, salaries and travel. She said current government programs addressing Indigenous disadvantage 'fail to sufficiently take into account the cultural context and needs of Aboriginal towns and communities'.

"They fail to target or counteract the entrenched structural racism and exclusionary practices affecting the provision and delivery of services," she said in the report.

"Funding for programs and services for Indigenous Australians is highly fragmented, complex and administratively burdensome for recipients of government grants.

"The 10-year Stronger Futures initiative offers a great opportunity to address many of the concerns raised in this report.

"However, solutions and proper planning cannot be achieved by departmental officers based in Darwin or Canberra.

"Aboriginal Territorians must be involved in the formulation and delivery of services and programs if COAG commitments and

recent years in an attempt to address entrenched disadvantage experienced by many Aboriginal Australians," she said.

"It is very easy to be critical of governments – Federal, State and Territory – and to underestimate the immense difficulties involved in delivering services to remote areas and to meet generational backlogs in housing and basic infrastructure.

"I acknowledge there has been a genuine, high-level commitment from ministers, senior bureaucrats and officers over the past five years to improve outcomes for Aboriginal Territorians and this is commendable.

"While tensions in the relationship between the Commonwealth and NT Governments have been exacerbated by Federal powers that enable the Commonwealth to override NT laws and policies, it is important that these two levels of government establish and maintain a co-operative working relationship for the benefit of the

Aboriginal populations that they both represent."

Amnesty International spokesman Rodney Dillon said Aboriginal people were being marginalised in the decision-making process.

"Amnesty International has previously outlined the extreme disparity in funding between homelands which support 35

'Solutions and proper planning cannot be achieved by departmental officers based in Darwin or Canberra'
– Olga Havnen



national agreements aimed at closing the gap in Indigenous disadvantage are to be realised."

Ms Havnen called for decision-making power to be returned to communities.

She said there seemed to be a 'confetti approach to funding', arguing that too many programs continued to be fragmented, short-term and often delivered by non-Indigenous providers operating in competition with Aboriginal organisations.

"These third parties are not accountable to parliaments and too often are unaccountable to the communities in which they operate," she said.

The report also calls on governments to address the lack of appropriate morgue and cemetery facilities in remote areas.

Ms Havnen acknowledged in her report that governments had been genuine in attempts to tackle Indigenous disadvantage.

"Significant funds have been committed by governments in

per cent of Aboriginal peoples in the NT and growth towns," he said. "The vast majority of government spending in the Northern Territory continues to only be allocated to people living in growth towns which only make up 24 per cent of the Aboriginal population.

"Amnesty continues to call for the two governments to re-examine the National Partnership Agreements to ensure people who live on their traditional homelands are included.

"Aboriginal people who are affected by these programs need to have a seat at the table."

Ms Havnen said she had not had any formal response as yet from the government.

"The NT Government agencies have been going through the report and they will provide a response to either the minister or Cabinet.

"If this Government chooses not to act on them (the recommendations) then they should be required to explain why," Ms Havnen said."

Melbourne Gardens a learning place

By JILLIAN MUNDY



MELBOURNE'S Royal Botanic Gardens has been blooming with knowledge of Aboriginal culture during the school holidays.

Indigenous guides are sharing culture with children in 'Bush Bites and Boomerangs' hands-on tours through the gardens.

Participants have munched on bush tucker grown in the gardens, learnt about bush medicine, what fibres Aboriginal people use for basket making and how to catch an eel.

Gunditjmara man Trev Gallagher, one of three Aboriginal culture teachers employed by the gardens, said many of the children who came to the tours had never met an Aboriginal person.

Positive

"Feedback is always positive, they get to experience my culture and what I talk about comes from the heart," the former welfare worker said. "It makes me feel terrific."

The day the *Koori Mail* visited, Mr Gallagher also had a group of 12 children fascinated in the Aboriginal instruments and hunting tools he had bought along. They had their faces painted with ochre they had ground, were adorned with a string bracelet and served a drink of lemon myrtle tea.

The gardens regularly operates three Aboriginal-themed programs – an Aboriginal heritage walk is on six days a week; Aboriginal resource trail education programs are run regularly, and Bush Bites operates in the Spring school holidays.

The final Bush Bites sessions are on tomorrow (4 October). Further information can be found at www.rbv.vic.gov.au



Aboriginal culture teacher Trev Gallagher shows young Gidan Miller, from England, an emu caller. Also pictured at the Botanic Gardens are Noga Nagler, Coral Mofkdi and Alexis Johnston, all from Melbourne.

Strike threats, anger over Qld health cuts

By DARREN COYNE



LEADING Aboriginal health experts have hit out at the Queensland Government's

decision to axe funding to non-government health providers.

And far north Queensland health workers have threatened strike action over the cuts.

Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council chief executive Selwyn Button said the State Government was seeking to 'shirk their responsibility to primary health care provision across the state, assuming that the Federal Health departments pick up the cost'.

Mr Button's comments followed an announcement by the Newman Government that it was cutting state grants 'doled out' under what it called 'a ramshackle and dysfunctional system that lacks accountability'.

Queensland Health Minister Lawrence Springborg said the cuts to health grants for non-government health providers were expected

to save the state about \$4.5 million a year.

Mr Springborg said discontinued programs included those in the Federal Government domain, those funded under the expired Queensland Chronic Diseases Strategy and those that didn't support core clinical services.

He also said specific consideration had been given to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs, in order to eliminate duplication and rationalise services.

He said the latest review into state health grants looked at grants totalling \$11.9 million annually, with just \$7.2 million of those deemed worthy of ongoing funding.

Mr Button responded saying the decision was nothing more than a cost-cutting measure that would affect the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders, including those with type 2 diabetes and chronic heart disease.

"These chronic diseases are best supported by good nutrition programs, healthy lifestyle changes and participation in physical activities," Mr Button said.

"Unfortunately, these are



SELWYN BUTTON

the programs and positions being subjected to the latest round of budget cuts.

"The minister questions Commonwealth support to preventative health programs. If this is an issue, then the most logical way to address this is to provide support to community controlled health services."

Mr Button said this could be achieved through greater access to Commonwealth programs such as Medical Benefits Scheme and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme, which were limited in expenditure on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. "This would be a far



JUSTIN MOHAMED

more worthwhile strategy, and requires negotiations between Queensland Health and the community controlled sector, not just making rash decisions about what the State Government considered ineffective programs," he said.

"Many of these initiatives have become integral parts of the overall primary health care models, which is being delivered by community controlled services in Queensland every day."

Meanwhile, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Association has warned that health workers in far north

Queensland are considering strike action over reports of potential job losses.

Association chief executive Clarke Scott said the Torres Strait and Aboriginal communities could not afford cuts to critical health services.

"The burden of disease and health inequities for Torres Strait Islanders means that this is not the time to invoke indiscriminate cuts to the health workforce," he said.

Mr Scott said Torres Strait Islander health workers were vital to provide culturally sensitive health care.

"We're asking, as a peak national body for health workers, that we facilitate a meeting between Queensland Health, health workers and the communities they work in," he said.

"It's in their (the Government's) plan to cut jobs. Some of these people have been on contract for five to ten years and now their contracts are not going to be renewed. One minute they're needed, the next they're not."

"They're saying that Aboriginal health workers are not front-line staff, but in many communities if you ask

the doctors or nurses if they can do their jobs without Aboriginal health workers they will say no.

"To save a dollar it's going to cost lives."

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) chair Justin Mohamed also condemned the cuts.

"The cost-saving measures are likely to bite deeply into the service delivery capability of crucial non-government agencies such as drug and alcohol and non-acute mental health services," he said.

Mr Mohamed said the very services that evidence shows are most accessible to Aboriginal people and which are provided in the community setting are the ones suffering the greatest cuts.

"Aboriginal people are still economically and socially disadvantaged compared to the non-Aboriginal community, and these cuts to non-government services will bear heavily on our people, particularly those suffering from chronic conditions, drug and alcohol issues, mental health problems and families in need of special support," he said. — with AAP

Government defers Constitution vote

By DARREN COYNE with AAP



THE FEDERAL Government's decision to defer a referendum to recognise Indigenous people in the Australian Constitution has been welcomed by some, attacked by others.

Federal Labor had agreed to hold a referendum before the next election as part of a deal it made with the Greens and Independent MP Rob Oakeshott following the 2010 election.

But, after advice from Reconciliation Australia that only 39 per cent of non-Indigenous people had even heard about the proposed referendum, and fears that a looming election could muddy bipartisan support, the Government announced on 20 September that it was delaying the process.

Instead the Government says it will present an 'Act of Recognition' to Parliament by the end of the year, but already the major parties have begun squabbling over the details.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the Government was committed to recognising Indigenous people in Australia's Constitution and wanted 'meaningful reform that reflects the hopes and aspirations of Indigenous people'.

"However, we recognise that there is not yet enough community awareness or support for change to hold a successful referendum at or before the next Federal election," she said.

"We have committed \$10 million towards a campaign being led by Reconciliation Australia to continue to build support for constitutional change.

"Consistent with the recommendations of the expert panel, the Government believes that constitutional change should include these elements:

- A statement of recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and their unique history, culture and connection to this land

- removal of references to race, reflecting the nation's fundamental belief in the importance of equality and non-discrimination

- acknowledgment that additional effort is needed to help close the gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples disadvantage.

Expert panel co-chairman Pat Dodson said the politicians were trying to solve a 200-year-old problem and that was always going to be difficult to achieve in one three-year term.

"I'm quite supportive of the view (a delay is necessary)," Prof Dodson was reported as saying.

"If we as Australians are going to get this right the Australian population needs to be assisted along the way to understand the complexities of the proposals ... and the process of a referendum."



'We (the Government) recognise that there is not yet enough community awareness or support for change to hold a successful referendum at or before the next Federal election'

– Minister Jenny Macklin

'This proposal appears to be one way to keep this issue on any future government's agenda...'

– National Congress co-chair Jody Broun



'There are several avenues of communication that could have been utilised to fight the good fight on this important referendum but as far as I can see, they have been largely ignored'

– Darkinjung's Sean Gordon

The National Congress of Australia's First Peoples issued a statement, saying a referendum could be held only when it had met the expectations of Indigenous peoples and had the best chance of success.

"This proposal appears to be one way to keep this issue on any future government's agenda," spokeswoman Jody Broun said.

Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda also welcomed the Government's announcement, but said 'constitutional recognition must remain the ultimate goal'.

ANTaR national director Jacqueline Phillips said 'the 'Act of Recognition' must be seen as the

next step on the road to a referendum, with a clear focus on the end goal'.

"We welcome the Labor Government's re-commitment to meaningful Constitutional reform that reflects the hopes and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," she said.

Await detail

"We await further detail about the proposed 'Act of Recognition', but hope that it reflects all elements of the Expert Panel's package, including the inclusion of a prohibition on racial discrimination.

"The fundamental principle of

racial equality should be clearly reflected in our nation's highest law.

"Campaign momentum is building but securing majority support for change will take time.

"The lessons of past referenda tell us not to rush the process, but to continue to grow momentum and engage people across the community to maximise the chances of success.

"ANTaR has been working with our campaign partners to build support for change. In the next few months, the inaugural Rock for Recognition concert series will be touring three states, headlined by Dan Sultan, to raise awareness about Constitutional Recognition."

You Me Unity director Tim Gartrill also vowed the campaign would continue.

"We have just signed up our 100,000th supporter, and we are determined to keep building the momentum to make a referendum happen," he said. "We know the 1967 referendum took more than a decade of tireless work, and we will not shirk in the face of challenges in our time."

Meanwhile, Opposition Leader Tony Abbott and Shadow Attorney General George Brandis have both indicated they will not support the proposed Act in the form proposed by the Government.

Mr Abbott said the proposed act of recognition was a bid by Prime Minister Julia Gillard to lock the next parliament behind a de facto referendum bill.

He has instead written to Ms Gillard suggesting they both provide statements to Parliament declaring support for a referendum in the next term.

Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Council chief executive Sean Gordon was also critical of the process and the deferral of the referendum.

Reacting to the news, Mr Gordon questioned the use of \$10 million worth of consultations, and the 'inaction' of both the Government and Opposition in raising awareness of the referendum.

He also said there had been 'little if any' priority placed on educating the broader community, Indigenous and non-Indigenous.

"Ms Macklin points out that it may take years to build enough support to win a referendum," he said in a statement.

"Had the Federal Government seen fit to build upon the positive community response to Kevin Rudd's apology to the Aboriginal community – then we might be faced with a different outcome at this time.

"Whilst for some this recognition is only symbolic, Indigenous Australians have waited for more than 40 years for a result that reflects who we are and that we have lived on this land for more than 60,000 years.

"I believe that most Australians under the age of 40 would be surprised to know that Aboriginal people were classified as flora and fauna and unable to vote until 1967. Outcomes like this only serve to reinforce a lack of acknowledgement of Aboriginal people.

The absence of priority given to this referendum and the education process required to accompany it, reflect the reluctance of both sides of Government to embrace the purpose and intent of the changes.

"There are several avenues of communication that could have been utilised to fight the good fight on this important referendum but as far as I can see, they have been largely ignored," Darkinjung LAC CEO Mr Gordon said.

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Second annual National Congress of

Malezer has doubt over vote



National Congress co-chair Jody Broun during the official opening of NC12.



Local performance group Drum Atweme kicked off the opening ceremony.



NSW delegate Michael West, National Congress director Brian Butler, Ethics Council member Martin Nakata, NSW delegate Carla McGrath, and Ethics Council member Tom Calma at the meeting in Alice Springs.



Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue with former National Congress co-chairs Josephine Bourne, left, and Kerry Arabena.

By KIRSTIE PARKER



A CO-CHAIR of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has expressed growing cynicism that a referendum will ever be held to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Australian Constitution.

Les Malezer said the Federal Government hadn't responded properly to its own expert panel on the subject but was still asking the Congress and others to blindly back legislation that it had yet to spell out and was unlikely to reflect the panel's recommendations.

That request forced the Congress into a vulnerable position, especially given that in the interests of consensus it had not insisted upon a rights framework in the nation's founding document.

Mr Malezer said he was concerned that, five years after adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), there was 'no sign of Government paying any attention to it'.

And he said the Government appeared to be putting Aboriginal issues 'to sleep' as it headed into an election year.

"Clearly, the Government is now making major policy announcements across government to try and win the next election but there's nothing in Aboriginal affairs to be included in these policies," he said.

Mr Malezer was speaking to the *Koori Mail* in Alice Springs last week during the representative body's second national annual policy meeting (NC12). He said his comments represented his personal views and not necessarily those of the representative body's 4500-plus membership.

"I was always concerned that there was never going to be a referendum, never a genuine intention... it was just a way of putting our affairs into committee and off the government priorities," he said.

"I was cynical to start with and now, having worked in good faith to help get this report and with the Government having not responded in an accountable way, my cynicism is increasing."

Mr Malezer and his Congress co-chair Jody Broun were amongst the members of the expert panel, which reported to the Government nearly a year ago following nationwide consultations.

It recommended, amongst other things, that any referendum seek removal of the Constitution's so-called 'race power', which allows the Government to make laws based upon race.

But Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin announced last month that the Government would not proceed with a referendum before the next election because current low community awareness of the issue meant such a plebiscite would likely fail.

Instead, the Government is proposing an 'Act of Recognition' as a step towards holding a successful referendum some time in the future.

"This is going to provide basically a weaker option for any government to pursue to referendum," Mr Malezer told the *Koori Mail*.

While the Congress had agreed that the timing of a referendum should maximise the chance of its success, Mr Malezer said the legislation proposed by the Government 'could very well be a wrong step, depending on what's in it'.

"Will it advance debate? Will it get closer to the recommendations of the

expert panel? Will it get support from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities?" he asked.

"This puts us in a precarious position because we don't know what's going to be in the bill and we don't like the idea of Government putting it in place without discussing it with us first."

A Government-funded \$10 million 'You Me Unity' campaign aimed at raising awareness of the need for constitutional reform will continue.

The Congress has backed calls for the

Government to reconvene the expert panel to advise on how best to proceed in a way that benefits Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Mr Malezer said he believed the Federal Government's new Stronger Futures legislation was clearly racially discriminatory.

"But there's a problem with the justice system in Australia... it's very heavily biased against Indigenous people and is disinclined to make adverse findings against the Parliament of Australia of racial discrimination," he said. "...Changing the Constitution would help."

Earlier, during the opening ceremony of NC12, Mr Malezer said the Federal Government 'should lift its game in the way it engaged with the Congress'.

"This is not to say that we have not met with the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition, the minister and shadow minister, many other ministers, chairs of parliamentary committees and many other parliamentarians," he told delegates.

"We have done all of these things, and done them well. The disappointment is about the shortage of good faith or strong engagement over legislation, policies and programs of government," said Mr Malezer.



LES MALEZER

Australia's First Peoples policy meet



NC12 delegates with National Congress directors and staff and local representatives. Photos by JOSEPH MAYERS (courtesy of the National Congress) and KIRSTIE PARKER

Congress leaders look to the future

By KIRSTIE PARKER



THE National Congress of Australia's First Peoples has a strong future but must grow its

membership base, firm up future funding arrangements, and garner more broad community support.

That was the assessment of the two-year-old representative body by its leaders last week.

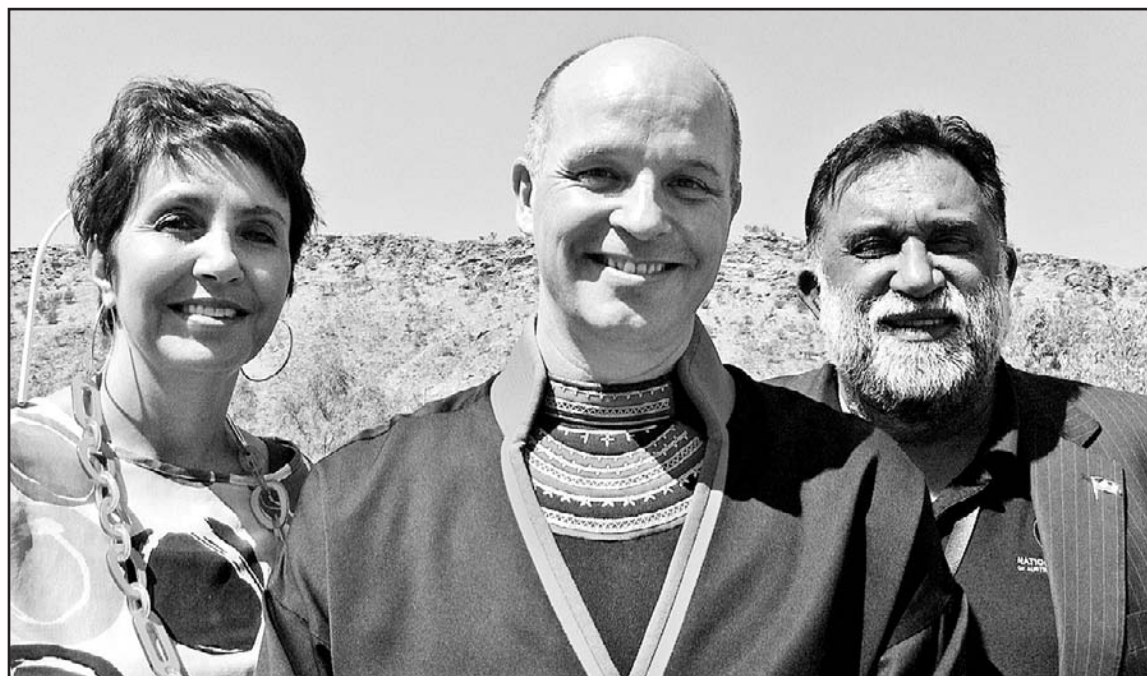
About 80 delegates drawn from three Congress 'chambers' joined the organisation's board and its ethics council in Alice Springs last week for a second annual national policy meeting, dubbed 'NC12'.

Discussions centred on engagement and advocacy with Government and the community around the priority areas of health, country, sovereignty, justice and education.

The opening ceremony last Tuesday began with a performance by girls from local youth drumming outfit Drum Atweme, followed by a welcome to country by Arrernte traditional owner Marie Ellis.

Ms Ellis pleaded for the scrapping of the ongoing Northern Territory Intervention (rebadged by the Federal Government as 'Stronger Futures') and NT super-shires. She said such measures had caused 'nothing but suffering' and injustice for Aboriginal Territorians, especially those living in remote communities.

Director of Norway's Sami Parliament, Rune Fjellheim, was the keynote speaker. He outlined the groundbreaking indigenous



In the Alice Springs sunshine are National Congress co-chairs Jody Broun and Les Malezer with Rune Fjellheim, from Norway's Sami Parliament.

parliament's history, spoke proudly of the gender equality achieved amongst its membership, and urged Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to be proud of their political representatives.

Congress co-chair Jody Broun said the organisation had built an active membership base of 4500 individual members and 146 organisation members – themselves representing more than 50,000 people.

"Membership is growing, our public and political profile is increasing," she said. But she queried how many delegates had met the challenge thrown out at last year's annual meeting to

recruit 100 other members.

Ms Broun said she would focus during the next year on extending the influence and authority of the Congress, including through the new National Health Leadership Forum.

'Supporters accord'

And she announced the establishment of a 'supporters accord'; a signed agreement that would enable non-Aboriginal organisations to demonstrate their support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the Congress and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. The first such agreement

was signed the preceding week by the Federation of Ethnic Communities' Councils, Ms Broun said.

Co-chair Les Malezer said the Congress board had worked hard to build a credible organisation, forming partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and networks 'without creating any threat to their autonomous existence'.

But he said key challenges during 2013 would be preparing for any transitions that might result from the next federal election, lobbying for funding for Aboriginal languages and other initiatives in

the next federal budget, and attracting the financial support necessary for continued functioning of the company, given that the Federal Government's initial three-year commitment ends next financial year.

Congress was likely to be dependent upon government for a further grant to continue its operations, Mr Malezer said.

The three-day NC12 also saw two members of the inaugural National Congress Youth Lobbying Committee, Brisbane business student Jared Hutchison and Perth arts and journalism student Kimberley Benjamin, present to delegates. They said the fact that more than 20 per cent of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population was aged from 15 to 25 made it important for youth to have a greater role and influence in policy direction.

"With such a large youth population, it makes sense for those youth to have input into policies that not only impact on your lives, but our lives as well, for we have a shared future," said Mr Hutchinson.

Ms Benjamin said the youth committee's members recognised that they needed to work alongside their Elders and respect past challenges and achievements as well as cultural protocols.

On the final day, Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue and Professor Mick Dodson became the first recipients of the 'Congress Medal', which acknowledges individuals who 'further the purpose, vision and principles of Congress' around representation, the protection of rights, leadership, relationship building and identifying solutions.

Turn to Pages 32-33 for more photos from the National Congress meeting

Moree embassy back after blaze



LOCAL man Steven Porter wants the Moree community to know that the Gomeroi Tent Embassy is back after it was burnt down recently. While local reports quoted police as saying the fire had been started by a young Aboriginal boy, Mr Porter disputed that and said it was an attempt to turn members of the Aboriginal community against each other.

"We've got to keep these things strong. If it wasn't for the Tent Embassy in Canberra we wouldn't have any of the things we do today, like medical and legal services," he said.

"Nothing gets done because there are too many Aboriginal people who sit back and let whitefellas say how things are done.

"I believe in my Gomeroi heritage. There is all this funding for blackfellas off the government but they don't do the right thing, and we are sick of other people coming in and telling us what to do.

"It's all about respect, trying to bring back traditional values to the people.

"The embassy is back up and running now so feel free to drop in any time and have a cup of tea, a piece of damper, and a yarn to learn about Aboriginal rights from the grassroots."

Speakers set for legal conference



A LINE-UP of highly qualified speakers will feature at this year's National Indigenous Legal Conference, in Perth on Friday and Saturday, 5 & 6 October.

Topping the list are Western Australia's Chief Justice, Wayne Martin, former Federal Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Fred Chaney and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda.

The conference is being hosted jointly by The University of Western Australia, The University of Notre Dame Australia and the WA Law Society.

It aims to provide an insight into current and developing strategies in the promotion and protection of Indigenous people's land, law, culture and country.

The two key themes are 'New Approaches to Justice' and 'Cultural and Natural Resources Management'. Sessions will include discussions on the Noongar native title claim, stolen wages, joint management of country and youth diversionary programs in criminal justice.

The conference will also examine the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

Catholic council holds assembly



THE National Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) triennial assembly is now under way in Melbourne.

More than 250 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics from around Australia are attending the gathering, which has the theme Two Ways of Our Faith in Cultural Ceremony. The four-day assembly, which finishes tomorrow, includes talks by Sister Kateri Mitchell from the Mohawk nation in the US, Father Frank Brennan, Mark Bin Bakar and Miriam Rose.

Goanna frontman to rock at 'Rock'



AS part of the Mutitjulu Community Carnival on this Saturday, 6 October, former Goanna front man Shane Howard will perform an intimate concert 'Other Side of the Rock' at Uluru. He will be joined by Neil Murray, Archie Roach, Bart

Willoughby, Stephen Pigram, Warren H Williams, William Barton, Amy Saunders, Emma Donovan, John Butler, Dan Sultan and Blue King Brown's Natalie Pa'apa'a. The Mutitjulu Community Carnival, from 5-7 October, is a family celebration of culture, sport, music and dance for people from the APY Lands in the Central desert.

Not so fast there, sister



There's no way through for this University of Queensland attacker in her touch game against home team James Cook University at last week's 17th National Indigenous Tertiary Education Student Games, played in Cairns. A total of 15 teams from universities around Australia took part in four days of sports including netball, basketball, touch football and beach volleyball. And it's no surprise there were plenty of social activities as well. Who won? Find out in our sport coverage on Pages 72-73. Photo Mahala Strohfeldt

Leader out in TSRA election

By ALF WILSON



OUTGOING long-serving Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) chairperson John 'Toshie' Kris has ruled out standing for the position again at the authority's next election, scheduled for 2016.

Mr Kris has served three terms on the TSRA Board including the last two as chair, but was defeated by Rev Kiwat Lui by just one vote, 50 to 49, on St Paul's Moa Island at the 15 September TSRA elections.

The results of the TSRA elections have now been declared for 19 of the 20 wards.

An election for the ward of Kubin on Moa Island will be conducted in December.

There were some major shocks in the election, and nine board members will be serving their first terms. They are Eric Peter (Boigu), Sam Macka (Dauan), Mario Sabatino (Hammond), Hilda Mosby (Masig), Aven Noah (Mer), Yen Loban (Ngurapai and Muralag), Kiwat Lui (St Pauls), Jerry Stephen (Ugar) and Chelsea Aniba (Saibai).

Five TSRA board members were returned – Reginald Williams (Bamaga), Kenny Bedford (Erub), Keith Fell (Mabuiag), John Abednego (TRAWQ) and Willie Lui (Warraber). Five members who served on previous TSRA boards have also been elected – Maluwap Nona (Badu), Getano Lui jnr (Iama), Romina Fujii (Port Kennedy), Francis Pearson (Poruma) and Joseph Elu (Seisia).

Seven previous board members did not seek re-election, and in total there will be 14 new TSRA board members.

The seven board members defeated at the election were Wayne Guivarra (Badu), Donald Banu (Boigu), Torenzo Elisala (Dauan), Philomen Mosby (Poruma), Ron Enosa (Saibai), John T Kris (St Pauls) and Florianna Bero (Ugar).

Three members serving on both the



JOHN 'TOSHIE' KRIS

TSRA and Torres Strait Islands Regional Council (TSIRC) are Keith Fell (Mabuiag), Mario Sabatino (Hammond) and Getano Lui (Iama). John Abednego serves on Torres Shire.

Current TSIRC councillors who stood but were defeated were Horace Baira Jnr (Badu), Dimas Toby (Boigu), Joel Gaiden (Dauan), Ted Nai (Masig), Philomen Mosby (Poruma), Ron Enosa (Saibai) and John T. Kris (St Pauls), and current NPARC councillor Edward Newman (Bamaga).

Induction training

Mr Kris will be contacting all newly elected board members and inviting them to attend TSRA Board induction training scheduled for the end of this month.

After the induction week, board members have time to return to their communities to consider the appointment of the new TSRA chairperson and the deputy chairperson, which will be the first order of business at the new board's inaugural meeting on 13 November.

The 2012 election was the first time all members were directly elected to the

TSRA board. Previously, 15 became members when they were elected as a councillor to the Torres Strait Islands Regional Council in Queensland Local Government Authority (LGA) elections.

A further two representatives from Bamaga and Seisia became members when they were elected as councillors to the Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council local government elections.

In addition to these 17 members, three members were directly elected to the TSRA wards of Port Kennedy (on Thursday Island), Horn and Prince of Wales islands, and TRAWQ (Tamwoy, Rosehill, Aplin, Waiben and Quarantine on Thursday Island) by the provisions of the *Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Act 2005*.

Mr 'Toshie' Kris said the result showed a healthy democracy continued to flourish in the Torres Strait region.

"As I end my term as the longest serving chairperson of a board that is unique in Australia, there are a lot of people I would like to thank, especially my colleagues who served with me as members of the last two boards," he said.

"Both boards were fortunate to have some strong and dedicated leaders who were able to make hard decisions that have led to positive changes for people in the Torres Strait region.

"We have made a lot of progress towards delivering the benefits outlined in the Torres Strait Development Plan, and each of the TSRA's program areas has made a contribution to the region.

"I have been assisted in my role by the TSRA's portfolio members who have made huge contributions to progress and improve the standing of the Torres Strait region at both national and international levels."

Mr Kris, who will continue to represent St Pauls as a Torres Strait Island Regional Councillor, has ruled out a return to the TSRA in 2016, saying his 12-year involvement had been very rewarding.

Koori Courts 'here for the long term'



Koori Justice Unit director Andrew Jackomos ... "We're rockin' and rolling," he says of the state's Koori Courts.

By JILLIAN MUNDY



JUST as Queensland's newly elected Government axes that state's Murri Courts, Victoria's Koori Courts are moving full steam ahead as they prepare for their 10th anniversary.

"We're rockin' and rolling," State Koori Justice Unit director Andrew Jackomos told the *Koori Mail* late last week.

He said the Koori Courts were 'here for the long term' and had great support from the Victorian Government, attorney general and Aboriginal community.

The Koori Courts are an initiative that flowed from the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, with the first opening at Shepparton in 2002.

They have since expanded to 10 sentencing courts across Magistrates, Children's and, more recently, County (District) Court jurisdictions.

Last Friday a new Koori Children's Court was launched in Bairnsdale, and options to further expand are being explored.

Mr Jackomos said the Koori Courts provided positive involvement of Aboriginal people in the judicial system, and offenders' commitment to

their Elders was a powerful rehabilitation tool.

Cases are heard sitting around an oval table, a local Aboriginal Elder or a respected Aboriginal person sits on both sides of the judge or magistrate, providing a cultural and social context for the accused. A Koori Court officer is also present.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags are displayed, the courtroom has Aboriginal art on the walls, traditional

and justice agencies.

"The Koori Courts have become a very important part of our community."

An Aboriginal person can have their case heard before a Koori Court if they live in the vicinity or have committed the offence within the jurisdiction of a Koori Court and are pleading guilty, with the exception of sex and family violence offences.

Mr Jackomos said Koori Courts had reduced reoffending and seriousness of any reoffences have lessened.

"Shaming plays an important role in the court system," he said.

"You'll have an aunty or uncle say to a young lad, I knew your grandfather, I knew your father and he was a good man, what do you think that he would think of what

you are doing.

"Sometimes you hear the offenders say I'd rather just face the magistrate than uncles and aunties. Having a glare from Aunty So and So is a lot more constructive than the magistrate.

"Our communities and structures have been knocked about through government policies of the past, but this is one initiative that reinforces the role of Elders and respected people in our community."

'You can't get away from the fact it is a court room, but there is a Koori friendliness to the room as much as you can have in a courtroom'

custodians are acknowledged and respect is paid to Elders past and present before proceedings begin. There are also smoking ceremonies before courts sit.

"You can't get away from the fact it is a court room, but there is a Koori friendliness to the room as much as you can have in a courtroom," Mr Jackomos explained.

"It's gone a long way to improving the relationship and knowledge of both community

Feedback wanted over native title



THE Federal Government is seeking feedback on proposed legislative amendments it says are designed to improve the operation of native title.

The *Native Title Amendment Bill 2012* makes amendments to the *Native Title Act 1993*, which the Government says will:

- clarify the requirement to negotiate in 'good faith'
- enable parties to agree to disregard historical extinguishment of native title in areas such as parks and reserves
- streamline processes for Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs).

Attorney-General Nicola Roxon said the reforms were



NICOLA ROXON

aimed at improving the operation of the native title by encouraging flexibility in claims resolution and improving the quality of native title agreement-making.

"The Bill also aims to promote sustainable economic outcomes for Indigenous

communities by enabling them to unlock the economic potential of their native title," she said.

"Twenty years on from Mabo, the Gillard Government is working with stakeholders to ensure a sustainable and fair native title system that creates economic and social opportunities for Indigenous Australians for years to come."

The Government made a number of changes in the drafting process following feedback during the consultation period.

Stakeholders can provide comments on the Bill by 19 October.

Information on the exposure draft and the consultation process can be obtained from the attorney general's website, at www.ag.gov.au



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL GUMALA BENEFICIARIES

Gumala Investments is the Trustee of the Gumala Foundation. Each five years the Register of Traditional Owners has to be reviewed. Only those people on the Register can receive benefits from the Gumala Foundation.

Gumala Investments is doing the Review right now.

A survey was sent to all the people on the Gumala mailing list in July. It has been resent to those people who have not yet responded. We would like to hear from as many people as possible.

If you have not received a survey form please contact Gumala Investments on (08) 9287 3900 or by email (eo@gumalatrust.com). If you need assistance completing the survey ring our friendly staff. Or you can call at the Gumala Offices in Tom Price or Perth. If you know anyone who may not have replied please let them know what is going on.

People who do not send in a survey risk being taken off the Register.

This means they will not be able to get any benefits from the Foundation until they have reapplied to be on the Register.

Please get your surveys in as soon as possible.



Young high-flyers at RAAF camp



TWELVE Indigenous students participated in the second Royal

Australian Air Force Indigenous Youth Program (RAAFIYP) last week at the Williamstown base, near Newcastle.

Students mostly came from regional NSW and were selected for their interest in aviation under the auspices of the Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation, which manages Boorowa Aviation (BA) project.

Students are given the opportunity to experience aspects of RAAF life and observe skills and trades that will give an insight into career opportunities in aviation.

They were also introduced to the recently-appointed first Air Force Indigenous Elder, former wing commander Harry Allie, a Kudjula man who spent 23 years in the RAAF.

'Honour'

"It's an honour to me, I never dreamed that I would be invited to accept that role, it's something I'll always treasure," Mr Allie said.

"I think it's a very important role, not so much for metropolitan areas but for young people from rural and remote communities.

"They're at a stage in their lives where many of them have no self-confidence, don't know



At the RAAF camp, from left, Jemma Ridgeway, Madeline Taylor, Tori Nikolaou, Air Force Indigenous Elder Harry Allie, Tim Spicer, Air Force Indigenous cultural adviser Wing Commander Lisa Jackson, Matthew Wilkes, Reba Skuthorpe, Worimi Indigenous Elder Neville Lilley, Josh Wood, Shayanne Ridgeway, Jesse Elliot, Alysia Tapping and Kaine Green.

which way to move, and can sometimes make a wrong decision that can lead to other problems.

"I've been talking with young people who are enthusiastic, and were listening intently to the speakers. I think, after the camp

they will better understand what is expected of them and may well decide to pursue a career in the RAAF."

Mr Allie said his time in the armed forces had taught him team work and pride in his uniform, and he was proud to

call the people he worked with his mates.

"I would certainly recommend it as a career to young people because it provides such a variety of employment," he said.

"It's well-co-ordinated and organised, there is a lot of

modern technology and a lot of technical trades in support roles.

"A career in the air force provides an opportunity to achieve and for those achievements to be recognised and the opportunity to serve your country."

Languages crisis

By **DARREN COYNE** with AAP



JUST eighteen Indigenous languages out of an estimated 250 remain in use, a parliamentary committee has found.

The committee, which has spent 12 months examining language learning in Indigenous communities, has recommended an overhaul of how language is taught, urging all governments to offer bilingual education programs from the earliest years of learning.

The recommendations have been widely applauded by advocates of Indigenous languages, including Tiwi Islander Gregoriana Parker, who said teaching children their first language Tiwi was absolutely vital.

"It helps our kids to understand who they are. It's important that it is taught in our schools in communities too," she said.

West Australian language advocate Barbara McGillivray also welcomed the report, urging governments to adopt the recommendations.

"I hope that they (governments) do listen to us," Ms McGillivray, chair of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages and Culture corporation, told the *Koori Mail*.

"When the people talk we're not just talking for the sake of it. We're talking from our experiences and knowledge.

"We know the importance of our languages as the first languages of our country."

The bipartisan committee report, titled 'Our Land Our Language' and led by MPs

Shayne Neuman and Sharman Stone, found 'Indigenous language is inseparable from culture, and is the foundation upon which the capacity to learn and interact productively with other people is built'.

In the report tabled on 17 September, the committee outlined 30 recommendations, aimed at improving language learning in Indigenous communities, and improve school attendances.

Committee chair Mr Neumann, a Labor backbencher, said language was critical to cultural pride and crucial to making sure people had a good education, vocational success and good health outcomes.

The committee recommends all teaching

that English proficiency will be neglected."

Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chair Jody Broun welcomed the report, saying it reinforced Congress's priority to address the crisis in protecting and maintaining languages.

She said the committee had included almost every point put forward in a submission from Congress.

"The committee has listened and its report highlights the critical state of our languages, citing the decline in funding in real terms since 2005 as equating to '...a slow death by neglect for many Indigenous languages'.

"We await the Government's response as to how it intends to implement the

experts in these areas were instrumental in developing a strong, evidence based report to the committee on the necessity for major improvements to language learning, maintenance and revival.

"We particularly welcome the acknowledgement of the fundamental role and importance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages in improving outcomes in the closing the gap framework, given the centrality of language to strong culture. We also note the committee's support of the proposal to include the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages in the Constitution," said Ms Curnow.

Amnesty International said the findings recognised the important and intrinsic ties between Indigenous Australians, their language and their culture.

Indigenous rights campaigner Sarah Marland said Amnesty's own research confirmed the 'absolute importance of language for Aboriginal people.

"We have spent more than four years talking to people in remote communities such as Utopia," she said. "Residents have told us that without their traditional language their culture will die.

"For those who choose to stay on the homelands, language is the key to understanding and continuing the traditions and continuity of their tie to the land and to their people."

● Information about the inquiry and the report can be found at the inquiry's website: www.apf.gov.au/languages A video of the committee hearings at Utopia Homelands and Alice Springs is also available at www.apf.gov.au/ath



'We particularly welcome the acknowledgement of the fundamental role and importance of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages in improving outcomes in the closing the gap framework, given the centrality of language to strong culture' – National Congress director Vanessa Curnow

degrees include compulsory training in how to teach English as a second language.

It also proposed the development of an alternative assessment tool to the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) for Indigenous students because the current one-size fits all approach leads to 'disengagement'.

"The research demonstrates that educational outcomes for students are higher when the mother tongue or first language is incorporated into early education," the report said.

"Learning in first language does not mean

recommendations from the report, and urge them to significantly increase language resourcing accordingly.

"The report acknowledges what many told the committee – that language is not an optional extra but central to our peoples' lives, and that learning an Aboriginal language enhances Aboriginal children's English language learning."

Congress director Vanessa Curnow, who presented the Congress submission to the committee, also welcomed the report.

"Congress worked hard to ensure our members and member organisations who are

'Kooriez' in their hoodies



'EIGHT Victorian students taking part in a training scheme with the Koorie Heritage

Trust in Melbourne have recently launched the results of their work – hoodies bearing Indigenous designs.

The Kooriez in Da Hood program, which has been operating since 2009, is part of their Certificate II in Retail and Certificate III in Arts Administration.

The program aims to re-engage Aboriginal young people through formal training, with an emphasis on understanding and re-connecting with culture.

Under the guidance of mentors, each student designed their own hoodies, with some featuring poetry, kangaroo paw prints, and other types of designs representing contemporary Koorie culture.

Last month their work culminated with a fashion launch, and in front of a crowd the students paraded their hoodies then got up on stage to explain the stories behind their designs.

Some designs represented the students' family, connections to cultural totems, pride, their youth and their journey in life.

Students MCed the event



In their hoodies, from left, Kelly Johnson, Lilli Koeniger, Henry Dancocks, David Wilson, Liz Smith, Nicole Storey and Nicole Prior. Student Kelly Duggun was absent from the group photo.

and Koorie Heritage Trust chief executive Tom Mosby welcomed everyone to the launch, which included a rap song and dance

routine choreographed with the team at Indigenous Hip Hop projects.

The Kooriez in Da Hood

program (otherwise known as Hoodies) began in 2009 with Dixon Patten, a Yorta Yorta and Gunai man, and

Wiradjuri artist Brook Andrew.

The Hoodies program will run again in 2013. For details, please call (03) 8622 2600.

Justice calls after report

By DARREN COYNE



AN Australian Institute of Criminology report has identified that the top ten postal

areas in Queensland responsible for the most chronic and costly offenders have a high proportion of Indigenous youth.

The research has prompted renewed calls for governments to consider a justice reinvestment approach which involves taking taxpayer dollars out of prisons and putting them back into disadvantaged communities.

When implemented, proponents argue that justice reinvestment programs benefit entire communities, not just Aboriginal young people.

The report, 'Targeting crime prevention to reduce offending: Identifying communities that generate chronic and costly offenders', said the postal areas generating chronic offenders were identified based on the proportion of the population who were chronic offenders and the overall cost of chronic offenders.

The report indicated that the majority of the areas with a highest proportion of chronic offenders also had a high proportion of Indigenous 16-year-olds.

It also said that 22 of the 33 postal areas had higher

than average (5.38 per cent) populations of Indigenous people aged 16 and, in two of those areas, 100 per cent of the 16 year olds were Indigenous.

Institute director Adam Tomison said the identified locations with a high proportion of Indigenous youth were in remote locations and had high levels of disadvantage.

"The authors conclude that there is an urgent need for therapeutic and place-based interventions to reduce crime and victimisation in these communities," he said.

Urgent need

The Greens welcomed the research, noting 'the urgent need for place-based interventions to reduce crime and victimisation in our most disadvantaged communities'.

Australian Greens spokesperson for legal affairs Penny Wright said the research showed that a large number of offenders came from a small number of disadvantaged communities.

"We urgently need to invest in programs and services to address the underlying causes of crime in the communities that need it most," she said.

"This kind of mapping is the first essential step towards a wider justice reinvestment approach. We urgently need more research like this to identify the communities across Australia

that would benefit most from investment in 'front-end' interventions which aim to prevent people from offending or reoffending in the first place.

"Prisons place a huge cost burden on Australian taxpayers.

"Investing in community crime prevention will be good not only for community safety but for our budgets."

The Queensland-based report followed the release of data from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research that showed Aboriginal young people were 28 times more likely to end up in detention, at a cost of \$230,000 a year per person.

The data also showed that 30 per cent of Indigenous juvenile offenders were in custody in NSW within 10 years of their initial contact with the juvenile justice system, compared with 9.4 per cent overall.

Those figures prompted the launch of the Justice Reinvestment for Aboriginal Young People campaign, which includes such supporters as former NSW director of public prosecutions Nicholas Cowdery, actor Jack Thompson, AFL star Adam Goodes and several high-profile Aboriginal rights campaigners such as Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda.

Mr Gooda said at the time that the rate of incarceration of Aboriginal youths was 'totally unacceptable and shameful'.

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TAC has new leader

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINAL
counsellor David
Warrener has been
elected state
president of the
Tasmanian

Aboriginal Centre.

Mr Warrener takes over from veteran campaigner Philip Beeton, who is stepping down after five years in the top job.

Mr Beeton, 77, has been involved with the TAC, or 'the centre' as it is referred to by locals, since it started 40 years ago. He said the organisation has grown immensely over that time and the commitment to the Aboriginal community was as strong as ever.

"We're still a state committee elected by the community, unlike the mainland where they are appointed as academics, I think that's what makes it one of the best-run organisations in Australia," Mr Beeton said.

"The bums on seats and the boots on ground is what makes the centre so strong."

Mr Beeton said Mr Warrener should do well as state president.

"I support him because of his abilities, he's a good speaker, knowledgeable as far as the Aboriginal community is concerned and his work has given him a good insight into what the community needs," Mr Beeton told the *Koori Mail*.



TAC presidents old and new ... Philip Beeton and Dave Warrener in Launceston.

Mr Warrener is excited about his new role.

"With my age and my experience, I am ready for that next stage in leadership for my community organisation," he said.

"I'd like to think I am following

on in the footsteps of Uncle Phil who has got that passion and that go and is really, really fair dinkum."

Mr Warrener has widespread community support. He was elected unopposed.

He is looking forward to improved relations with the State Government – from both sides. And he believes culture and land are crucial to the long-term survival and identity of Aborigines growing up as a minority in

Tasmania. "Too many of our children are not gaining higher education and we must look to the schools to work co-operatively with the Aboriginal community to introduce language and Aboriginal history into the day to day school curriculum," he said.

Dual naming rights and Aboriginal heritage protection are also on the agenda.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre began in 1972, following a small but passionate meeting of Aboriginal people in Launceston.

Mr Beeton recalled the days of restoring and selling discarded furniture to raise funds, and meetings that ran into the early hours of the morning.

"For an organisation that had to scrape for money, to be in that position to where they are today, it's really rewarding to think they have come that far, it shows the commitment of the administration of the organisation," he said.

Today, TAC has three branches, employs more than 100 staff, campaigns for land rights, is a registered training organisation, runs health services, legal services and a children's centre amongst other things, and is regarded by its supporters as the Tasmanian Aboriginal communities strongest voice.

One thing has not changed. As Michael Mansell put it, 'it started with a fire and the flames are still going'.



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Kimberley gas legislation in Parliament



LEGISLATION to ensure James Price Point is the only site on the Kimberley coast where Browse Basin gas will be processed has been introduced into the West Australian parliament.

The bill would ensure the site was used solely for the production of liquefied natural gas (LNG), the WA Government said. It would also limit the life of the precinct

to 100 years, although it would allow for the precinct to be closed earlier if it was not being used.

The LNG port would operate as a general port after the precinct was closed, the Government said, and the land would be returned to traditional owners at the end of the project.

WA Premier Colin Barnett said the bill would ratify an agreement signed by the WA government and the Kimberley Land

Council on behalf of the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr joint native title claim group.

"This is the first time in this state's history that Parliament has been asked to ratify an agreement reached between the state and Indigenous West Australians," Mr Barnett said.

The agreement was part of 'the most significant act of self-determination by an Aboriginal group in Australian history', the premier said.

The \$30 billion Woodside-led gas hub project has been embroiled in controversy for several years, intensifying in 2008 when potential sites were being shortlisted amid a dispute between rival native title claimants.

Many parties, including the WA Opposition, have criticised the WA Government's bid to compulsorily acquire unallocated crown land at James Price Point for the hub. — AAP



The community protest in the Department of Corrective Services offices in Perth.

Inmate allowed at family funeral



COMMUNITY action has led to a West Australian prisoner being allowed to attend a family funeral in Moora, north of Perth.

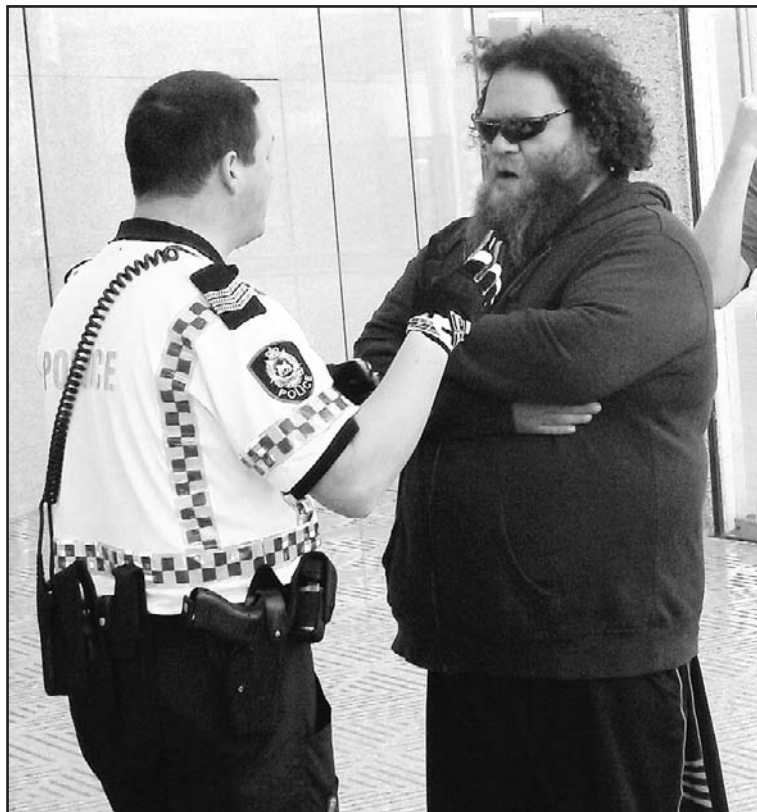
The inmate, and another Indigenous prisoner, had earlier been refused permission to attend the funeral of family members, with the department citing high transport costs.

But a meeting between Elders and senior DCS staff following a protest at the Corrective Services headquarters in Perth resulted in the prisoner being allowed to attend the Moora service under guard.

The vocal protest, on 18 September, was attended by Noongar Elders, Deaths in Custody Watch Committee (WA) members and Noongar Tent Embassy representatives.

Whadjuk traditional owner Marianne Headland said the refusals had been a worrying trend that needed urgent community action. They had a negative effect on the welfare of Aboriginal prisoners, and went against the recommendations of many reports, including those from the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, she said.

Eddie Ware, of the Noongar Tent Embassy, said a meeting between Elders and DCS senior staff had been positive, with the Moora prisoner's refusal



The Noongar Tent Embassy's Eddie Ware and a WA police officer during the protest in Perth.

overturned that same day.

Ms Headland said the family was relieved by the department's about-turn and grateful for the community's support.

A DCS WA spokesperson said 41 per cent of applications to attend funerals were approved in

the past year and that resulted in 393 prisoners being transported to 351 funerals by the prisoner transport contract provider.

"Due to financial and security limitations, DCS has issued policy directives which will restrict to four the number of prisoners

attending the one funeral," he said.

"Geographical restrictions will also apply where a funeral is more than a 200km round trip from the nearest prison facility (excluding work camps)."

The spokesperson said it was a sad reality that not everyone could attend funerals.

DCS WA was alert to the impact of not being able to attend a loved one's funeral and the cultural considerations for Aboriginal people regarding funerals, he said.

The department was exploring alternatives to attendance such as videolinks, which had already taken place with positive feedback, according to the spokesperson.

"The provision of 'memorial services' will also provide an opportunity to pay appropriate respect and, where possible, prisoners could be temporarily transferred to a prison nearest to their family to allow for special visits and grieving time," he added.

However, Ms Headland said watching a funeral via videolink would be 'totally invasive and disrespectful'.

"I can't think of any Aboriginal family who would allow any kind of video camera near a funeral," she said.

"That's our sorry business, that's a very important and sacred ritual to our people — we go into mourning for weeks, sometimes months, and some people mourn for the rest of their lives."

— By Elizabeth Murray

Aboriginal council members elected



AT least a dozen Aboriginal people have been

voted in to represent their communities in the recent NSW local government elections.

Cr Lawrence Walford was returned to Walgett Shire Council after first being elected in 2004.

"The first time I was elected it was just before the council went into administration (2004-2008) but then I was re-elected and the last four years have been really good so I thought I'd go again," he told the *Koori Mail*.

Cr Jeanette Barker was also re-elected to Brewarrina Shire Council, while Cr Sue Bulger was returned to Tumut Shire Council.

Dubbo City councillor Rod Towney, who is president of the Aboriginal Local Government Network conference, is back, as is Cr Dominic Wy Kanak, a Greens councillor on Waverley City Council in Sydney.

Successful

Cr Victor Bartley was successful in his bid for a seat on Bourke Shire Council, while Cr Martin Ballangarry was returned to Nambucca Council.

Cr Harley Toomey is back on Cobar Shire Council, telling the *Koori Mail* that it was his third term serving the town, which had 'done a lot for me'.

Cr Scott Schmutter, 24, who was first elected as a 19 year old, was returned to Walcha Council for his second term.

"My pop worked on council for 20 years and I wanted to get involved myself," he said, adding that he enjoyed seeing results.

"I get to walk around town and see projects falling into place."

Meanwhile, Cr Gwen Griffiths is back on Gunnedah Shire Council, Cr Ruth Carney was elected to Narramine Shire Council and Cr Les Knox was returned to Narrabri Council.

Townsville youth at conference

By ALF WILSON



AN Indigenous youth conference in Townsville late last month attracted more than 400 participants.

Held at the Salvation Army Headquarters on Beck Road, it was organised by the Townsville Community Church with support from Reconciliation Unity, Townsville Community Hand, Black Youth, ICTY Helping Our People Everyday, and Iblaze.

There were sports, a live DJ, speakers, dinner, a barbecue, breakfast groups, workshops, art and literature displays, and a networking morning tea.

Day workshops were held for youth aged 12 to 18 and young adults 18 to 25, as well as those over 25.

Organisers Pastor Ada Boland and Wes Stubbings said it had been a success.

"This is the second annual youth conference and we held it to foster reconciliation in the community and engagement along with positive progress," Pastor Boland said.

"We had a leadership program and excellent paintings done by TAFE students and artists from the Drug and Rehabilitation Centre on display."

Participant Manauwa Lawrence, 13, praised the event. "This really has been a good time to meet other young people and learn a lot of things," Manauwa said.

A large group of students from the Palm Island Aboriginal community attended.



All smiles at the Townsville youth conference, from left, Manauwa Lawrence, Lincoln Conway, Kelly Conway, Chenoah Wyles and Ami Klassen.



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Land council awaits ruling

By RUDI MAXWELL



THE NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) has withdrawn its

Petroleum Special Prospecting Authority Application (PSPAPP) for the Wollongong area, but is still waiting on the State Government to determine four other applications covering vast areas of regional NSW.

A PSPAPP is the first step in gaining permission to explore for coal seam gas (CSG), followed by a Petroleum Exploration Licence (PEL).

NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott said the Wollongong application wouldn't go any further.

"People in the Wollongong area have been very anti-CSG, which is strange when you think the area has been mined to the hilt," he said.

"We tried to make a play, but in the end we decided it was not worth it."

The O'Farrell Government recently released its CSG policy, which has been criticised by environment groups and farmers as not providing adequate protection for water, agriculture, heritage or the environment.

"It was basically what we'd expected, based on the fact that NSW imports 95 per cent of its gas, so it's the next emerging resource sector," Mr Scott said.

"We thought there would be no-go areas, and that the Government would identify those, but they've basically said you can mine anywhere, with some restrictions and



NSWALC CEO Geoff Scott ... "Some people are saying no, but from our point of view, CSG is going to go ahead..."

environmental safeguards."

Mr Scott said reaction from local Aboriginal land councils concerned had been varied.

"We're starting a conversation that hasn't been had before," he said. "Some people are saying no, but from our point of view, CSG is going to go ahead because of NSW's energy needs and if it's not tapped soon, the economy won't survive."

"If we happen to get a licence, we will sit down with the communities involved and go through the possibilities."

"The Western region is all for it, because they have a big issue with no identified employment, so they are saying they would like to explore the option, and at same time be as environmentally and culturally responsible as possible."

But senior Bundjalung woman Patsy Nagas, from

Kyogle in northern NSW, said she totally objected to CSG being mined and piped through the region to Queensland.

"We want to protect our spiritual land, our country, as Aboriginal people here," she said. "Spiritually, this is our country and the Aboriginal people, our forefathers, kept this land pristine. There were places to hunt freely and the food we ate was beautiful food."

"The water we swam in to get turtles was crystal clear and if we let the coal seam gas through we won't have that. We still eat bush tucker – and that's going to affect us and our children."

"My children and grandchildren are going to be affected."

But Mr Scott said that NSWALC was looking at ways to become economically self-sufficient.

"We don't want to rely on the Government purse forever, and we had to test the water," he said.

"In an environment where the markets aren't doing well, the economy is not very strong, we do what we can, but there are a significant number of young people who need jobs and houses."

"There's a train wreck around the corner that no level of government has recognised."

"We need to have this debate, and we appreciate that some people will resist, some are totally philosophically and culturally opposed and we understand that."

"It's a long process and we will consult substantially."



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Uranium mine fears



THREE days after the Western Australian Nuclear Free Alliance (WANFA) conference at Kutunatu Ngurra

camp, WA Environment and Water Minister Bill Marmion released a statement dismissing most of the nine appeals against the proposed Toro Energy uranium mine near Wiluna in central Western Australia.

On the advice of the two-person appeals committee, Mr Marmion imposed several extra conditions covering groundwater and vegetation, including a species of the succulent plant *tecticornia* that the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) said was likely to be a new species.

Toro will also be required to prepare plans regarding possible contamination of creeks, monitoring of stygofauna (small, aquatic invertebrates that live in groundwater) and radiological dust management during high winds and blasting periods.

WANFA chair and Ngalia traditional owner Kado Muir said he was concerned that Mr Marmion was quite happy to make decisions about the mine while ignoring repeated calls to meet with the local Aboriginal people who will be affected by it.

"This is basically in our backyard, a uranium mine on our

'This is basically in our backyard, a uranium mine on our land, with uranium being transported across our country and there are concerns from Elders and other people in the community that uranium kills'

— WANFA chair Kado Muir



BILL MARMION

land, with uranium being transported across our country and there are concerns from Elders and other people in the community that uranium kills," he said.

"Uranium is deposited into the landscape over millions of years as the Earth takes care of itself, but when you mine the uranium you leave behind toxic waste, which goes back into the land that is our home, which sustains us, spiritually and physically, and connects back to country."

Mr Muir said he had no faith in the Federal Government blocking the mine and that the only hope for stopping it was if the Labor

Party was elected in next year's State election and kept its promise to ban uranium mining in WA. "Long after Marmion's term in Government and long after Toro ... the radioactive mine waste will sit on our country threatening and poisoning our lands and bush tucker," he said.

Declaration

"Bill Marmion's announcement comes within a week of the fifth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

"Free, prior and informed consent are pivotal human rights encompassed within this

declaration — rights that are achievable through adequate access to information, and community consultation.

"Both of these aspects are continually being withheld and ignored by the WA Government.

"WANFA demands that the Government adhere to the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, and respect our right to self-determination."

The minister's determination on the appeals against the mine set 'a dangerously low standard' Greens spokesperson on nuclear policy Senator Scott Ludlam said.

"Despite the long and sorry

history of uranium mines in Australia becoming an ongoing hazard after closure, the WA Government has failed to place conditions on mine closure for this proposed project," he said.

Conservation Council of WA spokesperson Mia Pepper said the group was investigating options to challenge the mine through procedural interventions and the courts.

"The minister's conditions do not cover our biggest area of concern — mine tailings and mine closure. This area of the proposal has effectively dodged public scrutiny and any environmental conditions," she said.



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Boys tuned in for *Bushwacked!*



By MARGARET SMITH



ABC 3 has joined forces with NITV and the Children's

Television Network to produce *Bushwacked!*, a boys' own adventure series featuring Aboriginal teen Brandon Walters, who starred in the feature film *Australia*, and television presenter Kayne Tremills.

The 13-episode series shows the two stars in plenty of action scenes, including helicopters, scaling mountains and in underground caves, riding horses and Segways, flying over the tree tops on ziplines, and running through the bush.

The producers say they are on 'seriously weird and sometimes deadly missions' to discover and encounter some of Australia's most dangerous wildlife.

Brandon, from Broome, is in charge and challenges the city-based Tremills to learn more about the Australian bush and its inhabitants.

Bushwacked! premieres this Saturday, 6 October, and continues on Saturdays and Sundays at 5pm on ABC 3.

The first episode is set in South Australia, featuring Kangaroo Island as well as a trip to find a great white shark.

Other early episodes focus on Queensland and Tasmania, and one will also include a visit to Papunya in the central desert.

● Above: A scene from *Bushwacked!* Episode 7 featuring Kakadu National Park rangers Matt Dunn and Fred Hunter with Kayne Tremills, Brandon Walters and a large croc.

● Right: The stars of the show with Papunya artists Punata Stockman, Tilau Nangala, Isobel Gorey, Isobel Major and Diana Reid.



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Charge cops, says lawyer



HUMAN rights lawyer George Newhouse is calling for charges to be laid against police over the death of an

Aboriginal man in custody.

Mr Newhouse, who is acting for the family of a man known since his death as Kwementyaye Briscoe, said police were negligent and charges were essential.

"There is nothing like criminal charges to make officials think more carefully about their actions," he said.

Mr Briscoe died in the Alice Springs watchhouse in the early

hours of 5 January this year after being taken into custody for his own protection.

In a 79-page report released on 17 September, NT Coroner Greg Cavanagh said some police who dealt with the man were immature and utterly derelict in their duty.

"I find that the care, supervision and treatment of the deceased while being held in custody by the NT police was completely inadequate and unsatisfactory, and not sufficient to meet his medical needs," Mr Cavanagh said.

CCTV footage showed one officer dragging Mr Briscoe to a counter, then shoving him down

into a chair and later using a 'takedown manoeuvre' which saw the prisoner hit his head.

The NT Government, which came to office on August 25, responded to the coroner's findings by promising there would be a cultural change in the police force.

Mr Newhouse, who is working for the Briscoe family for free, said they wanted justice in the form of criminal proceedings against police and the NT Director of Public Prosecutions should review the case.

He refused to say which officers should be targeted for criminal charges. — AAP

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Federal Member for Eden-Monaro Mike Kelly, new Katungul CEO Jon Rogers, special administrator Alan Eldridge, Federal Minister for Indigenous Health Warren Snowdon and Katungul board member Bunja Smith at the Katungul Medical Services community celebrations.

Healthy result for Katungul

By LAURELLE PACEY



KATUNGUL Aboriginal Corporation Community and Medical Services on NSW's far south coast returned to

community control last Friday after nine months under special administration.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven placed Katungul in special administration last December after it was found to be suffering from poor corporate governance, weak financial management and a deterioration in service delivery.

"Since then Katungul has undergone a phenomenal turnaround and the corporation you see today is drastically different to what it was 12 months ago," Mr Beven told the community gathering in Narooma that marked the handover.

"It's only the second time in the last six years that Katungul has made a profit. It's paid all its debts, cleared its overdraft, and discharged the mortgage over its Bega clinic, while at the same time increasing service delivery from Batemans Bay to Bega.

"You can feel the new vibe among Katungul's employees, its members and its clients. It's a totally different workplace."

Mr Bevan paid tribute to special administrator Alan Eldridge, his team, his steering committee and Katungul staff for turning around the organisation in such a short time.

Katungul director Bunja Smith described Mr Eldridge as 'a champion' who had 'put Katungul back on its feet in a very healthy way'.

Indigenous Health Minister Warren Snowdon referred to a meeting in Canberra more than 12 months ago that had highlighted Katungul's

Former CEO faces action

Action by Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven against Katungul Aboriginal Corporation Community and Medical Services' former CEO Damien Matcham continues in the Federal Court.

The Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) filed all its evidence against Mr Matcham as well as its expert reports last Friday, in accordance with court orders.

"Mr Matcham has until 31 October to file his evidence in response," Mr Beven said. "The matter will come before the Federal Court on 2 November for further direction. Freezing orders on Mr Matcham's assets continues until the court orders otherwise."

Mr Beven said ORIC's statement of claim is for \$726,000.

He said ORIC was seeking four orders against Mr Matcham.

"One is a pecuniary penalty or fine. The second is compensation to Katungul of \$726,000," he said.

"We are also seeking a banning order disqualifying Mr Matcham from being involved in the management of an Aboriginal corporation, the duration would be at the discretion of the court and could be anything from one year to a life time."

They other is court costs.

difficulties. "We didn't want it to go down the gurgler," he said.

The minister told the community he was delighted sound governance and structure had now been established,

which should ensure Katungul's future.

One of Mr Eldridge's last duties was to appoint directors to a new Katungul board based on their skills, experience and community representation, as well as their ability to add value to the future of the organisation.

"I've appointed two independent directors – Patrick Callioni (chair) and Kathryn Stonestreet of Southern NSW Medicare Local – plus five community directors in Angela Nye, Bunja Smith, Melissa Ellis, Graham Moore and Anne Greenaway," Mr Eldridge said.

"The Aboriginal community has to accept we need a mix on the board of multi-million-dollar organisations like Katungul. In a perfect world we'd have community members who also have the necessary expertise, but if we don't have those people we have to be prepared to let other qualified and skilful people in.

"Katungul now has a \$2 million budget, but it could be \$5 million to \$6 million within a few years."

Katungul's new CEO, Jon Rogers, selected from among 18 applicants, has a finance background, was formerly with ORIC, and has a passion for Aboriginal health.

Among other developments, Katungul now has a medical outreach centre at Batemans Bay for the first time, in premises shared with other service providers.

Earlier asbestos concerns at Katungul's Bega clinic have been resolved, and the mobile dental clinic is now running regularly to Wallaga Lake and starting to travel to other communities.

The Federal Department of Health and Ageing recently signed a funding agreement with Katungul for 2012-2013 to ensure continued health service delivery.

Katungul's audited financial report is on ORIC's website.

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Orana Haven Aboriginal Corporation

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

LOCATION: Orana Haven Aboriginal Corporation - Gongolgon

DATE: 13.11.2012

START TIME: 11am

AGENDA

1. Welcome To Country
2. Confirmation of minutes of previous annual general meeting.
3. Presentation of general report by directors.
4. Presentation of the financial statements and audit report for 2011-12
5. Election of directors*.
6. Appointment and remuneration of an auditor.
7. Other business:

Proxies: Under rule 4.12 of the corporation's rules a member is not entitled to vote at a general meeting by proxy.

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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



Sarai Atkinson

Student, 23,
Shepparton, Vic

Favourite bush tucker?
I love kangaroo.

Favourite other food?
They're called Puppies and they're from America. They're the best donuts ever.

What do you like?
I love my family and spending time with them. I love to travel, especially to the States. I was just there in June this year. And of course I love my sport. I play netball, touch footy and basketball.

What don't you like?
I really, really love sports, so I'd have to say that I hate losing.

What are you reading?
50 Shades of Grey.

What music are you listening to?
I've just started DJing so I'm getting into a bit of everything, but my favourite would have to be RnB.

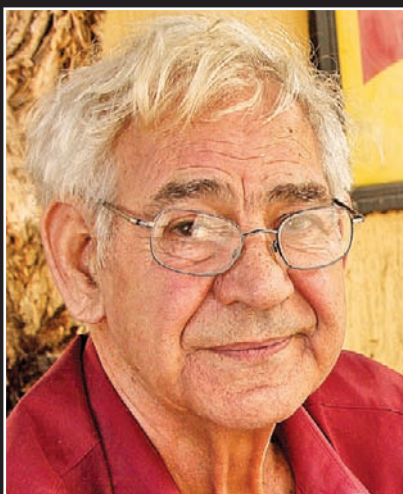
What are you watching on TV or at the movies?
I love the Tyler Perry movie *For Colored Girls*, but it's pretty intense.

Favourite leisure spot/activity?
I'm in my third year of a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Melbourne, so when I've got any spare time I love spending it in Shepparton with my family and hanging out.

Who would you invite to a dinner party?
Definitely my nan who's passed away, US President Barack Obama because he'd be good conversation, and basketballer Dwight Howard of the LA Lakers.

What would you do to improve the situation for Indigenous people?
I'd take away the shame factor from our young people. I believe that's the main thing holding so many of our young ones back from really going forward and achieving anything.

Quote



'The bums on seats and the boots on ground is what makes the centre so strong'

— Retiring Tasmanian
Aboriginal Centre president
Philip Beeton

● See Page 14

Unquote

Recognition is worth the wait

THE announcement that a proposed referendum on constitutional recognition of Australia's First Peoples has been delayed is disappointing. Labor agreed to put a referendum to the nation while wheeling and dealing with the Australian Greens and Independent MP Rob Oakeshott following the last election. Sadly, although much fine work has been already done, most involved in the process seem to agree that it is better to wait and get it right, rather than having a referendum fail.

The worst situation would be if the current bipartisan support for a referendum was tested in the heat of an election battle. The recent and present form of opposing politicians would seem to indicate that any consensus which exists now could be sorely tested.

Of course, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are good at waiting. It took until 1967 for Indigenous people to even be counted as citizens, and those behind that referendum were working for more than a decade to ensure a yes vote was delivered.

And while the Federal Government has announced that it will put an Act of Recognition before Parliament before the end of the year, it would probably be good advice to not get your hopes up. Already the Opposition has indicated that it is not happy with the proposed wording. Of course, those pushing for Constitutional recognition greeted the news, generally, in pragmatic terms, accepting that without the support of the wider community, a referendum would



OUR SAY

ultimately fail. Reconciliation Australia's report to Government indicated that at present, only 39 per cent of the non-Indigenous community have even heard about the proposed referendum.

Obviously, these numbers have to improve. And although it is often argued that it is up to politicians to do more in placing such issues on the national agenda, in reality, it is also up to us as individuals. Those who have the information should pass it on. Tell a friend, a neighbour, members of your family. Point them in the direction of information surrounding the referendum.

You Me Unity, the campaign headed by director Tim Gartrell to promote Constitutional change, has vowed that the campaign would continue, pointing out that 100,000 people have already signed up as supporters. Hopefully those numbers will continue to increase, and those people will take the advice above, and spread the message far and wide. And while Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin has conceded it could take years to build up enough support, that is no excuse for not keeping the issue on the agenda. The louder you are, the more politicians will be inclined to act.

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Sport – especially AFL footy – is in her blood

By RUDI MAXWELL

FROM a very early age, Wotjobaluk Wergaia woman Belinda Duarte loved footy.

For the past six years she worked for the AFL SportsReady's National Indigenous Program, developing education and training pathways for young Indigenous people across the country.

In August she was appointed as the inaugural director of the Korin Gamadji Institute (KGI) at Richmond Tigers, which runs programs for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to develop their leadership and vocational skills and provide training to create careers.

And on Thursday she was named the 2012 AFL Football Woman of the Year, the first Aboriginal woman to have won the award.

"It's really surreal, I'm unbelievably honoured," Ms Duarte said, paying tribute to the many people who have contributed to the success of the AFL SportsReady program and the KGI.

"In Victoria I was raised playing kick-to-kick with my brother.

"If you look at the history of our country generally and, more specifically, our mob, it's really clear that sport and football have provided a space where Aboriginal people can compete and showcase our talents.

"In a lot of ways football has provided a voice for social change and there are a number of Indigenous players who have shown that, like Nicky Winmar, Michael O'Loughlin and Michael Long.

"Sport can be a powerful mechanism for change.

"You only have to look at how powerful it was when Cathy Freeman built on her success as an Olympic gold medallist to voice Indigenous issues. The visibility of sport is really critical in our nation's psyche, and how we use that visibility is something we should be collectively proud of; we can use and celebrate the diversity of who we are, which is really important."

Ms Duarte believes the sheer competitiveness of sport and particularly football engages the passion and imagination of many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"It is about footy, but it's actually bigger than football, and the AFL has the capacity to nurture an inclusive and supportive society," she said.

"That's why I jumped at the opportunity to work at Korin Gamadji, to engage the mob through that power of footy and sport, nurture pathways that empower young people and lead to good outcomes."

Richmond is the first AFL club to form an institute specifically to mentor young Indigenous people.

"We're really wanting to play a role with the AFL as part of a nation-building exercise, it's a unique opportunity to engage across industries," Ms Duarte said.

Champion

A former elite heptathlete and tae kwon do champion, Ms Duarte is also the current chair of the National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA).

"Sport was a critical part of my upbringing, and I think it's critical that young women find something they're passionate about, athletics was my thing," she said.

"When I was a young girl I wanted to play footy with my brother but at that stage



2012 AFL Football Woman of the Year Belinda Duarte ... "From an Aboriginal perspective I just want to see more people engage and play an active part in sport because of the health benefits." Photo: Joseph Mayers

it wasn't the thing for girls to do, so I think it's terrific that young women now are taking up the opportunity to play.

"From an Aboriginal perspective I just want to see more people engage and play an active part in sport because of the health benefits.

"I think sport plays a critical role in young people's sense of development and confidence.

"Sport allowed me to find a platform

where I felt comfortable to express myself, and was able to do that with other young women and men, but more importantly allowed me to be challenged and grow.

"Research shows that sport is one of the least discriminatory areas, comparatively, which means you can effectively engage young people in pathways into careers, in which they can be inspired, then that can be harnessed and built upon.

"As the chair of NASCA I've seen

the power of sport to engage people in education."

While Ms Duarte is thrilled to be working for the KGI, it has meant her footy loyalties have evolved.

"I was actually born into Collingwood but, being at Richmond, working closely as a team, I've become a truly huge Tigers fan, which my husband is extremely excited about," she said.

"In saying that, in front of my family I still barrack for Collingwood.

"Our daughter, Jasmine, is 4, and I will absolutely give her the opportunity to be exposed to a range of different sports, but by the age of three she was indoctrinated by her father in how to sing the Richmond theme song. Even though she couldn't pronounce the words she would sing along to the tune."

Understanding

Ms Duarte has found working for the AFL and Richmond flexible and understanding about the demands on mothers. "I am passionate about being a mum, but I couldn't have the balance I do without the support of my husband Des, who plays a critical part in sharing the parenting roles," she said.

"Jasmine spends equal time with mum and dad, and the flexibility of my work environment means I am able bring home to work and I've been really supported in my career options.

"Many times working in the AFL has allowed me to bring my daughter to work with me for a day, or reduce my hours so I could feel present in my daughter's world, and that's played a critical part of nurturing my overall career, so I don't have so much mother guilt."

While professional sport is still very much a male-dominated industry, Ms Duarte feels she has always been well-supported by men in the AFL, and also is grateful to the women who pioneered the way.

"If you look at the finalists in the Football Woman of the Year, it's a varied range playing different roles across the industry and the thing I'm most proud of is that the AFL is normalising women being employed in a diverse range of roles," she said.

"Richmond appointed me as executive, clearly seeing the valuable role women play in the community as part of a football club, and also seeing the need for women to play roles building the industry.

"I've had both men and women support me in my career pathway, recently the leadership of men has provided me the opportunity to thrive in my own right, which has been critical.

"Saying that, evidence shows clearly there are some issues that need to be unpacked. Across sport and the corporate world women need to be in decision-making roles, and that needs to be looked at in a consistent way to build on the successes that have already occurred."

Last week Ms Duarte went to Alice Springs for the annual meeting of the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples. She was inspired.

"I want to encourage young women especially to continue to step up and take up opportunities that exist for their talents," she said. "If you look at Congress they have that gender balance and that's something you can be proud of as an Aboriginal woman."

The start of something

“Is this the start of something special or the start of nothing much?” I bet that’s the feeling a few of you fullas in New South Wales are feeling at the moment!

This weekend just passed was the October long weekend here, and the big Koori football Knockout was on. Biggest mobs turn up from all over to apparently play and watch the football, but I turn up to catch up with the mob and meet new people!

A lot of people who go to the knockout are lucky enough to have met someone and are now starting to think that maybe they’re a bit

special. Were you lucky enough to meet someone new at the footy knockout?

I know someone who did! My friend spotted this cutie while lining up for a feed. They noticed each other and shared a smile and a head nod.

You know the kind! It was the kind of head nod that said ‘hey how you doing’ but also had a bit of ‘are you single or what?’

For the rest of the day they ran into each other while doing laps of the oval while having a dorry around.

Later that night they were both out at the same place and they

finally had a yarn. By the end of the night they had swapped phone numbers and a few laughs.

Since then they’ve been texting and calling until all hours of the night. It looks like my friend has started something special.

The first meeting now over and done with, my friend is starting to think about their future. Did they have one? What if it was just a footy Knockout thing? What if they were never gonna meet again?

Talk about wanting to move in and get married tomorrow!

I may know a little about love, but I’m certainly not a clairvoyant! I can’t see the future so I told my

friend what I tell everyone: why rush?

The beginning is a one-time event. You won’t get this ‘getting to know you’ time again, so why not just enjoy it and see where it goes?

Once the excitement of the footy Knockout is over, we will all get back to our everyday lives quick enough.

If the feeling is mutual it just might be something special, but then again it might not be!

Where ever your little romance ends up heading, just enjoy.

There’s more football Knockouts to come!



Ms KOORI LOVE

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Answers to our Edition 535 Crossword. How did you go?

ACROSS

- 1. Knights
- 4. Tennis
- 6. Palm
- 8. Parliament
- 9. Liberal
- 10. Scholarships
- 12. Further
- 14. Melbourne
- 15. Bishop
- 16. Torres
- 17. Summer

DOWN

- 2. Newcastle
- 3. Hearing
- 5. Northern
- 7. Obama
- 11. Adelaide
- 12. Federal
- 13. Crows

Our brain-teasers

Edition 536 Koori Mail Word Search

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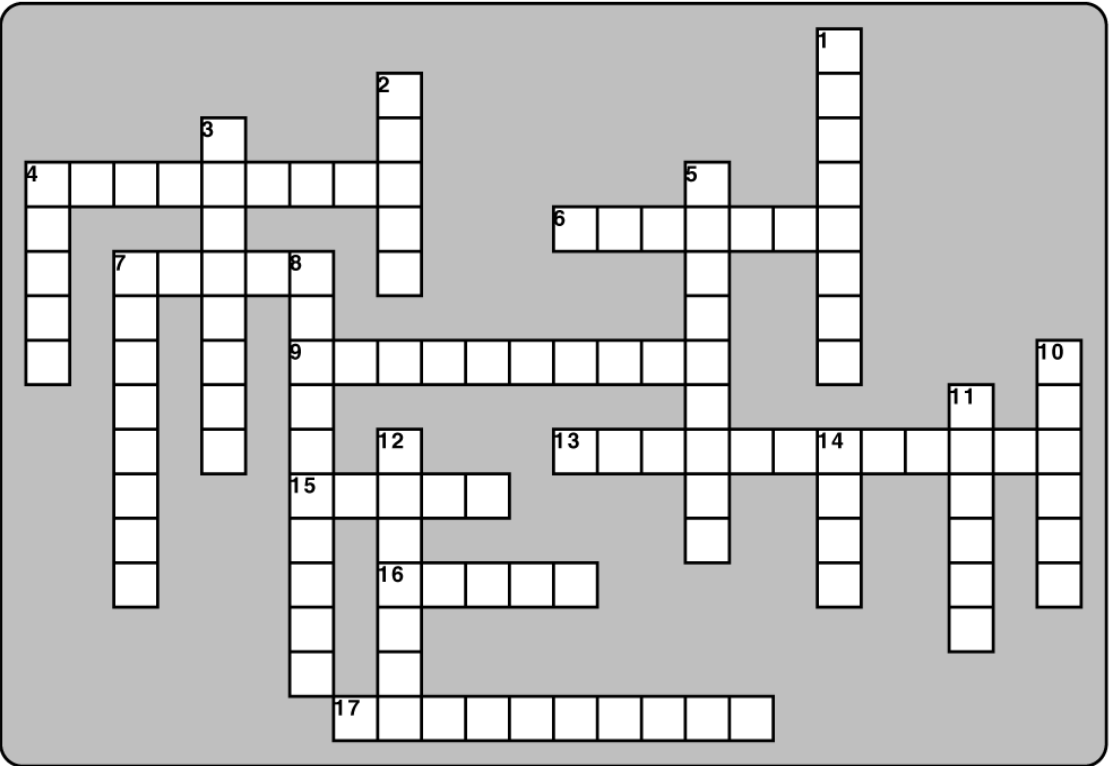
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Across:

- 4. High academic rank
- 6. Spiky bush tucker
- 7. Major festival in Arnhem Land
- 9. City in north Queensland
- 13. Foundation document of nation or state
- 15. ... the Gap Campaign
- 16. Slang term for money
- 17. Gold-mining city in Western Australia

Down:

- 1. Large island off South Australian mainland
- 2. This year's NRL Dally M medal winner Ben ...
- 3. Leading Indigenous academic Larissa ...
- 4. Edith Cowan University is in this city
- 5. Religious group Jehovah's ...
- 7. Term for homeless



Aboriginal people in Darwin. Long ...
continent
10. Major Australian airline
11. AFL champion and hero Nicky ...
device
14. River at Alice Springs
12. Spear-throwing



Aiding our groups in the north

THE University of Western Australia, Flinders University, Monash University and Sydney University need to connect, link and promote higher education to Kimberley and Northern Territory towns and communities.

The aid groups Oxfam Red Cross and AusAid need to connect and promote employment works for Kimberley and Territory communities.

The Australian Defence Force needs to supply better access for Kimberley and Territory groups to engage in security and Intelligence operations in Northern Australia.

The destiny of the Kimberley and Territory peoples is to have future business autonomy and independence of trade by employing local groups in the areas of fuel and petroleum operations and the commercial trade and supply of foods and provisions.

Constitutional change is correct, but directing funding and compensation to supply employment security for northern groups is essential to all aspects of health and political security.

Racial cultural groups need the freedom to be teachers and doctors of their own affairs and communities.

JUSTIN WALKER
Darwin, NT

List idea to help youth

I AM a Gamillaroi man from Moree, northern NSW, and I currently live in Toowoomba, Queensland.

I am also a construction supervisor at Arrow Energy within the CSG industry.

I am in the process of putting together a list of strong Indigenous men and women who have 'risen above' to find a permanent place in the workforce.

I am lucky enough to work a two-on two-off roster and I spend a lot of my spare time talking to Murri and Koori kids at schools and events trying my best to promote change.

I have come to realise that it's so easy for me to talk to them and then go back to my nice house and my nice job while these kids are still stuck in the grind, so something has to be done.

That's the reason why I have come up with the idea of this list. It will have a name, a photo and contact details of Indigenous people from all different walks of work.

I would love to make this list

'I have come to realise that it's so easy ... to talk to them and then go back to my nice house and my nice job while these kids are still stuck in the grind, so something has to be done'

available to Indigenous support workers at the schools and apprenticeship and trainee organisations where I speak, so any kids who are struggling to stay in school or finding it hard to finish an apprenticeship in their chosen field can find a name and face of a strong black man or woman who has already pushed

through the cracks to achieve.

If agreed, these kids can also give them a quick call to ask how they did it.

I invite people with any questions to contact me at tdraper@arrowenergy.com.au or on 0450 397 899.

TOM DRAPER
By email

Tribute paid to Arthur Murray

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Victor Dominello has praised northern NSW Elder Arthur Edward 'Yuboo' Murray, who passed away after a long illness on 20 September, aged 71.

"Arthur Murray made a passionate, productive and significant contribution to Aboriginal rights in Australia," Mr Dominello said.

"He campaigned successfully to improve living and employment conditions

at Tulladunna and Wee Waa.

"His involvement in the Freedom Riders in Moree in the 1960s did much to highlight the inequality faced by Aboriginal people in Australia at that time."

In the 1980s, Mr Murray and his wife Leila worked to identify the circumstances surrounding their son Eddie Murray's death which subsequently became one of the first deaths to be investigated by the Royal Commission

into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

Mr Murray lived his later years at Collarenebri where he worked on local properties. He also continued to contribute to the community.

"The loss of this great man will be felt by his family, friends and the wider community," Mr Dominello said.

"On behalf of the NSW Government, I extend sincere condolences to Mr Murray's family."

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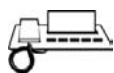
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POETRY

Stolen Dreams

Pitjantjatjara, Yorta-Yorta, Kombumerri, Gagadu
Romantic names in this country, which all belong-um you.

This land is just too big, to tell of every story here
So I'll stick to our local tribe, who live around, about and near.

Then I'll have to take only one tale from all the rest
Because only in that way, can I give you of my best.

This sad and broken story, in this Land of Broken Dreams
Is much more common than most whiteys know... or so it seems!

She was little, she was tiny, when the inspector came for her.

She had no toys, no playthings except a fluffy teddy bear.

That was all she kept, on that dark and dismal day,
As the inspector in his van, she from her kinfolk, whisked her away.

She cried, she howled, she wept, then she lamented too
Well if you were stolen from your kin... wouldn't you?

She never saw her Ma again, it was a flaming pity

Then there she was, a small bush girl, lost in White Fella City

Years passed by, she learnt the rules, of how to cook and bake

To sweep the floors, to wash the clothes... even to make Xmas cake!

She found a man, she raised two kids, who never knew her folks

No uncles, aunts, no cousins.

It was an ugly joke

The world had played upon this Stolen Generation

Until one day the 'SORRY' word was uttered by the nation.

Sorry! What does he mean?

This new man at his post

Nothing brings my Mother back. That life is dead and lost!

So Broken Dreams are dead and gone no matter how we feel
But Life goes on. We will survive. THERE'S NOTHING MORE TO STEAL!

So Broken Dreams are dead and gone no matter how we feel

But Life goes on. We will survive. THERE'S NOTHING MORE TO STEAL!

*Written on Labour Day 2008
by Roger Mathews, of
Labrador in Queensland.
Dedicated to Lillian Mitchell of
Yorta Yorta*

Our expertise essential

UNITED Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon has recently pledged the full support of the UN to promote the full implementation of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

He has also called on UN member states and the mainstream media to create and maintain opportunities for indigenous people to articulate their perspectives, priorities and aspirations.

In this context, it is important to recognise that Indigenous Australians have been occupying, managing and caring for this country, Australia, for well over 60,000 years.

It is time Australia recognised the contribution of Indigenous cultural heritage to the Australian nation.

For Indigenous Australians, the role of managing and protecting country, culture, language and traditions is intrinsically linked to customary lore and obligations as traditional custodians and owners of homeland estates. This link innately connects Indigenous people with country; it is core to their existence.

We as Australians need to realise that the most effective protectors, conservationists, educators and interpreters of our outstanding Indigenous cultural

heritage values are Aboriginal people themselves.

Historically, there have been limited processes for recognising and obtaining consent from the traditional owners in developing World Heritage nominations. This has left many Indigenous Australians feeling disconcerted and empty.

Government engagement with Indigenous Australians in World Heritage declarations and nomination processes has a mixed history. At the moment a process for the possible World Heritage nomination of the Cape York Peninsula region is in its very early stages.

As Federal Environment Minister Tony Burke made clear on his recent visit to Cairns to address a symposium on World Heritage, Commonwealth and State levels of government have committed to explore a potential World Heritage nomination for Cape York that must have consent from the Indigenous traditional owners.

If this nomination is successful it will be the first for Australia – and possibly the world – that can demonstrate proper goodwill and respect for Indigenous people's ownership and rights and responsibilities to their country.

It would also be the first example of a government



LEAH TALBOT

supporting and respecting the principles of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples – principles such as the free and prior informed consent by the traditional owners.

It is the business of national governments to develop national policies for World Heritage conservation based on improved engagement approaches to include Indigenous peoples in their formal discussions and

meetings of the world heritage committee.

In Australia we have the Australian World Heritage Indigenous Network (AWHIN), a network for Australian Indigenous peoples involved in world heritage properties. It is also a sub-group to the Australian World Heritage Advisory Committee (AHWAC).

The Australian and State and Territory governments need to commit to a more strategic and appropriate process that reflects the properly funded and respected inclusion of Australian Indigenous peoples in the process of developing national policies for World Heritage conservation.

This should not just be a bureaucratic network. Like the proposed international approach, it should present a meaningful opportunity for expert Indigenous advice on World Heritage to our Australian governments.

According to Australia's World Heritage Committee Term Report for 2007-2011, Australia prides itself on how it 'cemented its reputation as an international leader and noted itself as a champion of operational reform'.

However, this report fails to mention the words 'Indigenous' or 'Aboriginal People' once in its 17 pages. Clearly we still have a long way to go.

Indigenous people play an

extremely important role in protecting and managing Australia's natural and cultural resources, particularly in protected areas. Aboriginal people believe many of these values would not be still present if it weren't for the constant interactions they have with their landscapes.

Governments, non-governments, research institutions and others need to value Indigenous people's ecological and cultural knowledge systems. Substantial research and documented materials support and reflect the importance and legitimacy of Indigenous traditional knowledge.

When will we in Australia start to view and manage our Australian landscape with the benefit of Indigenous expertise?

As an Indigenous person with traditional country within a World Heritage property, I look forward to a future that truly does recognise Indigenous cultural and ecological knowledge and heritage and embraces a new approach to managing our precious country.

Leah Talbot is the Cape York project officer for the Australian Conservation Foundation. She is a Kuku Yalanji woman whose traditional country borders the Wet Tropics and Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Areas.



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Yalari is right on song

By EMMA RUTLEDGE



MOVE over *X Factor*, Indigenous education organisation Yalari is producing

Australia's next singing super stars. Students from the Yalari Rosemary Bishop Indigenous Education Scholarship program are among the latest Indigenous musicians set to join Australia's music industry.

Led by country music singer Adam Jones and Powderfinger drummer Jon Coghill, the new group are in the final stages of producing a yet-to-be-named song to be performed at next month's annual Yalari Gala.

The group, comprised of seven students aged 13 to 18, have been working on the song since August.

Established in 2005, Yalari gives Indigenous children from regional and remote communities the opportunity to receive a first-class high school education by offering scholarships to attend Australia's leading boarding schools. The organisation is continuing its works despite a fire last month which destroyed its Brisbane headquarters.

Adam James, who is the group's creative director, said the song idea came about after he was asked to perform at the 2012 Gala.

"Yalari originally asked me to perform at the gala, and then there was a suggestion to write a song with the kids," he said.

"To have the kids involved on stage and singing about aspiration and all the things Yalari stands for I thought was a great idea."

Year 12 student Will Munro said the group was an opportunity to try a new experience.

"I love music and singing, and because I knew it was about Yalari and about explaining where we come from and what our message is, I wanted to be involved," he said.



With Adam James (in front) are, back from left, student Will Munro, Powderfinger's Jon Coghill, student Brody Lelievre, Yalari volunteer Russell Storr and student Shazzaray Dodd and, front from left, students Brianna Cameron, Tyus Arndt, Arnold Murray and Ezekiel Stanley.

And it wasn't just her love of singing that drove Year 8 student Brianna Cameron to join the group.

"I've grown up singing at home with my mum and it was something I've always loved doing," she said. "I knew it was going to be with the Yalari kids, so I knew it'd be fun."

Jon Coghill, who has been a student support officer with Yalari for two years, said the song was an opportunity for the students to grow.

"My favourite part of the project has been seeing these guys come out of their shell a bit, remembering words and laughing with them," he said.

"I'm amazed every time they do public stuff how much they grow in confidence and as people, it's really great to see."

Year 10 student Arnold Murray said he had learnt a lot from Adam James and Jon Coghill throughout the process.

"For me I've learnt how to use my voice box and change the

tone of my voice," he said.

Student Tyus Arndt said he was now able to express himself in another way – through music.

"I've learnt that you can write songs straight out of experience, and about how we can give back to our community through music," he said.

NAAJA wants action



FOLLOWING the coroner's report into the death of Kwentayye Briscoe in a police cell in Alice Springs, the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (NAAJA) has called on the Northern

Territory Government to convene an expert panel to conduct a comprehensive overhaul of alcohol policy in the Northern Territory.

NAAJA CEO Priscilla Collins said the death of Mr Briscoe was a tragedy.

"We must take this opportunity to try to re-think our approach to alcohol and drinking," she said.

"Locking people up in police cells isn't the answer and it is time to work together to deal with the impact of alcohol on our people and the community.

"Alcohol policy is complex and challenging.

"We need to take a look at the whole picture and come up with new ideas that are above politics and driven by

'Locking people up in police cells isn't the answer and it is time to work together to deal with the impact of alcohol on our people and the community'
– NAAJA's Priscilla Collins

evidence and experience. NAAJA calls on the Government to work with stakeholders and experts who can bring a solid base of experience and evidence."



Ms Collins said it was crucial that Aboriginal people and organisations were part of discussions regarding alcohol policy. "We want to be part of the solution,"

she said. Everything should be on the table, including supply reduction and the Government's proposal of mandatory rehabilitation.

"Mandatory rehabilitation will re-criminalise alcoholism and result in more Aboriginal people being locked up.

"It will cost a fortune and that money could be better spent on rehabilitation programs in our remote communities and community-controlled rehabilitation centres with a track record of meeting the needs of Aboriginal people."

Coroner Greg Cavanagh found that Mr Briscoe's death in early January – most likely from a combination of severe intoxication, positional asphyxia and aspiration – was preventable and followed an extensive catalogue of NT police errors.

Mr Briscoe, who had committed no crime, was found dead in a cell five hours after police took him into custody for drunkenness.

NSW study focus on youth justice



A NEW study by the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics has found it costs about 18 per cent less for young offenders to be dealt with through youth justice conferences (YJC) than in the Children's Court.

The bureau estimated the costs involved in policing, legal aid, court administration, administration of conferences and administration of court orders.

These costs were combined with data from two matched samples of young people, one of whom had been dealt with by a YJC and one of whom faced the Children's Court.

The average police cost per person dealt with via court was estimated to be \$2278, compared with an average police cost per person dealt with via a YJC of \$1330.

The average cost of administering YJC orders was found to be \$573, compared with \$2815 for administering orders imposed by the court.

However, if marginal costs for the Children's Court and costs for administering court orders are low, then it may be more cost efficient to deal with an additional young person by court rather than by YJC because most of the infrastructure required for a court appearance is fixed, whereas each new YJC requires additional resources.

Prize for book on WA legal service



A BOOK about the history of the Aboriginal Legal Service (ALS) of Western Australia has won the \$25,000 major prize in the WA Premier's Book Awards.

Author Fiona Skyring accepted the award from Premier Colin Barnett for *Justice – A History of the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia*, also named as the winner in the State Library of Western Australia WA History category.

The judges described the book as an 'elegantly-written, painstakingly-researched and profoundly relevant publication' and a 'must read' for all West Australians.

ALSWA CEO Dennis Eggington said the book was an important addition to Western Australia's history. "I am extremely proud that the 40-year history of the ALS of WA has been acknowledged and recognised and that our contributions to this state's justice system will now reach a wider audience," he said. "This book has been a dream of mine for a long time and it is a wonderful legacy not only for our Aboriginal communities, but the wider community also."

Mr Eggington said the ALS was indebted to all who contributed to the book, and to Ms Skyring.

"There are so many people who have played an important role over those years and this is testament to their commitment and dedication in striving for justice and advancing the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," he said.

Premier Barnett said the book made a significant contribution to understanding the changes in criminal justice and policing, and to attitudes about racial discrimination and land rights that had occurred in recent times in WA.

Justice – A History of the Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia was launched in February and is published by UWA Publishing.

A total of 596 entries were received nationally. All winners at <http://pba.slwa.wa.gov.au/>

\$460,000 funding to help with MJD



THE Federal Government is providing more than \$460,000 to help people with Machado Joseph Disease (MJD) in the Northern Territory. Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Jenny Macklin said the new funding was to be used by the MJD Foundation.

People with the disease are wheelchair-bound and need care within 10 to 15 years of the first symptoms, and death occurs between six and 29 years of onset.

Funding will be for educational resources and workshops, as well as new projects in the communities of Galiwin'ku, Yirrkala, Ngukkur and on Groote Eylandt.



Performing on yidaki at the Jindabyne Ampitheatre by Lake Jindabyne were, from left, Ahren Spielvogel, Wiradjuri/Wolgalu man Shane Herrington and Peter Swain, from the Monaro.

NAIDOC marked in the Snowies



Ngarigo artist Cheryl Davison and daughter Tamsin at the celebration.



THE Snowy Mountains southern

NSW town of Jindabyne played host to NAIDOC celebrations for the local Ngarigo and Monaro tribes on 22 September.

NAIDOC celebrations in the mountains were delayed due to the harsh winter conditions in the region.

Traditional owners Auntie Deanna Davison and Auntie Rae Solomon Stewart gave welcomes to country.

The day's festivities were held on the shores of Lake Jindabyne. Elders related stories of their land and birthright in the area, and activities included boomerang throwing, making ochre paints and basket weaving.

Performers Dale Huddlestone and Brad Cox provided live entertainment.

Organisers say they hope the event will become a larger demonstration of the acknowledgement of Aboriginal connection to country and an opportunity for more people to learn the heritage of the area from the original people.

— by Lisa Hogben



Ngarigo Elder Auntie Deanna Davison and her grandson enjoy morning tea in Jindabyne.

Queensland Murri League Carnival



From Townsville, Robert Langton and Ellen Mosby.



Enjoying the carnival, from left, Chris Tamwoi, Edward Pabai, Nelem Namok and Nako Mam.

Crowd packs out Ipswich



Carnival which finished last

THOUSANDS of rugby league fans flocked to Ipswich, south-west of Brisbane, for the Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri

Sunday. The four-day Knockout-style rugby league event featured football teams from across Queensland.

Crowds enjoyed great on-field action as well as stalls, entertainment and more.

Delighted organisers were

already planning for another carnival next year.

The *Koori Mail's* Naomi Moran was there and took these images of people in the crowd.

- See our Murri Carnival coverage on Pages 80-81
- NSW Knockout – P82-83



From left, Keisha and Krisnar Duncan, Geoffrey Booth, Norma Boyd and Kerry-Anne Saunders.



- Above: Enjoying the carnival, from left, Shartia Mam, Stella Mam, Sars Ware, Anna Namok, Pamela Mam and Joe Mam.

- Right: Cameron Dodd, Tiffany Dodd, Tameal Conlon, Des Dodd (at rear) Kisha Dodd, Quentin Dodd and Taitan Dodd (in front) were among the crowd.



Lllye Kawabgka, of Cairns, with his sons Shaklayne, left, and Thurston.



Gerti Benjamin and Olivene Yaso, both from Ipswich, enjoying the action.

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WEDNESDAY 3RD OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Queensland Murri Carnival NC (Sport)
4:00 Ella 7's G (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Among Us PG (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Up In The Sky PG (Entertainment)
11:00 The Golden Cord G (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Ktunaxa G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Rural Health Education PG (News & Documentaries)
2:00 Stone Country PG (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Australia G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (News & Documentaries)
8:00 Australian Biography G (News & Documentaries)
8:30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Entertainment)
9:00 4 Wheel Dreaming G (News & Doc)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

THURSDAY 4TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Nukkan Ya Ruby G (Music)
11:30 My Uncle Bluey PG (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Australia G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Australian Biography G (News & Documentaries)
1:30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Entertainment)
2:00 4 Wheel Dreaming G (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Chtimacha G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)
9:00 Rose Against The Odds PG (Entertainment)
10:00 A Dying Shame PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER

12:00 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)
1:00 Ella 7's G (Entertainment)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Finding Our Talk: Chtimacha G (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Rural Health Education PG (News & Documentaries)
12:00 From Dreamtime To Now G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Barefoot Sports NC (Sport)
2:00 The Road To St Andrews G (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Maya G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
8:00 Kakadu Man 1 PG (News & Documentaries)
10:00 Arctic Hip Hop PG (Music)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan NC (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
6:00 Milli Milli PG (News & Documentaries)
7:00 Black And Dusty G (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (News & Documentaries)
8:30 On Sacred Ground G (News & Documentaries)
9:30 Women Of The Sun Music (Entertainment)
10:30 The Land Has Eyes Music (Drama)



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SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Yaarmz G (News & Documentaries)
10:00 Milli Milli PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Women Of The Sun Music (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Murri Rugby League Carnival NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Cane Toads: Unnatural History PG (News & Documentaries)
7:00 On Sacred Ground G (News & Documentaries)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe PG (News & Documentaries)
8:30 Island Of Lies PG (News & Documentaries)
9:30 Lousy Little Sixpence G (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Bush Bands Bash G (Music)

MONDAY 8TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Lousy Little Sixpence G (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Papu Mau: The Wayfinder PG (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Maya G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Destiny In Alice PG (Entertainment)
1:30 Island Of Lies PG (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Sami G (News & Doc)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Doc)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Larger Than Life PG (Music)
8:00 The Old Man and The Inland Sea PG (News & Documentaries)
8:30 Global Voice PG (News & Documentaries)
9:00 Moose TV PG (Entertainment)
9:30 Grab PG (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Down 2 Earth PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

TUESDAY 9TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Entertainment)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Stone Country PG (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Talking Broken PG (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Sami G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Moose TV PG (Entertainment)
1:30 Larger Than Life PG (Music)
2:00 My Mother, My Son PG (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Hawaii G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
8:00 Rural Health Education PG (News & Documentaries)
9:00 Everyday Brave PG (News & Documentaries)
9:30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Courting With Justice PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

WEDNESDAY 10TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids: Life Cycle G (Kids)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 The Golden Cord G (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Hawaii G (News & Doc)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Rural Health Education PG (News & Doc)
2:00 Courting With Justice PG (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Words In The Air G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Doc)
7:00 NITV News PG (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Merrepen G (News & Documentaries)
8:00 Australian Biography G (News & Doc)
8:30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Entertainment)
9:00 4 Wheel Dreaming G (News & Doc)
9:30 Milli Milli PG (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Defining Moments G (Entertainment)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

THURSDAY 11TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids: The Senses G (Kids)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Milli Milli PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Dreamtime To Dance PG (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Defining Moments G (Entertainment)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Words In The Air G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
1:00 Australian Biography G (News & Documentaries)
1:30 My Bush Tukka Adventures G (Entertainment)
2:00 4 Wheel Dreaming G (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
9:00 Buried Country PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Doc)

FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER

1:30 Artie: Our Tribute To A Legend G (News & Documentaries)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids: Celebrations G (Kids)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Finding Our Talk G (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Nukkan Ya Ruby G (Music)
2:00 Spirits In Bare Feet PG (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: Dancing With Language G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
8:00 Grab PG (News & Documentaries)
9:00 The Last Explorer PG (News & Documentaries)
10:00 Tusamitu! PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Documentaries)

SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids: Connections G (Kids)
6:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Yaarmz G (News & Documentaries)
11:30 From Dreamtime To Now G (News & Documentaries)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
1:30 The Human Race PG (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Courting With Justice PG (News & Documentaries)
3:00 Rural Health Education PG (News & Documentaries)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Milli Milli PG (News & Documentaries)
7:00 Cool Drink And Culture G (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Wildest Australia G (News & Documentaries)
8:30 Five Seasons PG (News & Documentaries)
9:30 Women Of The Sun Music (Entertainment)

SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's G (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte G (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids: Friends G (Kids)
6:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Yaarmz G (News & Documentaries)
10:00 Five Seasons PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 Women Of The Sun Music (Entertainment)
12:00 NITV News Week In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
1:30 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
2:30 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
3:30 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:30 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
5:30 NITV News Week In Review NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Peppimantarti PG (News & Documentaries)
7:00 Up In The Sky PG (Entertainment)
8:00 Nganampa Anwernekenhe G (News & Documentaries)
8:30 88.9 Radio Redfern PG (News & Documentaries)
9:30 Ochre And Ink PG (News & Documentaries)
10:00 This Is Our Country Too PG (News & Documentaries)

MONDAY 15TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Ella 7's NC (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Ochre And Ink PG (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Up In The Sky PG (Entertainment)
11:00 The Golden Cord G (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: Dancing With Language G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Indigenous Insight NC (News & Doc)
1:00 Peppimantarti PG (News & Documentaries)
2:00 From Dreamtime To Now G (News & Documentaries)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Finding Our Talk: NZ Language Nest G (News & Documentaries)
6:30 Pacifica: Solomon Islands PG (News & Doc)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
7:30 Larger Than Life PG (Music)
8:00 Henare O'Keefe PG (News & Documentaries)
9:00 Moose TV PG (Entertainment)
9:30 Unforgivable Blackness PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Tales Of Oceania PG (News & Documentaries)

TUESDAY 16TH OCTOBER

12:00 Fusion With Casey Donovan PG (Entertainment)
1:00 NATSIBA NC (Sport)
2:00 Koori Knockout NC (Sport)
3:00 Island Of Origin G (Sport)
4:00 Lightning Cup NC (Sport)
5:00 Yeyekerte PG (Entertainment)
6:00 Yarramundi Kids G (Kids)
6:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
7:00 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
7:30 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
8:00 Grounded G (Entertainment)
8:30 Bizou G (Kids)
9:00 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
9:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
10:00 Cookin' At Jacko's: Darwin Delights G (Entertainment)
10:30 Henare O'Keefe PG (News & Documentaries)
11:30 My Uncle Bluey PG (News & Documentaries)
12:00 Finding Our Talk: NZ Language Nest G (News & Documentaries)
12:30 Pacifica: Solomon Islands PG (News & Doc)
1:00 Moose TV PG (Entertainment)
1:30 Larger Than Life PG (Music)
2:00 Not A Willing Participant PG (News & Doc)
2:30 Waabiny Time G (Kids)
3:00 Tipi Tales G (Kids)
3:30 Welcome To Wapos Bay G (Kids)
4:30 Go Lingo G (Kids)
5:00 Move It Mob Style PG (Entertainment)
5:30 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
6:00 Tales Of Oceania PG (News & Documentaries)
7:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
8:00 Rural Health Education PG (News & Doc)
9:00 Cold Turkey Music (Entertainment)
9:30 Opinion Piece NC (News & Documentaries)
10:30 Wanja PG (News & Documentaries)
11:00 NITV News NC (News & Documentaries)
11:30 Tales Of Oceania PG (News & Documentaries)



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Hedland woman Theona Councillor ... "I work for Ngarda Civil and Mining, a company that employs, I think it's 40 per cent Indigenous."



Travis Lupton poses in front of the massive Haulpak vehicle he drives at the Yarrie mine, near Marble Bar.

'FIFO' lifestyle has its ups and downs

By GEOFF VIVIAN



AT 4.45, an hour before dawn, in a West Australian mining camp, Jerry Frewen

drags himself out of bed and grabs a quick shower. Mr Frewen likes to be at his desk before the day shift arrives, so he doesn't stay long in the small single men's quarters.

He is grinning because it is the eighth day in his roster and he will knock off several hours before sunset and be back in Perth tonight. Just as he steps into his office, the first rays of the sun hit the red Pilbara dirt of an open-cut iron ore mine.

Mr Frewen is a drill and blast engineer at BHP's Eastern Ridge mine. Unlike most of the professional staff, he is Aboriginal.

The 27-year-old says most of the mine's Aboriginal staff work as samplers, road crew, machinery operators and in the workshop, and there are plenty of job opportunities.

"A lot of mining companies are taking Aboriginal workers to increase their numbers," he says.

"Quite a few these days have commitments to maintaining a certain percentage of Indigenous workers. It's theirs for the taking if they really want it."

Silverlake Resources exploration manager Chris Banasik, who spends much of his time at a gold mining operation near Kalgoorlie, agrees there are opportunities for Aboriginal people who want to take them.

"The only thing we require of Aboriginal workers is the same as what we require of non-Aboriginal workers," he says. "To be able to acquire the necessary training and be fit and healthy for work."

Mr Frewen says he likes the free time afforded by the fly-in, fly-out (FIFO) mining lifestyle.

"Because of the eight days (on) and six days off roster, I can take eight days' annual leave and get just over two weeks off," he says. "It works out well for travelling and going on holidays."

"Generally once (a year) I go and visit friends in South-East Asia. I don't have any kids and I just really worry about myself."

Husband and father Travis Lupton climbs down from the massive dump truck he has been driving all night at the Yarrie mine, near Marble Bar.

Although it is a long trip back home, he says it is better for his family than his last job as a police sergeant, which included a stint in his home town of Fitzroy Crossing.

Mr Lupton lives in Northam, an hour's drive from Perth, where his wife runs the Aboriginal health service. He says his family is happy he moved back into mining because on his days off they know he is not going to be called back into work.

"We now spend a lot more time together," he says.

"I also can now provide for my family better. My children can have opportunities, like better schooling, sports



BHP Eastern Ridge mine drill and blast engineer Jerry Frewen ... "Quite a few (operations) these days have commitments to maintaining a certain percentage of Indigenous workers. It's theirs (Aboriginal people's) for the taking if they really want it."

programs... chances I didn't have. I can now afford to purchase my own home and land."

Hedland woman Theona Councillor has been driving a water truck for 12 hours at another Pilbara mine and is looking forward to a long sleep and some time off before she starts day shift.

She says she ended up owning a house in Perth after just two years working at the FMG Cloudbreak mine.

moved back to Hedland in the last three months but before that I was flying in and out of Perth.

"The cost of living up here is ridiculous. I'm not able to rent, I stay with family. I've got a little daughter so (I'm) not really keen to share with people that I don't know well."

"I've got a room and my daughter shares a room with my granddaughter. I can't afford to buy up here - I should have kept that house!"

While all three Aboriginal mine employees are pleased with their choice of occupation, each says the FIFO lifestyle has its drawbacks and it is important to be ready for them before you start.

"Money is just money, it doesn't make a family, it doesn't make a life," Ms Councillor says.

"Most of the people out there are on a second or third marriage. Do it as a couple and keep the communication up, otherwise it can very easily turn bad without people working together."

Mr Lupton says mine life may not be for everyone.

"You have to contend with the isolation away from friends and family," he says. "Then there is the 12-hour shifts, this can be fatiguing."

"These days mine workers are encouraged to manage their own fatigue by eating properly, exercising, decreasing their alcohol consumption and ensuring they get adequate rest."

"Also, the mining companies supply health coaches that support the workers' physical health by

providing exercise plans and diet plans."

Mr Frewen says it is important to know what you are in for before you start.

"It's standard to do 12-hour shifts in mining so you have to be prepared for that," he says. "A lot of people don't get used to it so quickly, but also if you are operating you do night shift as well. So that's something that takes a bit of getting used to if you've never done it before."

"It does suck some days, but I talk to friends (who) get to work way after me and they leave before me. They work Monday to Friday and they get the weekend off."

"I get back from work and I've got six days to unwind. They rue the fact that I get all this free time."

It's 3pm. Mr Frewen is heading back to the donga to grab his luggage before a short bus ride to Newman and a three-hour plane trip to Perth.

Although he is buying a luxury apartment in South Perth he prefers to stay at the family home. He says he has no regrets about his chosen career.

"I like working in mining," he says.

"I've always enjoyed it. It's a different kind of lifestyle and you meet people from all walks of life in mining."

"Mining's got its own sort of culture. We work in the elements and it's a real sort of tough environment. If you work hard you get that respect amongst the team."

"I've always done mining and I've always done 12-hour shifts so I can't compare it to nine to five."

Scheme paying off, says minister



MORE than 50,000 people in financial stress – many of them Indigenous – have used affordable loan schemes supported by the Federal Government, the National Australia Bank and Good Shepherd Microfinance.

At an event to mark the milestone recently, Federal Community Services Minister Julie Collins said the total value of no-interest or low-interest loans in the past five years was more than \$68 million.

"Many Australians in financial hardship can't buy essentials such as fridges or washing machines because they don't have a credit rating or don't have the savings," Ms Collins said.

"These schemes mean low-income families don't have to commit to high-cost alternative credit to buy essential household items.

"They're making a real difference in Australians' lives – Australians such as Sally, a middle-aged Aboriginal woman from Alice Springs.

"She lost all her furniture and possessions in a robbery and applied for a No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) loan to buy a fridge and a washing machine.

"Not long after being approved for a NILS loan, Sally won a traineeship at Woolworths and takes pride in being able to keep her work uniform clean and prepare her lunch for work with her new appliances.

"In applying for a NILS loan, Sally broadened her financial awareness and she's since opened a savings account."

NILS loans range from \$800 to \$1200 and have a repayment period of between one year



Federal Community Services Minister Julie Collins ... "These schemes mean low-income families don't have to commit to high-cost alternative credit to buy essential household items."

and 18 months at no interest.

They are open to anyone who holds a pension or health care concession card.

The most common reason for people seeking the loans is to buy fridges, washing machines and other household appliances.

The Federal Government provided funding of \$17.9 million from 2009 and is investing a further \$58.3 million over four years.

Information on how to apply for affordable loans is available at <http://www.goodshepherdmicrofinance.org.au/>



Telstra Business Women's Awards finalist Marg Mibus.

Marg a finalist in women's awards



TAFE SA Aboriginal Access Centre director Marg Mibus has been named a South Australian state

finalist in this Telstra Business Women's Awards.

The Arrernte woman boasts a 19-year career in Aboriginal training.

She now joins other state finalists for judging later this month and, if successful, will be in the national finals, with the winners named in Sydney on 21 November.

TAFE SA managing director Denise Janek said

Ms Mibus had a strong work ethic and led a team of experienced and passionate support officers across 17 metropolitan and 36 regional TAFE SA campuses statewide.

Ms Mibus said she was humbled to be a finalist, and would continue to promote the word about Aboriginal Access Centre TAFE SA as a training centre of choice for Indigenous people wanting to study across South Australia.

"While we still have a core group of Aboriginal people that are starting their education at the level of

Certificate I In Numeracy and Literacy, we encourage Aboriginal people to step into higher level certificates and provide the support they require so they are not set up to fail," she said.

Born and raised in Port Augusta, Ms Mibus is a member of the Tilmouth family of Alice Springs.

TAFE SA Aboriginal Access Centres aim to improve participation in education and employment outcomes by addressing issues regarding access to institutions, financial restraints and community expectation of Aboriginal people.

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Change of Date and Venue

Date and Time: **Saturday 13 October 2012.**

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Child protection reports double



THE number of Queensland children being brought to the attention of protection authorities has nearly doubled in the past five years.

According to the latest Child Protection Partnerships Report, some 90,863 concern reports were made in 2010-11, compared to 41,615 in 2006-07.

The concern reports related to 60,553 children in 2010-11, compared to the 2006-07 reports relating to 32,477 children.

The state's entire child protection system is currently the subject of a government inquiry, headed by Tim Carmody SC. — AAP

Cousins' satire goes online

By RUDI MAXWELL



THREE Kattang cousins who grew up together in the NSW town of Taree are hoping enough people like their satirical comedy to create an online buzz.

Grant Saunders, Jay Davis and Andrew Saunders have written and star in *Whiteblackatcha* and are hoping to raise money through crowd-sourcing site indiegogo.

"We just want to keep making it, we've got \$50, so someone's pinched money from somewhere," Grant joked.

The satirical sketches take familiar scenes from everyday life and TV and include a ramped-up stereotype of an Aboriginal person – and the results are being hailed as edgy and hilarious.

From Ray Ray, the Koori Zumba or Koomba fitness instructor who includes moves learned from running from the police in his workouts, to Uncle Reggie, who likes to tell it how it is in his welcome to country and the gastronomic excesses of Deadly Chef, *Whiteblackatcha* is seen by many as original and fresh.

"It's the sort of comedy you can laugh at and think about later, stuff dealing with fairly serious issues," Grant said.

"We're trying to show that Aboriginal people can take the piss out of ourselves but confronting hard issues at the same time, like land rights and police brutality.

"It's a way of getting hard issues across in a non-confrontational way, using humour to do that, that can really engage an audience and really get those messages across."

The team describes the show as an 'Aboriginal *Little Britain* meets *Angry Boys* – grotesque and bloody funny'.

"I think we went through a really politically correct era when people were really afraid to say anything because of a fear of offending people, but I think we've gone beyond that," Grant said.

"Not that we want to be overly racist or offensive, but we do want to push boundaries, like Paul Fenech did with (comedy TV show) *Pizza*, where he used the overblown Lebanese Australian stereotype.

"In the same way, we want to try and humanise Aboriginal Australia so that



Grant Saunders, Andrew Saunders and Jay Davis are crowd-sourcing for funds to develop a comedy series.

we're not just depicted as victims or perpetrators of violence – that we're funny and intelligent with something to say."

Grant said the group loved the freedom of online.

"It's really no-holds-barred, we can do whatever we want, we're our own editors with no-one overseeing and judging apart from the audience, who become the editing team," he said.

"People engage online through

Facebook, discuss and give their opinions on certain things these sketches raise, and have a good debate online.

"The potential of this is huge, especially online because of social media and the way that it works, people can really engage."

You can donate to help *Whiteblackatcha* create more sketches at <http://www.indiegogo.com/whiteblackatcha> but, if you don't have the funds to

contribute, you can have a look at the Facebook page, like and share it.

"We'll make the next online series off the smell of an oily rag if we have to – we've started something and we don't want it to dwindle away," Grant said.

"We're having a lot of fun, and if you have a look at our gag reel, you can see we're having a ball making it.

"It's something we're all passionate about," Grant Saunders said.

Magistrates to have discretion: Minister

By ALF WILSON



offenders in Queensland despite the closure of the Murri Courts.

Ingham-based MP Andrew Cripps, who is the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, told the *Koori Mail* that while the Murri Court program itself would no longer be funded by the State Government, magistrates would retain that discretionary power.

"The Murri Court will no longer

be funded by the State Government and the decision was made to stop funding the program based on evidence which suggested it was not working effectively," he said.

"The program was not reducing imprisonment rates for Indigenous offenders and has not stopped recidivism in the short term.

"While the program itself will no longer be funded by the State Government, magistrates will retain the discretion to take into account the input of Indigenous Elders."

The decision to stop funding the Murri Court was announced in the recent Queensland State budget by the new LNP Newman



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Government. The Special Circumstances and the Drug courts also will not continue to

receive funding the Government says will save \$35.7 million over four years.

That decision sparked anger from Indigenous people around the State, who claimed the Murri Court had been highly successful in reducing jail time for Indigenous offenders and helping to rehabilitate them.

The Murri Court was established in 2002 as Queensland's first sentencing court for Indigenous offenders.

Magistrates, service providers and Indigenous communities have worked to establish Murri Courts in the Brisbane, Ipswich, Caboolture, Cleveland, Caloundra, Cherbourg, Rockhampton, Mount Isa,

Charters Towers, Townsville, Cairns, Coen, St George, and Toowoomba Magistrates and Children's Courts.

Murri Court members were paid \$35.50 each time they sat, to cover lunch and travel.

The Courts have aimed to address Indigenous over-representation in the criminal justice system through greater community involvement, more informal procedures, and sentences that focus on rehabilitation.

Queensland Attorney-General and Justice Minister Jarrod Bleijie said the decision had not been easy, but was necessary to return Queensland to a stronger fiscal position.

National Congress policy



National Congress CEO Lindon Coombes reported on the organisation's activities over the past 12 months.



Elder Betty Pearce.



Arrernte traditional owner Marie Ellis gave the welcome to country. She pleaded for the scrapping of the ongoing Northern Territory Intervention (rebadged by the Federal Government as 'Stronger Futures') and NT super-shires. She said such measures had caused 'nothing but suffering' and injustice for Aboriginal Territorians, especially those living in remote communities.



South Australian delegate Gayle Rankine.



From left, Masepah Banu, from Canberra, Dennis Eggington, from Perth, Mike Passi, from Murray Island, Dean Edmond, from Rockhampton, and Robyn Nardoo, from Alice Springs, with her daughter Jailyn Dolman, aged 8.



Delegates Robert Isaacs, from Perth, Rhonda Gilchrist, from Darwin, Glenda Kickett, from Perth, and Isabelle Adam, from Perth.



Elizabeth Taylor, from NSW, National Congress director Venessa Curnow, and NSW delegate Joanne Kerr.



Delegates Glenda Thorpe (Vic), Kay Sadler (NSW), Narelle Pasco (Qld), Sandra Lee (NSW), Jennifer Stefanac (NSW) and Jason Eades (Vic).



Jared Hutchison and Kimberley Benjamin deliver the Congress Youth presentation.



South Australian delegates Sandra Miller and Eunice Aston.



Delegates Sandra Phillips, from Queensland, and David Follent, from NSW.

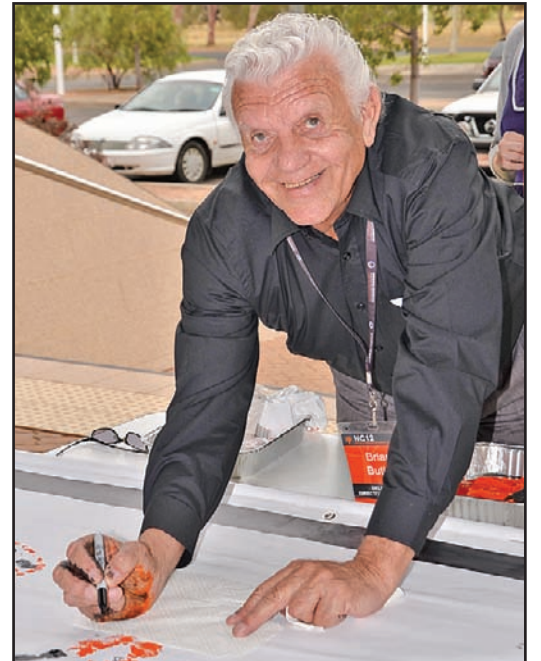


NC12 facilitator and AIATSIS chairman Prof Mick Dodson, delegate Kenny Bedford, from the Torres Strait, and ACT delegate and AIATSIS Principal Russell Taylor.

meeting in Alice Springs



Delegates Corey Ah Chee, from Adelaide, Francis Tapim, from Townsville, and Derek McInnes, from Alice Springs.
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National Congress director Brian Butler makes his mark on the NC12 banner.



NACCHO'S Justin Mohamed and Tom Calma, a member of the National Congress Ethics Committee.

Participants look to future



DELEGATES and participants from around Australia were in Alice Springs last week for the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples second annual national policy meeting,

dubbed 'NC12'. Their discussions centred on engagement and advocacy with Government and the community around the priority areas of health, country, sovereignty, justice and education. And their assessment – Congress

has a strong future but must grow its membership base, firm up future funding arrangements, and garner more broad community support. Pictured here are some of those who took part in the three-day gathering. ● See our report on Pages 8 and 9.



Queensland delegate Narelle Pasco.



Qld delegate Elise Wall.



Qld delegate Ben Gertz.



South Australia's Sharron Williams and Western Australia's Sonia Brown lent their hands to the NC12 banner.



Former National Congress co-chair Sam Jeffries, director Rod Little and ACT delegate and Healing Foundation CEO Richard Weston.



Delegates Brett Burt, from NSW, and Ron Attwood, from Western Australia.

Book marks kids' day anniversary



THE Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) has published a 144-page glossy coffee-table book, *Our Children, Our Culture, Our Way*, to celebrate the 25th anniversary of National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day (NAICD).

The book features photographs and stories contributed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families from across Australia.

SNAICC chairperson Dawn Wallam said the positive images of happy, healthy, resilient children made for a stark contrast with the way Indigenous children were often portrayed in the mainstream media.

The book also features a message from Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda and is available for \$45 plus postage from SNAICC at www.snaicc.org.au/children

Maari Ma Health to have new CEO



BROKEN Hill-based Maari Ma Health Aboriginal Corporation is to have a new chief executive.

Incumbent Bob Davis, pictured, will step down from the position in November after three years as the CEO.

Mr Davis has accepted a position as chief of staff at Redfern Aboriginal Medical Service in Sydney – Australia's first AMS.



"I will take with me to Redfern a wealth of knowledge and experience gained at Maari Ma," he said.

"It has been an exceptional privilege to have led Maari Ma through the advances we have made during the past three years

from accreditation of the organisation and re-accreditation of our medical service to the increased number of programs and services we have introduced."

NT young urged to enter awards



YOUTH are being urged to enter the 2013 Northern Territory Young Achiever Awards.

Chief Minister Terry Mills said the awards honoured young achievers who were making positive contributions to the community.

There are 10 award categories, including one for Indigenous achievement.

The winners will be announced in April next year, with each receiving \$2000, and the overall achiever of the year winning an additional \$2000.

Nomination forms are available from the NT Office of Youth Affairs, on 1300 735 445 or online at www.awardsaustralia.com.

Nominations close on 30 November.

Six Rivers is out of administration



SIX Rivers Aboriginal Corporation, based in Latrobe, Tasmania, has finished its period of special administration, with the new board of directors taking control on 1 October.

Six Rivers Corp had been struggling with financial problems and operational issues, but has now finalised its audited financial statements, acquitted all outstanding government grants, restructured, and developed partnerships with other community organisations in north-east Tasmania.

The new member directors are Angela Maguire, Nardia Broomhall, Paul Docking, Kerrie Shurley and Darryl Spencer. They will be joined by experienced independent non-member director Elvie Hales.

Accident cuts supplies

By ALF WILSON



SUPPLIES by road to the Northern Peninsula Area centres of Bamaga, Umagico, New Mapoon and Seisia were cut recently after a truck ended up in the Jardine

River at the ferry crossing. The crossing is part of the only major road route from Cairns to Bamaga.

The incident occurred when a truck towing a trailer ended up in the river after attempting to drive onto the Jardine River ferry.

It re-opened seven days later, on 15 September, much to the relief of NPA residents and tourists who travel there.

The Jardine River crossing is the only access road for heavy vehicles to the NPA and is about 50km south of Bamaga.

Reports indicated the ferry ramp broke as the prime mover was being moved on to it.

The trailer was loaded with gravel and had to be unhooked from the prime mover in the water.

A bulldozer tried to pull the prime mover from the water without much success and road was closed with the ferry out of service.

The Bamaga Road runs south from there to Bramwell Junction, where it is known as the Telegraph Road until it meets the Peninsula Development Highway at the turn off to Weipa.



The truck in the water at the Jardine River crossing.

The Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council (NPARC) advised of a list of restrictions on the use of the ferry after the reopening.

It does exclude a lot of bigger vehicles and advised the following load restrictions will apply until further notice.

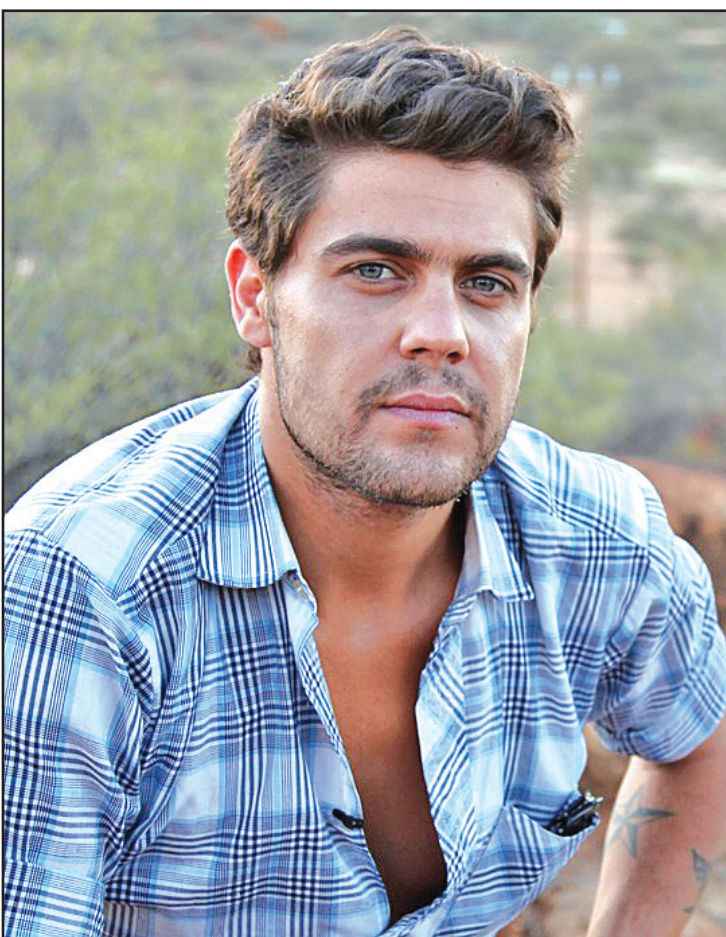
● Only vehicles up to large four-wheel-drives (Land Cruiser and the like) with or without trailers are allowed

to cross on the ferry. Normal restrictions regarding numbers and so on still apply. This will be managed by the council's operators.

● Larger vehicles, buses, trucks, semi-trailers and the like are not allowed until further notice.

The Council is presently investigating the incident and also establishing procedures and protocols that will allow larger vehicles.

Australia is racist: Sultan



Indigenous Singer Dan Sultan ... "I love our country, but there are a few things we really need to get straight, especially the culture of complacency and apathy that has marginalised Indigenous people."



THE ARIA-winning singer Dan Sultan has accused

Australia of being a 'fundamentally racist country' ahead of a series of protest concerts.

Descended from the Gurindji people, Sultan claims successive administrations have failed to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders people under Australian law.

Sultan will headline the inaugural Rock For Recognition shows in Melbourne, Sydney, Perth and Fremantle this November, with the aim of promoting Indigenous rights.

The Constitution makes no mention of Australia's First People and includes a 'races power' which allows special laws to be directed to members of particular races.

Sultan believes change is moving too slow.

"Australia is a fundamentally racist country and that's something that can be difficult for

people to hear," he said.

"I love our country, but there are a few things we really need to get straight, especially the culture of complacency and apathy that has marginalised Indigenous people."

Organised by ANTar, Oxfam and the National Congress, the Rock For Recognition concerts will feature a range of artists including Leah Flanagan, Dead Marines and Wolves At The Door.

Organisers hope to replicate the surge in public support that led to voting rights for Indigenous people following a successful 1967 referendum.

"We've always been fighting for our country and we'll never give up," Sultan said.

"We're certainly not going anywhere."

● The Rock For Recognition tour kicks off on 8 November at The Corner Hotel, Melbourne, then on 9 November at The Factory Theatre, Sydney, 10 November at the Bakery Artrage, Perth, and then 11 November at Fly By Night, Fremantle. — with AAP

Job opportunities in Moree



Moree Plains Shire Council is offering a range of school-based traineeships and apprenticeships,

including six fully funded opportunities for Aboriginal students.

But interested people will have to be quick. Applications close at the end of this week.

Council human resource manager Debby Baxter-Tomkins said the council hoped Moree high school students would jump at the chance to get paid while receiving on-the-job training, under the supervision of council staff.

She said the council especially wanted many applications from Aboriginal students.

"We are extremely keen to see these opportunities utilised," Mrs Baxter-Tomkins said.

Applications for the traineeships close on 6 October. Further information at mpsc.nsw.gov.au or by contacting Kellie Reeves on (02) 6757 3222.

● Pictured left: Participants of the council's recent 'Connecting Communities' Shared Pathways project at work.

Disabilities support use on rise



THE use of disability support services in Australia is increasing, as is the number of

people with an informal carer, according to a report released by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW).

The report, 'Disability support services: services provided under the National Disability Agreement 2010-11', provides information on services aimed at improving the lives of people with a disability and their carers, and enhancing opportunities for social and community engagement.

More than 314,000 people – many of them Indigenous – used disability support services in 2010-11, a 7 per cent rise compared with the previous year.

Most people accessing the support services were male (59 per cent), and 6 per cent of the total of people aged under 65 identified as Aboriginal

or Torres Strait Islander.

AIHW spokesperson Brent Diverty said the number of people using disability support services had risen by 45 per cent from 2005-06 to 2010-11.

The use of disability employment services, in particular, has increased.

In 2010-11, people surveyed most often had an intellectual (30 per cent), psychiatric (20 per cent) or

real terms by 2 per cent to \$6.2 billion between 2009-10 and 2010-11. However, spending per service-user fell by 4-6 per cent for most types of services over the same period.

"The number of people using services has risen at a faster rate than spending on those services, but it is also possible that there have been efficiency improvements in the delivery of services," Mr Diverty said.

The number of people with an informal carer has increased by 31 per cent since 2005-06.

In 2010-11, 44 per cent of service-users had an informal carer. In

most cases (80 per cent), that carer was a primary carer who provided help with one or more of the activities of daily living, such as self-care, mobility or communication.

The AIHW is a national agency set up by the Australian Government to provide information and statistics on Australia's health and welfare.

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physical disability (17 per cent).

Most needed some assistance in the activities of daily living (52 per cent); the activities of independent living (60 per cent); and the activities of work, education and community living (57 per cent).

Spending on disability support services in Australia has also increased, rising in



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End of year checklist for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations

Now that the 2011-12 financial year has closed it's time to prepare your reports and hold your annual general meeting (AGM).

Do it now. Don't be late!

☒ Call and hold AGM

Due between 1 July and 30 November

☒ Lodge 2011-12 reports with the Registrar*

Due between 1 July and 31 December

*All corporations must lodge their 2011-12 reports with the Registrar according to their registered size and income.

Lodge your 2011-12 reports online!

It's easy and it will save you time.

Register at <https://online.oric.gov.au>.

The Registrar may take action against any corporation that does not report by 31 December 2012. Under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* the maximum penalties for each report not lodged are: corporations—\$13 750, secretaries—\$550.

NEED HELP?

If you need help filling in your reports, are not sure what to lodge or you just need extra time, contact the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC).

Freecall: **1800 622 431** (not free from mobiles)

Email: info@oric.gov.au

www.oric.gov.au

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Bronwyn Dutch



A waru, or black-footed rock-wallaby, in the wild.

Wildlife survey for MacDonnell park



NORTHERN TERRITORY
Department of Land Resource Management (LRM) scientists are set to survey the western

end of the West MacDonnell National Park for native plants and animals, with early signs showing encouraging news about the black-footed rock-wallaby.

"The Territory is home to some of the world's most unique and threatened species and that's why it's important to

do this work to analyse the potential impacts of invasive species and changing climates," LRM threatened species director Simon Ward said.

Dr Ward said more survey plots would be established this month to determine a baseline against which future surveys could be measured.

"The data collected will help inform Parks and Wildlife Commission rangers on the current state of the park's flora and fauna communities so best practice fire, feral and weed

management can be targeted to where it's needed most," he said.

Dr Ward said 52 sites had been surveyed within the park, with positive findings showing widespread signs of the nationally vulnerable black-footed rock-wallaby and no sign of foxes.

"The plan is to survey 40 more sites by mid-2013 and once we've completed the West Macs surveys, we will examine the data closely and provide recommendations for park management," he said.

WA will reform will law



THE West Australian Government has moved to give parity to Aboriginal people who

die without a valid will.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Peter Collier said the Government's intention to repeal the *Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority Act 1972 (AAPA Act)* was based on the discriminatory way the law deals with the estates of Aboriginal people.

"This legislation will enable the Government to change historical aspects of State law that have been unfairly negating the rights of Aboriginal people in Western Australia in ways that are unacceptable," he said.

"The *Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority Amendment Bill 2012* repeals part four of the *AAPA Act* in its entirety, which means there will no longer be a separate scheme for the administration of the deceased estates of Aboriginal people and the laws regarding succession of deceased estates are uniform for all West Australians.

"This will remove the offensive definition of a person of Aboriginal descent from the Act and remove provisions which automatically vest the estate of a deceased Aboriginal person if intestate in the Public Trustee.

"This means a family member of a deceased Aboriginal person will enjoy the same rights to administer the estate of their deceased relative as would any non-Aboriginal person."

AES award goes to mum-of-three



Award-winner Alison Loveridge with Adam Leonardi, the restaurant and bar manager at Mercure Sydney Potts Point hotel.



A SYDNEY mother-of-three has taken out this year's Australian Indigenous Employment Strategy (AES) Career Seeker of the Year Award. Alison

Loveridge, who works at Mercure Sydney Potts Point hotel, received her award at a ceremony in the Redfern Community Centre.

AES said the award was in recognition of her 'outstanding contribution in the workforce and being a positive role model for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the inner Sydney community'.

Late last year, Ms Loveridge undertook Accor's Indigenous Job Ready Program, a five-day training scheme that focuses on classroom-based learning and hands-on work experience to develop practical skills in specific hotel departments.

She graduated, found work at Mercure Sydney Potts Point and has been promoted to her current role as food and beverage team leader at the hotel.

Ms Loveridge was encouraged to enter the ASE award after speaking at Accor's Job Ready morning tea. "It was wonderful to be nominated in the AES Awards, but to actually win one is such an unexpected surprise," she said,

Passion

"I would like to thank the AES, Accor and my colleagues at Mercure Sydney Potts Point for giving me the opportunity to develop my skills and passion for hospitality."

Restaurant and bar manager at Mercure Sydney Potts Point Adam Leonardi said it has been fantastic to watch Ms Loveridge build her career.

"Right from the start, we knew that Alison had so much potential just waiting to be unleashed," he said.

"To watch her develop and grow her food and beverage and customer service skills has been encouraging and now that she has moved into a supervisory role, Alison can in turn provide mentoring and support to and younger staff and Aboriginal Job Ready graduates.

"Hospitality is a natural for Indigenous employment and once we develop our employees to provide a pathway for supervisory roles, this will in turn encourage others to join, so the development of Indigenous role models in our hotel is a priority for the future."

The AES works to help Indigenous Australians establish successful careers. This year the strategy has arranged more than 1950 career placements for Indigenous people.



Wayne Wallaby from Yiyili with the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities regional award for the Kimberley. Photo by Adam 'Turtle' Johnson

Yiyili tidies up in the Kimberley



THE small Aboriginal community of Yiyili has won the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Kimberley regional title, announced in Fitzroy Crossing last week.

Keep Australia Beautiful Western Australia chair Mel Hay said Yiyili was a community that took pride in its appearance and had developed infrastructure to promote sustainability.

"Yiyili's achievements include impressive market gardens and orchards, and community projects such as the development of a football oval and artefact manufacturing facility," Mr Hay said.

"The standard of traditional artwork in the community is very high, with the Outstations label translating designs by Aboriginal artists into merchandise such as scarves and bags.

"(US President) Barack Obama has a tie designed by Yiyili artist Norman Cox."

Mr Hay said the Tidy Towns awards recognised towns for working towards sustainability, including preserving their culture and protecting the environment.

Kimberley category winners:

- Community Action and Partnerships: Eight Mile
- General Appearance: Yiyili
- Heritage and Culture: Loongabid
- Young Legends: Broome Bush Rangers
- Natural Heritage Conservation: Derby Bush Rangers
- Waste Management and Litter Prevention: Ngalingkadij

Judges also gave special commendations to Steven Biligin at Ngalingkadij for keeping his community litter free, and the community of Karnparmi for striving for sustainable outcomes.

Yiyili will compete with other regional winners for the overall WA Tidy Towns – Sustainable Communities title in November.

For more information go to www.kabc.wa.gov.au

Kisani inspired after being part of forum



UNIVERSITY of Southern Queensland (USQ) Fraser Coast first-year nursing student Kisani Upward has been inspired after

attending the National Indigenous Health Plan Youth Forum, held recently in Sydney.

She said she was excited to share ideas at the four-day forum, held at the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence in Redfern.

"The forum was absolutely fantastic," Ms Upward said.

"They really encouraged me to develop my ideas."

The 21-year-old participates in USQ Fraser Coast's DARE program, designed to help Indigenous students 'Dream, Aspire, Reach and Experience'.

The former bank officer hails from Tamworth, New South Wales, and lives in Hervey Bay.

"Part of the DARE program includes Indigenous mentoring at Hervey Bay High School where there's a garden of Indigenous medicine," Ms Upward said.

"While there I was thinking it would be really cool if we could use traditional Indigenous medicines along with Westernised ideas, especially in first-aid.

"For example, you can crack open the leaves of the soap tree and wash your hands with it. It's been scientifically proven that it acts like soap.

"In rural communities where hospitals are kilometres away, adults and children could be taught basic first-aid using traditional Indigenous medicines so they can become self-sustainable.

"In remote communities it's hard to get medical attention, so if they learn the basics there'll be a lot less risk of infections.



University of Southern Queensland Fraser Coast nursing student Kisani Upward at the recent National Indigenous Health Plan Youth Forum.

"I thought if Indigenous traditional medicines were combined with Westernised ideas, they'd be more accepted and much easier to portray."

Ms Upward was among 30

Indigenous youths aged 17-25 selected from throughout Australia to be flown to Sydney for the forum to discuss national health issues and challenges facing Indigenous Australians.

NT town looks at transport



A COMMUNITY-DRIVEN project is starting to find practical solutions to transport problems in Tennant Creek.

Northern Territory Council of Social Service (NTCOSS) senior policy officer Jonathan Pilbrow said no public transport and a limited taxi service made meeting everyday needs tough for some Tennant Creek residents.

"For some people in wheelchairs, the only way for them to get around is to push themselves, and some people have to push a shopping trolley for a couple of kilometres to get home from the supermarket," he said.

"Other people have difficulty getting to and from the 2am Greyhound bus, which means some people miss medical appointments in Alice Springs. This particularly impacts on older

people and people on lower incomes."

NTCOSS recently ran a community transport project to look at ways to improve transport options and access to services.

David Denmark, from Transport Planning and Management, conducted the study, which was funded by NTCOSS, local agencies, the NT Government and the Myer Foundation.

Solutions

The report showed that creative community transport solutions were possible.

Community transport options exist across the country. They are often run by not-for-profit organisations, which help people to access medical, shopping and social services, where they have no other means of transport.

Some of the recommendations from the report have already been initiated,

including the formation of a non-profit transport agency, Tennant Creek Transport.

"The purpose of the group is to co-ordinate transport in the region, to encourage the establishment of new transport services and to facilitate the sharing of community owned vehicles in the town," Mr Denmark said.

The formation of Tennant Creek Transport will help to continue the work of the transport project.

"Transport resources are available and we need to find ways to use them to provide better options for people who need it the most," Mr Denmark said.

"Affordable and accessible transport services are essential for disadvantaged Territorians to obtain essential services, seek and hold employment, access health services and simply do their weekly shopping."

Backo launches careers program

By ALF WILSON



FORMER rugby league Test star Sam Backo has launched a new Townsville program designed to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youths into careers.

The Townsville Enterprise Indigenous Engagement Project launch was attended by community and business leaders as well as Indigenous program ambassadors Jahmilla Johnson, Florence Murgha, Jade Gould, Shenade Muller, Sam Coffison, Jackirra Braico, Benjamin Gertz, Shikierra Thorne, Elanie Williams, Phillip Obah and Jeremy Brown.

Townsville Enterprise offers a voice for industry, business and tourism in north Queensland.

Mr Backo has been a special VIP guest at the past two Island of Origin rugby league series held on Badu Island in 2011 and 2010.



At the launch, from left, Townsville City councillor Pat Ernst, Robert Cedar, Jo Marks and Sam Backo.

The launch was at a Townsville Enterprise Members' networking function and provided members with information

on the initiative and details to register their interest.

Jo Marks, the Indigenous employment

project officer economic development with Townsville Enterprise, welcomed the program.

"The current skills shortage provides an opportunity to leverage sustainable employment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders within various industries such as health, construction, retail, mining and resources," she said.

"The Townsville Enterprise Indigenous Youth Ambassador Group has engaged the first cohort of ambitious Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students for the project."

Ten students have been selected to join the program.

"Vacancies for business mentors exist within law, accounting, ecology, health, regional development and economics," Ms Marks said.

"A commitment of two hours per month is required to support each ambassador over the nine-month program."

For more information, contact Ms Marks on (07) 4726 2738.

\$82,000 help for Red Dust



MULTI-NATIONAL company Serco's Australian arm has raised \$82,000 for Red

Dust, a not-for-profit charity that improves the health and wellbeing of Indigenous Australians in remote communities.

Serco, which runs Villawood Detention Centre, Southern Queensland and Mt Eden prisons, and Transperth public transport contact centre, hosted activities for 'Walkabout Week', while 251 employees walked to raise \$41,000, which the company matched.

Serco Asia Pacific chief executive officer David Campbell said collaborating with Red Dust would assist young people in the Kintore community, also known as Walungurru, 530km west of Alice Springs.

"Partnering with Red Dust has been a valuable experience for me, personally, as well as for many Serco staff," Mr Campbell said.

"It has increased awareness of the challenges Indigenous youth face.

"It will, I hope, also have an invaluable impact on the Kintore community, and it has provided an opportunity for our employees, and their family and friends, to engage with this remote community.

"The primary goal of our fundraising efforts is to help ensure the Aboriginal youth of Kintore live longer, healthier lives.

"We also hope that Red



At the Kintore school, back from left, Lyn Rowe, Daniel Gerich, Earnest Maxwell, Joshua Wilson and Monica Robinson; middle: Christopher Maxwell, Brendan James, Roseanna Young and Luke Reid; and front, Shania Pollard and Selma Sampson.

Dust's healthy living program will inspire the youth involved to live positive, meaningful lives.

"Approximately 40 per cent of the offenders in the prisons we operate in Australia are Indigenous.

"We work tirelessly to rehabilitate offenders and break the cycle of reoffending, and we hope that our support for Red Dust is a

positive intervention before the cycle even begins."

Red Dust CEO Darren Smith said the partnership could have a positive impact on the lives of a generation of young people in one of Australia's most remote communities.

The money raised will help Red Dust deliver early intervention health promotion programs to Kintore's primary

school students over the next 12 months.

The main focus of the programs is nutrition, as the community has high rates of diabetes and heart disease as well as other health concerns that need to be addressed.

The aim is to educate young people about the steps they can take to improve their health and wellbeing.

LawAccess seeks input



THE free government telephone service for people who have a legal problem in NSW, LawAccess, is seeking advice and feedback from Aboriginal people and interested organisations to assist in the development of its communications strategy for Aboriginal communities.

The service provides legal information, referrals and, in some cases, advice.

LawAccess director Julianne Evans said the strategy would help raise awareness of the service and the availability of other legal assistance in Aboriginal communities in NSW.

"LawAccess NSW has dedicated Aboriginal customer service officers who can talk to Aboriginal people about their legal problem or question," Ms Evans said. "The customer service officers can also provide support to Aboriginal people during an advice session with a LawAccess lawyer."

LawAccess also has an online service that allows people to search for information about the law and legal issues. The service includes LawAssist, a website that provides step-by-step guides to running a legal case, information on alternatives to going to court and contacts for further assistance.

"Unfortunately, many Aboriginal people are not aware of the services offered by LawAccess," Ms Evans said.

To give LawAccess NSW advice and feedback, contact Wendy Elder by 30 October on (02) 8833 3164 or email wendy_elder@agd.nsw.gov.au

For telephone assistance, call LawAccess on 1300 888 529. To access the online resources, visit www.lawaccess.nsw.gov.au and click on 'Going to court? Visit LawAssist'.

Fire-fighting plan ready to take off



WOODSIDE and Airservices Australia are offering new training opportunities for Kimberley Indigenous people in fire fighting.

Candidates will be offered the opportunity to complete a Certificate II in Public Safety (Fire

Fighting and Emergency Operations) as part of an Airservices recruitment course, qualifying them to be trainee fire fighters in Airservices aviation rescue and fire fighting service.

Successful trainee fire fighters are likely to be employed at Broome, Port Hedland and Karratha airports, with the possibility to serve at other airports across Australia.

Woodside, a major company behind the planned Browse Basin development in the Kimberley, is planning to host an open day in Broome next month.

Interested people should contact Woodside's Broome office on (08) 9191 9200.



Alinta Willoughby-Dingey, from Geelong, has her copy of *Butcher Paper, Texta, Black Board and Chalk* signed by Archie Roach.

Ruby's book a dream realised

By JILLIAN MUNDY



A CHILDREN'S songbook package by the late Ruby Hunter and her partner Archie Roach has been officially launched.

Fifteen years in the making, *Butcher Paper, Texta, Blackboard and Chalk* was the realisation of a dream of Ms Hunter's before her death 2010.

"We finally did it Mum," Mr Roach said during the poignant launch at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre in Melbourne Museum.

The launch was attended by more than 150 people, including the Hunter and Roach families.

The songs about land, food and health, and stories of their makings are presented in a book illustrated by Hunter and accompanied by a documentary and an album of 15 songs. As told in the documentary, many of the songs were written in workshops with children from remote Cape York communities when the couple went on a six-week road trip with three of their sons, a band and film crew back in 1997.

The experience inspired Ms Hunter to write more songs about children that tell of both remote and city lifestyles.

In her own words – "This collection of songs is about what children see and experience in their everyday lives, in the forests, in gardens and about shells on the shore to having toast and tea."

Mr Roach said the launch was "filled with Ruby's spirit".

"Words can't describe how special it was, it was something that we were finally able to do, the work that Ruby has done, her spirit was all over the place," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"It was a beautiful, beautiful day, a great tribute to a wonderful lady, and she leaves a great body of work with this book – it's a wonderful day."

Accompanied by Jen Anderson and Craig Pilkington, Mr Roach performed a selection of the songs at the launch, their appeal to children obvious with a large group of students and then the



SNAICC staff Sandy Barber and Ashley Tennyson, from Melbourne, with the book.



Archie Roach's nieces and nephews Shane Evans, Debbie Murray, Greg Evans and Tracey Evans were at the launch.

entire audience clapping along.

He said he witnessed a magic in Ms Hunter when she was writing with children – 'she made you believe'.

Federal School Education Minister Peter Garrett extended his best wishes during a video link to the launch.

"I know this book is going to make a

great difference to the kids that read it," the former Midnight Oil frontman said.

Published by One Day Hill, *Butcher Paper, Texta, Black Board and Chalk*, so called because that's how most of the songs were written, is in bookshops now, and all profits from the sales go to Ruby's foundation. It costs \$24.95.

300 expected at business forum



ABOUT 300 people are expected to attend the World Indigenous Business Forum (WIBF) in Sydney next month. Participants are coming from around the world for the forum, at the Four Seasons

Hotel from 22-24 October.

Hollywood actor Val Kilmer is expected to attend the forum, which has the theme 'Building a Global Indigenous Economic Development Network'.

Event ambassador Tom Calma is looking forward to the event.

"I think it is very exciting we are able to host this forum at a time when Indigenous businesses in Australia are growing very rapidly and the relationship between mainstream economies and Indigenous businesses is maturing by the day," the former Human Rights Commissioner said.

"We are in a good space at this time, and at WIBF we will see some excellent Australian businesses both large and small being profiled and sharing their experiences with counterparts from other nations."

Running with the forum is a youth entrepreneur strategy for indigenous business leaders from across the world.

It will be hosted by the Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME) and start with a specialised entrepreneurship program. Youth delegates will then join with the main conference and give a DVD presentation to close the event.

For more details, go to www.wibf.ca or www.ccab.net.au

Work set to start on Ballina centre



CONSTRUCTION of the Ballina Aboriginal Children and Family Centre will begin as soon as NSW Public Works signs off on the project. Last week, Ballina Shire

Council in northern NSW voted to fix the seal on the lease for the Centre, which will be managed by Bunjum Aboriginal Corporation.

Bunjum operations manager Christine Clark said the centre would be a great thing for Ballina.

"The community has waited a long time to get a decision and it's been finalised, so now we can go ahead and get the centre built," she said.

"In the future there will be integrated services within the centre, which will assist Aboriginal families to assist necessary service providers.

"It's a wonderful result for the community."

Health savings to benefit Pilbara



WEST Australia Health Minister Kim Hames says that a review of the Pilbara Health Initiative (PHI) has identified \$5 million in savings, which will be put into health programs and equipment. The \$38.2 million PHI is a five-year partnership between the

Royalties for Regions program and the WA Chamber of Minerals and Energy Pilbara Industry's Community Council Health Initiative.

Special health buses providing mobile services are one of the priorities for the region.

Riders aiming to raise awareness



ON 10 October, Steve Widders and Dr Mick Adams will jump on their bikes in Brisbane to ride to Sydney for the 'Walk, Ride Widders' challenge. Mr Widders, who is blind, and Dr Adams are aiming to raise awareness of the importance of a healthy family, holding free health checks and motivational workshops along the way.

Supported by Men's Shed, 'Walk, Ride Widders' is an invitation to all Australian men and their families to realise their personal obligations and responsibility to each other and to improve their physical, mental and spiritual health.

They are due to arrive in Sydney on 24 October. For more information go to www.walkridewidders.com.au

Milingimbi focus on learning



STUDENTS from the small island community of Milingimbi, off the coast of Arnhem Land, have been delving into their maritime heritage, and taking pictures along the way.

And those pictures will be sent to a national competition, which invites photographs of cultural heritage items above and below Australian and New Zealand waters.

Under the guidance of maritime archaeologist David Steinberg, a heritage officer with the NT Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment, the students examined a shell midden while learning archaeological techniques.

Mr Steinberg said photography was used as a practical and self-expressive way of exploring and learning about local history.

"The children were encouraged to photograph the midden artistically, but also use methods of scientific and archaeological photography," he said.

"We discussed the kinds of questions archaeologists ask about this kind of site.

"It was a terrific opportunity to encourage the children to explore their heritage, and develop their skills in photography, measuring and applied maths."

Mr Steinberg said he would submit the children's photographs to the 2012 Australasian Institute for Maritime Archaeology competition, due to finish in December.



Milingimbi students survey the shell midden. Photo courtesy NT Department Lands, Planning and the Environment

During his visit to Milingimbi, which is about 400km from Darwin, Mr Steinberg also documented a shipwreck, which may be that of the small coastal cutter

Maroubra. The Maroubra was requisitioned as a supply ship by the Royal Australian Navy in 1942, and sunk by Japanese aircraft at Milingimbi in 1943.

The remains of a vessel are visible on a sandbank near the community.

Wood specimens from the ship will be sent for analysis. If the wreck is the Maroubra

it may be recommended for protection under heritage legislation.

There are more than 250 references to shipwreck sites in Northern Territory waters.

Singing for Kimberley



THE John Butler Trio and Clare Bowditch will perform a free outdoor concert in Melbourne's Federation Square this Friday, 5 October, to bring attention to mining and industrial development in the Kimberley.

Nyul Nyul Bardi man Albert Wiggan, who formed Save the Kimberley, will address the crowd, along with former Australian Greens leader Bob Brown.

The Kimberley coast, in north-west Australia, is home to the world's largest humpback whale nursery and threatened dolphins, turtles and dugongs.

Oil and gas companies Woodside, Shell, BHP Billiton, BP, Mitsubishi and Mitsui plan to build Australia's biggest industrial development at James Prices Point, a significant Indigenous heritage site and home to the longest chain of dinosaur footprints on the planet.

"The country itself is untouched, undeveloped and still in its natural state so there is a wonderful opportunity to capitalise with appropriate development before we jeopardise what we have now, a lush environment, full of heritage and cultural sites and values," Mr Wiggan said.

"As negotiations and consultations began there has been so much political manipulation and issues that have arisen from this. The radical WA Government favours compulsory acquisition, has not



The John Butler Trio – Nicky Bomba, John Butler and Byron Luiters – will give a free concert to support the Save the Kimberley campaign.

consulted adequately with Indigenous people and not explored alternate options or methods.

"The attitude of the State Government has been either make a deal and give us a figure you're happy with, or miss out and we're going to go ahead and

build whatever we want anyway.

"There has been a considerable amount of uncertainty and mistrust between interest groups that are involved: opponents, traditional owners, the Kimberley Land Council, Woodside and the State Government.

"I don't like the idea because the best that this deal offers Aboriginal people from the Kimberley is one per cent."

John Butler said James Price Point was a 'rich and diverse countryside offering brilliant coastal blues alongside vivid red cliffs'.

"It's culturally and environmentally abundant, a rare and beautifully wild place.

"To think of industrialising this truly special region in order to exploit a resource when it is more profitable and practical to process it somewhere else seems absolutely ludicrous," Mr Butler said.

"On all grounds, economically, environmentally, socially and politically, the proposed gas refinery at James Price Point is not sustainable.

"This is why I'm standing with my fellow citizens in Federation Square on October 5 to sing out loud and proud that we will not allow one of the most precious places we have in our country to be destroyed by political and corporate greed," he said.

Clare Bowditch will interrupt her national tour promoting her just-released fifth album, *The Winter I Chose Happiness*, to play the Concert for the Kimberley.

The concert will be held in Federation Square from 6-9pm. It is free, but the Wilderness Society is asking for donations to the Protect the Kimberley campaign.

The concert will be broadcast live at www.concertforthe Kimberley.com.au



Opera soprano Deborah Cheetham during her tribute performance to the late Uncle Jimmy Little at the Deadlys.

Massive, loud triumphant!

By SIV PARKER
Photos by Ben Symonds, Shannon
Dodson and Siv Parker



A HUGE crowd packed the Sydney Opera House on 27 September for the 18th annual Deadly Awards in a showcase event that was big, loud and triumphant.

A delighted executive producer and Deadlys founder Gavin Jones said this year's extravaganza 'fulfilled its vision in 2012 to recognise and showcase the contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to our community and to Australian society.'

From humble beginnings at a community hall in the heart of Redfern to taking over Australia's most iconic building, the Deadlys have now grown, with multiple categories recognising achievement in music, sport, the arts and entertainment, community and leadership.

This year's Deadlys opened with a Sunset Ceremony hosted by SBS *Living Black's* Karla Grant and Michael Tuahine. Involved in the Deadlys from the beginning, Tuahine summed up the Deadlys in three words – 'amazing, inspiring, community'.

With a backdrop of the setting sun and the Sydney Harbour Bridge, the Deadly Dressed were named and the first awards of the night were made to new and upcoming as well as well-known performers in health, employment, the arts and sport.

Winners included multi-award-winning country music singer and proud father Troy Casser-Daly, who accepted the Best Album Award for his eighth album, *Home*, in front of his children, Jem and Clay.

Yolgnu dancer, teacher and grandmother from the Dhalinybuy homeland in north-east Arnhem Land, Guypunura 'Janet' Munyarryun – one of the founding members of the



Olympic boxer Damien Duncan Hooper with his partner Tiffany Hiles.

Bangara Dance Theatre – took out the Deadly for Best Dancer.

The Deadly Dressed winner was Teegan Bird, in a design by Keri Kenton. Ms Kenton, from the Darug community in Parramatta, called on 30 years' experience to handcraft a halter neck evening gown in white silk, pearl and abalone shells in just three days.

The growing Deadlys crowd was entertained by the All Star Sister Girl Cheer Squad – 18 girls, aged from eight to 18 from Queensland – the Yabu Band, and closing the Sunset Ceremony was an exquisite performance by Thelma Plum.

More than 2000 people, including previous Deadly winners, nominees, Elders, community members and supporters took their seats in the concert hall for the main event.

There were some magnificent

performances, including a tribute to Uncle Jimmy Little by Yorta Yorta soprano Deborah Cheetham; Tasmanian singer-songwriter Dewayne Everettsmith; and the stage work of the Yung Warriors.

Other highlights included Damien Duncan Hooper, who changed from his suit into his famous Aboriginal Flag t-shirt worn at the Olympic Games to present an award; the original Sapphires; the multiple awards for the film *Mabo* and the dedications to Eddie Koiki Mabo and the Mabo women; and the acceptance speech from Aunty Lorraine Darcy Peeters, recognised for her work healing the Stolen Generations.

A lone wolf whistle could be heard preceding the warm applause for Professor Marcia Langton when she awarded Yarrabah Mayor Percy Neal the inaugural Deadly for Lifetime Achievement in Leadership. And there was a great reception for singer/actor Jessica Mauboy, and the hosting prowess of Luke Carroll and the dazzling Casey Donovan.

Gavin Jones acknowledged the support of the Australian Government through the Department of Health and Ageing, who have supported the Deadlys since the first awards' night in 1995. And there was genuine warmth extended towards NSW Governor Marie Bashir and Federal ministers Peter Garrett and Mark Bishop when they took to the stage.

"Over the years, the Deadlys has played a role in supporting and advancing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music, sport, the arts and entertainment, community and leadership – that is why the Deadlys is such an important event on the national calendar for everyone – the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, and wider Australia," Mr Jones said.

The Deadlys will be broadcast on NITV 9.30pm today & on SBS2 9.30pm 4 October.

This year's winners

Music

Most Promising New Talent in Music:

Marcus Corowa

Male Artist of the Year: Geoffrey

Gurrumul Yunupingu

Female Artist of the Year: Jessica

Mauboy

Hip Hop Artist of the Year: Yung

Warriors

Single of the Year: Jessica Mauboy –

Galaxy

Album of the Year: Troy Cassar-Daley –

Home

Band of the Year: The Last Kinection

Sydney Opera House Award: Thelma Plum

Arts

Male Actor of the Year: Jimi Bani –

Mabo

Female Actor of the Year: Debra

Mailman – *Mabo*

Dancer of the Year: Janet Munyarryun

Visual Artist of the Year: Vernon Ah Kee

Film of the Year: *Mabo*

Television Show of the Year: *The*

Straits (ABC)

Outstanding Achievement in

Literature: Ali Cobby Eckermann – *Ruby Moonlight*

Sport

Most Promising New Talent in Sport:

Damien Duncan Hooper – Boxing

Male Sportsman of the Year: Patrick

Mills – Basketball

Female Sportsman of the Year: Bo

de la Cruz – Rugby

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

NRL Player of the Year: Ben Barba –

Bulldogs

AFL Player of the Year: Lewis Jetta –

Sydney Swans

Community

Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Health Worker of the Year: John

Corowa

Outstanding Achievement in

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Health: Boodjari Yorgas Family Care

Program

Outstanding Achievement in

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Education: Napranum Parents and

Leaning Group (PAL)

Outstanding Achievement in

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Employment: Gavin Lester –

Boomerang Constructions

Community Broadcaster of the Year:

Natalie Ahmat – NITV News

Outstanding Achievement in Cultural

Advancement: Tjanpi Desert Weavers –

NPY Women's Council

Outstanding Contribution to the

Stolen Generations: AbSec – NSW

The Lifetime Contribution Award for

Healing the Stolen Generations: Aunty

Lorraine Darcy Peeters

The Marcia Langton Award for Lifetime

Achievement in Leadership: Percy

Neal

The Ella Award for Lifetime

Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander Sport: Arthur Beeton

The Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime

Achievement in Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander Music: Tony Briggs and

the Original Sapphires – Beverly Briggs,

Naomi Mayers, Lois Peeler and Laurel

Robinson.

The 18th annual Deadly Awards



Deadly Award for Education winners, from left, Relena Ara, Lurline Callope, Alison Hiscocks, Lucy Hudson, Corine Matasia and Patricia Buxton, from the Parents and Learning Group in Weipa, far north Queensland.



The Last Kinection all smiles as they receive their Deadly for Band of the Year.



Jessica Mauboy on stage performing a number from the hit movie *The Sapphires*. Her act brought the house down.



Yabu Band members John Bennett, Boyd Stokes and Belly Stokes with sisters Cindy Sambo and Tessa Smith, all from Kalgoorlie in Western Australia.



Award-winning singer Jessica Mauboy is joined on stage by other Indigenous leading lights at the finale of this year's Deadly Awards at the Sydney Opera House.



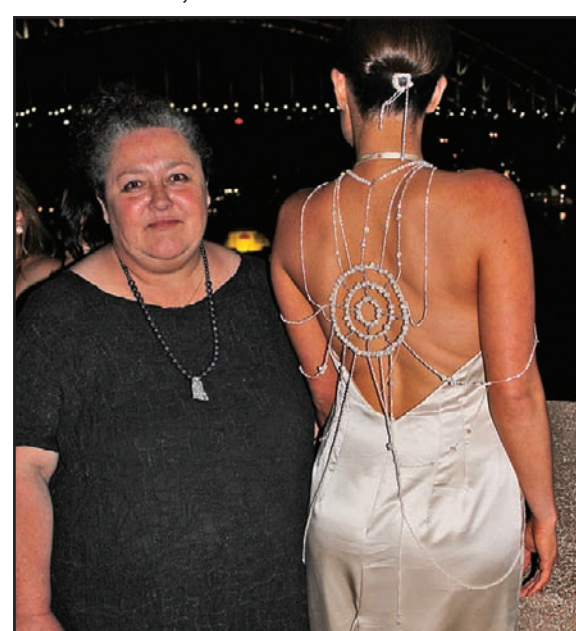
Australian touch footballer Bo de la Cruz speaking after being named Female Sportsperson of the Year.



Rachel Perkins accepts the Deadly for Movie of the Year *Mabo*, which she directed.



Bulldogs NRL star Ben Barba, who was named Male Sportsperson of the Year.



Kerrie Kenton and her model Teegan Bird, also shown at right, with a rear view of her award-winning design, featuring a hand-sewn detachable pearl and abalone shell piece.



Teegan Bird wearing Keri Kenton's Deadly Dressed award-winning design.



Actor Aaron Fa'aoso collecting the Deadly for TV Show of the Year *The Straits*. The presenters were Troy Cassar-Daley and Gail Mabo.



Three of the original Sapphires collect the Jimmy Little Award for Lifetime Achievement to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Music.



On stage at the Opera House were *The Sapphires* director Wayne Blair and movie stars Deborah Mailman, Jessica Mauboy and Miranda Tapsell.



Nathan Danks, Brad Manton and Ash Walker were among the crowd.



Father and son Aden (left) and Willy Brim, of Band of the Year finalists Zennith Boyz. They're from Kuranda in north Queensland.



Sandy Allen-Winfield, Rachael Graham and her mother, Lynne Graham, from South Australia, are in their final year at Macquarie University completing qualifications in early childhood teaching.



Former Olympian Kyle Vander-Kuyp and Naomi Wenitong of The Last Kinection doing presenting duties.



Thea Perkins, Brenda Croft, Wayne Blair and Rachel Perkins.



Lucy Mendelssohn and Tim Bishop.



Dancer of the Year Janet Munyarryun, from Yirrkala in the Northern Territory.



Michael Godfrey and Steven Brown.



Bjorn Stewart and James Saunders.



Sherri Davison, Sophie Youngberry, Allira Wood, Merinda Davison enjoying their night at the Deadlys.



Kylene Anderson, Grant Maling and Susan Simms enjoyed the night.



Jake Nash and Ruby Langton.



Happy brothers ... Bill Edwards, Ash Donovan, Hilton Donovan and Dean Jarrett at the Sydney Opera House.



Leah Purcell and Dean Widders were among the Deadly presenters.

Successes celebrated at dinner



ABOUT 400 people turned out for this year's Catholic Education SA Indigenous Students' Dinner, held in Adelaide. The annual event celebrates the achievements of South Australia's Indigenous Catholic School students.

Special guests this year included Indigenous leader Dr Lowitja O'Donoghue, Archbishop Emeritus of Adelaide Leonard Faulkner and Vicar General Father Phillip Marshall.

A total of 120 students from reception (kindergarten) through to Year 12 were presented to Dr O'Donoghue and Catholic Education SA director Paul Sharkey.

Importance

Guest speaker Simone Ulalka Tur, of Flinders University, shared her story and spoke of the importance of story in maintaining a close connection to family and culture.

Among the speakers was Christopher Gordge, a Year 12 student at Sacred Heart College, who spoke of the 'profound impact' a Catholic education had on his life.

"The support that is available, particularly the assistance through Catholic Education staffing and support staff as well as the Indigenous programs available for students, has been invaluable," he said.

MCs for the evening were Kirra Grimes (Year 12, Gleeson College) and Rhys Van Rangelrooy (Year 12, Rostrevor College), with entertainment provided by the Kurruru Dance Ensemble and local singer/song-writer Allan Sumner.



Lowitja O'Donoghue with Loreto College students, from left, Danielle O'Donnell, Lisa Erlandson, Rebecka Smith-Watts, Chelsea Lennon and Kiah Smith.



Chris Gordge and members of his family, from left, Greg Hodgkinson, Danielle Dodd, Julie Hodgkinson, Lyn Gordge, Peter Lynch, Christopher Gordge, Pat Backshall and Bob Backshall.

NT finalists named



NORTHERN Territory Education Minister Robyn Lambley has announced the finalists for the 2012 NT Smart

Schools Awards. Ms Lambley made the announcement at Millner Primary School, last year's winner of the Innovation in

Indigenous Education award.

"It's important to celebrate the achievements of our schools and I would like to congratulate all of this year's finalists," Ms Lambley said. "The Mills Government supports innovation in our schools and new ideas that can contribute to a better education for all Territory children, no matter where they live."

The Smart Schools Awards recognise excellence in community engagement, early childhood, improving literacy and numeracy, improving school attendance, innovation in Indigenous education, partnering, senior secondary outcomes and student inclusion, wellbeing and special needs.

"It is especially fantastic to see

a real spread of finalists from all over the Territory," Ms Lambley said.

"For example, Ramininging, Urapunga and Ngukurr are just some of several remote communities recognised for their hard work and innovative programs.

"It has been great to learn more about Millner Primary School's

award-winning project from last year, 'Educating Remote Indigenous Children in Urban Settings'.

"The school used their prizemoney to buy an extra 30 iPads to use as learning tools and to engage students."

The ceremony will be held on 20 October at Parliament House in Darwin.



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Indigenous and other performers on stage during the Northern Territory Beat Festival in Darwin.

Festival hard to beat



INDIGENOUS students featured in last month's Northern Territory Beat Festival, now in its 33rd year.

The festival is a large-scale combined arts production showcasing the

work of schools throughout the Territory.

More than 1100 students from across the NT spent hours in rehearsals for choirs, dance troupes, instrumental ensembles, circus acts and solo performances.

Schools from Darwin, Palmerston, Katherine, Alice Springs, Arnhem Land, Central Australia, Tiwi Islands, Groote Eylandt and other remote parts of the Territory were represented at the Darwin Entertainment Centre across the three

nights of the event.

NT Music School principal, CBeat Foundation chairman and Beat Festival director Andy Mison said it was exciting to have an event that showcased the work of Territory schools.

"This is the biggest event

we've had and it's a real credit to the teachers, staff and students who have worked so hard to bring it all together," he said.

"It is the culminating event for arts programs running in schools throughout the year."



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Clontarf has a ball



STUDENTS from Clontarf Aboriginal College put on their finery last month for the school's ball.

Special guests mixed with teachers and students from Year 10-12 at the annual event, held this year at the Parmelia Hilton Hotel.

Year 11 student Warrick Wilson said there was plenty of excitement before and during the ball.

He said all participants had a ball – literally – and 'the best part of the night was seeing everyone in a happy mood'.

Winners on the night were: Beau of the ball Janick Cox; belle of the ball Nakisha Smith; most elegant hairstyles Deseree Riley and Andrew Woods; best dancers Bethany



Ready to party ... Clontarf Aboriginal College students in their finery for the annual ball, held this year at the Parmelia Hilton Hotel in Perth.

Flan and Daniel Cox; most sociable Mary-Jo Coppin and Alphonse Cox; most

glamorous guests Siobhan Williams, Denika Hansen and Warrick Wilson.

Breeanna shows way



NOT all Year 11 students would be prepared to spend part of their school holidays working in a bank, but 16-year-old

Breeanna Suey, from Harristown State High School in Toowoomba, says she has had 'an amazing time' at Westpac in Brisbane.

Breeanna, a Kamilaroi girl, is doing a school-based traineeship and will graduate with a Certificate 3 in Business.

She and five other trainees were in Brisbane for a two-day workshop and cultural tour, arranged by Show Me The Way, a national mentoring program for Aboriginal students.

"It's been an amazing experience, I've learned so much more about my culture, as well as having an Elder talk about her time in the bank," Breeanna said.

"It was great to know you can start as teller and end up doing anything – good knowing other people have done it so you know you can do it."

Breeanna is still deciding what career she wants to pursue, tossing up between going into banking or attending university to study psychology.

"It was such a good experience, knowing I can work in



At the workshop, from left, trainees Jamaya Wightman, Katherine Zaro and Breeanna Suey with Campbell Brown, one of the Show Me The Way workshop facilitators.

a bank at 16 and still be at school, and I know I can go well in life," she said.

Breeanna spends one day a week at the Westpac branch in

Toowoomba, with her teachers helping her catch up on any missed school work.

Show Me The Way chair Lola Forester, an award-winning

journalist, runs video workshops with the trainees, helping them make a short film about an Aboriginal role model in the bank.

"They have to learn how to use

the camera, ask questions, listen and go out and shoot, it's all about critical thinking and developing confidence," she said.

"We do a cultural tour of wherever we are, people need to be proud of maintaining who we are and learn about other people's country and to develop the confidence meeting new people.

"It's important that the non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal employees learn from the young people too, it's a two-way street.

"Often when the trainees come into the bank they are a little bit shy, then they stay a little longer and start to realise their amazing potential.

"That's why workplace traineeships are really good, one day a week they go to work and, hopefully, some will go on to get a job in the field, where they might not have previously had the opportunity to work."

Human resources manager for Westpac Group Kate Blizard said that in a competitive job market having done a school-based traineeship gave young people a big advantage.

Show Me The Way will run workshops in Sydney and Darwin. Next year they will hold programs with the National Alliance for Remote Indigenous Schools.

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Knockout result for the Fat Yabs



THE Menindee Fat Yabs might have to change their name, after winning \$70,000 for losing the most weight in the first State Knockout Weight Loss Challenge and also taking out the female and male categories.

For 16 weeks, 13 weight-loss teams associated with rugby league Knockout teams from across NSW committed to eating healthy food and exercising with the goal of losing weight and reducing their waist sizes.

Dana Hogg, from the Menindee Fat Yabs team, won the female category, losing 23.5kg (22.5 per cent of her initial body weight) during the challenge.

Menindee Yabbies captain-coach Daniel Fusi won the male category with weight loss of 20.3kg (21.5 per cent) and also led his football team to win the local rugby league grand final, beating the Wilcannia Boomerangs 36-32 in extra time after being locked 32-all at full time. Wilcannia had been undefeated.

Michael Ingrey and Karen Cooley, from the La Perlose team, received awards for losing the most off their waist circumference, both reducing by 24cm.

The Fat Yabs lost a total of 284kg, 12 per cent of their combined starting weights.

La Perlose from the La Perouse area placed second and Bidgee United, from the



The Menindee Fat Yabs lost a total of 284kg in the 16 weeks of the NSW Health Knockout Weight Loss Challenge.

Griffith region, was third.

Program manager Raylene Gordon, from NSW Health, said the Knockout Challenge was the first initiative of the Culture Health Communities Program, which is designed to link Aboriginal culture with an individual's participation in their own health.

"The top three teams are excited about receiving their community grants which will help promote healthy lifestyles and support the message of 'Get a check-up, eat right and get active' in their local areas," Ms Gordon said.

"This challenge is about building healthy families.

"Mums are getting fitter to keep up with their kids.

Children are training alongside their parents and aunts and uncles.

"Not only is the State Knockout Challenge helping communities to lose weight, it is also supporting people to develop healthy lifestyle habits such as eating fruits and vegetables and healthy snacks as well as being physically active.

Healthy habits

"These habits help people to feel healthier and get more out of life. And, importantly, can prevent a range of chronic diseases such as heart disease, stroke and diabetes."

The winners were presented with the State Knockout Challenge Shield

at the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout in Raymond Terrace on 29 September.

A spokesperson for Menindee said competing in the Knockout saw them 'getting serious about chronic diseases that have taken the lives of our sisters, brothers, aunts and uncles and parents way too early – that if treated earlier in some cases they would still be here today'.

"Having money to be able to do some good in the community was the bonus for the group. Menindee is a remote community that does not have access to gyms or other exercise facilities," the spokesperson said.

"What we do have,

though, is an Aboriginal role model in Daniel Fusi, who is always willing to help people develop exercise programs and assist with motivating people to do well."

The Menindee Yabbies football team trained with the Fat Yabs.

Many of the players felt participating in the NSW Health Challenge for the 12 weeks before the grand final helped give them the fitness to carry them over the line in extra time.

The team plans to share the prizemoney with all other sporting committees in the town and will now have the funds to go into next season not having to worry about how they are going to buy uniforms or equipment.

Pharmacy camp to be run by university



THE University of Sydney is hoping to interest

Indigenous high school students in a career in pharmacy by giving them a snapshot of the profession at a camp.

The four-day Pharmacy Indigenous Camp (SydPic) planned for January is aiming to lift the numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the pharmacy profession.

Course co-ordinators Nial Wheate and Rebekah Moles hope the camp will interest students in pharmacy.

"We developed the camp to bring interested students from all around Australia to get a taste of what it's like to be a pharmacist and experience university life first-hand," Dr Wheate said.

"The camp will incorporate pharmacy workshops, laboratory sessions and field trips, giving potential students a clearer idea of what to expect when studying at university and more particularly a career in pharmacy."

Imperative

With fewer than 50 registered pharmacists in Australia who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander, pharmacy dean Professor Iqbal Ramzan said it was imperative more Indigenous pharmacists be trained, particularly where Aboriginal communities are lacking health professionals.

"Pharmacy graduates can decide to register to work in a local or hospital pharmacy or work for government agencies or contribute to research and teaching," he said.

Dr Moles said recent reports show that while Indigenous Australians often consider pharmacists as more accessible and less intimidating than other health professionals, to date pharmacists have had little or no training in Indigenous health or cultural issues and consequently may fail to convey the correct messages about medication usage in terms understood by Indigenous clients.

Applications for the summer camp close 26 October.

For more information on the Sydney Pharmacy Indigenous Camp, visit: <http://sydney.edu.au/pharmacy/sydpic/>

Grants for WA organisations



WEST Australian Health Aboriginal community innovation grants totalling \$132,000 have been awarded to 32 not-for-profit

organisations.

WA Aboriginal Health director Jenni Collard praised the quality, diversity and creativity of recipients, which come from across the state.

"The projects funded demonstrate leading thinking on Aboriginal health and a commitment to engaging with Aboriginal communities in developing innovative projects," she said.

"Aboriginal health is everyone's business, and these grants underline the importance of involving the broader community in designing creative solutions to improve Aboriginal health

'Aboriginal health is everyone's business, and these grants underline the importance of involving the broader community in designing creative solutions to improve Aboriginal health outcomes'

– Jenni Collard



outcomes. The high number of applications also highlights that these grants fill a need amongst not-for-profit organisations

unable to access other grants."

The grants will fund a diverse range of health programs, including:

- encouraging Aboriginal people to increase their level of physical activity and adopt healthy eating patterns
- reducing the barriers that discourage Aboriginal men from seeking health checks and medical treatment
- providing child development and early health intervention advice to Aboriginal families
- improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal men through a series of health information sessions.

Ms Collard said Aboriginal health outcomes remained much lower than any other group.

"WA Health is committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal communities and health service providers to ensure Aboriginal people receive culturally appropriate health care," she said.

On-time vaccinations goal



South Australian health authorities are urging parents to have their children vaccinated.



A NEW campaign in South Australia called 'Help Me Stay Strong', is

encouraging parents of Aboriginal babies and children to get them vaccinated on time, particularly in the first six months of life.

SA Health and Ageing Minister John Hill said immunisation is one of the most effective things parents can do to keep their children healthy.

"Unfortunately, Aboriginal children have an increased risk of contracting some vaccine-preventable illnesses," Mr Hill said.

"So it's vital that Aboriginal children get their

vaccinations on time to protect them, their families and the wider community.

"Delaying vaccinations leaves children vulnerable to serious diseases like whooping cough."

In South Australia, the whooping cough rate for Aboriginal children under four years of age is 35 per cent higher than for other non-Indigenous children.

Rates

The immunisation rate for Aboriginal children in SA is significantly lower than other children.

Babies should receive their first free whooping cough vaccine at two months, followed by doses at four and six months.

The initial vaccine can be delivered from as early as six weeks.

"It is really important that parents of Aboriginal children make sure that the health-care professional they go to for vaccinations is aware of their child's Aboriginal status, because they may need additional vaccines," Mr Hill said.

"Health-care workers are also encouraged to ensure children receive all the vaccinations they need by confirming their ethnicity as well as their immunisation status."

As part of the campaign, mothers of Aboriginal babies will receive a post-natal immunisation pack before they leave hospital, which includes information about vaccination.

For more information, visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/immunisation

Researchers support test



A NEW Menzies School of Health Research (Menzies) study has supported as accurate and valid Australia's standard kidney function

test for Indigenous Australians.

An accurate measurement of kidney function is critical to Indigenous health, as the incidence of end-stage kidney disease (ESKD) is up to 15 times higher among Indigenous people.

At the end of 2008, more than 1300 Indigenous people were receiving treatment for end-stage kidney disease (7.4 per cent of the 17,604 Australians receiving treatment).

In August, the Australasian Creatinine Consensus Group recommended a new formula called CKD-EPI serve as the nation's standard kidney function test, known as eGFR.

However, concern had been raised that eGFR may be an inappropriate measure because Indigenous people have a different body build to other people.

Validation

To validate the test for this population, Menzies tested 600 Indigenous and 100 other people in five regions across Northern Australia. This included Queensland's far north, Western Australia's Kimberley and Kalgoorlie regions and the Northern Territory's Top End and Central Australia.

Chief investigator and Menzies diabetes specialist Dr Louise Maple-Brown said the results showed that the CKD-EPI formula for eGFR was robust.



An accurate measurement of kidney function is critical to Indigenous health. Poor kidney health leads to diabetes, which is treated by blood dialysis.

"The study came out in support of the kidney function test known as CKD-EPI eGFR, and found it to be an accurate and reliable test of kidney function in Indigenous Australians, similar to reports that it is accurate and reliable in non-Indigenous Australians," she said.

"In particular, our results show that CKD-EPI measures kidney function in healthy Indigenous people more

precisely, and we have reported that the previous test known as MDRD formula was underestimating kidney function for this group by an average of 10 per cent, so that's a positive outcome.

"We can now more accurately track the progression of kidney disease, and health care providers can use the kidney function test across Australia with confidence."

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Artist to speak about strong women



AWARD-winning Dharug artist Leanne Tobin, will speak about the role of strong

Aboriginal women in her art at the Hawkesbury Regional Gallery, Windsor, at 3pm on Saturday, 13 October, on the final weekend at the gallery's exhibition of 'Strong Women Strong Painting Strong Culture'.

This exhibition celebrates the contemporary art of senior Aboriginal women from the Central and Western Deserts and the leadership they show in their communities, keeping culture and families strong.

This is the last chance for Sydney audiences to see the exhibition before it tours regional NSW, South Australia, Victoria and Queensland.

Co-curator of 'Strong Women' Deborah Sims said Ms Tobin's work had a 'great emotional kick'.

"Its keen sense of place and story connects strongly with viewers, who respond to her fusion of contemporary and traditional techniques," she said.

Ms Tobin is descended from the Boorooborungal clan of the Dharug region of greater western Sydney. She won the 2011 NSW Parliament Indigenous Art Prize.

Her work is also featured in



LEANNE TOBIN

the landmark gallery exhibition 'Bungaree, The First Australian', now showing at Mosman Art

Gallery and due to tour Australia over the next three years.

Co-curator of 'Strong Women' Matt Dickson said strong Aboriginal women inspired much of Ms Tobin's work.

"Leanne uses her art to tell local Dharug stories, and her art works seek to engender a profound environmental and cultural awareness," he said.

"It will be wonderful to hear her talk of strong women, including Bungaree's wives, Cora and Matora, and Leanne's famous ancestor Maria Lock (c.1805-1878), who was born nearby at Richmond Bottoms, and who is also the subject of a

play Leanne is currently writing."

Ms Tobin's free talk will be followed by refreshments and an opportunity for informal discussion and questions.

'Strong Women Strong Painting Strong Culture' is showing at Hawkesbury Regional Gallery, 300 George Street, Windsor, until Sunday, 14 October.

It is a Cessnock Regional Art Gallery touring exhibition supported by Visions of Australia, an Australian Government program that provides funding assistance for the development and touring of Australian cultural material across Australia.

NT award to Yuendumu film-maker



AN ABORIGINAL film-maker from the central Australian community of Yuendumu has taken out a major Northern Territory arts honour. Francis Jupurrula Kelly was awarded the \$10,000 Bob Plasto Screen Award at the Darwin International Film Festival.

The Plasto Award honours the late Bob Plasto who made about 75 documentaries in his career, including *Killing Times*, *A Town Like Alice* and *Journey to an American Spy Base*.

Screen Territory director Penelope McDonald said Mr Jupurrula Kelly had made substantial contributions to the Territory's film industry over the past 30 years.

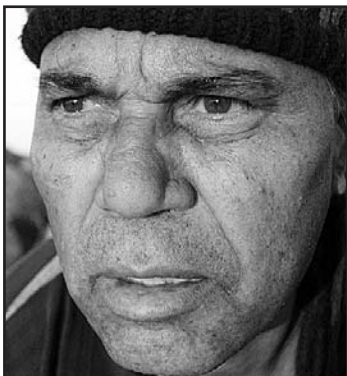
"This includes the development of Warlpiri Media Association at Yuendumu and Aboriginal media as a whole in remote Northern Territory and across Australia," she said.

"He was a strong advocate for Aboriginal control of media broadcast in remote communities in the 1980s and was instrumental in the establishment of the first Aboriginal TV Station in Australia.

"These developments were the cornerstone in the implementation of the Broadcasting for Remote Aboriginal Communities Scheme, which enabled locally produced television be broadcast in language. This led to the establishment of National Indigenous Television for which Frances was an inaugural board member.

"Francis has continued to make media in Yuendumu and has won many awards including an Australian Film Industry (AFI) and a Troy Albert Award for his role in *Bush Mechanics*, the Preston Memorial Award for lifetime achievement from the Indigenous Remote Communications Association and was the recipient of the Tudawali Award last year.

"He remains actively involved in the Territory's film industry as a member of Indigenous Community TV, Australian Indigenous Communications Association and chair of the PAW Media and Communications," Ms McDonald said.



FRANCIS JUPURRULA KELLY

Archie letting go with album



ARCHIE ROACH
Photo by James Henry



ARCHIE Roach is back. In 2010 the Aboriginal singer-songwriter lost his soulmate, fellow singer Ruby Hunter.

And then last year, while in the Kimberley, he suffered a stroke and later lost half a lung to cancer.

But now he's on the road to recovery, and he's celebrating with a new album – *Into The Bloodstream*.

Roach, who wrote the landmark song *Took The Children Away*, says the album

and planned series of live shows is 'about finding strength, and then expressing it'.

"It's about overcoming difficulties and singing more uplifting songs that are not so much about suffering and pain but rising above that," he said.

"Going through what I have has made me realise that a big part of people getting sick has to do with holding on to pain and not letting it go.

"That was the inspiration behind it all. Letting go of the pain and the bad stuff and holding on to something good and strong."

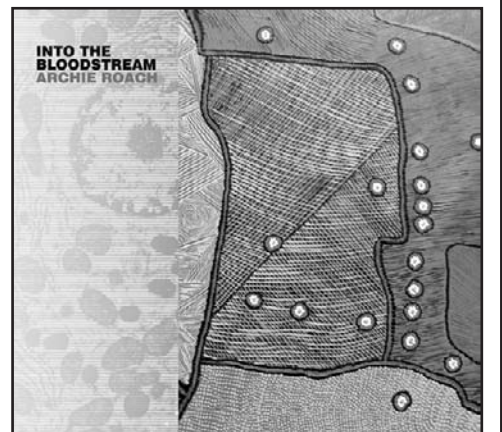
The live shows will feature a 13-piece musical ensemble under the direction of Craig Pilkington (Audrey Studios), who has produced and arranged the album, plus a ten-voice gospel choir headed by Lou Bennett from Tiddas and the Black Arm Band. Lighting and visuals will be curated by Tim Cole.

Liberation Music managing director Warren Costello says: "We set out to help Archie create a landmark album in what has already been an amazing career.

"Michael Gudinski and I have drawn incredible strength and inspiration from Archie Roach and from Ruby Hunter over many, many years.

"It is once again our pleasure and privilege to be standing shoulder to shoulder with Archie to launch this new album which we truly believe is amongst his best work."

Into The Bloodstream will be



released through Liberation Music on 19 October.

Concerts

15 November – Melbourne, Australasian Worldwide Music Expo (Arts Centre Melbourne, Playhouse, tickets and information on 1300 182 183)

30 December – Woodford Folk Festival. Tickets and information at www.woodfordfolkfestival.com

25-26 January – Sydney Festival (sydneyfestival.org.au)

15 March – Adelaide Festival (Her Majesty's Theatre, tickets and information at adelaidefestival.com.au)

Arts winners named



THE National Gallery of Australia has named the 2012 winners of the Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous

Fellowship, along with the 10 participants of the third Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Leadership program.

The 2012 recipients of the \$50,000 Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Fellowship are freelance exhibition installer Bradley Harkin and Kevin O'Brien, of Kevin O'Brien Architects.

The fellowship program provides an opportunity for two senior-level participants to work with the NGA over a two-year period on a project of their choice, providing professional development opportunities for Indigenous people seeking a career in the visual arts sector.

The ten leadership participants, from across Australia, will take part in a program of behind-the-scenes workshops, lectures and group work with NGA staff, arts and industry professionals.

The leadership program is held annually and gives entry- or mid-level arts professionals an insight into how a major national cultural institution operates.

The 2012 Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Leadership program participants have been joined by the two recipients of the Wesfarmers Arts Indigenous Fellowship program, as well as participants from previous years, to see first-hand the outcomes of the project.

NGA director Ron Radford said the gallery was delighted to be working in partnership with



Back row, from left, Robert Fielding, of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands, Bradley Harkin, of Adelaide, Faith Love, of Darwin, John Saunders, of Palmerston NT, and Kevin O'Brien, of Brisbane. Sitting, from left, Shar Goodwin, of Coffs Harbour, Chenaya Bancroft-Davis, of Ipswich, Janice Murray, of the Tiwi Islands, Amanda Hayman, of Brisbane, Deborah Knox, of Boggabilla, and Hannah Presley, of Melbourne. National Gallery of Australia photo

Wesfarmers Arts on the five-year initiative.

He said the initiative was designed to boost the number of Indigenous people in professional visual arts roles.

"The program is creating a growing network of Indigenous art professionals. Thirty-four people from across Australia have now attended the leadership

program," Mr Radford said.

Bradley Harkin was a participant of the 2011 leadership program and formed a relationship with the NGA that extended beyond the program. In May, he spent two weeks with the exhibition installation team working on 'unDisclosed: 2nd National Indigenous Art Triennial' exhibition, and his fellowship

project is designed to build on this experience.

Mr Harkin will work with the NGA travelling exhibition department to install 'unDisclosed' in three locations across Australia.

"I am looking forward to working with different organisations to see how 'unDisclosed' can be exhibited in

different spaces and learn from the troubleshooting required to work across different gallery layouts nationally," he said.

Kevin O'Brien is a Churchill Fellow and in 2011 participated in the British Council ACCELERATE program.

He will contribute towards an Indigenous design strategy for travelling exhibitions.



Kurna Reflections, 2012, digital colour print on 255gsm Premium Epson, 16.4 x 24.5cm, by Darryl Pfitzner Milika.

Expanding identity



ADELAIDE-based artist Darryl Pfitzner Milika's new exhibition 'Sky, Land and Beyond: Expanding identity' is now on show at Tandanya.

The Kokatha (western South Australia) man's latest large-scale works are on archival board combining sculptural relief elements with paint and texture.

He's also showing a series of small-scale digital image prints

exploring landscape, sky and cosmology, reinforcing, he says, traditional Aboriginal connectivity between the micro and macro.

Pfitzner Milika's career has spanned 25 years, with his artworks held in public and private collections.

"To some I'm a maverick, as much lunatic fringe as cutting edge," he said. "I'm both traditional and radical, out there mapping the boundaries."

The exhibition continues at Tandanya - National Aboriginal Cultural Institute until 11 November.

Relaunch for Albert Holt's autobiography



MORE than 400 family, friends and community members turned out for the relaunch of Queensland Elder

Albert Holt's autobiographical journey *Forcibly Removed*.

Queensland Opposition Leader Anna Palaszczuk relaunched the book at Glenala State High School in the Brisbane suburb of Inala.

She reflected on her years growing up in Inala and referred to Uncle Albert - the NAIDOC 2005 National Male Elder of the Year - as being one of her guiding role models whom she could always turn to for 'his timely measured response, wisdom and overall devotion and dedication to primary and secondary education throughout south-east Queensland'.

Ms Palaszczuk outlined Uncle Albert's community work as a 'Queensland statesman Elder' who in retirement 'has offered invaluable key advice



At the book relaunch, from left, Glenala State High captain Richard Niu, Qld Opposition Leader Anna Palaszczuk, author Uncle Albert Holt, and school principal Corrine McMillan.

underpinning progressive initiatives for the betterment and equality of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth in both primary and secondary education'.

Forcibly Removed was originally published by Magabala Press in 2002.

The book relaunch was preceded by community speeches and performances.

In his speech, Uncle Albert said Aboriginal history needed to be a pivotal component

permanently in the high school educational curriculum. He said that behind every great man there was an even greater woman, and he dedicated the successes in his life to his wife of 49 years Marlene Holt (nee Henry).

Edition one of *Forcibly Removed* sold-out in 2007. Uncle Albert and his family decided to self-publish the second edition off-shore.

For details on the book, email koori_femme@yahoo.com.au

Young acts to take the stage



Supafresh members Mitch, Rah Rah and Teddy.



TWO young Aboriginal acts are making a splash on the local music scene

in the Northern Rivers of NSW and will be performing at the World Stages multicultural festival at Lismore City Hall this Saturday, 6 October.

Hip hop crew Supafresh and Bundjalung multi-instrumentalist and voice artist Blackboi will join acts from Timor, Latin America, Italy, Indonesia and the Seychelles.

Bundjalung and Yaegl man Mitch King said Supafresh wanted to inspire other young Aboriginal people to embrace their talents. "We're trying to be a voice for the community, expressed through the words in our songs and also the actions of our dance crew," King said.

"A lot of young people are very talented and gifted, but really shamed to get out there and embrace that, so we're trying to represent Indigenous culture through what we love – hip hop.

"I like how when you're

performing you get to liven up the crowd, you put your heart and soul into your music and you see the crowd feeding off that good energy.

"When you're on stage rapping, there's no way to describe how you're really in that moment, feeling happiness and serenity and everyone is listening to what you've got say, because we are doing it for an important reason."

City hall

World Stages is on from 1pm-10pm at Lismore City Hall.

Supafresh will perform at 4.50pm and Blackboi at 2.50pm.

There will also be African, Brazilian and Indian food stalls and activities for kids.

There's a community price of \$20 a ticket (full adult price \$47) – just purchase tickets from the NORPA box office before the festival at Lismore City Hall, weekdays between 9am and 2pm and mention the community price to Sharon or Naja.

Children aged under five free.

For more information go to www.norpa.org.au

Artists weaving across outback



ARTISTS from the Boolarng Nangamai Aboriginal Art and Culture Studio have been 'Weaving Across

the Outback', holding a series of two-day workshops to teach traditional weaving techniques to interested people. Starting in Walgett then moving to Warren, Coonamble, Cobar, Bourke and Lightning Ridge, in far western NSW, the project aimed to use the arts as a way to connect to the community.

Outback Arts regional arts development officer Jamie-Lea Hodges said the workshops had been a way to foster relationships with Indigenous people.

"It was also a different medium that steps away from painting,

where you didn't have to be 'arty'," she said.

"Weaving is more about using your hands and repetition and in the end you create baskets and so forth through some very simple techniques."

Warren regional Indigenous cultural development officer Mary Kennedy said the workshops provided an avenue to connect with people outside her own art group, the Ngemba Wailwan.

"We all had a lot of fun, learning at the same time and at our own pace," she said.

"We learnt how to make them (the baskets, dilly bags etc) but also what plants to grow so we could harvest the grasses to make our own fibre in the future."



Ngemba Wailwan artist Barbara Stanley learns weaving skills from Boolarng Nangamai teacher Kristine Stewart.

WE welcome your items for our National Calendar of events. Please keep them to the point and include a daytime telephone number for checking purposes. Submissions may be sent to any of the addresses listed in the panel on Page 23.

National

5-7 December: 2012 National Indigenous Health Conference – Many Pathways, One Outcome. This conference is designed to bring together government and other agencies that are working in the field of Indigenous health. Registration fees apply. Held at Watermark Hotel, 3032 Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Surfers Paradise. Details: Thomas on (0427) 408 271 or send an email to admin@indigenoushealth.net or visit www.indigenoushealth.net

NSW-ACT

Until 21 October: Eora TAFE College graduates' art exhibition. Featuring three Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists who have strong cultural connections with their 'Countries' and their art reflects and portrays these strong connections. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-op, 55-57 Flood St, Leichhardt from Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free and Welcome. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or visit www.boomalli.com

Until 25 November: 'Bungaree', the First Australian art exhibition showcasing 16 contemporary Aboriginal artists who have interpreted key issues faced by Aboriginal society in the face of the forces of colonial settlement. Held at the Mosman Art Gallery, cnr Art Gallery Way & Myahgah Rd, Mosman from 10am-5pm daily. Free and all welcome. Details on (02) 9978 4178 or visit www.mosmanartgallery.org.au

2-5 October: Annual Indigenous Youth Camp 2012. East Coast Christian Indigenous Network will host this camp, featuring beach games, leadership activities and a mini iron man challenge. For ages 11-35. Cost \$130. Held at Jigamy Farm, Pambula. Details: Jenice or Joshua Manton on 0432 154 435 or 0411 801 519 or email ecciyn@hotmail.com

6 October: World Stages Cultural Diversity celebration. NORPA presents a wonderful one day multicultural and world music festival featuring bands, music, dancing, food stalls, kids activities and a welcome to country and smoking ceremony. Cost adults \$47, U18 \$20, Family \$95, kids under 5yrs free. Held at the Lismore City Hall, 1 Bounty St, Lismore from 1pm-10pm. Details on 1300 066 772 or visit www.norpa.org.au

6-7 October: Aboriginal Parents and Carers' Retreat. This two-day workshop is for adults with school-aged children aims to explore the educational experiences of Aboriginal parents when they were children and how this has impacted towards today's education. Held at Ballina Beach Resort, Compton Dr, East Ballina from 11.30am-4pm daily. Details: Tracey on (0448) 800 789 or send an email to tracey@spiritdreaming.com.au

18 October-13 December: Women Exploring Anger course. This nine-week course covers a number of topics, including creating respectful relationships, recognising anger and abuse and more. Held at the Casino Community Centre, 35 Walker St, Thursdays 10am-1pm. Free and all welcome. Details Linda Wimble at Brighter Futures on (02) 6662 2273.

23-25 October: Aboriginal Healing and Wellbeing Conference. This conference provides a national forum to showcase the latest healing, health and wellbeing

The Long Walk linked to Mabo



Australian football legend Michael Long probably had no idea that his historic 2004 trek from Melbourne to Parliament House, Canberra, would have such lasting legacies. Long undertook the walk to highlight the plight of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Each year the Long Walk is commemorated as part of the Dreamtime at the G Australian football celebrations. Long is pictured here with other participants at this year's Dreamtime at the G Long Walk to the Melbourne Cricket Ground. On 12 October, the Long Walk 2012 Melbourne women's luncheon will be held to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women's achievements in the 20th anniversary year of the historic Mabo decision. The dinner will be held at The Peninsula, Central Pier, 161 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands. Details: Daniel King on (03) 9230 0343 or email info@thelongwalk.com.au

programs and initiatives from across Australia. Registration fees apply. Held at the Ramada Hotel, 2 Martin St, Ballina. Details on (0448) 800 789 or email conference@bullinahs.org.au or visit www.atsihwc.com.au

26-27 October: Koori netball tournament. Aboriginal communities are invited to take part. Three divisions available. Cost: \$250 a team. Held at Charlestown Netball Complex, Bula Street, Charlestown. Details: Donna Coody on (02) 4926 1633 or visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au

9 November: Doin It 4 The Kids fundraiser 2012. This is a Christmas-themed fundraiser and includes cabaret performers, singers, raffles, auctions and more. Cost is \$25 or \$30 at the door. Held at the Dapto Leagues Club, cnr Station & Bong Bong Rd, Dapto, from 7pm until late. Details: Liz or Heidi on (0431) 591 779 or email koorimagoor@yahoo.com.au

Queensland

Until 3 November: Desert Exhibition, a collection of seen and unseen works from Central and Western Australia featuring the works of more than 20 artists. Free and all welcome. Held at Woolloongabba Art Gallery, 613 Stanley St, Woolloongabba from Wed-Sat, 10am-5pm. Details on (07) 3891 5551 or email@wag.com.au or visit www.wag.com.au

5-7 October: Commemoration of 30th anniversary of Brisbane Commonwealth Games protests. Three days full of activities to pay tribute to the important protests that took place 30 years ago. There will be an opening ceremony and dinner, documentary screening, forums, concert and a church service. Free and all

welcome. Held Musgrave Park, Brisbane. Details: Wayne Wharton on (0408) 064 900, Natalie Lewis on (0438) 781 121 or Boe Spearim on (0431) 525 924

26-28 October: Island Vibe Festival. This annual event held over three days is a multi-faceted celebration of island culture that includes art exhibitions, interactive workshops, stalls, circus, eco-food, craft markets, dance, art and culture, music including roots, soul and electronic acts and more. Held at Home Beach Park, Point Lookout, Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island). Tickets available at www.rudekatrecords.com. Details: info@islandvibe.com.au

11-21 November: Steel Jidu (Fire Stick) exhibition, a quality exhibition of stainless steel sculptures in two and three dimensions by Indigenous artist Wayne McGinness. Includes official launch on 11 November at 6pm. Free and all welcome. Held at Umi Arts Gallery, 335 Sheridan Street, North Cairns, Mon-Fri -10am-4pm. Details: Danelle on (07) 4041 6152 or visit www.umiarts.com.au

Northern Territory

Until 21 October: Desert Mob 2012 exhibition, celebrating new artworks from Aboriginal-owned art centres throughout Central Australia, including stories, images and films. Official launch on 7 September at 5pm. Held at Araluen Arts Centre, Larapinta Dr, Alice Springs. Admission fees and gallery opening times on (08) 8951 1120 or email araluen@nt.gov.au or visit www.araluenartscentre.nt.gov.au

3-7 October: PRIDoC 2012. The sixth Pacific Region Indigenous Doctors' Congress. Costs involved. Held at Alice

Springs Convention Centre, 93 Barret Drive, Desert Springs. Details: 1800 190 498 or visit www.pridoc.org/register for a full program and online registration details.

Western Australia

5 October-11 November: 'Mine Own Executioner' 2012 exhibition, featuring another remarkable and fresh take on traditional genre of self-portraiture, curated by Susan Flavell. Free and all welcome. Held at Mundaring Arts Centre, 7190 Great Eastern Hwy (cnr Nichol St), Mundaring. Details on (08) 9295 3991 or visit www.mundaringartscentre.com

Victoria

12 October: The Long Walk 2012 Melbourne women's luncheon, celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women's achievements in this 20th anniversary year of the historic Mabo decision. Held at The Peninsula, Central Pier, 161 Harbour Esplanade, Docklands, noon onwards. Cost is \$110 per person, RSVP by 28 September. Details: Daniel King on (03) 9230 0343 or email info@thelongwalk.com.au

14-15 November: Second Biennial Congress Lowitja 2012. The theme is 'Knowledge Exchange and Translation into Practice'. This is an interactive event bringing together end-users of health research, researchers and policy-makers. Places for the event are limited. Full registration price is \$400, for a full-time student registration is \$250. Held at the Melbourne Cricket Ground, Melbourne. For more details, contact Penelope Smith on (03) 8341 5505 or email events@lowitja.org.au

Father and son on job at Kestrel mine



INDIGENOUS trainee Brody Cochrane is following in his father's footsteps after starting work at Rio Tinto's

Kestrel Mine. Mr Cochrane's father, Malcolm Brown, a Western Kangoulu man, works in supply and logistics at the central Queensland coal mine, while his son started a surveyor traineeship earlier this year.

They are among several Indigenous families to have joined Kestrel in the past two years – a fact welcomed by local Indigenous people as well as the mine operators.

"It's a good feeling to know that dad is around to ask questions or get advice if I need to," Mr Cochrane said.

"Prior to this, I was working at a hospital but I didn't see it as a long-term career. After talking to dad, I decided to apply for this traineeship.

"Since securing the role, I haven't looked back – I like working in a challenging and diverse environment and I currently get to work both underground and on the surface.

"My underground role involves me helping put the pins in the mine roof to direct the continuous miner so it runs in a straight line, and on the surface I help with digging permits and making sure that we avoid water pipes or other bits of infrastructure."

Mr Brown says he's proud of his son.

"Like my son, I had no mining experience prior to securing my traineeship," he said.

"It's not only been a great career move, but coming to Emerald has allowed me to reconnect with my cultural



Malcolm Brown and his son Brody Cochrane at the Kestrel Mine in central Queensland.

heritage. I was born in Cherbourg and grew up in Mundubbera (both Qld) so I never really asked my parents about our Western Kangoulu history.

"However, since moving to Emerald and working for the mine, I've really taken an interest in learning more about my ancestors, which has been a great journey."

Western Kangoulu spokesperson Patrick Malone said he was pleased an

agreement with Kestrel Mine was supporting an increase in Indigenous training and employment opportunities at the site, about 40km from Emerald.

Pathways

"It's great to see these career pathways offered to Indigenous people, particularly members of our own traditional owners group," he said.

"Through our relationship, the site has also attracted a number of Indigenous families as

workers, which is a positive outcome. This will assist these families in taking up full advantage of economic and social opportunities in the region and help build the capacity of the local Indigenous community."

Kestrel Mine general manager operations John Coughlan said the growth in Indigenous employment also contributed to Rio Tinto's Reconciliation Action Plan target of five per cent Indigenous employment across all of Rio

Tinto Coal Australia's operations.

"It's great to see employees' relatives being encouraged to consider mining pathways with us, and we will continue to work hard to encourage more of this in the future," he said.

"This is particularly important as we gain opportunities through our mine extension plan, which will extend the life of Kestrel Mine by 20 years and increase capacity to up to 5.7 million tonnes per annum, with first coal expected in 2013."

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**Family &
Community Services**
Housing NSW

Senior Client Service Officer Aboriginal Specialist - ATSI Identified Position

Clerk Grade 5/6
Housing Services
Location: Albury
Temporary Full-Time

Job Reference No: 000016P8

Total remuneration package valued up to \$87,961 per annum (Salary: \$72,242 pa - \$79,711 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The successful applicant will be working to assist people with high and/or multiple support needs, be motivated and have the ability to develop networks between Housing NSW and Aboriginal community support agencies.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Current Driver's Licence.
- Excellent communication, negotiation and problem-solving skills in a human services environment.
- Demonstrated experience in the assessment and case-management of client's support needs, and an ability to develop networks with human service organisations to provide needed support.
- Demonstrated understanding of and experience in providing support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders clients and communities.
- Demonstrated ability to establish and maintain effective partnerships and relationships with a wide range of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal human service groups and organisations.

Job Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification under Section 14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. This is a **Temporary Full-Time** position for a period of up to six (6) months with the possibility of an extension, to cover a Maternity Leave vacancy. An information session will be conducted for prospective candidates. Interested persons should contact the enquiries officer for details of the information session.

Enquiries: Allan Mason, Team Leader - Ph (02) 6041 9680

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 000016P8

Closing Date: 26 October 2012

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Legal Aid ACT

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Dispute Resolution Project Support Part Time Vacancy for 12 months (4 days per week, negotiable)

Salary range: \$58,870 - \$63,917pa (pro rata for part time)

The function of the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Dispute Resolution Project Support is to provide administrative services for the development and establishment of a program to deliver culturally appropriate dispute resolution services to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander families.

This position will assist Legal Aid ACT in identifying and delivering its services to meet the special needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and assisting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to access services provided by Legal Aid ACT and other legal assistance providers.

Please download and read the position description that is located at <http://www.legalaidact.org.au/> under *Working at Legal Aid*. For further information on the position call Michelle Bryant-Smith on 6234 3425 or email michelle.bryant-smith@legalaidact.org.au

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.
This position is being re-advertised, previous applicants need not reapply.

Applications should be forwarded to hr@legalaidact.org.au or the HR Manager, GPO Box 512, Canberra, ACT 2601. Applications for this position will close on **Monday 15 October 2012**.

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**Family &
Community Services**
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Aboriginal Service Coordinator – ATSI Identified Position

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)
Home Care Service of NSW
Ngarangana Branch
Location Optional: Cowra or Orange
Permanent Part-Time

Job Reference No. 000017LE

Total remuneration package valued up to \$74,487 per annum (Salary: \$61,198 pa - \$67,501 pa) includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading. Full-time salary quoted. Hourly rate: \$33.51 ph - \$36.96 ph.

Job Description:

This position co-ordinates resources to provide client-centred services and provides leadership and support to a team of Care Workers.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated knowledge of the home and community care context and service provider network, community care and welfare system, health, aged care and disability care systems.
- Demonstrated knowledge of the support needs of frail aged people, people with a disability and their carers and specific cultural groups.
- Demonstrated knowledge of client rights issues, including confidentiality, privacy, advocacy and complaints mechanisms.
- Demonstrated ability to support, train and supervise staff and volunteers.
- Demonstrated effective oral and written communication, conflict resolution, liaison and negotiation skills.
- Demonstrated experience in information technology to support client service delivery, creation and maintenance of client and staff records, writing of reports, extracting database information and ensuring accurate records and billing processes.
- A current NSW Class C Driver's Licence and ability to travel (including overnight stays).

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Part-Time** position of **28 hours per week**. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14 (d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. The successful applicant will be required to travel in this role. Applicants **MUST** obtain an information package, which contains complete details of the advertisement and information about Home Care Service of NSW. Applicants **MUST** address the full selection criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to criminal records check.

Enquiries: Narelle Reynolds - Ph 02 6841 1570

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 000017LE

Closing Date: 19 October 2012

Z51647



Juvenile Justice
Attorney General & Justice

Assistant Manager Aboriginal (Generalist/Bail)

Clerk Grade 7/8
Juvenile Justice – Kempsey/Taree
Permanent Full-Time

Total remuneration package valued up to \$100,283 per annum (Salary: \$82,098 pa to \$90,877 pa), including employer's contribution to superannuation and leave loading. An on-call allowance also applies.

Job description:

Responsible for providing quality service through the effective management of the delivery of juvenile justice programs at the local level across the areas in accordance with relevant legislation, agency policies, guidelines and procedures to minimise the re-offending of juvenile offenders and enhance their functioning in and/or reintegration into the community.

Selection Criteria:

- Aboriginality. Evidence authenticating Aboriginality will need to be provided by the applicant.
- An understanding of the Agency's policies and procedures and knowledge of legislation relevant to juvenile offenders in NSW and the Public Sector.
- Demonstrated experience in staff management, work load allocation and team building skills and ability to manage conflict.
- Demonstrated capacity to quality assure staff compliance with high level assessments, reports, case management plans and program intervention to young offenders.
- Experience working with families and/or adolescents and an understanding of adolescent development.
- Demonstrated experience with a range of computer applications.
- Current minimum Class C Driver's Licence.

Job Notes: This is a **Permanent Full-Time** position. Applicants must address the selection criteria.

It is an offence under the *NSW Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998* for a person convicted of a serious sex offence to apply for this position. Recommended applicants for positions will be subject to a working with children check, which includes prohibited employment, criminal record, apprehended Violence Order and relevant employment proceedings. All applicants may be subject to prior employment and referee checks. An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Enquiries: Graham Scaysbrook 0418 354579 or email graham.scaysbrook@dji.nsw.gov.au

Information Package: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference No: 0000187C

Closing Date: 19 October 2012

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Access Centre Coordinator – FaCS (Targeted)

Clerk Grade 9/10
Walgett, Nyngan or Wilcannia
Temporary Full-Time
Position No: 000017K1

Total remuneration package valued up to \$113,802 per annum (Salary: \$93,586 pa - \$103,128 pa), includes employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description: Coordinate the overall management of the Family and Community Services (FACS) Access Centres across the Region, analyse strategic and operational functionality and develop an effective integrated service delivery model encompassing all service providers represented through the FACS Access Centres.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated understanding of policy processes and a proven capacity to contribute to the development and implementation of strategic and operational policies.
- Demonstrated ability to lead and motivate staff, establishing a culture of teamwork, achievement, accountability and outcomes focus to support the achievement of business unit objectives.
- Demonstrated ability to effectively negotiate and build strong relationships with key stakeholders.
- High level communication and organisational skills, the capacity to successfully manage competing priorities and meet deadlines.
- Strong analytical, critical thinking and research skills and the capacity to develop innovative solutions to complex issues.
- Appropriate tertiary qualifications or demonstrated equivalent, relevant professional experience.

Job Notes: This is a **Temporary Full-Time** position for a period of up to twelve (12) months. Location of this position is flexible, however the successful candidate must be based at one of the three FACS Access Centres in Western Region (ie. Walgett, Nyngan or Wilcannia). There is an expectation that the successful candidate will coordinate the functions of all three FACS Access Centres in Western Region, therefore an amount of travel will be involved in this position.

This position is targeted for employment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and is authorised by FaCS in accordance with Part 9A of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*. Family & Community Services is an equal opportunity employer, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with disability and people from a non-English speaking background are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: Jodi Bassett - Ph (02) 6841 1510 or email: jodi.bassett@facs.nsw.gov.au

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Position Number: 000017K1

Closing Date: Friday 19 October 2012

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Administration Support Officer

An opportunity exists for an Administration Support Officer in our Finance team at Port Macquarie. This position is permanent full time and Aboriginal Identified under Section 14(d) of the *NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent through parentage, identify as being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and be accepted in the community as such. Salary will be in accordance with the Administration Officer Level 3 classification.

Enquiries: Geoff Vial 02 6588 2944 or by email Geoff.Vial@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au quoting Reference ID: 102799.

Apply online: <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

Aboriginal Chronic Care Workers

Opportunities exist for a Registered Nurse and 2 Aboriginal Health Workers in the Chronic Care teams at Coffs Harbour and Kempsey. These positions are permanent full and part time and are Aboriginal identified under Section 14(d) of the *NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent through parentage, identify as being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and be accepted in the community as such. Salary will be in accordance with the relevant NSW Health Awards.

Enquiries: Dorothy Wilson 02 6656 7057 or Dorothy.Wilson@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au quoting Reference ID: 75170, 75184 & 92391.

Apply online: <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>



INDIGENOUS MONEY MENTOR

(\$65k plus super plus salary packaging options)

The Indigenous Money Mentor position presents a great opportunity to engage in casework with clients and Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) community members to improve their financial wellbeing. This will include providing assistance to members in financial crisis and supporting them to adopt preventative strategies; providing ongoing financial literacy education for LALC communities using culturally appropriate materials and education techniques; providing a supported referral service to help members obtain assistance from other service providers to address broader issues impacting their financial wellbeing; and facilitating access to microfinance products (No Interest Loans Scheme (NILS®), StepUP Loans and AddSUP Savings Program) in circumstances where the member identifies that such products will improve their financial wellbeing.

You will have:

- Demonstrated ability to effectively engage and conduct casework with Aboriginal people and communities.
- Demonstrated understanding of the range of financial issues that may impact upon Aboriginal people and communities.
- Excellent written and communication skills, including the ability to advocate on behalf of vulnerable and disadvantaged clients.
- Demonstrated achievement in a community development role.
- Demonstrated understanding of the need to ensure privacy and confidentiality of client information.
- Demonstrated ability to work as part of a team.
- Relevant qualifications and experience in areas such as Financial Counselling, Counselling, Adult Education and Training, and Dispute Resolution.

Minimum 2 years experience in a Financial Counselling role would be highly regarded.

For detailed information about the position and how to apply please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria by contacting Rose Gordon at rose.gordon@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4498.

Applications can be forwarded to diane.lee@alc.org.au or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Human Resources Coordinator
NSW Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 1125
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

Applications close COB Wednesday 24 October 2012

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Recruitment

Coordinator - Koori Women's Working Ways (0.6 FTE) (READVERTISED)

In this position, an applicants' Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act.

Our client is a not-for-profit, vibrant Aboriginal Community Centre located in Wodonga, established in 1994. They are currently seeking to employ a suitably qualified and experienced Coordinator - Koori Women's Working Ways to join their organisation in this newly formed position.

This position is responsible for gathering information, developing and delivering a Koori Women's Way program that focusses on a child's life from antenatal, postnatal to the early years. This role will include establishing and maintaining a data base; consulting and working with existing community groups; establishing and convening the programs advisory group; delivering information sessions and community events.

To be considered for this role, candidates need to; be Aboriginal and or Torres Strait Islander; possess a qualification of a Diploma in Community or Social Services or equivalent; demonstrate strong networking and negotiating skills; possess sound written and verbal communication skills and solid computer skills.

The successful candidate will be required to have a current driver's licence, a working with children check and a current Victorian police check, or be able to obtain one.

The successful candidate will be offered an attractive salary, excellent working conditions and a solid career path.

Applications close:
Friday 12th October 2012

To apply, please visit:
www.mppersonnel.com.au
 PO Box 661 Albury, NSW, 2640
 Phone: (02)6041 6286 Fax: (02) 6041 6285
 Email: admin@mppersonnel.com.au

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The AFP will commence its 2013 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander (A&TSI) Cadetship Program in early 2013. The Cadetship Program provides 2nd year A&TSI university students with relevant work experience and financial assistance while they study.

The program will comprise of the following components:

- Generous financial assistance
- 12 week work placement each year
- Induction course
- Support networks

As an AFP A&TSI Cadet you will be tasked with various project work, working within a team. This is done to enable you to gain a better understanding of the organisation and the tasks that the business area is responsible for.

For any queries please email us at AFP-Entry-Level-Programs@afp.gov.au.

TRAINEESHIP:

The traineeship program is an integrated employment and development program, delivered over a 12-18 month period. In addition to ongoing (permanent) employment, during the course of the program trainees will be provided with professional and personal development opportunities to enhance their capability to undertake a career in the AFP.

The traineeship will also assist participants to work towards qualifying for entry into the AFP College with a goal to undertake sworn policing and Protective Service Officer roles in the future.

All positions are located in Canberra only, with an anticipated commencement in April 2013.

These positions are restricted to applications from Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people under Clause 7.1 (a) of C07.

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Government of South Australia
Department for Communities
and Social Inclusion

SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER

HOUSING SA

ADELAIDE CBD

Vac No: 6325/2012

Ongoing

\$76,487 – \$81,178 p.a. (AS06)

Leading and initiating collaborative program and policy development, implementation, review, research and evaluation; providing high quality, evidence-based advice to senior DCSI and Housing SA staff and the Minister.

Enquiries to: Ms Amanda Watson-Tran, Manager, Housing SA, telephone: 8413 8159, email: amanda.watson-tran@dcsl.sa.gov.au

For further information or to apply for this role please visit: <http://jobs.dcsi.sa.gov.au>

Applications close 5pm 19 October 2012

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Government of South Australia
Department for Communities
and Social Inclusion

PROJECT OFFICER

HOUSING SA

ADELAIDE CBD

Vac No: 6309/2012

Ongoing

\$59,201 – \$61,937 p.a. (AS04)

Providing assistance in the strategic development, review and evaluation of housing services in alignment with outcomes expected under the National Partnership on Remote Indigenous Housing; supporting the development of a model for the management of housing in Aboriginal Communities.

Enquiries to: Ms Amanda Watson-Tran, Manager, Housing SA, telephone: 8413 8159, email: amanda.watson-tran@dcsl.sa.gov.au

For further information or to apply for this role please visit: <http://jobs.dcsi.sa.gov.au>

Applications close 5pm 19 October 2012

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2013 Graduate Registered Nurse Program

UnitingCare Ageing, Western Region

Are you a passionate, enthusiastic and motivated Graduate RN who wants to begin their career by making a difference?

UnitingCare Ageing seeks to provide positive lifestyle choices for older people that result in enriching and fulfilling lives and as the single largest provider of Aged Care Service within NSW and the ACT a graduate career with UnitingCare Ageing means a challenging, rewarding, motivating and dynamic role that is hands-on and diversified.

The program offers employment under a 12 month contract as a Registered Nurse and includes a rotational program of structured professional development, along with mentoring in clinical practice which will commence in January 2013. Successful candidates will be given the opportunity to work across a number of our residential and community care services and develop an in-depth understanding of our approach to "person centered care".

Call us now for further information and to obtain an application kit, please visit:
http://www.unitingcareageing.org.au/careers/current_opportunities_or_contact_human_resources_on_02_4723_9400

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. UnitingCare Ageing offer a supportive and friendly team environment, we are an EEO employer. Only people with the right to work in Australia may apply for this position. Relevant criminal record checks and a physical functional assessment shall be conducted on applicants recommended for employment/appointment to positions within UnitingCare Ageing.

www.unitingcareageing.org.au



Koori Prison Officer Recruitment

Put Your Life Experience to Work in Your Community

Valuing workplace diversity, the Department of Justice has a growing number of Koori staff working across Victoria, including Koori Prison Officers. This career step will have you working with people and families from all backgrounds. Your work will make a real difference.

Barwon Prison is recruiting casual Prison Officers. To find out more information about these positions, or to register your attendance at our upcoming information session on Wednesday 10 October, please call the Department's Koori Employment Team on **(03) 8684 1757**. Alternatively, you can visit www.cvcareers.com.au for more information or to apply on-line.

Applications close Monday 15 October 2012

PRISON OFFICERS - OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE NOW

VCAT has ruled that these positions be filled by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people only (VCAT exemption number: A293/2010)



LOOKING FOR A CREATIVE NEW JOB?

Ever thought about designing smiles?

Dental Health Services Victoria, the state's leading public dental agency, is offering 3-year **Indigenous Dental Technician Apprenticeships - No experience needed!**

Turn your artistic skills into a career

Over the three years you will be employed by DHSV and paid while you train through RMIT. If you are successful, you will earn a Diploma Dental Technician.

To help you on your way, DHSV will provide:

- a dedicated professional mentor to give on and off job support
- support from the Aboriginal Community Development Worker
- monthly paid study days
- access to a wide range of dental technology and resources
- a day off each month for personal use
- learning and development opportunities.

If you are interested, please send in your resume to Jacqueline Watkins, DHSV Aboriginal Community Development Worker jacqueline.watkins@dhsv.org.au or call (03) 9341 1313.

Applications close Thursday 1 November 2012

Apprenticeships start Monday 26 November 2012



WANT A DEADLY NEW CAREER?

Dental Health Services Victoria, the state's leading public dental agency, is offering **Indigenous Dental Assisting Traineeships - No experience needed!**

Dental assistants work with other dental professionals to help treat and educate patients. An 18-month Indigenous Dental Assisting Traineeship with DHSV includes ongoing training (on and off the job), professional support and a paid RMIT course with study assistance.

We're here to help you complete your Certificate III Dental Assisting!

Based at The Royal Dental Hospital of Melbourne (Carlton), a full-time traineeship includes:

- a dedicated mentor
- support from the DHSV Aboriginal Community Development Worker
- paid study days and one day off each month
- national pay grades PLUS great salary packaging options
- learning and development opportunities
- access to a wide range of dental technology and resources.

Dental Health Services Victoria is committed to improving the treatment and education opportunities available to indigenous communities.

Join our team today!

Next intake - Monday 26 November 2012

Want to know more?

Visit www.dhsv.org.au/da-traineeships/ or contact Jacqueline Watkins, Aboriginal Community Development Worker on (03) 9341 1313.

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CATHOLIC EDUCATION
OFFICE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION CONSULTANT & SCHOOL COMMUNITY CONSULTANT ABORIGINAL EDUCATION TEAM Based at the Broome Regional Office

The Director of Catholic Education in Western Australia invites applications for the above two full-time ongoing positions to commence as soon as practicable. Applicants must be fully supportive of the objectives and ethos of Catholic Education.

The **Aboriginal Education Consultant** will be responsible for developing, implementing and delivering relevant programs for teachers and support staff, as well as engaging with, and supporting schools with the Growing Enriched Cultural Knowledge in Our Schools (GECKO) Program. The position also provides planning and administrative support for the team.

The **School Community Consultant** will build partnerships between schools and Aboriginal communities in the Broome diocese and raise the profile of Catholic Education within these communities.

All relevant information and documentation can be found on the CEO website <http://employment.ceo.wa.edu.au/> Enquiries should be directed to Robyn Collard, Team Leader, Aboriginal Education Team on 08 6380 5290 or email jobs@ceo.wa.edu.au

All applications, on the official form, are to reach The Director of Catholic Education, Catholic Education Office of Western Australia, PO Box 198, Leederville WA 6903 no later than 5pm Monday 29 October 2012.

Aboriginal Trainee Positions National Parks and Wildlife Service

**Do you have a passion for caring and promoting Country?
Do you want to earn while you learn?**

The following Traineeships are available:

- Aboriginal Trainee Interpretive Assistant positions located in the Tumut Visitors Centre and Byron Coast area.
- Aboriginal Trainee Field Officer positions located in Mutawintji National Park, Nelson Bay, Nowra, Blackheath and Mathoura.



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Are you interested in:

- Working in conservation of natural, Aboriginal and cultural heritage and resources within the NSW National Parks?
- Protecting the environment and motivating people to be environmentally responsible?
- Assisting with nature and cultural activities?
- Undertaking a Certificate III in Conservation and Land Management?

Our two-year Aboriginal Traineeship Program offers you these opportunities!

Check out www.jobs.nsw.gov.au for more details including the selection criteria or contact Keiren De Haas at keiren.dehaas@environment.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9585 6778.

Applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package to apply.

Applications close Sunday, 21 October 2012.



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Family & Community Services
Ageing, Disability & Home Care



Aboriginal Service Coordinator

Grade 6/7 (HCS Admin)
Northern Region, Tweed Heads
Permanent Full-Time

Total remuneration package valued up to \$74,487 per annum includes a salary range \$61,198 pa to \$67,501 pa plus leave loading and employer's contribution to superannuation.

Job Description:

The position coordinates resources to provide client-centred services and provides leadership and support to a team of Care Workers.

Selection Criteria:

1. Aboriginality.
2. Demonstrated knowledge of the support needs of the frail aged, people with a disability and their carers.
3. Demonstrated planning, time management and administrative skills, and the ability to identify, analyse and resolve competing priorities and service issues.
4. Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of client rights including confidentiality, privacy, advocacy and complaint mechanisms.
5. Demonstrated ability to support, train and supervise staff.
6. Demonstrated effective oral and written communication, conflict resolution, liaison and negotiations skills.
7. Demonstrated experience in information technology to support client service delivery, creation and maintenance of client and staff records, writing of complex reports, extracting data base information and ensuring accurate records and billing processes.
8. Experience in a similar role in the community service sector or possession of relevant tertiary qualifications and current Driver's Licence and own vehicle.

Job notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Applicants must address the full Selection Criteria. Successful applicants will be subject to criminal records check.

Enquiries: Marvette Logan, Branch Manager, Ph: (07) 5523 3623

Information Packages: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Job Reference Number: 000018ZY

Closing Date: 12 October 2012

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**Reconciliation
AUSTRALIA**

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

Reconciliation Australia (RA) is an independent, national not-for-profit organisation committed to promoting respectful relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, and other Australians.

We are looking for a skilled, dynamic and highly motivated individual to fill our Canberra-based position. The role involves managing the day-to-day administration of RA's office and finance requirements. This position is full-time, fixed-term up to 30 June 2014.

Reconciliation Australia has built a high performance culture of accountability, professionalism and respect. We have a flat structure in which everyone is empowered to manage and own their own projects.

We strongly believe in providing opportunities and support for our people to fulfil their potential and exceed their own expectations.

We are also committed to improving employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians and welcome applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

For further information about Reconciliation Australia, job description and selection criteria go to our website www.reconciliation.org.au or call **02 6273 9200**.

Applications close: 5pm Friday 12 October 2012.

Please send CV and application addressing selection criteria to:

Donna Cringle
Reconciliation Australia
PO Box 4773
KINGSTON ACT 2600
donna.cringlet@reconciliation.org.au

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**3 Positions (Darwin) – Mental Health & Wellbeing / Education
Flexible arrangements – full time or part time available**

Principals Australia Institute (PAI) is currently seeking dynamic individuals for three exciting positions, located in Darwin.

PAI is a not-for-profit organisation, owned by the four peak principal associations, representing primary and secondary principals in Government, Catholic and Independent schools.



KidsMatter Primary Coordinator

Fixed Term Contract to 30 June 2014

KidsMatter Primary (KMP) is a mental health and wellbeing initiative for primary schools. It was developed by Principals Australia Institute, beyondblue and the Australian Psychological Society, with funding from the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing and beyondblue.

The KidsMatter Primary Coordinator is responsible for managing the effective delivery and expansion of KidsMatter in Northern Territory schools. Supported by a National team, KMP staff in other states and working with relevant stakeholders, the Coordinator will develop and implement a strategic plan that increases the target number of schools while maintaining high quality implementation and support for participating schools.

Experience working in the school education sector, including in the area of student mental health and wellbeing, will be a distinct advantage.



MindMatters Coordinator NT

Fixed Term contract to 31 December 2012
with possible extension, pending Government Funding

MindMatters is an Australian Government funded Mental Health Promotion Professional Development and Resource Initiative for schools with secondary enrolments

This position is available immediately. The successful applicant will provide professional development and in-school support to secondary schools across the NT on whole school approaches to mental health and wellbeing using MindMatters.

Experience with the MindMatters framework and training experience with schools in related areas will be valued in this role.

Administration Officer

Fixed Term Contract to 30 June 2014

The Administration Officer is responsible for supporting three staff in the roll-out of the KidsMatter and MindMatters initiatives. The successful applicant will require strong administration skills with previous experience in a similar role.

Download the job and person specification from www.pai.edu.au (Under: About Us - Job Vacancies).

Further information: Sue Ablett, Human Resources Manager on 0431 772 582 or sue.ablett@pai.edu.au.

Applications close: 5pm Monday October 15 2012.

Applications: (3 pages maximum including CV) should be emailed to recruitment@pai.edu.au

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Training available to all candidates that wish to Upskill or gain extra skills within collections.

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No: 102713, **Enquiries:** Sharon McKay, (02) 6357 8111,

Close: 05/10/12.

For an Application Kit or to apply online please go to
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We are committed to Equal Employment Opportunity Ethical Practices, the principles of Cultural Diversity and promote a smoke-free environment. Appropriate criminal record and child protection checks conducted for all positions. All employees (except casuals) are eligible to Salary Package.



Health
Mid North Coast
Local Health District

Aboriginal Trainee Environmental Health Officer

An opportunity exists for an Aboriginal Trainee Environmental Health Officer in our Environmental Health Team at Port Macquarie. The position is temporary full-time and Aboriginal Identified under Section 14(d) of the *NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Salary will be in accordance with the Health Professional & Medical Salaries (State) Award.

Enquiries: Kerry Lawrence 02 6588 2750 quoting Reference ID: 102749

Apply online: <http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>

Family Referral Service Team Leader x 2: Get a career that matters.

UnitingCare Children, Young People and Families is a not-for-profit organisation who provide a range services for children, young people and families. We are currently seeking two Team Leaders to join our Family Referral Service (FRS) team in Dubbo. You will be responsible for providing leadership and direction to FRS program.

Closing Date: 12 October 2012

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We will require a "Working with Children Check" under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998. It is illegal for Prohibited Persons to apply. We are accredited as an EOWA employer of choice for women. We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.



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Warranwarrin Aboriginal Child and Family Centre



Early Start - Aboriginal Early Diagnosis Coordinator

Aboriginal identified position

We are seeking an Aboriginal Early Diagnosis Coordinator to join the Warranwarrin Aboriginal Child and Family Centre team based in Campbelltown. This exciting new position is the first planned for all of the 9 Aboriginal Child and Family Centres in NSW and will provide information, support and referral for Aboriginal families with a child with or awaiting a disability diagnosis.

The position is auspiced by UnitingCare Children Young People & Families Jaanimili Unit and forms part of our Birrung Gurung Aboriginal Disability Services Team. The role will be located within Warranwarrin Aboriginal Child and family Centre and delivered in partnership with Centre Management and lead agency Tharawal Aboriginal Medical Service.

Closing Date: 12 October 2012

For Further information contact Helen Dunicliff on 0408409756 or apply on line : www.getacareerthatmatters.com.au

We will require a "Working with Children Check" under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998. It is illegal for Prohibited Persons to apply. We are accredited as an EOWA employer of choice for women. We are an EEO Employer and are committed to principles of Diversity.

Trainee Community Support Worker

Are you an Aboriginal person looking for a career, not just a job?

Do you enjoy helping others to succeed?

Is getting a nationally recognised qualification whilst gaining experience something you're looking for?

If you answered yes to all these questions, New Horizons and Aboriginal Careers in Mental Health could be for you. Come join our team to support our clients to achieve their goals.

For further information please visit our website at <http://newhorizons.applynow.com.au/> or contact our People and Culture department on 02 9490 0000.

Trainee positions are available at:

- North Ryde
- Marrickville
- Tweed
- Miller
- Gosford
- Newcastle
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Ngunya Jarjum is the first Aboriginal, Out of Home Care Service in NSW to be accredited for 5 years by the Office of the Children's Guardian. We are able to offer exciting career opportunities to anyone with the skills and dedication to join our case management team. We are a dynamic service in the process of significantly increasing our capacity to enable us to provide additional care placements for our children, families and communities.

ATSI CASEWORKERS

Full time permanent position
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Ngunya Jarjum is seeking to employ an Aboriginal worker for our Out-of-Home Care program.

Salary: A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

Contact: Lenore Marlowe – Chief Executive Officer on 02 6626 3700

ABORIGINAL CLERICAL OFFICER

Reception and Support
(Admin Team)
LISMORE

Essential: Aboriginality; Minimum of 3 years' experience in Office Reception duties; Minimum of 3 years' experience in Office Administration; Demonstrated ability to work cooperatively as a team member; A current NSW Driver's Licence.

Desirable: Microsoft Office 2010 and MYOB.

Salary: A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

Contact: Jerwayne James – Support Officer on 02 6626 3700.

Information Package: Must be obtained prior to completion of the application and is available on request.

Applications to: Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 580 Lismore, NSW, 2480.

Closing Date: Friday 26th October 2012.

For these positions an applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

A "Working with Children Check" and medical check will be conducted

Family Support Officer (Family Violence) Darwin, NT

- * Generous leave allowances!
- * Attractive salary starting at \$52k!

North Australian Aboriginal
Family Violence Legal Service

North Australian Aboriginal Family Violence Legal Service (NAAFVLS) has an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic **Family Support Officer (Family Violence)** to join their supportive team in Darwin. You'll be providing support, counselling and information to the victims of family violence as well as their non-abusing friends and family members. In return, you'll enjoy an attractive **salary starting at \$52k plus generous leave allowances!**

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Would You:

- Like to help young Aboriginal young people achieve greatness?
- Be a member of a dynamic leadership team as a Board Director?

The National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy (NASCA) is looking for new Directors!

NASCA is:

- Totally Aboriginal governed with an all-Aboriginal Board and membership;
- A national leader in providing innovative programs for Aboriginal young people;
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*We want Aboriginal young people to be
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We want YOU to help them live their dream!

Want to know more? If you think you might be interested in joining the NASCA Board and being part of our exciting team, contact us for a Director's Information Package by telephone (02) 8399 3071 or e-mail admin@nasca.com.au or writing to; NASCA, 180 George St, Redfern, NSW, 2016.

**Applications to be a NASCA Director close at 5pm on:
5th November 2012.**



Healing Foundation
Strong Spirit • Strong Culture • Strong People

Established on the first anniversary of the Apology to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the Healing Foundation supports culturally strong, locally run Indigenous healing programs around Australia and funds education and research on Indigenous healing.

The Healing Foundation is Closing the Gap by assisting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to fully participate in their lives encompassing education, employment, parenting, cultural life and health and wellbeing.

The Healing Foundation is seeking expressions of interest from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people interested in joining our Board. Candidates need to demonstrate their skills and/or experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Financial management, governance and legal skills
- Commitment to healing and traditional and/or western knowledge in relation to healing
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively with communities, governments, businesses and philanthropic organisations
- Demonstrated respect for the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

Please apply quoting **Ref No 6016** to Watermark Search International. Email: search@watermarksearch.com.au. GPO Box 2708 Sydney NSW 2001. Fax: (02) 9221 4229. Tel: (02) 9233 1200.

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Jobs that make a difference

Indigenous Family Violence Regional Coordinator

Southern Metropolitan Region

\$68,388 to \$77,593 + Super

Full-time fixed term (12 months)

The Indigenous Family Violence Coordinator works directly with Indigenous communities and a range of community-based organisations to co-ordinate and support the development and implementation of the Indigenous Family Violence Strategy.

Please note that an exemption has been granted under Section 83 of the Equal Opportunity Act, 1995, (No. A255/2004), in that only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

To apply online visit: www.careers.vic.gov.au with reference number: VG/VG/DHS/STH/68022

For more information about the role contact Liz Hughes (03) 8765 7395

Aboriginal people seeking support in applying for the position, contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit on 1300 092 406 or aboriginal.employment@dhs.vic.gov.au

Applications close 18 October 2012

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation

- Personal support from community with the ability to rise above community and organisational politics
- Individual professionalism and integrity
- Demonstrated ability to create and manage high level strategic partnerships
- Demonstrated experience in fundraising from major donors, companies, government, trusts and foundations

The Board is committed to ensuring representation from the Stolen Generations, as well as diversity in relation to gender, age and regional representation.

We are seeking applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with proven organisational management experience, combined with excellent communication, stakeholder engagement and representational capabilities. Strong team skills are essential. The capacity to be successful within complex cultural and political contexts is important, as will the ability to relate sensitively and effectively with a diverse range of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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Koori Community Corrections Officer Recruitment

Make a difference in your community

Valuing workplace diversity, the Department of Justice has a growing number of Koori staff working across Victoria, including Koori Community Corrections Officers. This career step will have you working with people and families from all backgrounds. Your work will make a real difference.

The Department of Justice is recruiting ongoing and fixed term Community Corrections Officers in various rural areas including the Grampians (Ballarat and Horsham), Hume (Shepparton, Wangaratta and Wodonga), Gippsland (Bairnsdale, Sale and Korumburra), Loddon Mallee (Swan Hill, Mildura and Bendigo) and Barwon South West (Warrnambool) Regions.

The role of a Community Corrections Officer is to supervise offenders who are subject to community based orders or those who are provisionally released from Prison, on parole orders. A significant part of the role involves compliance management; ensuring offenders comply with the conditions of their orders.

To find out more information about these positions, please call the Department's Koori Employment Team on **(03) 8684 1753**. Alternatively, you can visit

www.cvcareers.com.au for more information or to apply on-line.

Applications close Monday 8 October.

VCAT has ruled that these positions be filled by Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people only (VCAT exemption number: A293/2010)



Department of
Justice



THARAWAL ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAMS MANAGER

Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation is an accredited Aboriginal Medical Service in Campbelltown, New South Wales. We are seeking to recruit a Family and Community Services Programs' Manager. This is a newly created and senior position and will report directly to the CEO. The role of the position is to ensure the smooth operations of the health promotion team and community programs.

Essential:

1. Experience in communicating and working constructively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
2. Experience in developing and maintaining effective networks, alliances and relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander individuals, families and communities, and health sector organisations.
3. Understanding of the health, social and emotional wellbeing needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
4. Experience in project administration, including budgets, coordination and planning.

5. Well developed interpersonal, written and oral communication skills.
6. Demonstrated leadership ability.
7. Driver's Licence
8. Willingness to work out of hours

Desirable:

Aboriginality and Torres Strait Islander and understanding the Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation local community.

Address application to:

**The Chief Executive Officer
Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation
PO Box 290
Campbelltown NSW 2560**

Application closes Friday 19th October 2012



Giving Voice to First Australians Media

Two Project Managers

Indigenous community media sector

Both roles are Canberra based & contracted to 30 June 2013

1. Research & Innovation Project:

Will undertake research & shape an innovation agenda for the sector.

2. Learning & Development Project:

Will facilitate a Learning & Development Strategy & an implementation plan for the sector.

Applications close: Monday 8 Oct 2012

For more information:

contact@aicainc.org.au

Ph: 02 6262 8699 or www.firstaustraliansmedia.org.au



RICHMOND VALLEY COUNCIL

Council is seeking applications from energetic and enthusiastic persons suitably qualified for the following position.

Multi Purpose Labourer - Water/Sewer

Salary Range: Grade 3, \$741.50 to \$852.70 pw

Position details, method of application and further information about the Richmond Valley are available on Council's website: www.richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au or by contacting the Human Resources Section on (02) 6660-0351 / 0239.

Indigenous persons are encouraged to apply.

Applications to be sent to council@richmondvalley.nsw.gov.au or by post to John Walker, General Manager, Richmond Valley Council, Locked Bag 10, CASINO, NSW 2470 by 4.00pm on closing date.

For more information contact Aidan Macqueen on (02) 6660 0224.

Closing Date: 12 October 2012



Health

Hunter New England
Local Health District

Applications can be lodged online at
www.hnehealth.nsw.gov.au/recruitment

Application Information Packages are available at this web address or by contacting the application kit line on (02) 4985 3150.

Registered Midwife/Registered Nurse Maternity Unit

Muswellbrook

Enquiries: Janelle Alexander (02) 6542 2023

Reference ID: 103960

Closing Date: 14 October 2012

Mental Health Clinician

Mental Health, Taree/Manning

Enquiries: Gail Stevens (02) 6592 9549

Reference ID: 98590

Closing Date: 4 November 2012

Aboriginal Child Protection Officer

Taree Community Health Centre

Enquiries: Carolyn Monck (02) 6592 9599

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the *Anti Discrimination Act*.

Reference ID: 100262

Closing Date: 18 November 2012

Aboriginal Sexual Assault Worker

Taree Community Health Centre

Enquiries: Carolyn Monck (02) 6592 9599

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the *Anti Discrimination Act*.

Applicant must be female, this is a genuine occupational qualification under section 31 of the *Anti Discrimination Act* (1977).

Reference ID: 100245

Closing Date: 18 November 2012

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

Guyra Multi-Purpose Service

Enquiries: Felicity Wardle (02) 6738 4000

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the *Anti Discrimination Act*.

Reference ID: 103982

Closing Date: 21 October 2012

Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply. Salary and conditions in accordance with relevant award. Hunter New England Health promotes the values of Collaboration, Openness, Respect & Empowerment and is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Health

South Western Sydney
Local Health District

Project Officer – Respecting the Difference

Ref: 92654, (HSM Level 2) Temp F/T (up to 30 May 2014) at Liverpool

Salary: \$1,584.10–\$1,878.90 pw

Enq: Shayne Small

Ph: (02) 4634 4978

Registered Midwife –

Aboriginal Maternal Infant Health Strategy

Ref: 102818, P/T 20 hpw at Macarthur

Salary: \$27.35–\$38.41 ph

Enq: Erika Lehner

Ph: (02) 4640 3515

For above positions:

Closing Date: 19 October 2012

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

**Please apply online by visiting:
<http://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au>**

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Jobs that make a difference

INTRAIN Scholarships 2013

INTRAIN scholarships are offered to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to assist them to complete a degree or a diploma in the health, allied health and community sector.

The aim of the scholarships is to improve the diversity and responsiveness of the Victorian public health and community sector by increasing educational and employment outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

To be eligible you must:

- Be enrolled in a course relevant to careers in health, allied health or community services.
- Be enrolled to study (full or part time).
- Be completing the last one or two years of an under graduate or post-graduate degree course.
- Be completing the final year of a diploma.

For more information and to apply, please visit: www.dhs.vic.gov.au and search the site for 'INTRAIN Scholarships.'

For all enquiries, please contact the Aboriginal Employment Unit: (03) 9096 7143 or email: prue.stewart@dhs.vic.gov.au

Applications close 9 November 2012

www.careers.vic.gov.au



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Human Services

Indigenous Australian Employment

- Do you want to be part of and contribute to a University that is educating tomorrow's Doctors, Nurses, Psychologists, Teachers, Engineers, Architects and Leaders of Industry?
- Do you want to continue to learn and develop your skills and knowledge?
- Do you want to be challenged and pursue rewarding work?
- Do you want a secure job with great remuneration?

If YES then the University of Melbourne is a great place for you to consider as your employer of choice!

The University of Melbourne is committed to employing Indigenous Australians in both professional and academic positions on the basis that they bring with them a wealth of experience, knowledge and skills that will inform, enrich and fundamentally improve the work that we do.

Indigenous Australians seeking support to apply for a vacancy are encouraged to contact the University. Email your contact details, quoting the position number, to hr-careers@unimelb.edu.au

For more information about our University and current vacancies visit **www.hr.unimelb.edu.au/careers**

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Burrun Dalai Out of Home Care & Family Support Service is situation in Kempsey on the mid north coast of NSW. We are currently seeking applications and offering an attractive salary to a suitably qualified **Aboriginal** person for the following position.

Foster Care Support - Case Worker

This person will divide their time between providing Foster Care Support and case management of a small group of Aboriginal Foster Children.

ALL applicants must obtain an application package for the position. The packages will include the essential and desirable criteria for the position. Please note if **ALL** criteria is not addressed the application will be rejected.

To obtain a package call Takishiee at the office on (02) 6562 1913.

Closing Date: 5pm, 19th October 2012.

NO Late Applications accepted.

NB: It is an offence under the Commission for Children and Young People Act 1998 (section33) 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.



Queensland Council of Social Service Inc
Working for a Fair Queensland

Project Officer x 3 Positions Indigenous Professional Support Unit — Townsville

Salary \$64,763—\$68,035 + 10% Super — Full time

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply

The Queensland Council of Social Service (QCOSS) provides a voice for and with Queenslanders affected by poverty and inequality. The Indigenous Professional Support Unit (IPSU) provides Commonwealth funded Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children's services, their staff and their management with professional development and support. These positions will plan and deliver high quality professional development to eligible services across Queensland.

Position description or further information available at www.qcoss.org.au
Further information contact Roslyn Von Senden on 0450 173 381 or 07 4772 2044
Closing Date: Monday 8 October 2012



Tobacco Action Coordinator (12 month Contract Position)

Maternal & Child Health Nurse (Full Time & Relocation assistance available)

Social and Emotional Wellbeing AOD Client Support Worker (Full Time)

Senior Accountant (Full Time)

Mildura Aboriginal Corporation offers a comprehensive network of services to families, young people and individuals. We seek to ensure the provision of high quality services which will bring about significant improvements in the life and experience of the children and families with whom we work.

The requirements for these positions is:

1. Skills & experience in the Aboriginal, Health and or Community Sector.
2. Negotiation & Conflict Management Skills.
3. Experience in managing contracts or shared responsibility agreements.
4. Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the impacts of European settlement and the subsequent social determinants affecting the wider Aboriginal Community and in particular the communities the Mildura Aboriginal Corporation Inc. services.
5. Ability to read and interpret and manage financial budgets
6. Experience in providing high level strategic advice and direction.
7. Experience in establishing and providing leadership within networks involving a cross section of community and government.
8. Appropriate Qualifications and experience.

Position closes on the 19th October 2012.

Applications to be sent to jjohnson@macmildura.org and/or contact Jo or Mandy on (03) 5018 4100.



Applications are sought from Aboriginal Trainees who are interested in working with young people aged 14-18 in our residential treatment facility at PALM, Sydney.

Full-Time Alcohol & Other Drugs Worker Aboriginal Trainee

Relevant qualifications and/or experience would be highly regarded. Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.

For further information, please see our website www.noffs.org.au, or contact our HR Department on **02 9305 6600**.

Please email your application to jobs@noffs.org.au, addressed to Wesley Stokes.

Applications must be received by COB 12th October 2012.



Aboriginal Health Council of WA OUR HEALTH, OUR FUTURE

MISSION STATEMENT

To lead the development of Aboriginal health policy, to influence and monitor performance across the health sector, to advocate for and support community development and capacity building in Aboriginal communities, to support the continued development of Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and to build the workforce capacity to improve the health, social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal People in Western Australia. A key role of AHCWA is to support, advocate for and provide quality services to our member Aboriginal medical services.

The Aboriginal Health Council of WA as the Peak Body for 21 Aboriginal Medical Services throughout WA, currently has the following vacant positions:

Aboriginal Liaison Officer

The Aboriginal Liaison Officer is accountable to the Manager Population Health and works collaboratively with the West Australian Country Health Services Liaison Coordinator to support the introduction, implementation and evaluation of the state-wide Aboriginal Liaison program.

To consult with regional government departments, and non-government organisations and Aboriginal community controlled health organisations to ensure inter-sectoral support for the program.

To provide leadership and support to staff involved in the Aboriginal Liaison Officer program at a state-wide level through development of communication networks and the opportunity for face-to-face meetings.

Selection Criteria:

Essential:

- Aboriginality (under Section 50D Equal employment Opportunity Act) is essential to this position
- Demonstrated effective listening and communication skills
- Well developed interpersonal and written skills
- Demonstrated problem solving, conceptual and analytical skills
- Demonstrated project management and organisational skills
- Demonstrated ability to undertake stakeholder consultation and facilitation
- Demonstrated cultural safety through consistent behaviour, understanding of, respect for and compliances with culturally sensitive ways of working
- Intermediate level computer skills.

Practical Requirements:

- A current driver's licence and willingness to drive is essential
- Some work out of normal hours of duty may be required
- Depending on the nature of the region, some travel on light aircraft may be required
- Intra- and inter-state travel including overnight absences may also be required.

Immunisation Coordinator

The Immunisation Coordinator is accountable to the Manager Workforce Development. The position is responsible for planning, preparing promoting and delivering the accredited training program as part of the National Immunisation Program. The program is intended to increase the numbers of Aboriginal health care providers in Western Australia who have completed an accredited training program and are deemed competent to provide immunisation services. The position is also required to provide ongoing support for Aboriginal health workers delivering immunisation services. The occupant of this position will be expected to comply with and demonstrate a positive commitment to the highest achievement level in Equal Employment Opportunity, Work Health & Safety, Code of Conduct, Quality Improvement, Performance Management, Customer Focus and Confidentiality throughout the course of their duties.

Selection Criteria

Essential:

- Have demonstrable knowledge around the current Immunisation practices and Schedules
- Competency in administering childhood immunisations (must hold immunisation certification)
- Relevant clinical knowledge, skills and have a minimum 2 year experience within a primary health care setting
- Demonstrated knowledge of the Australian Qualifications Training Framework (AQTF) and best practice and assessment practices
- Demonstrated ability to plan, develop resources and deliver training
- Understanding of Adult Learning principles
- Understanding of the issues including social determinants affecting Aboriginal people health status in contemporary Australian society
- Highly developed interpersonal skills including negotiation and consultation skills and the ability to proactively establish and sustain effective stakeholder relationships
- Strong organisational skills, the capacity to successfully manage competing priorities, maintain attention to detail and meet deadlines
- Efficiency in MS Office.

Desirable:

- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (TAE 40110) or working towards it or willingness to attain
- Experience working with Aboriginal Health Workers in a health care setting.

Closing date: 1st November 2012

Applicants should request a copy of the full position description and application requirements from application@ahcwa.org or (08) 9227 1631.

All application and enquiries can be forwarded to Natalia Sala via Email: application@ahcwa.org, Mail: PO Box 8493 Perth WA 6849.

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Manager, APY Lands Mobile Outreach Substance Misuse Service

Drug & Alcohol Services SA, APY Lands
Job Ref: 504961

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Advanced Health Worker

Cairns and Hinterland Mental Health and Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Service, Mossman Multipurpose Health Service, Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service. Remuneration value up to \$74 066 p.a., comprising salary between \$58 870 - \$64 915 p.a., employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (005) (Applications will remain current for 12 months). **Duties / Abilities:** Provide cultural support under the guidance and direction of the team leader and Senior Advanced Health workers, and provide culturally appropriate advice, support and intervention to selected clients and their families within the Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service. The position is expected to provide outreach services to Yarrabah, and to contribute to mental health services interaction with the community and other professionals on mental health matters. Under s25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991, there is a genuine occupational requirement for the incumbent to be Indigenous to the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Community. Potential applicants are advised that the Aged care Act 1997 requires Queensland Health employees and volunteers of aged care services to have a current National Police Certificate. Queensland Health will facilitate the applicants obtaining the above check.

Enquiries: Mary Venables (07) 4226 4871.

Job Ad Reference: H12TD09318

Application Kit: (07) 4226 5124 or
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

Closing Date: Friday, 12 October 2012.

You can apply online at
www.health.qld.gov.au/workforus

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job.
A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.



Graduate Community Development Officer

(Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Identified Position)

This position provides an opportunity to work with Lake Macquarie City Council on community programs for a period of twelve weeks. The position is funded under the Elsa Dixon Aboriginal Employment Program.

During the twelve weeks you will:

- assist the Social and Community Planning team to identify the needs of residents and develop and implement relevant services, programs and strategies to meet these needs.
- work with the Sustainability Engagement Team in promoting programs and initiatives for the community.

You will:

- identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
- be in the final year (or having completed a tertiary qualification in the academic year prior) in social work, social sciences, business or other relevant discipline
- possess a knowledge of community development and capacity building processes
- demonstrate high level written and oral communication skills
- possess an understanding of the operations of community organisations, and the issues facing the community services sector.

Salary: \$32.77 per hour plus 10% superannuation.

Closing date: 5pm Monday 22 October 2012.

Further information: Contact Council's Customer Service Centre on (02) 4921 0333.

To apply: Please download the application package from www.lakemac.com.au

Tips for applying: Please ensure that in your application you complete an electronic application form, address all the selection criteria as listed in the position description, include a current resume and include copies of any certificate/accreditation required.



**NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO TAKE INTERESTS IN LAND TO CONFER INTERESTS UNDER WRITTEN LAW
LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT 1997 (WA) SECTION 170
AND TO COMPULSORILY ACQUIRE NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29**

I, the Honourable Brendon John Grylls MLA, Minister for Lands HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 170 of the *Land Administration Act 1997* (LAA) that it is proposed to take those interests in the land described in the Schedule for the purposes specified.

AND for and on behalf of the State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVE NOTICE in accordance with Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (as amended) (NTA), that any native title rights and interests in the land described in the Schedule are to be compulsorily acquired for the purposes specified.

SCHEDULE

PARCEL OF LAND NO 1:

LAND DESCRIPTION: Whole Lot 580 on Deposited Plan 69550, unallocated Crown land Volume 3161 Folio 504 Area: 19.5922 hectares. **PLAN/DIAGRAM:** Deposited Plan 69550. **LAND SITUATED IN:** Shire of Carnarvon. **NATURE OF INTERESTS TO BE TAKEN:** All registered and unregistered interests in the land under the heading "Land Description" other than interests of the Crown, excluding any rights created by the grant of existing mining tenements under the Mining Act 1978 limited in depth to 30 metres below natural ground surface. **PURPOSE OF PROPOSED GRANT FOR WHICH THE LAND IS PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED:** Waste Water Treatment Plant. **PROPOSED DISPOSITION/GRANT:** Sale of Lot 580 on Deposited Plan 69550 to the Water Corporation to enable construction and operation of a Waste Water Treatment Plant. **REASON WHY THE LAND IS SUITABLE FOR, OR IS NEEDED FOR, THE PROPOSED GRANT:** Lot 580 has been identified as being suitable for the Waste Water Treatment Plant. **DATE FROM WHICH LAND IS LIKELY TO BE REQUIRED:** 1 October 2012
RDL FILE: 00593-2011-01RO **RDL REF.:**101834

PLAN OF LAND TO BE TAKEN MAY BE INSPECTED AT: RDL, Level 2, 140 William, Perth, 6000. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lily Sutomo, A/State Land Officer, Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth 6872 or by telephoning (08) 6552 4616. **OBJECTIONS IN WRITING MAY BE LODGED:** Persons having or claiming any interests in any parcel of land specified above may, under Section 175 of the LAA, lodge an objection in writing to the proposed taking with the Department of Regional Development and Lands, PO Box 1143, West Perth 6872 OR Level 2, 140 William St Perth no later than 17 January 2013.

MINISTER'S CONSENT TO TRANSACTIONS AFFECTING, AND IMPROVEMENTS TO, THE LAND: A person may not enter into a transaction in relation to the above land without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister for Lands, except as provided in Section 172(7) of the LAA. Any transaction entered into without prior consent is void in accordance with Section 172(3) of the LAA. An application for consent must be in accordance with Section 172(5) of the LAA. Under Section 173 of the LAA, a person must not cause the building or making of any improvement to the land to be commenced or continued except with the approval in writing of the Minister for Lands. **NATURE OF THE ACT:** In respect of the land described in the Schedule, is the compulsory acquisition of the interests in the land including any native title rights and interests to grant estates, interests, rights, powers or privileges in, over, or in relation to that land under written law for the purpose specified and ancillary and incidental purposes. **NOTIFICATION DAY:** The notification day is 17 October 2012.

NATIVE TITLE PARTIES: Under Section 30 of the NTA, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the notice. The 3 month period closes on 17 January 2013.

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. Enquiries regarding becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, 1 Victoria Avenue Perth or GPO Box 9973 Perth WA 6001 telephone (08) 9268 7272.
Dated this 10th Day of September in the year 2012

**HON BRENDON GRYLLS MLA
MINISTER FOR LANDS**

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**Indigenous Cadetship 2012
Department of Attorney General and Justice
Crime Prevention Division
Clerk General Scale**

Parramatta, Temporary Part Time up to 12 weeks per year for a period of 4 years

This is a great opportunity for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students who are currently studying in the areas of Law, Business and Social Science to commence a rewarding career with the Department of Attorney General and Justice.

As an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Cadet you will obtain knowledge, experience and career development opportunities in the Crime Prevention Division of the Department. The Division is responsible for the development of strategic program and policy approaches to reduce crime and to target the causes of offending. This may include crimes related to alcohol and other substance abuse, crimes that are motivated by prejudice based on the grounds of race, religion, ethnicity, gender, sexuality and disability, crimes against property, and, crimes that could be prevented through the application of Crime Through Environmental Design (CPTED) principles. Further information about the Crime Prevention Division can be found at <http://www.crimeprevention.nsw.gov.au>

Successful applicants will receive

- A study allowance of \$600 per fortnight paid by the Department
- Up to \$500 per semester for books and resources
- A salary for 12 weeks full time work per year (pro rata of \$26,507 to \$51,884 per year depending on age and years of employment)
- The possibility of a permanent job upon completion of the Cadetship

We are seeking candidates who are

- Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Enrolled full time in studies in Law, Business or Social Science
- Interested and would like to work for Crime Prevention Division.

For further information about this Cadetship opportunity please contact

Lester Currie, Manager Crime Prevention Division

Email: lester_currie@agd.nsw.gov.au

Telephone: (02) 8688 8047

Applicants must apply online via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

In order to be considered applicants must attach a current resume and 2-3 pages addressing their skills and how they meet the above selection criteria.

An eligibility list may be created to fill similar positions in the future.

Applicants may be invited to an interview. At interview you may be asked about your interest in the role and any relevant skills or experience you have.

If you are enrolled in other courses of study and may be interested in future Cadetship opportunities with the Department of Attorney General and Justice please contact Maureen Randall, Norimbah Unit, Department of Attorney General & Justice maureen_randall@agd.nsw.gov or telephone number (02) 8688 5751.

Closing date: 12 October 2012

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Australian National Audit Office

The Australian National Audit Office (ANAO) has an international reputation for its technical capability, product quality and professionalism.

**Financial Statement Audit Team Leader,
APS 6**

Assurance Audit Services Group

- \$76,635 to \$88,080 + Superannuation
- Several Positions
- Canberra location

The ANAO require professional Team Leaders (APS Level 6) to conduct financial statement audits of a range of high profile clients.

As a Team Leader you will lead a small team and undertake audit assignments in accordance with an approved plan; provide a high level of assistance in the conduct of audits and contribute to the maintenance and enhancement of client relationships.

We are seeking professionals with superior accounting and/or auditing skills and a sound appreciation of the nature and operations of the public sector. You should have demonstrated analytical and investigative skills, particularly in relation to accounting and financial matters and the evaluation of systems of control, and have well developed communication skills.

Eligibility

To be eligible for engagement you must be an Australian Citizen and be prepared to undertake an appropriate security clearance. Team leading and communication (written and oral) skills are desirable.

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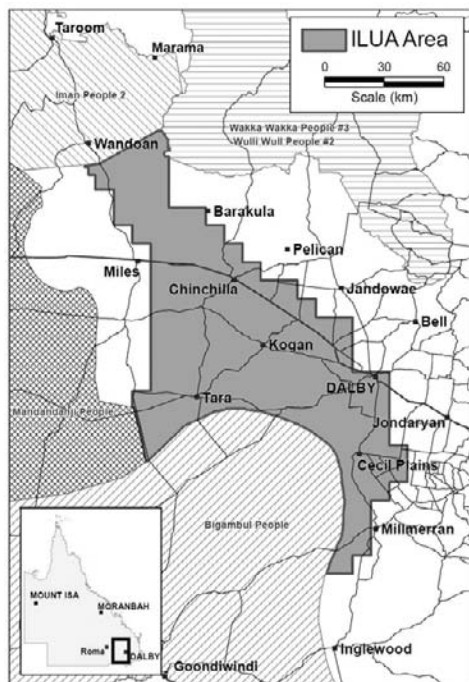
For any further information on the selection process please contact Estelle Booth on 6203 7512 or email estelle.booth@anao.gov.au. Selection Criteria can be obtained from the ANAO website. Applications close on Sunday 14 October 2012.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

**PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND
USE AGREEMENT UNDER THE
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH)**

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd ACN 078 521 936 (**Arrow**) proposes to enter into an area Indigenous Land Use Agreement (**ILUA**) pursuant to Subdivision C of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) in relation to the development of gas fields and the construction and operation of a pipeline and associated infrastructure which will allow **Arrow** to export LNG from Curtis Island, near Gladstone.

The **ILUA Area** as shown on the map is not currently the subject of any native title determination applications or any registered native title claims.

An authorisation meeting is anticipated to be convened in Toowoomba on 17 November 2012. Prior to this authorisation meeting, a number of Information Sessions on the proposed ILUA will be held.

**These Information Sessions
will be held as follows:**

Date	Place	Venue	Time
13 October 2012	Goondiwindi	Goondiwindi Motel & Tracks Restaurant, 16-18 Old Cunningham Highway, Goondiwindi	10:00am – 12:00pm
13 October 2012	Dalby	Dalby RSL, 69 Drayton St, Dalby	4:00pm – 6:00pm
14 October 2012	Toowoomba	Picnic Point, Top of the Range, 164 Tourist Road, Toowoomba	10:00am – 12:00pm
16 October 2012	Hervey Bay	Hervey Bay RSL, 11 Torquay Road Pialba, Hervey Bay	2:00pm – 4:00pm
17 October 2012	Cherbourg	Nurunderi College, Southern Qld TAFE, Collins Road, Cherbourg	10:00am – 12:00pm
18 October 2012	Brisbane	Hotel Grand Chancellor, 23 Leichardt St, Brisbane	10:00am – 12:00pm
19 October 2012	Woorabinda	Woorabinda HACC Building, Woorabinda	1:00pm – 3:00pm
20 October 2012	Rockhampton	Dreamtime Cultural Centre, Bruce Highway, Rockhampton	9:00am – 11:00am
27 October 2012	Inverell	Inverell Bowls Club, 21-29 Glenn Innes Road, Inverell	10:00am – 12:00pm

NOTE: No financial assistance will be provided to travel to or attend the Information Sessions.

If you would like to make an enquiry regarding the Information Sessions, please contact **Kylie Burton** on **07 3012 4478**.




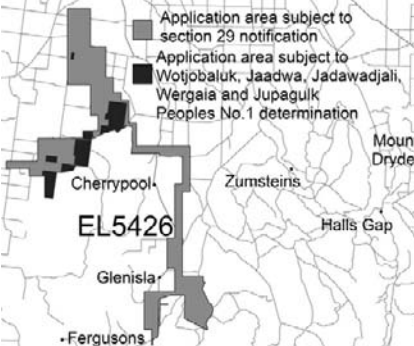
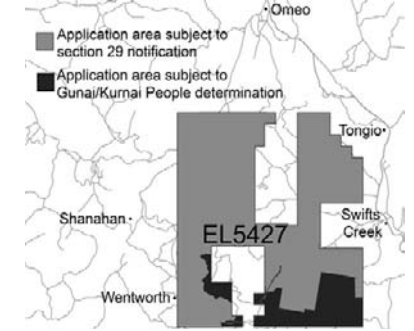
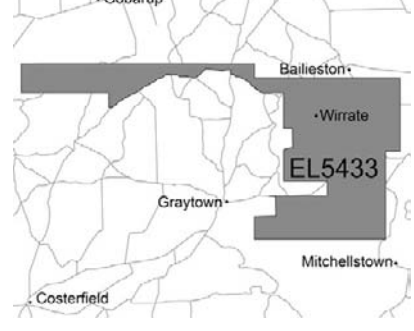
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Notice under Section 29(3) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth)


The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration licences under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL5421	NAME: Golden Mining Resources Pty Ltd & Roostam Sadri LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Benambra and Uplands as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 51: D6-D9, E6-E9, F5-F9, G6-G7; Map 66: D2, E2, F2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 399 km ² MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 567300E 5916900N Z55 Centre 100k map 8424
EL5426	NAME: Black Range Metals Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 13.1 km west of Zumsteins. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 40: B8-B9, C8-C9; Map 54: H3; Map 55: B2-B4, C2-C3, D2-D3, D5-D6, E3-E6, F5-F6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 199 km ² MUNICIPALITY: Horsham Rural City, Northern Grampians Shire & Southern Grampians Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 607100E 5896250N Z54 Centre 100k map 7323
EL5427	NAME: Cassilis Mining Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 2.8 km west of Swifts Creek. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 66: A4-A7, B4-B7, C4-C7, D5-D7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 255 km ² MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 553400E 5874300N Z55 Centre 100k map 8423
EL5433	NAME: Flitegold Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Wirrate as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 45: E5, F5-F6, G5-G6, H5-H7; Map 46: B5-B7, C5-C7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 115 km ² MUNICIPALITY: Strathbogie Shire, Shire of Campaspe & Mitchell Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 321200E 5931350N Z55 Centre 100k map 7924

Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration licence, which authorises the holder to explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to five years.

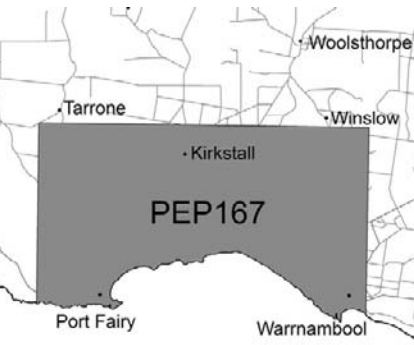
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TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN5561	NAME: Barfuss Corporation Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 2.3 km south west of Tongio West. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 66: B6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 213 hectares MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 553850E 5874150N Z55 Centre 100k map 8423

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN5562	NAME: Morning Star Gold NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 2.5 km west of A1 Mine Settlement. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 81: D2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 4.9 hectares MUNICIPALITY: Mansfield Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 426750E 5849200N Z55 Centre 100k map 8122

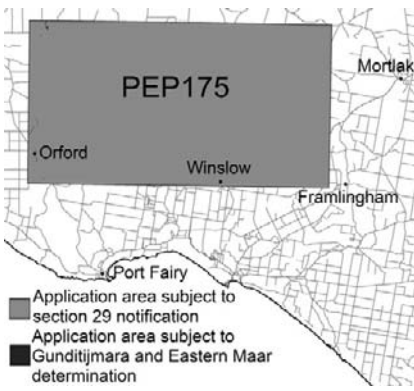
Nature of the act(s): The grant of a mining licence, which authorises the holder to mine for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 20 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the renewal of the following exploration permit under section 28 of the *Petroleum Act 1998*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
PEP167	NAME: Bass Strait Oil Company Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Port Fairy and other towns as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 89: D6-D8, E6-E8, F6-F8, G6-G7, H6-H8, J6-J8 TERM: 5 years AREA: 833 km ² MUNICIPALITY: Moyne Shire & Warrnambool City	 Centre MGA Co-ord 617050E 5759050N Z54 Centre 100k map 7321

Nature of the act(s): The renewal of an exploration permit, which authorises the holder to carry out petroleum exploration operations on the specified land for the term of the permit for a period of five years.

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Primary Industries, GPO Box 4440, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Energy & Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration permit under section 20A of the *Petroleum Act 1998*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
PEP175	NAME: Bass Strait Oil Company Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Orford and Winslow as shown on attached plan. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 73: C9, D9, G9, H9; Map 74: B9, C9; Map 89: C2-C6, D2-D6, E2-E6, F2-F6, G2-G6, H2-H6, J2-J6; Map 90: A2-A6, B2-B6, C2-C6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 1419 km ² MUNICIPALITY: Moyne Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 620550E 5779750N Z54 Centre 100k map 7321

Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration permit, which authorises the holder to carry out petroleum exploration operations on the specified land for the term of the permit and to seek one renewal for a period of five years.

Notification Day: 3 October 2012

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* persons have until three months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the potential grant of the licences. The three month period closes on **3 January 2013**. Enquiries about becoming a native title party may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, telephone 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further information about the potential grant of the licences, including identification maps, may be obtained from the Earth Resources Business Centre at Level 16, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000, telephone (03) 9658 4454.

For further information about native title and the right to negotiate process, contact James O'Callaghan, Acting Native Title Coordinator, Department of Primary Industries, telephone (03) 5336 6645.

Rioli at the Brownlow



Hawthorn player Cyril Rioli and Shannyn Ah Sam arrive on the red carpet for the Australian Football League (AFL) Brownlow Medal awards held at the Crown in Melbourne on Monday 24 September. – AAP image

McDonald to retire as QRL chairman



QUEENSLAND Rugby League (QRL) chairman John McDonald has announced he will retire at the end of the year.

McDonald has informed the QRL board he will not be seeking re-election at the annual general meeting in December, bringing an end to decades of service in the game.

McDonald began his life in league as a player, representing Toowoomba Valleys before heading south to play for Manly between 1969 and 1971.

He also represented Queensland and Australia during his career before coaching Queensland to a 20-10 victory over NSW in the inaugural State of Origin fixture in 1980.

McDonald has been chairman of the QRL since 1992 and feels he's leaving the game in a healthy position following the establishment of the Australian Rugby League Commission this year.

"It is really exciting, because it's about making the game better and providing opportunities," he said.

"The commission has adopted that policy. There has been a few little problems that they've had to sort out, but they're making their way through that."

QRL chief executive Robert Moore paid tribute to McDonald's service to the game.

"It's fair to say that no other international in rugby league history has made such an enormous administrative contribution," Moore said. – AAP

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 17 October 2012



National Native Title Tribunal



This is an application by a native title claim group who are asking the Federal Court to determine that the group hold native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the District Registrar, Federal Court of Australia, Queensland Registry, PO Box 13084, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003 on or before 16 January 2013. After 16 January 2013, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cwlth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Yugara/Yugarapul People

Federal Court File No: QUD586/11

Date filed: 7 December 2011

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The area subject to application covers about 1170 square kilometres over parts of the City of Brisbane and surrounding areas as shown in the locality diagram.

The application falls within the Local Government Authorities of Brisbane City Council, Logan City Council, Moreton Bay Regional Council and Redland City Council.

Data statement: claimant application boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 17 October 2012



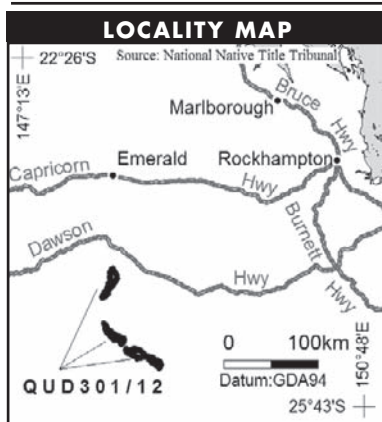
National Native Title Tribunal



These are applications by native title claim groups who are asking the Federal Court to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

A person who wants to become a party to any of these applications must write to the District Registrar, Federal Court of Australia, Queensland Registry, PO Box 13084, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003 on or before 16 January 2013. After 16 January 2013, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

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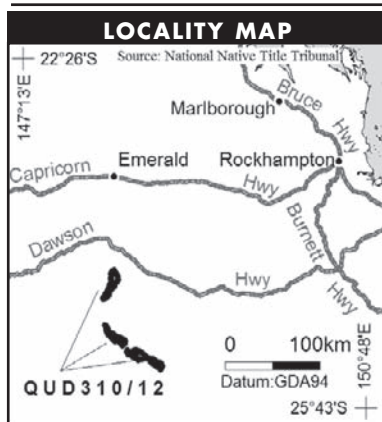
Application name: Brown River People #2

Federal Court File No: QUD301/2012

Date filed: 26 June 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The area subject to this application covers about 32 square kilometres and is located approximately 300 kilometres southwest of Rockhampton as shown on the locality map.



Application name: Karingbal People #3

Federal Court File No: QUD310/2012

Date filed: 27 June 2012

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The area subject to this application covers about 32 square kilometres and is located approximately 300 kilometres southwest of Rockhampton as shown on the locality map.

Data statement: claimant application boundaries compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and used with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Ann Stokes on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Four flags in a row

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

State of Queensland

Notification day: 10 October 2012



National
Native Title
Tribunal



QI2012/076 Cairns Regional Council Tableland Yidinji People ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The area subject to this agreement covers about 143 square kilometres and is located approximately 25 kilometres north east of Atherton, in the vicinity of Lamb Range, within the Dinden, Little Mulgrave and Danbulla National Parks as shown on the locality map.

The agreement area falls within the Local Government Authority of the Cairns Regional Council.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Cairns Regional Council
c/- Preston Law
PO Box 707N
NORTH CAIRNS QLD 4870

Tableland Yidinji People Aboriginal Corporation
c/- North Queensland Land Council
PO Box 679N
NORTH CAIRNS QLD 4870

Peter Rosas, Lloyd Stewart (aka Con Stewart), Catherine (Nola) Joseph and Evelyn (Dawn) Johnson on their own behalf and on behalf of the Tableland Yidinji People and the Tableland Yidinji People #3
c/- North Queensland Land Council
PO Box 679N
NORTH CAIRNS QLD 4870

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

4.4 Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the Native Title Act [which deals with the right to negotiate] is not intended to apply to any Future Acts for which the Native Title Parties have given consent under this ILUA.
7.2 The Native Title Parties consent to the continued operation, use and maintenance of:- 7.2.1 the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure; 7.2.2 the land on which the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is located; and 7.2.3 any land or waters which is adjacent to the land on which the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure is located which is necessary for, or incidental to, the operation of the Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure.
8.1 In the event the Council wishes to construct or carry out Works or Activities in the ILUA Area in respect of which it has not already received consent under this Deed, it may seek to obtain such consent by having the act become an Approved Future Act by following the process set out in Schedule 2.
8.2 A Work or Activity is an Approved Future Act for the purposes of this Deed if:- 8.2.1 it is described in a Proposed Activity Notice or Revised Activity Notice given to the Native Title Parties; and 8.2.2 either:- 8.2.2.1 the Native Title Parties have given a Concurrence Notice; or 8.2.2.2 consent is deemed to be given under paragraph 10 of Schedule 2.
8.4 The Parties consent to the doing of Approved Future Acts.
9.1 The Parties consent to the construction or carrying out of Minor Works or Activities on the conditions described in Schedule 3 [Minor Works or Activities for which consent is given (as detailed in Schedule 3) are: constructing Council Infrastructure required in emergency circumstances; tree lopping in the immediate vicinity of Council Infrastructure; repairing (any damaged), reinstating (any destroyed), inspecting, maintaining and fencing/ barricading Council Infrastructure; erecting sign posts; accessing the ILUA Area at reasonable times for the purpose of undertaking the Minor Works or Activities described with any machinery, equipment or personnel and by such means as are reasonably necessary (including vehicle access, foot access or access by air)].

'Council Infrastructure' means infrastructure or works owned, maintained, controlled or operated by the Council for a Public Purpose including:- a) amenities, buildings, causeways, cemeteries, conduits, crossings, dams, drains, jetties, pipes, recreation facilities, reservoirs, roads, rubbish dumps, service infrastructure, sheds, transfer stations and wharves; and b) works serving a public need or for a Public Purpose; and c) Public Works.

'Non-Extinguishing Infrastructure' means Council Infrastructure that is:- a) not Extinguishing Infrastructure; and b) was constructed or established within the ILUA Area on or before the Commencement Date.

'Works or Activities' means any Council Infrastructure or the grant of an Occupancy Interest that Council may provide or undertake as a local government after the Commencement Date other than Minor Works or Activities.

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the North Queensland Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified.

If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cwlth).

You must make this objection in writing and send it to the Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, CAIRNS QLD 4870 by 10 January 2013.

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Data statement: agreement area boundary compiled by the National Native Title Tribunal based on data sourced from and with permission of the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Queensland. 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 Rachel Christian on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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By CHRIS PIKE in Perth



WEST Coast AFL and Claremont WAFL footballer Gerrick Weedon has now won four premierships in four seasons since coming to Perth from

Broome to further his career.

It has been a remarkable run of success for the 21-year-old and it began back in 2009, when, as a teenager, he played in Claremont's Colts premiership side.



GERRICK WEEDON

He was then drafted by the West Coast Eagles following his performances that year, but couldn't break into Claremont's strong league side that ended up making the WAFL grand final.

Standout player

Instead, he had a strong season in the reserves side and was a star in their premiership victory. In fact, he was unlucky not to be awarded best-on-ground honours for that win over East Perth.

Weedon picked up a total of 17 possessions and kicked two goals in the win, but it was his West Coast and Claremont team-mate Lewis Broome who received the best-on-ground award.

That was on the back of Broome also being named best afield in the Colts' premiership in 2009.

While Weedon had only managed four league games coming into the 2011 season, he quickly established himself in the senior side for Claremont and became an important part of the forward-line.

West Coast also took note of his impressive performances and gave him his AFL debut against Essendon in round seven, but then it was back to Claremont and he was part of the league side that won the team's first premiership since 1996 after grand final losses in 2004, 2005, 2007 and 2010.

Weedon wasn't able to break through for another AFL game with West Coast during the 2012 season, but with a change of coach at Claremont with Marc Webb replacing Simon McPhee, a new role was in the plans for the skilful and quick footballer.

After spending the majority of his first 25 WAFL games as a half-forward kicking 23 goals, Weedon was shifted into defence for much of the 2012 season and he was perfectly suited to the role as it gave him the opportunity set up play while using his pace and kicking skills to full advantage.

That allowed him to maintain his hold on a position in the tremendously strong Claremont line-up that won a third straight minor premiership and then qualified for a third consecutive WAFL grand final.

In the grand final, Claremont got off to a flying start, leading by 47 points against East Fremantle at quarter-time, but the Sharks fought back hard and got to within a solitary point early in the last term.

However, Claremont steadied to kick the last three goals to win by 26 points and that gave Weedon his second league premiership, and fourth flag overall in the past four seasons.

MEANWHILE, Weedon's West Coast Eagles team-mate Koby Stevens, who played in the WAFL grand final for East Fremantle against Weedon's Claremont, is seeking to continue his AFL career elsewhere after receiving limited opportunities at West Coast.

Despite the 21-year-old having three strong seasons of football in the WAFL at East Fremantle and appearing to be a ready-made AFL footballer with his tough approach, courage, marking ability and his ball-winning prowess, West Coast couldn't find a regular spot for him.

He managed just 11 AFL games with the Eagles the past three years and now is hoping another club wants his services.

It was constantly a surprise to see the likes of Tom Swift and Patrick McGinnity receive games ahead of him despite not offering as much as what Stevens did.

It wouldn't come as any surprise to see him become a permanent part of another AFL side's midfield next season.



KOBY STEVENS

Nominations open for Ella 7s



NOMINATIONS are open for the 2012 South Queensland Ella 7s rugby union tournament to be held at Ballymore Stadium, Brisbane, on 2-3 November.

The tournament will be limited to 16 men’s teams and eight in the women’s division.

All players must be over the age of 18, but players turning 18 in 2012 can apply for dispensation.

It will cost teams \$1100 to enter. All players must complete an Australian Rugby Union (ARU) registration form. This is available on the Ella 7s Facebook page.

Each team is to consist of 12 players and two officials. Each team can have a maximum of two non-Indigenous players.

Each team is guaranteed a minimum three games.

Plate, Bowl competitions


First round losers will enter a Plate competition and if there are sufficient entries, first-round Plate losers will enter a Bowl competition.

All pool, quarter-final and semi-finals will be played in seven-minute halves and all finals will be ten minutes each way, with a two-minute break.

The winners of the men’s competition will receive \$5000, based on 16 teams entering.

The women’s winners will receive \$3000.

Teams that enter after 15 October will be unable to choose their jumper design, sizing and/or have their sponsor's logos on the jumpers. They will be provided with a generic set by Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRDT). Details: <http://ella7s.blogspot.com/>



Resources & Energy

MINING LEASE APPLICATION

Exploration Licence Application 4513 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C’t’h).

Description of area that may be affected by the minister’s consent to prospect on native title land.

An area of 98 units situated approximately 51km west, south west of Grafton, in the State of NSW as shown on the attached diagram.

Description of the nature of the act

Renison Consolidated Mines NL, ACN 003 049 714 is the applicant of Exploration Licence Application 4513 (Act 1992), for an exploration licence which would authorise the prospecting of Group One (1) minerals and be granted for a term of twenty four (24) months.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

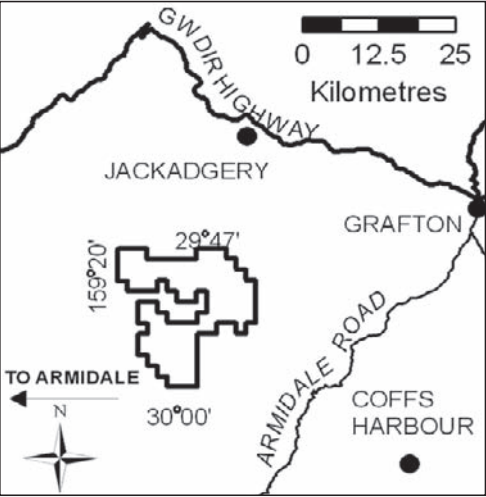
Chris Hartcher MP, Minister for Resources and Energy, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained


Further information may be obtained from Lee Main; Titles Program, NSW Department of Trade and Investment, (02) 4931 6776.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C’t’h) the notification day is **18 October 2012**. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



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GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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	04/2202-3	ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED	400BL	57km E'ly of Broome	Lat: 18° 6' S Long: 122° 45' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2205-6	ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED	400BL	81km S'ly of Broome	Lat: 18° 39' S Long: 121° 58' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	04/2209-12	ILUKA RESOURCES LIMITED	800BL	153km S'ly of Broome	Lat: 19° 14' S Long: 121° 42' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/1992-3	SHAW RIVER MANGANESE LIMITED	238BL	151km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 34' S Long: 116° 15' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2004	YARINGA POTASH PTY LTD	95BL	128km E'ly of Denham	Lat: 26° 16' S Long: 114° 45' E	SHARK BAY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1321	AVOCA MINING PTY LTD	4BL	30km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 45' S Long: 121° 42' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/439	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	5BL	74km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 23' S Long: 120° 45' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/806-1	PHOSPHATE AUSTRALIA LIMITED	13BL	31km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 11' S Long: 118° 2' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2241	FRAKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	6BL	114km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 29' S Long: 122° 49' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2242	FRAKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	4BL	109km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 26' S Long: 122° 47' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2243	AC MINERALS PTY LTD	8BL	138km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 24' S Long: 122° 50' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2246	WHITE CLIFF MINERALS LIMITED	30BL	85km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 18' S Long: 122° 33' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2247	KNIGHTSBRIDGE CORPORATE PTY LTD	51BL	119km NW'ly of Balladonia	Lat: 31° 35' S Long: 123° 7' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2251	STRINDBERG, Maxwell Peter	4BL	75km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 37' S Long: 122° 14' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2252	STRINDBERG, Stan Harry Frederick	4BL	75km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 37' S Long: 122° 14' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2253	PIONEER RESOURCES LIMITED	28BL	92km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 55' S Long: 122° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2254	PASCOE, Dawn Elena	1BL	78km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 35' S Long: 122° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2255	PASCOE, Dawn Elena	1BL	77km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 122° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2260	MATSA RESOURCES LIMITED	19BL	131km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 124° 9' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	38/2725	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	6BL	22km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 122° 26' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2726	CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN RARE EARTHS PTY LTD	6BL	22km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 122° 26' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2758	NORTHERN DRILLING PTY LTD	45BL	34km E'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 122° 44' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2759	DUNSTAN HOLDINGS PTY LTD	51BL	114km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 23' S Long: 121° 57' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	40/321	WHITE CLIFF MINERALS LIMITED	8BL	27km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 5' S Long: 121° 29' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3445	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	13BL	70km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 41' S Long: 119° 21' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3691	MULGA DOWNS IRON ORE PTY LTD	3BL	100km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 4' S Long: 119° 10' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3693	BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	8BL	85km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 15' S Long: 119° 23' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3760	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	60BL	42km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 37' S Long: 118° 50' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/3845	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	13BL	26km NE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 20° 57' S Long: 119° 52' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3892	MAMBA RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	12BL	87km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 13' S Long: 119° 21' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/3918-9	ANTIPA RESOURCES PTY LTD	266BL	50km N'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 15' S Long: 122° 16' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4077	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	70BL	63km E'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 20° 36' S Long: 120° 44' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4078	SHEFFIELD RESOURCES LIMITED	36BL	170km NE'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 19° 35' S Long: 121° 25' E	BROOME SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4083-1	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	49BL	79km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 56' S Long: 119° 21' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/771	MESA MINERALS LIMITED	30BL	50km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 4' S Long: 120° 33' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/974-1 & 5-1	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	100BL	135km E'ly of Mount Newman	Lat: 22° 54' S Long: 120° 57' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/976	SPITFIRE AUSTRALIA (SWW) PTY LTD	19BL	120km SW'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 20' S Long: 121° 17' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2680	MITHRIL RESOURCES LTD	44BL	54km S'ly of Karratha	Lat: 21° 13' S Long: 116° 48' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, ROEBOURNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2682	GEOLOGICAL RESOURCE SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	5BL	88km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 3' S Long: 117° 16' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2683	JAYVEE RESOURCES PTY LTD	1BL	89km NW'ly of Tom Price	Lat: 22° 4' S Long: 117° 14' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2690	YOUNG, Bradford John	63BL	51km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 38' S Long: 118° 15' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	51/1535	YOUNG, Julie Lynne				
Exploration Licence	53/1685	ENTERPRISE METALS LIMITED	50BL	47km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 0' S Long: 117° 56' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/2871	ENCOUNTER RESOURCES LTD	15BL	106km W'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 52' S Long: 119° 49' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence		INDEPENDENCE GROUP NL	165BL	226km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 125° 1' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4126	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED				
Exploration Licence	70/4134	BAUXITE RESOURCES LIMITED	5BL	15km SE'ly of Nannup	Lat: 34° 4' S Long: 115° 53' E	NANNUP SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2074	MOTUEKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	22BL	32km S'ly of Eneabba	Lat: 30° 6' S Long: 115° 18' E	COOROW SHIRE, DANDARAGAN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4623	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	1BL	57km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 120° 0' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence		EVERS, Phillip James	36BL	64km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 47' S Long: 128° 3' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence		JOHNSTON, Graeme Godsman				
Exploration Licence	80/4624	EVERS, Phillip James	70BL	54km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 59' S Long: 128° 6' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence		JOHNSTON, Graeme Godsman				
Miscellaneous Licence	45/314	CAMECO AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	24588.56HA	61km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 14' S Long: 122° 3' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
		MDP URANIUM PTY LTD				
The purposes of L 45/314 are: a search for groundwater						
Prospecting Licence	15/5745	ST. IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	81.17HA	13km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 12' S Long: 121° 48' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5746-8	ST. IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	418.18HA	13km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 14' S Long: 121° 47' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5749	NANKIVELL, Dennis William	174.42HA	21km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 7' S Long: 121° 4' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5751	ST. IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	11.09HA	15km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 29' S Long: 121° 44' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5752	ST. IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	67.54HA	19km E'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 28' S Long: 121° 46' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2776	HIGGINS, Rodney Arthur	141.65HA	55km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 120° 50' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2210	BIG BELL GOLD OPERATIONS PTY LTD	119.90HA	9km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 20' S Long: 117° 51' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4581	NICKELORE LIMITED	44.55HA	65km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 16' S Long: 121° 4' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4669	MAHONEY, Lyndon Scott	16.39HA	33km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 121° 21' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2237	WEDGETAIL PROSPECTING PTY LTD	121.30HA	25km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 121° 43' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/3902	BAKER, Helen	157.04HA	35km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 2' S Long: 121° 58' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	30/1095-6	MACARTHUR IRON ORE PTY LTD	217.95HA	110km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 52' S Long: 119° 54' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8223	LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	74.59HA	27km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 121° 35' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8248	LACEY, Angus William	7.81HA	93km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 121° 35' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8272-3	RUDZITIS, Mark Peter	365.59HA	56km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 26' S Long: 121° 3' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8274	PILKINGTON, Anthony Gerald	96.14HA	62km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 18' S Long: 121° 9' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4038-40	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	556.14HA	50km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 122° 24' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4041	DIXON, Trevor John	9.83HA	44km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 122° 36' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5308	GODWIN, Michael Lawrence	194.50HA	78km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 17' S Long: 122° 10' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5309	GODWIN, Michael Lawrence	185.62HA	79km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 19' S Long: 122° 14' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/1995	FRAKA INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	71.00HA	79km W'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 5' S Long: 116° 54' E	PERENJORI SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1906-9	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	674.98HA	24km N'ly of Norseman	Lat: 31° 59' S Long: 121° 42' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1910	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	137.66HA	19km N'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 2' S Long: 121° 43' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1912	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	73.56HA	18km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 3' S Long: 121° 52' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1913	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	169.69HA	19km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 3' S Long: 121° 53' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1914	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	162.71HA	15km NE'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 5' S Long: 121° 53' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	63/1916	MOSCUFO, Daniel John	76.45HA	14km S'ly of Norseman	Lat: 32° 19' S Long: 121° 48' E	DUNDAS SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4162-3	DESHON, Brendon Chevely	253.73HA	49km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 37' S Long: 119° 32' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Nature of the act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years. Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.						
Notification day: 3 October 2012						
Native title parties: Under section 30 of the <i>Native Title Act 1993</i> (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 3 January 2013 . Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of <i>Native Title Act 1993</i> (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.						
Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 3 February 2013), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.						
For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.						
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... Now comes New York



NINE Indigenous athletes from across the country conquered the biggest challenge of their short running careers by competing in a 30km test event in Alice Springs on

22 September.

Their rewards are trips to the United States to run in the New York Marathon, while for two others, running in the Boston Marathon will be their reward.

Korey Summers, Nat Heath, Jurgean Tabuai, Kieren De Santis, Justin Gaykamangu, Marius Clarke, Amber Parker and Grace Eather overcame their fears to smash their 30km test event and earn themselves a place on Rob de Castella's Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) team to travel to New York in November.

Nicky Kerindun had the run of her life, finishing a 21.1km course (10.1 km further than she had ever run) to make it into the squad for the Boston Marathon in April next year.

She will be joined by Emma Cameron, who was injured and unable to run in Alice Springs.

Project director Rob de Castella, who has been mentoring the athletes since they were selected into the squad in March, said he was overwhelmed by what the athletes, many from extremely remote parts of the country, had achieved in such short time.

The teams for the Boston and New York marathons are:

IMP New York Marathon: Justin Gaykamangu (Ramingining, NT) 2:17.30.
Korey Summers (Alice Springs, NT) 2:11.50.
Nat Heath (Newcastle, NSW) 2:20.40.
Marius Clarke (Gunbalanya, NT) 2:25.52.
Jurgean Tabuai (Townsville, Qld) 2:34.10.
Kieren De Santis (Tiwi Islands, NT) 2:48.15.
Amber Parker (Cessnock, NSW) 2:56.40.
Grace Eather (Maningrida, NT) 3:24.10
IMP Boston Marathon squad:
Nicky Kerindun (Aurukun, Qld)
Emma Cameron (Darwin, NT).

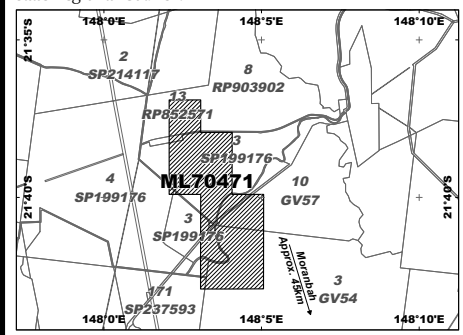


Rob de Castella and his Indigenous Marathon Project team in Alice Springs over the weekend.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF A MINING LEASE NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease 70471 sought by Talwood Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 147 400 744 over an area of 3489.18 ha, centred approximately 45km North of Moranbah in the locality of Isaac Regional Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Leases under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years with the possibility of renewals for a term not exceeding twenty (20) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Governor-in-Council, c/- the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland 4002.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease application, may be obtained from the Mining Registrar Coal, Building E, 25 Yeppoon Road, Parkhurst, Rockhampton Qld 4702, Telephone: (07) 4936 0362.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Qld 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 24 October 2012.



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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR MINERALS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice of the proposed grant of the Exploration Permit for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the General Conditions Version 5, 10 December 2010 and Native Title Protection Conditions Version 2, October 2010.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an on objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

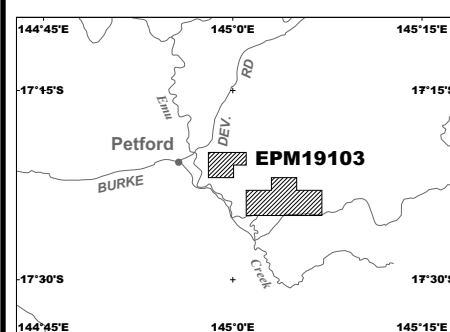
Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from Mines (Department of Natural Resources and Mines), Landcentre, Corner of Vulture and Main Streets, Woolloongabba, Qld 4102. Telephone: (07) 3238 3843.

Notification Day: 24 October 2012

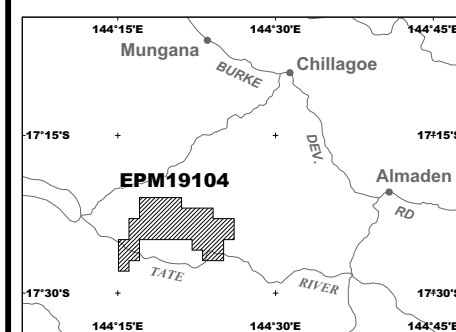


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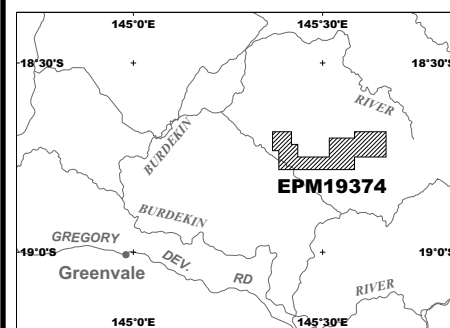
Exploration Permit 19103 sought by BE4 Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 142 017 963, over an area of 19 sub-blocks (62km²), centred approximately 13km East of Petford in the locality of Tablelands Regional Council.



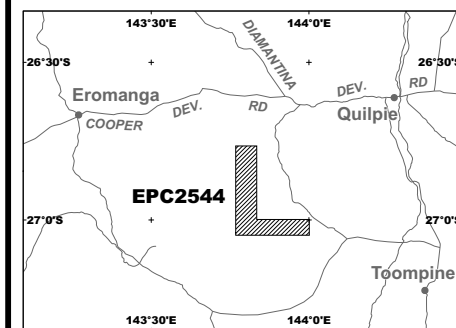
Exploration Permit 19104 sought by BE4 Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 142 017 963, over an area of 41 sub-blocks (134km²), centred approximately 36km SW of Chillagoe, in the locality of Tablelands Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 19374 sought by Nextstar Pty Ltd, ACN 112 750 375, over an area of 69 sub-blocks (224km²), centred approximately 60km NE of Greenvale in the locality of Charters Towers Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 2544 sought by Jems Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 140 611 043 over an area of 98 sub-blocks (299km²), centred approximately 54km SW of Quilpie, in the locality of Quilpie Shire Council.



Softball targets our mob



SA THE Indigenous Softball Program (ISP) has been launched in South Australia. Softball Australia joined with Softball South Australia to launch the ISP strategy last Friday at Barratt Reserve, West Beach Road, West Beach. The program is aimed at increasing the

participation of Indigenous Australians from targeted urban, rural and remote areas in all facets and levels of softball by:

- Embedding softball as the sport of choice for Indigenous women
- Supporting government health and wider policy objectives
- Working with Indigenous communities to help them become self-sufficient so they can continue to develop and deliver their own events and programs.

South Australia was chosen as one of the locations for the Indigenous Softball Program launches due to the popularity of softball by Indigenous communities in South Australia, particularly the APY Lands, as well as the commitment shown by Softball South Australia in providing opportunities for Indigenous communities. Softball Australia will provide more than 150 activities, including softball competitions, coaching and officiating,

training sessions, and junior development programs to more than 8500 Indigenous participants. In particular in South Australia, Softball South Australia, in partnership with the South Australian National Football League (SANFL), will continue to work with the APY Lands and other Indigenous communities to help them become self-sufficient, so they can continue to develop and deliver their own events and programs.

Indigenous rugby union team at U16 titles



THE Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRDT) has a team competing in this week's Australian Rugby Union (ARU) national under 16 championships in Sydney.

The Lloyd McDermott team is competing in the Division Two competition that also involves teams from South Australia, the Northern Territory and Tasmania.

Division One competition has been split into two pools, with NSW Schools, Queensland White, Western Australia and NSW Country in one pool, and Queensland Red, Sydney Juniors, Victoria and Act Brumbies in the other pool.

Queensland Red won last year's tournament.

There is no play today, and the LMRDT will play Tasmania in the second game tomorrow (Thursday).

Their match on Friday is against South Australia.

The tournament is in its 11th year.

The National Indigenous team is looking to hold on to the Division Two title it won last year and make it nine title wins since 2001.

The carnival is being played at Sydney's St Ignatius College, Riverview.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

<p>Exploration Licence 29499 sought by AUSTRALIS MINERALS PTY LTD, ACN 131 522 257 over an area of 37 Blocks (122 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HUMBERT locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5065</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 29582 sought by NORTH QUEENSLAND MINING PTY LTD, ACN 152 890 643 over an area of 19 Blocks (63 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5270</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 29597 sought by NORTH QUEENSLAND MINING PTY LTD, ACN 152 890 643 over an area of 27 Blocks (89 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the FERGUSSON RIVER locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5269</p>
<p>Exploration Licence 29608 sought by OCEANIC RESOURCES AND PROPERTY GROUP PTY LTD, ACN 154 418 336 over an area of 179 Blocks (588 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the FOELSCHE locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6264</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 26909 sought by OCEANIC RESOURCES AND PROPERTY GROUP PTY LTD, ACN 154 418 336 over an area of 228 Blocks (751 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the GLYDE locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6164</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 29610 sought by OCEANIC RESOURCES AND PROPERTY GROUP PTY LTD, ACN 154 418 336 over an area of 166 Blocks (545 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6163</p>
<p>Exploration Licence 29576 sought by PACIFIC EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 153 168 364 over an area of 250 Blocks (779 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LIGNUM locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6358</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 29564 sought by TERRITORY IRON PTY LTD, ACN 125 984 401 over an area of 6 Blocks (12 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5271</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 29569 sought by VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD, ACN 081 724 101 over an area of 73 Blocks (218 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BORROLOOLA locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6165</p>
<p>Exploration Licence 29571 sought by VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD, ACN 081 724 101 over an area of 248 Blocks (777 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WEARYAN locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6265</p>	<p>Exploration Licence 29572 sought by VALE AUSTRALIA EA PTY LTD, ACN 081 724 101 over an area of 248 Blocks (793 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ROBINSON locality.</p> <p>Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 6365</p>	

Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 or GPO Box 9973 Sydney, NSW 2001, or telephone (02) 9227 4000.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 3 October 2012

Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mineral Titles Act* authorises the holder to conduct activities in connection with exploration for minerals for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral exploration licences referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepont Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

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Schoolboys rebound from opening loss



AUSTRALIAN Schools, led by Indigenous lad Mitch Whitley (pictured), rebounded from their 18-9 loss to the Fijian President's XV with a resounding 29-12 defeat over Fijian Schools at Churchill Park, Lautoka, Fiji, on 25 September.

The Australian side showed great determination in its first Test of the tour in the oppressive Fijian heat, taking control of the match early.

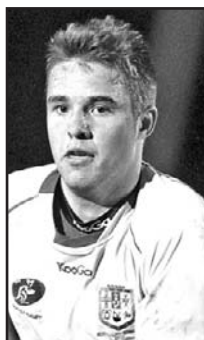
The team that played Fijian Schools was vastly different to the one that lost the opening encounter of the tour.

The Australian Schools side is now in New Zealand and was to face the New Zealand Barbarians on 29 September, Samoan Schools yesterday (2 October).

The tour will wrap up when the Australians play New Zealand Schools on 6 October.

Whiteley, who also has represented Australia in polocrosse, is one of two Indigenous boys in the Australian Schoolboys squad on tour.

John Porch, from Tamworth, is the other.



Souths' season 'a failure'



SOUTH Sydney stalwart Nathan Merritt says the vastly improved Rabbitohs regard their National Rugby League (NRL) season as a failure, even though they have exceeded the outside world's expectations. The rejuvenated Rabbitohs enjoyed

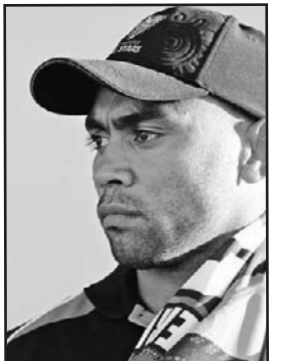
their finest year since readmission to the competition in 2002, finishing third on the ladder with 16 wins from 26 games. They led the favoured Bulldogs 8-4 on Saturday 22 September, but conceded 28 unanswered points after losing halfback Adam Reynolds with a torn hamstring in the first half. Coach Michael Maguire said he was

pleased with the campaign and proud of where the Rabbitohs were headed but they still had a lot to work on. For outside back Merritt, one of the club's longest-serving players, the 32-8 loss felt like 'being stabbed in the heart'. "We took it to another level this year, made the top four," Merritt said. "It was a great finish by us, a win

away from the grand final. "It can be proven a success but it's a failure to us, but in the outside world we've surpassed expectations this year." Souths won just one out of six games against the other top-four sides. Superstar fullback Greg Inglis pinpointed the elimination of costly lapses as the areas Souths needed to address to consistently beat the best. "In the end, it's just an 80-minute performance. We keep saying that each and every week and it's just those lapses," Inglis said.

He said Maguire had brought mental toughness to the club, while Merritt wished the new coach had come to Souths several years ago. "The way we trained, he took it up ten levels from what we'd done the previous years," Merritt said.

"He changed the club... the way he controlled the team. "Most of the team gelled together and the bond is a lot more closer this year. "I would have loved to have had Madge (Maguire) five, six, ten years ago at this club. "The club has been lacking someone like Madge for years. Madge has got so much passion and belief in us and it rubs off on us and as you can see we've been competitive all year."



NATHAN MERRITT

Raised expectations

Merritt recognised there would be raised expectations of the Rabbitohs, but expected Souths would respond by being better next year. "Definitely we are going to be a recognised team now," Merritt said. "Everyone knows we're competitive and this year we're going to get a lot of experience from the finals series, the atmosphere. "It's going to make us a better team for next year." Inglis said the Rabbitohs must take the pain of the preliminary final loss and use it to drive them forward into next year. "It definitely hurts and I think the best thing about this is we take the feelings we've got now," Inglis said. "The (qualifying final) loss in Melbourne really hurt and burnt us and we had to get back and we fought our way back. "But it's obviously the same feeling that we're very disappointed with the way we went and I think it will drive us through the whole pre-season and carry on next year. — AAP

Early start to Super Rugby in 2013

THE 2013 Super Rugby competition will open in Australia next February with two local derbies – and on a weekend where no games will be staged in New Zealand or South Africa.

The Australia-only start to the season on Friday 15 February (Rebels v Force in Melbourne) and Saturday 16 February 16 (Brumbies v Reds in Canberra) has been designed to accommodate the nine-game schedule of the British and Irish Lions Tour to Australia in June.

Australian teams will take a break from Super Rugby when the Qantas Wallabies play the Lions in three tests on 22 June, 29 June and 6 July.

However, those dates are not aligned with the June tests set down for South Africa and New Zealand.

Therefore, staggered rest periods for Super Rugby teams will apply across the three countries.

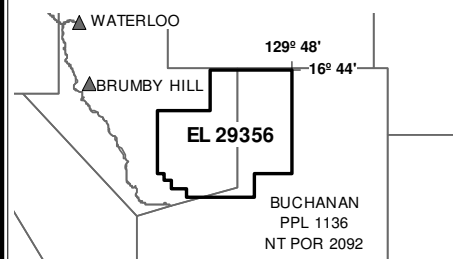
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Willem Westra Van Holthe MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Mines and Energy, C/- Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

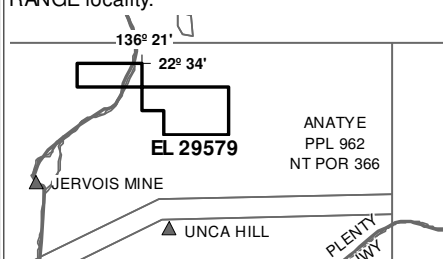
Applications to which this notice applies:

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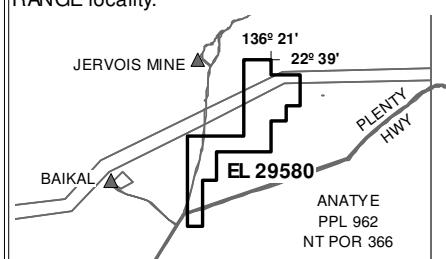
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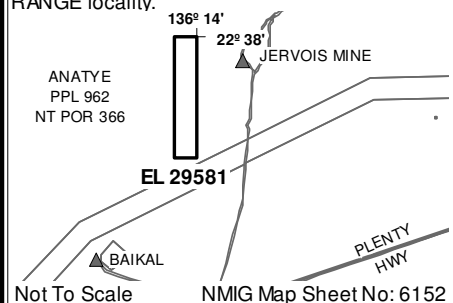
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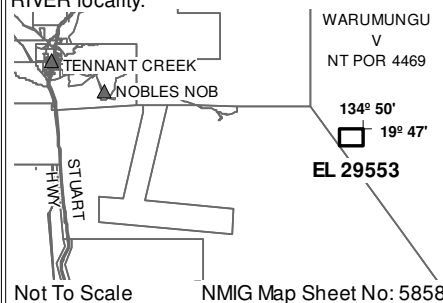
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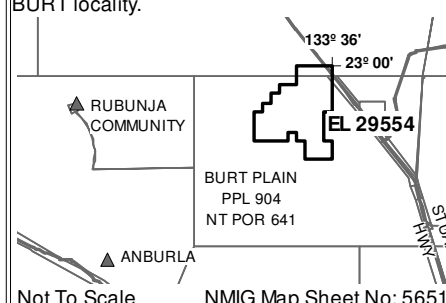
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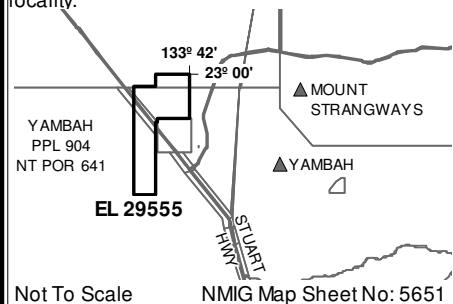
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Exploration Licence 29554 sought by PACIFIC EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 153 168 364 over an area of 58 Blocks (184 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BURT locality.



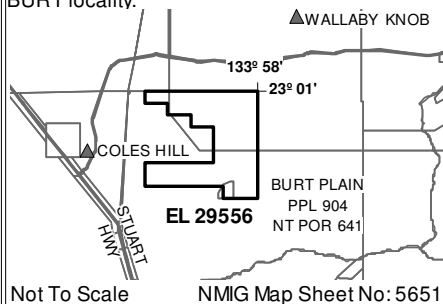
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Exploration Licence 29555 sought by PACIFIC EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 153 168 364 over an area of 30 Blocks (93 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BURT locality.



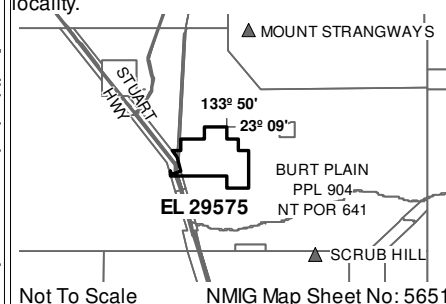
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Exploration Licence 29556 sought by PACIFIC EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 153 168 364 over an area of 59 Blocks (187 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BURT locality.



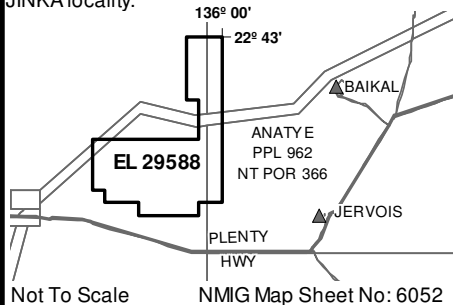
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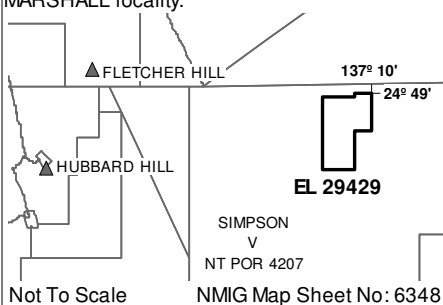
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Exploration Licence 29588 sought by PACIFIC EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 153 168 364 over an area of 80 Blocks (253 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the JINKA locality.



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Exploration Licence 29429 sought by WESI CORP PTY LTD, ACN 153 813 793 over an area of 250 Blocks (779 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MARSHALL locality.



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Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 or GPO Box 9973 Sydney, NSW 2001, or telephone (02) 9227 4000.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 3 October 2012

Another 'JT' accolade



WIDELY acknowledged as one of the top players in the National Rugby League (NRL),

North Queensland skipper Johnathan Thurston last week was named as the game's hardest worker off the field as well.

Thurston was awarded the Ken Stephen Medal at the One Community awards, presented to the player who made the greatest contribution to the community this year.

It capped off an impressive year for the Australia, Queensland and North Queensland five-eighth.

As well as piloting his Cowboys to the semi-finals, Thurston finished fourth in the voting for this year's Dally M award, and was named five-eighth of the year.

The two-time Dally M Medal winner's latest honour was for his hard work helping a wide range of community activities – primarily his commitment to helping Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students through workshops.

'Stay at school'

"Hopefully, I've been able to use my profile to show these kids how important it is to stay in school and get an education," Thurston said.

"If you achieve that, then there are so many things you can look at doing as an adult.

"I was the first person in my family to finish Year 12 and it's something that I'm very proud of.

"No doubt it's helped me with my football and other areas around footy that I received the education that I did."

More than 350 guests, including NRL club officials and players, award



From left, Dylan Nicholls, Preston Campbell and Katelyn Farrell at the One Community awards presentation at the Sydney Town Hall.

nominees, sponsors and prominent politicians, attended the inspiring ceremony at Sydney's Town Hall to acknowledge and celebrate rugby league's unsung heroes.

The One Community awards launched a spectacular week of grand final celebrations for a 2012 season that saw NRL players and ambassadors devote more than 29,000 hours to community work and the NRL and its clubs raise more than \$1.2 million for charity.

Alongside Thurston, the honour roll included ARLC Young Indigenous League Learn Earn Legend! Award – Katelyn Farrell (Souths Cares Learn Earn Legend! School to Work Transition Program), and Dylan Nicholls (Titans Beyond Tomorrow program).

The winners of the award receive a \$2500 education scholarship from the Australian Rugby League Commission to support their studies.

Katelyn Farrell, 18, was nominated by the Souths Cares Learn Earn Legend! Schools to Work Transition program for her outstanding leadership and commitment to education. She is studying for her HSC at Matraville

Sports High School, where she is school vice-captain. She grew up on the Jerrinja Mission, with her brother and Rabbitohs centre Dylan, and she continues to spend much of her time there working in the homework centre mentoring the local children. Katelyn hopes to study at university next year to become a Primary School Teacher.

Top student

Dylan Nicholls, 19, was nominated by the Gold Coast Titans' 'Titans Beyond Tomorrow' program. A member of the Tweed-Byron Indigenous community, he was consistently recognised at Kingscliff High School as an outstanding sportsman and student, placing in the top 5 per cent of NSW students during his final year in 2011. Dylan is completing a



Johnathan Thurston after being presented with the Ken Stephen Medal at the One Community awards in Sydney last week.

Bachelor of Medicine, Surgery and Science at the University of Queensland to further improve the education and health outcomes for Indigenous Australians. – **With AAP**



A 2011 file picture of Lionel Morgan.

Trailblazer honoured



LIONEL Morgan – the first Aboriginal player to represent Australia in a rugby league test

match – has been honoured for his contribution to the sport.

Morgan, a goal-kicking winger from the Tweed Heads area, was one of three 'greats' to be honoured at the annual Men of League gala dinner in Sydney last Thursday.

The rugby league speedster debuted for Australia against France on 2 July 1960 at Lang Park, Brisbane.

His other honour was being

named in the Indigenous Team of the Century.

The other former players to be honoured at the Men of League dinner were Brian Davies and Ferris Ashton.

Ashton was the only one of the three at the Sydney dinner.

Davies and Morgan will be honoured at the Men of League Brisbane luncheon today (Wednesday 3 October).

The gala dinner also featured the announcement of Andrew Johns as Rugby League Week's eighth Immortal. Other nominees were Norm Provan, Ron Coote and Mal Meninga.



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
45/2984	GIRALIA RESOURCES PTY LTD	404748	179.12HA	76km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 30' S Long: 119° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 3 October 2012

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 **3 January 2013**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 3 February 2013**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
General Purpose Lease	77/119	GOLDEN IRON RESOURCES LTD	298.15HA	126km N'ly of Koolyanobbling	Lat: 29° 41' S Long: 119° 21' E	MENEZIES SHIRE

The purposes of G 77/119 are: a bore, a communications facility, a conveyor system, a drainage channel, a minesite administration facility, a pipeline, a power generation and transmission facility, a power line, a pump station, a road, a search for groundwater, a storage or transportation facility for minerals or mineral concentrate, a water management facility, a workshop and storage facility, hydraulic reclamation and transport of tailings, taking water

Miscellaneous Licence	45/295	BROCKMAN IRON PTY LTD	284.00HA	19km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 27' S Long: 118° 30' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
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The purposes of L 45/295 are: a bore, a bridge, a conveyor system, a drainage channel, a pipeline, a power line, a road, a search for groundwater, a storage or transportation facility for minerals or mineral concentrate, taking water

Mining Lease	08/474	LEWIS, Wayne John	9.14HA	124km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 6' S Long: 116° 28' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	09/150	CAPRICORN RESOURCES PTY LTD	561.20HA	3km NW'ly of Carnarvon	Lat: 24° 52' S Long: 113° 38' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Mining Lease	15/1809	FOCUS MINERALS LTD (ACN 005 470 799)	977.37HA	24km S'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 9' S Long: 121° 5' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	26/460	OPTIMUM RESOURCES PTY LTD	129.23HA	7km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 121° 32' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY

Nature of the act: Grant of miscellaneous licences for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of renewal for 21 years. 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. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant. Grant of general purpose leases for purpose in connection with mining for minerals for a term of 21 years with a right of successive renewals for terms of 21 years.

Notification day: 3 October 2012

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 **3 January 2013**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 3 February 2013**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3828.

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17th annual National Indigenous Host uni cleans up

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



ALL-STAR James Cook University student Neerum Callope summed up the 17th National Indigenous Tertiary Education Student Games best with 'we are still black, we are still strong, we are still proud, and we will lead the way forward for our people'.

While 15 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander university teams gathered from around the country in far North Queensland to contest four days of sport, including netball, basketball, touch football and beach volleyball, what happened in between was just as important.

And culture and fun was high on the agenda for the hundreds of students taking part in the annual games.

Hosted by James Cook University – Cairns, the games were launched with a Welcome to Country and traditional Indigenous games on Sunday 23 September, heralding the beginning of 'serious but friendly' battle of muscle and might of the mixed women and men's teams.

While Melbourne University might have dominated the past two years, it was the hosts, James Cook University – Cairns, who cleaned up with a highlight of three first places and a host of other Most Valuable

Player awards.

Meanwhile, the first day of indoor netball, the University of Western Sydney dominated, with Newcastle University finishing second and University of Melbourne third.

Harley Foster, playing for the Flinders/Adelaide University combined team, took out Most Valuable Player.

The second day of touch football was no less fiercely contested, with host university James Cook University winning from University of Western Sydney and University of Queensland.

James Cook University's Neerim Callope won the Most Valuable Touch Football Player award.

On the third day (basketball), James Cook University – Cairns dominated, winning from University of Melbourne and University of Western Sydney.

True to form, James Cook University's Neerim Callope took out Most Valuable Player award.

On the final day, students were up for some fun and frivolity as they played beach volleyball along the Cairns esplanade.

James Cook University – Cairns won from University of Western Sydney, and the University of Melbourne.

University of Queensland's George Morseu took out the Most Valuable Player award.



Winners of the netball competition was University of Western Sydney.



George Morseu, from the University of Queensland, during the beach volleyball on the final day at the Cairns Esplanade.



The overall winners of the National Indigenous Tertiary Education Student Games – James Cook University – Cairns.



A James Cook University combined team player sets up a spike in the beach volleyball.



The Most valuable Player for netball was Flinders/Adelaide University combined Harley Foster.



Most Valuable Player in touch football and basketball and Most Valuable Player of the Games, Neerim Callope, second from left, with his proud family, from left, dad Jerry, sister Kirraeyani, brother Djerami and mum Liz.



Queensland University of Technology's Oodgeroo Unit gets ready for their first touch footy game of the day.



Action in the touch football game between Wollongong Uni (blue, green, black and yellow) and University of New South Wales (black and yellow).



Home team James Cook University – Cairns (blue) takes on the University of Queensland in touch footy.

Tertiary Education Student Games



● LEFT: Continuing the Murseu tradition: The Most Valuable Player in basketball was the University of Queensland's George Morseu.

● RIGHT: Griffith University (Red) takes on Griffith Australian National University (black and grey) in touch football.

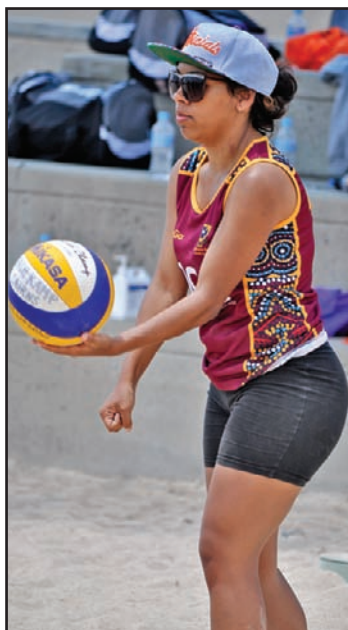
● FAR RIGHT: Metal fatigue – James Cook University's Neerim Callope cleaned up with Most Valuable Player for touch football and basketball and overall Most Valuable Player of the Games.



James Cook University Cairns (blue) take on Australian National University (black and grey) in basketball. This JCU team also included students from other universities.



Lismore's Southern Cross University (blue and yellow) takes on Queensland University of Technology in touch football.



A University of Queensland student about to serve in beach volleyball.



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Skipjacks' late charge



Skipjacks after winning their first Palm Island premiership since 1998.



Yarrabah team won the Cairns reserve grade rugby league grand final.

Picture: Jacinta Keyes Yeatman

By ALF WILSON



SKIPJACKS, placed third in the minor premiership, ran the gauntlet of having to win every game to claim the Palm Island rugby league grand final. Skipjacks beat Butler Bay Bulls 32-28 in a thrilling end-of-season climax.

The underdogs trailed 28-18 with ten minutes remaining in the 15 September decider.

But two tries sealed their first premiership since 1998.

One of the biggest crowds for years turned out at the Palm island football oval to see the grand final.

It was a see-sawing game, with both teams looking to have control at stages.

Rain made the ball slippery in the early part of the game, but Skipjacks handled the conditions better early and looked on top when they led 18-6.

They led 18-12 at half-time.

However after the break, Bulls scored first and converted to equalise.

Then Bulls scored two more tries to lead 28-18 and looked in control.

Then came the Skipjack revival.

Hooker James Sibley scored three tries for Skipjacks, with one apiece to five-eighth Gary Pearson, front rower George Dabea, winger Owen Wilson and star back Clinton Pearson.

Anthony Thompson and Clinton Pearson each booted a goal.

Best players for Skipjacks were forwards James Sibley, Georgie Dabea, Fred Bulsey and Jeremy Puleh, along with fullback Esrom Geia.

For Bulls, utility John Olliffe and forward Walter Geia each scored two tries, with one to second rower Billo Wotton.

Pita Morgan booted three goals and Walter Geia one.

Best players for Bulls were fullback Gresham Ross, Pita Morgan and forwards Isiah Blackman, Walter Morgan and Walter Geia.

Emotional Skipjacks captain Fred Bulsey spoke to the *Koori Mail* after the win and said he was 'over the moon'.

"We finally did it, having won our last premiership back in 1998," he said.

"I have never seen so many people at a football match here. It seemed like the whole island was here. All my family was and we are all just so happy. Tonight we are having a big party."

Bulsey paid tribute to the local referee Kevin Castors.

Captain courageous Bulsey went off the field late in the game for a breather and saved himself up for one final assault on premiership honours.

Bulsey said it was a magnificent effort by Skipjacks considering they finished third in the minor premiership behind premiers Bulls and Raiders.

Overcame Raiders

In a good quality preliminary final a week earlier, Skipjacks defeated Mount Bentley Raiders 34-24.

Skipjacks led 18-6 at half-time and then withstood a challenge by Raiders.

In the qualifying semi-final on 1 September, Butler Bay Bulls charged into the grand final beating Mount Bentley Raiders 54-34.

In the elimination semi-final, Skipjacks scored a hard fought 42-32 victory over 2011 premiers Jets.

It was a highly successful season, with the other clubs being Mundy Bay Warriors, Bwgcolman Brothers and Hornets.

MEANWHILE, the Yarrabah Seahawks won the Cairns and District reserve grade grand final on 16 September, beating Brothers 36-22.

It was Yarrabah's historic first ever premiership in the strong Cairns competition.

For Yarrabah, Septimus Ambrym, Larry Major, John Bassini, William Marpoondin, Pedea Mudu, Shaun Kynuna, Willie Mooka scored tries, and Bert Harris booted four goals.

Suburbs go back-to-back in KRL

By ALF WILSON



SUBURBS made it back-to-back premierships in the Kaiwalagal Rugby League Suburbs (KRL) on Thursday Island with a hard-fought 24-20 victory over arch rivals Roosters in the men's grand final.

Played before a large crowd at the Ken

Brown Memorial Oval on 8 September, Suburbs led 18-10 at half-time.

But Roosters fought back strongly to outscore Suburbs in the second half and turned the game into a cliffhanger.

Matti Mene scored a try for Suburbs with less than ten minutes remaining.

Kailu George kicked true with his fourth out of four conversions to bring the score to 24-20.

Suburbs 24 (Matti Mene, Lewis Whap,

Samson Zitha, George Gabey 1 tries; Kailu George 4 goals) d Roosters 20 (Joey Mareko, Marlu Nakachi, Abel Tom, Rickardo Laza tries; Sam Wasaga 2 goals).

In the preliminary final, Suburbs 46 (D Brauer, G Gabey 2, L Lobal, T Mau, S Zitha, E Bani Jnr, L Cloudy tries; K George 4 goals) defeated Knights 28 (D David 2, M Marana, E Ahmat, E Daniels tries; F Bon 2 goals).

Costly exercise

In the 2011 grand final, Suburbs also scored a four-point win over Roosters.

Suburbs won 38-34 victory in extra time.

This year's women's decider was an even closer match.

Local TI side Sundown Sirens beat Dedeyal Gammars, from St Pauls, on Moa Island, with a field goal in extra time.

Sundown Sirens defeated Dedeyal Gammars 25-24, with Elsie Seriat kicking the winning field goal two minutes into the

first five minutes of extra time.

Competition spokeswoman Sasha Busch praised Dedeyal Gammars for their consistent commitment to the season, raising more than \$2000 every three weeks to travel to TI from St Pauls to play.

"The season has been a first with an outer-island team travelling to TI to play in the KRL, and I believe it was a successful start that we can build on," Sasha said.

Sirens were two tries down with ten minutes to go, but scored one and then then another with one minute remaining.

The conversion levelled the scores, setting the platform for extra time.



Kaiwalagal Rugby League men's premiers Suburbs celebrate after their 24-20 win over Roosters in the grand final on Thursday Island.



Sirens after winning the 2012 women's grand final.



Dale Alfred hits out in his innings of 32 for the Wurrumiyanga Sharks in the Tiwi Islands cricket grand final against the Pirlangimpi Tigers.

Tiwis set to return to Imparja Cup carnival



THE Tiwi Islands again will be represented at next year's Imparja Cup cricket carnival in Alice Springs.

The Tiwis' Japarricka squad for the 2013 Imparja Cup has been selected.

This follows the conclusion of the Tiwi Islands cricket competition in late September.

Attention quickly turned to the Japarricka representative squad. The Japarricka squad is made up of players who represent Bathurst and Melville islands, from eight traditional countries – Munupi, Marrikawuyanga, Yimpinari, Wulirankuwu, Mantiyupi, Marlawu, Wurankuwu, Jikilaruwu – and four skin groups.

Next year's team will be led by Glenn Dunn-Richards, from the Pirlangimpi community.

This will be Dunn-Richards' fourth Imparja Cup. His experience and cricket knowledge will be crucial in settling the younger squad members into the tour.

This season saw Dunn-Richards top the bowling aggregate and was second on run aggregate for the Tiwi Islands competition.

"Last Imparja we took a squad down and learned a lot," the skipper said.

"That will help this time round. Having played a season on the islands now will help as we have been able to uncover some young players and give them an opportunity to represent the Tiwi people and showcase their raw talent."

Dunn-Richards will be supported by last year's captain Matthew Wonaeamirri, Jamie Fernando, Desmond Bruppacher and David Henry.

The senior members will be supported by some exciting young guns.

Ricky Edgar was impressive this season and topped the run aggregate list and proved to be a very handy gloveman.

Fast bowler Edward Darcy proved that thunder doesn't come out of the sky.

Best with bat and ball

Dale Alfred was outstanding for the Wurrumiyang Sharks, topping batting and bowling aggregates for the club.

Ray Wilson, from Pirlangimpi, will play a key role with bat and ball.

The Japarricka's Mr reliable, Barry Black, from Milikapiti, can be counted on in any situation, while Harvey Darcy is a very capable all-rounder.

The 2013 Imparja Cup Tiwi Islands Japarricka squad: Glenn Dunn-Richards (Pirlangimpi Tigers), David Henry (Pirlangimpi Tigers), Ray Wilson (Pirlangimpi Tigers), Desmond Bruppacher (Pirlangimpi Tigers), Ricky Edgar (Pirlangimpi Tigers), Matthew Wonaeamirri (Milikapiti Magpies),

Edward Darcy (Milikapiti Magpies), Barry Black (Milikapiti Magpies), Jamie Fernando (Milikapiti Magpies), Dale Alfred (Wurrumiyanga Sharks), Harvey Darcy (Wurrumiyanga sharks), Mick Rees coach/manager (Milikapiti).

MEANWHILE, the Tiwi Islands cricket season concluded with the final between Wurrumiyanga Sharks and Pirlangimpi Tigers at Stanley Tipiloura Oval, Wurrumiyanga.

The Sharks won the toss and elected to bat. They were in early trouble, losing three wickets in the first three overs, with Ray Wilson (2-12) Leo Orsto (2-5) and Glenn Dunn-Richards (1-10) getting plenty of swing.

The Sharks returned serve, with Dale Alfred and Harvey Tipungwuti attacking the bowling, taking 30 off the next four overs before Tipungwuti was bowled by another accurate inswinger from the impressive Ray Wilson.

David Henry had seen enough and came on to take 3-5 in his last over to clean up the tale.

Dale Alfred was a run machine for the Sharks this season and once again top-scored with 32.

The Sharks failed to bat out their overs, being all out three overs shy of their quota, for 66.

The Tigers' top order had been outstanding all season and were expected to make light work of the required total.

Off to flying start

David Henry and Leo Orsto treated the Sharks bowling with little respect to race to 26 off three overs, before Dale Alfred decided to get involved, taking 3-4 off his first over to turn the game on its head.

Alfred's second wicket was that of the dangerous Ricky Edgar, the competition's leading run scorer. That put the Sharks back on the front foot.

Cecil Woody followed Alfred's lead, taking a wicket with the first ball of the next over.

Having lost 4-4, the Tigers looked extremely vulnerable until David Henry knuckled down and played an intelligent innings of 21 to get the Tigers back on track.

Harvey Darcy took Henry's leg stump, with Tigers still needing six runs to claim their maiden premiership.

Tigers captain Glenn Dunn-Richards closed the game and the season by hitting the ball over the fence to score the remaining six runs required.

The Tigers deserved the premiership as they had been the most consistent team all year.

Leading run scorer for the competition was Ricky Edgar (Pirlangimpi Tigers). Leading wicket taker was Glenn Dunn-Richards (Pirlangimpi Tigers).

Gem of a tour

By PETER ARGENT



ALEX Wilson, the shooting guard from Murray Bridge, in South Australia, excelled on her first overseas trip in

national colours.

Based at the Australian Institute of Sport in Canberra, Wilson was a member of the Australian Gems (the national under 19 team) that completed a three-game clean-sweep tour of New Zealand.

They played in the FIBA Oceania championships, with was a critical part their road to the 2013 under 19s World championships,

"Have previously been selected for a under 17s squad when I was 15, but not making the final team, it was really special to be a part of an Australian side," Wilson told the Koori Mail on her return from New Zealand.

The Australian Gems tour started on Thursday 20 September with a 72-65 win over New Zealand.



Alex Wilson lays up in one of the matches against New Zealand.

Wilson was one of the Gems' stars of that game.

Her contribution was significant in her Gems debut, being Australia's second top scorer with 17 points.

She displayed her composure under pressure, hitting a crucial three-pointer with less than 90 seconds remaining. That broke a 65-65 deadlock.

She was also credited with a pair of steals, a block, an assist and three defensive rebounds in her stellar first-up effort.

The Australian girls had convincing wins in the final two matches, by 34 points in game two and a 29-point victory in game three.

Australia now has qualified for the World championships in Lithuania in July 2013.

"The first game was pretty close, but the second and third matches were blowouts," Wilson said.

"I followed the opening game with ten points in game two and 12 points in the last match.

Offered Lightning position

Wilson was offered a place on the Adelaide Lightning roster, but declined because she thought it more prudent to stay in the AIS program.

"Yes, I did turn down the offer with the Lightning," Wilson said.

"I believe the AIS is the best place to improve my basketball.

"I reckon it is better to stay here and maximize my time, and learn as much as I can."

Wilson, in her break from Canberra, came back to play with the Eastern Mavericks in the Australian Basketball Association (ABA).

In her short three-game stint, Wilson was instrumental for the Mavericks making the finals for the first time.

After she returned to Canberra, her side fell out of the finals race in the first round.



A strong rebound by Alex Wilson.

Dogs hit by Storm



MELBOURNE's 'big three' finally have a National Rugby League (NRL) premiership to keep after combining to erase some of the pain of their stripped titles with a 14-4 grand final win over Canterbury.

The trauma of the salary cap breaches, which resulted in the Storm's 2007 and 2009 titles being taken away, was pushed aside before 82,976 predominantly Bulldogs fans at ANZ Stadium on Sunday night as Cameron Smith, Cooper Cronk and Billy Slater came to the fore.

Along with Ryan Hoffman, all three were part of both stripped premierships and, while they repeatedly denied vengeance formed part of their motivation, the euphoria of winning told a different story.

"I've been asked a few times whether this one, if we won, whether it would be sweeter than the others – I guess there's a small spot that says yes," skipper Smith said.

"Winning a grand final, that's what you aim for.

"Your congratulations have got to go to the club and the coaching staff.

"We were gutted a few years ago with our players (leaving), morale wasn't at the highest that it's ever been, but we built the club back up.

"Last year we nearly got there and this year we did and we made it count."

For the minor premier Bulldogs, it was

a disappointing finish to what had been a remarkable year under new coach Des Hasler, who fell one win short of becoming the first man to win back-to-back titles with different clubs.

"It's been such an enjoyable year and to go out like that, it's just devastating," Bulldogs skipper Michael Ennis said.

"Take the emotion out of it, I'm so proud of our boys, they should really hold their heads up high.

"They've really turned the corner at this club and we're going to be around for a few more years yet."

So too are the Storm, based on last Sunday night's performance, with the big three showing no signs of slowing.

Big plays

Again they came up with the big plays when it mattered – Cronk deservedly awarded the Clive Churchill Medal for a commanding performance that included assists for two of the Storm's three tries – including one for Slater just before half-time.

But it was at the defensive end that Slater and Smith really excelled, both coming up with try-saving tackles to deny Josh Morris and Ennis, respectively, as the Storm clung to their ten-point lead in the second half.

They also overcame a drama-charged incident just after the Bulldogs' only points of the night when Bulldogs prop James Graham was placed on report for an alleged biting incident that evoked

memories of Mike Tyson's famous ear chomp on Evander Holyfield.

Argy-bargy

Slater was involved in some push and shove with David Stagg as the Bulldogs took exception to his late tackle on Perrett

after the four-pointer and Graham ran a distance to get involved in the stoush.

The video replays didn't look good for Graham and referee Tony Archer said to his fellow officials 'can you see the blood on his ear?' as Slater made his complaint official. – AAP

Billy's brilliance comes back to bite Bulldogs

BILLY Slater might have been once bitten but he wasn't twice shy.

The star fullback spearheaded Melbourne Storm's NRL grand final victory amid an allegation he was bitten by Bulldogs English import James Graham during a wild melee in the first half.

It was Slater, whose ear was visibly bleeding, who came back to bite the Dogs with a try minutes later that put Melbourne ahead for good and on their way to a gritty 14-4 victory.

The triumph for coach Craig Bellamy's team completed the Storm's resurrection from the shame, humiliation and punishment of Australian football's biggest salary cap scandal.

It also capped a topsy-turvy football weekend when Sydney's Swans flew to Melbourne to claim AFL's biggest prize and Melbourne's Storm journeyed to

Sydney to take rugby league's equivalent.

Storm's three-tries-to-one victory, with every point scored in the first half, came in front of an almost 83,000 crowd at ANZ Stadium that included Italian soccer great and A-League import Alessandro Del Piero.

This time the Storm players can keep their trophy, their money and their premiership rings with no argument.

They were stripped of their 2007 and 2009 titles because of salary cap cheating but now they have a 'clean' one to add to the club's first in 1999.

Captain Cameron Smith said the biting allegation was a matter for the authorities and was 'out of our heads. It's gone. It doesn't concern us. We've just won a premiership'.

Canterbury's leadership refused to comment. – AAP



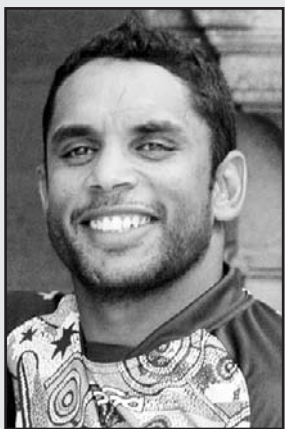
The Bulldogs' Sam Perrett is tackled by Dane Nielsen of the Storm during the 2012 NRL grand final at ANZ Stadium, Sydney last Sunday. – Getty image



Melbourne's Justin O'Neill scores a try despite the tackle of Bulldog Ben Barba during the NRL grand final at ANZ Stadium, Sydney, last Sunday. – AAP image

Centres of Storm

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

THEY say experience wins big matches and Melbourne Storm's 'big three' – Cameron Smith, Billy Slater and Cooper Cronk – certainly added to the theory by leading the Storm to a convincing win over the Bulldogs in the National Rugby League (NRL) grand final.

The Bulldogs never seemed to recover from a start that saw the Storm dominate possession and territory for most of the first half.

When the Bulldogs did get the ball, the Melbourne defence was relentless.

I thought the Storm's Indigenous centre pairing of Will

Chambers and Dane Neilson were outstanding in this area.

Neilson, in particular, came out of the line time and again to cut off any chance the Dogs had to fight back.

Chambers was equally effective on the right side of defence and they combined to limit the chances of Benny Barba.

Chambers was emotional after the game, reflecting on not only the faith that Craig Bellamy had in bringing him back to the club, but also his dark times when confronting a life-threatening illness during the season.

He played like a man inspired and also a person determined to make the most of the opportunity.

As I wrote recently, Dane Nielson is a highly under-rated player and is another example of Craig Bellamy's ability to spot talent in players and develop their true potential.

Nielson has shown the ability to play at State of Origin level and has again performed under the most intense pressure of a grand final.

He will be a great acquisition for the Warriors next season, but the Storm will always be the club where he developed into an elite player.

Although Benny Barba did not dominate the match, he was the one Bulldogs player who continually threatened the Storm defence.

He bounced back from an early error under a high ball to try to spark the Bulldogs into action.

It was a game where luck did not go his way.

He was called back for a runaway try for a knock-on and he almost sparked a second-half

revival when he skirted around the defence and seemed certain to have set up a try for Josh Morris – only to see Billy Slater deny a special effort.

Benny would have learned a lot from playing against Slater in a match such as this.

Although you never get over the devastation of losing a grand final, Benny will take stock of his season and realise all he has achieved this year.

If he is honest with himself, he will also realise he has only started his journey.

Barba is a rare talent and his best is in front of him.

He should look to Slater's professionalism as a template for his own development.

Special

Speaking of Slater, he was special.

He is the most complete fullback I have seen.

And like his fellow Queensland mates in Cooper Cronk and Cameron Smith, Billy seems to have the knack of playing at his best when it really counts.

I was disappointed that the game was marred by the biting allegation by Slater against Bulldogs' player James Graham. It raised memories of boxer Mike Tyson when he bit Evander Holyfield.

While Slater was outstanding, Cooper Cronk was the mastermind, brilliantly setting up the Storm's three tries – including one for a free-running Billy.

Cronk was deservedly the Clive Churchill Medal winner for his man-of-the-match performance on the back of a brilliant first-half effort.

The brilliant halfback popped a wonderful short ball for Ryan Hoffman to open the scoring on the left edge inside the first ten minutes.

Cronk was at his best again in the 33rd minute when he double pumped before passing short to a flying Billy Slater to crash over for the Storm.

Then on the stroke of half-time, Cronk produced a lovely cross-field kick for leaping winger Justin O'Neill who scored in the corner.

Cameron Smith's off night with the boot – he was successful with just one of five kicks at goal – helped keep the Bulldogs in the contest, but he and Slater also came up with the defensive plays to set up the win.

With his side under immense pressure on their own line and clinging to the ten-point margin that would eventually separate the two sides, Smith held up opposite number Michael Ennis over the line.

The Storm wasted little time in getting down to business as Ryan Hoffman crossed after seven minutes, but they were left frustrated after five straight sets on the Bulldogs' line went unrewarded.

They finally settled for a simple penalty shot which Smith duly missed – the blue and whites growing in confidence on the back of their brilliant defence.

Canterbury's first penalty of the game resulted in a Sam Perrett try, but it was the aftermath which caused the greatest stir when Graham was placed on report for allegedly biting the ear of Slater.

Slater was involved in some

push and shove with David Stagg when Graham ran a distance to get involved in the stoush.

The incident didn't deter Slater as he scored soon after off a Cronk pass to make it 10-4 for the Storm, before the halfback was again the provider with a kick for Justin O'Neill to score right on half-time for what proved to be the final points of the match.

I would like to reserve my final words for the leadership of Craig Bellamy and Cameron Smith.

Smith is a leader on and off the field and he epitomises all that is good about the game.

The team comes first in his professional life and he is a great ambassador for our game.

Lesser men would have walked away from the club when Storm were stripped of their two premierships for rorting the salary cap.

Vindication

This game was a vindication for his courage and determination in keeping the heart and soul of the club alive during this period.

At his shoulder was coach Craig Bellamy, who knew that his team could only answer their critics by winning another title.

They have done so in emphatic style and his reputation as one of the great coaches of the modern era is intact.

In the final analysis, the Storm may have had more to play for in this match.

The Bulldogs will now be hungry for revenge and the stage has already been set for another great season.

Like all fans of the game, I am already looking to next season.

The drama has already begun!

Goodes, Jetta: Brave and the brilliant

It was a grand final for the ages. The match between the Hawks and the Swans had it all, with both sides dominating at times before the mighty Swans wrapped it up with a couple of minutes to go.

As expected, Adam Goodes and Buddy Franklin played critical roles for their sides, but it was the inspiring courage of Goodes that proved to be critical to the Swans' charge to their second title.

He was amazing.

Goodes refused to let a torn posterior cruciate ligament in his knee end his grand final day, playing through pain to lead the Swans to the flag.

Goodes left the field in the second quarter and required strapping to his left knee.

At first, when he returned, he appeared slightly uncomfortable, but quickly re-emerged as one of the best players for the Swans.

He had 14 disposals and snapped a goal with seven minutes to play in the final term, which put the Swans seven points ahead.

It was the second last goal of the game, and a monumental effort from the dual Brownlow medallist.

"He was enormous. He did a PCL and the word came back up that his PCL was gone in his good knee," coach John Longmire said.

"Obviously it wasn't the news I really needed at that time. But to be able to just come back on, and I asked him a couple of times during the course of the game 'Are you all right?'

Didn't flinch

"He didn't even flinch. He said 'Don't worry about me'. He went on and no excuses from him, went out there and contributed really well.

"To have a knee that was essentially gone and hang in the way he did was a sensational effort."

Generally, a torn PCL will leave a player sidelined for six to ten weeks.

That Goodes had the mental strength and the courage to overcome this does not come as a surprise to me.

He is a driven person who is not only the ultimate professional, but even more importantly, the ultimate team man.

This is a man who was not initially seen as a leader, but is now seen as a model player across all sports.

Of his injury, he typically said that all he could think about was getting back out on to the ground.

"No needles mate, what it did was just even up my good knee with how bad my right one is," he said.

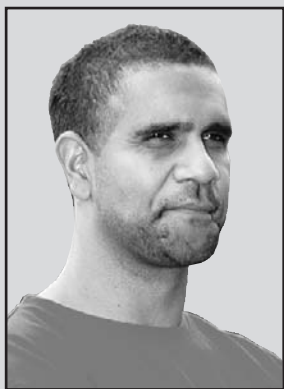
"Put a bit of strapping on it, get back out there, I just wanted to do something for the team and I was able to do that and kick a goal – I was just pumped."

The 32-year-old was so happy with the Swans' win, he claimed he'd be content to see out his career without getting another touch.

"Two premierships mate; if I don't get another kick in my career I'd (still) be so pumped," he said.

As soon as the Swans had finished a stirring rendition of their

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theme song inside the change rooms at the MCG, Longmire took his side into a meeting room at the back.

It was there that he told the group of the extent of Goodes' injury. Many, until then, had been unaware.

Star young Swan Dan Hannebery was one.

"It shows the magnitude of the

man. I had no idea. I knew he wasn't moving as well as he could and I thought 'What's going on?'" Hannebery said.

"But he was still able to compete and that's all we're about – competing. And we did it contest by contest today."

"We've got great leaders at the footy club and they set the example week in and week out and we just follow their lead."

In the opposition sheds, Buddy was contemplating what might have been.

Franklin was at the centre of the Hawks' first-quarter charge, and his opponent, Ted Richards, looked out of his comfort zone.

Franklin had ten disposals in the opening term, and was ominous with every one of them.

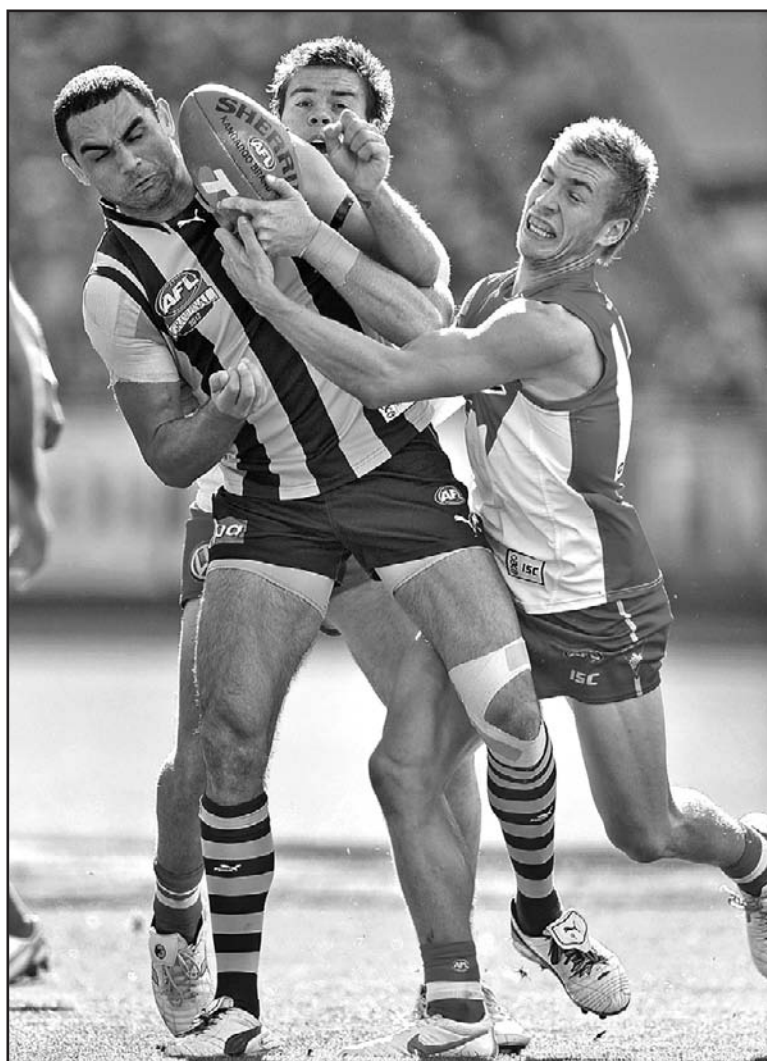
Richards even had to leave the field at quarter-time to have his rolled ankle checked in the rooms.

Richards regained some of the ascendancy in the second term, but Franklin brought his best in the third quarter to almost singlehandedly drag his side back into the game.

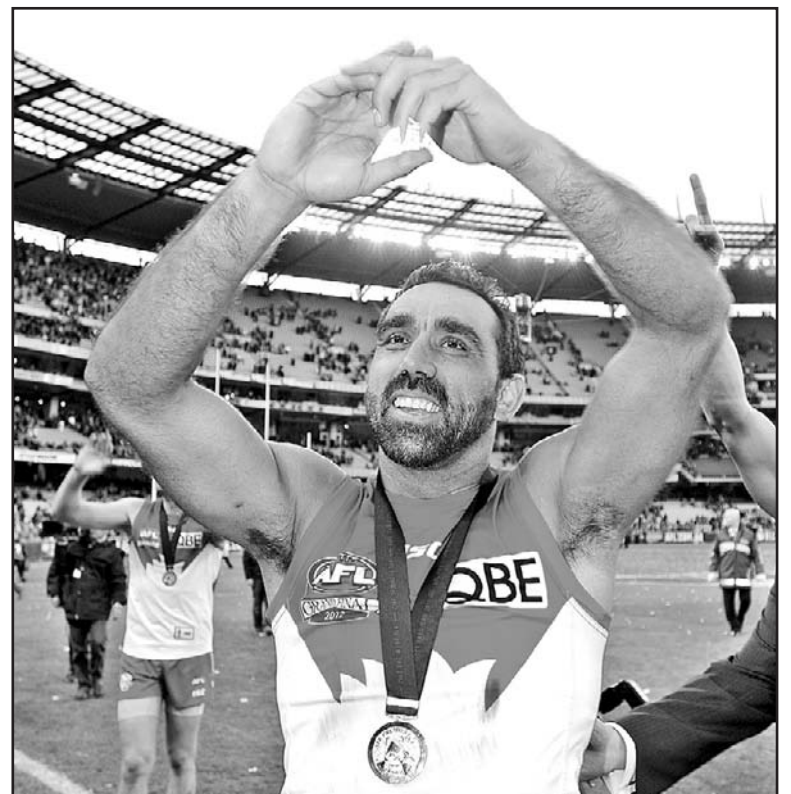
Franklin created a few opportunities, and converted a couple of his own and was at the centre of almost everything the Hawks engineered.

He couldn't have done much more in the Hawks' heartbreaking ten-point loss.

In another anticipated 'battle'



Hawthorn's Shaun Burgoyne is tackled by Kieren Jack, of the Sydney Swans during the 2012 AFL grand final. – AAP image



Sydney's Adam Goodes celebrates after the Sydney Swans won the 2012 AFL grand final against the Hawthorn Hawks at the MCG on Saturday. – AAP image

between Indigenous stars, Lewis Jetta won his personal contest with Cyril Rioli.

At Friday's grand final parade, Lewis Jetta came up with the quote of the week when talking about the predicted wet weather: "A bit of rain won't hurt anyone. I love it. The bigger guys, they slow down, but I just seem to glide across the puddles."

Although there weren't many puddles at the MCG, Jetta lived up to his word.

The 23-year-old didn't have an enormous amount of possessions (12), but he was creative, brilliant and electrifying with almost every one of them.

Aside from his exciting sprint down the wing in the first quarter with Cyril Rioli on his tail, Jetta's vision to see options – and then the skill to execute them – made him one of the game-changers after quarter-time.

Jetta had the chance to put the game beyond doubt with a shot at goal with a minute left, but his kick didn't make the distance.

Huge part

Nevertheless, he played a huge part in the Swans' day, and their success in 2012.

Lewis Jetta says he and Hawthorn dynamo Cyril Rioli are likely to have a laugh about Jetta's scintillating getaway during the grand final – but Rioli is unlikely to be laughing about it just yet.

Jetta set the match alight early in the first quarter when he took the ball in the Swans' back pocket and set sail around the boundary from the city end on the Southern Stand side.

He took four bounces while Rioli struggled in vain

to lay a paw on him.

"When I got the handpass from Heath Grundy I took, a little glimpse and knew it was him," Jetta said.

"I played to my strengths and backed my speed and got away."

Jetta was on the wing and had slowed down momentarily to take his kick when Rioli, renowned as one of the fastest players in the competition, finally caught up with him.

Rioli made a desperate lunge just after Jetta had kicked into attack – and was penalised for a late tackle for his trouble.

The ball was relayed downfield while the two turf-burners caught their breath.

"We'll probably joke around and have a good laugh about it in the future," Jetta said.

The Swans wingman's dash fuelled his teammates' belief that they could match the Hawthorn stars.

It was a key moment in the Swans' surge towards success.

Jetta's brilliance was matched by Goodes' courage.

In the latter part of the season, I have been saying that big matches can sometimes come down to big players.

As predicted, the impact of Goodes and Jetta saw the Swans being best on the day.

And in the final analysis, that is all that counts.

As a proud member of the Bloods, I am ecstatic with the result, even though I can still find compassion for the Hawks.

It was a great match that will only fire the hunger of the remaining 15 teams.

Next season starts today!

Until next time... Keep Dreaming!



Sydney Swans co-captains Adam Goodes, left, and Jarrad McVeigh hold up the AFL premiership cup in front of fans at Lakeside Oval, Melbourne, last Sunday. The Swans beat Hawthorn in Saturday's AFL grand final. – AAP image

AFL flag goes north

By PETER ARGENT



THE Northern invaders travelled to Melbourne and secured the Australian Football League's (AFL's) ultimate prize in an epic final day of the season on Saturday.

Sydney are the 2012 AFL premiers, beating a gallant Hawthorn by ten points in a season decider at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) that had no less than five significant momentum swings.

Club champion and co-captain Adam Goodes secured his second title in a stellar career where he has achieved a full gambit of accolades.

He added to his legend with a heroic performance. Injuring his posterior cruciate ligament (PCL) in his knee during the second quarter, he left the ground, needing it to be strapped.

Goodes, despite not being able to have his full range of movements, still had a telling influence on the win.

His courage to play on will be added to the annals of grand final folklore.

Despite this big impediment, he continued to contribute, giving the Sydney a target in attack and kicking a crucial goal in the final term.

Usually, a PCL injury would mean between six to eight weeks on the sidelines.

Coach John Longmire said in the post-match media conference that his leaders, including Goodes, were exceptional.

"There was never any doubt he (Goodes) wanted to keep going," Longmire said.

"His courage is outstanding. 'I asked him a couple of times, how he was going and he just gave me that look in the eye.'"

Lewis Jetta, a third-year AFL player,

and still only 23, lit up the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) on a number of occasions with his blistering pace.

Jetta, who was celebrating with family in the change rooms after the game, was nearly speechless about his achievement.

"It is impossible to explain the high I felt straight after the game," Jetta told the *Koori Mail*.

"When I came up with my brother Graham to Perth to have a crack at the AFL, I didn't dare dream I would have a premiership medallion.

"It is very special."

Goodes and Jetta have now etched their names into Blood immortality.

This grand final contest was intriguing from the start.

Hawks dominated early

Hawthorn had most of the play early, kicking three majors late in the opening term to have a 19-point lead at quarter-time.

Then Sydney kicked the next eight goals, including all six in the second term to be in control at the main break.

During the third term, Lance Franklin dragged the Hawks back into the contest, kicking two goals and dominating the quarter.

He would finish the day with 3.4 and an 'out of bounds' on the full, missing a handful of opportunities in front of goal.

The last quarter was full of courage, desperation and all the aspects that make the code thrilling.

By the seven-minute mark, the Hawks had a two-goal lead after another Franklin point, but Sydney regrouped again and kicked the final four goals of the contest.

This game was still up for grabs until Nick Maleski snapped Sydney's 14th goal with less than a minute in the game remaining.

Hawthorn, who were the minor

premiers and slight favourites going into the grand final, received solid contributions from the two other Indigenous talents – Shaun Burgoyne, who won many clearances, especially in the second half, and Cyril Rioli.

For Burgoyne, this was his second loss in the season decider, after also enduring a big loss against Geelong in

2007, when the Power was defeated by a record 119 points.

He tasted the sweat nectar of premiership success with Port Adelaide in 2004.

Rioli played in the 2008 flag with the Hawks during his debut season, as did Franklin, when Hawthorn, as underdogs, defeated Geelong in a heroic effort.



Graham Jetta, left, joined his brother Lewis in the Sydney Swans dressing room after the Swans' ten-point win over Hawthorn in the Australian Football League grand final at the Melbourne Cricket Ground last Saturday. – Image: Peter Argent

Argun Warriors



THE *Koori Mail* reported last May that the Argun Warriors would be out to prove they were the best Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander rugby league team in Queensland and last Sunday, they delivered.

The champion Torres Strait side beat far north Queensland team Yarrabah Seahawks 30-12 in the final of the second annual Arthur Beetson Foundation Queensland Murri carnival at Ipswich.

The final was a great climax to a hard fought four-day carnival at the Briggs Road Sporting Complex.

The Warriors' campaign did not make the best of starts – they were beaten 14-6 by the Moreton Bay Murries in their opening game.

Neither did the Yarrabah Seahawks have it all their own way on their journey.

They won their first game 20-10 against Eidsvold Warriors, but went down 20-10 to the Ngarpun Warriors in their second game.

But the two far north Queensland teams recovered from those early setbacks to press on to their grand final showdown.

Both teams had tough semi-finals – the Warriors beat last year's

winners Southern Dingoes 26-18, while the Yarrabah Seahawks scraped home 28-24 against Barambah.

The Argun Warriors also had a tough quarter-final, but scraped home 12-10 against home team the Purga Wagtails – one of the pre-tournament favourites.

Four months earlier, the Warriors established themselves as the best team in the Torres Strait when they won the 2011 Island of Origin series on Badu Island.

The *Koori Mail* reported last May that Argun Warriors officials had no doubt their side was the best in Queensland and they would prove it at the Arthur Beetson Foundation carnival in Ipswich.

National Rugby League star Chris Sandow played with the Argun Warriors.

Sandow also played with them when they won the Cairns All Blacks carnival last October, but his appearance with the Warriors caused a stir as he comes from Cherbourg and has played with Cherbourg at previous carnivals.

Carnival officials announced the team to tour Hawaii later this month.

The team will enter a camp on 21-22 October and will tour on 23-29 October, with a game against the American Tomahawks on 27 October.



Women's action between Laurel Fisher United and the Territory Ochres.



Southern Dingoes Juniors on the defence against the Minunjali Eagles in the open men's division.



Mununjali Eagles, in red, playing against Southern Dingoes Juniors.



Muli Warriors on the attack against the Jack Barba Invitational side.



Myiesha Saltner on her way to a try for Dream Team against NT Ochres.



Chris Sandow in action for Argun Warriors.

prove their point



Benaiah Bowie scores for the Argun Warriors against the Ngapun Warriors.



The Argun Warriors on the attack against the Ngapun Warriors.



● ABOVE: Under 15 action in the match between Gladstone Goori United and Ipswich Diggers.

● ABOVE RIGHT: Baneiah Bowie takes a bomb for Argun Warriors against the Ngapun Warriors.

● RIGHT: Three Yarrabah Seahawks close in on a Ngapun Warrior.

Photos: Naomi Moran



Murri team to tour Hawaii

THE Arthur Beetsen Foundation Queensland Murri team to tour Hawaii later this month:

- 1 Dennis Sandow (Barambah RL)
- 2 Liam Georgetown (Barambah RL)
- 3 Brendan Marshall (Southern Dingoes)
- 4 Donald Malone (Barambah RL)
- 5 Benaiah Bowie (Argun Warriors)
- 6 Steven Singleton (Yarrabah)
- 7 Ian Lacey (Southern Dingoes)
- 8 Bobby Nona (Argun Warriors)
- 9 Danny Kerr (Southern Dingoes)
- 10 Anthony Gadd (Barambah)
- 11 Keiron Lander (Southern Dingoes)
- 12 Kurtis Lingwood Dock (Eidsvold United)
- 13 Rob Apanui (Southern Dingoes)
- 14 Andrew Garrett Jnr (Yarrabah Seahawks)
- 15 Anthony Flores (Southern Dingoes)
- 16 Phil Dennis (Southern Dingoes)
- 17 Ricardo Laza Argun Warriors)
- 18 Wes Conlon (Purga Wagtails)
- 19 Hugie Stanley (Southern Dingoes)
- 20 Geoff Broome (Redbacks)

Q'land Murri carnival results

ARTHUR Beetsen Foundation Queensland Murri Rugby League Carnival results:

Round 1: Inala Panthers 36 d Chloe Anne Dynevor Memorial 6, Ipswich Redbacks 14 d Fraser Coast Brotherhood 4, Purga Wagtails 20 d Brisbane Natives 10, Central Mob 16 d Bundaberg Eels 6, Southern Dingoes Jnr 20 d Toowoomba Warriors 12, Kambu 28 d Far Southwest United 20, Southern Dingoes 44 d Queensland Police 6, Jack Barba Invitational 30 d Mununjali Eagles 16, Ngapun Warriors 46 d Muli Warriors 6, Barambah RL 60 d Dream Team 0, Yarrabah Seahawks 20 d Eidsvold United 10, Moreton Bay Murris 14 d Argun Warriors 6.

Round 2: Purga Wagtails 28 d Central Mob 12, Brisbane Natives 42 d Fraser Coast Brotherhood 6, Kambu 14 d Southern Dingoes Jnr 4, Bundaberg Eels 18 d Toowoomba

Warriors 6, Far Southwest United 16 d Mununjali Eagles 16, Barambah RL 26 d Jack Barba Invitational 4, Muli Warriors 40 d Dream Team 18, Southern Dingoes 26 d Chloe Anne Dynevor Memorial 10, Inala Panthers 48 d Moreton Bay Murris 6, Ipswich Redbacks 34 d Queensland Police 12, Argun Warriors 16 d Eidsvold United 12, Ngapun Warriors 20 d Yarrabah Seahawks 10.

Round 3: Chloe Anne Dynevor Memorial 24 d Ipswich Redbacks 18, Inala Panthers 38 d Southern Dingoes 6, Yarrabah Seahawks 56 d Dream Team 0, Brisbane Natives 64 d Queensland Police 0, Central Mob 40 d Fraser Coast Brotherhood 10, Purga Wagtails 36 d Toowoomba Warriors 16, Southern Dingoes Jnr 20 d Mununjali Eagles 6, Kambu 22 d Bundaberg Eels 4, Muli Warriors 18 d Jack Barba Invitational 10, Barambah RL 20 d Far

Southwest United 6, Argun Warriors 28 d Ngapun Warriors 12, Eidsvold United 36 d Morten Bay Murris 24.

Last 16: Barambah RL 22 d Eidsvold United 4, Southern Dingoes 34 d Jack Barba Invitational 0, Purga Wagtails 10 d Bundaberg Eels 6, Kambu 22 d Ngapun Warriors 18, Yarrabah Seahawks 20 d Muli Warriors 14, Argun Warriors 26 d Central Mob 4.

Quarter-finals: Barambah RL 30 d Inala Panthers 4, Southern Dingoes 34 d Ipswich Redbacks 6, Argun Warriors 12 d Purga Wagtails 10, Yarrabah Seahawks 44 d Ngapun Warriors 4.

Semi-finals: Yarrabah Seahawks 28 d Barambah RL 24, Argun Warriors 26 d Southern Dingoes 18.

Final: Argun Warriors 30 d Yarrabah Seahawks 12.

AEC women's final - Dream Team 32 d Kape Kodel 32-0.



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Raymond Terrace action



● ABOVE: The Newcastle Yowies' Travis Robinson tries to push through the Newcastle All Blacks defence.
● LEFT: Players from the famous Moree Boomerangs.



Canberra Raiders star Reece Robinson in action for the Newcastle Yowies.

Campbelltown and Blacktrackers before their match.



A Campbelltown defender tackles a Blacktracker.



Coastal United Sharks (blue) up against 3 Ways Griffith United.



A Newcastle Yowie gets a 'don't argue' from a Campbelltown ball-carrier. Photos: Naomi Moran



A Moree Boomerangs player tackled by a Ngunnawal defender in the 17 years final.



James Livock on the charge for the Newcastle Yowies against Murrumbidgee.

Yowies too good



NEWCASTLE Yowies have downed defending champions Mindaribba Warriors 26-20 to win this year's NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout. The Yowies proved just too good in a

hard-fought decider played at Raymond Terrace, near Newcastle, on Monday afternoon. Thousands turned out for this year's 40th anniversary Knockout, which featured 60 teams from across the State.

The Yowies downed Murrumbidgee to secure their grand final berth, while the Warriors beat 3 Ways United Griffith for their place. Mindaribba Sisters took the women's title, beating Redfern All Blacks 26-16 in the women's final.

Moree Boomerangs were too good in the 17 years final, beating Ngunnawal 28-4, while La Perouse downed Bulgarr Ngaru in the 15 years. ● Look for more coverage from the NSW Aboriginal Knockout in our next edition, out on 17 October.



Women's Knockout champions the Mindaribba Sisters.



A Bulgarr Ngaru player is tackled in the 15 years grand final against La Perouse Panthers. All photos by Naomi Moran



The La Perouse side that won the 15 years grand final.



Moree Boomerangs celebrate their 17 years victory.



What a weekend!



WEEKENDS in sport simply don't come any bigger than the one just gone – with four memorable events.

Rugby league and Australian rules reached their climaxes at national levels, with the Sydney Swans claiming the Australian Football League crown for 2012 with their gutsy come-from-behind win over the Hawthorn Hawks on Saturday before

a crowd just shy of 100,000 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

And on Sunday in Sydney, the Melbourne Storm overcame National Rugby League minor premiers the Canterbury Bulldogs 14-4 before 82,976 fans at ANZ Stadium.

There's a touch of irony in the fact that the NRL title has gone to Melbourne – the spiritual home of Australian rules – and the AFL title has come to Sydney – a bastion of league.

Just before the NRL players were taking the field in Sydney, the curtain came down on the second annual Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Rugby League Carnival in Ipswich, southern Queensland.

The Argun Warriors from the Torres Strait made the long journey south to prove they were the best Indigenous rugby league team in Queensland. And they did just that – they beat another north

Queensland side, Yarrabah Seahawks, 30-12 in the final.

To cap off the monster weekend, the final of the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout was played at Raymond Terrace, near Newcastle, on Monday afternoon.

The Knockout was won by Newcastle Yowies, who downed defending champions Mindaribba 26-20 in a hard-fought decider.

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The Melbourne Storm celebrate their win over the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs in the National Rugby League (NRL) grand final at ANZ Stadium, Sydney, on Sunday. The Storm defeated the Bulldogs 14-4. – AAP image



Cyril Rioli, of Hawthorn, and Adam Goodes, of Sydney, battle for the ball during the 2012 AFL grand final at the Melbourne Cricket Ground last Saturday. Goodes bravely battled on despite a serious knee injury. – AAP image



Try time for Inala Panthers under 15 player Trinity Georgetown against the Brisbane Stingers in the Arthur Beetson Foundation Queensland Murri Carnival at Ipswich, near Brisbane. Photo: Naomi Moran



Narwan Eels Old Boys attempt to tackle a Mindaribba player during the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival at Raymond Terrace, near Newcastle, on Sunday. Photo: Naomi Moran

● **INSIDE: Micky O and Presto comment on the grand finals**

