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## The way ahead



A ROADMAP has been set for constitutional recognition, with 40 Indigenous leaders meeting with Prime Minister Tony Abbott and Opposition

Abbott and Opposition Leader Bill Shorten in Canberra last

week. A ban on racial discrimination remains a sticking point, and Cape York leader Noel Pearson has called for an Aboriginal plebiscite (vote) before a general referendum, but there was broad agreement on the way forward.

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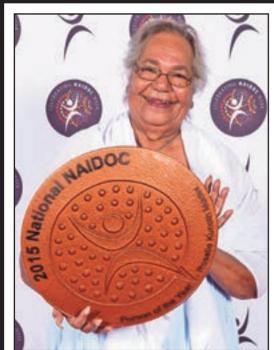
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Islanders into the future," they said.

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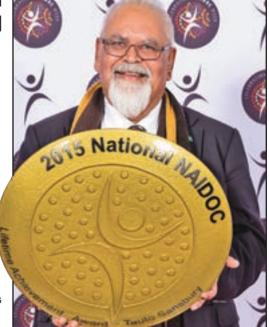
2015 NAIDOC Person of the Year Rosalie Kunoth-Monks.

# Stars of NAIDOC



IT'S Indigenous Australia's night of nights, and this year was one of the best. More than 1200 officials and guests packed the Adelaide Convention Centre last Friday night for the 2015 NAIDOC National Ball and Awards night. It was the highlight of this year's NAIDOC Week celebrations,

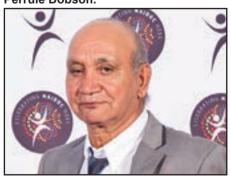
involving tens of thousands of people around the country. Pictured here are the national winners, and you'll find details about them and our NAIDOC coverage from around Australia starting on page 33.



2015 Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Tauto Sansbury.



Female Elder of the Year Veronica Perrule Dobson.



Male Elder of the Year Graham Taylor.



Apprentice of the Year Ashley Farrall.



Scholar of the Year Michelle Deshong.



Artist of the Year Daren Dunn.



Sportsperson of the Year Ryan Morich.



NAIDOC Poster winner Elaine Chambers.



Youth of the Year Chris Tamwoy.

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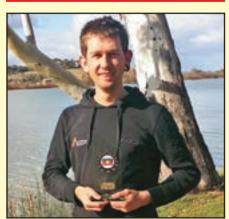
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### My FAMILY Martha Amber – Cairns, Qld



Y family comes from Mabuiag, a small island in the Torres Strait, and we are mighty proud of our heritage. As a Torres Strait Islander family we enjoy watching sporting events, and especially travelling down to Townsville from Cairns where we live to see our team the North Queensland Cowboys play home National Rugby League games.

That's where I'm pictured (in the middle) here with Annie Gizu, 14, Ruby Paipai, Elsie Gizu and Frances Gizu, 17, and in front Bernard Kris, 7, Akara Gizu, 5, and Santino Bosen, 6.

Many of the Cowboys players are our idols, including champion back Johnathan Thurston.

We think sport is a character builder for youngsters and are glad that footy is a family sport.

Some of our relatives are really good footballers in the Cairns region, including Robert Amber.

Another relative of ours is Stephanie Mooka who is one of the best female rugby league players around. She often plays for Mabujag teams.

Robert and Stephanie play in Allblacks carnivals in Cairns and the Torres Strait Islands, and Stephanie got picked in the North Queensland Marlins women's team which contested the Queensland titles.

We've got our fingers crossed that we'll be back in Townsville for one of the games during the NRL finals series. It's looking pretty good right now!

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### **OUR CHILDREN**



Pictured getting story books during NAIDOC Week celebrations at Cherbourg in south-east Queensland are local kids, at front, Jacquon and Harriet Clevens and Derek Aubrey and, back, Rubin Smethurst, Dion Walsh, Tytrell Combo, Pheona Combo and Saffron Sandow. Get the full story on page 14.

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## Look who'll be dancing with the stars

THERE'S none better on the catwalk, but can she dance? That's question will soon be answered when Aboriginal fashion model Samantha Harris, pictured, joins the big names on the new series of Dancing With The Stars. It's the reality TV show where celebrities are paired with professional ballroom dancers who each

week compete in a dance-off to impress a panel of judges and the viewing public in order to survive elimination.

Harris, who will be partnered by show first-timer Josh Keefe, has been busy between fashion shoots practising her moves in the lead-up to the series opener.

That's just as well, given she has described her dancing style as, and we quote, "baby giraffe walking". And she admits to being "really bad" at dancing during high school.

But given that the superfit supermodel says her motto for success is "work hard and be yourself", the 24-year-old may well be in with a chance.

Other celebrities hitting the dance floor in this series include singer John Paul Young, TV's Emma Freedman and Larry Emdur, and sportsmen Matthew Mitcham (swimming), Mat Rogers (rugby union) and Jude Bolton (Australian rules football).

The series is scheduled to start on Channel 7 next month.



## PM to visit **Torres Strait**



**TONY Abbott is** looking to fulfil a pledge to focus on Indigenous communities by moving the centre of government to

the Torres Strait Islands and Queensland's Northern Peninsula Area next month.

The Prime Minister, along with ministerial colleagues and senior government officials, will spend a week of August based in the area.

"At the last election I committed to spending a week every year in a remote Indigenous community," Mr Abbott said.

"It's very important that



**Prime Minister Tony Abbott** our national leaders focus on the whole of our country. including its most remote parts ... During this week, this region

and its people will be the focus of my attention."

Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) acting chairperson Aven Noah welcomed the Prime Minister's move to visit.

"This is a significant commitment from Mr Abbott, and one that is welcomed by the TSRA," he said.

"It will be a great opportunity for him to experience firsthand our culture and the diverse geography that makes up the region.

"Most importantly he will be able to hear direct from the community about the issues and aspirations we have for our land and our future." - with AAP



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#### 13 runs off one legal cricket delivery

Is it possible to score 13 runs off just one legal delivery in cricket? You bet it is. Western Australian D'Arcy Short (pictured) was responsible for the feat when he opened the batting for the National **Indigenous Cricket Squad during a game this month** with the Southern Stars women's national cricket team in Brisbane. Find out how on page 87.



### High-fliers of future visit air base





**INDIGENOUS Australian** Science and Infrastructure **Development Winter School** students have

visited the Royal Australian Air Force base at Amberley, near

Brisbane. The visit was a highlight for students of the Winter School, a Queensland **University of Technology** program providing Indigenous Year 10 and 11 students with the opportunity to experience a variety of careers.

Amberley-based No 23

Squadron's Warrant Officer Gary Thompson said the RAAF was a proud sponsor of the program and he hoped to see many of the participants consider a career in the Australian Defence Force.

"While at RAAF Base Amberley students were given

a tour of a C-17A Globemaster aircraft and witnessed a display of air force security capability," WO Thompson

"They also had a tour of an air traffic control tower in which they were able to engage with joint battlefield

airspace controllers, observing them conducting operations, and spoke with Indigenous air force personnel.

"Educational opportunities such as this one are essential to closing the gaps in equality that are present in modern-day Australia."

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## Audit into APY funds



A FORENSIC audit has been ordered into all government funding to South Australia's troubled Anangu

Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Executive Board in 2014-15.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion and his South Australian counterpart Kyam Maher say the audit follows long-standing concerns about governance arrangements

"The Commonwealth wants to see these issues addressed as a matter of urgency," Senator Scullion said.

"We want to ensure all Commonwealth funding for services in the APY Lands is spent in accordance with funding agreements and the APY Executive put in place a stable structure that is properly accountable - not just to government, but also to communities on the APY Lands.

"I am pleased to be able to work cooperatively with Minister Maher to ensure government services are delivering the best outcomes for "New funding will only be provided to the APY **Executive Board if it** can demonstrate an improvement in their governance and financial controls and systems."

> - SA Indigenous Affairs Minister Kyam Maher



local Aboriginal communities."

Mr Maher said the SA and Commonwealth governments are working together to ensure the APY Executive Board's transparency and accountability improve

#### "Controls"

"New funding will only be provided to the APY Executive Board if it can demonstrate an improvement in their governance and financial controls and systems." he said.

The ministers said the audit would also make any necessary recommendations to strengthen

APY's financial management system to ensure funding was appropriately spent in 2015-16 and beyond.

The audit follows the release of the APY Lands Rights Administration Grant Review, which found that there was a lack of financial control and also non-compliance with required expenditure delegations during the past six months of 2014.

The Commonwealth and SA governments are each providing about \$50,000 for the audit, to be carried out by EY (Ernst and Young).

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### Leaders focus on constitutional change



## Summit looks Despicable act, says Anderson to way ahead



AN historic meeting in Sydney has set a course for constitutional change that aims to recognise Indigenous people in the nation's founding document.

A group of 40 Indigenous leaders met with Prime Minister Tony Abbott and Opposition Leader Bill Shorten, working on a path forward.

No timeframe has been set for a referendum question to be put to the Australian public, but there was broad agreement it should be outside the politics of the election cycle to give it the best chance of success. Mr Abbott suggested May 2017 could be a suitable timeframe.

Three main areas were agreed at the meeting including:

 a referendum council be established to progress issues such as settling the referendum question and timing;

a series of community conferences be held across the country to provide an opportunity for all to have a say and for all significant points of view to be considered: and

 the Parliamentary Joint Select Committee on Constitutional Recognition develop a discussion paper to assist this consultation.

Cape York leader Noel Pearson also called for an Aboriginal plebiscite to be held ahead of the referendum in order to show an overwhelming display of unity from the nation's First People.

Labor senator Nova Peris, who is also deputy chair of the Joint Select Committee, endorsed Mr Pearson's plan, saying it wasn't "such a bad idea".

"At least it engages and gives a bit of ownership to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," she said.

"We've been here for more than 40,000 years, and to change this nation's founding document that's inclusive of our cultures and peoples we have to ensure that whatever's put to the Australian public is whatever Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people people want."



Recognise campaign joint director **Tanya Hosch** 

An explicit ban on racial discrimination in the Constitution – one of the options recommended by the committee - remains a sticking point.

Despite heading the Joint Select Committee, Liberal MP Ken Wyatt, an Aboriginal man, said he didn't see an anti-discrimination clause being inserted into the founding document.

In a joint statement after the summit, Indigenous leaders rejected a minimalist approach.

"It must lay the foundation for fair treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people into the future," they said.

They believe the proposed minimalist changes of inserting a preamble and removing or modifying two sections of the Constitution that refer to race don't go far enough.

WA leader Pat Dodson said the Constitution was appallingly racist, but warned political hurdles like an anti-discrimination clause would be difficult to overcome.

"This is a serious time for us to contemplate how we want to go forward and look for common ground as opposed to what's the adversarial points we can

score off each other," he said.

Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation (ANTaR) national director Andrew Meehan said Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representatives have consistently told government that any change taken forward must be substantial and meaningful, rather than purely symbolic.

"It would be extraordinary to move forward on this without that as the starting point. Recognition of the First Peoples must first accord with their wishes," he said

There was a group of about 50 protesters outside the summit, angry at what they believe is a lack of consultation, chanting "no consent" and waving banners, including one that said 'Decolonise

not Recognise!' The protest group wants a treaty instead

of constitutional recognition. Protester Deb Williams accused the participating leaders of selling out and ignoring Indigenous people. She said most didn't want to be included in the Constitution. But Recognise campaign joint director

Tanya Hosch welcomed the agreement and the spirit in which it was forged. She said it was a sign of real progress towards reaching the best model to be put to a referendum

'No one takes a successful referendum for granted and there is still a huge task ahead to achieve a yes vote, but this is a very positive step forward," she said.

'The nation's leaders ultimately have to reach a consensus on a model that can win broad support."

Ms Hosch said the Recognise movement of more than 250,000 Australians will continue to raise awareness of, and build support for, the recognition of Australia's First People in the Constitution

"We're taking our lead from the legendary 1967 campaigners who wore out shoe leather for more than a decade making the case to their fellow Australians to support change," she said.

They were emphatically supported when more than 90% voted Yes in the '67 referendum.'

**OUTSPOKEN Aboriginal activist Ghillar** Michael Anderson has described the summit for constitutional recognition as "a Pinochet or Hitler-type moment for Aboriginal Peoples".

Mr Anderson, convenor of the Sovereign Union and a co-founder of the Aboriginal Embassy, was responding to a comment on ABC News 24.

"For mainstream media to refer to Prime Minister Tony Abbott's suggestion that he would deal 'with love' any right wing opposition to include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Constitution - a Mandela-type moment - is taking media spin to a ridiculous extreme," he said.

"In reality, Abbott's Summit on Constitutional

Recognition with 40 Indigenous leaders is more like a Pinochet or Hitlertype moment for Aboriginal Peoples, so much so that the mainstream media refuses to deal with any oppositional point of view for Aboriginal nations and peoples." (Like Adolf Hitler, Augusto Pinochet was a dictator.)

Mr Anderson said the

Recognise campaign was

Michael Anderson

about securing the head of power to govern over Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. "It is not about securing our rights or freeing

us from racial discrimination," he said.

Mr Anderson said the central tenet of the 'vote no' campaign is derived from one significant point from the communique of the summit where it says: 'Further, we agree with the Joint Select Committee (Interim Report July 2014) that a successful referendum proposal must ... preserve the Commonwealth's power to make laws with respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples...

"Our people are being completely misled by the Aboriginal elite and some middle-class educated Aboriginal people and the Recognise campaign," he said.

"This is a despicable act on the part of the Government-selected so-called Indigenous leaders. We must ask ourselves do they truly believe they are doing the right thing when they forego all that we, and those who have gone before us, have been fighting for in favour of empty symbolism and feudal rhetoric."

## pushing for Rock resort inquiry



INDIGEN-**OUS Land** Corporation (ILC) chair Dawn Casey has again

written to Prime **Minister Tony Abbott** asking for a parliamentary inquiry into the purchase of the Ayers Rock Resort.

The ILC bought the resort, at Yulara near Uluru in central Australia, for \$300 million in 2010, after a decision by the previous board.

Its value has since been written down twice to \$202.5 million. and is now valued at \$225 million.

In her letter to Mr Abbott, Dr Casey raises a number of serious concerns about the process of the purchase and potential breaches of the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act.

The resort was offered to the ILC at \$270 million in 2009 but the corporation could not raise finance from banks, and Labor's then **Indigenous Affairs** Minister Jenny Macklin refused access to the **Aboriginal Benefits** Account (ABA).

#### **Accepted**

However, the owner of the resort, property conglomerate GPT, then offered to arrange vendor finance (where the seller helps the buyer find the funds) for the increased price of \$300 million, which the board accepted.

In her letter, Dr Casey says there were "strong concerns from certain directors and due diligence advisers indicating that the purchase price may not have been commensurate with the resort's value".

An independent review of the purchase by consulting company McGrathNicol identified issues surrounding due diligence and governance related to the purchase of the resort.

Dr Casey has been pushing for a full parliamentary inquiry since 2013, petitioning **Indigenous Affairs** Minister Nigel Scullion, **Finance Minister Mathias Cormann as** well as the Prime Minister.

## Reprieve for embassy





SUPPORTERS of the Aboriginal Tent Embassy at Redfern have vowed to fight on after securing a reprieve from threatened eviction.

The embassy was established last year to oppose development plans for The Block in the heart of Redfern, south-central Sydney.

The Aboriginal Housing Company (AHC),

which is behind the development plans, has taken the embassy to court, seeking its eviction from the site.

At a hearing last Friday, the AHC moved for a summary judgment, which would force the tent embassy off the site. The judge will make a ruling on the application on August 14.

Embassy supporters protested in front of

the courthouse before last Friday's hearing. They were reported in Fairfax media as saving they would not leave the Redfern site without a fight.

Embassy founder Jenny Munro, who has been the driving force behind the anti-development campaign, said the battle would continue. "We're girding our loins for the next round," she said.

## Tas heritage study funds welcomed

By JILLIAN MUNDY



**TASMANIAN** Aborigines have welcomed a commitment from Federal

**Environment Minister Greg** Hunt to tund a study of Aboriginal heritage values in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA). The commitment came amid pressure from the World Heritage Area committee, which met in Bonn, Germany, earlier this month.

Aboriginal community representative Rocky Sainty travelled to Bonn to set the facts straight about the study, along with a delegation from the Wilderness Society lobbying against the Tasmanian Government's proposal to allow logging, mining and

tourism developments in the TWWHA.

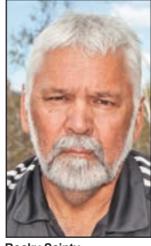
It was here that Mr Sainty and Vica Bailey, from the Wilderness Society, met with Mr Hunt, who gave a verbal commitment to fund the study.

"I also made him aware that \$550,000 would not be enough," Mr Sainty told the Koori Mail.

"The World Heritage Committee had been pressuring the Government to have this survey undertaken for years.

"The Australian Government was embarrassed. They had been dragging their feet

Mr Sainty said that despite the TWWHA being listed for values that included significant Aboriginal heritage, there had never been a thorough Aboriginal heritage survey.



**Rocky Sainty** 

"How can you manage something if you don't know what's there," Mr Sainty, an Aboriginal heritage officer for more than two decades, asked.

He said the study would need to address issues and impacts, include already

documented information, and undertake some

on-ground investigations. The TWWHA was first declared in 1982, on the basis of all required natural and cultural criteria, and in fact satisfying more criteria than any other World Heritage property on Earth.

It has some of the richest and best preserved Aboriginal sites known in Australia, offering an insight into the unique lifestyle of a people who lived the furthest south in the world during the last ice age until the time of European arrival.

Extensions have brought the TWWHA to its current size of 1,584,000 hectares, or about one-fifth of Tasmania. The most recent extension, 70,000 hectares in June 2013, was added as part of an historic forestry peace deal aimed at ending decades of conflict between

the logging industry and environmentalists.

The Government has changed since and the peace deal has been scrapped.

At the Bonn meeting, the WHA committee expressed its concern that substantial progress has not yet been made on the survey of cultural attributes requested since 2013.

It requested that the study be done in consultation with the Tasmanian Aboriginal community, and also urged the Tasmanian Government to ban logging and mining in the area.

The State Government has praised the process, acknowledging the committee's concerns, stating that they share a commitment to protecting the values of the area.

## Income scheme fabject failure



AS the Federal Government moves to extend compulsory income management, a group in South Australia claims that a pilot program of the scheme

in Playford has been an abject failure.

The Federal Government will also trial the 'Healthy Welfare' card as suggested by mining billionaire Andrew Forrest in his 'Creating Parity' report - later this year.

Those using the cashless card will only be able to use their social security payments on goods and services that the Government deems

July 1 marked the three-year anniversary of the introduction of income management to the City of Playford in the northern suburbs of Adelaide, with more than 10% of those subject to the conditions being Aboriginal

Introduced to Playford by the Gillard

Government in 2012, the 2015 Federal Budget saw the Abbott Government extend funding for income management in Playford (along with the Northern Territory, where the policy has operated for Aboriginal people since the Intervention 2007, and 14 other sites) to 2017. This two-year funding extension was announced despite no evidence showing the scheme is working and with several of the Government's own reports actually measuring worse outcomes.

SIMPla (Stop Income Management in Playford) spokesperson Pas Forgione said income management was largely operating as a blanket measure in the area, with large numbers of young people having control of their funds restricted, despite no history of mismanaging their payments or personal crises.

According to data from the Department of Social Services, released on March 27, there were 608 Playford residents on income management. Of these, 494, or 81%, were forced on the program, while 114, or 19%, were volunteers.

"There has been no evidence of strengthened money-management skills, better health outcomes, or reduced alcohol and tobacco consumption, according to the Abbott Government's Place-Based Income

Management - Process And Short Term Outcomes Evaluation, released last October," Mr Forgione said.

"For those forced on income management there has been no positive change across a range of indicators of wellbeing. Only the small minority who volunteered for the scheme have derived benefits.

"Numerous reports have now confirmed what critics of the policy have long argued: that for the majority of income management clients who are forced on the program, the experience can be embarrassing and humiliating, with little to no improvement in quality

"How many more government and independent studies do we need before both major political parties acknowledge Income Management has not worked?"

Mr Forgione said the cost of income management is enormous, with \$1 billion spent nationwide on the scheme since 2007, according to the

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not worked?"

Commonwealth Parliamentary Library, and per-person costs in Playford of roughly \$4000-\$5000 a year.

Narungga Elder Tauto Sansbury, the 2015 NAIDOC Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, told the Koori Mail he thought there were better ways to help people than income management.

"I think income management puts more pressure on families - it doesn't matter if they're Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal," he said.

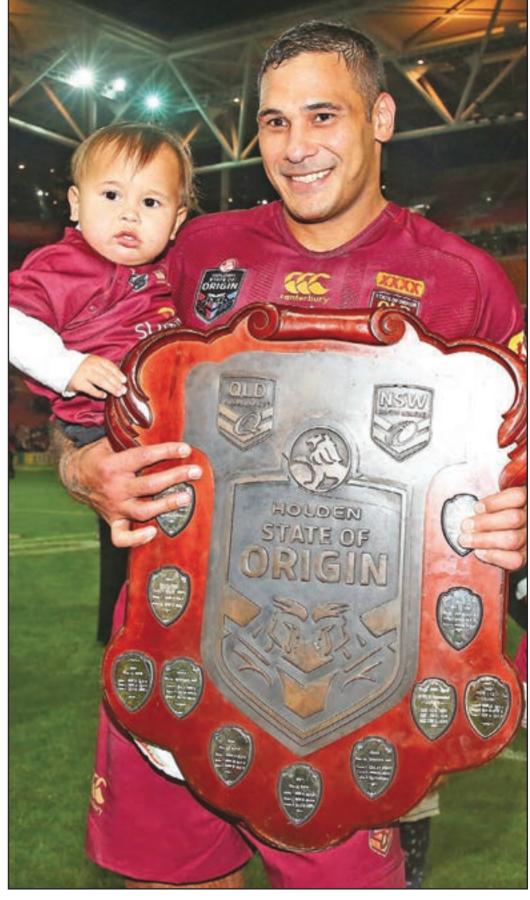
"I think it creates more problems, domestic problems for husbands, wives and children, who can't get pocket money, or money for school excursions.

"Every person is not a drunk or a druggie.

"Income management takes a lot of power away from people and it's wasting taxpayers' money.

"The \$5000 or so it costs per person could be better spent by putting in a program with financial counsellors talking to people abut how to manage their money and develop proper

"I think the Government has had a knee-jerk reaction to a lot issues that affect Aboriginal people and there's been no negotiation or consultation with the people who are working their butts off in the community, and it's about time they were listened to."



## Origin champion bows out with a win and a prayer



IT was the perfect send-off for **Aboriginal** rugby league star Justin

Hodges - a demoralising 52-6 victory over the NSW Blues in his farewell State of Origin match for Queensland.

And there to see it was his family, including son Carter (pictured above), who joined his dad on the field for post-match celebrations in front of

adoring fans at Brisbane's Suncorp Stadium.

With the clock counting down, Hodges was handed the football to attempt the conversion of Queensland's final trv.

As if it had all been stage-managed, the ball sailed through the posts.

But the real inspiration behind Hodges' emotional swansong was revealed after the game.

He could be seen saying a quiet prayer looking skyward during the National Anthem. Hodges' thoughts were on his late Aunty Cheryl who passed away a week earlier.

Instead of toasting Origin success, Hodges went to his home town of Cairns after the game to attend the funeral for the woman he considered "another mother".

"I just said a little prayer," Hodges said of his pre-match look skyward.

"She was my closest

aunty." - With AAP Picture: Getty

## Eye testing pays off for Paul



Indigenous health worker Paul Christian began training to use new eye

technology equipment for remote communities, he had no idea he'd become a patient.

But through the training, the far north Queensland man's eyes were tested and he was able to be treated when found to have problems with his blood vessels.

He's one of more than 1000 Indigenous and older other people from the Torres Strait Island and southern Western Australia who took part in a trial involving a free eye screening at a remote local community health centre.

The trial of the CSIROdeveloped remote telehealth system, called Remote-i, identified 68 patients at risk of going blind.

A special camera captures full high-resolution images of a patient's retina, which are then forwarded to a city-based ophthalmologist through a broadband satellite connection.

Releasing the results, CSIRO's Professor Yogi Kanagasingam said eight of the 68 had severe eye disease and could have gone blind if they hadn't been screened and received immediate treatment in the city.

The other 60 were at risk of



developing disease and now needed to have their eyes monitored regularly.

#### **Expansion hopes**

Prof Kanagasingam hopes the trial will lead to an expansion of the screening to other remote

areas, noting the major cost benefit to the health system as well as to the individuals.

NBN will launch its first satellite later this year which will help facilitate such services to rural and remote areas.

The release of the results

follows a Medical Journal of Australia article describing the progress made in closing the gap for vision between Indigenous and other patients.

Dr Marian Abouzeid, Mitchell Anjou and Professor Hugh Taylor, all from the University of Melbourne, wrote that, while gains had been made, much needed to be done and increased government support was required. "Up to 94% of vision loss in Indigenous adults is avoidable or amenable to treatment," they wrote. - AAP

## Boy claims he was assaulted by police

By RUDI MAXWELL



A 14-YEAR-OLD Bundjalung boy and his mother from Lismore, north-east NSW, are claiming the boy was inappropriately detained

and assaulted by police and held for more than two hours with his hands cuffed behind his back.

The first the mother had heard of her son being accused of breaking his bail conditions was when police came to her house in Lismore on a Friday morning.

The Bundjalung woman said she was overwhelmed by the police presence and claims the officers told her they only needed to speak with her boy, and that they would take him to Lismore Police Station and then bring him straight home.

But the boy says while he was in the waiting room of the station about 10am, one of the officers grabbed him by the neck, and then more officers joined in and began punching him.

The boy (who cannot be named for legal reasons) says the officers then dragged him to the holding cells and, behind closed doors, assaulted him.

He says the police forced his arms behind his back, cuffed him and left him in that position for two or three hours.

A NSW Police Force spokesperson said officers had gone to the house to speak with the boy about a series of alleged

"I've been through domestic violence. I don't need to see my son being bullied by people who are supposed to protect and serve." - Arrested boy's mother

"It is alleged the child has become aggressive and began struggling with police. The boy, while handcuffed, also spat at officers and made threats..." - NSW Police

break and enters in the area.

"The family was in the foyer of Lismore Police Station, where the boy was told he was to be charged," the spokesperson said.

"It is alleged the child has become aggressive and began struggling with police. The boy, while handcuffed, also spat at officers and made threats towards them.

"A support person was provided to the teenager, who was charged with: malicious damage, break and enter and steal (three counts), resist police in the execution of duty, intimidate police officer (two counts), break, enter and destroy property.

"The boy was granted conditional bail prior to his appearance in a children's court on August 5.

The boy says on the evening of his arrest he was put in the back of an unmarked police car and driven to the juvenile detention centre in Grafton, 130km away.

In NSW, when a child is arrested, he or she is supposed to be brought in front of the court as soon as possible.

However, in this case, although he spent all Friday in the Lismore Police Station, which is next door to the courthouse, the boy did not appear in court until the following

morning, when he appeared via video link in the Parramatta Children's Court. The magistrate adjourned the boy's case to the Monday morning in Lismore.

When the case came before the magistrate in Lismore on the Monday, the boy was granted bail.

The magistrate was apparently unimpressed that the police did not bring the boy to the courtroom for a bail hearing on the Friday.

His mother and a friend drove the 90 minutes to Grafton and picked up the boy from the detention centre.

She says the police were unnecessarily

neavy-nanded from the start. "He's pretending he's not freaking out but of course he is. I'm his mother and I can tell," she told the Koori Mail.

"The police are supposed to protect and serve, but they treated me so aggressively and were so bullying.

"If they believed he was breaching his bail conditions, why didn't they come to the house at the time and do a bail check?

"Our kids gets hassled enough by police and set up to fail.

"They're being traumatised and we're losing too many of our young people. "Our Elders are dying with broken hearts,

when they should have pride and honour. "I've been through domestic violence. I don't need to see my son being bullied by people who are supposed to protect and serve."

## Race is on for scholarship



**INDIGENOUS** youth across Victoria will have more opportunities for

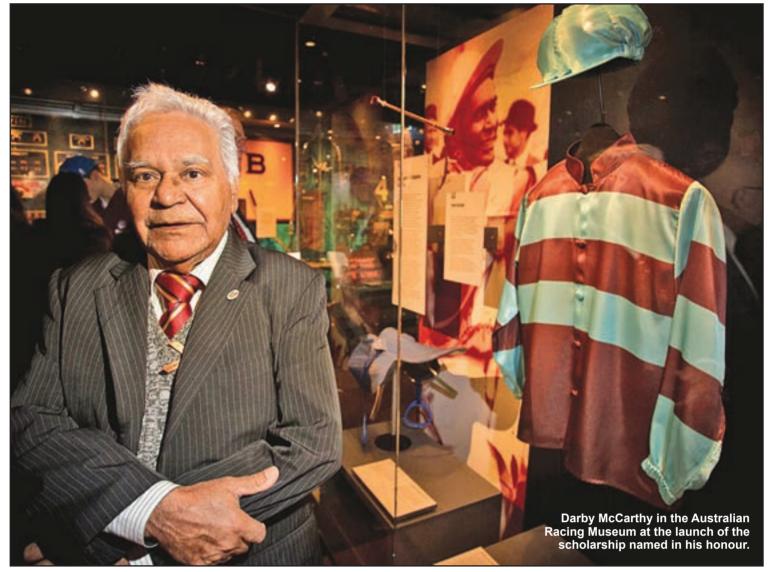
a career in the racing industry with the launch of the Darby McCarthy Indigenous Scholarship. The scholarship has been developed by Racing Victoria (RV) in partnership with the Koorie Academy of Excellence (KAE), which aims to nurture the next generation of Aboriginal leaders.

Darby McCarthy, one of the greatest-ever Indigenous jockeys and a long-time advocate of Indigenous participation in the racing industry, was a special guest at the event where he helped to launch the scholarship and met with students from the KAE.

As part of the event, Victoria Racing Minister Martin Pakula and Mr McCarthy also launched the Indigenous Participation in Racing Exhibition Showcase in the Champions Gallery at the Australian Racing Museum to celebrate the achievements of Australia's Indigenous jockeys.

Now open to the public, the centrepiece of the showcase is a gold-plated whip awarded to Mr McCarthy in 1969 when he won the Australian Jockey Club Derby and Epsom Handicap double at Randwick Racecourse.

Mr McCarthy's career as a jockey featured more than 1000 wins across the 1960s and 1970s, including victories in a number of major races in Melbourne such as the 1973 Group 2 VRC Linlithgow Stakes on All Shot, the 1977 Group 2 VATC. Memsie Stakes on Wave King, the 1978 Group 2 VATC



Orr Stakes and the 1978 Group 3 VATC Carlyon Cup, both on

At the end of his career, Mr McCarthy gained a training qualification to help Indigenous youth pursue careers in racing.

He will now be involved with mentoring the inaugural Darby McCarthy Indigenous Scholarship recipient, as well as other students at KAE who have shown an interest in a career in the racing industry.

As part of the scholarship, RV will provide one student from KAE the opportunity to be part of a four-week work placement in the industry, mentoring support and \$5000 towards their education development.

RV chief executive Bernard Saundry said his organisation was pleased to introduce the scholarship to encourage and support Indigenous youth who have an interest in entering the racing industry.

# Inquiry to look More kids at sachools At reparations The parations of Education and Child Development show there were more than the control of the control



THE NSW Upper House of Parliament has unanimously endorsed an inquiry into reparations for the Stolen Generations in

NSW. The motion was put forward by Greens MP Jan Barham who said the inquiry was an opportunity to examine what has been achieved in addressing intergenerational harm caused to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people through forced removal, and to look at what still

has to be done. "It's 18 years since the Bringing Them Home report into the separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families was released, and seven years since the national apology to the Stolen Generations," she said.

"It's time to see what progress federal and state governments have made in fulfilling the obligation to make reparations. This includes examining where we stand in terms of delivering

guarantees against repetition of past harms, measures of restitution and rehabilitation, and the question of monetary compensation."

Coota Girls Aboriginal Corporation spokesperson Kerrie Kelly said the issue of reparation was particularly important, rather than just monetary compensation.

"There have been no formal reparations implemented for people who

"It's time to see what progress federal and state governments have made in fulfilling the obligation to make reparations."

> were removed and placed in government training homes," she said.

"They (former residents) are all very frail now and we haven't got the additional help we need to support them for the damage they suffered to their health and wellbeing."

The Cootamundra Girls Home was a government-run facility that trained girls who were forcibly removed from their families to be domestic servants from 1912-1968.

The Kinchela Boys Home near Kempsey was a similar facility for boys, where brutal punishments and sexual abuse have been well documented.

Ms Barham said she hoped the standing committee would be

invited to hear submissions at Cootamundra, Kinchela and other homes where children were taken.

The committee will travel around the state and take written and oral submission until the end of September.

"This inquiry has the opportunity to engage directly with Aboriginal people, communities and organisations to learn about what we should do to deliver genuine reparations," Ms Barham said,

"I'm pleased that the Parliament has given its support to this important work."



Development show there were more than

9700 Aboriginal students enrolled in public schools in 2014 compared with just over 7000 in 2005. And preschool enrolments of Aboriginal children have almost doubled from 869 in 1999 to 1642 in 2014.

SA Education Minister Susan Close said it was important to improve the education of Aboriginal children and students in public education. "We have invested heavily into improving educational outcomes for Aboriginal students in a number of ways, such as employing dedicated Aboriginal cultural consultants, education teachers and community education staff," she said.

"The Starting Out Right project was also developed with an early childhood focus, aimed at improving learning outcomes for Aboriginal children through a series of parent workshops.

"We recognise that engaging Aboriginal children and young people requires an approach that incorporates cultural considerations with family involvement, which is why we strive to establish community partnerships.

"Programs that engage and support parents in their role as primary care givers play a critical part in improving outcomes.'

## NT alcohol scheme under fire



THE Northern Territory's controversial mandatory alcohol rehabilitation scheme is not costeffective and may be discriminatory, according to medical experts.

The scheme costs about \$27 million annually, but experts say alcohol misuse could be reduced more effectively by methods such as interventions involving the supply of alcohol

Dr Fiona Lander, from the Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health in Boston, and Associate Professor Edward Wilkes, from the National Drug Research Institute at Perth's Curtin University, said there was little evidence the scheme worked.

"It is also disturbing that the scheme is openly targeted at 'chronic drinkers who are publicly intoxicated' not all problem drinkers," they wrote in the Medical Journal of Australia.

Indigenous drinkers, who are much more likely to be homeless or itinerant than other Australians, are thus much more likely to be referred to the scheme. The authors say this may discriminate against Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders.

The NT has per capita alcohol consumption levels about 50% higher than the Australian average and alcohol-attributable deaths at 3.5 times the national rate.

#### "Highly dubious"

"The program only permits referral by police, despite the fact that ii is ostensibly a medical intervention." they wrote. "Use of a treatment as a method of effectively solving a public intoxication problem is highly dubious, and should be of concern to the medical community.'

No formal evaluation of the program has taken place, with the Government providing only "short vignettes containing patients' success stories" and treatment numbers without reference to relapses.



### Mabo plaque unveiled



Regional Authority (TSRA) has welcomed the unveiling of a plaque

commemorating the Mabo decision as a defining moment in Australia's history. National Museum of Australia (NMA) director Mathew Trinca unveiled the plaque as part of the Defining Moments in Australian History project during the ninth annual Gab Titui Indigenous Art Awards

TSRA chairperson Joseph Elu said the inclusion of the Mabo decision in the top 100 defining moments in Australia's history was testament to the importance of the struggle for land rights for all Indigenous people.

The High Court of Australia's recognition that a group of Torres Strait Islanders, led by Eddie Mabo, held ownership of Mer (Murray Island) on June 3, 1992, was significant for Indigenous people all over the world," he

said. "This landmark decision gave rise to native title legislation the following year, and has since then provided for 22 determinations of native title in the Torres Strait region."

The plaque will now be displayed in the NMA in Canberra.

The initial list of 100 defining moments has been compiled by National Museum staff, in consultation with an advisory panel of leading historians. It is intended to be a starting point for discussion.



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### Billy takes the big plunge for his 30th



from "cloud nine" was a great way for William 'Billy' Namok to celebrate

his 30th birthday. The **Torres Strait Islander** tandem parachute jumped from 4000 metres above his home in Townsville thanks to a birthday gift

from family and friends.

The Koori Mail was there this month when Mr Namok landed on the Strand beach to be met by a large group.

"I was a bit nervous at first and it looked a long way down from the plane, but once the jump started it was just the most wonderful experience," he said.

Mr Namok, of Mer,

**Darnley and St Paul's** heritage, said he would recommend a parachute jump to anyone.

A Skydive Townsville spokesman said that after jumping from 12,000 feet they free-fell for 45 seconds before the chute opened.

"From there it was four to five minutes in the chute before we landed," he said.

## WA heritage review call



THE Western Australian Government must review its decision to deregister 22 Aboriginal sites from its register of

protected areas, a leading native title lawyer has argued.

barrister Greg McIntyre SC in the latest Indigenous Law Bulletin, where he was writing about the Robinson v Fielding case. In that matter, the WA Supreme Court overturned a decision by the WA Aboriginal **Cultural Materials Committee** (ACMC) to deregister the Marapikurrinya Yintha, a sacred site in Port Hedland.

Mr McIntyre, who represented Marapikurrinya brother and sister Kerry and Diana Robinson in the case, said the Port Hedland site was one of many significant Aboriginal cultural sites denied protection under the Aboriginal Heritage

Act 1972 (WA) since the ACMC adopted new guidelines in July

"Sites such as the Burrup Peninsula, the Ashburton, Collie, Murray, Sabina, Hotham and Robe Rivers, sites associated with the highly significant Wati Kutjarra (two men) Dreaming, as Island, have all been deregistered," he said.

#### "Assessment"

"Since the Robinson decision was handed down on April 1, it has been confirmed that not only have 22 sites been removed from the register, but a further 1262 of 1776 submitted to the ACMC for assessment have been deemed not to be a site."

Mr McIntvre said the decision in Robinson shows that the guidelines used by the ACMC to determine what an Aboriginal site is have been inconsistent with the Aboriginal Heritage Act.

"If the interpretation of the Act

adopted by the ACMC and set out in the guidelines had prevailed, substantial numbers and perhaps the most culturally important category of Aboriginal site would have been denied protection by the Aboriginal Heritage Act," he said.

"Miners and developers out developments which would have adversely affected such sites without risk of prosecution."

While 16 new site applications, covering 26 local government areas, will be now be reassessed by the ACMC, Mr McIntyre said it is important that the 22 sites deregistered by the ACMC also be reconsidered.

"The reasoning in the Robinson case ought to be applied to those sites deregistered by the ACMC, especially considering that such significant Aboriginal sacred sites like the Burrup Peninsula have been deregistered,"

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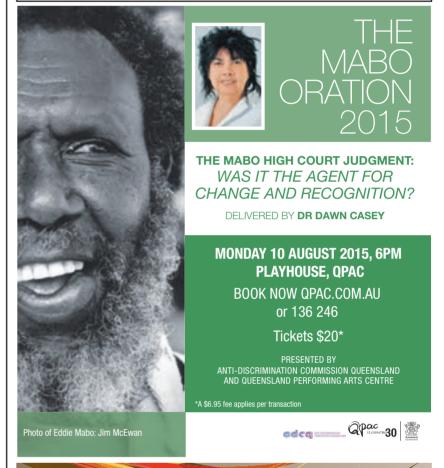
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**Aborigines Advancement League director Philip** Cooper with chief executive Esme Bamblett and author Richard Broome.

### **Book tells** the history of league

By NEELIMA CHOAHAN



A BOOK documenting the history of Victoria's Aborigines Advancement League will help keep culture alive, chief executive Esme Bamblett says. Written by La Trobe University

professor Richard Broome and launched by league member Philip Cooper, Fighting Hard covers the inception of the league as well as its recent history.

Speaking at the launch in Melbourne this month, Dr Bamblett said the book would help pass knowledge to the younger generation

"It is really important to sustain and maintain culture," she said. "It is a way of letting everyone know just how significant the league was in the early years of political activism, where the founders of the league came from and what they represented."

The Aborigines Advancement League was formed in February 1957 as a not-for-profit organisation with an aim to have blacks and whites working together.

Dr Bamblett said Fighting Hard put the spotlight on Aboriginal visionaries of the past and their mission. She said it highlighted the league's philosophy, which remained relevant even after 57 years. "It's about cultural identity, about maintenance of culture; it's about urban Aboriginal identity," shet said.

Prof Broome said the book, which took eight years to write, was based on the league's extensive archives. "It is a nationally-significant story of Aboriginal progress to freedom," he said.

Fighting Hard (recommended retail price \$39.95) is published by Aboriginal Studies Press

## Jessie's on a mission to revive old songs

By JILLIAN MUNDY



MELBOURNE-BASED musician Jessie Lloyd is breathing life into oftforgotten songs from the Aboriginal missions era. Inspired by the songs

of her people from North Queensland, the Karareg (TSI)/Gugu Yimithirr (Cooktown) woman has been travelling around the country researching and documenting songs mainly from the 1900 to 1970 era. She has travelled from Cooktown to Hobart and through to Darwin, delving through archives and visiting musical families.

"I'm inspired by the old songs that my family still sings," she said.

"I've been learning those songs as I've grown up and teaching other people as a musician and as a producer.

"And I figured there'd be a whole lot of other songs that are getting forgotten and getting lost in other people's families. To the old people, it's serious. This is their legacy.

"They are pretty straight-up with telling me they are not going to be around forever, and someone needs to be able to remember these songs, which is part of their identity back in those days.

Ms Lloyd has called it the Mission Songs Project because much of the music was based around the churches where people were learning to read music, sing hymns and instruments were accessible.

"I'm researching what they did with that once they left the church, after Sunday, for their birthdays, their parties and their weddings," she said.

When you think of the mission days, it's easier nowadays to talk about the Stolen Generation, and what happened.

"But I'm also thinking about beforehand. Why were the missions there? A lot of songs are metaphorical to the old people. They didn't want to talk straight out about the hardships that they had, so the music was the way of remembering those times without talking about it - acknowledging it



Jessie Lloyd: "I'm inspired by the old songs that my family still sings,"

without going into detail of what happened. It's heavy stuff.

Ms Lloyd says the public perceives a difference between traditional and contemporary music. "A purpose of this project is to debunk that myth and provide evidence that there has never been a separation," she said.

"There has a been a continuation of cultural practice from traditional into contemporary.

"Even though we changed language and even though we changed musical instruments and even though we

changed musical styles, we are still practising the song tradition through oral tradition or passing down knowledge."

Ms Lloyd says she has only just scratched the surface, and hopes to find funding to continue the project.

She will be featuring a collection of the songs she has found along the way at Kew Court House, Melbourne, this Friday, July 17, supported by Indigenous vocalists Tiriki Onus, Shauntae Batzke and John Wayne Parsons, and guitarists Robert Champion and Monica Weightman.



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GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO. 3

#### **INQUIRY INTO REPARATIONS FOR** THE STOLEN GENERATIONS IN NSW **CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS**

The General Purpose Standing Committee No. 3 is seeking written submissions to its inquiry into reparations for the Stolen Generations in New South Wales, and in particular:

- a. the New South Wales Government's response to the report of the 1996 National Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children and Their
- b. potential legislation and policies to make reparations to members of the Stolen Generations and their descendants, including approaches in other jurisdictions; and

The committee invites public participation in the inquiry process. Written submissions addressing the terms of reference can be emailed to gpscno3@parliament.nsw.gov.au, lodged via the committee's website at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/gpsc3 or hardcopies mailed to: The Director, General Purpose Standing Committee No. 3, Legislative Council, Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney NSW 2000.

The terms of reference and further information about this inquiry are available on the committee's website or can be obtained from the committee secretariat on telephone

The committee will consider requests that a submission remain confidential and not be released to the public.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS IS 27 SEPTEMBER 2015

Ms Jan Barham MLC **Committee Chair** 

## Elders fight nuclear plan



**ELDERS** from across the country nave joined scores of university students camping out in a stand against the

storing of nuclear waste in Australia. Protesters have set up a tent community at Flinders University in Adelaide in protest against plans for a nuclear waste dump, in South Australia or anywhere else.

"To the SA Government, to the Federal Government, to the mining giants - don't worrv about trying to put the waste dump here," Arabunna Elder Kevin Buzzacott said.

"Because you'll be wasting your money. We'll be out



**Kevin Buzzacott** 

there trying to stop it." The action comes as the Federal Government is set to reveal a shortlist of prospective

sites for a possible nuclear

dump before making a final

decision next year.

It also coincides with South Australia's royal commission into nuclear power, which is looking at whether the state should expand its involvement in the nuclear industry.

At least one SA Liberal senator says it should, with Sean Edwards recently urging the state to cash in by becoming a global player in the spent nuclear fuel recycling industry.

But Mr Buzzacott said a storage facility would destroy the land of the country's traditional owners. "We've lost a lot of sacred sites as it is," he said. "We don't want to lose any more. We've been here 40,000 years. We've never touched the land – we love the land." – AAP

## in danger, inquiry told



ABORIGINAL children are placed in dangerous care situations because agencies

rush to get a "bum in a bed' rather than finding suitable homes, an inquiry has been told.

In some cases unscrupulous carers then blackmail biological parents who want to see their

Jim Morrison, the national community engagement manager for the Stolen Generations Alliance, told a roval commission hearing into out-of-home care that agencies which placed Aboriginal children in care were driven by expediency, not what was best for the child

He said child protection agencies did not have the knowhow or the will to engage with Aboriginal communities to find extended families.

He had come across a case where a young mother had to resort to crime to get the money to see her children. The children had been left with carers who were selling drugs.

Mr Morrison said he believed

this type of scenario was happening across the country.

He had told the commission the situation was "quite horrifying: You can see your child but you are going to have to pay.'

Mr Morrison also talked about reclaiming old missions in south-western Australia so that Aboriginal communities could take care of the children now in care and reconnect them with their own culture.

Alienation from culture was still haunting past generations, he told the commission.

You might be opening up another stolen generation but it's our way of doing things so those kids can learn from their own culture," he said.

The commission has heard that more than 51% of Aboriginal children in out-of-home care are in kinship care and others are placed with carers inside and outside the community who are not always properly screened.

Aboriginal children are nine times more likely to end up in care than a non-Aboriginal child. And when they are put in care, Aboriginal placement principles are often ignored. – AAP

## Children put Titjikala timpanists





AUSTRALIAN Army officer Major Matt Chilmaid (centre), from Army Band Sydney, teaches Titjikala community children to play the drums as part of the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Programme 2015. Under the program, which is a partnership between the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the army, one project is undertaken each calendar year targeting improvements in housing and essential services such as water, power, sewerage and health, and addressing community safety by improving environmental health and living conditions in remote Indigenous

communities. This year's project is in Titjikala, in the MacDonnell local government area of the Northern Territory, 120km south-east from Alice Springs. About 150 Australian Army soldiers have deployed to the community for four months, offering a range of services.

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## Fight on to stop Qld mine



THE Wangan and Jagalingou (W&J) people, traditional owners of central Queensland's Galilee Basin,

are fighting mining giant Adani's \$16.5 billion Carmichael coal mine on two fronts.

Traditional owner and spokesperson Adrian Burragubba said the W&J have vowed to stop the mine because it threatens their traditional lands and waters, and their ancestral connection to country. He also said they hold grave concerns about the impact of mining and burning coal on the climate and the world's people.

Mr Burragubba recently completed a world tour, visiting many investment banks in the United States, Europe and Asia.

"The banks, including Bank of America, Citibank, Goldman Sachs, the US Export Import Bank and Standard Chartered, UBS and Credit Suisse, recognised the authority of the W&J representatives, respectfully received us, and understood that our people have made a formal and final decision to reject a land use agreement with Adani for the mine," he

"The banks we met with said they would seriously consider the issue of human rights due diligence surrounding Adani's proposal, and confirmed their commitment to the principle of free, prior and informed consent and respect for Indigenous people's rights. They also understood the serious environmental and climate risks of investing in coal ".

Mr Burragubba said the exception was the Britishbased bank Standard Chartered.

"We met with Standard Chartered, which according to sworn testimony by Adani's chief financial officer in the **Queensland Land Court** has already loaned Adani \$680 million to develop Carmichael mine," he said.

"We are deeply concerned that the bank has extended corporate finance to Adani prior to any due diligence, including the application of the Equator Principles to which the bank is signatory. These principles require that projects impacting indigenous owners have their consent.

#### "Questionable"

"Dishing out \$0.7 billion to Adani for development of the mine before any scrutiny of its impacts – and given the mine does not have our consent puts Standard Chartered in a very questionable position on the Equator Principles, as well as international law and the UN Declaration on the Right of Indigenous Peoples.

Mr Burragubba is one of 12 applicants from W&J families challenging a National Native Title Tribunal ruling that the mine lease could be granted.

The Federal Court challenge is likely to be heard in March next year, with Mr Burragubba saying they would take it all the way to the High Court if necessary.

"This is a matter of justice," he said. "Every Aboriginal group has a right to stand up and say what mining companies are doing to their sacred land. We don't always have to sign on the dotted line and have our sacred sites ripped up.



Kingaroy girls Rianna Cronin, Ana Toseni and Mackaelah Broderick grab some books at Cherbourg.

## Books prove a real hit at Cherbourg



AN effort to build a reading culture at Cherbourg and its surrounding towns was given a major boost during NAIDOC Week.

The Aboriginal Literacy Foundation (ALF) provided more than 2000 books which were handed out during the south-east Queensland community's cultural celebrations.

**Outgoing Barambah Parental** and Community Engagement (PaCE) coordinator Marcus Priaulx, who provided a stall for people to collect the stories, said they were a huge hit.

"We had books for all ages and

children, parents, nans, pops, educators and day care centres collected them," he said.

"I couldn't have thought of a better way to finish the PaCE program.

Mr Priaulx said the program finishing because of no further government funding - had made a huge difference to the community. The aim was to build an education culture so every parent sent every child to school every day.

Mr Priaulx said record graduation results have brought the Year-12 'gap' down to almost zero in the Cherbourg-Murgon district during the past two years, and many of these

students have gone on to university, apprenticeships, employment and further training.

Everybody from struggling mums and dads to the Deputy Prime Minister Warren Truss got on board to make a difference,'

"We were building a great partnership with the Aboriginal Literacy Foundation and it's been amazing with its support.

"I truly believe something as simple as having parents read to their babies and children for 15 minutes or more a day is the key to solving a huge amount of social problems that cause family misery and millions of dollars in costs down the track.



### **Brewarrina** men targeting violence



ABORIGINAL men from Brewarrina in north-west NSW are addressing domestic violence in their

community. Former NRL player and current anti-gambling campaigner Ashley Gordon said that before this year's annual knockout match between Brewarrina and Walgett, the men gathered for a yarn.

"There was a theme about what we are trying to achieve, taking ownership of our community and finding the strengths in our communities," he said. "We are going to start an Aboriginal men's group in Bre, and we really

wanted something to focus on. "This year our men are going to

start being role models, and I'm really looking forward to working with the community more.

Mr Gordon said the locals were empowering themselves.

Bre has always been a negative story to people from outside the community, but good, positive things have always happened, including the knockout carnival," he said.

The fellas spoke about gambling, alcohol and drugs. Everyone talked about the need to get back together, work on building our community, address domestic violence, ice, alcohol and gambling."

## Rich art prize to Cope



NOONUCCAL/ NGUGI artist Megan Cope has taken out the 2015 Western Australian Indigenous Art Award. Also

honoured at this month's presentation was Ngaanyatjarra (WA) artist Eunice Yunurupa Porter, who won the Western Australian Artist Award of \$10,000.

The \$50,000 WA Indigenous Art Award – one of the nation's richest Indigenous art prizes attracted 118 nominations.

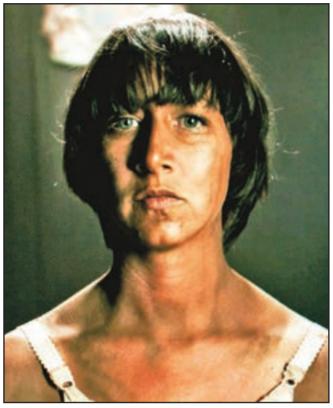
Cope was born in Brisbane but now lives and works in Melbourne. Her award-winning entry, a multilayered video work called The Blaktism 2014,

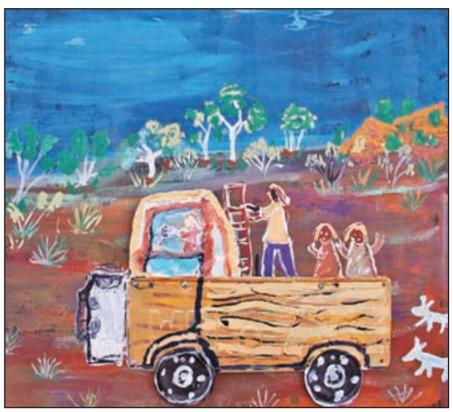
gives a theatrical and humorous insight into the complexities of Indigenous identity, notions of citizenship and Australian stereotypes through imagined 'blaktism'.

The judges felt that it was a sophisticated and complex work with a strong social and political resonance conveyed in a highly effective way through pop culture energy.

Porter's winning body of work documents the contemporary history for her own community in the Goldfields region, including first contact with non-Indigenous Australians that remain within senior members' living memory.

Her works also depict community life in a changing environment. One of the





A scene from Western Australian Indigenous Art Award winner Megan Cope's winning multi-layered video work called The Blaktism 2014 and, at right, one of the artworks that secured Ngaanyatjarra artist Eunice Yunurupa Porter the WA Artist Award of \$10,000.

award-winning paintings tells of the ongoing mining activity on her country and how that affects their way of life.

#### Unique vision

Carly Lane, the newly appointed curator of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art at the Art Gallery of WA, said each artist brought a unique vision to the awards.

"Their work is a mix of styles, ideas and aesthetic that, when placed together, reveals some of the dominant and emerging mediums, subjects and experiences shaping contemporary Indigenous art today," she said.

"Their work gives insight into the aspirations and concerns of the artists, as well as those of the wider Indigenous community.

The awards exhibition continues at the Art Gallery of WA Until October 12.

 The winner of the People's Choice Award, valued at \$5000, will be the artist with the highest

number of votes from the public throughout the coming months. Voting can be done online at artgallery.wa.gov.au or in the exhibition space. Entries close at 5pm (WST) on September 28 and the winning artist will be announced on October 1. For further information, visit artgallery.wa.gov.au



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## Bishop first for SA

By RUDI MAXWELL



THE Reverend Christopher McLeod, a descendant of the Gurindji (NT) people, has been ordained as the first Anglican Aboriginal bishop of

South Australia. Bishop McLeod said he grew up as an Anglican and spent his early working life as a cook, before spending some time on the production line at Mitsubishi Motors.

He entered theological college in Adelaide aged 23 and was ordained as a priest at 27.

"I'm 51, so I've spent most of my life as a priest and now as a bishop," he said.

"A bishop's role is primarily one of overseeing, a role of guidance and governance.

"For me, it is important as an Aboriginal person to be engaged with governance and leadership in South Australia. So when the opportunity for leadership came in the wider Anglican Church, the important thing was that it was an opportunity for an Aboriginal voice to be heard, which is a really good thing.

"I think also, here in SA, that there are a number of Aboriginal people who are Anglican, but not necessarily engaged, so I can help them reconnect with the life of the church.

Bishop McLeod sees his role is to help and encourage all Aboriginal Christians.

"I also play an advocacy role within the church and beyond, advocating for Aboriginal rights and justices, social justice aspects," he said.

'The church is not just interested in people's souls, it's interested in people's lives as well.

"Justice is very important, and the Anglican Church has a long



The Rev Christopher McLeod has been ordained as a bishop in the Anglican Church, making him the third Aboriginal Anglican Bishop and the first for South Australia. Picture: Stories Well Told

history of engaging on social justice issues and it's important that we continue that advocacy.

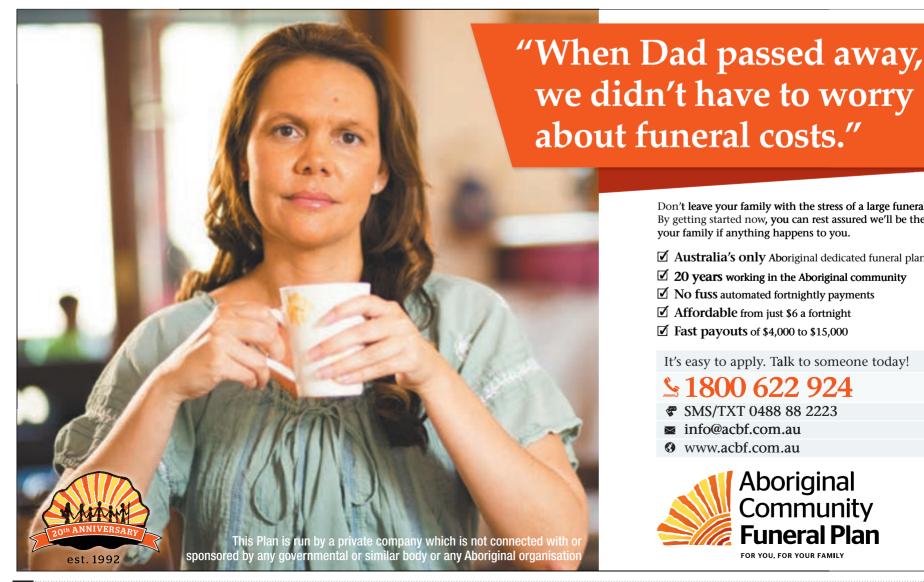
"I think a lot of people within the church want to know how they can be of assistance to Aboriginal

rights and issues, want to know what they can do to help.

"I think it's an important part of leadership as a bishop to help non-Aboriginal people see what the world might look like from an

Aboriginal perspective, how everyone has a responsibility towards reconciliation, and helping the wider church understand how they can participate in that process.

Bishop McLeod said his mother and grandmother were members of the Stolen Generations, with his Gurindji mother being taken from the Northern Territory and brought to Adelaide when she was 12.



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## 'Governor' runs Vic Youth Parlt

By NEELIMA CHOAHAN



**FOR** Gunditjmara Nada Aldobasic,

leading the Victorian Youth Parliament this year was an empowering moment.

But even more empowering was watching a Wurundjeri Elder give a welcome to country for the first time inside the state's Legislative Assembly (lower house of Parliament).

Ms Aldobasic said watching Aunty Diane Kerr perform the ceremony made her feel more comfortable and connected to the land.

"For her to come in and welcome us on to that land, rather than the building, was more significant for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the chamber at the time," Ms Aldobasic said.

"(It meant) being able to walk in the space and feel confident to raise their voice a little louder."

Ms Aldobasic is only the second Indigenous person to have the honour of being governor in the Youth Parliament's 29 years.

The 22-year-old said it was the desire to be heard and inspire younger generations that prompted her to apply for the role. It



Gunditimara woman Nada Aldobasic, this year's Victorian Youth Parliament governor: "It was an opportunity to share a little bit of my culture with the 120 delegates from across the state.'

was also a way to counter racism and harmful stereotypes.

"It was an opportunity to share a little bit of my culture with the 120 delegates from across the state," she said.

"Those who have come before me have paved the way for me to be here. "I want to pass what I have learnt from my Elders

on to the youngsters.'

Held over three days, the youth parliamentarians debated 20 draft bills.

The 'MPs', aged 16 to 25, pushed for topics ranging

from gender-neutral school uniforms to free mental health first-aid training in secondary schools.

Joining Ms Aldobasic at the Youth Parliament were the South East Koori Mob team, a group of eight Indigenous youth who put forward a bill for the mandatory teaching of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history in schools. (See report below.)

Victoria Youth Affairs Minister Jenny Mikakos said that since the program began, more than 20 bills passed by the Youth Parliament had gone on to become law.

These included mandatory wearing of bike helmets, nightclub safety reforms and zero blood-alcohol content for licensed drivers accompanying learner

Ms Mikakos will present the latest bills that have passed to relevant government ministers.

"This is a very practical way of engaging with Victoria's youth and hearing what they have to say," she said.

"As well as being a great experience for aspiring politicians, it is a valuable experience for all young people to have a sound understanding of how parliament works.

## South East Koori Mob's 'Bill' may make history

A GROUP of young Indigenous students is pushing to have Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history as a mandatory feature of the Victorian secondary school curriculum.

Six members of the South East Koori Mob team presented their findings at this vear's Victoria Youth Parliament. Their 'bill' for mandatory Indigenous education passed unanimously.

The Youth Parliament is an opportunity for the voices of young Victorians to be heard. More than 20 Bills first tabled at Youth Parliament have gone on to influence legislation.

Team member and Nyikina (WA) woman Kalinda Palmer said young people were dedicated to having Indigenous history and culture formally recognised in school curriculum.

"We all worked really hard in expressing our personal stories and the way we felt, and seeing it pass showed that people want Indigenous studies and education in their curriculum," she said.

The Bill urged that schools teach Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history to all students in Years 7 to 12. Under current guidelines, schools do not have to teach the subject.

"Indigenous studies is something that



Nyikina (WA) woman Kalinda Palmer (standing) speaking at this year's Victorian Youth Parliament, in Melbourne.

has been absent in my life It's never been an option," Ms Palmer said.

'As young Indigenous people, we feel really passionate about it and want to see some sort of change and drive for young Indigenous people."

The Bill also includes a provision that

all teachers must have a cultural awareness training session and that schools must implement ties with Indigenous Elders.

The successful Bill will be considered by State Education Minister James Merlino.

#### **Business ideas** sought for Uluru



CULTURALLY appropriate and environmentally sensitive business and investment ideas are being sought for Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park. The park's board of management issued the call as part of a campaign to

encourage investment in the area.

Board chairperson Sammy Wilson said the traditional owners wanted people with good ideas to come and talk together.

"This is a beautiful place to bring strong ideas where we can work together, look towards the future and create something to be proud of," he said.

Expressions of Interest are open until September 30. Go to the website eoi.uluru.gov.au to apply or email ulurueoi@environment.com.au

#### TI radio station marks 30 years



THURSDAY Island's Radio 4 Meriba Wakai (4MW) has marked 30 years of broadcasting. The 4MW board celebrated the landmark with a blessing of a new studio on Thursday Island, with official

celebrations held over until October. The station can be heard across the Torres Strait islands on 1260AM, and broadcasts in the four primary languages of the region – Creole, Australian English, Kalaw Legaw Ya

#### Alice visitor park secures funding



ABORIGINAL Hostels' Apmere Mwerre Visitor Park in Alice Springs has received funding from the Northern Territory Government. The grant, which comes after maintenance work at the camp area, will help fund the

park until June 30 next year. NT Housing Minister Bess Price said the facility provides safe and secure accommodation for visitors to Alice Springs.

"The continued operation of Apmere Mwerre will help reduce short-term homelessness for visitors and reduce the impact of overcrowding in town camps and social housing," she said.

#### \$600,000 to help violence victims



THE Victorian Government has allocated \$600,000 to help Aboriginal victims of family violence. The funding comes on top of \$4 million to address

family violence statewide. Victoria's Department of Health and Human Services will work with Aboriginal organisations to determine where there is the

greatest demand for the extra funding. The money is part of a \$17.7 million Government commitment to family violence services, following on from the Royal Commission into Family Violence.

#### Ngadju rangers get new vehicle



THE Goldfields Land and Sea Council Aboriginal Corporation (GLSC) has received a Lotterywest grant of \$52,580 towards a new four-wheel-drive vehicle for the Ngadju ranger program. Ngadju has 16 rangers

carrying out land management throughout Norseman and the greater Goldfields region. The program combines contemporary land care practices with traditional land care regimes.

## **Coming of the Light celebrated**

By ALF WILSON



COMING of the Light celebrations at St Stephen's Church in Townsville were attended by more than 100 people. The Coming of the Light is a major event for Torres Strait Islander people,

marking the day when missionaries first arrived at Erub Island on July 1, 1871, introducing Christianity to the region.

It is a significant day for Islanders, many of whom are Christian, and celebrates the interaction of Torres Strait Islander customs, traditions and beliefs with Christianity

Many of those at the Townsville event on July 4 were of Mer Island descent, and the celebration started with a re-enactment of the original event on Darnley Island, when missionaries were met by warriors.

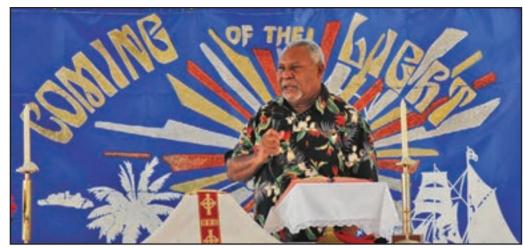
Eddie Tapim played the missionary, while the warriors were Matthew Pearson, Fred Pearson, Sovak Tapim and Samuel Pearson. They were under a tent where the 'missionary' was greeted by Father Elemo Tapim.

"This is a great day and the Lord has done good for our people – I don't know where we would be without the Coming of the Light." Father Tapim said.

Pastor Emmanuel Fave told the gathering that the Coming of the Light ensured Torres Strait people had love, hope, peace and unity.

Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Mayor Alf Lacey was also at the celebrations.

There was music, a feast of traditional food and a festive atmoshpere.



Pastor Emmanuel Fave speaks at the Coming of the Light celebration in Townsville.



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#### **Supply Nation** launches guide



SUPPLY Nation has launched a major guide to Indigenous businesses across Australia.

Called Indigenous Business Direct, it includes two categories of Indigenous businesses: certified

suppliers with 51% or more Indigenous ownership; and registered businesses with 50% or more Indigenous ownership.

This is an exciting step for Supply Nation and the Australian Indigenous business sector, Supply Nation chief executive Laura Berry said.

'Indigenous Business Direct represents a new, more inclusive approach to facilitating the business opportunities offered to Indigenous businesses. Together with the introduction of the Federal Government's new Indigenous Procurement Policy, we anticipate Indigenous Business Direct will drive a significant growth in the Indigenous business sector."

The guide is at www.supplynation.org.au/

#### **Funding for NSW** culture projects



ABORIGINAL arts and cultural projects have received \$275,000 in NSW Government funding.

The grants, under the NSW Government Aboriginal Arts and

Cultural Strategy, are designed to enhance Aboriginal arts leadership and career development through direct employment opportunities, regional language projects and Aboriginal design opportunities.

Projects funded in the latest round include the appointment of an Aboriginal project manager, a compilation book of Aboriginal Elders' stories, a photographic exhibition and funding to support performing arts touring to remote western NSW communities.

#### SA website is on the right track



THE South Australian Government has launched a new website to provide culturally appropriate information for Aboriginal people about road safety and driver licensing. Road Safety Minister Tony Piccolo said the website,

called On the Right Track, will be a valuable resource for Aboriginal South Australians.

"South Australia is the first jurisdiction to provide a website designed specifically for Aboriginal people around road safety and driver licensing," he said.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people make up an estimated 2% of SA's population but account for 4% of the total number of SA residents killed in road crashes in Australia.

The website has several resources available in Pitjantjatjara language, with plans to make more resources available in the language as well as other SA-based Aboriginal languages.

The On the Right Track website is at www.dpti.sa.gov.au/ontherighttrack

## Institute key to helping inmates



Signing off on the agreement at Parliament House in Darwin, sitting from left, Batchelor Institute chief executive Robert Somerville, NT Correctional Services Minister John Elferink and NTDCS Commissioner Ken Middlebrook and, back from left, NTDCS director of industry and employment Tim Cross, NTDCS workplace education and training manager Lara Enever, and Batchelor Institute director of workforce development Tony Bowland.



Institute will now provide education and training for prisoners in the Northern Territory. Officials from

the NT Department of Correctional Services (NTDCS) and Batchelor have signed a seven-year agreement during a ceremony at Parliament House, Darwin.

Under the agreement, the institute will become NTDCS's primary education and training provider for prisoners and offenders. It aims to provide education and training to improve Vocational Education Training (VET) for prisoners and align them to suitable employment opportunities.

It also aims to help prisoners return to their communities and make an immediate contribution, reducing the risk of reoffending.

Batchelor chief executive Robert Somerville said the institute strongly supports the intended outcomes, which he says will have mutual benefits for NTDCS, prisoners and the community.

The agreement has a strong focus on foundation, literacy, numeracy and work skills. It will also incorporate enhancing networks with industry, job service agencies, government and support organisations.

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### Computer tool to aid offenders



A NEW interactive computer tool to help offenders and their families understand court and parole orders has been

launched in the Northern Territory. Called Indigenous Language Resources, it provides information in plain English and nine Indigenous languages – Warlpiri, Kriol (Eastside), Yoingu Matha (Djambarrpuyngu), Pintupi Luritja, Central Arrernte, Western Arrernte, Kunwiniku, Warumungu and Murrinh

It was developed to assist NT Department of Correction Services - Community Corrections staff give a understanding to people in relation to court and parole orders and the conditions attached.

Community Corrections staff who have trialled the tool have said they noticed a 'light bulb' moment with offenders when they listened to their conditions in their own language.

The Indigenous Language Resource is accessed through an app called Keynote on an iPad and has been developed in conjunction with Community Corrections, Creative Territory and Aboriginal Interpreter Service.

## **Ex-officers** face court over loans

"These are serious

allegations and the orders

obtained will maintain

the status quo while my

office continues its

investigation."



THE Federal Court has made interm orders freezing the assets of two former senior officers of the Murchison Region Aboriginal Corporation (MRAC). Court orders also restrict overseas travel by the men, Ashley Taylor and Abul Shahid.

MRAC, a charitable corporation based in Geraldton, provides affordable housing to

Aboriginal people in the Murchison and Gascoyne regions of Western Australia.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven applied for the orders after an investigation into Mr

Taylor and Mr Shahid in the period from July 2010 to November 2014. Mr Taylor was executive officer of MRAC and Mr Shahid was its financial officer.

The registrar is alleging that Mr Taylor and Mr Shahid made unapproved loans to themselves from MRAC's funds for their own personal benefit.

From July 1, 2010 Mr Taylor received \$549,364.17 and Mr Shahid \$1,147,570.86. The loans totalled \$1,696,935.03, an average of \$339,387.00 a year.

Mr Taylor and Mr Shahid have repaid most of the loans, but still owe MRAC \$129,282.25 and \$236,462.34 respectively, the registrar alleges.

Until February Mr Shahid was also the trustee of the charitable Wajarri People's

Trust. The registrar is alleging that Mr Shahid used monies from the trust to repay his personal borrowings from MRAC.

On March 6 this year, the registrar placed MRAC under special administration after an

examiner and auditor revealed the loans to Mr Taylor and Mr Shahid.

'These are serious allegations and the orders obtained will maintain the status quo while my office continues its investigation, Mr Beven said.

The matter returns to the Federal Court on October 14.

#### **2015 Indigenous Conference Services**

REGISTRATION ARE NOW OPEN

Say No to Domestic Violence Conference: Gold Coast, QLD, on 7th- 9th October 2015.

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The 2015 National Indigenous Men's Conference Darwin, NT, on 28th-30th September, 2015.

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"Stay black – hold your culture, hold your language."

- NAIDOC Person of the Year Rosalie Kunoth-Monks

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### A few things to think about, PM

T'S good to see Tony Abbott will be spending a week next month in the Torres Strait and Queensland's Northern Peninsula Area.

We're sure the locals will give him a warm welcome and bend his ear on many issues. The Torres Strait Regional Authority has already said it will be doing precisely that, and you can bet there'll be plenty of others wanting to have their say.

Well, here's a few suggestions from us, based on reports in this edition, that our self-proclaimed Prime Minister for Indigenous Affairs might consider while he's among our people.

1. Listen to what they have to say and then act accordingly. That would make for a nice change.

2. Rethink the whole compulsory income management program, let alone extending it. Our report on page 7 about the success - or lack of it - of the scheme in Playford, South Australia, should give you, Mr Abbott, some food for thought.

3. Think very carefully about Indigenous Land Council chair Dawn Casey's call – again – for an inquiry into the ILC's purchase of the Ayers Rock Resort. (See page 6.) If a person of Dr Casey's stature is making such a call, then it really is worth serious consideration.

4. The challenging issue of appropriate recognition in the Australian Constitution. On that matter, we're inclined to agree with the comments of Senator Nova Peris. (See page 5.) So we'll simply say see point 1 that



we've listed here, Prime Minister.

Yes, we know. There are so many other issues our national leader needs to consider as well.

But these are matters affecting our people and deserving of attention from the PM for Indigenous Affairs.

ueensland rugby league star Justin Hodges has proven he's more than just a star on the field.

When he was seen saying a quiet prayer and looking skywards before last week's State of Origin kick-off, many might have thought he was asking for a top performance and a Maroons victory

Well, he got that, but the words were for his Aunty Cheryl – a woman he described as "another mother" - who had just passed away.

And rather than celebrate a great victory with his teammates the following day, he went straight home to Cairns to be with family and for the funeral

That's the stuff of true champions. While his Origin days are over, Justin still has unfinished business in the NRL with the Brisbane Broncos.

And there's a chance he might make himself available for next year's Indigenous All Stars game. We hope so.

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## A Yarn



### Eileen **Byers**

Mother of four and **Indigenous Marathon Project runner** Coombell, NSW

Favourite bush tucker? Kangaroo.

Favourite other food? Stir-fry.

Favourite drink? Green tea.

Favourite holiday destination? Cairns.

**Favourite sport?** Running and football.

What are you reading? Cooking books by Donna Hay.

What are you watching on TV? Home and Away.

What have been your greatest highlights in life?

Having my four beautiful children, making the IMP squad and finishing the half-marathons in Canberra and on the Gold Coast.

What do you like in life? Living in one of the most beautiful places in the world.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire? My ancestors and their stories.

What would you do to better the situation of Aboriginal and **Torres Strait Islander people?** Try to get more of our mob living a healthier lifestyle.

# There's no stopping this Mt Liebig Elder



ARILYN Nangala has spent much of her 63 years assisting Aboriginal people with health problems get the help they need in their remote central Australian communities.

So there's a sad irony in the fact that now the Elder herself needs help – in this case lifesaving dialysis - she has to move far away from her Mt Liebig community, several hundred kilometres west of Alice Springs, to get it.

Not that the senior Luritja/Pitjantjatjara woman is letting something like kidney disease get her down.

Far from it, in fact.

III though she is, this mother and grandmother is continuing with the community service that has won her respect across central Australia.

And, Ms Nangala says, she's not about to stop helping her people.

#### **Born on country**

Marilyn Nangala was born in 1952 at Mt Liebig on Luritja country. Her mother died soon after her birth, so the young Marilyn was, like so many others, raised by her extended family.

Her formal education was limited, and by the time she was a teenager Ms Nangala was working at schools in Haasts Bluff and Papunya. "helping to educate the young ones best I can give them something I didn't get".

She followed that with roles in the health clinic at Kintore, caring for the elderly.

Along the way there was a husband – "but I got rid of him, no good" – and four children, only two of whom are alive today.

Through it all there remained a strong commitment to her people and her country.

Ms Nangala's a long-serving member and director of Waltja Tjutangku Palyapayi Aboriginal Corporation (Waltja), which looks after women and families across central Australia.

She's also served for years as a director of the Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation (WDNWPT), which runs the Purple House dialysis service across the region.

Ms Nangala was helping to get dialysis units at remote communities long before she was diagnosed with her kidney disease. Sadly for her, Mt Liebig was not one of those communities, and she now needs to go to Alice Springs or other centres which have dialysis chairs.

While she's happiest on country, Ms Nangala has managed to see some of the world.

She visited London with a Waltia delegation in 2011, and a year later was one of five Gospel singers from Mr Liebig to give well-received concerts in Japan.

#### Cherished memory

But now, with the onset of her disease and the need for constant dialysis, those trips are a thing of the past – a cherished memory

But Ms Nangala's not letting that get her

"I'm still working with Waltja and the Purple House," she told the Koori Mail.

"There's still plenty people who need help and lots of important things to do.

"Maybe we'll get dialysis at Mt Liebig. I hope so, but plenty others need them too.

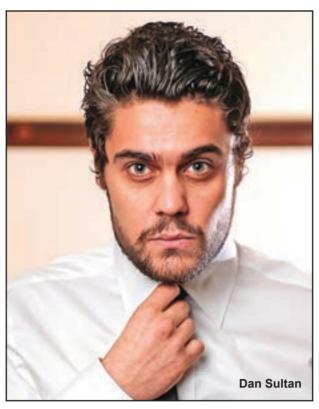
"It's hard being away from country and family, but it's what I have to do now - many have to.

"We'll keep working for something better so

"It's hard being away from country and family, but it's what I have to do now many have to. We'll keep working for something better so we don't have to."

### 2015 National Indigenous Music Awards







## Four in running for Artist of Year title



JESSICA Mauboy, Dan Sultan, Briggs and former Triple j Unearthed NIMA winner Thelma Plum

will battle it out for the title of Artist of the Year at this year's National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs).

The presentation and concert will be held on Saturday, July 25, at The Amphitheatre in Darwin.

Dan Sultan (Dirty Ground), Briggs (Bad Apples) and Thelma Plum (How Much Does Your Love Cost? and Young In Love) have also been nominated for Song of the Year, along with Emma Donovan's Black Woman.

Three acts are in the running for New Talent of the Year; the Central Desert's Tjintu Desert Band, hip hop artist and last year's Triple J Unearthed NIMA winner Philly, and Queensland hip hop artist Lucky Luke.

#### Winner

This year's Triple J Unearthered NIMA winner was announced recently, with 22-year-old Zane Francis, from the Tweed Heads/Coolangatta region, taking the prize.

"I can't get over this. I'm still processing it," Francis said.

He describes his music as electronic, indie, pop, and Triple J Unearthed director Dave Ruby Howe said his song Acclimate was a standout.

"While the song only lasts for a shade over two minutes, it's nonetheless breathtaking, with Zane's rich voice packing a devastatingly powerful emotional punch that grips your ears from the first listen

### Briggs' latest a tribute to classic

NDIGENOUS hip hop artist Briggs has paid tribute to the Archie Roach classic They Took the Children Away with his latest release.

The Victorian rapper, lyricist and hip hop artist has released The Children Came Back, which he says advances the story and pays homage to the Stolen Generations anthem. It's

already proving a big seller.
Archie Roach released They Took the Children Away 25 years ago from the album Charcoal Lane and it's with his blessing that Briggs' sequel has been released.

The late performer Jimmy Little, Australian rules football star Adam Goodes, the late boxer Lionel Rose, and basketballer Patty Mills are just some of the greats

"I love Briggs' song. It's about our Indigenous heroes," Roach said.

"Using a part of my song, where it says 'the children came back' is really what the

song is about.
"I feel proud to be a part of what Briggs hopes to achieve and I really love that he used



young children to play the heroes because they are our future heroes.

The song clip features Briggs with Archie Roach,

Paul Kelly and three-year-old Samara Muir, who recently made the headlines with news of her distressing experience of racism by

children her own age. View the clip at youtu.be/3-wMbFntrTo and for more information, go to www.briggs.com.au

East Journey featuring Yothu

Yindi, Frank Yamma, B2M and

Blekbela Mujik, who are celebrating their 30th year. NIMAs executive director Mark Smith said the awards

"This year's finalists offer a diverse breath of fresh air within the mainstream music industry,'

night is becoming known as the

best event in the country for

crosscultural engagement.

cultural heritage that illustrates and a respect for environment that resonates with the wider community.'

and doesn't let go," he said. Gurrumul will perform songs from his new album The Gospel, and there will be live performances from The Painted

Ladies featuring The Medics,

he said. "They integrate a rich an intimate connection to place

## YOUR SAY



Koori Mail cartoonist Danny Eastwood, an award-winning artist, wants action to crack down on Indigenous art fakes. See page 24

#### **Anzac Day**

I saw the yellow sunrise climb above the rolling hills And heard the hush among the gums in the pristine air so still And the bush appeared to be, as on other days In silent awe of our single heart -When the nation prays.

The listening hills heard justice speak in days of long ago When the warrior shaped his boori shield and his totem-song did flow And truth was held in sacred right, that none could violate And a greater truth bound one and all - For the path of life's own sake.

Justice cried out from the rocks when the ships disgorged their

Who clanked onto the sandy beach at a place called Sydney Cove And whistling through the very air, while the magpies held their breath The cat-o-ninetails plied its wrath, and insanity beat its chest.

The freedom fighters of the clans watched with aching heart How injustice's blindness told its lie right from the very start But many knew the living truth knew no boundaries here For they too saw where Freedom lived, uncowered by stark fear.

And from this jagged content grew the Australian soul Who knew that justice lived a life beyond mere man's control And it spoke inside Ned Kelly, Matt Brady and Ben Hall. And the shearers strike of '91 And the Kalkadoon's spear fall.

And when the bugle first rang out, this river gums in awe, Saluted marching diggers headed for the war

And kindred spirits shared the flame lit in Justice's eye, And on a stranger's battlefield they could but live or die.

And mates were mates, forged in the fight where mateship's ties stay

While the gum trees on the flowing hills softly sang our song And the ANZAC creed was long before khaki and green did match I heard the magpie sing LAST POST around our Cenotaph.

**RITA ASHBY** 

## People need championing

WITH NAIDOC, Australians everywhere are encouraged to learn, respect and celebrate Aboriginal culture.

Why in 2015 do we need this particular theme?

The truth is that Aboriginal young people are struggling. They are overrepresented at many of our services, most notably at our homelessness service.

At the Inner West Youth Homelessness Service, 20% of the young people this past financial year have identified as **Aboriginal and Torres** Strait Islander. These young people make up 3% of the population, meaning they are well overrepresented in this service. The same can be said for the juvenile justice system; 56% of young people in juvenile detention identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

So what can be done to turn these statistics around and start making progress toward equality for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?

At Youth Off The Streets, we see it as connecting them to their country and culture and getting everyday Australians caring about Aboriginal issues.

Connecting Aboriginal young people to their country and culture is arguably the most important part of this.

At Youth Off The Streets, all of our services are participating in NAIDOC Week events and we have a dedicated Aboriginal services team running programs all year round. We teach all young people about Aboriginal

culture and run programs specifically targeted toward Aboriginal young people: helping them connect with their elders, discuss issues important to them and learn about the history of their mob and family.

It's a great moment to watch when a young Aboriginal kid is learning about their history and family. They are deeply involved in the moment and you can see the positive effects it has on

Recognise – it's time to give in our Constitution. The 1967 referendum was a

them the respect they deserve

good start, but it didn't achieve equality. Visit Recognise.org to get involved and stay up to date.

To get involved in particular issues, look out for initiatives like our Lace It Up (#laceitup) campaign. The idea is to raise awareness of homelessness among young people.

Not everyone can untie their shoes of a night; some young people have to keep them on in order to flee from danger at a moment's notice. To get involved and find out more, visit www.laceitup.com.au

Contributing to campaigns like this will help raise the public's consciousness about youth homelessness and also the overrepresentation of Aboriginal young people in this issue.

We don't want to see Aboriginal young people overrepresented at our services any longer. We want them to be equal and have every chance at success.

There are two clear ways to do this: help Aboriginal young people connect with their culture

and country and to get everyday Australians involved in Aboriginal Issues.

I encourage all Australians to get out there and get involved in a campaign championing Aboriginal people.

**FATHER CHRIS RILEY** Chief executive and founder **Youth Off The Streets** 

#### **POETRY**

#### **Finding Identity**

The land is red and bare, Everyone has vanished, Disappeared in fear.

I stand, overlooking my land, The sight of nothing. Where once stood my people, My family, My home, Me.

It is funny to remember how life used to be, How it was. Now it is overrun, Overtaken, Demolished.

It is not the same land as it was before, It is not my home, They are not my family. **This** ls

Not Me.

> **KELSEY ATTWOOD (15)** Moss Vale, NSW

#### I AM stolen

I AM Madeline McCann **I AM Daniel Morcombe** I AM Jyoti Singh Pandey I AM Jill Meagher I AM Stockholm Syndrome I AM the 200 taken at gunpoint I AM the Beaumont children

I AM those removed by decree I AM Bowraville's murdered

three And Borroloola's drowned

**Tears flow Tangible Shock Prayers are uttered** Condolences flow As do blame and accusation

Life is never the same For those who escape And for those who remain behind

Photos of loved ones now most important As is the need for Justice

And the healing from deep soul pain. Ngindayjumi

> **BRUCE DOCKER** Brisbane, Qld



NAIDOC Week community

One such campaign is

them immediately.

events have been a great way for everyday Australians to connect with the Aboriginal culture and people, learn about their rich history and get involved in campaigns that build respect for the Aboriginal

## **Keeping Your Say short and sweet**

A BIG thanks to all of our readers for sending letters, poems and other feedback; we love hearing from you. You can help us by keeping your letters to 400 words or less and poems generally no more than 25 medium-length lines. This will increase your chances of being published. Even if sent via email, all letters and

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- EDITOR



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## Fakes must be stopped



#### **Danny Eastwood**

T'S terribly sad to walk into many souvenir stores around Australia to see people buying what they think is a genuine piece of Indigenous art or merchandise when in fact they're buying something made in Asia, usually China or Indonesia.

The nick-nack sections in many of these stores are filled with trinkets - wallets, postcards, keyrings and so on – featuring imitation Aboriginal art. It's the same with t-shirts featuring 'Aboriginal' art at large stalls and markets. They're all made in China.

I've said it before and I'll say it again - it's just not right.



I once complained to a minister for trade about the container loads of this fake rubbish coming to Australia. His response?

He just shrugged it off and said he could do nothing about it because it was the

balance of trade and he did not want to offend

I'll bet he'd have moved pretty fast if it had been big Australian companies whose works were being copied. He'd have had Customs

destroying all the imports and heavy fines for those handling and selling these fakes.

Indigenous Australia once had a special 'label of authenticity' that companies and shops could put on genuine Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artworks, souvenirs and the like. But disputes over who was making money from the labels spelled an end to that scheme.

Wouldn't it be great if the Government and Indigenous Australia got more involved in promoting authentic products and cracking down on those not made by our people. It would support our industry and be a real boost for the grassroots people.

In the United States it is mandatory that special labels are placed on products detailing their origin and if they are imported. Such a scheme should be taken up by Aboriginal art galleries, art groups, boomerang makers, didgeridoo producers and any creator of genuine Indigenous art.

At 72 years of age, I'm ready to retire and can't tackle this issue alone. I reckon all of us should badger the Government to ensure laws like those in the US are brought

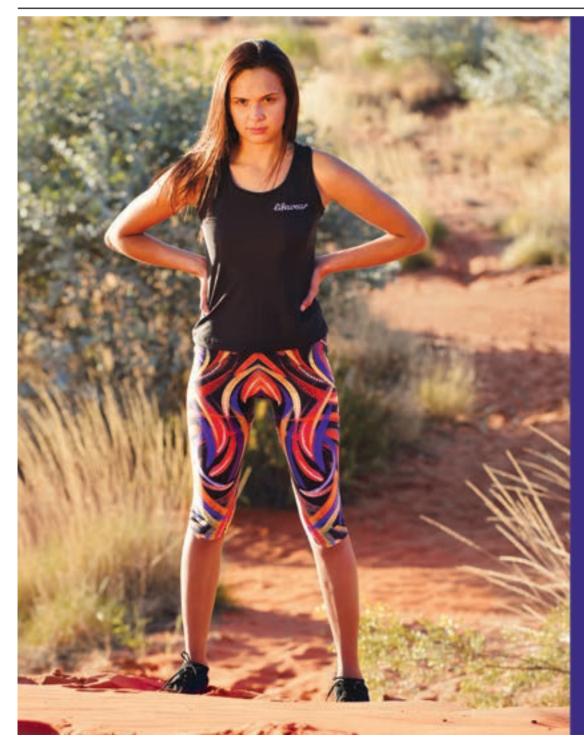
The Government can change food labelling to show the country of origin. So why can't they do it for Indigenous-made products?

The next time you're in a market or shop with products featuring apparently Indigenous art, ask the owner who did the artwork.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists will proudly put their names to the art.

But you won't find the maker or artist's name on any fakes.

 Danny Eastwood is the Koori Mail's cartoonist and a multi-award-winning artist.



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## More 'places' for NSW



SIX new areas have been declared as Aboriginal Places under the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act. The new sites listed are:

● The Big Ampi Stockyards at Menindee, which demonstrate the important role played by Aboriginal people in the early pastoral period;

- Guragalung Gayanayung (Maroota historical site) in the Hawkesbury, which includes depictions of post-contact settlers by Aboriginal people;
- Red Hands Cave at Glenbrook in the Blue Mountains, named after the red, orange and white stencils of Aboriginal people's hands that decorate the cave;
  - The Ten Pelicans Area near Bodalla,

which is recognised by the Yuin people as a women's place and has spiritual associations to women's traditional ceremonies and stories;

 Flowerdale Lagoon near Wagga Wagga, which is a traditional camping ground and resource gathering area for the Wiradjuri people of the Murrumbidgee; and

Happy Valley Fringe Camp at

Coonabarabran, which recognises the cultural, social and historic significance of the site to the Aboriginal community.

NSW Heritage Minister Mark Speakman said the declaration of an Aboriginal Place did not change the status of the land or affect ownership rights of the property. But it is illegal to harm or desecrate an Aboriginal Place.

#### **Red Cross** pledge to help the vulnerable



**THE Red Cross** in Queensland has signed a statement of commitment it says will strengthen its

relationship with the state's Indigenous people.

**Every members of the** international organisation's Queensland leadership team signed the statement, pledging the Red Cross to "building lasting social and economic value in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities".

'Through this document we are being extremely clear: In Red Cross, ending Aboriginal and **Torres Strait Islander** disadvantage is everyone's responsibility," said Queensland executive director Kevin Keeffe.

'This is because we are a humanitarian organisation whose purpose is to help the most vulnerable members of our society.

"It's because at present nearly 40 % of all of our community services clients are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

"In Cairns, 90% of our clients are Indigenous, in north and central Queensland it's almost 50%, and it's 20% in southern Queensland.3



## Plan to help Woorabinda



THE Red Cross and leaders of the central Queensland Woorabinda Aboriginal community have launched a plan

aimed at improving the lives of local people. Red Cross Qld executive director Kevin Keeffe said his organisation has been working with the community for a decade "and plans to stay for the long haul".

"Red Cross currently employs 16 staff locally, 15 of whom are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. We work alongside the community on services including with youth, families, women, older people, people in the justice system, and people with mental health issues," he said.

"This plan gives a vision for

the way we will do business in Woorabinda over the next five years. It supports the values and aspirations of the community, and we will be delighted to hand responsibilities and resources to the community when it decides it is ready to take over the services we currently deliver."

Woorabinda Mayor Terry Munns said his council welcomes Red Cross' ongoing commitment.

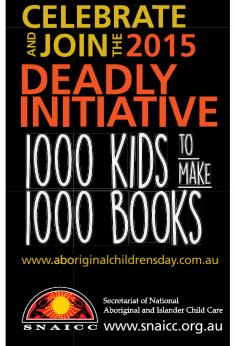
"This plan reinforces our joint approach with all residents and organisations to work together to make our vision a reality," he said.

"Our vision is for a community of opportunity. The council working with community partners such as Red Cross means we can achieve our goals, and we can be sure our community is on the way up.

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DREN'S DAY





## Rally opposes closure plans



By NATALIE CROMB



AS part of the third #SOSBlak Australia mobilisation against the

planned forced closures of Aboriginal communities in Western Australia, about 800 people held a rally in Sydney.

Protesters gathered at Town Hall Square where several organisers spoke before a march to Sydney Central Railway Square, where a corroboree was held.

Police threatened to disperse the crowd, but the cultural ceremony was completed before the march moved on to Deicorp's corporate office to protest the proposed commercial redevelopment of The Block at Redfern.

The march finished at the Redfern Aboriginal Tent Embassy which has been at The Block since Sorry Day last year.

Elder Jenny Munro welcomed protesters to enjoy a concert organised by local Aboriginal people.

"This is the same fight we have been having for 227 years – we are still being moved off land," she said.

Pictured left: Protesters march through Sydney city. Picture: Lisa Delpeoples

## Laura, Wujal Wujal beating diabetes



LAURA and Wujal Wujal in far north Queensland are the latest communities to complete Beat It, a 12-week lifestyle-modification program developed by the Australian Diabetes Council.

Fifteen participants completed the program, run by Apunipima Cape York Health Council, Hopevale Aboriginal Shire Council and the PCYC.

Beat It teaches about eating healthy food and the importance of staying active to reduce the risk of chronic disease.

Blood pressure was monitored throughout the program, and there was significant improvement from all participants, with one losing 15kg. Flexibility, strength, balance and cardiovascular tests were also measured.

Apunipima health promotion program officer Priscilla Gibson said she wanted participants to see the program as "a stepping stone towards a healthier, fitter and happier future".

## 35 artists in the running for award



A TOTAL of 41 artworks by 35 artists are in the running to take out this year's \$30,000 Deadly Art Award. The shortlist for the annual Victorian Indigenous Art

Awards features works across a range of mediums including traditional pokerwork, painting, sculpture, photography and digital video works.

The winners will be announced at the Art Gallery of Ballarat on Saturday, August 8, and the exhibition will run until September 20.

The Victorian Indigenous Art Awards are open to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists who live or were born in Victoria.

This is the 10th year of the awards. Victorian Arts Minister Martin Foley said they were established to raise the profile of Victoria's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts sector and develop career opportunities for artists.

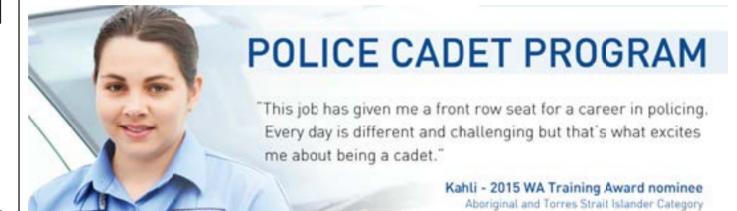
## More gold as IBA report wins again



INDIGENOUS Business Australia (IBA) has won a gold award at the 2015 Australasian Reporting Awards for its 2013-14 annual report. IBA had already won gold and silver awards at the

Institute of Public Administration Australia awards in May.

IBA chief executive Chris Fry said the stories in the annual report celebrated the successes and hard work of staff, and demonstrated the impact IBA has on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



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  - Values alignment
- Staff management
- High level of written and verbal correspondence skills

The successful candidate must have Tertiary qualifications in Business Management or Community Services or in a relevant field and with significant experience working in a Community

To apply candidates address selection criteria. All applications to the President. Byamee Proclaimed Place Inc.

A full job description and selection criteria can be obtained from the Byamee Office located at 294 Warialda St Moree or by calling 0267521550 or emailing admin@byamee.com.au

Position closes 31st July 2015 5pm



DOING THE **MOST** GOOD

### Berrimah branch leads way





BERRIMAH is the first Westpac Bank branch to have a permanent sign acknowledging traditional Indigenous custodians. The branch, near Darwin, is the first of hundreds around Australia to get the sign,

which is a commitment of the bank's Reconciliation Action Plan.

The signs recognise Indigenous Australians as the traditional owners of the land, as well as Westpac's Indigenous employees, customers and communities.

Developed with Reconciliation Australia and Westpac's Indigenous Advisory Committee, the signs integrate the 'Westpac Weave' design by artist Lucy Simpson, of Gaawaa Miyay designs.

The signs come as Westpac also moves to improve regional branches, extend opening hours and extend self-service banking.

## Land group has many services



LOCAL Land Services (LLS) has used **NAIDOC** Week to highlight

its programs and projects supporting Aboriginal people to care for country and share traditional land management knowledge.

The NSW Government organisation brings together agricultural production advice, biosecurity, natural resource management and emergency management into a single organisation run through 11 regional boards across the

LLS board acting chair of chairs Alex Anthony says the organisation connects people with groups, information, support and funding to build resilient communities in productive, healthy landscapes.

Supporting Aboriginal people to care for country is being put into practice from a property to landscape scale," she said. "This includes restoration works, cultural burning and control of weeds and pests.

'For example, Western LLS is offering \$273,000 to Aboriginal land managers through its targeted Aboriginal program for on-ground works, training and property planning and mentoring programs and support for Aboriginal community advisory groups.'

Other examples include:

The Indigenous Concepts and Networking Group planting long-stemmed tube-stock and restoration works along 3.5km of the Macquarie River on Mark Carter's Dubbo area property.

In the North Coast region, the Jaliigirr project enables the Gumbaynggirr people to improve 337,000 hectares between the Pacific Ocean and Great Eastern Ranges.



Jamie Hearn, from Murray Local Land Services, working with Aboriginal community members to trap feral pigs in sensitive wetland areas.

- Using traditional smallscale mosaic fire to improve the health of native vegetation and encourage biodiversity is occurring at numerous locations throughout NSW including the Central Tablelands, Greater Sydney and Riverina regions.
- In the Northern Tablelands, nurseries have been established for native plants, some used specifically to manage the pest fish gambusia.
- In the Hunter, Biraban Local Aboriginal Land Council is removing weeds to enable the Aboriginal community of West Lake Macquarie to access traditional fishing area.
- The Wild Dog Knowledge Gap Project on the North Coast is using

traditional knowledge and new technology to learn more about managing wild dogs.

Harry White, of the LLS Aboriginal Strategic Advisory Team, says sharing traditional knowledge is also happening across the state.

"Education isn't limited to the classroom," he said. Examples include:

- Aboriginal people in the Riverina area completing the Certificate 2 Course in Aboriginal Cultural Sites Assessment Program, organised by Riverina Local Land Services;
- South East Local Land Services working with Bermagui Public students to produce an educational booklet about their area and the Indigenous culture which is integral to it;
- North West Local Land

Services coordinating a wide range of community groups to result in a series of 16 educational signs about areas of significance erected along the Namoi River; and

in the Murray, more than 250 people attended events where communities gathered to share stories, cultural dance and art, cultural heritage, respect and understanding.

"We value the contributions of the NSW and Australian Governments who fund these projects, resulting in a healthier and more productive environment and opportunities to build stronger relationships with the Aboriginal community," Mrs Anthony said.

For more information on these projects visit www.lls.nsw.gov.au/

### **Reconciliation action at Carlton Football Club**





THE Carlton Football Club launched its first Reconciliation Action Plan. Carlton chief executive Steven Trigg said the launch of the RAP marks a

special time in the AFL club's history.

"It's a really big day for us because this is an important step forward," he said. "It's fair to say

important step forward," he said. "It's fair to say the real Carlton is multicultural Carlton and within that the development of our first ever RAP is a really important piece of progress."

Ahead of the formal proceedings, Carlton players and staff took part in a smoking and cleansing ceremony led by Wurundjeri Elder Bill Nicholson.

Mr Trigg, Blues premiership player Syd Jackson and Yorta Yorta Elder Aunty Pam Pedersen were guest speakers from the club's RAP advisory board. As one of Carlton's first Indigenous players, Mr Jackson was delighted that the Blues are leading the way and building important relationships.

"Congratulations to Carlton, my club of course, for the initiative – we're proud to be a part of it and to set the tone for the rest of the community," he said.

Indigenous player Andrew Walker, a Yorta Yorta man from near Echuca, said he was proud to have his family attend the RAP

"It's an absolute privilege to be part of this and it's great to see so many people turn out today," he said.

"My family and kids came along for the launch because it's such an important step for this football club – it's just an amazing thing to be a part of."

# Land deal is a first



Signing the land sale documents: front, from left, MidCoast Water chairperson Tony Summers, Forster Local Aboriginal Land Council chairperson Vince Hall and NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Leslie Williams. Back, from left, MidCoast Water acting general manager Brendan Guiney and Forster Local Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Dan Rose.



IN A first for NSW, a local Aboriginal land council has transferred

land to a local government utility to improve water supply for the broader community, while retaining cultural access to the site.

Forster Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) and MidCoast Water have signed an agreement where 1600 hectares of land will be bought from the land council to develop a new source of water supply for the surrounding communities.

The sale of the land will finance social and economic development opportunities for Aboriginal people in the region who will also retain a perpetual right of cultural access to fish and gather food from the site. Forster LALC will also retain the site of a former

nursery which is in the area.

NSW Aboriginal Land Council Mid North Coast councillor Peter Smith said the agreement showed how the land rights system was evolving to benefit Aboriginal people and the broader community.

"The Manning and Great Lakes communities had a need for an alternative water supply that the Forster LALC was able to respond to," Cr Smith said.

"However, rather than just selling the land, the land council was able to negotiate a perpetual right of cultural access as part of the conditions of sale."

Cr Smith said this enabled Forster land council members to secure the economic benefits of the sale, while retaining the cultural benefits of the original land claim.

"Aboriginal people have fished in the Wallamba River on this site for thousands of years and this place is also important for bush medicine. The conditions of the sale mean that these activities will not be affected by the transfer of the land," Cr Smith said.

"This agreement shows how land rights can enable Aboriginal and broader community interests in land to co-exist. It also shows Aboriginal people that by effective negotiation we can retain the cultural benefits of land even after it is sold."

The land, at Nabiac, was returned to the Aboriginal community as part of successful Aboriginal land claims by Forster LALC in the 1990s.

The sale of the land will enable the development of the Nabiac Inland Dune Aquifer and water treatment plant which will provide the community with another water supply, additional capacity and resulting in lower pumping costs.



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The Biodiversity Conservation Division delivers clean land, clean water, clean air and heritage protection. The unifying elements of the divisions work are biodiversity conservation management and investment in on-ground activities that improve the resilience of ecosystems.

- The National Landcare Programme will allow simple, local and long-term investment in natural resource management that build upon 17 years of success in this area. We will help deliver practical environmental outcomes at the local level with the creation of the Green Army, which, over time, will become the largest environmental workforce in Australia's history.
- Our leadership in national and international biodiversity policy, reserve management and Indigenous engagement in conservation efforts facilitates alignment of supporting investments and on the ground action.
- Clean water through the development and implementation of the Reef 2050 Plan, Reef Trust and Reef Programme to address key threats to the Great Barrier Reef including nutrient run off, crown of thorn starfish and species protection, particularly dugongs and turtles.
- The 20 Million Trees Programme will provide funds to plant 20 million trees by 2020 to re-establish green corridors and urban forests. The delivery of a range of other election commitments including the Solar Towns Programme, Whale and Dolphin Protection Plan, and Coastal River Recovery commitments across Australia along with a range of other smaller, ongoing programmes, such as the Community Heritage Programme are also being delivered to help local historical and heritage groups collect and preserve our local heritage.
- The Threatened Species Commissioner and team work collaboratively with the national Threatened Species Scientific Committee (TSSC) and the community, including the non-profit sector, industry, scientists and all levels of government, to broker solutions that avoid the extinction of Australia's native species.

The division also leads on the cross-cutting priority for the department to contribute to Closing the Gap on Indigenous disadvantage.

#### Indigenous Engagement

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### Galiwinku community says thanks with barbecue





Lam hit Galiwinku community on Elcho Island early this year, more more than 80 homes were severely damaged or

destroyed. That devastation resulted in Camp Elcho, a tent community housing more than 300 displaced residents.

All of those people are now living in transportable homes and the 32 tents have been packed down and returned to the NSW Rural Fire Service which provided them.

Regional recovery coordinator Jim Rogers said a community barbecue was held to thank all those involved in Camp Elcho.

"It was an opportunity to extend a profound thank you to the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) management and on-ground staff for their assistance during this natural disaster, including the loan of the tents," he said.

"We would also like to extend our thanks and appreciation to everyone involved in the running of Camp Elcho, including camp

director Bryan Hughes, the local Yolngu camp supervisors, cultural advisors, cleaning and catering teams, and the DeltaReef and AEC contractors who helped establish and maintain the camp."

The NT Government is now working with employment service providers and businesses to transition the local Camp Elcho staff into longer-term work.

Pictured left: NSW Rural Fire Service staff Ian Jauncev. left, and Toby Settree with Charlie Yunupingu and his grandson Willy at Camp Elcho.

#### Heritage Act 1977

#### Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

The Heritage Council of NSW maintains the State Heritage Register which is a list of places of particular importance to the people of NSW, including Aboriginal and other heritage.

The Heritage Council is currently considering whether or not to recommend the listing of the following items on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgment of their heritage significance.

#### The Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Saint Sophia (Agia Sophia), Paddington

Written submissions on the above-mentioned listing are invited in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place by 8 September 2015

> If you have any questions please contact Lucy Moore on (02) 9873 8535 or lucy.moore@environment.nsw.gov.au

#### Sirius Apartment Building, The Rocks

Written submissions on the above-mentioned listing are invited in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place by 8 September 2015.

> If you have any questions please contact Mary Ann Hamilton (02) 9873 8565 or Maryann.hamilton@environment.nsw.gov.au

#### Wingham Memorial Town Hall, Wingham

Written submissions on the above-mentioned listing are invited in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place by 29 July 2015.

> If you have any questions please contact Bronwyn Hanna on (02) 9873 8585 or bronwyn.hanna@environment.nsw.gov.au

#### Urana Soldiers' Memorial Hall, Urana

Written submissions on the above-mentioned listing are invited in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place by 29 July 2015

> If you have any questions please contact Bronwyn Hanna on (02) 9873 8585 or bronwyn.hanna@environment.nsw.gov.au

Further details on all the nominated places can be viewed at:

www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritageapp/NominationsOfStateHeritageRegister.aspx

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## Riverkeeper trainees Nick Raends and hannon Beale-Bogg, Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council cultural heritage officer Lee Davidson and trainees Stacey Gilbert and Larissa Cooper on the job.

### Riverkeepers working to restore bushland



Team has sections of bushland across a wide area of

**Aboriginal** 

Riverkeeper

south-western Sydney. The team was formed by

the Georges River Combined Councils' Committee (GRCCC) to protect and restore bushland across the Georges River catchment.

The Riverkeeper team's on-ground work includes the control of invasive weeds, revegetation, natural regeneration and erosion remediation works.

Members have restored about 7.2 hectares of bushland at high priority sites, and more than 38,000 plants have been planted.

**GRCCC** chairperson Naji Peter Najjar said the Riverkeepers have delivered

tangible benefits for the Georges River, and the young Aboriginal trainees now have skills, training and experience to help improve career opportunities.

Member councils of the **GRCCC** include Bankstown City, Campbelltown City, Fairfield City, Hurstville City, Kogarah City, Liverpool City, Rockdale City, Sutherland Shire and Wollondilly Shire councils.

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## ILC helps FVPLS land new home



∟and Corporation's (ILC) first land purchase in

metropolitan Melbourne has been for the Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service Victoria (FVPLS Victoria). The property, at 292 Hoddle Street in Abbotsford, was bought with the ILC providing \$1.5 million and FVPLS Victoria also making a contribution. **FVPLS** Victoria previously leased premises in Collingwood which it had outgrown.

The acquisition and granting of the property will enable the group to step up services and reach thousands of Aboriginal

THE Indigenous clients throughout Victoria.

ILC chairperson Dawn Casey said the granting and official opening of FVPLS Victoria's new home in Melbourne during NAIDOC Week was testament to the persistence and resilience of the organisation in its search to secure a permanent base.

The ILC is delighted that its first land purchase and grant in metropolitan Melbourne is supporting the crucial work of FVPLS," she said.

Over the next five years the centre will assist thousands of Indigenous people to attend media and advocacy training, Koori Women's Legal Clinic workshops, workshops on culturally appropriate practices working with Koori women and cultural events.

**FVPLS** Victoria chief executive Antoinette Braybrook said the granting of the land was ushering in a new era for the 13year-old organisation at a time when its services were most badly needed.

"Family violence in Aboriginal communities destroys lives just as it does in the wider Australian community," she said.

"We need funding and resources to stop this destruction of lives and the granting of this property is an important aid for us in our work with Aboriginal women, families and communities to create a better future.'



## MOB riding to aid community



MORE than 60 Indigenous motorbike riders and their friends have been taking to the roads around Cairns in recent times.

They're members of the Far North Queensland

MOB Indigenous Riders Club, which recently made its first 'poker run' to raise money for Cairns' Murray Street

Community Centre which was re-opened to help support the neighbourhood where eight Indigenous children were murdered late last year.

#### "Win a prize"

A poker run means each rider picks up a card at each of the five stops along a ride. "And when we get back we have a look at who has the best poker hand

and they win a prize," club president David Nicholls said.

Members also visited the Laura Festival held last month.

"We do a lot of runs just together with friends and families up and down the coast," Mr Nicholls said.

"We're a social riders club. We're all about our communities and trying to fundraise.



Far North Queensland MOB members, from left, David Nicholls, Paul Stephenson, Sean Abrahams, Jason Maitland, Bucky Barba and Rodney Joseph.

#### Students lock in scholarships



TWO Aboriginal students have been awarded scholarships valued at \$41,000 under a new scheme by the Victorian Government to increase the

number of Aboriginal health workers in prisons. The inaugural Justice Health Koori Tertiary Scholarships went to nursing students Virginia Vaughan and Storm Henry.

State Corrections Minister Wade Noonan said more Aboriginal health workers in the corrections system would help the mental, social and emotional wellbeing of prisoners.

Ms Vaughan is in her second year of a Bachelor of Nursing at the Institute of Koori Education at Deakin University while Ms Henry is in the third year of a Bachelor of Nursing and Bachelor of Midwifery at Monash University.

#### **NLC** angry over mine closures



THE collapse of two iron ore mines in the Northern Territory has devastated the aspirations of Aboriginal traditional owners and scuppered job and economic hopes, the Northern Land Council says. The Western

Desert Resources mine and the Sherwin Iron mine both went into receivership last year, and a full meeting of the Northern Land Council has heard of the disappointment of Indigenous people in neighbouring communities.

"Traditional owners entered into good faith negotiations and gave their consent to these mines. They are now left seriously out of pocket and the promise of jobs for Aboriginal workers in the Ngukurr area has evaporated," NLC chairman Sam Bush-Blanasi said.

#### **Gab Titui sales** reap thousands



THE Gab Titui Cultural Centre has sold more than \$13,500 worth of artwork since last month's opening of the 2015 Gab Titui Indigenous Art Award.

The National Museum of Australia (NMA) acquired

seven works for its permanent Torres Strait Islander collection.

Another eight pieces have been scooped up by individual buyers for personal collections, most of which were bought on the opening night.

Works acquired by the NMA include woven ghost net works by artists from Erub Arts, as well as Laurie Nona's NMA History Through Art Award winning work Danalaigau Rangadhau Kab.

Fifty artists from 14 communities across the Torres Strait entered works for the Gab Titui exhibition, which remains on display until August 21 in the cultural centre's Wabunaw Geth Gallery.

#### Koori Kulcha set for expansion



KOORI Kulcha Aboriginal Corporation (KKAC) is set to extend its operations, thanks to support from the Indigenous Social Enterprise Fund (ISEF).

KKAC, based in the NSW Southern Highlands, is an Indigenous social enterprise offering Indigenous cultural experiences for schools, corporate clients and government departments, with a focus to provide employment for Indigenous people. It also runs an Indigenous youth training program.

KKAC program director Marie Barbaric welcomed the ISEF support.

"We're excited to accept this funding and take Koori Kulcha from strength to strength, providing more employment opportunities to Indigenous people in the Southern Highlands and south-east corridor of NSW," she said.

## Canadian call for national healing

A COMMISSION has called for more funding for education of Canada's indigenous population, to repair the damage caused to children during the last century by Christian-run boarding schools. "Survivors were stripped of the love of their families. They were stripped of their self-respect and they were stripped of their identity, commission chair Murray Sinclair said.

The Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), which was set up to address the disparity in academic performance between indigenous Canadians and others, blamed a policy of assimilation pursued by Canada from the end of the 19th century that it concluded amounted to 'cultural genocide'.

Mr Sinclair, an Ojibway-Canadian judge, called for national healing "as we make a

path towards a more just, more fair and more loving country".

The commission spent five years gathering testimony from 7000 former students about their experiences in a system of residential schools for indigenous people established at the end of the 19th century.

Beginning in 1874, 150,000 Indian, Inuit and Metis children in Canada were forcibly

enrolled in 132 boarding schools run by Christian churches on behalf of the federal government in an effort to integrate them into society.

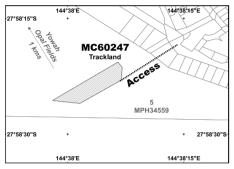
"The children who attended these schools were severely punished for practising their cultural ceremonies, for speaking their family's language," TRC commissioner

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED RENEWAL OF MINING CLAIM AND GRANT OF MINING CLAIM AND MINING LEASES

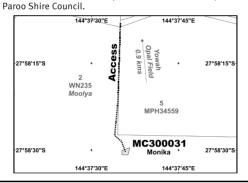
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed renewal of MC60247, grant of MC300031, ML 400001, ML400002, ML400003 and ML400004 shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Mining Claim 60247 renewal sought by Dean Haeusler, over an area of 15.045 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 1 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo



Mining Claim 300031 sought by Ehrenfried Wolfgang Muecke, over an area of 900 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 0.9 km South of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the



Mining Lease 400001 sought by Antonius Gerhardus Albertus Stoverink, over an area of 19,430  $\,\text{m}^{2}$  centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



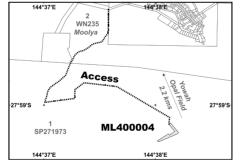
Mining Lease 400002 sought by Bernardus Johannes Maria Stoverink, over an area of 16,040 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



Mining Lease 400003 sought by Bernardus Johannes Maria Stoverink, over an area of 20,060 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council



Mining Lease 400004 sought by Antonius Gerhardus approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



**Nature of Act(s):** ): The grant or renewal of Mining Claims under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Old), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), for a term not exceeding ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding ten (10) years. 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 ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding ten (10) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the permits be granted or renewed under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Queensland 4720.

**Further Information:** Further information about the proposed grant or renewal of permits, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the permit applications or renewals may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Queensland 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373

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 or renewal of the 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

Notification Day: 22 July 2015



## Legal Aid move for more jobs



LEGAL Aid NSW is aiming to increase its Aboriginal staff proportion to 6% well above the public

sector target of 2.6%.

"We are at the forefront of employment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island lawyers, and we are actively working to nurture talented young Aboriginal lawyers and students," Legal Aid NSW Aboriginal Services Unit director Scott Hawkins said.

"A large number of our clients are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people, and for many being able to speak to an Aboriginal staff member makes a huge difference.

"Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander staff members can often relate to the cultural issues and also make them feel more at ease.

As part of its Indigenous recruitment strategy, Legal Aid NSW runs the Bob Bellear Legal Career Pathways program - named after the first Aboriginal person to be appointed as a judge – which offers cadetships and work placements for law students, as well as professional legal training and a career development program for graduate lawyers.

Since the program started in 2007, 49 people have been selected, and there are now 19 Aboriginal lawyers and five Aboriginal field officers working around NSW.

University of NSW law graduate



Peta MacGillivray is one of the new staff members at Legal Aid NSW who came in through the Bob Bellear pathways program.

Peta MacGillivray started her two-year career development with Legal Aid NSW in March. The 26-year-old has been providing legal advice to children and young people on everyday legal issues.

"I am really proud and happy to see Legal Aid do so much work and committing so much effort to bringing Aboriginal people into the organisation," she said.

#### Music dance video educates young people about dementia



ALZHEIMER'S Australia Victoria has partnered with the Winda-Mara Aboriginal

Corporation and Indigenous Hip Hop Projects (IHHP) to develop an educational music dance video about dementia for young people.

The Winda-Mara Aboriginal Corporation provides services to communities in and around Heywood, Hamilton and Portland in south-western Victoria.

Alzheimer's Australia Vic wants to help young Indigenous people better understand dementia given that recent studies have shown dementia is three to five times more prevalent in

Indigenous communities.

IHHP, a team of hip hop and performing artists who work in Indigenous communities, is joining with Alzheimer's Australia Vic to raise awareness of dementia as well as promoting active, healthy lifestyles.

Young Indigenous from the Heywood area participated in a five-day workshop to develop

Alzheimer's Australia Victorian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander liaison officer John Price said music and dance provide a powerful way to engage with young people.

To view the video, visit

bit.ly/vicHipHop



### NAIDOC Week 2015





In Perth, ancient and contemporary dancing was part of the entertainment at the city's NAIDOC Ball last Friday night. Perth coverage on pages 52-53. Picture: Tash Nannup



Yamba the Honeyant and best friend Jacinta were part of the community street march in Alice Springs. See our coverage from the town on page 51. Picture: Lisa Hatzimihail

## Thousands celebrate on sacred ground



NAIDOC Person of the Year Rosalie Kunoth Monks was given two standing ovations for her speech at the

national awards and ball at the Adelaide Convention Centre last Friday.

The event, which is the culmination of hundreds of NAIDOC events across the country, attracted more than 1200 people this year.

Tens of thousands of people took part in the events, which had the NAIDOC theme 'We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate'.

Ms Kunoth Monks, an Arrernte Alawaya woman from central Australia, received the person of the Year Award for her campaigning on human rights and dedication to politics over the past 50 years.

"This year's theme talks about Standing on Sacred Ground, something I'd like to talk about in real terms," she said.

"It doesn't matter if you're black, white, blue, brindle or pink, we are all human beings.

"And we need a treaty." Among her many accolades, Ms Kunoth Monks is the 2014 Northern Territory Person of the Year and was a finalist in the 2014 Australian of the Year.



In Melbourne at the annual Elders Luncheon, Miss NAIDOC Victoria Monica McDonald and Mr NAIDOC Victoria Edward Bryant joined with NAIDOC patron Uncle Afred Boydie Turner. See Victorian coverage on pages 34-35. Picture: Jillian Mundy

"What I do is not to seek awards," she said.

"What I do is to survive as an Aboriginal person.

"And to survive as an

Aboriginal person is not easy. "Stay Black - hold your culture,

hold your language.

"I now say the time for chit chat is over and the time of one part of

Australia making policies for another group of citizens of Australia must come to an end.

"Last week I was trying to find enough money to buy food for

some senior women - they are

When my granddaughter was pouring me into this evening dress I thought, 'I don't want to wear this. I'd rather be here in my jeans and my old hat, and Closing the Gap is not real."

Narungga man Tauto Sansbury, from South Australia, was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award for his lifelong advocacy for social justice and fight to improve the conditions of Aboriginal people in the criminal iustice system.

"My wife told me not be controversial," he said.

"And now I can't because Rosalie stole my thunder.

The night was hosted by Wiradjuri actor Luke Caroll and NITV journalist Malarndirri McCarthy.

The entertainment line-up included Black Comedy sensation Steven Oliver, who had the crowd in stitches with his piece Minority within a Minority about being gay and Aboriginal.

Darwin was announced as the National NAIDOC Awards Host city for 2016.

Highlights of the night are now available at www.nitv.org.au and a two-hour program will be aired on National Indigenous Television on Sunday, July 19, at 7.30pm.

#### AIDOC coverage from around Australia on the next 23 pages



### NAIDOC 2015 - Melbourne



Performers in the five to seven years section of the VACSAL Variety Night.

## Dance group Individual pirits won the cultural section of the VACSAL Variety Night.



Elders luncheon regulars Pauline Cassidy and Shirley Blackwood with first-timers Jean Hudson and Fiona Aldridge.



Sporting an array of NAIDOC shirts at the Elders Luncheon, from left, Steven Delaney, Barbara Burns, William Maddhews, Patrick Wightman and Jessica Bamblett, all from Melbourne, and Monica Phillips, from Shepparton.

## **Events** across the city

#### By JILLIAN MUNDY



NAIDOC Week was celebrated in Melbourne with a range of events across the city and in

the suburbs. Leading up to the big week, 87-year-old Yorta Yorta Elder Uncle Alfred 'Boydie' Turner, the grandson of William Cooper, was named 2015 Victorian NAIDOC Patron of the Year for his lifelong commitment to his community.

Twenty-one-year-old actress Monica McDonald, from Gippsland, was named Miss NAIDOC and 19-year-old medical receptionist and singer/dancer Edward Bryant Mr NAIDOC

Aboriginal and Torres Strait flags were raised at Federation Square to kick off the week.

A march bought downtown Melbourne to a standstill last Friday lunchtime and concluded with a concert at Federation Square.

More than 600 people frocked up for a sold-out NAIDOC ball at the Melbourne Town Hall on Saturday

The Koori Mail visited the Aborigines Advancement League's Elders Luncheon and the Victorian **Aboriginal Community Services** Association Ltd (VACSAL) Variety Night, both NAIDOC favourites which have been going for more than two decades.

There was plenty of tough competition at the VACSAL Variety Night, where over 300 people were entertained by a talented line-up.

Organiser Georgia Bamblett, who has fond memories of travelling from Shepparton as a young girl to the variety night, said some contestants practise for months and people travelled from all over the state.
"It's crazy," she said.

#### **Volunteers**

Forty Aboriginal community volunteers catered for more than 300 people who travelled from around the state for the Elders Luncheon.

League chief executive Esme Bamblett said the luncheon was a celebration of identity, history, culture, kinship, country and connection.

"An important part is reconnecting and telling stories. It's also about celebrating survival and legacy,"

"It's about giving ancestors the reverence that is due."



The Stray Blacks featuring Robert Champion (front) Tony Lovett, Peter Hood and Peter Rotumah played at the Elders Luncheon.



### NAIDOC 2015 – Melbourne





Regional director of North West Metro Health Steve Ballard, executive director of the Office of Aboriginal Affairs Angela Singh, Acting Superintendent Lisa Hardeman, Aboriginal Affairs Minister Natalie Hutchins, Aborigines Advancement League chief executive Esme Bamblett and league board member Philip Cooper at the Elders luncheon.



Jo-anne Fraser with sisters Joan Vickery and Joyce Murphy at the NAIDOC Elders Luncheon in Melbourne.





Joanne Atkinson and Greg Muir ripping it up on the dance floor to the Stray Blacks.



Yorta Yorta mother and daughter Christine Watt and Margaret Ryan, from Melbourne.



Nyoongar (WA) woman Denice Joseph playing the spoons as the band picked up tempo at the Elders Luncheon.





Above: Elders luncheon volunteers Yvette Watson, Kiara Battista, Amanda **Molnar and Shania** Shanahan, all from Melbourne.

● Left: The Victorian **Aboriginal Health** Service's lycra-clad Healthy Lifestyle Team took out top spot in the Battle of the Orgs at the **VACSAL Variety** Night.



### NAIDOC 2015 - Brisbane





Inala girls enjoying the day at Musgrave Park, from left, Kathlean Smith, Latia Schefe, Nykisha Schefe, Nahkari Smith, Tjala Campbell and Atarrah West.





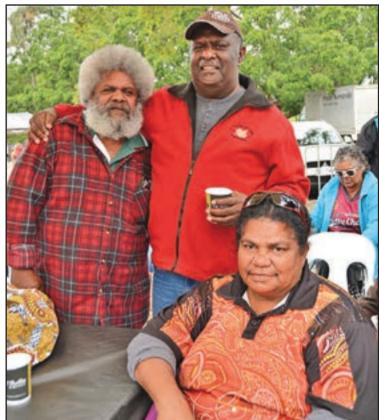
**Aunty Pat Leavy and Musgrave Park** event founder Aunty Joan Collins.



Lleyton Landers, Joel Jerome, Elva Landers, baby David Landers and Phyllicia Landers, with Alexis Landers, 6, Kylie Jerome, 5, and Jonah Davidson, 6.



Brisbane girls Josephine Anderson, Karnelle Leone, Leilani Lee, Taylor Anderson and Tiara Villarin. All pictures by Theresa Dalton



At the Elders zone were Russell Homer, from Charters Towers, Floydie Missi, from Brisbane, and Cecily Day, from Townsville.



Damien Bani and Ivy Fisher with their children Mandawuy and Rosina enjoyng the day at Musgrave Park.



### NAIDOC 2015 - Brisbane





# Huge again at Musgrave Park



Gooreng Goorend Elder Julira Ingra, of Gladstone, and Aunty Valda Coolwell, from Brisbane, with organisers Keith Williams and Vanessa Dunbar.



to enjoy the day.

IT'S hailed by many as Australia's biggest NAIDOC celebration, and last Friday's huge event did nothing to dispel that reputation.

Thousands turned out for this year's Musgrave Park Family Fun Day in South Brisbane, with many saying it was the best year.

They enjoyed a host of activities as well as solid culture and strong NAIDOC spirit. Most popular were the many kids'

activities, including a very popular sideshow alley. There was also live entertainment,

including traditional dancers, stalls, displays and plenty of food. People came from across Queensland, as well as northern NSW,



Back from left, Mollena, Janie, Phyllis and Anita Weazel with children Brayden and Dylan Abel.



Lindsay Barrett and Maxine Hegarty, from Brisbane.



Brisbane lads Lenny Christie, Rhys West, Dexter Leonard and Royce Close,



Acacia Ridge family members Dale Tilbrook-Tanner, Djindjara Coolwell-Groom, 3, Roniesha Coolwell, Collena Coolwell, Ricky Groom, Kayla Coolwell and grandmother Lena Yarry.



# NAIDOC 2015 - Canberra



### 300 take to field in touch carnival



MORE than 300 people from across 24 government agencies competed at the 13th Annual

NAIDOC Week Touch Football Carnival in Canberra.

The carnival is one of the kev NAIDOC events in Canberra, promoting understanding and respect amongst Indigenous and other Australian Public Service employees.

The hotly contested trophy went to the Department of Defence side, who downed the **Australian Sports Commission** 5-2 in the final.

The second division cup final was won by the Ministry for the Arts, who defeated the Australian Taxation Office 3-1.

And the third division plate final was won by the Department of Social Services, who defeated the Department of Veterans' Affairs 6-5 in extra time.

The event, held at suburban Deakin, is jointly organised by the Department of Education and Training and the Australian **Public Service Commission,** in partnership with Touch Football ACT.

Pictured: Action from one of the games at the carnival.



# Woden hosts event



Aboriginal artist Linda Huddlestone sharing her story with the gathering.



Canberra Indigenous gardener Adam Shipp showing bush tucker plants.

Capital Territory community organisations combined to celebrate NAIDOC Week with the theme of

SIX leading Australian

'Land and Learning'. The event, at suburban Woden, involved the Woden Community

Service, YWCA Canberra, Northside Community Service, Karralika Programs, The Smith Family and ACT Council of Social Services.

Traditional foods, displays and varns were a feature

Entertainment was provided by didgeridoo player Matthew Joseph and young singer Tahalianna Mahanga.

Artist Linda Huddlestone talked about her family and connection to country. Frances Crow ran an art workshop, there was bush tucker with Adam Shipp from Greening Australia, and Torres Strait Islander food was also prepared.

Several people shared their stories, including Warrant Officer Class 1 Ken Nelliman, of the Australian Army.



Performer Tahalianna Mahanga with event organisers Chris Redmond, Julie Evans and Robyne Boyd-Sharman (Woden Community Service), Klair Carney (Northside Community Service), Nadia O'Toole (Karralika Programs), Keith Brandy (ACT Council of Social Services), Robyn Jarvis and Olga Srbovski (The Smith Family) and Shernael Teaurima (YWCA).





Warrant Officer Class 1 Ken Nelliman shares his story in Canberra.



Young performer Tahalianna Mahanga.



### **NAIDOC 2015**



# Record crowds pack Mallee celebrations



**RECORD** crowds of Indigenous and non-Indigenous people were caught up in the

positive vibe of NAIDOC events in Victoria's Mallee.

**Mallee District Aboriginal** Services hosted flag-raising ceremonies in all four of its communities - Mildura, Robinvale, Swan Hill and Kerang - with the largest, at Mildura, culminating in a march by more than 300 people that brought traffic to a stop along the city's main thoroughfare.

**Dozens of community** organisations and local, state and Commonwealth government bodies cooperated in putting together a calendar of events, including rugby games in Swan Hill, an Elders' Riverbank Tour and storytelling in Robinvale, the launch of a community kitchen and garden in Mildura and a welcome baby to country ceremony.



Mallee District Aboriginal Services chief executive Rudolph Kirby performs with a men's dancing group which got together for NAIDOC Week. Pictures: News Alert PR

The undisputed highlight, though, was the launch of a Murray River redgum bark canoe believed to be the first traditional cance made in the

Mallee in more than 40 years. Elders shared culture with youth to construct the canoe earlier this year, and it is now on display at the Mildura Arts Centre.



# The NAIDOC community march inTennant Creek. Picture: Tennant Times

### March, sport and much more in Tennant Creek



ABOUT 200 people gathered in front of the Northern Land Council offices in **Tennant Creek** for the opening

of NAIDOC Week. They marched the 2km

stretch of Paterson Street to Nyinkka Nyunyu Cultural Centre at the southern end of town, led by four horsemen and a police escort.

Aboriginal musicians from the Winanjjikari Music Centre performed while the marchers made their way into Nyinkka

Nyunyu performance space, which is beside a sacred site of the spiky tailed goanna.

Many NAIDOC events continued throughout the week, culminating with a softball and basketball sports challenge in the Northern territory community.

### **Awards presented** at Cherbourg day



Service manager Tarita Fisher has been presented with the **Darling Downs Hospital** and Health Service's (DDMM) Recognition of

Excellence in Service Delivered by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Staff Award.

The award was presented by DDHH board member Cheryl Dalton at the community's NAIDOC Week

'This DDHHS-wide award recognises the exceptional work of one Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander staff member." Ms Dalton

"The award is an opportunity to highlight and acknowledge the

outstanding work being done by our staff members to provide excellent

health care in our communities.' Ms Fisher was recognised for her dedication and drive to improve the health of her community.

Awards were also presented across the DDHHS to non-Indigenous staff members who also have worked to support their communities. These staff members were nominated by their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander colleagues.

The Recognition of Excellence in Service Delivered to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community were presented to Lorraine McMurtrie in Goondiwindi, Bridget Hogarth in Millmerran, Taygen Tucker in Kingaroy, Maree Wylie in Dalby and Sharon Lock in Cherbourg



Tarita Fisher, left, and Sharon Lock were recognised for their outstanding contribution to the health and wellbeing of the Cherbourg community at a NAIDOC Week Health Expo. They are with senior health



# NAIDOC 2015 – Sydney City





From left, Murray'wa, Jahmarley Dawson, Glen Thomas and Keanah Scholes in Sydney.









THOUSANDS of people visited Hyde Park, in the heart of Sydney, for the NAIDOC in

the City event last week.

Wiradjuri actor Luke Carroll MCed the day, which included performances on the main stage by Marcus Corowa, soul-singer Emma Donovan and the Putbacks, and Pirra.

Gumbaynggirr chef Clayton Donovan gave cooking demonstrations that included native ingredients.

South Sydney Rabbitohs rugby league star Nathan Merritt chatted with kids big and small,

while the NRL and the Sydney Kings basketballers ran sports activities.

The Kids Zone proved popular with storytime, painting and dance sessions.

Taronga Zoo's mobile stall attracted people throughout the day, with hands-on experiences including pythons, lizards and an echidna.

Aunty Millie Ingram, who welcomed everyone to country, said the day had been a success and she was honoured to host a delegation of First Nations women of the Secwepemc people from British Columbia.



Eastern Region Local Government Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Forum coordinator Rebekah Raymond, and Ross Manford, Solange Frost and Ebony Allen, from the City of Sydney Council.



Highlands, and Melinda Stanton, of Mt Druitt. Bundjalung singer Marcus Corowa was one of the entertainers. Laddie Timberey's work on a boomerang drew interest.

Kaysha Armstrong, from the NSW Southern



# NAIDOC 2015 – Sydney City





Barbara McGuiness and Canadian First Nations women from British Columbia – Canada, Margaret Campbell, Evelyn Camille, Doreen Kenoras, Jean William and Georgina Martin - with Elders Millie Ingram and Beryl Van Oploo.



**Australian Museum Indigenous education** assistant Derek Walker had a busy day talking about artefacts, native animals and culture.



Lani Brennan and John Duckett with children Tymekqwa, Lateia, Tyrone, Kiana, Kirrawahn, James, Dheklin, Shakylah and Luta.



Emma Donovan sings soul with the Putbacks.





Lisa Connor, from Double Bridge Farm at Port Macquarie, had a stall.



**Gumbaynggirr chef Clayton Donovan** demonstrates one of his special dishes.



Koori Radio's Eliza Delaney, who hosts the Young, Black and Deadly Show, and Haych from the Brekky Show.



Tanaron Barton-Vaofanua, 7, and Vicki Barton, from Liverpool.





Thomas Murphy and Lavina Wright: "We've just moved to Sydney from Brewarrina – we're still getting used to it and today's celebrations were great."



## NAIDOC 2015 — Liverpool





Uncle Stephen Williams, right, leads the NAIDOC march through Liverpool. Picture: Kieran Oakley, Liverpool City Council



The Donovan Brothers provided entertainment.



Brooke Joy with Mia Pocock, 8, and Anneliese Joy, 9, painting boomerangs.

# March and a whole lot more



celebrations in Liverpool, southwest Sydney, began with a

smoking ceremony by Uncle Stephen Williams and about 300 people marching through the city centre to Bigge Park.

Activities at the park included jewellery making, boomerang painting, touch footy clinics and a jumping castle. Local Aboriginal band The

**Donovan Brothers provided** 

MC Norma Burrows, a member of the Gandangara Local **Aboriginal Land Council, said the** day was "really important".

"The community and Liverpool City Council have been very supportive of the march,"

"NAIDOC celebrations showcase our local Aboriginal community and it has been a fun

family day." Rosheen Saunders, from Sistas for Sistas, an Aboriginal women's group from the Liverpool area, said it was great to have a day to celebrate
Indigenous culture.
"NAIDOC is important for a

whole range of reasons and it makes me all emotional because it's about our past, present and future and reclaiming our identity," she said.



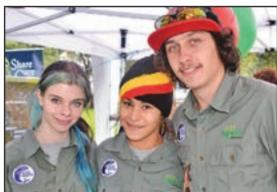
Julie Cherry and Robby Bell, from the South Western Sydney Local Health District Aboriginal health team.



**Guntawang Aboriginal Resources vice-president** 



From left, Kane Reedy, Karrial Johnson, Doug Johnson and Peter Danes.



Stacie Gilbert, Shannon Beale-Bogg and Nick Arends, from the Georges River Combined **Council Committee River Keepers.** 



Enjoying NAIDOC in Liverpool, from left, Kate Goodwin, Vanessa Thambyah, Shawn Orcher and Trent McGrath, from Life Without Barriers.



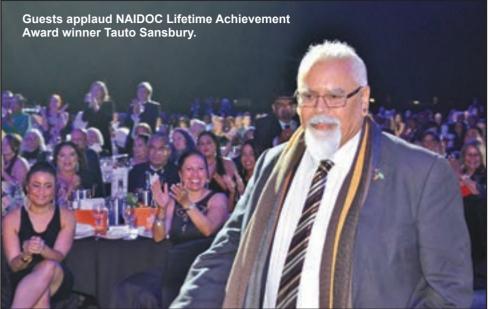
Members of Sistas for Sistas, an Aboriginal women's group in the Liverpool area.



### NAIDOC 2015 - National Ball







# What a great night



**THE Adelaide Convention Centre** was packed to overflowing last Friday night the the annual national NAIDOC Ball and Awards.

Guests came from around the country for the event, the highlight of NAIDOC around Australia.

Ten awards were presented on the night. (See the winners, next page.)

The night was hosted by Wiradjuri (NSW) actor Luke Caroll and NITV journalist Malarndirri McCarthy.

The entertainment line-up included Black Comedy sensation Steven Oliver, who had the crowd in stitches with his piece Minority within a Minority about being gay and Aboriginal.

Darwin was announced as the National NAIDOC Awards Host city for 2016.



Jasmine Graham and Nola Davey, from Adelaide, at the ball.



Narungga woman Roslyn Goldsmith-Angie and her brother Jack Harradine.





Tristan Francis, Ella Harradine and Peter Buckskin Jnr, all from Point Pearce.



Schania Czygan, Laney Mackean and Karen Atkinson, from the Adelaide Closing the Gap team.



South Australia's Aboriginal Engagement Commissioner Khatija Thomas and State **Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister** Kyam Maher.



Ngarrindjeri Elder Uncle Major Sumner during the welcoming ceremony.

### pictures from the NAIDOC National



# NAIDOC WEEK 2015



# Some of our very best honoured

**SOME** of Indigenous Australia's very best were winners at this year's National NAIDOC Awards, presented last Friday night in Adelaide. Here's some information about why they've been selected.

Tauto Sansbury - Lifetime Achievement Award: Mr Sansbury is a Narungga man from the Yorke Peninsula of South Australia. Also with Kaurna and Wirangu heritage, he has been an advocate for social justice for Aboriginal people for more than 30 years

As state chairperson of the South Australian Aboriginal Justice Advocacy Committee and chairperson of the Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee for over 10 years. Mr Sansbury fought to improve the conditions of Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system. His work was honoured by an Australian Centenary Medal.

Mr Sansbury has many official and voluntary positions, from chairperson of the South Australian Aboriginal Coalition for Social justice to lecturing university refugee students to hosting screenings of Jon Pilger's documentary Utopia. Overcoming significant disadvantage and minimal

Rosalie Kunoth-Monks - Person of the Year: Ms Kunoth Monks is an Arrernte Anmatjere woman from the Northern Territory.

education, he has risen as a champion for his people.

Born on Utopia Station, she moved to Alice Springs. At 16 she won the lead role in the Australian film Jedda, the first to feature an Aboriginal person in a lead role.

After 10 years in a Melbourne convent, Ms Kunoth Monks settled in Alice and started a career of more than 50 years in human rights and politics. She is passionate about Aboriginal people having access to their land, language and culture. Her contribution at local and national levels is wide, including adviser on Aboriginal Affairs in the NT, and trailblazer for the Oxfam Straight Talk program.

Ms Kunoth Monks has received many awards, including an Order of Australia Medal, being named Northern Territorian of the Year and as a finalist for Australian of the Year. At 78 years of age, she remains one of the most powerful voices for change in Aboriginal Australia.

**Veronica Perrule Dobson – Female Elder of the Year:** Ms Perrule Dobson is a Eastern Arrernte Elder, often sought out for her expertise in language, culture and the environment. Born in Alrtunga, Northern Territory, she moved to Alice Springs at 16 where her language skills led to her becoming the head of the interpreting service.

A strong advocate for teaching Aboriginal language and culture in schools, Ms Perrule Dobson has taught many children the Arrernte language.

Passionate about the environment, she has worked with the CSIRO on many projects, delivered a paper at the Indigenous Environmental Conference in Canada, She made a guest appearance on the TV program *The Cook and* The Chef, where she showcased Aboriginal food to celebrity host Maggie Beer.

Ms Perrule Dobson was awarded an Order of Australia in 2011 for her work as a linguist, naturalist and ecologist. She has inspired her children and grandchildren to love language and culture and hopes this legacy will carry on.

**Graham Taylor – Male Elder of the Year:** Mr Taylor is an Anangu Yamaji Elder from Western Australia. After growing up on a native reserve, he served in the army for five-and-ahalf years, completing two tours – in Malaysia and Vietnam.



This year's National NAIDOC Award winners with National NAIDOC Committee members and other special guests after the presentations at the NAIDOC National Ball in Adelaide, South Australia. Back, from left: Benjamin Mitchell, Chris Tamwoy, Ryan Morich, Ashley Farrall and John Paul Janke. Middle, from left: Graham Taylor, Anne Martin, Jessa Rogers, Daren Dunn, Georgia Vallance (Warddeken), Fred Hunter (Warddeken), Stephen Hagan and Bilawara Lee. Front, from left: Patricia Conlon, Steve Widders, Michelle Deshong, Rosalie Kunoth Monks, Tauto Sansbury, Veronica Purrule Dobson and Ann Weldon.

Mr Taylor is a Geraldton RSL stalwart, has never missed an Anzac service and plays a key role in memorial activities each year. He works for the recognition of Aboriginal servicemen and women, including getting a plaque mounted on the RSL remembrance wall acknowledging Aboriginal people who fought and died for their country.

Mr Taylor dedicated many hours to the development of a Bundivarra Corporation Gallipoli enactment and dugout display on Aboriginal land, and regularly shares stories with Mullewa High School students, talking about his life, his time in the army and his pride in being Aboriginal.

Warddeken Caring for Country Project - Caring for Country Award: The Warddenken project uses the best of both worlds to care for almost 1.4 million hectares of spectacular stone and gorge country on the Western Arnhem

Community-directed and implemented by the Narwarddeken people, the project follows ancient laws handed down by ancestors, combined with Western science,

to understand country in a different way. The project cares for country, from managing weeds, wildfire and feral animals to recording significant rock art sites. Innovative fire work is considered to be the project's strength.

It won the 2011 caring for Country Indigenous Banksia Award and more recently the Eureka Prize for Innovative Solutions to Climate change

Project leader Bardayal Nadjamerek had a vision for a better future for all Narwarddeken people, a vision shared by

Their work is achieving this by strengthening culture. passing on knowledge, creating jobs and providing solutions for long-term, sustainable management of country.

Chris Tamwoy - Youth of the Year: Chris has ties to Badu, Boigu and Darnley Island in the Torres Strait and is a self-taught guitar virtuoso in the making.

Since a video of a school performance went viral, his stage presence and emotive musical gift have been making an impression on the Australian music scene.

Chris has opened for John Butler Trio at the Byron Bay Blues Festival, played at the NRL Indigenous All-Stars game earlier this year, and appeared on NITV's Unearthed, JJJ and ABC radio. His first EP is in production. Chris' other passion is reconciliation. In 2013, his

neighbourhood in Logan, Queensland, became the focus of so-called race riots. Chris joined other Indigenous youth to form the Logan First Nations Youth Assembly, to tackle the negative portrayal of local Indigenous youth.

Chris is involved with the Recognise campaign, facilitates for the National Indigenous Youth Leadership Academy and

is co-chair of Logan Youth Arm – Australia's first youth reconciliation group affiliated with Reconciliation Australia.

Daren Dunn - Artist of the Year: Mr Dunn, a Gamilaroi man from NSW, is a world renowned artist who has exhibited in Italy, Russia, Ireland, China, the United States and Japan. Not limited to the art on canvas, he has hand painted a cricket bat for Prince William, high heels for Princess Kate, a golf bag for Tiger Woods and football boots for David Beckham.

A dedicated educator, Mr Dunn has worked with Indigenous youth for 23 years. His passions are sharing his knowledge and skills in art, fostering a love and respect for Aboriginal culture and giving back to the community.

Recently, he has been running his Get Black On Ya Feet program with Lurnea High School (NSW), teaching students techniques to create their own artworks and

helping them to create a 12-metre mural for the school. His main goal in his work with students is to ensure sustainability in Indigenous education for future

Michelle Deshong – Scholar of the Year: Ms Deshong is a Kuku Yalanji woman from north-east Australia.

After 15 years in the public service, including 10 with the Australian Indigenous Leadership Centre, she relocated her family from Brisbane to Canberra to begin her academic career. Graduating from James Cook University with first class honours, she was awarded the University Medal, Dean's List Award and is a member of the Golden Key International Honours Society.

Ms Deshong is currently completing her PHD in Enabling Participation of Aboriginal Women in Public and Political Life. This year, she was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship.

Passionate about advocating for community and women's issues, Ms Deshong is also lead facilitator of Oxfam's Straight Talk Program, where she has inspired more than 500 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women.

She has also been a representative for over five vears at the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women and Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

Ashley Farrall – Apprentice of the Year: Ashley Farrall is a 22-year-old Arrernte man from Alice Springs, and a second-year apprentice chef at Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park. With a passion for food and a creative flair, Mr Farrall experiments with local bush foods.

After a brush with the law, Mr Farrall wanted to change his path and achieve greatness. Alongside study and work experience, he participated in the Outback Academy Respect program, where he studied culture and bush food with Yorta Yorta Elders and Aboriginal chef Mark Olive.

Mr Farrall is not only an apprentice chef but an inspiration for Indigenous youth struggling with their futures. He attends major food events as part of the Outback Academy and talks about the importance of persistence and resilience in finding and sticking with a career.

Committed to excellence, Mr Farrall has worked with award-winning chef Robert Taylor, where he delivered one of his own creations, a lemon myrtle tart.

Ryan Morich - Sportsperson of the Year: Ryan Morich is a Noongar man from Western Australian, currently on a wheelchair basketball scholarship at the University of Alabama in the United States.

Mr Morich is the first Aboriginal person with a disability to take up a sports scholarship in the US. In his first year, he made the Intercollegiate Al-Rookie Team.

In 2013, Mr Morich represented Australia at the Under 23 World Championships, where he led the team to a bronze medal win. He is currently a member of the Australian Rollers

Mr Morich is captain of the Red Dust Heelers, a wheelchair basketball team with a strong focus on unearthing future Aboriginal athletes with disability. He is partnered with the Wheeling and Healing Program, which helps people deal with negative feelings arising from their disability. He also helps others by sharing his story on cancer, limb loss and losing loved ones to cancer.

Mr Morich's goal is to represent his country at the Paralympic games and to further opportunities for young people with disability.



Warddeken Caring for Country Project representatives Fred Hunter and Georgia Vallance (centre) with award presenters Jeremy Johncock, Nicole Gollen and Joyleen Thomas,



Larrakia Elder Bilawara Lee holds the message stick telling of next year's NAIDOC Awards Ceremony in Darwin





Scott Kerdel, Kaylene Kerdel, Uncle Major Sumner, Tania King and Richard King at the National Ball in Adelaide.



Members of the National NAIDOC Committee on stage at Adelaide.



# NAIDOC 2015 - National Ball



From left, Dwayne Coulthard, Wayne Carbine, Rubina Hall, Denise Rowe, John Carbine and Debbie Clark at the ball.

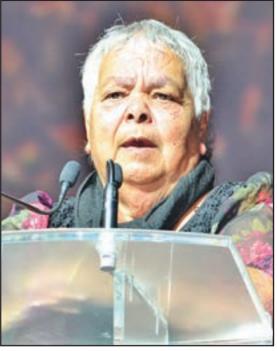


Steven Oliver's poem about identity, Get Real, received huge shouts of support.

Kerry Colbung, Michael Colbung and Kate Richards enjoy the night.



From left, Tania Axelby-Blake, Vider Buckskin, Debra Axelby, Marie Axelby, Cheryl Axelby and Bec Gollan at the ball.



Aunty Alice Alitya Rigney welcomes everyone to country at the Adelaide Convention Centre.



Kokatha man Lyndon Reid and Arabana man Aaron Stewart catching up at the ball.



Cousins Rickelle Peris, Jamie-Lee Peris and Courtney Bailey looking deadly.





### NAIDOC 2015 - Adelaide









Cooper Kamikamica, 1, sits on an SA Police motorcycle while his grandmother Angela Bicknell, from Ascot Park, looks on.



In the women's zone Tanay Giles has her hair done by Carly Andrews, Chelsea Martin and Jo Correll, from TAFE SA.



Keeping busy on the food stall, from left, Nipuni Mallawarach-Chi, Eliza Rogerson and Ethulla Sansbury.

# Hundreds at fun day

FOLLOWING the NAIDOC march in the Adelaide city centre, hundreds of people went to Bonython Park for a family fun day.

With zones for Elders, men, women and kids and nearly 50 stalls, the event had something for everyone.

Popular activities included having photos taken on a SA Police motorcycle, sports and arts and crafts.

South Australian Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation Minister Kvam Maher said NAIDOC Week celebrates the heritage, culture, contributions and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

"İt's inspiring to see how the whole community comes together to observe the important place Aboriginal people have in our society and the vital contribution they make to our community," he said.

Earlier in the week the NAIDOC SA awards were announced.

The winners were: Young Person of the Year: Marcellus Enalanga Person of the Year: Harry Miller Snr

Life Time Achievement Award: Emeritus Professor Paul Hughes

Apprentice of the Year: Darren Williams

Female Elder of the Year: Joanne Willmot Male Elder of the Year: Cyril

Coabv

Scholar of the Year: Susan

Dixon

Artist of the Year: Beaver Lennon

**Business of the Year:** 

**Bookabee Tours** 

Sportsman of the Year: Eddie

Sportswoman of the Year:





# NAIDOC 2015 – Tasmania



Diana (from Wynyard) and Harney Burgess with his grandson Bruce, and their cousins Shirley Maynard, from Hobart, and Aloma Riley, from Flinders Island, at Risdon Cove.



Sandra Woolley (centre), with her grand daughters Amber, Annabelle and April Duggan, and brother Roger Woolley at the community get together following the flag raising at Risdon Cove.



Certificate III Catering Students Karissa Aitchison and Tanya Langdon catered for the unveiling of Acknowledgement of Country signs at TAFE campuses NAIDOC celebration. They are pictured here serving Caroline Spotswood.



Aunty Girlie Purdon, TAFE chief executive Stephen Conway and Aboriginal VET officer Jan Langridge, outside Drysdale House, one of eight TAFE centres around Tasmania where Acknowledgement of Country signs were unveiled.



Children joined Aunty Connie Wrankmore to raise the flag at Risdon Cove.



Sharon Stone, Bobbie Dillon, Tina Butterworth, Ocker Dillon and Alison Overeem at the unveiling of Acknowledgement of Country signs at TAFE campuses NAIDOC celebration.



Thomas Jennings shelters from the elements with his cousins Summer-Rose and Billy Jennings, from Hobart, at the Risdon Cove flag-raising.





### NAIDOC 2015 - Tasmania





Gail Smith, Lyn Cross, Loretia Maynard, Edwina Shaw and Sonja Preston brave the rain to listen to a NAIDOC speech at Risdon Cove.



Vicki Wills, Joan Smith, Jennifer Nichols, Dougie Mansell, Lorraine Webb, Terry Maynard, Rebecca Bowden, Isabelle Bowden, Lyndy Bowden and Aaron Everett, caught up at the Karadi Family Fun Day. They are pictured here at the entrance to the organisation's community garden.

# Spirit reigns in Tassie



Brooke Bourke, Ruth Langford, Kaninna Langford, Jack Thiessen, Wendal Pitchford, Danny Gardner and Bede Jones enjoying NAIDOC.

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINES all around Tasmania braved the elements to celebrate NAIDOC week.

For many, the highlight of the week was the state NAIDOC Ball and awards in Hobart.

More than 150 attended the gala event at the Elwick Racecourse Function Centre.

It was also a big night for local Aboriginal vocalists. Andry Sculthorpe and Kartanya Maynard entertained the crowd, and country singer Dougie Mansell took out the top award – Aborigine of the Year.

Other awards were Youth of the Year Nunami Sculthorpe-Green and Sports Person Mitchem Everett, while Artist of the Year was jointly awarded to painter Janice Ross and children's book author Luana Towney

Mr Mansell said winning the award was an emotional experience, which showed him how much his community appreciated his music.



The best-dressed awards at the NAIDOC Ball went to Eddie Thomas, Jo James, Danielle Braslin and Geoffrey Lucas.



NAIDOC award winners Craig Everett (on behalf of his son Mitchem), Nunami Sculthorpe-Green, Dougie Mansell, Luana Towney and Janice Ross.



## NAIDOC 2015 - Darwin









Happy faces on lots of kids and plenty more at the NAIDOC Darwin march.

# Busy in the Top End

BIG crowds were a feature of NAIDOC events this year in Darwin and nearby Palmerston. **Organisers from the Top End NAIDOC** Committee said more than 600 people turned out for the annual march through Darwin's

city centre. One of the best-attended events was a basketball coaching day with officials from the Adelaide 36ers. Other events on the packed program included a youth sports day, cinema screenings, karaoke night and ball for



Sharon Wallace and her daughter Tirrilee at the Top End NAIDOC march.



At the NAIDOC youth sport day, from left, Keneisha Riddle, Kiera Kurnoth, Jacob Seden-Kurnoth, Dylan Seden-Kurnoth and Isaac Seden-Kurnoth.





Workers from Aboriginal Peak Organisations of the Northern Territory at the NAIDOC march in Darwin.

# NAIDOC 2015 – Alice Springs







Anne Kenny and Patrina McMasters checking out a stall at the community event.



Mya Thommy, Billy Austen and Imani Austen having a great time at the community event.

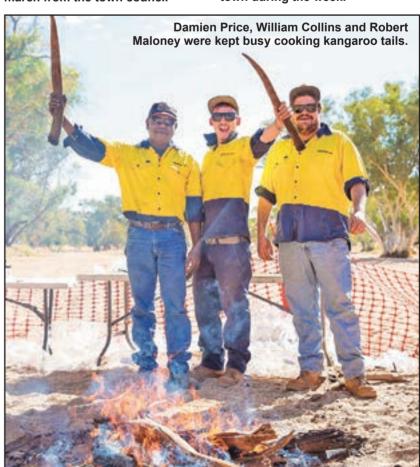
# March a highlight in centre

LAST Friday was the highlight of NAIDOC activities in Alice Springs. A breakfast was held on the **Council Lawns in** town, followed by a march from the town council

through the Todd Mall to Snow McKenna Park.

A family day followed, with stalls, a barbecue lunch and live music. A children's dress-up disco was held in the evening.

Other activities were held in the town during the week.

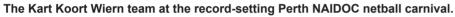




# NAIDOC 2015 - Perth











Lateash Garlett and her niece had matching face paint at the Midland celebration.





Rap artist Jamahl Ryder on stage at the

Midland NAIDOC event.





Bernita Garlett and her dad Brendan at the ball.





### NAIDOC 2015 - Perth





# Big turnouts in the west



Derek Nannup Jnr was Beau of the NAIDOC Ball in Perth.



NAIDOC Week in Perth, with thousands of people attending a range of events. The highlight

was Friday night's ball, which drew a full house at the Perth Convention Centre.

Ball-goers enjoyed entertainment by Richard Walley, Phillip Walley Stack, Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse, Yatangal and other local artists. The winners of this year's Belle and Beau of the Ball were Latoya Phillips and Derek Nannup Jnr.

The NAIDOC opening ceremony was also popular, attracting a large crowd.

One of the highlights was the NAIDOC event at Midland, in Perth's east. About 400 people braved poor weather to take part. enjoying music, stalls and a strong community atmosphere.

This year's NAIDOC netball carnival had a record 81 teams competing in four open and four junior divisions.



Belle of the NAIDOC Ball in Perth was Latoya Phillips.

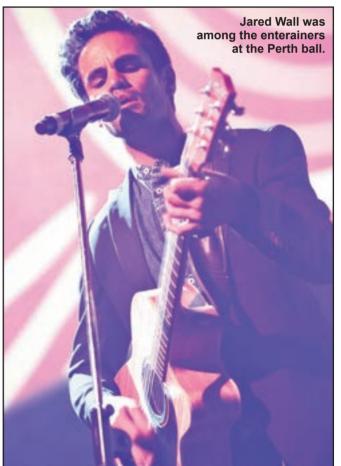


Mechelle Wilson and Sam Turvey at the Perth ball.



Delta Oui performing on stage at the NAIDOC celebration in Midland, one of the highlights of the week.







Calvin Yarran was named Young Person of the Year at the Midland NAIDOC celebration. All pictures by Tash Nannup



### NAIDOC 2015 - Townsville



# 1000 join the march



By ALF WILSON

**MORE than 1000 Aboriginal** and Torres Strait Islander people took part in the annual NAIDOC community march in Townsville on July 10. 'Let's march together, bring your family and friends, wave your flags and banners' was the motto for the event.

"This march shows where we are from and everybody

will know there are cultures other than their own," Harriet Tapim, 17, said.

John Paiwan said he was proud to participate in the march. "This is a wonderful day for us all and it is great

to see so many people here," he said.

Angie Akee was there with her pet dog Mamus.

The march ended at Pioneer Park on the banks of the freshwater section of the Ross River where a 'Deadly Day Out' was held. **Activities included** entertainment with live performances, information stalls, rides and amusements for the children.



Barbara Wilson, Tonia Mason, Emily Marshall and Diana Ross holding the Townsville Aboriginal and Islanders Health Services banner.







# It's NAIDOC on the inside at Acacia





**ACACIA Prison in** Brisbane had what it said was one of Australia's biggest kangaroo tail cook-ups to mark NAIDOC Week with its Indigenous

inmates. More than 300 tails were cooked on hot coals and shared between Aboriginal offenders and staff at the Serco-run prison.

**Events at Acacia included** an opening ceremony with motivational speaker Lawrence Riley, who was the Community Person of the Year at this year's Perth NAIDOC awards, as well as a performance by Acacia's Aboriginal dance troupe and a didgeridoo player.

A series of football matches and other social activities were also on the program.

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait** 

Islander prisoners make up about 40% of Acacia's male medium security population.

Serco says maintaining connection to culture and country is an important part of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander offender rehabilitation and also assists with reintegration with their communities upon release.

"NAIDOC is one of the most important events for Aboriginal offenders to celebrate and stav connected to their culture and communities on the outside," **Acacia Prison director Nick** Cameron said.

"It is also enables non-Aboriginal staff to develop a greater empathy and understanding of Aboriginal culture and how they can support our ATSI prisoners."

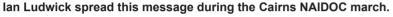
Pictured: Inmates performing during NAIDOC at Acacia Prison.



### NAIDOC 2015 - Cairns









They were dancing in the rain this year during the Cairns NAIDOC march.

# Loud and very proud

CAIRNS celebrated a huge NAIDOC Week with opening and closing ceremonies, a corporate breakfast, trivia night and several other smaller regional events in Gordonvale, Kuranda, Edmonton and Yarrabah.

A highlight was the opening of the new Wuchopperen Health Service clinic at Edmonton, with the family fun day at the Edmonton PCYC.

The biggest event of the week is the 'Be loud, be proud' march and 'Friday in the Park' day which still managed to draw more than 200 marchers and 40 or more food, information and retail stalls despite wet weather.

Organiser and NAIDOC committee member Lynette Dewis was happy with the response.

Another highlight was the trivia night hosted by the Cairns NAIDOC Committee and Accor Hotels.

Organiser and NAIDOC committee member Wayne Costelloe said there were 12 teams, two of whom were called Too Deadly!

"It was a great night and good value too. We had some big sponsors," he said. "One of the Too Deadlys won, and it was all good fun."

Tjapukai Aboriginal Cultural Park also joined the party with several events, including the NAIDOC dinner. - by Christine Howes









Gordonvale Indigenous Rugby League Club members at their stand

Staff from Mookai Rosie Bi-Bayan (Aunty Rose's Shelter) in Cairns got into the NAIDOC swing.



### NAIDOC 2015 - Newcastle





Nathan Brennan with Maliyan Jack, aged 3.



From left, Yvonne Flasks, of The Centre for Indigenous Health at The University of Sydney, footballer Timana Tahu, Rayshai Horwood, 8, Will Smith of NRL's Penrith Panthers, and Elaine Armstrong Hippi, of The Poche Centre for Indigenous Health at The University of Sydney.



Christopher Hardy, 4, at the Newcastle NAIDOC opening ceremony and march.



Lake Macquarie City Council Aboriginal community development officer Maree Edwards and canine friend.

Toni and Kristina Pico, both 8, at this year's

Newcastle NAIDOC event.

# Fun day at Foreshore



MORE than 1000 people braved cold and windy conditions on the Foreshore in Newcastle, NSW, for

the city's annual celebration. The event opened with a flag raising and march from Newcastle's Civic Park followed by a family fun day on the Foreshore including bands, rides, face painting, stalls and Aboriginal story time, jewellery, sculpture and bannermaking workshops. Newcastle City

MC for the day Abie Wright spoke of his father the late Jimmy Wright and called for a minute's silence to honour Jimmy's lifelong contributions to the local community.

Special NAIDOC guest former NRL star Dean Widders spoke about the importance of closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage, and 1 Deadly Step, a community health project focusing on screening, early detection and treatment for chronic diseases as part of a health initiative by Hunter New England Health



Goodooga, Moree and Brewarrina mob celebrating in Newcastle.



Alex Campbell, 8, at the NAIDOC smoking ceremony in Newcastle.

### Plenty of NAIDOC spirit at Coraki/Box Ridge



NAIDOC celebrations at Coraki/Box Ridge, in far northern NSW, included a street march and community gathering. Pictured here are people gathered for the march.

# Inmates benefit from partnership





PRE-RELEASE prisoners in Alice Springs have benefitted from a partnership between Batchelor Institute and the Northern Territory Department of Correctional Services (NTDCS). Nineteen

male inmates completed a combined

Certificate I in Conservation and Land Management and Certificate I in Foundation Skills, working on site at the Batchelor Institute Desert Peoples Centre (DPC) Campus in Alice Springs.

As part of the conservation and land management training, the students used basic machinery and equipment to

complete landscaping on campus. They also developed foundation skills using iPads as part of the work.

"The education and training programs provided the students with a strong focus on hands-on landscaping work," lecturer Michael Walters said.

As part of the program, Centre for

Appropriate Technology (CAT) gave White Card (general construction induction) training to 16 of the students in the final two weeks of the program.

Batchelor Institute is now delivering Certificate II in Family Wellbeing training to 10 female inmates at the Alice Springs Correctional Centre.



### **TAFE** winner 'a natural leader'



success has been fuelled by his passion for stopping family violence and the mistreatment of children.

He was recently named as Illawarra (NSW) TAFE's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student of the year.

Community services and youth work teacher Berenice Murphy nominated Mr Weatherall, citing his self-motivation and consistently high standard of course work during the Certificate IV in Youth Work he was studying at TAFE Illawarra Shellharbour.

Mr Weatherall is now doing a Diploma in Youth Work. Ms Murphy said Mr Weatherall is a natural class leader who is not afraid to speak his mind. "He respectfully challenges incorrect or biased opinions in a manner that educates the whole class group, especially about issues related to his mob," she said.

Mr Weatherall said he hopes to get a good job working with young people and to be a good role model.

# Nobel winner will be guest



**NOBEL Peace Prize** winner Rigoberta Menchú Tum will deliver the keynote address at the

Yapaneyepuk Indigenous Education Symposium in Melbourne from July 27. Ms Menchú is an internationally acclaimed Guatemalan activist and politician who will join leading educators from the United States, New Zealand and Australia for a forum on questions of indigenous and crossscultural education.

Convened by Victoria's only Aboriginal school, Worawa Aboriginal College, and held in Albert Park, the symposium will continue efforts to develop an international First Nations education network.

#### **Presentation**

There will also be a presentation of the findings from a research project into education outcomes for Aboriginal children.

Worawa College principal Lois Peeler, an original member of the 1960s musical group The Sapphires, said Yapaneyepuk will provide a forum for the exchange of international First Nations experience in Indigenous education.

"It is vital that schools, educators





Worawa College principal Lois Peeler, left, and Nobel Peace Prize winner Rigoberta Menchú Tum, from Guatemala.

and policymakers draw on the experiences of indigenous peoples' wisdom, practice and international research as we seek to close educational gaps for Australia's

Indigenous children," she said. The Yapaneyepuk symposium will be held at the Pullman Hotel, Albert Park from July 27-29. Details at www.yapaneyepuk.com

#### **Education**



One of the JCU student ambassadors, Samantha Brown, an Indigenous veterinary science student from NSW, checks out the shark jaws at the Palm Island event.

### Palm youth get teeth into study

By ALF WILSON



YOUNGSTERS on Palm Island have heard about the importance of tertiary studies. They were

at an event organised by James Cook University's Indigenous Health Unit (IHU), Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council, Ferdy's Haven, Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Health Service (TAIHS), Joyce Palmer Health Service, Bwgcolman Community School and other community groups.

Dr Lynore Geia, a senior lecturer in nursing midwifery and nutrition at James Cook University, was a prime mover in setting up the Palm Island University Partnerships (PI-UP) Program.

The project was funded as

part of JCU's Higher Education Participation and Partnership Program (HEPPP) to widen participation and build the aspirations of young people from low socioeconomic backgrounds within the region," Dr Geia, a Bwgcolman Palm Island woman who also has Torres Strait Islander descent, said.

Three JCU Indigeous student ambassadors were also on hand to answer questions from local youth.

Dr Geia and her team of JCU staff and the student ambassadors spoke with many Palm Islanders about university study. A major attraction was a blue-tongue lizard named Elvis handled by JCU's Mick Ellison, and a set of shark jaws.

"The focus of the event was to demonstrate the serious as well as fun side of university study," Dr Geia said.

# Ipswich course proves to be an eye-opener Scholars



**INDIGENOUS** students who took part in a week-long program at the University of Southern

Queensland (USQ) Ipswich say their eyes have been opened to a variety of study options and career choices

Tamika Pascoe was among 100 participants aged 10-17 to attend the Ipswich Education, Youth and Sport Program, spending five days on campus participating in a range of sporting and educational activities

The Rosewood State High School student said she

enjoyed taking part in the workshops and learning more about education and health.

"I absolutely loved the whole week and it's been such an eye-opener," Tamika said.

"We had people from the university speak to us about career goals and what we need to do to have a better future.

Kambu Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Health was behind the program together with USQ, PCYC Ipswich, the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health and Queensland Government departments of education. health and youth justice.

The event gave an

opportunity for selected primary and secondary school students from around the Ipswich region to gain an insight into tertiary education.

Kambu chief executive Stella Taylor-Johnson said the program was about inspiring and motivating the children to stay healthy and never stop learning.

The aim of the week was to get the children familiar with a university setting and to help them realise they can be in this space," she said.

"It's been a very successful week and I'm confident all of those who took part in the program can aspire to higher education."



Ipswich sprinter Larissa Chambers, a special guest at the USQ program, with participants Seth Briggs, Bryonee Thompson and Jayde Briggs.

# secure support



THE Lowitja Institute has named 10 scholars from around Australia as its latest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health

research early career scholarship winners. The work of the 10 covers areas such as early childhood, the health system, workforce, cultural competence, and social determinants of health, all of which tie in with the Lowitja Institute's research priorities.

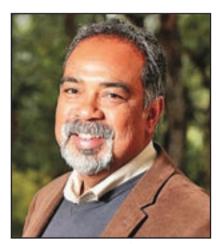
The institute says the scholarships are a cornerstone of its commitment to a workforce to address Indigenous needs across the health system.

"As an Aboriginal and Torres Islander organisation, the Lowitja Institute strives to achieve the best outcomes for Australia's First Peoples," chief executive Romlie Mokak said.

"Fundamental to that goal is the development of a highly skilled Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research workforce that will contribute to the health and wellbeing of (Indigenous) people."

Scholarship winner Scott Avery, a University of NSW doctoral scholar, is examining Indigenous people's understanding of disability.

"The perspectives of people with disability is understated in disability policy, none more so than in Indigenous policy where research and



Lowitja Institute chief executive Romlie Mokak

evidence are negligible," he said.

"My research attempts to address this gap in knowledge by collecting and analysing the narratives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with lived experiences of disability, and to inform the direction of future Indigenous disability research and policy reform.

The Lowitja Institute scholarship enables me to dedicate myself to my research. It facilitates the collection of data, and it supports the sharing of the work through conference papers and presentations, which will provide a platform for the funding of future projects that flow from this research."

# The art of Phyllis Stewart

### Arts Yarn

Our monthly arts column in partnership with

# luseums

ORN in Berry, and sharing family connections with the Dharwal and Yuin communities of the south coast of NSW, Phyllis Stewart's family earned a living from vegetable picking and seasonal work, moving up and down the coastline from Sydney to the borders.

Stewart has an unbroken connection to country through her mother's Armidale ancestry and her father's father's people of the Wallaga Lake region of the far south coast of NSW.

There are close links with the Aboriginal community in La Perouse, the only Sydney suburb where Aboriginal people have maintained their territory from settlement until today and one which is famous for its traditional shell work.

Stewart's talent as master weaver and maker is testimony to a rich and creative childhood spent helping adults harvest, weave and value-add from nature



observing and studying animal and plant life a response to her home country playing out directly in her art.

In addition to weaving, Stewart uses the reflective surfaces of shells to decorate and reimagine everyday items into decorative objects.

Three works in a collection at Wollongong Art Gallery, Thongs, Slippers and Shoes, explore the idea behind the ubiquitous, the everyday, the common and taken-for-granted.

Stewart renders these into objects

designed for considered examination and visual consumption. In this way she expands and redefines on an activity common to the La Perouse community from the 1950s and 60s of glueing shells onto cardboard cut-outs for sale to tourists.

Stewart's interest in the everyday and the utility of things is explored in her set of miniature baskets in the University of Wollongong collection (2009). She has miniaturised them, urging people to squint and peer and closely examine them.

No longer simply ubiquitous tribal objects

or souvenirs, they become sculptures in their own right, constructed by elf-like fingers into an object of value - fragile and precious.

Stewart is committed to Dharwal and Yuin country and works with her daughter Kristine to collect and curate the many species of native grasses and plant material and to protect the traditional uses while conserving those resources for current and future use.

Her objects remind the viewer of the inherent worth of handmade things and provide the opportunity to connect with the origins of material which is ultimately the land in which we live.

Stewart was part of the Boolarng Nangamai Aboriginal Corporation and has been involved in Siteworks at Bundanon and Corroboree Sydney's Black Arts Market at the Museum of Contemporary Art, and has conducted research for her weaving projects on objects in the Australian Museum collection made by her people.

Writer's note: Phyllis Stewart's partner is Steven Russell who hails from the La Perouse Timbery family, one of the original owners of the land. Joseph Timbery was a member of the Australian Aboriginal Progressive Association who initiated land rights proceedings for La Perouse in the 1920s and enacted the 1938 Day of Mourning to highlight the suffering of Australian Aborigines.

The Stewarts: Steven, Phyllis and Kristine have established Jungah Weavers artists' collective based in Gerringong, all being master weavers. Jungah is an Aboriginal word for octopus and is also used in reference to the police.

# Top artists' work will show at fair



MORE than 150 paintings, ceramics, textiles, prints and sculptures by 90 leading artists will be on show at

this year's Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF).

The fair, the first to be curated, has the theme Wabu Minjaan, meaning 'coming together; to share'. It will be held from July 31-August 2.

CIAF artistic director Janina Harding and arts expert Hetti Perkins are curating the fair's inaugural headline exhibition. providing a snapshot of current trends in Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art.

The CIAF Art Market, also a first for the fair, will operate in tandem with the main event. allowing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts centres and

galleries representing hundreds of artists to display art, craft, jewellery and merchandise directly to the public.

Many of far north Queensland's remote Indigenous art centres have submitted work to the curated exhibition, with Hopevale, Lockhart River, Aurukun, Yarrabah, Badu, Girringun, Pormpuraaw, Mornington Island and Erub all represented.

#### Tour a first

In another first, and in a response to requests from previous participants, the new CIAF management team will take visiting national and international collectors and curators on a tour to the Aboriginal community of Yarrabah, where they will visit the Yarrabah Arts and Cultural Centre and meet artists at work.

The CIAF Collectors and Curators Program includes visitors from the National Museum of the American Indian, the Smithsonian Museum, the Kluge Ruhe Aboriginal Art Gallery - the University of Virginia, The Australian National Maritime Museum and many major private collectors.

Ms Harding said the 2015 program would bring together artistic, social and cultural experiences, while also creating economic opportunities for Queensland artists.

"Our long-term strategy to forge career pathways for artists is an important part of CIAF 2015, involving workshops and other opportunities for artists to progress from the art market to the art fair," she said.

For more information and to book tickets, visit ciaf.com.au



East Journey guitarists P J White and Arian Pearson with the NT Song of the Year Rock category award. Picture: Paz Tassone

### **East Journey rocks** at NT song awards



**EAST Journey are** still celebrating after taking out the Rock category at the NT Song of the Year Awards. The NT group won the

section with Song of Arnhem Land, by Patrick White, Susan Sandery, Rrawun Maymuru. Arian Pearson and Stevie Salas, featuring Yothu Yindi.

Filmed in Yirrkala, the clip accompanying the song tells the story about North East Arnhem Land, and why the landscape is linked to the band members through culture and song.

East Journey and Yothu Yindi are headlining the National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs) on July 25 with a premiere live performance of The Genesis Project.

# Culture at opera house



SYDNEY Opera House will host a celebration of Indigenous culture, stories and music with a weekend of events on August 7-9.

Themes of love, loss and war will be explored through Indigenous eyes, with Indigenous and other storytellers and

performers uniting for one-off events.

"This series will offer a unique perspective on the conflicts and heartaches that have shaped our great country," Sydney Opera House head of Indigenous programming Rhoda Roberts said.

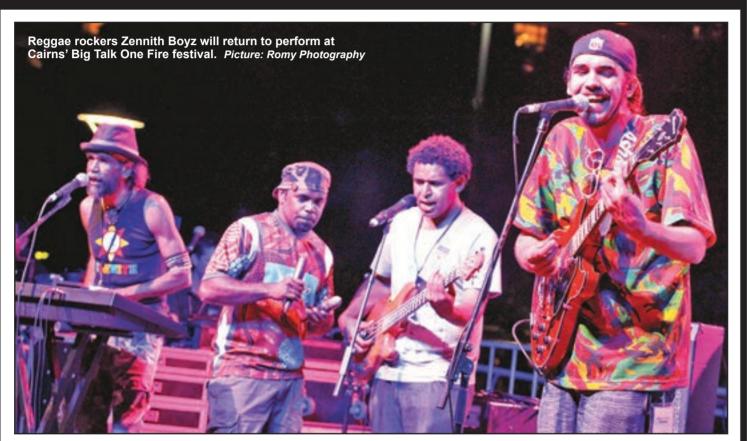
Through song, imagery and stories we will explore the richness of Australia's

history and cultural landscape - especially fitting as we commemorate the Anzac centenary this year.

The weekend of talks, music and film will feature artists including Archie Roach, musicians from Gang Gajang, The Angels, The Flood, The Medics and Karma Country. Performers Kristy Apps, Sahara Beck,

Jess Beck, Emma Bosworth, Johanna Campbell, Aly Cook, Lydia Fairhall, Leah Flanagan, Jackie Marshall, Ms Murphy, Bertie Page, Roz Pappalardo, Craig Pilkington, Deb Suckling, Street Warriors, Jimmy Little's daughter Frances Peters and filmmaker Richard Frankland are also on the program.

# Cairns will be fired up





**CELEBRATING** the talents of north Queensland's Indigenous community, the Big Talk One Fire **Indigenous Cultural Festival returns to Cairns** on Saturday, August 1.

The festival will feature local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander musicians, bands, food, arts and crafts, as well as contemporary and traditional performances.

This year's lineup will include shows by Black Image, comedian Sean Choolburra (who will be MC), Warrigan Band, Kawadji Wimpa (Lockhart River), Zennith Boyz, SK Boiiz, Barry Cedric, Cold Water Band, Dulkan Band and others. Traditional dancing will include performances by Torres Strait

Islander dance troupe, Gerib Sik.

Organisers expect more than 30 arts and crafts stalls will be set up as part of

The Big Talk One Fire festival is run by UMI Arts, the peak Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts and cultural organisation for far north Queensland.

For more information go to www.umiarts.com.au

# It's a wrap for Byron project



NINE young participants in Arts Northern Rivers

Indigenous Arts Mentorship (IAM) project have shown what they've learned

They celebrated completing the course with a 'final wrap' event at the Byron Community Centre in northern NSW earlier this month.

The project, devised and run by Arts Northern Rivers through an Arts NSW grant, aimed to create ways into the creative industries by matching nine people aged between 16 and 25 with professional artists.

Arts Northern Rivers chief executive Peter Wood said the project has delivered more than expected.

"Not only were we able to

match each participant with an industry professional to help them on their journey, we partnered with education providers including SAE **QANTUM** in Byron Bay to explore education and study opportunities with each of our mentees," he said.

The mentorship sessions, held over four months, included studio recording time, styling a fashion campaign, hip hop dance classes, an opportunity to photograph the Byron Bluesfest and a one-on-one session with Aboriginal artist Digby Moran.

"We're confident these young participants have gotten enough out of this project to kick start their careers either with further study or through the incredible contacts they've made," Mr Wood said.



Ready for the 'final wrap' are Arts Northern Rivers Indigenous Arts Mentorship (IAM) project members, from left, Drew Jamieson, Renee Simone, Tahni Walton Holmes, Ajay McFadden, Kausarlya Green, Kirra Pendergast, Kiahma Walker, Mia Brennan and Josh Wilson. Picture: Michelle Eabry



Hans David Ahwang has joined the Mirramu Dance Company. Picture: Barbie Robinson

# <u>Ahwang</u> Mirramu



**TORRES Strait** Islander Hans **David Ahwang has** joined the Mirramu Dance Company. A recent graduate

from NAISDA who hails from Moa Island, Ahwang has a strong Indigenous performance history including being a member of the The Arpaka Torres Strait Islander Dance Company, which performed in Australia and around the Pacific

Ahwang is also a model, being the only Torres Strait Islander man to model in the first Australian Indigenous Fashion Week.

He is now performing in LMirramu's latest production. He will be on stage this Saturday, July 18, at the Dunstan Theatre in the Adelaide Festival Centre.

Mirramu Dance Company, ased at Lake George, NSW, is primarily a project-based company, gathering dancers to develop and perform projects on an as-needs basis. It has performed in every Australian city and internationally, including Bulgaria, Taiwan, the US, Italy, New Zealand and France.

It has a crosscultural emphasis, with involvement from Indigenous Australian dancers as well as Japan, and has a close relationship with the Taiwanese **Grace Hsiao Dance Theatre.** 

Mirramu also has a focus on performing in other media and disciplines, and has worked with sculptors, painters and multimedia artists.

# Rap artist helps campaign patients stick to their treatment campaign their treatment



**WESTERN** Australian performance artist Nelson Baker has turned his experience of

rheumatic heart disease into a video message to other young Australians.

Usually found only in less developed countries, rheumatic fever incidence and rhematic heart disease (RHD) prevalence in remote Indigenous communities of northern and central Australia are some of the highest in the world. Both are preventable conditions.

Children aged five to 15 are at highest risk of a first episode of rheumatic fever, and rheumatic heart disease is most common in adolescents and young adults.

The video Sticking to Treatment started with an idea from Janice Forrester at Western Australia's RHD Control Program. She had heard of Baker and asked the young Health Promotion Scholarship recipient to give a patient's perspective at a community awarenessraising event.

The 21-year-old created Sticking to Treatment, and now a music video has been released by Goolarri Media for the WA Country Health Service. In it, Baker raps about adhering to a decadelong regime of monthly antibiotic shots.

"Rap is my way of talking to young Indigenous people," he said.

"I never kept a diary, so rap lets me get out what I keep inside.

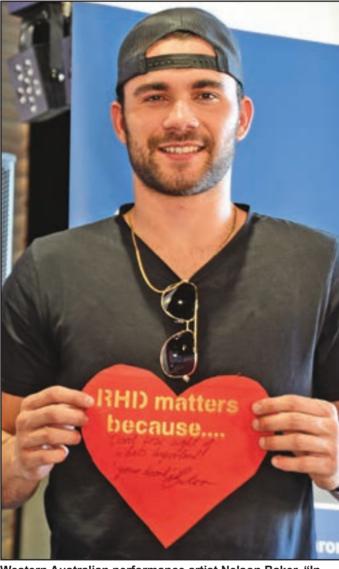
"By letting the pain come out you realise you're not the only one.

"You don't know what you have until it's down on paper. It builds you as a character."

Rheumatic fever is caused by an autoimmune response to a bacterial infection commonly called the strep bacterium. It

affects the heart and joints and sometimes the brain. Damage to the heart valves may remain or even progress once the fever has resolved and this damage is known as rheumatic heart disease - a permanent, chronic, and sometimes fatal disease.

The proven, cost-



Western Australian performance artist Nelson Baker. "In Sticking to Treatment, I'm talking not just to the patient but everyone around them: family and friends, communities and the support sector."

effective way to prevent damaging recurrences of rheumatic fever is regular antibiotic injections of benzathine penicillin G (BPG). This must be given every 28 days for 10 years or until the person is 21 years old - whichever is longer. This means that

"This video should be tremendously useful in reaching out to young people in various life struggles towards choices for later on."

> young people affected need 13 injections each year for at least a decade. Even one missed injection leaves people vulnerable to repeat episodes of rheumatic fever and further heart valve damage.

"In Sticking to Treatment, I'm talking not just to the patient but everyone around them: family and friends,

communities and the support sector," Baker said.

'RHD dominates every aspect of your life. Things you don't think will be hard turn out to be hard. It's always in the back of

"An injection is normally painless, but a painful one

can scare the patient off treatment."

Treatment neglect can hit any teenager, and for Ms Forrester the message goes wider than RHD.

"It's that nonconforming age when you're rebelling, not engaged," she said.

"This video should be tremendously useful in reaching out to young people in various life struggles towards choices for later on."

See the video message at www.rhdaustralia.org.au/ resources/stickingtreatment

# to end HIV



**HEALTH** organisation ACON has launched a campaign to encourage Aboriginal gay men and other

men who have sex with men to test more often for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections.

The campaign has been developed by ACON, working with Aboriginal gay and other homosexually active men, as part of ACON's wider ENDING HIV campaign.

ACON says that in response to discussions with Aboriginal gay and homosexually active men, the design does not use Aboriginal art, flags or colours. It says this allows the campaign to be seen widely, and be understood by the target audience, while not conspicuously targeting Aboriginal people, which could give the incorrect impression that Aboriginal people are more likely to carry HIV.

Overall the rate of HIV diagnosis in the Aboriginal community, taking into account smaller population size, is equivalent to the rest of the population.

"Around 60% of people newly diagnosed with HIV in the Aboriginal community are gay and other

homosexually active men - by far the group bearing the highest burden of HIV, which is consistent with the non-Indigenous population," ACON chief executive Nic Parkhill said.

"The time a person is most likely to pass on HIV is when they do not know they are carrying the virus, particularly in the early stages when viral load is high.

The ENDING HIV campaign aims to end HIV transmissions in Australia by 2020 by ensuring that gay men test regularly, start treatment if they are diagnosed with HIV, and use condoms to protect themselves and others.

ACON says getting treatment lowers the amount of HIV virus in the body, improving health and reducing the risk of passing the virus to others.

More information is at endinghiv.org.au/nsw/aboriginal

 ACON is NSW's leading health promotion organisation specialising in HIV prevention, HIV support, and the health of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) people. It aims to end HIV transmission among gay and homosexually active men, and promote the lifelong health of LGBTI people and people with HIV.

### **National award for Indigenous expert**



Indigenous health expert Mick Adams has received a national award. The senior

research fellow from Edith Cowan University's Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet received an Elders Award from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Higher Education Advisory Council.

The Elders and Leaders Awards form part of the council's recognition of those who have individually or in groups, actively participated in Indigenous higher education over a sustained period.

Dr Adams has been instrumental in addressing issues associated with the health and wellbeing of Indigenous males.

Over his 40-year career, Dr Adams spent about 13 years attending and studying at academic institutions which, he said, laid the foundation for him to lead and promote male issues through advocacy, research, publication and health management.

He is a descendent of the Yadhiagana/Wuthuti people of



**Award-winner Dr Mick Adams** 

Cape York in Queensland, having traditional family ties with the Gurindji people of the Northern Territory and extended family relationship with people of the Torres Strait, Warlpiri (Yuendumu), and East Arnhem Land (Gurrumaru) communities.

The Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet is a major Internet resource that informs practice and policy in Indigenous health by making research and other knowledge readily accessible.

### Web portal gives information on cancer



**CANCER Council** NSW has a new web-accessed portal for Indigenous people

giving relevant information on the disease. The Aboriginal Web Portal has resulted from the council's Aboriginal Patterns of Cancer Care project (APOCC) project, held because cancer is the second most common cause of death for Aboriginal people.

Indigenous people are 60% more likely to die from their cancer than other Australians.

Lead researcher Dianne O'Connell said APOCC has provided a detailed understanding of the gaps in cancer care for Aboriginal people, including issues likely to prevent access to cancer care. "The findings suggest that Aboriginal people view the health system differently from non-Aboriginal people and

may be reluctant to undergo cancer treatment due to fear and confusion surrounding the disease, alongside practical barriers, that can include transport to treatment, and financial barriers," she said.

#### "Appropriate"

"The information on our new Aboriginal portal is designed to target the gaps identified by the research, in clear and culturally

appropriate formats. It has also been designed in consultation with Aboriginal people and includes video stories from Aboriginal researchers, cancer survivors, carers and health care workers.

"Although there is still much work to do to close the gap, the portal will help to improve access to information and resources to help break down the barriers.

"Cancer Council NSW is

encouraging Aboriginal communities and healthcare providers to log on to this new portal to learn more about cancer treatment, support and research available for Aboriginal people.

Fore more information, visit the Cancer Council NSW Aboriginal Web Portal at www.cancercouncil.com.au/ aboriginalcancer/

Portal targets smoking during pregnancy - see below

# Mums-to-be will benefit Govt is





MUMS-to-be in Coen, north Queensland, are set to get more support as Apunipima Cape York Health Service expands its maternal health service.

Mothers in Coen will now have access to Apunipima's

award-winning Baby One Program in addition to the support provided by community-based maternal and child health worker Kirsten Kulka.

Apunipima child health nurse Lisa Smith will also be expanding her role to include maternal health and midwifery.

Apunipima family health services

head Rachel Sargeant said it was vital for children's good health that they get the best start possible

"We will now be able to offer them the full package when it comes to our Baby One Program - care and support from conception to 1000 days," she said.

# Portal targets smoking



IN an effort to tackle the high rates of smoking during pregnancy by Aboriginal women in Western Australia, a new web portal has been designed and launched by a group of academics and health professionals. According to a report

by the WA Health Department in 2012, almost 50% of Aboriginal women smoked during pregnancy, compared with 9.7% of other women.

The new portal provides access to information, resources, tools and training on preventing maternal smoking for those working with pregnant Aboriginal women, new mothers and their families.

Partners include Edith Cowan University's Australian Indigenous HealthInfoNet, the Aboriginal Maternity Services Support Unit (AMSSU) from Women and Newborn Health Service, and the Collaboration for Evidence, Research and Impact in Public Health (CERIPH) at Curtin University.

The online portal can be accessed at www.healthinfonet.ecu.edu.au/pamswa



At the launch of the portal, from left, Trish O'Hara and Jaime Read. from HealthInfoNet, Roanna Lobo, of Curtin University, Neil Drew, of HealthInfoNet, and Denese Griffin and Alexa Wilkins, of the AMSSU.

# urged to get serious on food



THE Federal Government is being urged to get serious about improving food and nutrition for Indigenous Australians. The Dietitians Association of Australia (DAA) said clear direction is needed from the

Government, in the form of nutrition policy, to improve the "woeful state of health among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people".

The call comes after University of Newcastle researcher Dr Mark Lock recently detailed what he described as the failings of the Federal Government to address the health issue.

DAA spokesperson and board member Robyn Delbridge said the results of the Government's National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nutrition Strategy and Action Plan (NATSINSAP) 2000-2010 have never been published.

She said since the strategy and plan ended in 2010, it has not been updated or replaced. The DAA is urging the Government to incorporate strategies to improve Indigenous nutrition in the country's National Nutrition Policy.

#### "Vulnerable group"

"Improving food and nutrition among this vulnerable group of Australians seems to have fallen off the Federal Government's agenda, and this is a real blow for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health," Ms Delbridge said.

She said many DAA members work alongside Aboriginal health workers, such as in Aboriginal community-controlled organisations and other health settings, to influence food and nutrition security.

"We encourage these groups to come together to share their stories of success in order to renew the hope that all Australians should receive high quality and affordable food and nutrition," Ms Delbridge said.

"The latest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Survey found fruit and vegetable intake to be lower in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and discretionary foods and drinks - those with very little nutritional value - make up 41% of total energy intake. So there's clearly a need to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to improve nutrition."

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Carer Line is a free national telephone information and support service for and about carers that provides access to information, emotional support and referrals to a range of services for carers. Call 1800 242 636, Monday to Friday.

The Better Start for Children with Disability Initiative. Children who are eligible for the program can access funding of up to \$12,000 each financial year for a range of early intervention services. Children must be registered before age six. For more information, call the Registration and Information Service on 1800 242 636 or visit www.carersnsw.org.au

Until September 28: Head Full of Love performing lines national tour. The story of the friendship forged between a black woman from the Red Centre and white Sydneysider, who cross paths in the lead-up to the annual Alice Springs Beanie Festival. Details: (02) 9319 0666, for tour dates visit www.performinglines.org.au/productions/

#### **NSW-ACT**

Ongoing: ACE Community College Aboriginal driver training. Held at ACE Community College, 59 Magellan St, Lismore. Details: (02) 6622 1903 or text 0429 423 116.

Ongoing: National Museum of Australia Go on a Gallery Tour. Held at the National Museum of Australia, Lawson Cres, Acton, daily at 3pm. Costs apply. Details: (02) 6208 5000 or visit www.nma.gov.au

Ongoing: TeleYarn, a Red Cross project that provides phone calls to Indigenous people across NSW who would benefit from a regular yarn. Details: Kerrie on 0429

Until July 18: Riverstones and Ramifications exhibition. A solo exhibition of works by artist Bronwyn Bancroft, featuring large-scale paintings on paper, canvas, photographic collages and family memorabilia. Held at Blacktown Arts Centre, 78 Fluschcombe Rd, from 6-8pm. Free. Details: (02) 9839 6558 or visit www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/arts

Until July 31: 2015 NSW Parliament Aboriginal Art Prize entries open. Aboriginal artists born or living in NSW have an opportunity to be in the running to win \$40,000. Information and eligibility criteria on (02) 4545 4100 or email megan.monte@campbelltown.nsw.gov.au or visit www.campbelltownartscentre.com.au

Until August 1: Dhaga Ngiyanhi Ngann Girra (where we all meet) exhibition, featuring cloaks made from possum and kangaroo skin, owl, rosella and cockatoo feather Held at The Macleay Museum, Gosper Lane, The University of Sydney, Mon-Fri, 10am-4.30pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 9036 5253 or visit www.sydney.edu.au/museums

Until August 1: Making Art, Making Life exhibition. The lastest suite of etchings and sculptures by Yarrenyty Arltere artists. Based in the Larapinta Valley Town Camp, Alice Springs, NT. Held at Aboriginal and Pacific Art, 2 Danks St. Waterloo on Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 9699 2211 or visit www.aboriginalpacificart.com.au

Until August 7: NAISDA Dance College audition applications open. Details on 1800 117 116 or visit www.naisda.com.au to download the NAISDA audition pack.



This artwork, Bungara Dreaming, by Xavier Dhurrkay, is part of the exhibition.

# **Exhibition** is at **Perth Town Hall**



AN exhibition that has come out of a desire to strengthen culture and family relationships will be on display at Perth Town Hall from Friday, July 24. The annual

Act-Belong-Commit Moorditj Yarning exhibition is an initiative of Relationships Australia WA. It has developed out of weekly workshops and other services coordinated by Moorditj Yarning.

This year's exhibition is dedicated to the late Jan Woodland, who started the exhibition in 2009.

The event runs until July 27 and visitors are invited to vote for the People's Choice Award.

Young artists can also win the Isiah Kearing Most Promising Young Artist Award.

All artwork is for sale, with all proceeds going to the artists.

The exhibition is part of the 2015 City of Perth Winter Arts Season.

Until August 15: We are in Wonder LAND exhibition. The first national exhibition to explore experimentation in contemporary central and western Australian desert art, it includes landscapes painted in the Albert Namatjira tradition transferred to 1950s-style skirts. Held at UNSW galleries, Paddington, Sydney, Tues-Sat, 10am-5pm. Free. Details: (02) 8936 0619 or visit www.niea.unsw.edu.au/events

Until August 16: Bunarm Bologaman Wahl Bundjalung exhibition of new works offering an insight into the strength of the Bundjalung culture through the eyes of 12 Bundjalung artists. Held at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton from Tues-Sun, 10am-4pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

Until August 16: Biirinba Connections exhibition. Regional Aboriginal artists create new works in response to the John William Lindt photographs. Held at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy St, Grafton from Tues-Sun, 10am-4pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

Until August 16: Boomalli's Unity Solid and Deadly exhibition. Featuring works by Boomalli members including Greg Weatherby, Danny Eastwood, Bronwyn Bancroft and more. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Artist Coop, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt from Wed-Sun.11am-4pm.

Free entry. Details: (02) 95602541 or visit www.boomalli.com.au

July 18: Western Sydney NAIDOC dinnerdance. Includes live music, door prizes and more. Cost: \$45 a person, and tickets must be bought by 9am, July 13. Details. (02) 9830 0600 or visit www.workersclub.com.au

July 22-25: University of Technology Sydney Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student Conference. Includes guest

speakers, workshops discussion, planning and networking. Held at UTS, 15 Broadway, Ultimo. Conference fees apply. Details: email atsi@nus.asn.au or visit www.atsicon2015.eventbrite.com.au

August 1-2: Aboriginal Illawarra Before Colonisation conference. Held at Panizzi Room, Ground Floor, Library, University of Wollongong from 10am. Free admission. Details: Les Bursill on 0419 298 018 or email leslie.bursill@gmail.com

#### Queensland

Ongoing: Walk along the Brisbane River and discover the history that lies beneath the concrete. Held at Kuril Dhagun, Level 1, State Library, Stanley PI, South Brisbane, from 10.30-11.30am on the first Wednesday of each month. Free. Bookings can be made at www.slq.eventbrite.com Details: (07) 3842 9061.

Until September 30: Quandamooka Fesitval 2015. A new, three-month festival of events celebrating culture, country and people of the Quandamooka (Moreton Bay) region. Held around the Moreton Bay area. Details: Nikki Michail on 0407 641 www.quandamookafestival.com

July 17: Whichway Uncle performance. As part of the 2015 Queensland Music Festival, some of Australia's most respected Indigenous artists come together to celebrate the essential roles of grandfathers, fathers and uncles.

Held at Brisbane Powerhouse, 119 Lamington St, New Farm, at 1pm and 7pm. Cost: \$35/18. Details: (07) 3358 8600 or visit www.powerhouse.org

August 1: Big Talk One Fire Indigenous cultural festival. A family-friendly event featuring music, arts and crafts and more. Held at Fogarty Park, cnr Spence St and The Esplanade, Cairns, from 1pm. Free. For more details telephone (07) 4041 6152.

August 2: Gurrumul - The Gospel Songs tour. A dedication to his mother and aunts, who bought him up with songs and lullabies from the church on Elcho Island. Held at the Concert Hall, QPAC, Cultural Centre, South Brisbane from 7pm. Entry fees apply. Details: 136 246 or Tracey (07) 3840 7984 on visit www.qpac.com.au

August 7-15: Bangarra Dance Theatre lore performance. Held at Playhouse, QPAC, Cultural Precinct, South Bank Brisbane. Entry fees apply. Details: 136 246 or Tracey (07) 3840 7984 on visit www.qpac.com.au

October 10-11: Woorabinda Warriors Cup Rugby League Carnival, capped at 16 teams. To be held at Saleyards Park, Rockhampton. Cost: Team nomination \$1500. Nomination close on September 18. Details: murritime@hotmail.com

#### **Victoria**

Until July 19: Both Sides of the Street exhibition, bringing together artists from different disciplines and with different perspectives on what it means to live in contemporary Australian society. Held at Blak Dot Gallery, 413 Lygon St, Brunswick, Thurs-Sun, noon-5pm. Details: (03) 9380 8810 or visit www.blakdot.com.au

Until August 2: Baluk Arts' Mungan -Bayside Bush Sculptures, an exhibition of woven and sculpted animals created from traditional and contemporary materials. Held at the Glass Cube, Cube 37, Frankston Arts Centre. Entry fees apply. Details: (03) 5975 5000 or visit www.balukarts.org.au

Until August 22: Selected Works on Paper exhibition. A selection of large contemporary Indigenous works on paper by Baluk Arts artists. Held at the Curved Wall, Frankston Arts Centre, cnr Davey St and Young St, Frankston. Entry fees apply. Details: (03) 5975 5000 or visit www.balukarts.org.au

July 27-29: Yapaneyepuk Indigenous Education Symposium. Nobel Peace Prize winner Rigoberta Menechu Tum will deliver the keynote address. Held at Pullman Hotel, Mebourne, 65 Queens Rd, Albert Park. Registration essential. Details: Tim Clare on 0438 391 485 or www.yapaneyepuk.com

#### **Western Australia**

Ongoing: Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company Writers' Group meeting for new and emerging playwrights. Held on the second Monday of the month at Yirra Yaakin, 65 Murray St, Perth, from 6.30-8.30pm. Details: Irma on (08) 9202 1966 or www.yirrayaakin.com.au

Until September 6: Post-hybrid: reimagining the Australian self exhibition. It features works from public and private WA art collections, and explores the ways in which colonisation, Aboriginal culture and migration have contributed to an evolving sense of contemporary Australian identity. Held at John Curtin Gallery, Building 200A, Curtin University, Kent St, Bentley on Mon-Fri. 11am-5pm, Sun 1-5pm. Free entry. Details: (08) 9266 4155.

July 17: Merindas in Motown performance, a Beijing Tour Fundraiser for the Aboriginal singers. It includes performances by Randa and The Soul Kingdom and Phil Walley-Stack. Held at Astor Theatre, 659 Beauford St, Mt Lawley from 7.30pm. Entry fees apply. Details: (08) 9370 1777 or visit www.astortheatreperth.com.au

July 24-27: Act-Belong-Commit Moorditi Yarning art exhibition. Relationships Australia presents a collection of Aboriginal artwork. streets, Perth, from 10am-4pm. Free Entry. Details: (08) 9489 63 or visit www.relationshipswa.org.au

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Chef-in-the-making Scott Johnson: "I'm working, I have a fulltime job, I have money in my pocket every week and no longer have to live day to day."

# He's on course to be a chef

A COURSE at the **National Indigenous Culinary Institute** has put Scott Johnson on track for a career as a chef. The 26-year-old undertook the course after contacting notfor-profit employment and social

skills organisation MTC Australia. MTC Australia clients have the opportunity to sample the culinary profession as a career through a three-week course at the institute, based in Sydney.

"When my employment consultant told me about the institute program, I jumped at the chance," he said.

Participants who complete the course secure a three-year traineeship with some of Australia's top restaurants and restaurateurs.

In Mr Johnson's case, he's now a trainee at Fratelli Fresh.

"I'm working, I have a fulltime job, I have money in my pocket every week and no longer have to live day to day," he said.

"My favourite aspect of the institute program is being around other Indigenous people. We all support one another and no matter what happens we help each other out the best we can, whether we're working in the kitchen or in general.

"I have a great boss and I work with a good bunch of guys. I can't ask for much more than that.

"I recommend the institute program to everybody – it's the best program ever."

MTC Australia Indigenous engagement specialist Glen Duncan said the program is a great opportunity for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who want to enter the hospitality industry.

"Through this initiative, our young people can build strong foundations in culinary work that will see them become qualified and accredited chefs in some of the highest profile restaurants in Australia," he said.

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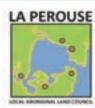
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#### MALE YOUTH WORKER

30 hours per week (Contract until 30th June 2017) La Perouse Youth Haven Program

We are seeking a person who has highly developed communication, supervisory, planning, problem solving skills to deliver Aboriginal youth programs. Must be willing to work flexible hours, hold a drivers licence and undertake a working with children check under the Child Protection (Working With Children) Act 2012.

#### INFORMATION OFFICER

30 hours per week (Contract until 30th June 2016) La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council

This position provides links and referrals to a range of local mainstream and Aboriginal services for individuals and their families. This includes developing and maintaining relationships with service providers and promoting access and pathways to services

To obtain a recruitment package, or for enquiries regarding this position, please contact: Ms Carrine Liddell

Phone: (02) 9311 4282

Email: cliddell@laperouse.org.au

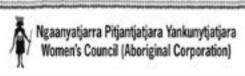
Applications should be marked "Private & Confidential" and posted to:

Chief Executive Officer La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council PO Box 365 Matraville, NSW 2036

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the position description and selection criteria, and must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

Applications close: 24 July 2015

A person who is convicted of an offence under Part 3 (except section 61), 4, 4A or 5 of the Crimes Act 1900 is not eligible for employment with the La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council



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NPYWC has the following positions available for suitably qualified applicants

#### Team Leader

#### **Domestic and Family Violence Service**

Fixed Term Contract - 6 months

Location: based in Alice Springs, Northern Territory Salary: \$61,001 - \$66,657 (negotiable based on experience), plus district allowance and other benefits detailed below.

Applications close: Monday, 20th July 2015.

#### **Domestic and Family Violence** Service Manager

Location: based in Alice Springs with some travel to the

Salary: \$77.000 - \$89.264 (negotiable based on experience). plus district allowance and other benefits detailed below.

Applications close: Monday, 20th July 2015.

On offer is a package that includes 9.5% superannuation, salary sacrifice tax benefits that increase your weekly take home pay, 5 weeks annual leave with 17.5% leave loading, retention bonus, additional leave based on area of employment and 3 weeks personal leave

See www.npywc.org.au for position description and selection criteria. To be considered for the positions applicants must address the selection criteria, applicants who do not address the selection criteria will not be considered for employment

Indigenous applicants are strongly encouraged to apply.

No recruitment agencies please.

Contact Information: Teoni on 08 8958 2315 or recruitment@npywc.org.au



#### **SOCIAL ENTERPRISE & PHILANTHROPY COORDINATOR**

The Social Enterprise & Philanthropy Coordinator forms a pivotal part of the dynamic Circus Oz social enterprise & philanthropy team. The successful applicant should have a strong background in administrative support, client liaison alongside well-developed written and verbal communication skills. The role will contribute to the successful delivery and growth of Circus Oz' social enterprise programs through corporate partnerships, public classes, education, corporate and community workshops and individual giving.

The position is 4 days a week or 4 days spread across 5 days for the successful applicant.

For full job description and contact details go to www.circusoz.com/employment

Applications close Wednesday 22 July 2015.

Circus Oz is an equal opportunity employer.

#### **Drug & Alcohol** Counsellor

Our client, based in Albury, is a well-respected Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation. They are currently seeking to employ a suitably qualified and experienced Drug and Alcohol Counsellor.

This position will be responsible for delivering Alcohol and other Drug counselling, support and education to clients, using a client focused approach to engaging with those affected by alcohol and other drug use

The position will empower clients by ensuring that alcohol and other drugs counselling and support is delivered from a holistic perspective, within the principles and goals of primary health care. The role will also be responsible for assisting in the development and running of Health Promotion programs, as well as facilitating and participating in opportunistic and community screening activities.

The successful candidate will have a Degree in Social Work or other degree in other related fields and previous experience in dealing with Aboriginal people and their families who have Alcohol and other Drug issues. They must also have a clear Criminal Record and Working with Children Check. An understanding of Indigenous Alcohol and other Drug issues in the local area and knowledge of services available would also be advantageous

Attractive salary and work conditions apply to this interesting and rewarding position. Aboriginal and Torres Strait applicants are encouraged to apply

To apply please visit www.mppersonnel.com.au Phone: (02) 6041 6286 Fax: (02) 6041 6285 admin@mppersonnel.com.au PO Box 661, Albury, NSW 2640

#### Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation

#### Skills Development Officer

Part Time - \$66k Annual Package

The Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation - Warrigal Employment is seeking a dynamic and highly motivated "Skills Development Officer" to run our FACs funded Skills

> Fixed Term Contract to 30 June 2016 Part Time position up to 32 hours per week

- · Use a Family Centred approach to support families of children with disability and/or developmental delay to engage with mainstream services and activities
- Promote the program, build a network of mainstream services and build the capacity of these services to be supportive and inclusive of families of children with disability and/or developmental delay

#### The Successful Applicant will have:

- The initiative and confidence to promote the program, build networks and train mainstream services in inclusive and supportive practices
- Compassion, reliability and integrity to engage with children with disability, their families and their carers
- The ability to plan and build a new program within a strong framework
- · Knowledge of the Disability Service Standards

#### The IAC offers:

- A competitive negotiable salary (based on Level 5 Pay Point 3 MASACs Award 2010)
- Tax Free Salary Sacrifice benefits
- · Mobile Phone
- Package approx \$66k inc Super

#### Applications:

- Aboriginal identified position authorised under S14d of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977
- Application pack at www.iac.org.auCall Warrigal Employment on 4276 1878 or email jobs@iac.org.au if you need assistance
- Closes 4pm Friday 24 July 2015



CATHOLIC EDUCATION

#### **TEAM LEADER, ABORIGINAL EDUCATION**

Catholic Education has bold plans to increase Aboriginal student enrolments, graduation and lift literacy and numeracy outcomes over the next decade. To make those plans a reality we are seeking an outstanding educator, who is outcome focussed and passionate about making a difference in the lives of Aboriginal students.

As Team Leader, Aboriginal Education, the successful candidate will lead the Aboriginal Education Team and work collaboratively across the organisation to deliver outstanding Aboriginal Catholic Education across Western Australia.

To be considered for this exceptional opportunity, candidates must have highly developed communication skills, a commitment to developing positive relationships and a passion for transforming lives. Aboriginality is a pre-requisite for the role under Section 50D of the WA Equal Opportunity Act.

Based in West Leederville, this position offers a five-year contract to commence as soon as possible.

All relevant information and documentation can be found on the CEWA website http://employment.ceo.wa.edu.au/

Enquiries should be directed to Gabrielle Doyle, Director Teaching and Learning on 08 6380 5209 or email careers@ceo.wa.edu.au

Applications close no later than 5pm Monday July 27, 2015.

#### Aboriginal Community Officer

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- \$74,962 \$85,052 plus superannuation
- Fixed term contract until 25 January 2017

The Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) conducts elections for the Parliament of Victoria as well as elections and polls for local government and various community organisations.

The VEC's Education Team nurtures active citizenship in sectors of the community typically under-represented, such as CALD, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, young people, prisoners and people experiencing homelessness or people with disability.

The Aboriginal Community Officer is responsible for developing a relationship with the Koori community and providing electoral information through community events and gatherings. This role will be dedicated to development of the VEC's Reconciliation Action Plan and Aboriginal Engagement Strategy, and continuing the VEC's work with Aboriginal young people at the Korin Gamadji Institute.

The ideal candidate will have proven experience in community development, project management and evaluation skills. The ability to explain complex ideas in an engaging and creative way to diverse audiences while remaining impartial is critical. This position requires the successful candidate to have a valid driver licence, as the role will involve travel throughout the State.

This position is only available for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

All applications *must* address the selection criteria contained in the position description, which is available at vec.vic.gov.au and careers.vic.gov.au or they cannot be considered.

For further information please contact Danijela Spoljaric at danijela.spoljaric@vec.vic.gov.au or telephone (03) 8620 1182.

Applications close at midnight on Sunday 26 July 2015. Applications must be submitted via careers.vic.gov.au

The VEC is an equal opportunity employer.\*

\* In accordance with Section 17A of the Electoral Act 2002, the VEC may ask applicants for disclosure of specific political activities that could compromise the perceived independence of the organisation.

Victorian Electoral Commission



#### Koorie Engagement Support Officer - ES 1.4

**Department of Education and Training** Salary Range: \$74,569 to \$87,925

1 x Fixed Term Position

#### **South East Victoria Region**

The Victorian Department of Education & Training is seeking one suitably qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to work in the South East Victoria Region as Koorie Engagement Support Officer.

The position will be based in Bairnsdale and support schools and early childhood services in the East Gippsland Local Government Area.

The successful applicant will work as member of the regional Koorie Education Workforce responsible for the implementation of the Aboriginal Education Strategy. They will be responsible for facilitating and managing the delivery of programs for Koorie children and young people through early childhood to school completion.

The occupant of the positions will possess strong leadership skills to ensure the successful delivery of educational support services, provide advice to schools. kindergartens, families and the Koorie community on strategies aimed at improving educational outcomes for Koorie children and young people, have a high level of understanding of Koorie education and community needs and have suitable

This role is an identified position and is available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only. VCAT exemption # A195/2009

Applicants are encouraged to apply on-line via the Recruitment Online website at www.education.vic.gov.au/schooljobs

Please refer to position number 1020599.

**Australian Government** 

**Department of Defence** 

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project management and finance.

Applications close 20/7/2015

Contact Zack Haddock, Koorie Education Co-ordinator for further position information.

Haddock.zack.p@edumail.vic.gov.au Ph: 03 5127 0407



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achieve outcomes by drawing on the different strengths, attributes and characteristics of the

Applicants must provide proof of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage. Please visit

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The Northern Territory Police are currently recruiting for Aboriginal Community Police Officers (ACPOs) to join their team working across the NT. In this important role, you'll carry out the duties of In this important role, you'll carry out the duties of an ACPO in your assigned community, acting as a liaison between the police and community members. This is an excellent opportunity for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders to take up a varied & enjoyable role with full training provided and excellent benefits on offer. Enjoy \$61K p.a. (after training) plus housing, 7 weeks annual leave and overtime / night shift allowances.





#### Rural Cadetships for Indigenous **Medical Students**

#### **Applications close 24 August 2015**

The NSW Rural Doctors Network (RDN), on behalf of the NSW Ministry of Health, is offering up to two NSW Rural Resident Medical Officer Cadetships to Indigenous medical students interested in undertaking a medical career in rural New South Wales. Cadets receive \$30,000 during their medical degree and in return, work for two years in a rural non-coastal hospital in NSW within the first three years following graduation.

The cadetship also offers additional benefits including a relocation grant when moving to a rural location, subsidised attendance at RDN conferences, subsidised attendance at the annual RDN cadet weekend at one of the locations for rural service and mentoring and support through RDN.

Eligibility, criteria and details on how to apply are from the RDN website www.nswrdn.com.au and go to the 'RDN Scholarships' web page in the 'Students & Scholarships' menu. Alternatively contact Melanie Lewis at RDN on 02 8337 8100.

#### Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation

#### Aboriginal Employment Advisor (NCAP program) \$65k Annual Package





The Illawarra Aboriginal Corporation – Warrigal Employment is seeking a proactive Aboriginal Employment Advisor to run our New Careers for Aboriginal People (NCAP) program. The New Careers for Aboriginal People program is funded by the NSW Department of Industry, State Training Services, Aboriginal Services.

#### Fixed Term Contract to 30 June 2016

#### The Role:

- · Promote the program and build networks of employers, training providers and other relevant organisations
- Provide clients with career planning, job seeking skills, training and access to suitable employment opportunities
- Provide ongoing mentoring and support
  Meet all Program Management and Reporting requirements

#### The Successful Applicant will have:

- Experience in the employment, training and recruitment sectors
- Mentoring and support skills
- · Good communication and networking skills

#### The IAC offers:

- A competitive negotiable salary (based on Mgr Grade 1 Pay Point 4 LMAI Award 2010)
- Tax Free Salary Sacrifice benefits
- Mobile Phone
- Package approx \$65k inc Super

#### Applications:

- · Aboriginal identified position authorised under S14d of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977
- Application pack at www.iac.org.au
- · Call Warrigal Employment on 4276 1878 or email
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### MI Fellowship

"Support individuals to live a fulfilling & meaningful life in their own community"

#### Multiple roles available

#### **Youth Community Living Support Services**

- Be part of a recognised provider of mental health services
- Exciting opportunities within a new & innovative service model
- Flexible working hours, including weekend work • Multiple full time & part time opportunities based in Northern NSW & South Western Sydney (fixed term until
- Attractive Salary Packaging benefits available

The Youth Community Living Support Services (YCLSS) program is a two-year initiative of NSW Health. It aims to provide intensive outreach support to young people aged 16-24 years (inclusive) with serious mental illness and who have or are at risk of developing significant functional disability

The program will deliver one to one support, transitional pathways, and a structured peer education program delivered

flexibly for both young people and their families with a focus on community development and engagement and family capacity building. The program provides for on call availability 24/7. The YCLSS Program will work with participants to address key development areas that support transition into adulthood:

social skills, leadership, decision-making, teamwork, healthy lifestyle, community service, responsibility, self-identity, selfesteem and resilience. A key outcome will be supporting the participant to identify and nurture natural supports that sustain recovery and assist in the development of self-management skills

We currently have a number of new employment opportunities based in Northern NSW & South Western Sydney for the following roles:

#### **Program Coordinator, Full time**

The Coordinator will oversee the development of the program and develop and maintain the day to day operations and administration of the program. This will include partnership and stakeholder relationships particularly with the local specialist clinical mental health services and headspace, all administration, staff support and supervision and a small caseload of participants

#### Peer Program Worker, Part time

The Peer Program Worker will share their lived experience of mental illness and their recovery to engage and empower individuals in their recovery journey. This upport participants, their familie the community better understand the participant perspective and to improve outcomes for participants. In addition, this role will play a lead role in the service to support consumer and carer participation.

#### **Program Worker, Full time & Part time**

The Program Worker will work with YCLSS participants to address key development areas that support transition into adulthood. A key outcome will be supporting the participant to identify and nurture natural supports that sustain recovery and assist in the development of self-

#### **Community Development & Transition** Worker, Part time (0.8)

The Community Development & Transition Worker will support participants to address key development areas supporting the transition into adulthood. This role will support the: development of community transition pathways; community partnership development; peer and mentor volunteer roles; and transitional support for

We highly encourage applications from individuals with a lived experience of mental illness.

For further information regarding this role please contact: Gavin Bussenschutt, Regional Manager - ACT & NSW on

Application details and Position Description are available from www.mifellowship.org

Applications close on Friday, 24th July 2015, close of business

How to apply

22 June - 17 July 2015

3 - 28 August 2015

For more information, Applicant Information Packs (including selection criteria and application instructions), and details of the positions available visit: www.defence.gov.au/apscareers

Applications addressing the selection criteria should be submitted by the due date in the Applicant Information Pack, which will be either 11.30 pm (AEST) Friday 17 July 2015 or 11.30 pm (AEST) Friday, 28 August 2015. Successful applicants must be Australian citizens and prepared to be security cleared at the

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- Nowra Office
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- Temporary Role 35 hours per week

We are looking for an enthusiastic team player to assist legal officers and administrative staff to help develop, coordinate facilitate and implement outreach services & community legal education sessions with Aboriginal communities.

Apply Online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au Jobs NSW Ref. No. 00003QFB Closing Date: Wednesday, 29 July 2015 Enquiries: Janelle Clarke on (02) 9219 5146



#### Aboriginal Workforce Manager

Location: Kempsey

Enquiries: Lyn Luckie (02) 6588 2728, email: lyn.luckie@ncahs.health.nsw.gov.au

Ref ID: 261516

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



#### **Policy Officer**

3 month contract, view to ongoing. Full time position. Location: Canberra, ACT

Salary range: \$78,000 - \$84,000 per annum, plus superannuation and salary sacrifice.

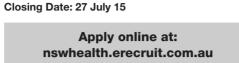
Closing date: COB 22 July 2015

AIDA's ultimate goal is to reach population parity in the medical profession of Indigenous doctors, and to inform and support a culturally safe health care

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Duty statement and selection criteria online: www.aida.org.au/our-work/vacancies

Enquiries: jobs@aida.org.au





#### **Producer/Presenter** (Indigenous) Trainee, Darwin

This is an exciting career move (12 month position) for an enthusiastic individual ready to launch into a

In this trainee role you'll learn how to develop radio, digital, video production and presentation skills.

The trainee position includes mentoring and training from experienced professionals.

For details visit abc.net.au/careers

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.



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#### Become part of the bigger picture

NORTHERN TERRITORY DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

Youth Justice within Northern Territory Correctional Services is responsible for reducing offending and re-offending by young people.

#### Senior Youth Justice Practitioner

Professional Level 2 Remuneration Package Range \$85 109 - \$101 783

(Comprising salary \$73 614 - \$88 279, superannuation, leave loading and the value of 2 weeks extra recreation leave)

Fixed vacancy available for 12 months

**Location: Alice Springs** 

As the Senior Youth Justice Practitioner at Alice Springs Youth Detention Centre, you will be responsible for the delivery of case management and welfare services to young people in detention within a holistic framework. This includes the development and implementation of assessments and case plans, engagement in interventions and group work, and the preparation of reports for the Courts and Parole Board.

To be successful in this role, you will need to be a skilful, communicator and negotiator who has substantial experience in case management and culturally appropriate interventions as they apply to young people and experience in delivering therapeutic programs with a demonstrated understanding of and sensitivity to Indigenous cultural issues.

**Quote Vacancy Number: 79150189** 

Further information contact Karrina Betschart Manager Youth Justice Programs on email karrina.betschart@nt.gov.au or phone 08 8951 5886

#### Advanced Practitioner

Professional Level 2 Remuneration Package Range \$85 109 - \$101 783

(Comprising salary \$73 614 - \$88 279, superannuation, leave loading and the value of 2 weeks extra recreation leave)

Ongoing vacancy

Location: Alice Springs

As an Advanced Practitioner at the Family Responsibility Program, you will be responsible for the delivery of statutory and non-statutory welfare services to parents and young people in accordance with the Youth Justice Framework, legislation and policy guidelines. Build rapport and engage with families through the provision of effective case management services whilst ensuring legislative requirements are met.

To be successful in this role, you will need to be eligible for membership of the Australian Institute of Welfare and Community Workers, Australian Association of Social Workers, Australian Psychological Society or other relevant qualification. You will need to be a skilful professional who has significant experience in working within a legislative framework, case management, family intervention approaches and an understanding of working within a cross-cultural setting and how this applies to young people with particular reference to combating youth crime and anti-social behaviour.

Quote Vacancy Number: 27310

Closing date: 30/07/2015

The Northern Territory Government is aiming for an inclusive and diverse workforce. All equal employment opportunity (EEO) groups are encouraged to apply.

The Northern Territory Government is an equal opportunity employer and values an inclusive and diverse workforce

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#### **INDIGENOUS VISITOR SERVICES ROLES**

Barangaroo is a globally significant urban renewal project that is redefining the western edge of Sydney Harbour. The Barangaroo Delivery Authority aims to see Barangaroo become a place with a distinctive spirit that contributes to its community, while creating the best of urban life.

In mid-2015, the completion of the headland park at Barangaroo will mark the first public milestone for the precinct. Named Barangaroo Point Reserve, the park is Sydney's newest harbour destination, a civic and cultural place for everyone. The headland park at Barangaroo resonates with important Aboriginal stories as well as maritime and industrial history.

#### Opportunities at the Barangaroo Delivery Authority

**Team Leader, Visitor Services** 

The Team Leader will manage the Visitor Services unit in the design and delivery of visitor information, education activities and services including whole of site or content specific guided tours and group activities that have an accurate educational basis and promote community awareness, understanding and enjoyment of Barangaroo's natural, built and human heritage

#### Visitor Services Guides (various roles)

The Visitor Services Guides will deliver local interpretive activities of guided tours, talks and information activities which foster community awareness, appreciation of and engagement with the stories and experiences of Barangaroo.

#### Preparing you for a career at the Barangaroo Delivery **Authority**

In partnership with Sydney TAFE Eora College, the Authority will be providing selected candidates with a three week job preparation training program in Guiding to ensure you are confident in your skills and ready to be part of the Barangaroo team.

At the completion of the training program, successful applicants will be selected and be enrolled in formal training for a Certificate III in Tourism Guiding. Learn More: To hear more about these roles, please attend an information session at

Eora College on Thursday, 23 July 2015 or alternatively please contact Lyn Wilson on (02) 9217 4871.

How to apply: Your application should include a covering letter and resume and can be emailed to Lyn.Wilson@det.nsw.edu.au Closing date: Friday, 24 July 2015



**Parks and Conservation Services National Parks and Catchments Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve** 

#### Indigenous Ranger

**Park Ranger 2** 

Salary Range: \$62,802 - \$68,002 (PN: 12314)

The ACT Parks and Conservation Service is seeking an Indigenous Ranger to undertake interpretation, land management and wildlife conservation work at Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve (TNR). TNR is an important place for indigenous cultural heritage and there is increasing demand to protect, maintain and interpret that heritage for visitors. The Indigenous Ranger is central to that work. TNR is known as a leader in threatened species recovery programs, as well as having ongoing invasive plant and animal control and natural resource management programs. Rangers contribute to the delivery of a diverse range of these projects with multiple stakeholders and significant public engagement and visitor interaction themes. This position is outcome focused but also has an emphasis on teamwork and flexibility. The ACT Public Service is committed to building a culturally diverse workforce and an inclusive workplace. People from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply for this indigenous identified position.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: This is an Indigenous identified position. The successful applicant will be required to undertake incident management duties, work a shift roster and wear a uniform. Manual driver's licence essential.

Note: Suitable candidates will be placed on an Order of Merit list which will be used to fill positions at level both permanent as well as temporary vacancies with possibility of further extension. The Order of Merit list is valid for a twelve month period. Selection may be based on applications and referee reports only.

Contact Officer: Kieran Lawton (02) 6205 8963 kieran.lawton@act.gov.au

**Applications Close:** 29 July 2015

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For more information on these positions and how to apply, visit www.jobs.act.gov.au





#### **Expressions of Interest Aboriginal Filmmakers**

Australian Catholic University is seeking expressions of interest from suitably qualified and experienced filmmakers to be engaged in a contract for services to record and edit qualitative interviews with Aboriginal Elders from New South Wales to support the Australian Research Council (ARC) funded project: 'Keeping Culture: Utilising Aboriginal Elders wisdom and knowledge in education'.

Lead by Dr Fabri Blacklock and Professor Janet Mooney of the University's Institute for Positive Psychology and Education, the filmmaker will be required to film and edit interviews with Aboriginal Elders to document their perspectives and experiences, insights and wisdom for use within schools as an educational resource. The filmmaker must have a thorough understanding of Aboriginal and/ or Torres Strait Islander people and issues and an understanding of indigenous cultural protocol and an ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people.

The filmmaker will be required to attend planning meetings, undertake filming, editing, create a documentary from each interview and finalise interview data for DVD production.

For further information and to lodge your expression of interest, please contact: Linda Riek, Research Programs Manager, Institute for Positive Psychology and Education on (02) 9701 4728 or linda.riek@acu.edu.au

Submissions close: Tuesday 28 July 2015

Department of Justice & Regulation

#### RAJAC Executive Officer South Metropolitan Region



- Key leadership role for the Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee
- Utilise your knowledge of the Koori community
- Fixed Term opportunity

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are invited to apply for a full time fixed term Executive Officer role located in the South Metropolitan Region.

The primary focus of the Executive Officer is to support the effective operation of the Regional Aboriginal Advisory Committee (RAJAC) and the Local Aboriginal Justice Action Committee (LAJAC) for the South Metropolitan Region of the Department of Justice and Regulation and to ensure the active participation and engagement of the Koori community in the AJA.

Our ideal candidate will have a demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Koori community, both society and culture and the issues impacting on it and a demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with the

For further information on this position, and to submit your application, please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au before Sunday 29 July 2015.



#### Vice Chancellor's Scholar in **Indigenous History**

School of History, ANU College of Arts & Social

\$110,610 - \$123,325 pa plus 17% super Reference 505109

The appointee will join the School of History's research concentration in Australian Indigenous History and will be associated with the Australian Centre for Indigenous History within the School. The appointee will have an active research agenda in Indigenous history and will augment our national and international research profile and contribute to one or more of the School's thematic areas of strength (biography; cultural, social, political and intellectual history; environmental history; gender history; European history). Interest and/or experience in comparative/transnational history, digital history, and/or indigenous community history is desirable.

This is an Identified Position in accordance with the Identified Position policy of the University. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples may apply.

**Enquiries**: Professor Ann McGrath E ann.mcgrath@anu.edu.au

anu.edu.au/jobs



#### **SDN Redfern Children's Education** and Care Centre

SDN Redfern Children's Education and Care Centre has been operating since 1938. We cater for 60 children between the ages of 6 weeks and 5 years old.

Due to growth, we have a number of vacancies for Early Childhood professionals to join our stable and supportive team in a well-resourced centre.

#### Early Childhood Teacher

3-5 years Room – Full Time (38 hours per week) · University qualifications in Early Childhood Education Certified Supervisor Number

#### Early Childhood Educator

0-2 years Room – Part Time (24 hours per week, Monday – Wednesday)

Early Childhood Educator

#### 3-5 years Room – Full Time (38 hours per week)

• Diploma in Children's Services

#### Certified Supervisor Number **Early Childhood Assistant**

0-2 years Room – Full Time (38 hours per week)

· Certificate 3 in Children's Services

All positions also require a Senior First Aid Certificate and Work with Children Check Clearance Number

We offer above award salaries, employee benefits and ongoing training and development.

For further information, please contact Sunny Lee on 02 9213 2510. www.sdn.org.au/careers



#### CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Danila Dilba Health Service is going through a dynamic period of expansion, growth and review and currently has the following vacancy.

#### **MEDICARE SUPPORT OFFICER** (Full-Time Role)

\*Total Salary \$76,525 - \$84,106

The purpose of the Medicare Support Officer position is to maximise revenue by ensuring that all Medicare claimable services and other incentives are billed and processed in a timely manner. The position will provide Medicare auditing, billing and other duties including backup relief for the Senior Medicare Officer as directed.

(\* Total salary includes leave loading, and superannuation)

#### We offer:

- · Attractive salary with salary packaging benefits
- Six weeks annual leave
- Flexible hours
- Training and development

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply

Danila Dilba Health Service is an Aboriginal community controlled organisation that provides comprehensive, high-quality primary health care and community services to Biluru (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) people in Yilli Rreung (greater Darwin) region.

**Applications Close: 20th July 2015** Details: daniladilba.org.au



#### CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Danila Dilba Health Service is going through a dynamic period of expansion, growth and review and currently has the following vacancy.

#### REGISTERED MIDWIFE

(Full-Time Role) \*Total Salary \$101,629 - \$109,184

The Registered Midwife will contribute to the quality and delivery of primary health care within the Danila Dilba Health Service Mothers and Babies Clinic, by providing high quality, comprehensive and culturally appropriate midwifery care to patient with the aim of improving maternal and birth outcomes.

(\* Total salary includes leave loading & superannuation)

#### We offer:

- Attractive salary with salary packaging benefits
- Six weeks annual leave
- Flexible hours
- Training and development

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply

Danila Dilba Health Service is an Aboriginal community controlled organisation that provides comprehensive, high-quality primary health care and community services to Biluru (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) people in Yilli Rreung (greater Darwin) region.

**Applications Close: 27th July 2015** Details: daniladilba.org.au



#### **Corporate Service Manager Canberra Based**

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker Association (NATSIHWA) is the national peak body representing the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Worker (ATSIHW) workforce.

NATSIHWA Secretariat is based in Canberra, which allows for an increased capacity for the peak body to represent and ensure the ATSIHW workforce have an impact and participate in the development of National Health policy.

Reporting to the CEO, the Corporate Services Manager will be responsible for ensuring the effective operations of NATSIHWA through management of the following areas: finance, administration, facilities, human resources, quality assurance, risk management and Occupational Health and Safety. The Corporate Services Manager has a high level of responsibility for ensuring the financial and compliance aspects of NATSIHWA business are sound.

To be considered for the role, you must have demonstrated an ability to work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, the ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing, knowledge and understanding of not-for-profit organisations in particular Government funding criteria and an ability to lead and manage an administrative and financial

We strongly encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders peoples to apply.

For further information please contact Kate on 02 6163 7500 or email: kate@f2frecruitment.com.au Resumes can also be sent to: kate@f2frecruitment.com.au.

Applications close at 5pm on Thursday 23 July, 2015.

#### Aboriginal Legal Access Worker

#### Illawarra Legal Centre Inc

#### (14 hours per week - 11 month position)

The Illawarra Legal Centre is an independent Community Legal Centre based at Warrawong (10kms south of Wollongong), which works for human rights and access to social justice.



#### The Centre is seeking an Aboriginal Legal Access Worker to be part of our team to:

- Raise awareness of the Centre's services with Aboriginal people
- Encourage and support access to the Centre
- Work with Centre staff to provide services in a culturally appropriate way
- Develop educational materials on selected topics

#### The successful applicant will:

- · Identify as an Aboriginal. Being an Aboriginal person is a genuine occupational qualification for this position under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).
- Have experience in the community sector.

The salary is \$27,685 per annum, plus superannuation. Salary sacrificing is available. Terms and conditions are in accordance with the Illawarra Legal Centre Inc. Enterprise Agreement.

An information package including selection criteria is available by contacting the Centre on (02) 4276 1939. Only applications addressing the selection criteria will be considered.

#### Applications should be marked as confidential and addressed to:

The Coordinator, Illawarra Legal Centre PO Box 139, Warrawong NSW 2502

Applications close 5pm Friday 24 July 2015

The Centre is accredited by



#### Health

Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District

#### **Aboriginal Family Health Worker**

Primary Care Community Health Lithgow Aboriginal Health Education Officer - Non Graduate Permanent Full-Time

Salary \$47,920.79 - \$70,581.95 per annum Enquiries: Noeleen Horswell, (02) 4730 5100 Reference ID: 255045

#### Closing Date: 3 August 2015

Being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

Being female is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under Section 31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

> Apply online at: nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ ViewPosition.aspx?Id=255045

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice** 



#### **Statewide Indigenous Arts Officer**

Part time (0.8 EFT) - Salary \$70,000.00 (pro rata) **Closing Date for Applications** 9 August 2015

Identified position specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people

The Torch is an arts organization that provides art, cultural and arts vocational support to Indigenous offenders and ex offenders. We are looking for a skilled arts worker to play a central role in the delivery of The Torch's State-wide Indigenous Arts in Prisons & Community program.

#### The successful candidate will display:

- · An in-depth knowledge of Indigenous art, culture and the visual arts industry:
- A track record of delivering arts or community development
- An applied understanding of visual art mediums and methods (particularly painting), art handing and exhibition processes;
- A comprehensive understanding of the role of the arts in promoting community strengthening and well-being

A position description is available online at www.thetorch.org.au

For further information please contact Kent Morris, CEO

Email indigenousarts@thetorch.org.au or Phone: 0421 942 402

Expressions of interest including a resume with referees and a covering letter can be submitted via email indigenousarts@thetorch.org.au.



#### Senior Project Officer, **Repatriation & Community** Support

The position is accountable for the delivery of a strategically focussed program for the return of ancestral remains and secret/sacred material at Museum Victoria.

This an Identified position, full-time, fixed term to May 2016. The salary on offer is \$74,962 + 9.5%

For more information about this position, please visit http://museumvictoria.com.au/about/workopportunities/employment/ or contact Lindy Allen: lallen@museum.vic.gov.au or Richard Gillespie: rgilles@museum.vic.gov.au



#### **Careers In Child Protection Strategic Aboriginal Adviser**

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT ADELAIDE CBD

ONGOING (PERMANENT)

VAC NO: 2015-4838

\$103,467 - \$107,568 p.a (ASO8) / \$97,376 - \$106,464 p.a (AHP4)

The Strategic Aboriginal Adviser is a role in the Department for Education and Child Development and is accountable to the Deputy Chief Executive, Child Safety. As a Strategic Aboriginal Adviser you will lead the development of strategic culturally sensitive policies, programs and practices in relation to Child Protection for Aboriginal children, young people and their families. You will also provide advice to management on Aboriginal needs; and provide advice on Aboriginal culturally appropriate practices and systems. You will be responsible for providing advice on and leading engagement with Aboriginal communities and stakeholders.

Note: Only people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent may

Enquiries to: Human Resources, (08) 8226 2959, email DECDFamiliesSARecruitment@sa.gov.au

For Role Description and to submit your application please visit: http://decd.bigredsky.com

Applications close Friday 24 July 2015



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#### What's your legacy?

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND PSYCHOLOGY

#### Lecturer – Community and Social Development

REF 1061/15

This is an identified position and applicants must be an Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander person. Being an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised under Section 14(D) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 NSW.

The University of Western Sydney is a major urban university spread over six campuses in Greater Western Sydney, a region of great opportunity, diversity, challenge and growth. The University has a strong connection to Greater Western Sydney, working with its communities and businesses to contribute to the region's growth. The University is culturally diverse, with 2,500 staff and 40,000 students drawn from

The School of Social Sciences and Psychology offers a range of programs across three campuses: Penrith, Bankstown and Parramatta. The School is committed to the provision of high quality, flexible education and supporting students to maximise their success.

The occupant will be expected to be involved in a range of academic activities including research enhancement and the development, coordination and teaching of new or existing units relevant to the Bachelor of Community and Social Development. This program is designed for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students who wish to contribute to building sustainable capacity in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

cant will aid in the teaching and development of students so that they are skil with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and communities in a range of settings and capacities and to contribute to the leadership and sustainability of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. In particular the degree provides three different strands of skills and knowledge: skills in working directly with families in providing welfare advocacy; skills and knowledge in community development; and skills and knowledge in community leadership and sustainability. This is an accredited program with the Australian Community Workers

If you are interested or require more information, please view the Position Description and apply online via UWS careers website.

#### **Remuneration Packages:**

Academic Level B \$101,116 to \$127,391 per annum (comprising Salary \$91,226 to \$107,722 p.a., 9.5% or 17% Superannuation as applicable and Leave Loading).

Position Enquiries: Dr Gabrielle Drake, (02) 9685 9665,

email: g.drake@uws.edu.au Closing Date: 26 July 2015

careers.uws.edu.au



#### **Employment opportunities**

also see pages 28 and 29

#### Department of Health & Human Services

#### **Reception Services Officer**

- \$46,143 \$59,255 + Superannuation
- Ongoing, Part Time

The Loddon Area of the Department of Health and Human Services is seeking a highly motivated and professional individual to work in the customer service focused reception area. This is an opportunity for an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander to join our

The Reception Services Officer is a critical position within the office, as the reception services team provide the first point of contact for access to the department and its services. The role is instrumental in providing high quality telephone and reception services to clients, the general public, service providers and other government stakeholders.

- Customer service focused?
- A good communicator with strong interpersonal skills?
- Interested in working within a vigorous and dynamic work environment?

Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply as this position is exempt under the special measures provision, section 12(1) of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic)

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit; www.careers.vic.gov.au or contact Michael Oerlemans Ph 5434 5600

Please quote position number DHHS/N/377913

Applications close 21 July 2015

For more information about the Department of Health & Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health & Human Services recruitment process.

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au





#### **Australian Government**

The Department of Social Services (DSS) has several positions available across the Department including in Corporate, Policy, Programme and Information Management Technology (IMT). Positions are at the APS 4, 5 and 6 level in National Office (Canberra) and other State and Territory Offices. All roles are Special Measures Positions, available only to people who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander.

More information on Special Measures is available on the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC) website www.apsc.gov.au.

#### Information about the Department of Social Services

DSS is the leading Australian Government agency in developing and delivering social policy and we are committed to improving the lifetime wellbeing of people and families in Australia. Almost everyone in Australia, at some point in their life, will be touched by

As one of the largest Australian Government departments, DSS manages approximately one-quarter of the Commonwealth Budget and is responsible for administering payments and programmes totalling almost \$120 billion per year across a wide range of

Our policies and services look after families, children and older people; support people to participate economically and socially in Australian society; enhance the independence and wellbeing of people with high needs; provide a safety net for people who can't fully support themselves; foster a cohesive community; and promote civil society.

We are looking for motivated, skilled and capable APS 4, 5 and 6 officers who want to make a difference and contribute to the work of our already diverse Department.

We recognise the richness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and the unique knowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees bring to our workplace, policy development and service delivery. We welcome and encourage applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples for vacancies in the Department.

The Department is also committed to supporting the employment and career development of people with disability. Applicants who opt into the APS RecruitAbility scheme (www.apsc.gov.au) and meet the minimum requirements for the vacancy will progress to a further stage in the recruitment process.

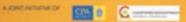
If this opportunity sounds like the one you have been waiting for, visit the Department of Social Services website www.dss.gov.au to look at all the jobs available.

Applications Close: 11.59 pm Wednesday, 29 July 2015.

www.dss.gov.au

#### INDIGENOUS ACCOUNTANTS AUSTRALIA





#### **Relationship Manager** Indigenous Strategies NSW, ACT

Indigenous Accountants Australia (IAA) is a joint initiative of the Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand (CA ANZ) and CPA Australia, to raise awareness of the benefits of accounting within Indigenous communities and connect Indigenous students to careers in the business world.

Working as part of a small team in the Sydney Head Office of CA ANZ, this role will operate autonomously to provide support and guidance to people from indigenous backgrounds who are interested in pursuing a career in the accounting profession. To do this you will work in partnership with priority universities in NSW and ACT as well as identified business and community groups within the same locations. You will provide varying level of support to people, ensuring they remain engaged in their journey to become an accountant, as well as facilitating various events and networking sessions to help them in launching their own

This is a challenging and exciting role that will give you the opportunity to have a real impact on people's careers and futures within the accounting industry. You will need to demonstrate high levels of motivation and the ability to manage your time effectively

#### About you:

- · Indigenous background and/or knowledge of Indigenous cultures
- Exposure to the education sector particularly relating to Indigenous Australians
- Experience working with the higher education sector desirable
- · Relationship management experience with ability to work across a range of stakeholders including business and community groups
- Background in business or accounting (desirable)

If you are passionate about making a difference with your career, we'd love to hear from you!

Please send your resume along with covering letter via the apply button.



#### Health

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District

#### **Aboriginal VAN Counsellor** - Social Worker Level 3 / Psychologist

Ambulatory & Primary Health Care

- Illawarra/Shoalhaven Permanent Full-Time

Enquiries: Michael Smith, (02) 4221 6762

Reference ID: 261504

#### **Aboriginal Population Health Trainee (Graduate)**

Ambulatory & Primary Health Care - Warrawong Temporary Full-Time – position until 31/7/2018 with the possibility of an extension subject to funding. Enquiries: Paul Van Den Dolder, (02) 4221 6784 Reference ID: 257503

An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing Date: 26 July 2015

#### **Indigenous Employment Consultant** - Health Manager Level 1

District Corporate - Port Kembla Hospital Permanent Part-Time - 24 hpw Enquiries: Michael Winch, (02) 4223 8593 Reference ID: 264432

An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14(d) of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing Date: 2 August 2015

#### Apply online at: nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

or email application quoting Ref. No. to: ISLHDRecruitment@sesiahs.health.nsw.gov.au or send application to: Recruitment Unit, Port Kembla Hospital, Locked Bag 8008, South Coast Mail Centre NSW 2521.

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people** are encouraged to apply.

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice** 





#### Information Officer -Legal (ATSI), LawAccess NSW

- x 1 Ongoing Full-time
- x 1 Ongoing Part-time (21 hours per week)
- x 1 Temporary Full-time (6 8 months) Parramatta
- Clerk Grade 3/4, Salary (\$64,008 \$70,087), plus employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading (pro-rata for part-time)

Provide the first point of contact for customers of LawAccess NSW. To complete inquiries by providing information and/or referral to appropriate

The core business hours of LawAccess NSW are 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

#### Reference number 00003QIN

To apply for this role you need to submit an application online via www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Closing date: Monday, 20 July 2015 (11:59pm)

Contact: Nicholas D'Cruz (02) 8833 3160 and email: 4 nicholas\_d'cruz@agd.nsw.gov.au

#### **KURRANULLA ABORIGINAL** CORPORATION



**FULL TIME POSITION Aboriginal Identified Position** 

This position has the responsibility for staff and Government funded programs.

The successful applicant is required to lead, coordinate and facilitate the program planning processes, develop and implement policies, programs and systems required to support the operations of our programs and monitor and report operational and financial performances to the funding bodies and Board of Management.

Tertiary qualifications will be well regarded.

Recommended applicants will be required to have a "Working with Children Check "& "Criminal Record Check"

#### **Essential Criteria**

- Relevant experience in a similar role
- Demonstrated Understanding and commitment to Aboriginal health & Aboriginal culture
- Excellent management skills as well as verbal and written communication skills

The successful applicant will be offered a generous salary and will have the opportunity to utilise 'Salary Sacrifice'

Applicants must address all the selection criteria contained in the job pack which can be obtained by emailing manaqer(kurranulla.orq.au

Applications close Wednesday 29th July, 2015 at 5pm

This position is identified for Aboriginal people and exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

#### **Jubullum Local Aboriginal Land Council**

#### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

Jubullum Local Aboriginal Land Council at Jubullum Village near Tabulam is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer (35 hours/week).

The successful applicant will demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act; organisational and management experience including decision making; capacity to interpret and implement legislation; possess sound written and oral communication skills, be proficient in the use of MS Office; consultation and negotiation skills with the capacity to prepare written reports and submissions and meet deadlines; demonstrated experience preparing and implementing workplace policies and standard operating procedures; experience preparing budgets: human resources recruitment, and asset management experience; possess a current driver's licence. Understanding of Aboriginal issues, including property and tenancy management issues is also essential.

Applicants must obtain a recruitment package and address all selection criteria for their application to be considered. A recruitment package may be obtained from the Administration Officer - Roy Bell, by telephone on (02) 6666 1337 or email office.jubullum@gmail.com

> Applications can be forwarded to office.iubullum@gmail.com or marked 'Confidential' and posted to:

**CEO Recruitment Panel** Jubullum Local Aboriginal Land Council P0 Box 25, Tabulam, NSW, 2469 Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply

Applications close 29th July 2015



#### **INDIGENOUS VISITOR SERVICES ROLES**

Barangaroo is a globally significant urban renewal project that is redefining the western edge of Sydney Harbour. The Barangaroo Delivery Authority aims to see Barangaroo become a place with a distinctive spirit that contributes to its community, while creating the best of urban life. In mid-2015, the completion of the headland park at Barangaroo will mark the first public

milestone for the precinct. Named Barangaroo Point Reserve, the park is Sydney's newest harbour destination, a civic and cultural place for everyone. The headland park at Barangaroo resonates with important Aboriginal stories as well as maritime and industrial history

#### **Opportunities at the Barangaroo Delivery Authority**

#### Team Leader, Visitor Services

The Team Leader will manage the Visitor Services unit in the design and delivery of visitor information, education activities and services including whole of site or content specific guided tours and group activities that have an accurate educational basis and promote community awareness, understanding and enjoyment of Barangaroo's natural, built and human heritage and contemporary characteristics.

#### **Visitor Services Guides (various roles)**

The Visitor Services Guides will deliver local interpretive activities of guided tours, talks and information activities which foster community awareness, appreciation of and engagement with the stories and experiences of Barangaroo.

#### Preparing you for a career at the Barangaroo Delivery **Authority**

In partnership with Sydney TAFE Eora College, the Authority will be providing selected candidates with a three week job preparation training program in Guiding to ensure you are confident in your skills and ready to be part of the Barangaroo team.

At the completion of the training program, successful applicants will be selected and be enrolled in formal training for a Certificate III in Tourism Guiding.

Learn More: To hear more about these roles, please attend an information session at Eora College on Thursday, 23 July 2015 or alternatively please contact Lyn Wilson on (02) 9217 4871.

How to apply: Your application should include a covering letter and resume and can be emailed to Lyn.Wilson@det.nsw.edu.au

Closing date: Friday, 24 July 2015



South Western Sydnev Local Health District

#### Officer Level 2) -Haemodialysis Unit

Ref: 259441 - Perm F/T 38hpw at Liverpool Hospital Salary: \$49,168 – \$50,900 per annum Enq: Rebecca Morris, (02) 8738 3742

#### **Allied Health Assistant** (Technical Assistant Grade 1)

Ref: 252171 - Perm P/T 12hpw at Liverpool Hospital Salary: \$23.44 - \$24.45 per hour Enq: David Wong, (02) 8738 4854

#### **Clinical Information** Officers (Administrative Officer Level 1/2) **Weekend Night Shifts**

Ref: 259248 - Perm P/T 16hpw at Liverpool Hospital Salary: \$21.05 - \$25.67 per hour Enq: Mable Mendonca, (02) 8738 3744 Administrative Officer

#### **Evening Ward Clerk** (Administrative Officer Level 2)

Ref: 259457 - Perm P/T 20hpw at Liverpool Hospital Salary: \$24.79 - \$25.67 per hour Enq: Rebecca Morris, (02) 8738 3742

#### Closing Date: 28 July 2015

These are targeted positions in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply and greater consideration will be given to suitable Aboriginal applicants, in order to improve access to employment and career opportunities. Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criterion.

#### Ward Clerk (Administrative Men's Health Coordinator (Health Manager Level 2) **Strong Fathers Strong Families**

Ref: 262701 - Perm F/T at Community Health Services Enq: Trish Clark, (02) 9827 2222 Closing Date: 29 July 2015

Must be a male and of Aboriginal/ Torres Strait Islander descent. Being male is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

#### (Level 2) – Respiratory & Sleep Medicine

Ref: 249431- Perm F/T at Liverpool Hospital Enq: Kathryn Younan, (02) 8738 4107 Closing Date: 12 August 2015

This is a targeted position in accordance with Part 9A of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply and greater consideration will be given to suitable Aboriginal applicants, in order to improve access to employment and career opportunities. Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criterion.

#### **Female Aboriginal Health Worker (Aboriginal HEO** Grad/Non-Grad) -Child and Family Health

Ref: 251060 - Perm F/T or P/T at Community Health Services, Narellan Salary: \$24.16 - \$41.22 per hour Eng: Erika Lehner, (02) 4640 3515 Closing Date: 11 August 2015

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Being female is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Please apply online by visiting: nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

**NSW Health Service: employer of choice** 

#### **Aboriginal Community** Corrections Officer



- Make a difference in the Koori community
- Ongoing, full-time position, based in Wodonga
- Salary range \$60,551 \$69,630 plus superannuation

Aboriginal Community Corrections Officers monitor and supervise complex and high profile Aboriginal and non-Indigenous offenders who have been sentenced by the courts to serve community based orders or have been released from

In this role, you will provide culturally appropriate guidance and counselling to offenders, assisting them to participate in programs and community work by developing strong links with Aboriginal agencies. You will also prepare detailed offender reports for the courts and Adult Parole Board.

As our ideal candidate, you will have:

- a strong understanding of the Koori community, with the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with its members
- proven problem solving, influencing both written and verbal communication skills, with a keen eye for detail
- experience in case management and report writing.

For further information and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by Sunday 26 July 2015.

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LOWER MURRAY GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from SOUTHERN RIVERINA DAIRY GROUP PTY LTD for a bore on Lot X DP415624, Parish Tongaboo, County Denison for irrigation purposes

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710, within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries please call (03) 5898 3935, Jenny Campion, Water Regulation Officer.

#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from HARDY IRRIGATION PTY LTD for a bore for irrigation purposes on Lot 208 DP

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection (A6322).

Any queries please call (02) 6951 2574, Simon Maffei, Water Regulation Officer.

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#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### MACQUARIE AND CUDGEGONG REGULATED RIVERS WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from SHANE KENNETH MILLAR, KENNETH JAMES MCDERMOTT and JAMIE RAY ANDREWS for one 38mm submersible pump on the Macquarie River on Lot 29 DP 258845, Parish of Minore, County of Narromine for Domestic purposes

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. (A006327)

Any queries please call (02) 6841 7414, Richard Wheatley, Senior Water Regulation Officer

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#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### PEEL FRACTURED ROCK GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for amendment of an existing Water Supply Work and Use Approval (90CA818732) has been received from Minister for Education and Training for additional (existing) Water Supply Works/Bores (2) on Lot 1 DP547463 County of Parry, Parish of Murroon for recreation purposes on Lot 1 DP547463 County of Parry,

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water PO Box 550 TAMWORTH, NSW, 2340 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection

Any queries please call (02) 6763 1470 Senior Water Regulation Officer Ben Hanks.

#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### **BORDER RIVERS REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE**

An application for amendment of an existing WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL (90CA812498) has been received from MOREE PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL for two additional Water Supply Work/s on Lot 2 DP812894 county of Stapylton and parish of Boggabilla, for Town Water Supply purposes for the town of Boggabilla, county of Stapylton and parish of Boggabilla.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 550, TAMWORTH NSW 2340 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection.

Any queries please call (02) 6763 1467 Ben Hutt, Water Regulation Officer.

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#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### MACQUARIE BOGAN UNREGULATED AND ALLUVIAL WATER SOURCES

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND WATER USE APPROVAL has been received from TERRABELLA PASTORAL CO PTY LIMITED for a new irrigation bore on Lot 11 DP 753250 Parish of Terrabella County of Gordon for the extraction of water from the Upper Macquarie Alluvial Groundwater Source.

Objections to the granting of the approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. (A006314)

Any queries please call (02) 6841 7469, Alice Clifton, Water Regulation Officer.

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

#### NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

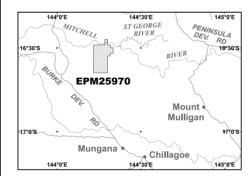
The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

Exploration Permit 25967 sought by South32 Cannington Proprietary Limited, ACN 125 530 967, over an area of 40 sub-blocks (127 km<sup>2</sup>), centred approximately 44km North West of Middleton, in the localities of the Cloncurry Shire Council and Winton Shire Council.

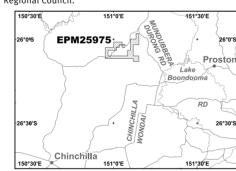


Exploration Permit 25970 sought by Michael Robert Thirnbeck, over an area of 58 sub-blocks (190 km<sup>2</sup>), centred approximately 70km North West of Chillagoe, in the locality

of the Mareeba Shire Council.



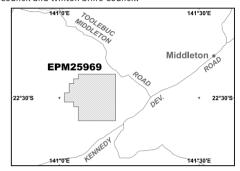
Exploration Permit 25975 sought by Eastern Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 124 088 857, over an area of 40 sub-blocks (123 km<sup>2</sup>), centred approximately 85 km North East of Chinchilla, in the localities of the North Burnett Regional Council, South Burnett Regional Council and Western Downs Regional Council.



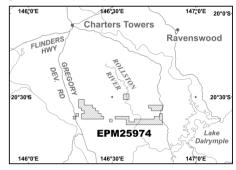
Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld) and also subject to the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 3, June 2014.

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 Ouav. Brisbane. Oueensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

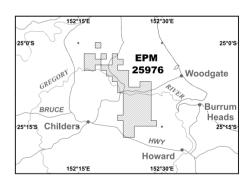
Exploration Permit 25969 sought by South32 Cannington Proprietary Limited, ACN 125 530 967, over an area of 92 sub-blocks (291 km<sup>2</sup>), centred approximately 46km South West of Middleton, in the localities of the Boulia Shire Council and Winton Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 25974 sought by NQM Gold 2 Pty Ltd, ACN 129 020 248, (60%) and CQT Gold Australia Ptv Ltd ACN 128 947 419, (40%) over an area of 83 sub-blocks (266 km²), centred approximately 64km South East of Charters Towers, in the locality of the Charters Towers



Exploration Permit 25976 sought by Albatross Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 152 604 521, over an area of 68 sub-blocks  $(211\ km^2)$ , centred approximately 14 km North East of Childers, in the localities of the Bundaberg Regional Council, and Fraser Coast Regional Council.



**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 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

**Further Information:** Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3008 5742.

Notification Day: 5 August 2015



#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LACHLAN REGULATED RIVER WATER SHARING PLAN LACHLAN REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from GRAHAM LEIGH PICKLES for a pump (capacity 265 l/sec) on Bumbuggan Creek and additional lands (40Ha), Lot 3 DP 598736, Parish Mulgutherie, County Cunningham, for Irrigation purposes. (A006324)

#### LACHLAN UNREGULATED AND ALLUVIAL WATER SOURCES WATER SHARING PLAN

#### **UPPER LACHLAN ALLUVIAL GROUNDWATER SOURCE - ZONE 3**

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from MOXEY FARMS PTY LTD for a Bore (capacity 10ML/day) for Irrigation purposes on Lot 118 DP 752950, Parish Nanima, County Forbes. (A006187)

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from IAN MCDOWALL SMITH AND PATRICIA MARY SMITH for a Bore (capacity 10 ML/day) for Irrigation purposes on Lot 287 DP 752962, Parish Wongajong, County Forbes. (A006323)

Objections to the granting of the above approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, P O Box 291, Forbes NSW 2871 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries please call (02) 6850 2808, Andrew Glasson, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LACHLAN REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL 70WA600026 has been received from PARKES SHIRE COUNCIL for 2 additional pumps and a pipeline on Lot 81 DP 750183, Parish of Troubalgie, County of Ashburnham.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 291, Forbes NSW 2871 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection.(A006296)

Any queries please call (02) 6850 2808, Andrew Glasson, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

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#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from GLEN WILLIAM TOOTH & DIANA LOUISE TOOTH for 1 x bore, at/adjacent to Lot 144//750885, Parish of Gidgell, County of Boyd, for irrigation purposes on lots 144 //750885, Parish of Gidgell, County of Boyd 80SL96347

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water. PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705, within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. (A6311)

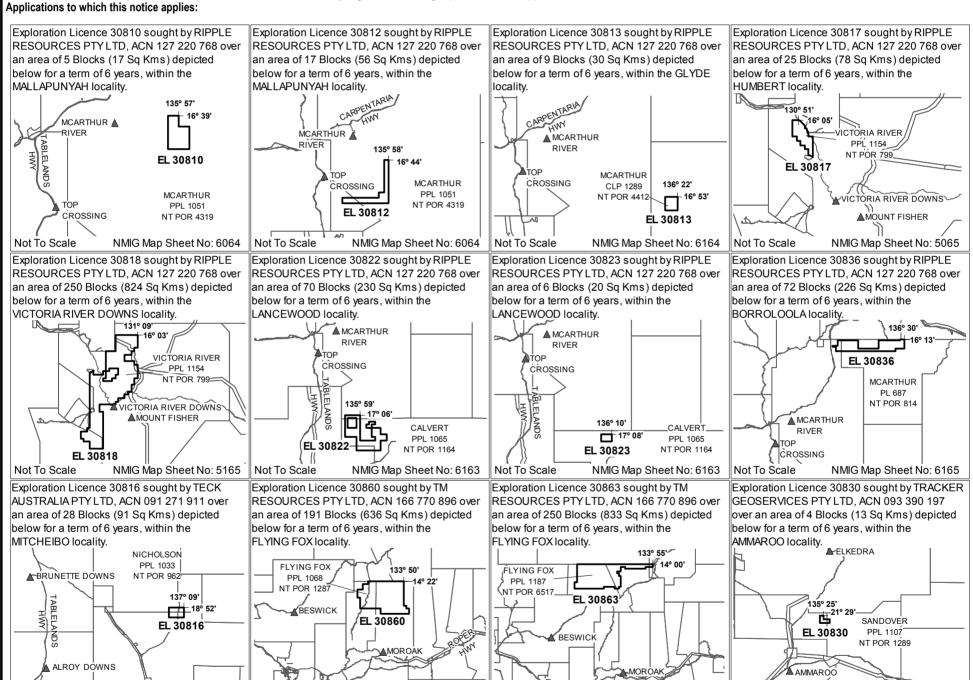
Any queries please call (02) 6953 0700, Phillip Killen, Water Regulation Officer.

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#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

#### NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable David William Tollner 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.

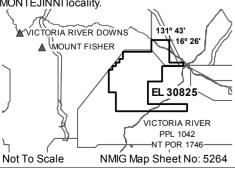


Exploration Licence 30825 sought by ZERO GROUP MINERALS PTY LTD, ACN 603 115 000 over an area of 233 Blocks (768 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MONTEJINNI locality.

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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 Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

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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, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne VIC 3001, or telephone (03) 9920 3000.

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: 15 July 2015

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NMIG Map Sheet No: 5964

#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE DEEP GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from GARRY OLIVER for a bore for irrigation purposes on Lot 67 DP 750899.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and to specify the grounds of objection. (A6330).

Any queries please call (02) 6951 2574, Simon Maffei, Water Regulation Officer.

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#### **NSW OFFICE OF WATER**

#### LOWER MURRUMBIDGEE GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from JASON HEATH for a bore for irrigation purposes on Lot 202 DP 756441, County Urana, Parish Pullega.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to NSW Office of Water, PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and to specify the grounds of objection. (A006321)

Any queries please call (02) 6951 2576, Paul Morsanuto, Water Regulation Officer.

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#### NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the Mining Act 1978:

| <b>Exploration No.</b> | Applicant                               | Amalg No | Area      | Locality                      | Centroid                        | Shire                   |
|------------------------|---|----------|-----------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 15/974                 | ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED | 469686   | 43.76HA   | 9km W'ly of Kambalda          | Lat: 31° 10' S Long: 121° 34' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE        |
| 15/983                 | ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED | 469687   | 36.29HA   | 13km NW'ly of Kambalda        | Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 121° 33' E  | COOLGARDIE SHIRE        |
| 15/984                 | ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED | 469688   | 17.30HA   | 18km NW'ly of Kambalda        | Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 121° 30' E  | COOLGARDIE SHIRE        |
| 25/250                 | HERON RESOURCES LIMITED                 | 469108   | 139.62HA  | 32km E'ly of Kalgoorlie       | Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 121° 46' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY |
|                        | SOUTHERN GOLD LIMITED                   |          |           | Lat. 30 31 3 Lolly. 121 40 E  |                                 |                         |
| 25/361                 | HERON RESOURCES LIMITED                 | 469109   | 104.72HA  | 04.72HA 35km N'ly of Kambalda | Lat: 30° 54' S Long: 121° 47' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY |
|                        | SOUTHERN GOLD LIMITED                   |          |           |                               |                                 |                         |
| 25/405                 | INFERUS RESOURCES PTY LTD               | 469110   | 292.60HA  | 33km E'ly of Kalgoorlie       | Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 121° 47' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY |
| 38/2376                | RICHMOND, William Robert                | 467047   | 56.30HA   | 71km NW'ly of Cosmo           | Lat: 27° 39' S Long: 122° 16' E | LAVERTON SHIRE          |
|                        |   |          |           | Newberry Mission              |                                 |                         |
| 45/3919                | ANTIPA RESOURCES PTY LTD                | 460633   | 1313.13HA | 27km N'ly of Telfer           | Lat: 21° 23' S Long: 122° 15' E | EAST PILBARA SHIRE      |
| 57/687                 | GATEWAY MINING LIMITED                  | 469388   | 6.73HA    | 66km NE'ly of Sandstone       | Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 119° 33' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE         |
| 57/706                 | GATEWAY MINING LIMITED                  | 469385   | 2.03HA    | 80km N'ly of Sandstone        | Lat: 27° 19' S Long: 119° 32' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE         |
| 57/706                 | GATEWAY MINING LIMITED                  | 469386   | 34.62HA   | 80km N'ly of Sandstone        | Lat: 27° 20' S Long: 119° 32' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE         |
| 57/706                 | GATEWAY MINING LIMITED                  | 469387   | 12.90HA   | 80km N'ly of Sandstone        | Lat: 27° 20' S Long: 119° 33' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE         |
| 57/876                 | GATEWAY MINING LIMITED                  | 469389   | 115.64HA  | 65km N'ly of Sandstone        | Lat: 27° 25' S Long: 119° 29' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE         |
| 57/876                 | GATEWAY MINING LIMITED                  | 469390   | 152.29HA  | 65km N'ly of Sandstone        | Lat: 27° 25' S Long: 119° 29' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE         |

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals. Notification day: 15 July 2015

Native title parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the applications. The 3 month period closes on 15 October 2015. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each amalgamation application may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 15 November 2015), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth. WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000

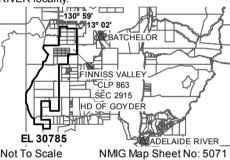
For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum. 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone

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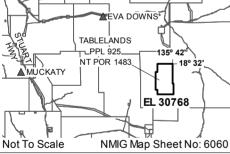
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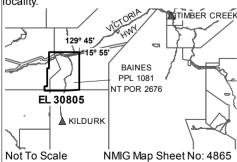
Exploration Licence 30785 sought by FINNIS CONTRACTING PTY LTD, ACN 154 086 129 over an area of 32 Blocks (89 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the REYNOLD RIVER locality. \_130° 59' ≅13° 02'



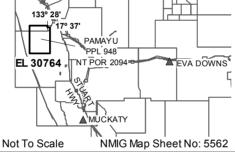
Exploration Licence 30768 sought by FRONTLINE GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 146 080 579 over an area of 250 Blocks (814 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BRUNETTE locality.



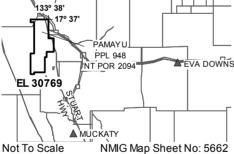
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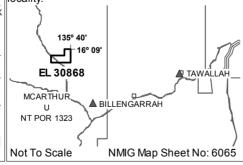
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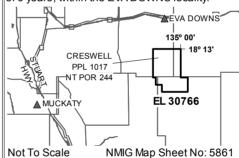
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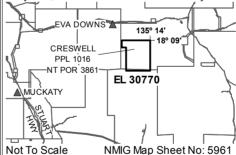
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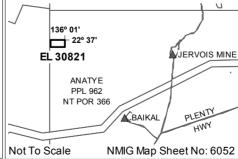
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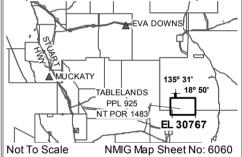
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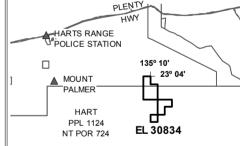
Exploration Licence 30821 sought by MOLYHIL MINING PTY LTD, ACN 112 922 497 over an area of 2 Blocks (7 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the JINKA locality.



Exploration Licence 30767 sought by FRONTLINE GEOLOGICAL RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 146 080 579 over an area of 250 Blocks (812 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BRUNETTE locality.

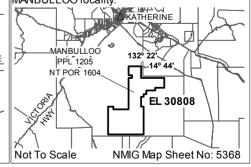


Exploration Licence 30834 sought by GEMPART (NT) PTY LTD, ACN 081 859 896 over an area of 9 Blocks (29 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the QUARTZ locality.



Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5951

Exploration Licence 30808 sought by PANGAEA MINERALS PTY LIMITED, ACN 120 631 316 over an area of 186 Blocks (618 Sq Kms) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MANBULLOO locality.



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 Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

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, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne VIC 3001, or telephone (03) 9920 3000.

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

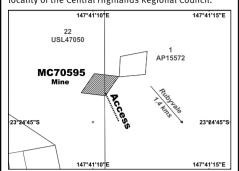
Notification Day: 15 July 2015

#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED RENEWAL OF MINING CLAIMS

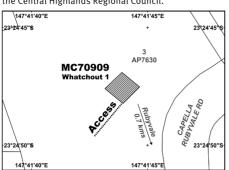
#### NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed renewal of MC70595, MC70909, MC70974, MC71006, MC71034, MC71043, MC71064, MC71065, MC71066, MC71079, MC71079, MC71083, MC71109, MC71110, MC72066, MC72069, MC72070, MC72075, MC72090 and MC72118 shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

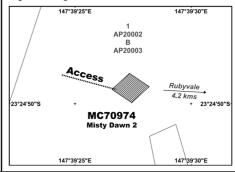
Mining Claim 70595 renewal sought by Stephen Thomas Duggan, over an area of 813  $\mathrm{m^2}$  centred approximately 1.4 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



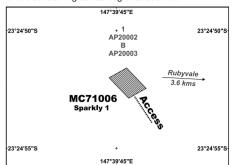
Mining Claim 70909 renewal sought by Colin John Vater, over an area of 873  $\rm m^2$  centred approximately 0.7 km North North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



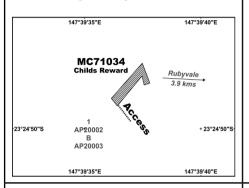
Mining Claim 70974 renewal sought by Hendrik Prins, over an area of 880 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 4.2 km West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 71006 renewal sought by Patrick Michael McCormack, over an area of 883 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 3.6 km West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



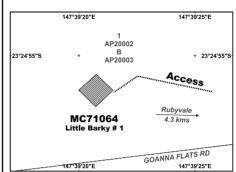
Mining Claim 71034 renewal sought by Donna Camille Cummings, over an area of 736  $\,\mathrm{m}^2$  centred approximately 3.9 km West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



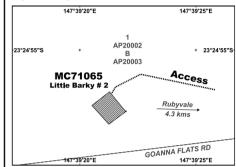
Mining Claim 71043 renewal sought by Susan Margaret Beazley, over an area of 877  $m^2$  centred approximately 0.3 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



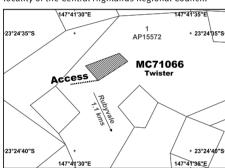
Mining Claim 71064 renewal sought by Jason Troy St John, over an area of 890 m² centred approximately 4.3 km West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



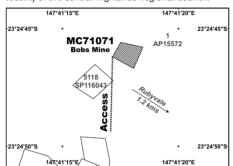
Mining Claim 71065 renewal sought by Laurence Burnet St John (70%) and Jason Troy St John (30%), over an area of 886  $\rm m^2$  centred approximately 4.3 km West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



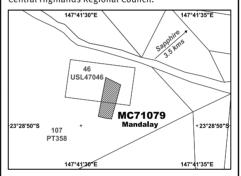
Mining Claim 71066 renewal sought by Marpere Joseph Ronald Wilson, an area of 855  $\,\text{m}^2$  centred approximately 1.1 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 71071 renewal sought by William Charles Greenaway, over an area of 733 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 1.2 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



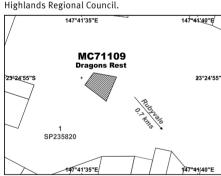
Mining Claim 71079 renewal sought by Leonard John Le Comte, over an area of 900 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 3.5 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



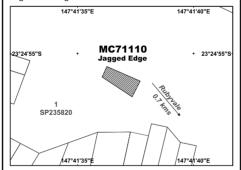
Mining Claim 71083 renewal sought by Deborah Anne Johnston, over an area of 900 m $^2$  centred approximately 0.3 km North East of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 71109 renewal sought by Astrid Meid, over an area of 805 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 0.7 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council



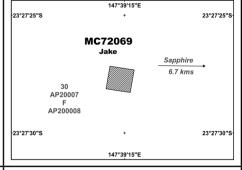
Mining Claim 71110 renewal sought by Astrid Meid, over an area of 848 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 0.7 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



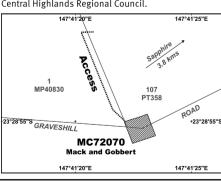
Mining Claim 72066 renewal sought by Louraine Beryl Dutoit, over an area of 900 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 1.7 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



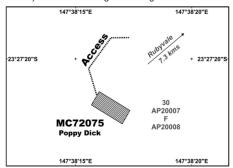
Mining Claim 72069 renewal sought by Lisa Anne Lyngkuist, over an area of 900 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 6.7 km West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



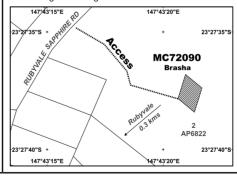
Mining Claim 72070 renewal sought by Brian Keith Gillard, over an area of 900 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 3.8 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



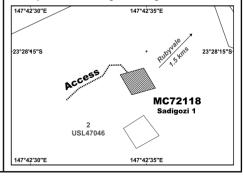
Mining Claim 72075 renewal sought by Richard Christopher Owen, over an area of 897 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 7.3 km South West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 72090 renewal sought by Bradley Niel Garnham, over an area of 800 m² centred approximately 0.3 km North East of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 72118 renewal sought by Prue Allissa Maree Carne, over an area of  $880~\text{m}^2$  centred approximately 1.5 km South West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



**Nature of Act(s):** The renewal of Mining Claims 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 ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding ten (10) years.

**Name and address of person doing acts:** It is proposed that the Mining Claims be renewed under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Oueensland 4720.

**Further Information:** Further information about the proposed renewal of Mining Claims, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Claim renewals may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Oueensland 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

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 renewal of Mining Claims. 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 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 5 August 2015



### **Sport**

### Aussie girls fall short



THE Australian Women's Sevens team finished with the silver medal at the Pacific Games after falling at the

final hurdle to Fiji 12-10 in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, on Friday night.

The game was played in treacherous conditions at the Sir John Guise Stadium.

Three Indigenous players -Mahalia Murphy, Tanisha Stanton and Taleena Simon - were in the Australian squad

Fiji led 12-5 with a minute remaining

Although Australia scored, the try was not converted.

Coach Tim Walsh said: "The game was there to be won and I'm pretty disappointed that we couldn't get the gold

"Defensively, we were fantastic, we covered the inside shoulders. but in attack we just couldn't quite execute while our restarts weren't on the mark.

"Eight of the team were on their national team debut and perhaps at times showed their inexperience.'



#### NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

| Tenement Type | No.     | Applicant               | Area     | Locality                                | Centroid                           | Shire                |
|---------------|---------|-------------------------|----------|---|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Mining Lease  | 09/160  | GASCOYNE METALS PTY LTD | 561.83HA | 3km NW'ly of Carnarvon                  | Lat: 24° 52' S<br>Long: 113° 38' E | UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE |
| Mining Lease  | 38/1268 | REGIS RESOURCES LTD     | 905.32HA | 94km NW'ly of<br>Cosmo Newberry Mission | Lat: 27° 33' S<br>Long: 122° 4' E  | LAVERTON SHIRE       |

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years

#### Notification day: 15 July 2015

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 15 October 2015. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 15 November 2015), there is no native title party under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, Fast Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518

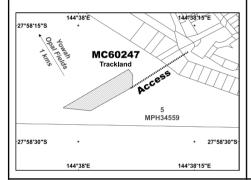
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#### NOTICE OF PROPOSED RENEWAL OF MINING CLAIMS AND GRANT OF MINING CLAIMS AND MINING LEASES

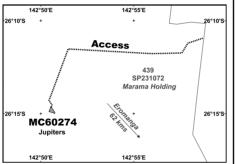
#### NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) of the proposed renewal of MC60247, MC60288, MC60302, and grant of MC60225, MC60281, MC300021, MC300031, ML 400001, ML400002, ML400003 and ML400004 shown below under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld).

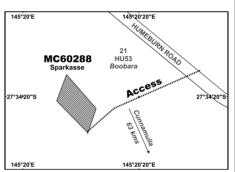
Mining Claim 60247 renewal sought by Dean Haeusler, over an area of 15,045  $\,\mathrm{m}^2$  centred approximately 1 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



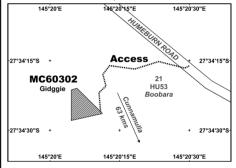
Mining Claim 60274 renewal sought by Garry Verdon Higgins, over an area of 166,307 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 62 km North West of Eromanga, in the locality of the Quilpie Shire Council.



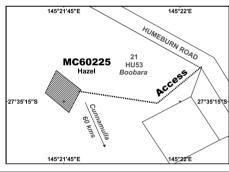
Mining Claim 60288 renewal sought by Raymond Douglas Corling, over an area of 26,877 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 63 km North West of Cunnamulla, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



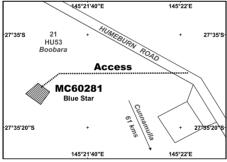
Mining Claim 60302 renewal sought by Ju Enterprises Pty Ltd (50%) ACN 010 764 388 and Prestige Pontoons (QLD) Pty Ltd (50%) ACN 073 678 690, over an area of 22,286 m² centred approximately 63 km North West of Cunnamulla, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council



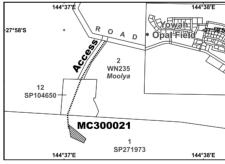
Mining Claim 60225 sought by Karen Jung, over an area of 10,893 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 60 km North West of Cunnamulla, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



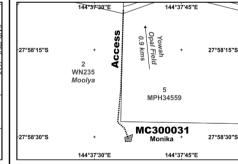
Mining Claim 60281 sought by Gernot Jung, over an area of 10,149 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 61 km North West of Cunnamulla, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



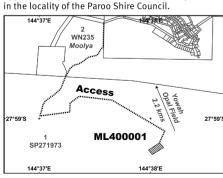
Mining Claim 300021 sought by Julie Stoverink, over an area of 19,680 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 1.6 km South West of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council



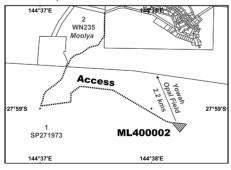
Mining Claim 300031 sought by Ehrenfried Wolfgang Muecke, over an area of 900 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 0.9 km South of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council



Mining Lease 400001 sought by Antonius Gerhardus Albertus Stoverink, over an area of 19,430 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields,



Mining Lease 400002 sought by Bernardus Johannes Maria Stoverink, over an area of 16,040 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



Mining Lease 400003 sought by Bernardus Johannes Maria Stoverink, over an area of 20,060 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council.



Mining Lease 400004 sought by Antonius Gerhardus Albertus Stoverink, over an area of 19,120 m<sup>2</sup> centred approximately 2.2 km South East of Yowah Opal Fields, in the locality of the Paroo Shire Council



Nature of Act(s): The grant or renewal of Mining Claims under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Old), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), for a term not exceeding ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding ten (10) years. 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 ten (10) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding ten (10) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the permits be granted or renewed under the Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld), by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Queensland 4720.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant or renewal of permits, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the permit applications or renewals

may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Queensland 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

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 or renewal of the 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

Notification Day: 22 July 2015



### **Sport**

### Mundine's personal plea to Mayweather



**ANTHONY Mundine has** penned an unusual open letter to Floyd Mayweather, begging the boxing great to be his next opponent.

**Applicant** 

The Australian fighter pleaded to be considered for his final bout on September 12 in the emote-filled piece, published on boxa.com.au on Monday, July 6.

He introduced himself as 'the uncrowned best athlete of all time' before listing his achievements and making his case to Mayweather.

"I think you the best of our era & everybody wanna fight you - but I'm the wonder from down under & the only one that can solve the mayvinchi code!" Mundine wrote

"So what Im trying to get at is I'm hoping to land the fight with you in Sept!

"You don't ask ... you don't get! Consider a colourful character who's your mandatory for September. It wont be boring before, during or after the fight!"

He went on to say he has 'attributes' other potential opponents Karim Mayfield and Andre Berto don't, and would make for a 'good boxing spectacle both in and outta the ring'

You want show time – I am show time!" he said.

"Somebody the world needs to see! I'll give you a way better go than you been getting!

"It's a 50-50 fight! Best athlete v best fighter??? Both got fast feet fast hands & fast mouth haha ... or relinquish the Title

as you're preventing fighters like me in this position to take on the other champions or the bigger names in sport!"

Mundine claimed to have revived boxing in Australia - "I gave it mouth-tomouth" - but was still being belittled by local media despite his achievements in the ring and rugby league.

"I already know im the best 2 sport champion ever. I dont need their validation. Thats why ima reachin out to you Floyd. Put on a Boxing spectacular

"Ima fan of yours but I truly believe you were put on this earth for me to beat inshallah! No disrespect just my belief...

"I come from the land of the Kanagaroo where us natives shake a leg. Lets go!" Mundine's move came barely 48 hours

Centroid

after announcing he had called off talks with American Austin Trout.

The pair were originally due to fight in May, but the bout was postponed to September after the Australian suffered a serious ear infection while in the US.

Meanwhile. Mayweather had been stripped of the welterweight world title he won after beating Filipino Manny Pacquiao this year for failing to comply with rules, the World Boxing Organization said last

Mayweather, who improved to 48-0 by beating Pacquiao in May, missed a deadline by which he had to pay a \$200,000 sanctioning fee from the fight and vacate the junior middleweight title he also held, the WBO said in a statement. -AAF

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**Tenement Type** 

#### 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:

Area\*

Locality

| Tellelliellt Type      | NO.        | Аррисанс  | Alta       | Locality                         | Centrola                        | Silie                                     |
|------------------------|------------|---|------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Prospecting Licence    | 09/489     | COXSROCKS PTY LTD                               | 14.45HA    | 167km NE'ly of Gascoyne Junction | Lat: 23° 50' S Long: 116° 11' E | UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE                      |
| Prospecting Licence    | 15/5978    | LUKAH MINING PTY LTD                            | 36.61HA    | 4km SW'ly of Widgiemooltha       | Lat: 31° 31' S Long: 121° 33' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
|                        |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 15/5983    | COMBO, Terry Sheila                             | 49.93HA    | 17km SW'ly of Coolgardie         | Lat: 31° 3' S Long: 121° 2' E   | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
|                        |            | POTTER, Ronald Victor                           |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 15/5985    | BARRETT, William Edward                         | 10.97HA    | 63km E'ly of Koolyanobbing       | Lat: 30° 50' S Long: 120° 10' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2879    | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 3.41HA     | 52km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 121° 0' E  | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
|                        |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2880    | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 7.47HA     | 29km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 121° 11' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2881    | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 7.12HA     | 26km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 39' S Long: 121° 12' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2882    | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 121.38HA   | 55km N'ly of Coolgardie          | Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 120° 58' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2883 &  | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 239.99HA   | 38km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 121° 8' E  | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
| 1 Tospecting Licence   |            | CASCADE RESCONCES ETD                           | 200.001 IA | Sokiii ivv iy oi Raigoonie       | Lat. 50 52 5 Long. 121 6 L      | OOOEdANDIE ONNE                           |
|                        | 16/2886    |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2884-5  | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 259.84HA   | 57km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 120° 58' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2887    | CASCADE RESOURCES LTD                           | 62.79HA    | 30km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 121° 11' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY |
| Prospecting Licence    | 16/2902    | CASCADE RESOURCES LIMITED                       | 78.01HA    | 31km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 37' S Long: 121° 10' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                          |
|                        |            | LA MANCHA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD           | 543.81HA   | 38km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 121° 16' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 24/4910 &  | LA MANGRA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTT LID           | 343.01HA   | Sokili NW iy di Kalgoonie        | Lat. 30° 26° 5 Long: 121° 16° E | NALGOUNLIE-DOULDEN GITT                   |
|                        | 24/4912-3  |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 24/4941    | STEHN, Anthony Paterson                         | 35.09HA    | 33km N'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 121° 21' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
|                        |            | RIVERS, Septimus Charles                        |            | ,                                |                                 |   |
|                        |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| l =                    |            | SLATERY, Daniel John                            |            |                                  |                                 | WALCOND IS DOLL DED OFF                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 24/4942    | STEHN, Anthony Paterson                         | 198.33HA   | 38km N'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 20' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| 1                      |            | RIVERS, Septimus Charles                        |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| 1                      |            | SLATERY, Daniel John                            |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Droopoetics Lisans     | 05/0006 7  |   | DAE COLLA  | 26km Eily of Kolgoodie           | Lat. 200 421 Class. 1010 E01 E  | VALCOOR IE DOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 25/2296-7  | POTTS, Christopher Peter                        | 245.62HA   | 36km E'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 43' S Long: 121° 50' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4006-S  | GRANDILE, John Lee Alan                         | 9.77HA     | 25km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 56' S Long: 121° 36' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4031-2  | BORROMEI, Rino                                  | 242.70HA   | 26km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 121° 35' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4035    | POLYMETALS (WA) PTY LTD                         | 106.74HA   | 17km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 48' S Long: 121° 37' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
|                        |            |   |            | 6km S'ly of Kalgoorlie           |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4037-9  | EASTERN GOLDFIELDS MINING COMPANY PTY LTD       | 492.80HA   | OKITI S IY OF KAIGOOFIIE         | Lat: 30° 48' S Long: 121° 26' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| 1                      |            | MADIGAN, Michael Francis                        |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| 1                      |            | HANLON, Deon James                              |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4043 &  | LA MANCHA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD           | 376.96HA   | 16km N'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 121° 30' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Frospecting Licence    |            | LA MANGRA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA FTT LTD           | 370.90HA   | TOKITI N IY OF KAIGOOFFIE        | Lat. 30 30 3 Long. 121 30 E     | NALGOUNLIE-BOULDEN GITT                   |
|                        | 27/2228    |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4044-6  | LA MANCHA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD           | 560.06HA   | 9km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 40' S Long: 121° 30' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4047    | LA MANCHA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD           | 139.08HA   | 15km N'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 121° 27' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4049    | MADIGAN, Michael Francis                        | 199.24HA   | 8km S'ly of Kalgoorlie           | Lat: 30° 49' S Long: 121° 27' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Frospecting Licence    | 20/4049    |   | 199.24NA   | okili 3 ly di Kalyddille         | Lat. 30 49 3 Long. 121 21 E     | NALGOUNLIE-DOULDEN GITT                   |
|                        |            | EASTERN GOLDFIELDS MINING COMPANY PTY LTD       |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4050    | FOWLER, Craig William Vincent                   | 198.08HA   | 9km N'ly of Kalgoorlie           | Lat: 30° 40' S Long: 121° 26' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
|                        |            | FOWLER, Katherine Ann                           |            |                                  | -                               |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 26/4051    | ANGLO AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES NL                   | 199.90HA   | 27km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie         | Lat: 30° 56' S Long: 121° 37' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
|                        |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 27/2229    | MELVILLE, Peter                                 | 197.16HA   | 43km N'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 121° 33' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
|                        |            | MATTHEWS, June                                  |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 28/1278    | TURNER, Christopher Wayne                       | 4.03HA     | 78km E'ly of Kalgoorlie          | Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 13' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 36/1837    | POTTS, Christopher Peter                        | 9.72HA     | 27km SW'ly of Leinster           | Lat: 28° 5' S Long: 120° 29' E  | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
|                        |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 36/1838    | POTTS, Christopher Peter                        | 8.90HA     | 28km SW'ly of Leinster           | Lat: 28° 5' S Long: 120° 29' E  | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
| Prospecting Licence    | 37/8571    | POINTON, Alec Charles                           | 108.69HA   | 7km NE'ly of Leonora             | Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 121° 22' E | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
| Prospecting Licence    | 37/8572    | MADIGAN, Michael Francis                        | 9.71HA     | 34km E'ly of Leonora             | Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 121° 40' E | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
| 1 Toopooting Electrice | 0170012    | HADSON, Andrew David                            | 0.7 1117   | o nun E iy or Econoru            | Lat. 20 00 0 Long. 121 10 2     | EEGNOTOVOTITIE                            |
|                        | 07/0574    |   | 4.05114    | 201 511 (1                       | 1 -1 -000 501 01                | I FOLIOPA CUIPE                           |
| Prospecting Licence    | 37/8574    | DARLEX PTY LTD                                  | 4.85HA     | 39km E'ly of Leonora             | Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 121° 43' E | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
| 1                      |            | HADSON, Andrew David                            |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 37/8576    | CREW, Ross Frederick                            | 9.90HA     | 55km NW'ly of Leonora            | Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 121° 6' E  | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
| Prospecting Licence    |            |   | 190.38HA   | 30km E'ly of Leonora             | Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 121° 37' E | LEONORA SHIRE                             |
|                        | 37/8577    | HALLORAN, Wayne Vincent                         |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 39/5552    | SIBRAA, Kevin Peter                             | 199.44HA   | 95km S'ly of Laverton            | Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 122° 33' E | MENZIES SHIRE                             |
| 1                      |            | HODGSON, Sue-ellen                              |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 40/1366-8  | STUBBS, Gregory Wayne                           | 422.84HA   | 49km NE'ly of Menzies            | Lat: 29° 22' S Long: 121° 23' E | MENZIES SHIRE                             |
| Prospecting Licence    | 40/1369 &  | CAMPBELL, Roger                                 | 243.97HA   | 57km S'ly of Leonora             | Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 121° 33' E | MENZIES SHIRE                             |
| 1 Toopeoung Licence    |            | Onivii Bele, Nogei                              | 240.31 NA  | orkin o ly of Leofiola           | Lat. 29 21 3 Lully. 121 33 E    | WILMAILU UTIINL                           |
| 1                      | 40/1371    |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 40/1370    | CAMPBELL, Roger David                           | 121.26HA   | 58km SE'ly of Leonora            | Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 121° 33' E | MENZIES SHIRE                             |
| Prospecting Licence    | 51/2936    | INGRAM, Richard Barrie                          | 8.48HA     | 96km NW'ly of Meekatharra        | Lat: 25° 50' S Long: 118° 1' E  | MEEKATHARRA SHIRE                         |
| l                      | 01/2000    |   | 0.1011/1   | John III iy or moonamara         |                                 |   |
| 1                      | E4 (00 ( 5 | ARITI, Steven Ross                              | 00.40/:-   | 001 1111 (111 111                | 1.1.000.041.01                  | MEE!/ATUADDA OURDE                        |
| Prospecting Licence    | 51/2948    | ZEUS MINING PTY LTD                             | 93.40HA    | 20km N'ly of Meekatharra         | Lat: 26° 24' S Long: 118° 26' E | MEEKATHARRA SHIRE                         |
| Prospecting Licence    | 51/2950    | KING, Trent Nathan                              | 125.20HA   | 54km W'ly of Meekatharra         | Lat: 26° 29' S Long: 117° 58' E | Meekatharra Shire                         |
| Prospecting Licence    | 57/1340    | CLATWORTHY, Mark Roy                            | 79.88HA    | 56km N'ly of Sandstone           | Lat: 27° 30' S Long: 119° 28' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE                           |
|                        |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 57/1377-8  | SANDSTONE EXPLORATION PTY LTD                   | 307.79HA   | 5km SE'ly of Sandstone           | Lat: 28° 1' S Long: 119° 19' E  | SANDSTONE SHIRE                           |
| Prospecting Licence    | 58/1669-70 | IRON WHEAL PTY LTD                              | 313.76HA   | 12km SW'ly of Mount Magnet       | Lat: 28° 7' S Long: 117° 45' E  | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE                        |
| Prospecting Licence    | 58/1671-3  | IRON WHEAL PTY LTD                              | 545.38HA   | 10km SW'ly of Mount Magnet       | Lat: 28° 6' S Long: 117° 45' E  | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE                        |
| Prospecting Licence    | 58/1674    | MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD | 78.25HA    | 13km S'ly of Mount Magnet        | Lat: 28° 10' S Long: 117° 48' E | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE                        |
|                        |            |   |            | 33km NW'ly of Paynes Find        |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 59/1991    | ROYAL RESOURCES LTD                             | 2.79HA     |                                  | Lat: 29° 4' S Long: 117° 25' E  | YALGOO SHIRE                              |
| Prospecting Licence    | 63/1976    | PASCOE, David Rodney                            | 64.36HA    | 16km NE'ly of Norseman           | Lat: 32° 5' S Long: 121° 53' E  | DUNDAS SHIRE                              |
| Prospecting Licence    | 63/1978    | GOLDCRUSH CORPORATION PTY LTD                   | 146.66HA   | 14km NE'ly of Norseman           | Lat: 32° 6' S Long: 121° 53' E  | DUNDAS SHIRE                              |
| Prospecting Licence    | 70/1655    | GRANT, Regan Scott                              | 50.52HA    | 53km NWIy of Jerramungup         | Lat: 33° 36' S Long: 118° 31' E | KENT SHIRE                                |
| 1 Toopcoming Licenice  | 10/1000    |   | 00.021IA   | John Hirry of Johnamungup        | Lat. 00 00 0 Long. 110 01 L     | NEW ONRE                                  |
| 1                      |            | GRANT, Melita                                   |            |                                  |                                 |   |
| Prospecting Licence    | 70/1662    | KEYSBROOK LEUCOXENE PTY LTD                     | 127.41HA   | 20km NE'ly of Mandurah           | Lat: 32° 27' S Long: 115° 55' E | MURRAY SHIRE, SERPENTINE-JARRAHDALE SHIRE |
| Prospecting Licence    | 70/1663    | KEYSBROOK LEUCOXENE PTY LTD                     | 23.97HA    | 24km NE'ly of Mandurah           | Lat: 32° 24' S Long: 115° 56' E | SERPENTINE-JÄRRAHDALE SHIRE               |
|                        |            |   |            | ,                                |                                 | <u> </u>                                  |
| 1                      |            |   |            |                                  |                                 |   |

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 15 October 2015. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 15 November 2015), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000. For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

\* - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²



### Bird set to take flight after time on sideline



FIT, fresh and desperate to prove a point... Gold Coast back-rower Greg Bird's imminent return to

National Rugby League (NRL) action from an eight-game ban can't come soon enough for his club and the player.

As NSW coach Laurie Daley was naming an unchanged team for the State of Origin series decider, Bird was signing autographs and posing for photos at a Titans' school holiday clinic on the Gold Coast.

Taking time to meet with 450 eager young fans is hardly the worst chore for Bird, but you know he'd dearly love to have foregone the club commitment to be in Sydney with his Blues teammates.

Sidelined since early May after copping an eight-game ban for a dangerous throw, Bird's time in rugby league purgatory is nearing an end.

The final game of the

31-year-old's suspension was the Titans' round-18 clash against Manly on July 13 that followed a bye.

Titans coach Neil Henry fully expects the NSW and Australia representative to be straight back into the team for this week's trip to play Newcastle.

"We've certainly been missing him and welcome him back," Henry said

"He's been very good and motivated at training.

"I'm happy with how he's stayed focused. Particularly with it being a disappointment for him during Origin period that he's not involved. He's been going along to their camps and we've been releasing him to do that sort of stuff, so hopefully we'll see a fit and refreshed Greg Bird ready to contribute and hopefully we're some chance of playing finals footy by the time he gets back.

The bye was more welcome news for Henry, with the chance to shorten a lengthy injury list. - AAP



#### PROPOSAL TO GRANT PETROLEUM EXPLORATION PERMIT

**SECTION 29 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (COMMONWEALTH)** 

The State of Western Australia HERERY 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 Petroleum Exploration Permit application/s applied for under section 31 of the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy

| NUMBER       | APPLICANT                         | AREA      | SHIRE  |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--|
| STP-EPA-0132 | UNCONVENTIONAL RESOURCE PTY. LTD. | 668.1 km² | Donnybrook-Balingup Shire (8.1%) Busselton City (<0.1%) Capel Shire (57.8%) Dardanup Shire (30.7%) Bunbury City (3.4%) |

#### LOCALITY

The application is a State Onshore Exploration Permit application located in the Perth Basin. The application occupies a total of 11 5'x5' blocks of which 7 are full and 4 are part blocks. These are situated in the 1:1 000 000 mapsheet SI50 (Albany). A State Onshore application means that it covers the Australian mainland and islands within the application block to the extent above the AMBIS (Australian Maritime Boundaries Information System) Territorial Sea Baseline - AMB v2 2006 which defines the LAT (Lowest Astronomical Tide). The application follows the Indian Ocean coastline of Western Australia from approximately 7.5 km south of the settlement of the Peppermint Grove Beach and northwards to approximately 11 km south of Bunbury. It encompasses the towns of Capel and Donnybrook. The north-west corner of the application is located approximately 2.8 km east south east of the township of Bunbury, the north-west corner being approximately 30 km west of township of Collie and the south-east corner being approximately 34 km north west of the settlement of Greenbushes. The application commences at a point 115°40'5.42"E, 33°19'55.77"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°50'5.41"E, 33°19'55.76"S, thence south along meridian to a point 115°50'5.43"E, 33°34'55.77"S, thence west along parallel to a point 115°27'8.13"E, 33°34'55.81"S which is situated on the AMBIS Territorial Sea Baseline - AMB v2 2006, thence in a north easterly direction along the AMBIS Territorial Sea Baseline - AMB v2 2006 along to a point 115°35'45.99"E, 33°24'55.78"S, thence east along parallel to a point 115°40'5.43"E, 33°24'55.77"S, and finally north along meridian to the starting point of 115°40'5.42"E, 33°19'55.77"S. All coordinates are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94)

Nature Of The Act: Grant of petroleum exploration permit/s, which authorises the applicant to explore for petroleum, and to carry on such operations and execute such works as are necessary for that purpose in the permit area for a term of 6 years from the date the grant becomes effective and may be renewed for a further two 5 year terms.

#### Notification Day: 15 July 2015

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For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the application), contact the Petroleum Division, Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or free call 1800 628 767 (ask for extension 23813)



#### 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 | 09/2141    | RWG MINERALS PTY LTD                            | 116BL | 95km E'ly of Gascovne Junction       | Lat: 24° 50' S Long: 116° 7' E  | UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE                            |
| Exploration Licence | 15/1425    | LA MANCHA RESOURCES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD           | 1BL   | 13km N'ly of Coolgardie              | Lat: 30° 50' S Long: 121° 11' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                                |
| Exploration Licence | 16/469     | ARGUS, Stephen George                           | 16BL  | 31km NW'ly of Coolgardie             | Lat: 30° 43' S Long: 120° 59' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                                |
|                     |            | ZEPHYR MINING PTY LTD                           |       | ,                                    |                                 |   |
| Exploration Licence | 16/470     | CORINTHIAN MINING PTY LTD                       | 3BL   | 50km NW'ly of Coolgardie             | Lat: 30° 40' S Long: 120° 45' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                                |
| Exploration Licence | 16/471     | SANDRIB PTY LTD                                 | 10BL  | 48km NW'ly of Coolgardie             | Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 120° 45' E | COOLGARDIE SHIRE                                |
| Exploration Licence | 16/477-I   | POLARIS METALS PTY LTD                          | 16BL  | 60km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing          | Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 120° 2' E  | COOLGARDIE SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE                 |
| Exploration Licence | 20/865     | LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert                          | 50BL  | 49km NW'ly of Cue                    | Lat: 27° 7' S Long: 117° 31' E  | CUE SHIRE                                       |
| Exploration Licence | 21/183     | MOLLOY, Marjorie Ann                            | 26BL  | 8km S'ly of Cue                      | Lat: 27° 30' S Long: 117° 52' E | CUE SHIRE                                       |
| Exploration Licence | 26/181     | ZEEDAM ENTERPRISES PTY LTD                      | 26BL  | 29km N'ly of Kambalda                | Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 121° 43' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                         |
| Exploration Licence | 27/544     | ZEBINA MINERALS PTY LTD                         | 63BL  | 64km N'ly of Kalgoorlie              | Lat: 30° 12' S Long: 121° 42' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY, MENZIES SHIRE          |
| Exploration Licence | 28/2539-40 | RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED                        | 301BL | 86km N'Iy of Balladonia              | Lat: 31° 41' S Long: 123° 43' E | DUNDAS SHIRE                                    |
| Exploration Licence | 28/2544    | SHUMWARI PTY LTD                                | 10BL  | 134km NW'ly of Rawlinna              | Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 124° 7' E  | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                         |
| Exploration Licence | 28/2547    | RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED                        | 62BL  | 74km N'ly of Rawlinna                | Lat: 30° 24' S Long: 124° 58' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                         |
| Exploration Licence | 30/472     | LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert                          | 58BL  | 50km NW'ly of Menzies                | Lat: 29° 29' S Long: 120° 35' E | MENZIES SHIRE                                   |
| Exploration Licence | 31/1102    | PEPPER, Bradley Charles                         | 1BL   | 81km SE'ly of Leonora                | Lat: 29° 27' S Long: 121° 50' E | MENZIES SHIRE                                   |
|                     |            | PEPPER, Raymond Leslie                          |       |                                      | 3                               |   |
|                     |            | PEPPER, Vicki Margaret                          |       |                                      |                                 |   |
| Exploration Licence | 36/849     | AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED           | 1BL   | 15km NW'ly of Leinster               | Lat: 27° 51' S Long: 120° 33' E | LEONORA SHIRE                                   |
| Exploration Licence | 37/1222    | RADNIDGE, Roslyn Ellen                          | 1BL   | 56km NW'ly of Leonora                | Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 121° 5' E  | LEONORA SHIRE                                   |
| Exploration Licence | 37/1223    | RADNIDGE, Laurence Colin                        | 1BL   | 55km NW'ly of Leonora                | Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 121° 6' E  | LEONORA SHIRE                                   |
| Exploration Licence | 37/1225    | HANNANS RESOURCES PTY LTD                       | 16BL  | 46km NE'ly of Leonora                | Lat: 28° 32' S Long: 121° 35' E | LAVERTON SHIRE                                  |
| Exploration Licence | 38/3058    | PHOSPHATE AUSTRALIA LIMITED                     | 1BL   | 24km SE'ly of Laverton               | Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 122° 31' E | LAVERTON SHIRE                                  |
| Exploration Licence | 38/3061    | DUKETON MINING LTD                              | 8BL   | 50km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission | Lat: 27° 48' S Long: 122° 26' E | LAVERTON SHIRE                                  |
| Exploration Licence | 40/350     | TIMOTHY VINCENT TATTERSON                       | 8BL   | 43km NE'ly of Menzies                | Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 121° 19' E | MENZIES SHIRE                                   |
| Exploration Licence | 47/3160    | KML NO 2 PTY LTD                                | 30BL  | 41km S'ly of Karratha                | Lat: 21° 6' S Long: 116° 48' E  | KARRATHA CITY                                   |
| Exploration Licence | 47/3285-I  | BROCKMAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD                    | 3BL   | 104km S'ly of Pannawonica            | Lat: 22° 34' S Long: 116° 20' E | ASHBURTON SHIRE                                 |
| Exploration Licence | 51/1688    | NEVE, Colin Robert                              | 4BL   | 81km NE'ly of Meekatharra            | Lat: 25° 56' S Long: 118° 51' E | MEEKATHARRA SHIRE                               |
| Exploration Licence | 52/3247    | FMG PILBARA PTY LTD                             | 21BL  | 72km SE'ly of Paraburdoo             | Lat: 23° 31' S Long: 118° 17' E | MEEKATHARRA SHIRE                               |
| Exploration Licence | 52/3256    | FMG PILBARA PTY LTD                             | 4BL   | 20km S'ly of Paraburdoo              | Lat: 23° 23' S Long: 117° 41' E | ASHBURTON SHIRE                                 |
| Exploration Licence | 52/3273    | OMNI PROJECTS PTY LTD                           | 31BL  | 89km N'ly of Meekatharra             | Lat: 25° 50' S Long: 118° 48' E | MEEKATHARRA SHIRE                               |
| Exploration Licence | 57/1008-I  | VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED                | 13BL  | 72km SW'ly of Sandstone              | Lat: 28° 31' S Long: 118° 52' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE                                 |
| Exploration Licence | 57/1018    | VENUS METALS CORPORATION LTD                    | 4BL   | 90km SW'ly of Sandstone              | Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 118° 49' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE                                 |
| Exploration Licence | 57/1023-I  | VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED                | 12BL  | 89km SW'ly of Sandstone              | Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 118° 51' E | SANDSTONE SHIRE                                 |
| Exploration Licence | 58/477     | CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD        | 70BL  | 57km E'ly of Mount Magnet            | Lat: 28° 8' S Long: 118° 25' E  | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE                              |
|                     |            | LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert                          |       |                                      |                                 |   |
|                     |            | T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD              |       |                                      |                                 |   |
| Exploration Licence | 58/478     | CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD        | 70BL  | 67km SE'ly of Mount Magnet           | Lat: 28° 21' S Long: 118° 26' E | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE             |
|                     |            | LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert                          |       |                                      |                                 |   |
|                     |            | T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD              |       |                                      |                                 |   |
| Exploration Licence | 58/483     | IRON WHEAL PTY LTD                              | 20BL  | 15km SW'ly of Mount Magnet           | Lat: 28° 9' S Long: 117° 43' E  | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE                              |
| Exploration Licence | 58/484     | GOLDSTONE HOLDINGS PTY LTD                      | 5BL   | 70km SE'ly of Mount Magnet           | Lat: 28° 18' S Long: 118° 30' E | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE             |
| Exploration Licence | 59/2110    | TOP IRON PTY LTD                                | 35BL  | 48km SW'ly of Paynes Find            | Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 117° 15' E | YALGOO SHIRE                                    |
| Exploration Licence | 59/2120    | CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD        | 15BL  | 43km NW'ly of Paynes Find            | Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 117° 20' E  | YALGOO SHIRE                                    |
|                     |            | LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert                          |       |                                      |                                 |   |
|                     |            | T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD              |       |                                      |                                 |   |
| Exploration Licence | 59/2128    | MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD | 13BL  | 40km S'ly of Mount Magnet            | Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 117° 48' E | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE                              |
| Exploration Licence | 59/2129    | MINERAL AND GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD | 15BL  | 64km N'ly of Paynes Find             | Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 117° 47' E | MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE                |
| Exploration Licence | 69/3370    | ZENITH MINERALS LIMITED                         | 55BL  | 132km NW'ly of Wiluna                | Lat: 25° 29' S Long: 120° 19' E | WILUNA SHIRE                                    |
| Exploration Licence | 69/3385    | FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD                           | 148BL | 129km E'ly of Rawlinna               | Lat: 30° 41' S Long: 126° 30' E | KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY                         |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4670-I  | MOUNT GIBSON MINING LIMITED                     | 50BL  | 36km W'ly of Goomalling              | Lat: 31° 11' S Long: 116° 28' E | TOODYAY SHIRE, VICTORIA PLAINS SHIRE            |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4708    | CANNING COAL PTY LTD                            | 68BL  | 12km SW'ly of Cunderdin              | Lat: 31° 44' S Long: 117° 8' E  | CUNDERDIN SHIRE, QUAIRADING SHIRE, YORK SHIRE   |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4710    | GIANNI, Peter Romeo                             | 126BL | 22km NE'ly of Mount Barker           | Lat: 34° 32' S Long: 117° 53' E | ALBANY CITY, CRANBROOK SHIRE, PLANTAGENET SHIRE |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4715    | SHENTON RESOURCES LIMITED                       | 55BL  | 28km N'ly of Moora                   | Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 116° 2' E  | MOORA SHIRE                                     |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4716-I  | ALTECH MECKERING PTY LTD                        | 40BL  | 24km E'ly of Northam                 | Lat: 31° 37' S Long: 116° 55' E | CUNDERDIN SHIRE, NORTHAM SHIRE, YORK SHIRE      |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4717-I  | ALTECH MECKERING PTY LTD                        | 35BL  | 24km SW'ly of Cunderdin              | Lat: 31° 49' S Long: 117° 4' E  | CUNDERDIN SHIRE, QUAIRADING SHIRE, YORK SHIRE   |
| Exploration Licence | 70/4718-I  | CANNING COAL PTY LTD                            | 166BL | 31km S'ly of Hyden                   | Lat: 32° 44' S Long: 118° 51' E | KULIN SHIRE, LAKE GRACE SHIRE                   |
| Exploration Licence | 77/2105    | JAYVEE RESOURCES PTY LTD                        | 16BL  | 108km N'ly of Koolyanobbing          | Lat: 29° 51' S Long: 119° 20' E | MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE                    |
| Exploration Licence | 77/2294    | MONTEZUMA MINING COMPANY LTD                    | 22BL  | 58km N'ly of Hyden                   | Lat: 31° 57' S Long: 119° 2' E  | NAREMBEEN SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE                  |
| Exploration Licence | 77/2298-I  | STRANGE, Vernon Wesley                          | 6BL   | 104km N'ly of Koolyanobbing          | Lat: 29° 57' S Long: 119° 7' E  | YILGARN SHIRE                                   |

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant. Notification day:15 July 2015

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on 15 October 2015. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (i.e. 15 November 2015), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518. \* - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²

Notice of Intention to do a Future Act to which Subdivisions M and P, Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993 may apply - acquisition of land by compulsory process including native title rights and interests

Description of the area that may be affected by the Compulsory Acquisition New South Wales Land and Housing Corporation ('NSWLHC'), through Landcom, pursuant to s 22 of the *Housing Act 2001 (NSW) and the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 (NSW) ("the LAJTC Act")*, intends to acquire by compulsory process for the purposes of the Housing Act 2001 (NSW), all the interests, including native title rights and interests (if any), in land at Silverwater described in Schedule 1 hereunder.

#### **Description of the Nature of the Act**

It is intended that all the interests, including native title rights and interests (if any), in the land described in Schedule 1 will be acquired by compulsory process for the purposes described above.

The compulsory acquisition of the native title rights and interests (if any) in relation to the land will occur if and when NSWLHC is allowed to validly do so under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) and when NSWLHC is able to do so in accordance with the LAJTC Act. Under the LAJTC Act, the compulsory acquisition will occur by Acquisition Notice published in the NSW Government Gazette under s.19 of the LAJTC Act declaring the land to be acquired by compulsory process. That notice will appear in the Government Gazette not less than 90 days (or such shorter time period as may be provided for in s.13(2)(b) of the LAJTC Act) after the giving of a Proposed Acquisition Notice, if one is required.

#### Notification day and prescribed documents & information pursuant to s.29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993

Only persons who are native title parties within the meaning of the Native Title Act 1993 will have negotiation and other rights under Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of that Act. The notification day for the act is 1 August 2015. Under s.30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Any inquiries in this regard should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Sydney Registry,

#### Compensation

Any person with an interest in the land acquired, including native title holders, has a right to compensation under the LAJTC Act (see below).

The Acquisition Notice may affect native title rights and interests (if any) in the land as provided in s.24MD(2)(c) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) and compensation may be payable for any such rights and interests so affected. The Acquisition Notice will vest the land in New South Wales Land and Housing Corporation freed of all interests. Section 55 of the LAJTC Act states that regard must be had to the following matters in determining the amount of compensation:

- (a) the market value of the land;
- (b) any special value of the land to the person on the date of its acquisition;
- (c) any loss attributable to severance;
- (d) any loss attributable to disturbance; (e) solatium; and
- (f) any increase or decrease in the value of any other land of the person at the date of acquisition which adjoins or is severed from the acquired land by reason of the carrying out of, or the proposal to carry out, the purposes for which the land was acquired.

If compensation under the LAJTC Act is not on just terms, the holder of any native title rights and interests is entitled to compensation for the acquisition in accordance with Division 5, Part 2 of the Native Title Act 1993.

#### **Claim for Compensation Form**

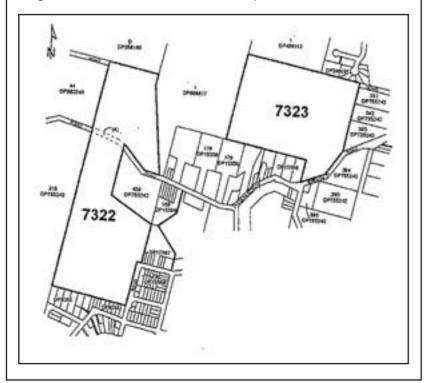
A Claim for Compensation form will be available from Landcom after the giving of any Proposed Acquisition Notice. Any owner who wishes to claim compensation for the acquisition will be requested to lodge with Landcom a claim for compensation not less than 60 days after the date of any proposed acquisition notice

For further information contact:

UrbanGrowth NSW (the trading name of Landcom) Level 14, 60 Station St, Parramatta NSW 2150 Contact: Libby Baird; Tel: 9841 8600; Fax: 9841 8688

#### **SCHEDULE 1**

Those parcels of land at Silverwater off Fishery Point Road in the Parish of Morisset, Local Government Area of Lake Macquarie, County of Northumberland, being Lots 7322 and 7323 1141840 shown on the plan hereunder.



### **Sport**

### Beale lone face in squad



was the only Indigenous player in coach Michael Cheika's extended Wallabies rugby

union squad ahead of the Rugby Championship opener in Brisbane

The Wallabies will play the South African Springboks at Suncorp Stadium.

Missing from the 40-man squad were Western Force captain Matt Hodgson and Queensland Red

twins Saia and Anthony Fainga'a. The squad assembled at

Caloundra, on the Queensland Sunshine Coast on Sunday, July 5, for a one-week camp.

Cheika last Friday culled the squad to 31.

Beale survived the chop. A media spokesman for the Australian Rugby Union (ARU) told the Koori Mail that while Hodgson and the Fainga'a twins missed out on selection, they could be in the mix for representative honours later in the year.



**Kurtley Beale** 



The men's 40s Oceania Cup champions of 2014. That team included Cliff Lyons (back row, second from right), Rod Silva (back row, right) and Jeff Hardy (middle row, far left).

## 16 teams for Oztag titles



A RECORD 16 Indigenous teams will line up at this year's Oztag World Cup on Queensland's Sunshine Coast from December 3-7.

They will be up against teams from various countries, including Australia, New Zealand, Lebanon, Samoa, Cook Islands, Asia and the United Kingdom.

Australian Indigenous Oztag spokesman, former elite rugby league player Jeff Hardy, said the growth of oztag in Indigenous communities had been amazing.

A number of former topline rugby league players will be seen in action, including Dennis Kinchela, Cliff Lyons, Rod Silva, Ken McGuiness, Andrew Walker, Dennis Moran, Kevin McGuiness, Nathan Blacklock and Ron Prince.

But playing in the World Cup comes with a price – and Australian Indigenous Oztag is appealing to anyone who can help individuals meet their expenses.

Hardy said the player's levy for the tournament was \$900. This covered plaving uniforms, touring gear, registration, accommodation, meals and transport.

On top of that was the cost of flights.

One such player seeking assistance is Toni Stone. She is in the Indigenous open women's team, while her brother Adam Gordon is in one of the Indigenous men's teams.

"It's a very exciting opportunity for me and I can't wait to participate," Toni Stone said.

People who can assist individuals can email indigenous@oztag.com.au All invoices will be from Australian Indigenous

Oztag Association Incorporated. Toni Stone can be contacted on 0403 729

Jeff Hardy played his rugby league in the 1980s and 1990s.

He represented the Illawarra Steelers between 1985 and 1989 and the St George Dragons from 1991 to 1998.

Hardy also had a career in England playing for Sheffield Eagles (1989-1990 and 1999), Castleford Tigers (1990-1991) and the Huddersfield Giants (2000). He retired in 2001 after a long club career.

"Oztag has grown in popularity based on the success of previous tours and tournaments. Word travels about how good the tours have been and more people want to be involved," Hardy told the Koori Mail.

"We also have really good people involved in coaching and managing – great role models that others want to be part of. We all stay together in the same hotel and it's one big happy family coming together wearing our colours with pride for four days.

"Oztag is growing and more and more of our people are playing it and doing well. It's a fantastic way for our people to play at a representative level.

Hardy has been busy spreading the oztag word in Queensland this year.

"As a result, we have more than 50 players from Queensland this year, which is fantastic," he

"By attracting younger players and getting them involved early means they know they have a pathway to go on and represent.

Former NSW Origin player John Simon will play on the Sunshine Coast and will coach the girls' under 16 team which includes his daughter



## Hail 'Hodgo'

### RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON **CAMPBELL** 

■HE final chapter of Justin Hodges' football career is yet to be written, but it was fitting that his final game in a Queensland jersey was a victory.

And what a victory it was! As a NSW supporter, it was a painful experience, but at the same time, I could not help but marvel at the absolute mastery of the Queensland side.

In recent columns, I have been encouraging people to make sure they witness the unique chemistry of the likes of Thurston, Inglis and Thaiday playing alongside Hodges.

As it stands, the only potential opportunity of us witnessing this again will be in next year's All Stars if Justin decides to have a final season with the Broncos.

The other three players I mentioned made the Indigenous Team of the Century announced

There can be no arguing that Hodges had the talent to be recognised in that company.

#### One of the greatest

In my eyes, he has been one of the great players in the professional era.

One on one, he was almost unstoppable with his step, his power and his pace.

When he went into dummyhalf, you immediately anticipated that he was about to create an opportunity from nothing.

He was a competitor and a winner.

He also had the opportunity to get under an opponent's skin and the opposition fans would hurl abuse at him.

But he was the type of player other players would love to play

Justin Hodges said his final Origin match would provide him with his greatest memory and is confident he leaves the Maroons backline in good shape.

The 33-year-old said it was



Justin Hodges celebrates kicking a conversion during the State of Origin rugby league decider against the NSW Blues at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, last Wednesday night. Picture: Getty

no doubt the greatest Queensland win he had been involved in during his 23-game Origin career.

'To win like that against a quality side at home is unbelievable," Hodges said.

"To leave on those terms in a game like that in front of family and friends gives me great satisfaction.

"This group of guys have showed so much toughness through injury and old age, so it was great to bring the shield home.

Hodges' only regret was not scoring a try, but he set up a spectacular one just after half-time for teammate Matt Gillett when he miraculously flicked a ball back before he stepped over the dead-ball line.

"I was just making sure I had my feet in play and I didn't know who was behind me. I just tried to flick it back," Hodges said.

"When I spun around I saw Gillo put it down. It was a special play and GI (Greg Inglis) did the same thing, he makes it look so

"I just wanted to get one up on him.'

While Hodges missed out on scoring a try, he did kick his first Origin goal when Johnathan Thurston handed him the kicking duties for the final conversion.

In doing so, Thurston missed out on a Queensland single game pointscoring record, after kicking nine from nine and finishing with 18 points equalling Lote Tuqiri's record scored in Hodges' first match for Queensland in 2002.

Young backs Will Chambers and Dane Gagai did score tries and it is that pairing that Hodges is backing to successfully fill the hole the veteran centre leaves on the right side of the field.

They will also maintain the high Indigenous representation that has been a hallmark of Queensland domination over the past decade

"Dane and Will have always had the talent," Hodges said.

'Those guys are going to be unbelievable on the right side together. They are going to take over my role and it is going to be great to watch them grow as players.'

His mate Sam Thaiday commented on Hodges' durability despite enduring serious injuries across his

"To still be playing at... who knows what his real age is... and be playing some good footy is a credit to him and the way he bounces back mentally and physically," Thaiday said.

We got a rare insight into Justin's personality as he spoke of what he was focused on before he took the field.

As Hodges stood for the National Anthem before his final Origin game, he said a prayer for his Aunty Cheryl who passed away last week.

"She was my closest aunty, like a second mum," Hodges

"I said a prayer and wanted to make sure she was there with

That reflects the true character of Justin away from the battles on the field.

He is intelligent, compassionate and good company.

Justin is also a proud Aboriginal man and his performance in the All Stars match underlined his passion and his leadership.

These were the qualities that gave Wayne Bennett enough reason to bring him home to the

Broncos after a tumultuous time in Sydney.

Despite opposition from some quarters in Brisbane, Wayne was firm in his view and has been justified ever since.

"I don't regret that for one moment and I'm sure the club hasn't either because he has become a great servant and a wonderful ambassador for the Indigenous people," Bennett said.

"This game is Justin's chance and his teammates' chance to showcase their culture. Justin is passionate about the All Stars and has always had a group of guys who could follow him."

#### **Broncos split**

Bennett has rarely opened up about Hodges' painful split with the Broncos

"He should never have left Queensland. That's why I fought so hard to keep him," he said.

"I knew Sydney was never going to be for Justin and I told him that. The people who supposedly knew better for Justin didn't know.

"It was me who rang Justin. He was struggling and I knew it. I said, 'Justin, how do we get this

"I brought him back because I cared about him. He was never going to be a dead loss for the Broncos and he needed Brisbane. He needed to be around his family again.

"You can talk about money and all that rubbish, but the environment of friendship and mateship is what these guys need. We were both destined for each other, it's as simple as that."

Last Wednesday Hodgo was playing with and for his mates.

Perhaps Queensland were always destined to win!

### Simon to return to **Boston Breakers**



AUSTRALIA'S World Cup hero Kyah Simon is heading back to the United States to spend another

season with former club Boston Breakers while her Indigenous teammate, goalkeeper Lydia Williams, has flagged her intention to return to Australia and play in the W-League.

Simon, the 24-year-old striker who scored three goals during the Matildas' outstanding run to the quarterfinals in Canada, has signed a one-year deal with the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) side pending visa clearance.

"Break it to make it. Excited to have signed with @Boston Breakers for this season," Simon tweeted on July 1.

It will be Simon's second stint in Boston after she spent two seasons there in 2012 and 2013, the first during which she led the team with 12 goals.

A devastating ACL injury in 2013 ruled her out for a year, but the spirited forward managed nothing short of a dream comeback with her dazzling World Cup performance in June, netting the decisive strike in the Matildas historic 1-0 win over Brazil in the last 16.

#### Made history

It was the first time an Australian men's or women's team has won a knockout stage match at a World Cup.

"She had a fantastic stint with us in 2012 and 2013, and if not for her injury she would have continued as a Breaker," Boston Breakers general manager Lee Billiard said.

"She has shown her sharpness and eye for goal during the World Cup, something we will benefit from in Boston.

A day after the Matildas' Women's World Cup dream was snuffed out by a 1-0 quarterfinal loss to Japan in Canada, Williams said her body and mind needed a break.

"I'm going to have a bit of a holiday to relax and take my mind off football for a little bit," she told Sky Sports Radio.

"It's been a hectic 11 months for me, so definitely going to have a little bit of a break.

"And whatever happens with clubs anywhere, we'll see, but right now it's getting my mind all relaxed again.

Williams spent last season playing in America's National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) for Western New York Flash.

But while she has signed with Washington Spirit for the 2015 season, the 27-year-old former Canberra United goalkeeper indicated she'd rather head home.

"I'll probably come back home to play in the Australian league," said Williams, whose mother is from the US and father is of Aboriginal descent. – AAP

## The Cape crusaders

By ALF WILSON



A DAVID and Goliath combination helped Northern Cape remain undefeated in the Remote Area Rugby League Far North Queensland Challenge in Cairns.

The Goliath was big Napranum Twals front rower Maurice Burke, who crashed through the defence after passes from diminutive Jason Nixon, who was the David.

The Bible may have had David and Goliath as enemies, but Burke and Nixon were teammates who turned the tide of battle.

Veteran Nixon has been playing at North Queensland All Blacks carnivals for more than 20 years. He was one of the smallest players at the carnival and the oldest.

Crafty Nixon was at his elusive best from dummy-half, firing out precision passes to eager runners like forwards Burke and Luke Murray.

Another star for the Northern Cape side was halfback Tim Oberleuter, who put teammates into gaps.

Northern Cape was selected from Cape Cluster sides Weipa Raiders, Napranum Twals and Aurukun Kang

Other sides were last year's winners Torres Strait Stingers, Palm Island Barracudas and Southern Cape.

The Southern Cape side was selected from Cluster teams Coen Colts, Lockhart River Scorpions and Pormpuraaw.

The carnival was played at the Cairns Mann Street Junior Rugby League grounds on June 27 and 28.

Northern Cape defeated Southern Cape 58-18, then beat Palm Island Barracudas 54-22

Northern Cape made it a clean sweep by beating Torres Strait Stingers

Other games: Palm Island Barracudas 37 d d Torres Strait Stingers 30, Torres Strait Stingers 42 d Southern Cape 22, Southern Cape 30 d Palm Island Barracudas 24.

Points table: Northern Cape 14, Palm Island 7, Torres Strait Stingers 5, Southern Cape 4.

Player of the carnival, Isaac Rokeby; best back, Manu Wigness (Torres); best forward, Fred Bulsey (Palm island).

After the carnival a Northern United Representative side was picked to meet Queensland Outback on Thursday Island in mid-July: 1 Manu Wigness, 2 Branden Ramsamy, 3 Mickeal Sibley, 4 Tremayne Bowie, 5 Gedi Dau, 6 Clifford Beetham, 7 Clinton Pearson, 8 Luke Murray, 9 Tim Oberleuter, 10 James Binawel, 11 Samson Zitha, 12 Bauz Harry, 13 Remus Phineasa, 14 Issac Rokeby, 15 Fred Bulsey, 16 Maurice Burke, 17 Troy Doyle, 18 George Gabey, 19 Selwyn Bowman, 20 Joey

Shadow players: Jack Sagigi, Darryl Pearson, Sebastian Creek, Robert Ketchell.

Coach, Thomas Loban; assistant coach, Garreth Smith (Weipa); manager, Patrick Lui.



Giant prop Maurice Burke and teammate Jason Nixon, who shone from dummy half.



The winning Northern Cape team.



The Southern Cape side.

### Won gold medal with a broken nose

Story by ALF WILSON Pictures by CHRISTINE HOWES



INDIGENOUS boxers performed strongly at the prestigious Sunstate Amateur Boxing League's Golden Gloves tournament in Cairns.

Boxers from all over north Queensland and as far away as Brisbane contested the June 26-27 titles at the Edge Hill Primary School

One of the most impressive performances was from Thursday Island-born Ryan Shibasaki who fought with a broken nose and won a gold medal in the 63.5kg division, beating Arthemon Inderere, from Cairns' Toe 2 Toe Club.

The 27-year-old Shibasaki lives in Townsville where he fights for the Hawks Club under the guidance of Dennis Clancv.

Shibasaki told the Koori Mail said he broke his nose while sparring in the gym a few weeks before the Golden Gloves.

'The doctor told me not to fight, but I went against that advice and my nose got hit a few times, but I ended winning by a unanimous points decision," Shibasaki said.

The Golden Gloves win is a good stepping stone for Shibasaki, who said he would turn professional next year.

Shibasaki is from a big Torres Strait Islander

family and has won 18 of his 23 amateur bouts. Many other Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islanders won medals In the sub-junior 41kg class, David Mills-Prior, from Hawks Club, took silver, and Palm Island's Brayden Nallajar bronze.

In the school age 51kg division, Leelan Sibley (Palm Island) won gold and Raymond Haines Jnr (Mareeba) a bronze.

Sibley impressed so much that he was named junior boxer of the tournament.

Palm Island's Edgar Rosser won a bronze in the 54kg, while Jamie Thomas (Mareeba) won silver and Arona Miller (Palm Island) bronze in

Indigenous boxers scooped the medals in the 60kg juniors, with Drew Cater (Mareeba) winning gold, Joseph Nallajar (Palm Island) silver and teammate Barry Rosser bronze.

Ashton Cater (Mareeba) won gold in the 60kg intermediate and Palm Island's Steven Wallace

Nathan Baira (Palm Island) won gold in the 71kg and Renzi Cater (Mareeba) gold in seniors

In the 67kg division, Palm Island's Albert Gorringe won bronze. Hayden Hopper (Art of Strength Townsville) claimed gold in the 76kg seniors and Saint Sagigi (Edmonton PCYC) a



The Palm Island team at the Sunstate Golden Gloves tournament in Cairns.

### More Country talent on parade

#### Story and pictures by PÉTER ARGENT



SEVERAL Indigenous players enhanced their prospects with outstanding performances at the 2015 South Australian Country Australian Football Championships at Port

Augusta's redeveloped Central Oval

Best on the ground in the grand final, Southern Districts' Rigby Barnes, the exciting Mallee Park pair of Kingsley Bilney Jnr and John Miller, and key position player David Kruze were standouts

The Southern Districts side went from bottom at the 2014 carnival to title winners at this event, defeating a gallant Murray South East combination in a thrilling finish by three points.

"We were offensively strong in the first half, but they closed us down in the second," Southern Districts coach Barry Pilmore said.

"Rigby Barnes, our centre-man, was best on ground in the final, followed by ruckman Scott Hunt and Jack Carter at centre half-back."

Despite having two fewer scoring shots than Murray South East, Southern Districts' efficiency was pivotal in the 9.8 (62) to 8.11 (59) grand final victory.

Barnes also kicked a critical goal in the third quarter, a freakish snap out of the pack from 35 metres out to keep his side in the contest.

"This was my first time involved at championships level," Barnes, 26, said. "I really enjoyed the experience and

I'll definitely do it again. "The final was a good standard and certainly a lot quicker than we experience on a normal Saturday."

Barnes was the Great Southern League's Mail Medallist (competition best and fairest) in 2014 and plays with the Encounter Bay Eagles.

The Western (Eyre Peninsula) zone included a pair of talents from the famous Indigenous football nursery in Port Lincoln, Mallee Park - Kingley Bilney Jnr and John Miller.

Bilney and Miller were standouts for the Western boys - Bilney mainly as a creative half forward and Miller as a running defender.

Meanwhile, David Kruze, a member of Wanderers' previous two premierships in the Northern Territory Football League including their success in March, is playing in the southern winter with the Lobethal Tigers in the Hills Football League, Country Division.

Selected for the Eastern Zone, the athletic Kruze was used as a key forward and was required to pinch hit in

"David took a half of football to adjust to the pace of the game," Eastern Zone coach Kevin 'Bluey' Roberts said.

"By the end of the carnival, we rated him as one of our best four players.

"For a man of his size, he has some

At the completion of the carnival a championship team was selected.

Barnes won a position in the centre, while Bilney Jnr was selected in the forward pocket.

They have been selected in the initial squad for the fourth annual SA Country-WA country match at Mandurah, Peel Thunder's Oval, on July 25



Best on ground in the final, Rigby Barnes holds the 2015 Country Championship Cup.

## 'Change the landscape'

### Wallaby great wants rugby to grow in **Indigenous** communities



WALLABY and Indigenous Australian Jim Williams has backed Australian Rugby to grow the game in Aboriginal communities, saying there needs to be a

combined effort across rugby organisations in Australia.

Williams spoke to ARU Media about the cause close to his heart. "There needs to be a coordinated effort,

whether from club rugby, NSW Rugby, the Super Rugby level and then the Australian level, so everyone's working off the same page. Not one doing one thing and one doing the other," he said.

With the Rugby World Cup edging closer, Williams, sees great things for Indigenous participation in Australian rugby with the Wallabies representing Australia on the world stage.

"I think we can change the landscape of the game if we can get more of our Indigenous athletes playing the game," he

#### Naturally gifted

"They're naturally gifted, with their ability, their reaction speed, and their awareness to play sport."

The former Wallabies forwards coach can identify with the choices that young Indigenous players face with each code fighting for their natural talents.

As a teenager, Williams had to decide whether to stay playing his first sport rugby league, or to make the switch to rugby

Choosing to carve out a career in rugby



union eventually paid off, when Williams was selected to play for the Wallabies in the 1999 Rugby World Cup.

Williams believes that although rugby is competing with the other football codes for Aboriginal participants, the sport also has the ability to develop and foster talented Indigenous players with the global nature of the sport, making it an appealing option for potential elite athletes.

"Rugby is a global game and important to a person's aspirations if they want to do more or be more," he said.

"Sport and rugby are good ways to focus that, especially with being able to work overseas."

Williams sees the importance of education and rugby union working together to support Indigenous Australians. For the past three years, Williams has been involved in the Learn Earn Legend program, working with Indigenous year 11 and 12

"A great connection with rugby union can help foster the Learn Earn Learn Program and help give the Indigenous kids the experience they need to move on," he said.

#### Right way

"It certainly is about doing it the right way and making sure because it's difficult those kids who have been placed in schools, who have just been plucked out, brought in and not transitioned in the right

"It's really important that there are

programs and support networks.

"While there are good programs, I always feel that more can be done, getting it out to the wider community. Getting the community itself to be able to do it, being a part of competitions and travelling interstate; creating opportunities for coaches within the community is important.

"Bringing in outside help is important to a certain degree, but I think it's more so from a mentoring role on how to set it up and get it done."

With one of the closest World Cups in years set to kick off in September, Williams believes the Wallabies can bring it home. "The main task for them is getting out of the tough pool and then the rugby will take care of itself," he said.

## Talent on show

Story and pictures by PETER ARGENT



INDIGENOUS talent again was on display during the two divisions of the Australian Football League (AFL) National Under 18 Championships.

Recruting staff from all 18 AFL clubs were on hand to see the likely stars of

The division one sides played six games over the tournament, while the division two teams each played three games

For the victorious Victorian Country side, Yestin Eades was a key member of their program

From St Patricks College and playing his TAC Cup football for the North Ballarat Rebels, Eades is a cool and composed midfielder/half forward who looks to have plenty of time to execute his skills.

He was also a part of the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) elite program.

Jade Gresham, from the Northern Knights, started his football at South Morang. He proved to be one of the Victorian Metro's most consistent players throughout the tournament and was rewarded for his efforts with his team's Most

Valuable Player honour.

Gresham is a compact footballer and as he proved in the thrilling final game victory at Étihad Stadium, Melourne, can kick freakish goals.

For South Australia, three Aboriginal talents had opportunities in this year's tournament - AIS Academy member Kieran Agius, from North Adelaide, along with the Central District pair Isaya McKenzie and Wayne Milera

Key forward Agius and McKenzie received limited opportunities, each playing two games, while Milera further enhanced his draft prospects with a handful of silky efforts which would have impressed many

He was used in the first five games as a creative wingman/half forward and in the final fixture as a running half back.

For the West Australian side, which only registered a single win, in the opening game on home soil against SA, three Aboriginal lads came under notice.

Callum Ah Chee, the younger brother of the Power midfielder Brendon, is yet another member of the AIS Academy program and displayed his superb aerial talent for his size.

Ah Chee, from Kelmscott, is in the South

Fremantle Bulldogs WAFL program.
Wesley College lad Sam Powell-Pepper and Sam Petrevski-Seton, from Halls Creek and now a student at Clontarf College, will be eligible to play in this program next year.

Solidly built Powell-Pepper was used as key defender. While he is a respectable 188cm tall, he was often played on taller and stronger opponents.

Petrevski-Seton, a hard-running and skilful midfielder, won plenty of the ball.

#### Queensland clear winners

In the division two competition, Queensland won all three games by comfortable margins.

Their tackling machine Aaron Maricic, from the Western Magpies, played as a running defence, getting the job done with a minimum of fuss.

Tasmanian Ben McGuineness, the younger brother of Josh McGuinness from the Brisbane Lions, had a huge moment of glory in the final clash with the Northern Territory on July 1 at Etithad Stadium

With the match on the line, the Lauderdale lad took a mark 40 metres from goal and calmly slotted through the game-breaker with his potent left leg.

As is usually the case, the North Territory Thunder side had the largest contingent of Aboriginal talent.

St Mary's footballers Daniel Rioli and Ben Long continued their extended familys' names at representative level.

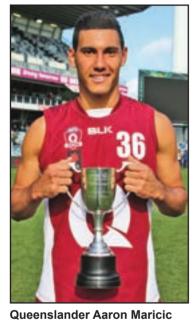
After having made his SANFL senior debut just prior to the tournament, Davin Ferriera endured a serious ankle injury in the opening five minutes of the first game at Southport, on the Gold Coast.

He came back for the third game after the initial X-ray cleared him, but a posttournament MRI scan confirmed that he will need between up to 10 weeks on the

Michael Hagan, a diminutive on-baller from the Darwin Buffaloes, defender Patrick Taban, exciting forward Ezekiel Frank and Michaelis McMasters showed plenty of talent over the three games.

The standout for the Thunder was Nightcliff Tigers on-baller Brandan Parfitt, who was outstanding.

It has been a big 12 months for Parfitt. In the NTFL season, he was the competition's best under 21 player, won the Tigers' best and fairest award and now is on the brink of SANFL selection for the North Adelaide



with the Division 2 2015 Under 18s Championship Cup.



Ben McGuinness celebrates his match-winning 40m goal for Tasmania against the Northern Territory.



Kevin Maroney in action for the Northern Territory against Tasmania.



Yestin Eades with his 2015 Division 1 championship medallion.



Callum Ah Chee handballs under pressure from Victoria Metro player Jade Gresham, who was one of three Indigenous boys to make the AFL national under 18 squad.

● LEFT: West Australian

### Three in national squad

THREE Indigenous players are in THREE Indigenous pic, the 22-man All-Australian Australian football squad named after the 2015 National Under 18s Championships.

They are Victoria Metro player Jade Gresham, division two player Brandon Parfitt (Northern Territory) and West Australian Sam Petrevski-Seton.

Gresham is the first Indigenous captain of the Northern Knights.

At 177cm and 74kg, Gresham is seen as a small midfielder/forward with speed and power. He excelled at stoppages and was able to push forward and kick important gaols.

A member of the 2012 Flying Boomerangs and winner of the Victorian Metro MVP awards, he averaged 23.2 possessions (at 76.7 per cent efficiency), six marks and 5.2 clearances across five games in the championships. Now playing at Claremont,

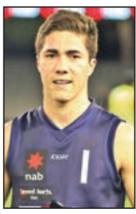
Petrevski-Seton hails from the remote Halls Creek area in the Kimberleys. Petrevski-Seton is noted for his

ferocious attacks on the ball and forceful tackles.

Against South Australia and Victoria Country, he won 20 disposals and six clearances.

Parfitt is one of six division two players in the Australian squad.

He is a 177cm, 72kg midfielder nd possesses composure and uses the ball with precision by hand and



**Jade Gresham** 



**Brandon Parfitt** 



Sam Petrevski-Seton

## The power of sport

### MAGIG<sup>9</sup>S Moments



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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EOPLE across all walks of life were left in shock with the sudden and tragic death of Adelaide coach Phil

Domestic violence does not discriminate and his passing reinforced the need for us to protect those who we love the most - our families.

The response of the Australian Football League (AFL) community was overwhelming and showed that even at a professional level, sport has the power to bring people together in times of need.

It is that togetherness and acceptance that has always allowed our players to thrive.

So it was great to hear current Freemantle star Danyle Pearce pay his respects to the memory of Walsh who had a huge impact on his rise to the top in the AFL.

Pearce said he was left numb after hearing that Phil Walsh had passed away.

Pearce spent several years at Port Adelaide while Walsh was an assistant coach.

Like many in the football community, he had spent days trying to come to terms with the fact that he would never speak to of the leadership group in the

or see Walsh again.

He said the Crows' coach was not just a great football man, but a great human being.

"He had a big imprint on Port Adelaide Football Club. He was there during a really successful period." he said.

"He had a big imprint on me

"It was a numbing and surreal feeling when I heard on Friday.' Pearce said Walsh's legacy

would live on through football. "He was a great coach and a great man," he said.

"He's touched many, many lives over the course of his life."

Pearce praised the footy community for the respect it had shown Walsh and his friends and

"It was great to see the whole footy community, with footy as a catalyst, bring everyone together," he said.

"Everyone has shown a great deal of respect over the last few days.'

#### **Thriving**

In the meantime, Pearce continues to thrive on the football field as Freemantle prove they are real contenders.

I know Ross Lyon as a coach really well from his days at the Swans and I know how competitive he is.

You can see the influence of Lyons when Pearce speaks of the team ambitions.

"We haven't won a premiership," he said.

"Hawthorn are back-to-back premiers - that's who everyone is chasing."

Pearce said the players could easily maintain hunger all year. "We are still hunting," he

"We can't put our hands up

and say we've done anything. "That's where the hunger is.

"We are striving like 17 other teams to win a premiership.' Pearce said there was an

inherent trust amongst the Freo Dockers playing group. The ladder says Fremantle is

the hunted, but Pearce says Fremantle are still very much the hunters.

You can sense the ownership



Port Adelaide Aboriginal players Jake Neade, Chad Wingard and Patty Ryder arm-in-arm in a tribute at the Adelaide Oval last Thursday night to murdered Adelaide coach Phil Walsh. Picture: Peter Argent

club and this again would resonate with Lyon's time in

But again attitude means little unless you do the hard work.

Pearce acknowledges this and like all successful athletes, his personal success is not based on talent alone.

#### Extra fitness

Pearce said the team's performances so far this season could be attributed to the extra fitness work they did over the pre-season.

"We definitely worked as a team a lot harder over the break," he said.

"We came in on our Saturdays. We did all that extra running where we've had the weekends off previously.

"We've put in a lot of work over the course of the preseason and I think it is standing up and it has been very

beneficial for the team across the board.'

Pearce said there was buy-in from the playing group after the coaches presented the idea at the start of the pre-season.

"They are trying to find better ways and more inventive ways to improve the game plan and the fitness staff wanted us to get fitter," Pearce said.

"The whole playing group said, 'Okay, if it's going to help,

"Any game can go down to the last minute. Just to know you have that under your belt, the fitness and the running, gives you the belief that no matter how long the game goes, no matter how tight it is going to be, after 120 minutes you are still going to be as good as you were at the

"I think we have the confidence in each other. "I can look at any man alongside me and they can look at me and know that we are going to do the job we need to do - put our head over the ball, go back with the flight.

"That's the one thing I can say about us at the moment: there is that trust and desire to get better and improve.

"The guy behind me will put his body on the line and I will do the same.'

From the outside, it looks to me as if the Dockers have all the ingredients to build a premiership cake.

I am certain if they are successful that Danyle Pearce will take a quiet moment to reflect on all the people who helped him get there.

And I am certain that Phil Walsh will have a special place in his thoughts and in his heart.

May he rest in peace. Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

### Uluru relay to mark 30th annivesary



ULURU will be honoured in an Australian-first relay run to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the handing back of Uluru to its traditional owners.

The 10km anniversary Relay Run around the base of Uluru, initiated and managed by the Indigenous Marathon Foundation (IMF), will be held on Saturday, July 18.

More than 100 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders from across the nation are expected to attend the event.

About 30 Indigenous and non-Indigenous representatives, including Australian politicians Senators Nova Peris and Joanna LindGren, MPs Stephen Jones and Greg Hunt and IMF ambassadors and supporters will be among the relay runners.

IMF founder and director Robert de Castella said the event was one of the nation's most significant events.

"Uluru is one of Australia's most sacred and significant historic Indigenous icons and this year marks the 30-year anniversary of when the rock was handed back to its traditional owners," he said.

"We are celebrating this incredibly special occasion with a relay run around the base of the rock and each team will bring in a message stick or a baton of significance to present to the Elders of the Mutitjulu community.

"Australia's Indigenous culture is the world's longest living culture and we are so proud of our deep, rich history. This will be one of the nation's most unforgettable events, celebrated by political leaders, IMP supporters and Indigenous and non-Indigenous people.

"It will be something special," he said. The Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) now has 43 graduates who have completed a major international marathon since 2010. Many of them now organise running groups and events in their community and will be bringing in teams to participate in the Uluru relay.

The 10km relay run is being held in

conjunction with the IMP, a program of the IMF, annual Deadly Fun Run Championships

In 2012, IMP launched the Deadly Fun Run Series (DFRS), a community-based series of running and walking events and training groups coordinated by IMP and the local Indigenous runners, for their communities.

The series consists of at least four monthly fun runs or walks, which aim to reintroduce the sport to Indigenous culture.

Four champions (male and female junior and senior) are selected annually from each community to represent their people at National Deadly Fun Run Championships at Uluru.



William McDowell-White, left, at last year's Indigenous Sport Queensland (ISQ) awards where he shared the Catherine Freeman Encouragement Award with his older brother Darryl.

## Shooting to the top

By CHRIS PIKE



**EMERGING Australian basketball** star William McDowell-White has a big decision to make that doesn't have a bad outcome either way this time next year and it's one that makes other rising

Queenslander McDowell-White always had the chance to be a supremely skilled and athletic sportsman given his father is a triple Brisbane Lions Australian Football League (AFL) premiership player and one of Queensland's finest ever footballers - Darryl White.

However, Darryl always wished he pursued his basketball further given his love of the sport and that has rubbed off on his son who continues to emerge as one of the brightest stars during a golden period of Australian basketball talent.

McDowell-White is so impressing all and sundry who see him play that he now appears to be the next Australian set to enter the US National Basketball Association (NBA).

He will become eligible for the NBA draft in 2016, but the 17-year-old has a big decision to make if he wants to head straight to the world's most prestigious basketball league once he finishes high school in Townsville, or if he wants to spend one, two, three or four years at college in the United States.

#### Sought by colleges

Colleges all over America are actively wooing him, but with the prospect of being a first-round NBA draft pick and making some big money, and playing on the world's biggest stage could be a lure that McDowell-White simply can't say no to.

Either way, he appears destined for great things. He plays the point guard position with several similar characteristics with his speed and quickness to Patty Mills, who now is a star in the NBA and was a championship winner in 2014 with the San Antonio Spurs.

Barring some sort of disaster, it does appear McDowell-White is on track to join fellow Australians Mills, Andrew Bogut, Matthew Dellavedova, Joe Ingles, Cameron Bairstow and Aron Baynes in the NBA somewhere between the next one and five years.

Not only does the teenager look forward to

what his future holds in the NBA, but he has his eyes set on playing for the Australian Boomers down the track as well. The first step in that path was his recent appearance at the FIBA Under 19 World Championships in Greece.

Australia ended up finishing seventh for the tournament, having won three and lost four matches with McDowell-White averaging 7.4 points, 3.7 assists, 2.7 rebounds and 2.1 steals despite being two years younger than the majority of the other best young talent in the world.

Representing his country and Indigenous people is something that he takes great pride in.

"It's not just Australia, but it's Indigenous heritage as well," McDowell-White said.

"I am not just representing Australia, but I'm representing that Aboriginal culture as well. It's a big part of my life."

One could have excused Darryl for pushing his son towards an AFL future following his stunning 268-game career with the Brisbane Bears and Lions that included the premierships of 2001, 2002 and 2003.

However, Darryl always had a passion for basketball and was only too happy to encourage his son to enter that sport and has encouraged him to model his game on two of the best NBA players of all-time - LeBron James and Dwyane

"I played Aussie rules at about nine or 10 and played both sports until two years ago when I decided to play basketball," McDowell-White said

"My dad loved basketball growing up. He always had the passion for basketball so he kind of directed me to a career in basketball. Pretty much like everyone else, LeBron is probably who I look up to at the moment. Dwyane Wade too. My dad started telling me to watch those

It is not as though McDowell-White feels that he is a finished product as a player, though, with the 17-year-old to focus heavily on his three-point shooting over the next 12 months before he begins playing college basketball or in the NBA

"I'm not really the best shooter so that would be the first thing I would like to improve and develop as a player," McDowell-White said.

"I definitely need to get better at finishing around the rim too. I'm kind of a skinny guy and they push me out of the way, so I need to hit the weight room."

### **Stevens on roll** with Bulldogs

By CHRIS PIKE



**KOBY Stevens** has seemingly had all the tools to make it as a regular Australian Football League

(AFL) player for some time, but it has only been the past 12 months at his second club - the Western Bulldogs – that he's cemented a position and become a vital member of their charge towards finals action.

After growing up in the Victorian country town of Lucknow and being drafted to West Coast at the end of 2009, he could never cement a place in the Eagles line-up despite showing good signs and appearing to have all the tools as a tough, big-bodied midfielder

and a good kick. Despite some strong WAFL football at East Fremantle which included his being a key player in the Sharks team that made the grand final in 2012, he managed just five AFL appearances in 2010, two in 2011 and four in 2012 at the

who was a strong overhead mark

That saw him on the lookout for an opportunity elsewhere and he landed at the Western Bulldogs ahead of the 2013 season, and is now a key player in the line-up, having now played 51 of his 62 AFL matches with them and being backed in previously by coach Brendan McCartney and now Luke Beveridge.

Stevens has been able to become an important part of the team as a physical midfielder and in the forward line and now is a key part of the Bulldogs' surprising run towards the finals for the first time since 2010.

The Bulldogs appeared in turmoil at the end of 2014 when the playing group plotted the axing of McCartney as coach with captain Ryan Griffen behind that, but then Griffen himself wanted out and demanded a trade to the Greater Western Sydney Giants with the Bulldogs receiving Tom Boyd in return.

However, Beveridge has taken over as coach and now the Bulldogs are the big surprise packet of the season to be on track to play finals in 2015, but Stevens himself even admits to being surprised at how well they have played this year.

"I suppose at the end of last vear, we had a pretty big falling out with Brendan McCartney and with Griff leaving, we didn't really know

what to expect coming into this season, but I think it was during the game against Collingwood in the NAB Cup that we changed," Stevens said.

"We played the way Luke wanted us to and I think everyone since has been a bit dumbfounded at how we have adapted to his coaching philosophy so quick.

"I probably didn't expect it to happen as quick, but so far so good, even though we still have a pretty long run to the end of the season and we need to make the most of it."

Now that the finals are a distinct possibility for the Bulldogs in 2015, it has created a different set of expectations on the club heading to the business end of the season, but nobody at the club is getting ahead of themselves.

"It's a hard one and I listened to our coach Luke Beveridge talk a couple of weeks ago about how we haven't earned the right to talk about finals yet, and I think that's a bit true," Stevens said.

"We haven't played in the finals for a few years and even though we are in the eight at the moment, until we earn that right and we are cemented in the top eight, then that's when we can start talking about it.'

Preparing for the Bulldogs' eventual win over Carlton in round 14 was thrown into chaos by the AFL community and certainly for Stevens by the tragic death of Adelaide Crows coach Phil Walsh.

#### **Tight bond**

Walsh was the midfield coach at West Coast the three years that Stevens was there so he developed a tight bond with him, and the news of his murder hit him hard.

"It was pretty difficult. I spent three years with Phil and he was probably the closest coach that I had a connection with over at West Coast," Stevens said.

"He was just such a good bloke and he loved helping me on a Monday when I would go in and sit with him, and watch game reviews for about three hours.

"He just wanted to help and when I heard the shocking news of what happened to him, I was in shock and probably still am in shock about losing him.

"It's pretty tough, but I tried to get up and play a good game for him because that's what he would have wanted me to do. It was difficult but it's something you have to find a way to deal with.



**Koby Stevens** 



The 2015 'Lloydies' team at the Australian Schoolboys Rugby Championships at St Ignatius' College, Sydney.

## Two in Aussie team



TWO Indigenous boys -Cody Walker and Harrison Goddard - have been selected in the Australian Schoolboys rugby union

They were named at the conclusion of the National Schoolboys Championships at St Ignatius' College, Riverview (Sydney).

The Australian Schoolboys will play Samoa and New Zealand Schools.

Cody played with the all-Indigenous Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRDT), but Harrison turned out for the winning NSW Schools I who beat Queensland I 22-20 in the higher division 1 final at St Ignatius.

The 'Lloydies' finished third in division 2 behind South Australia and the Northern Territory after being beaten 32-19 by South Australia in their final game.

#### **Beaten twice**

It was the LMRDT's second loss of the tournament, having lost their opening game against the Northern Territory.

In the opening game, the Northern Territory boys took an early lead, but the LMRDT hit back and led 21-18 with just a few minutes remaining.

While trying to hold on to the ball and run down the clock, the Lloydie's lost possession and in the last minute, the Northern Territory crossed the line to win

Two days later, the Indigenous team thumped Tasmania 106-0, while South Australia overran the Northern Territory 43-

Harrison attends Oakhill College in Sydney and is the youngest of three talented rugby brothers.

He played for Australian Schoolboys in 2014.

Harrison has represented NSW under 16s, NSW Schoolboys 1st XV in 2014 and 2015 and also the Australian Schoolboys 1st XV in 2014 and now 2015.

He also captained the National Indigenous Team at the 2015 ARU National Youth 7s.

Harrison is Oakhill College's sports captain in 2015.

He is an Oakhill Indigenous group leader and also involved in Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience (AIME).

Cody Walker's journey to represent his country is very different. In 2013 he and another young NSW North Coast man, Jakobi Robinson, participated in the Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team National Indigenous under 16 carnival on the Gold Coast.

At that carnival was Anthony Begg, Indigenous student coordinator from Kinross Wolaroi School (KWS) in Orange, who was volunteering as a coach and

Begg was impressed with what he saw and encouraged the boys to visit KWS and learn more about the school.

#### Opportunity

The North Coast boys were not too keen on Orange's winters, however they recognised the wonderful opportunity in front of them and were offered scholarships through KWS's Indigenous Scholarship Program.

Both have embraced the opportunities offered by KWS and have had some

outstanding achievements.

For Cody's part, those achievements include being named captain of the 1st XV and captain of the Trathen Year 7 boarding

He is also a hit with the young students in the Prep School, where he has run Indigenous games and shared his love of traditional art.

Cody was Orange's Junior Sportsperson of the Year at the 2014 NAIDOC Awards, and received the Syd Sugerman Award for the best team man in the NSW 2nd XV at this year's Australian Schools Rugby Championships.



**Cody Walker** 



**Harrison Goddard** 

### Jerkic makes it 11 fights for 11 wins



RISING Indigenous super welterweight Rocky Jerkic has continued on his winning way with a unanimous points decision over Filipino

Arnel Tinampay at Singleton on July 4. Queensland-born Jerkic has now had 11 professional fights for 11 wins (eight by

He now bases himself in the NSW Hunter Valley and trains under Rob Fogarty and is managed by Rich Claut, but has a new relationship with former world champion Jeff Fenech.

There at high hopes for the 183cm 27-year-old.

Anthony 'The Man' Mundine is one who thinks Jerkic could go a long way. Jerkic's fight against Tinampay was for the vacant International Boxing

Organisation (IBO) Inter-Continental super welterweight title.

All three judges gave the decision to Jerkic 100-90.

At the age of 18, he walked away from boxing for more than three years because he had lost his passion for the sport.

But his girlfriend, now his wife, convinced him to return to the ring and it's been full speed ahead since then.

Jerkic made his professional debut in October, 2011 and is now ranked eighth in Australia with an international ranking of 194, according to BoxRec.com

He told Aus-Boxing about his friendship and training camp with famed trainer Jeff Mayweather, his newly formed partnership with hall of famer Jeff Fenech, and his desire to make it to the top of the

Aus-Boxing said that unfortunately,

Jerkic came with a 'too hard' tag, having gone through several trainers over the course of his short career.

"Maybe it is a lack of chemistry with these trainers or Jerkic's will to want more, who knows?" Aus-Boxing said.

"All that is known now is that the 27-year-old Queenslander is looking forward, and talks about his newly formed partnership with hall of famer Jeff Fenech and Newcastle-based camp One World with trainers Rob Fogarty and Rich Claut."

#### 'Exciting things'

Jerkic told Aus-Boxing: "I've got some new and exciting things happening now and have some great people in my corner.

He spoke fondly of his relationship with famed trainer and uncle of Floyd, Jeff Mayweather.

Jerkic said he formed a friendship with

Mayweather over his Facebook account and took the initiative to ask him if he would do a four-week fight camp at the Mayweather gym in Las Vegas.

Fogarty said Jerkic was very determined, and he had the goods to become a champion.

"He's from Queensland and has travelled around a bit up there, but he was brought to us and trialled with me as his trainer and Richard Claut as his manager and we all gelled, so now he has a contract and trains with us at One World,"

"He's very family-oriented. His wife still lives in Brisbane so he goes home for two weeks to see her then comes back here to live and train for eight weeks.

"He wants to do everything he can to advance his boxing career and chase his dreams." - Graham Hunt

## Countdown to NY



**TEN Indigenous** Marathon Project (IMP) runners started and 10 finished the gruelling Gold

Coast Half-Marathon on Sunday, July 5.

It was the IMP team's biggest challenge to date as they build towards next November's New York Marathon.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island IMP runners come from Indigenous communities across Australia.

They went into their second camp on the Gold Coast on Wednesday, July 1, ready to tackle the 21.1km Gold Coast Half-Marathon

It was seven weeks since the 2015 IMP squad's first camp in Canberra

It must be remembered that just two months ago, most of the squad had absolutely no running experience.

No park runs, no local running groups, no running partners - no running

#### Inspiration

The squad was inspired by IMP ambassador Aunty Pam Pedersen - the 72-year-old pocket rocket who has run every Mother's Day Classic for the past 18 years, completed her first triathlon at the age of 58, runs four times a week and swims twice, and ran in the 10km Gold Coast run.

They all eventually found their rhythm and in just 1hr 49mins, Murray Bridge (SA) runner Daniel Lloyd crossed the finish line, closely followed by Chris Guyula from Gapuwiyak (NT). And one by one, all of the 2015 runners were home!

In November 2014, John Leha, from Marrickville, in Sydney, was 170kg. He's since lost a staggering 35kg and set himself a goal of finishing the race in under 3hrs. He smashed that goal by a whopping five minutes!

Here's how the men fared in the Gold Coast Half-Marathon:

Daniel Lloyd (Murray Bridge, SA): 1:49:22

Chris Guyula (Gapuwiyak, NT):



IMP runners with IMP founder Rob de Castella, IMP ambassador Aunty Pam Pedersen and supporters at the Gold Coast Marathon Expo at the Gold Coast Convention Centre. Picture: Graham Hunt

**Just reward for IMP** 

Dwayne Jones (Myatt Community, NT): 2:32:42 Aaron West (Queanbeyan, NSW): 2:41:41

John Leha (Marrickville, NSW):

Women:

Alicia Sabatino (Thursday Island, Qld): 2:07:09

Harriet David (Cairns, Qld): 2:09:12

Jaeme Bird (Bathurst, NSW): 2:19:46

Jacinta Gurruwiwi (Galiwinku, NT): 2:38:20

Eileen Byers (Coombell, NSW): 2:42:54

Charmaine Patrick (Alice Springs) opted to run in the 10km event because of injury.

NDIGENOUS runner Daniel Lloyd has been acknowledged for his tireless contribution to his community after being announced Sports Person of the Year at the

2015 South Australian Ngarrindjeri

NAIDOC awards The award is presented annually to the person who demonstrates commitment, good sportsmanship and is a role model in their community.

Earlier this year, the Murray Bridge local was selected in the 2015 Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) squad to train for the world's largest marathon, the New York City Marathon, with just six months of training.

Llovd has also been involved with the IMP's Deadly Fun Run series for the last two years, instrumental in helping establish the fun run with 2013 IMP graduate Luke McKenzie and encouraging increased and continuing community participation.

His dedication to running and training is evident, with Lloyd winning the Fun Run Series' male category this year and being

invited to attend the annual Deadly Fun Run championships at Uluru on Saturday, July 18.

Lloyd credited the support of his family for his achievements.

'They are my biggest inspiration. They have taught me to keep striving for what I want they never give up," he said.

'My wife played a huge part in pushing me out of my comfort zone to start running.

"I wouldn't be where I am without all of their support."

Lloyd said he was proud to represent his community.

# qualifies for Rio



THE Australian Hockeyroos qualified for the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic

Games even before their bronze-medal play-off victory over New Zealand at the women's World League Semi Final tournament in Antwerp, Belgium, on July 4.

Indigenous players Brooke Peris and Mariah Williams are members of the Hockeyroos.

A devastating opening quarter set the Hockeyroos on course to a 4-2 victory over New Zealand to win the bronze medal.

The result also officially confirmed the Australian women's qualification for the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro.

Williams scored a goal in the game against New Zealand. It came at the end of the first quarter, earning the Hockeyroos a three-goal lead at the first break.

Coach Adam Commens got the response he wanted following the previous Thursday night's 5-1 defeat to The Netherlands, but cautioned that the result did not eradicate the memories of their two defeats at the tournament.

#### Satisfying

One of their defeats was at the hands of the New Zealanders in a pool game, making their play-off win more satisfying.

"We can't forget what happened in the semifinal against The Netherlands and indeed the round game against New Zealand. We need to be better than we've been at this tournament. We'll be really fired up and working hard over the next 12 months to ensure that we are," Commens said.

With Olympic qualification assured more than a year out from the Games, Commens believes the next 12 months will determine who stands on top of the medal podium in Brazil.

"I've always said that I think that the medals are won in an Olympic Games in the 12 months before, so in 2015 you really set yourself a good platform and then you just want to do those fine details in the last three to four months leading into the Olympic Games," he said.

In the bronze medal game, Williams was making her 21st appearance for the Hockeyroos, while Peris, who came on as a substitute, was turning out for Australia for the 60th time.

## Women's hockey team BOYS TOO GOOG for the girls



THE National Indigenous Squad was a class above the Australian Southern Stars

women's cricket team in a warm-up game ahead of the Southern Stars' Ashes tour of England.

The power hitting of opener D'Arcy Short put the Southern Stars on the back foot early in the game at Allan Border Field, Brisbane, and the women never regained the initiative.

They had their moments, but the Indigenous XI won the 50-over match by 238 runs.

#### Flying start

Batting first, the Indigenous XI made a flying start, with West Australian Short and Queenslander Preston White putting on 59 before the second wicket fell at 199 from 25 overs.

With a total of well in excess 400 on the cards, Short's dismissal for 113 from 75 balls triggered a turnaround in the Indigenous XI innings, with the next 25 overs yielding 6-156 as the men finished with 7-355 from 50 overs.

Victorian Ben Abbatangelo (62), Damon Egan (53) and Cameron Trask (44 not out) made worthwhile contributions to the Indigenous total.

The women dug in for much-needed time in the middle ahead of the world of four-day cricket during the Ashes.

With runs difficult to come by against the quicks and victory target well out of reach, the women's innings came unstuck



Ben Abbantangelo in action for the Indigenous XI against the Southern Stars. The Southern Stars wicketkeeper is Alyssa Healy, daughter of former Australian Test wicketkeeper lan Healy. Picture: Getty

when spinners White and Northern Territorian Brandon King skittled the remaining batters.

The Aussie women were bowled out for 117 in the 42nd

Earlier, Short, a stocky left-handed opener, took to the Stars' opening bowlers.

Megan Schutt and Holly Ferling copped the brunt of the early onslaught, with Ferling at one point conceding 13 from one

legal delivery as Short deposited a no-ball over the mid-wicket fence and then the free hit over the rope at long-off.

After White's dismissal, Short and Victorian Abbatangelo (62 from 55) laid the platform for a

sizeable total. Short's innings of 113 included eight fours and six sixes.

Delissa Kimmince top-scored in the Southern Stars' chase with 21 from 31 balls, including two

sixes, but it was one of few bright spots late in the innings as the Indigenous bowlers proved too strona

White (4-10 from 10 overs, with four maidens) and Brandon King (3-38) were the pick of the bowlers, while seamer Brendon Smith took 2-17.

The Southern Stars will play the first of three one-day internationals against England in Taunton on July 21.



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#### Is he the next big thing in basketball?

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The Voice of Indigenous Australia



### Gala dinner to kick off 2015 Aboriginal Knockout



A GALA dinner will kick off this year's NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout at Dubbo.

The dinner at the Dubbo RSL Club on Wednesday, September 30, will include the draw for the Knockout.

NITV will provide live coverage. Guests will include some members of the winning 2015 Indigenous All Stars rugby league team.

**Walgett Aboriginal Connection (AC)** will host this year's Knockout and chose Caltex Oval. Dubbo, as the

The Knockout will begin on Friday, October 2, climaxing with finals on Monday, October 5.

#### 300-plus likely

Walgett AC spokesman Mark Deweerd said the dinner was expected to attract more than 300 guests and would be a great way to kick off six

days of activities and entertainment.

"On top of the gala dinner on the Wednesday, a kids' coaching clinic will take place the following day with a number of current and former NRL players attending before four full days of action-packed football starts on the Friday," he said.

Walgett AC chairman Geoff Simpson said: "The Knockout is a great way to celebrate Aboriginal culture and our rugby league talents. The gala dinner is an extension of this and will be a

special way to launch the Knockout. "The Knockout is steeped in tradition and we hope that this event becomes part of that tradition.'

Tickets for the cocktail gala dinner will be available at www.walgett aboriginalconnection.com.au

People are advised to get in early to avoid disappointment.

Nomination forms for under 12s, 15s, 17s, women's and men's competitions are also now available on the website.

## Perfect send-off



JUSTIN Hodges' fairytale representative ruby league send-off could not have been

scripted any better as Queensland thumped the NSW Blues 52-6 in the State of Origin decider at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, last Wednesday night (July 8)

Hodges celebrated the occasion by landing a conversion during game three before a roaring Queensland crowd.

But the real inspiration behind Hodges' emotional swan song was revealed after the game.

He could be seen saying a quiet prayer looking skyward during the national anthem before his final match of a 13-year, 24-game Origin career.

Hodges' thoughts were on his late Aunty Cheryl who passed away a week earlier. (See page 7.)

#### **Touching ceremony**

Hodges only really confided in teammate Greg Inglis after his aunt's passing, ensuring another touching pre-match ceremony.

In moving scenes, Hodges was almost reduced to tears when a heartfelt Inglis presented the veteran his final Queensland jersey before game three.

"It was very tough but I had the support of the boys," Hodges said of the past week.

Aunty Cheryl would have been proud of her nephew who did his best to add to his already impressive Origin highlights reel.

He even borrowed from Inglis' playbook, stretching out to bat the ball back into the in-goal for Matt Gillett to score just after halftime of the Suncorp Stadium clash.

"GI makes it look so easy, I thought I would give it a go,' Hodges laughed.

Hodges was given the honour of kicking the final conversion,



Queensland debutant Dane Gagai scores a try during the rugby league State of Origin decider against NSW at Suncorp Stadium, Brisbane, last Wednesday night. Picture: Getty

providing Johnathan Thurston's boot a much-needed break in the eight-tries-to-one romp.

Smith then gave Hodges the final honour of holding the Origin trophy aloft on the podium as the Maroons went into party mode.

Hodges joked he may come back as Queensland's bus driver next year.

But asked about second thoughts on his representative retirement, Hodges said: "To leave on those terms, the way the game was, and to do it in front of family and friends, there's no point

coming back. "No, that's it."

Meanwhile, Queensland utility Michael Morgan hailed clubmate

Johnathan Thurston after yet another match-winning display by the Maroons playmaker.

Thurston set up three tries and kicked nine goals from nine

#### 200 points

The 32-year-old now has 200 points from 33 consecutive Origin appearances, his nine goals the most ever by one player in a single Origin.

Morgan said Thurston's greatness was there for all to see. "He's been doing it for such a

long time," Morgan said.

To play the consecutive Origin games he's played shows how consistent each and every

year he is.

"When people knock him, he comes back in the next game and is even more dominant. It was also revealed that a

essage from childhood hero Matt Bowen may have given Queensland winger Dane Gagai a shot in the arm.

But Gagai credited another fullback for inspiring one of the great Origin debuts - Billy Slater.

He may not have played, but Slater still ensured he had a major impact on the series decider after taking rookie Gagai under his wing in Queensland camp.

Veteran fullback Slater caused a backline reshuffle for game three after suffering a

season-ending shoulder injury in

But he had a bigger impact on Gagai after bonding with the youngster while visiting their game three camp on the Gold Coast.

"He was unbelievable," Gagai

"He came up to me before the game last night and he was in my ear making sure my positioning was good.

'He gave me a lot of confidence. He had a lot to do with the way I went tonight."

Gagai already had a spring in his step thanks to his Origin hero

"I loved watching Matty, just his footwork and speed," Gagai said.

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