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Break the cycle

Musical journey



Yolngu band East Journey stunned the crowd at the National Indigenous Music Awards in Darwin on Saturday.
Picture: Amy Hetherington, NT Music

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Inquiry told of tragic legacy of violence



FAMILY violence is the main reason Aboriginal kids are being removed from their families, the Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence was told last week.

Victoria's Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People Andrew Jackomos, a Yorta Yorta man, was one of a number of Aboriginal people to address the Royal Commission in Melbourne.

"Family violence may not have been part of our traditional culture, but it's certainly part of our current culture," he said.

The Royal Commission conducted community consultations across the state and is now holding public hearings, including into Indigenous people's experiences of family violence.

Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service deputy chief executive Annette Vickery told the Royal Commission that holistic change was needed.

"Young girls must not grow up in family violence, thinking it's inevitable that they will become victims of family violence and that this is a cycle," she said.

"Young boys must not grow up in family violence thinking it is inevitable that they will become perpetrators as adults and that there are no other alternatives."

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My FAMILY

Linda Bamblett – Melbourne, Vic



THIS is a photo of me with my children and grandchildren at a variety night at the Aborigines Advancement League during NAIDOC week. At the back is my daughter Georgia, granddaughter Jamison, son Ralph and his wife Emma, granddaughter Courtney Bowden and daughter June. At the front are my grandchildren Maddison, myself, Ralph and Jacob.

I'm waiting for my sixth grandchild to be born in August.

My dad, Alfred John Bamblett Snr was born on Warrangesda (mission), my mum Esmarelda Bamblett nee Morgan (Lulla) was born on Cummeragunja (mission).

My dad came down to Cummeragunja shearing, he saw my mother, they fell in love, and that was the beginning – they had 14 children.

My dad was murdered in Griffith when was I was 24 months old. Mum was a little woman but a powerful woman, being on her own and Aboriginal with a lot of children, we

moved about for a bit, keeping one step ahead of the welfare.

We ended up in North Fitzroy. We all stayed together.

I'm the baby girl, there's a younger brother, seven of us are still living.

Now there are more than 500 direct descendants from Mum and Dad.

We commemorated what would have been Mum's 100th birthday with a graveside service and huge family reunion at Cummeragunja and Shepperton last year.

Mum believed in education, and all of us got involved in education.

All my children work for the Aboriginal community. I am really proud of them. They are really great young people.

I have never had any trouble with them. They all work and if they left school early, they went back and got qualifications.

And they are great parents. They support their children in their schooling and their sports, and my grandkids are great sports kids. – As told to Jillian Mundy

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OUR CHILDREN



Students at Mapoon State School on Cape York celebrate NAIDOC Week. See more NAIDOC coverage on pages 29-34. Picture: Christine Howes

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Film fest focuses on Ramingining doco



A NEW documentary about Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory will screen at the Darwin International Film Festival (DIFF) in September. *Another Country* – written by David Gulpilil and his long-time friend Rolf de Heer, and directed by Molly Reynolds – will screen at the outdoor Deckchair Cinema.

This NT screening is narrated and guided by Gulpilil himself, and is an attempt to make sense of the contradictions of the modern Indigenous experience.

Exploring the physical, social and spiritual landscapes of David Gulpilil's own community of Ramingining, Reynolds' film offers a first-hand account.

"From the outside looking in, broader Australia can't fathom why a township like Ramingining functions as it does," Ms Reynolds said.

"The Yolngu, especially the Elders who have experienced the world beyond Ramingining, they understand all too well.

"When it came to crafting the story of what happened when their culture was interrupted by ours, there was no one better than Gulpilil to tell us how it is."

This year's program promises off-beat films, Q&As and workshops, including on filmmaking in an Indigenous context.

Now into its sixth year, DIFF screens at the Deckchair Cinema across eight nights, from September 16-23. For tickets to *Another Country* and more information, go to www.darwinfilmfest.com.au

● Pictured: David Gulpilil in *Another Country*, a new documentary about his own community of Ramingining: "... this is about you as much as about me and my people."

Probe into land corp



WESTERN Desert Lands Aboriginal Corporation (WDLAC) has been placed under special administration by the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) because of "deficiencies in its governance and financial performance".

WDLAC is the registered native title body corporate for the Martu people of Western Australia to hold and manage their native title rights and interests. This includes exclusive use, occupation, possession and control over 136,000 square kilometres of resource-rich Pilbara land.

In recent years \$30-50 million has been paid to WDLAC from mining companies in return for its support for mining projects on Martu land. But little of that money appears to have flowed to the wider Martu community, with allegations made to the ORIC and Fairfax Media that millions of dollars have gone towards salaries and fees of WDLAC's

staff, some directors and their families, as well as consultants.

Martu people have been petitioning ORIC and politicians, including Prime Minister Tony Abbott, to investigate.

One of the issues raised by Martu people is to do with an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) signed by WDLAC for the Kintyre uranium mine near Parnngurr, an area excised from the Karlamilyi National Park in the Pilbara.

Earlier this year, some Martu people started a campaign against the mine.

Concerns

Parnngurr chairperson Muuki Taylor said in a statement that the concerns of community members had been ignored.

"These people making decisions haven't asked us, talked to our community about this," he said. "They should come here and find out what is happening on the ground before they make decisions about our country and our future."

WDLAC has 1020 registered members and 16 directors. The directors are representatives

from six sub-groups of members who, according to law and custom, represent the six areas of country within the determination area – Karlamilyingurrara, Ngayunanalku, Pilakaja, Pitijikarli, Rirrakaja and Walakaja.

Registrar of Indigenous Corporations Anthony Beven said WDLAC had been placed under special administration until January 15, 2016, so administrators can conduct a thorough investigation into governance concerns and conflicts of interest.

"Directors of a native title body have a special duty of care and diligence to responsibly manage the corporation and its finances in the interests of its members," he said. "WDLAC is an important native title body and should have high standards of corporate governance in place."

Mr Beven said the special administrators, Jack James and Paula Cowan from Palisade Business Consulting Pty Ltd, will work with the members of WDLAC and its stakeholders.



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With the men away, the women step in



Kerry-Anne Wayne, left, and Amy Yilpi at the Mimili fire crew's training day.



WOMEN from Mimili, in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands, have made history by forming the first Aboriginal women's Country Fire Service (CFS) squad in South Australia. The crew is made up of nine women, including Tania Pompey, the kitchen supervisor of all meals for the elderly and disability clients in Mimili, and recently had a two-day training session. "We decided to take up the fire fighting challenge as our men go away for different reasons and ladies are usually left on community with the children and elderly, so we thought we'd give it a go," she said. "A couple of children and grandchildren came along as well for the two days. We were taught how to service the new truck and equipment for Mimili and how to fight different types of fire. The equipment we were using were fire hoses, fire extensions and we wore fire protective suits, helmets, gloves and boots. We didn't know how important the training was going to be and the sense of enjoyment and pride in doing what we were doing was fantastic, knowing that we were helping to protect those we love and respect. We only found out later that we were the first Indigenous female (kungka) firefighters undertaking this training and that it was happening in NAIDOC Week was an added bonus." The crew is: Tanya Pompey, Kathy Dodd, Julie Anne Campbell, Sabrina Campbell, Kerry-Anne Wayne, Amy Yilpi, Margaret Yai Yai, Isabel Walker and Puna Yanima.

Focus on violence

Royal Commission told of family breakdowns

By RUDI MAXWELL



FAMILY violence is the main reason Aboriginal kids are being removed from their families, followed by alcohol and drug abuse, Victoria's Commissioner for

Aboriginal Children and Young People Andrew Jackomos told Victoria's Royal Commission into Family Violence last week.

"Family violence may not have been part of our traditional culture, but it's certainly part of our current culture," Mr Jackomos, a Yorta Yorta man, said.

In Victoria, 63 out of every 1000 Aboriginal children are placed in child protection compared with five in 1000 kids in the wider community.

Next generation

"My real concerns are the current group of Koori children in the care of the state are potentially our next cohort of family violence offenders and victims," Mr Jackomos said.

He thinks there should be a "gendered approach" to tackling family violence, even if the idea divided the community and was generally not supported by government.

His experience is that men are the primary perpetrators of family violence and women the victims.

"I'm not in favour of initiatives or programs that promote a renaissance of young warriors and male alter egos," Mr Jackomos said.

"I am in favour of growing young and respectful men who are good boyfriends, good partners, and good fathers and grandfathers."

He would like to see programs that support the rights of Aboriginal victims.

Aboriginal experts

The Royal Commission held a day of public hearings into Indigenous people's experiences of family violence, including from a panel of Mr Jackomos, Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency chief executive Muriel Bamblett, Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service chief executive Antoinette Braybrook and Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service deputy chief executive Annette Vickery.

The panel agreed that long-lasting devastating effects of colonisation, poverty and racism were key drivers of social problems and family violence in Indigenous communities.

Counsel assisting the Royal Commission Mark Moshinsky said that based on the feedback from consultations around the state, police were seen as reluctant to

attend or respond to callouts to Aboriginal people and provided less support to Aboriginal women.

"Intervention orders are seen as ineffective and breached by both parties," he said.

"Aboriginal families are reluctant to engage with government agencies for fear of child protection becoming involved.

"Intergenerational violence is evident in the number of adolescent Aboriginal people who are using violence against other family members, including grandparents."

Ms Vickery said there needed to be holistic change in behaviours and attitudes for victims and perpetrators and enhanced culturally appropriate behavioural change programs that were appropriate to the gender of the perpetrator.

"Young girls must not grow up in family violence, thinking it's inevitable that they will become victims of family violence and that this is a cycle," she said.

"Young boys must not grow up in family violence thinking it is inevitable that they will become perpetrators as adults and that there are no other alternatives.

"The way that we see this is that we must remove the fluency of gender allocation in our referencing of family violence and focus on the behaviour and not the gender of the person. By doing it the

way that we do it at the moment, the overt currency of language currently places all women in one category and all men in another, and by doing so it blocks safe outcomes."

Ms Braybrook said Aboriginal women were often invisible to policy makers.

"There is a call in our community to keep family violence gender neutral, but we do not support that," she said. "I believe that the response has to be first and foremost the safety of Aboriginal women and children.

80% doing well

"If you look across our community, 80% of our families are doing really well, so we have to celebrate that. We know there are many Aboriginal families that are doing well because they have strong family networks, strong aunts, strong uncles, strong kin.

"I think we have systems in our community that do protect, and Aboriginal culture is about protecting and we put those networks around, so strong aunts, strong grandparents. When there are not strong networks, strong extended families, then families will break down."

Mr Jackomos said the great majority of Aboriginal children were in very strong, loving, culturally rich homes and families.

— With AAP

Briggs wins two awards

Pictures by **AMY HETHERINGTON**
(MusicNT)



YORTA Yorta hip hop artist Briggs walked away with two gongs at the National Indigenous Music Awards (NIMAs) in Darwin last Saturday, for his album *Sheplife* and film clip of the year for *Bad Apples*.

Bad Apples, produced by Heath Kerr and Josh Davis, has had more than 250,000 views on YouTube.

This year's NIMA for Artist of the Year was shared by superstars Jessica Mauboy and Dan Sultan.

"What a great honour to receive this award, and when I saw the list of finalists this year, it dawned on me just how many more names are yet to be awarded this very same one I happily share with Jess," Sultan said.

Talent to burn

"There's so much great talent coming through and it's a privilege to be in the same company. I want to also thank the NIMA's and everyone who voted."

The evening was hosted by NITV journalist Malarndirri McCarthy and cabaret comedian Kamahi Djordon King.

With performances by Gurrumul, East Journey and Yothu Yindi, Frank Yamma, B2M, The Painted Ladies, Blekbala Mujik, Yirrmal and Zane Francis, the 2015 NIMAs were another outstanding culturally rich event held under the beautiful Darwin dry season sky.

Traditional Music Award of the Year went to

North-East Arnhem Land acts Djalul Gurruwiwi and East Journey.

Djalul Gurruwiwi is a healer and the primary custodian of the yidaki (didgeridoo), and known in the music business for shaping the yidaki used by Yothu Yindi throughout their career.

East Journey received the award for their songlines *Mokuy* and *Bonba*, recorded with permission from Yolngu custodians as part of *The Genesis Project* EP released earlier this year.

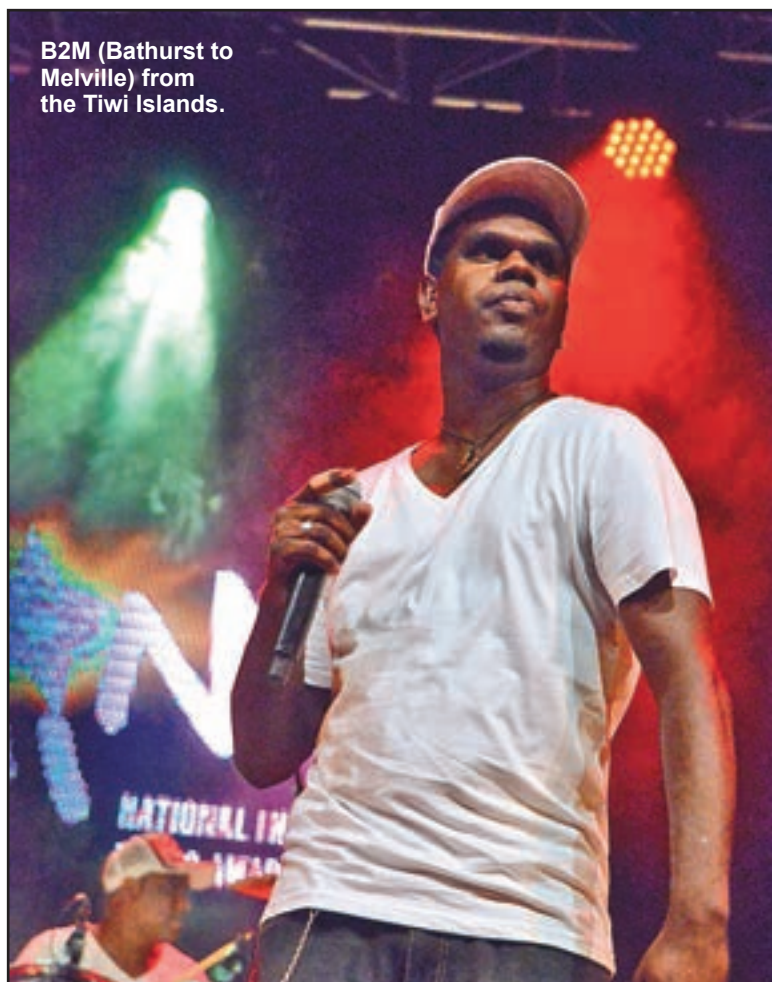
Blekbala Mujik and Vic Simms were inducted into the NIMA Hall of Fame.

Legendary central Australian band Blekbala Mujik are considered one of the most influential of Australia's Aboriginal rock bands, and Vic Simms a legend of equal standing.

Vic Simms' album *The Loner* was recorded in 1973 in the kitchen of Bathurst Jail, where he was incarcerated at the time. Almost impossible to find, *The Loner* has been described as "Australia's great lost classic album of black protest music" and has returned to the stage in the form of *The Painted Ladies*, led by Luke Peacock and featuring members of The Medics.

Queensland singer songwriter Thelma Plum won the Song of the Year for *How Much Does Your Love Cost?* while last year's triple j Unearthed NIMA winner Philly was named New Talent of the Year.

Radical Son's *Cause N Affect* won best album cover; Cairns Murri Crew won National Community Clip of the Year for *Built to Last* and NT School Band of the Year went to Karungkarni, formed in 2014 at Kalkaringi School.



B2M (Bathurst to Melville) from the Tiwi Islands.



Blekbala Mujik were inducted into the NIMA Hall of Fame.



Briggs won two NIMAs, with his album *Sheplife* recognised as album of the year, and *Bad Apples* as film clip of the year.



Frank Yamma performed songs from his recent album *Uncle*.



Philly won the New Talent of the Year award.



Yolngu bands East Journey and Yothu Yindi performed *The Genesis Project*.



Gurrumul gave the crowd a treat from his upcoming album.

Sydney city plans to give support



Redfern Community Centre staff, from left, Martin Warren, Sarah Morris, Dennis Weatherall, Di Yarrington, Preston Peachey and Kristina Karasulas.



THE City of Sydney Council is working on two plans to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses and increase job opportunities in the council and wider community.

The city's inaugural Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) and the Eora Journey Economic Development Plan are designed to support cultural, economic and social sustainability in Sydney's Indigenous communities.

Lord Mayor Clover Moore said the council had a responsibility to act as a leader in increasing Indigenous employment and business opportunities. "Our inaugural Reconciliation Action Plan outlines our progress so far, and our desire to continue working towards improving relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians," she said.

"As Australia's global city, Sydney is the gateway to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts, cultures, business and everyday experiences.

"The city can help lead the way in boosting the economic participation of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities by increasing employment opportunities within our operations, and influencing others as a customer and local government authority."

Goals in the RAP include developing new recruitment processes, encouraging the use of Indigenous businesses, and apprenticeships, internships and graduate programs for Indigenous people at the council.

Research and community consultation for the Eora Journey Economic Development Plan identified four priority areas for accelerating Indigenous economic development.

The first three – entrepreneurship, employment and tertiary education – are underlined by the fourth: supporting business opportunities and employment participation in key industries, such as finance and professional services, tourism, retail and the creative industries.

Talks offer new hope to stop terrible toll

By NEDA VANOVA, of AAP



YOUTH worker Noeletta McKenzie has had despairing teens on her veranda holding nooses in their hands, contemplating taking their own lives. But, she says, it has been almost four years since the Top End community of Maningrida has had a youth suicide.

The statistics are appalling: the national suicide average is 10.6 people per 100,000, but it is six times that figure in the Northern Territory, and 70 people per 100,000 in the Kimberley and far north Queensland.

In some communities, Indigenous people are taking their lives at more than eight times the national average, including children as young as nine.

Last week, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Evaluation Project (ATISPEP) held a round-table talk in Darwin with more than 40 NT service providers to hear about grassroots programs that are slowing suicide rates.

Ms McKenzie, who manages the GREATS Youth Centre (GYS) at Maningrida, says about 75 young people come through the doors each night.

The largest community in Arnhem Land, Maningrida is home to about 3500 people, half of them under 25.

"Suicide comes in waves; we haven't had a youth suicide in nearly four years," she said. "I guess that comes down to our youth centre operating. We have specialty

Suicide: the shocking facts

- Suicide is the leading cause of death for young Aboriginal people aged under 35.
- The Northern Territory has the highest suicide rate of Indigenous people in any Australian jurisdiction.
- The NT and Western Australia

have some of the highest median wages in the world but also some of the highest rates of poverty.

- One in 20 Indigenous people dies by suicide, but it is believed it is under-reported and that the rate is actually higher.

programs (like sex education), back to country stuff; Elders are involved in young women's and young men's programs, engaging kids on country."

Ms McKenzie said every remote community needed a locally run youth centre. "Young people know they can come to the youth workers when they're feeling no good," she said. "I've had kids on my veranda with rope; instead of them going to do it they come to me."

The young people grappled with relationship difficulties, marijuana addiction and hunger, Ms McKenzie said, but they did not lack resilience.

"I reckon the Indigenous kids in my community are probably the most resilient kids in the world; they start attending funerals when they're two years old," she said.

"The kids I have haven't had a feed, haven't had a good rest. Just having someone to listen instead of dictating. The Government comes into our communities

and dictates and dictates: 'This is what you need.'

"We don't dictate to the young people."

All the service providers meeting in Darwin agreed the Government needed to hand responsibility back to communities to manage programs.

Under the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) funding recently unveiled, GYS was allocated \$70,000 instead of the \$850,000 it was expecting.

After arguing her case, Ms McKenzie said the funding was reinstated for two years, but the uncertain future made it hard to plan long-term programs for children or to give staff job security.

"I think the Government needs to look at 10-year funding," she said.

"The Government needs to put more resources and staff into youth services, and stop bloody closing the damn things. They're closing all these youth centres and then what happens to those young people?"

NAIDOC Person of the Year Rosalie

Kunoth-Monks said the last suicide in her community, in the Utopia region of central Australia, was by a man in his 30s last year.

"I think the main message in him taking his life was: 'If we are to lose our identity, our land, and our ceremonial rites, life is not worth living,'" she said. "That shook a lot of us because I think we were living in a fool's paradise that nobody could penetrate."

Ms Kunoth-Monks said a hidden assimilation agenda was driving suicides.

"The assimilation process so far has failed to the extent that people are taking their own lives because they've been made to feel second class. They've been made to feel less of a human being than the rest of the Australians," she said.

Psychologist Tanja Hirvonen, from the Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT, said every Aboriginal family had been affected by suicide. "One suicide is too many. It affects all the surrounding communities," she said.

ATISPEP will soon hold another round-table session in the Kimberley, and will report to the Federal Government at the end of the year.

Ms Hirvonen said there would be change only if the Government seriously considered the input of local communities. "Don't talk about us without us," she said. – AAP

● Readers seeking support and information about suicide prevention can contact Lifeline on 13 11 14 or Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 (for young people aged five to 25) or contact the Suicide Call Back Service on 1300 659 467, 24/7 from anywhere in Australia.

Garma 'ideal forum'



SKY News anchor Stan Grant is looking forward to attending the Garma Festival at Gulkula, a Yolngu ceremonial site in north-east Arnhem Land, for the first time.

And Mr Grant, a Wiradjuri man, and Sky News national Indigenous affairs correspondent Dan Bourchier will provide comprehensive news coverage from festival, which is staged by the Yothu Yindi Foundation.

"Garma is a unique gathering of political, business and community circles, where people are able to discuss Indigenous issues and do it in an environment where they are really part of it, and have the opportunity to share Yolngu culture," Mr Grant told the *Koori Mail*.

"I'm really interested to see how it plays out, the level of discussion."

Mr Grant, who has been an international correspondent for American news channel CNN, said he thought Garma was one of the few spaces in which the mainstream actually engaged with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, issues and ideas.

"Australia doesn't do that discussion well and the media doesn't do that coverage well," he said.

"It's often built around events, like the Apology, that are high-water marks, then disappears from general discussion."

"We're a small percentage of the population and it's often out-of-sight, out-of-mind, go back to the margins, to the bottom



Stan Grant

of the socio-economic pile.

"For many Australians, Indigenous issues don't touch their lives and they wouldn't know an Indigenous person."

"A lot of time when I was outside

Australia, it appeared as though those discussions about Indigenous issues were not topics the general population wanted to have, that they wished for them to go away because they were too difficult by their very nature.

"You hear talk about identity, issues surrounding settlement, questions that are left over begging to be discussed by modern Australia that often are apparently intractable."

"But that's not to say you give up, and Garma provides an opportunity for people to come together, put issues on the agenda, like the Constitutional recognition debate, like the Apology, that focus people's minds and cut through."

Panel discussions

Mr Grant will be moderating several panel discussions at the festival.

"I'm not there to impose my views. I'm there to facilitate and as a conduit, to move things forward and find common ground," he said.

"That's not to say that people always have to agree. Passionate and heated discussion is great, as long as it's respectful."

"The alternative to passionate discussion is conflict and war. I've seen in Afghanistan and Iraq what happens if you don't have avenues to debate."

"I really enjoy hearing people's passionate arguments; no idea or comment should be ruled out. Ideas held up to scrutiny and the marketplace of ideas will

decide which will prevail."

Mr Grant said he believed while many issues would be up for discussion at Garma, that constitutional recognition would receive a lot of attention.

"After the recent meeting in Sydney even (Cape York man) Noel Pearson said he left feeling uneasy and short-changed," he said.

"And there are many people outside the process who are struggling to have their voices heard and wondering how they are able to access power and make a different point."

"I also think it's really healthy to have a range of opinion, debate within our own community. It's ludicrous to expect any community to be totally homogenous, for there to be one prevailing view. It's just not feasible or healthy."

"So it's good to have vigorous discussion for a broad range of Indigenous people to voice their opinions."

"There are clearly people outside the process, people who might have substantive roles in their communities, but who are not necessarily heard outside their community, who have a sense of frustration so the more we can open up discussion and the more vigorous it is, the better."

As part of the Garma Youth Forum, Sky News will take part in workshops, providing advice and training to 'roving reporters' on the Garma grounds.

Garma will take place from July 31-August 3. The theme for this year's event is Building Our Future, Strengthening Our Lives.

Actor in awe of Jimmy Little



Michael Tuahine plays Jimmy Little in *Country Song*. Picture: Rob Maccoll

By RUDI MAXWELL



ACTOR and performer Michael Tuahine remembers the first time he met country music star Jimmy Little with love and affection.

"It was such an honour," he said.

"At my first ever Deadlys hosting gig, (Deadlys creator) Gavin Jones introduced me to Uncle Jimmy. I'd seen him backstage but I wasn't brave enough to say g'day."

"Halfway through the night, he came up to me and said, 'Boy, you're doing a great job.'"

"Of all the stars, performers and actors, he was the only one who told a young fella he was doing well and that's when you know, you've met an Elder and a mentor."

"That's how you want your rock and country music stars to be. He didn't have to give me a pat on the back and I'm sure he did it a million times to other people in his life, but I remembered that. It stuck with me."

Brisbane, then Lismore

Mr Tuahine is playing the late great Uncle Jimmy in the Queensland Theatre Company's production of *Country Song*, playing in Brisbane until August 8 and then in Lismore, northern NSW from August 13-15.

He originally came up with the idea after seeing *Walk the Line*, a bio-pic based on the life of American country music great Johnny Cash.

In *Country Song*, Uncle Jimmy is whisked on a fictional road trip to his past as his story weaves through the history of major social changes of the 1970s.

Along the way we hear stories of singers Auriel Andrew and Bobby McLeod and boxer Lionel Rose in this tribute to the era and the music that was a soundtrack for a generation.

Once a smiling, cheeky child of Vaudevillians, now a poster boy for

Indigenous performers, Uncle Jimmy takes us through the thoughts of an artist who must weigh up the political power of his voice.

"The audiences who have seen show, when they comment they often say while they knew of Jimmy there were some of the other characters that they didn't know," Mr Tuahine said.

"These events really happened, like the freedom bus rides."

"Jimmy was a star alongside people like The Beatles, Elvis."

"In 1963, when *Royal Telephone* was at the top of the charts, there he is – a boy born on the banks of the Murray River at the Cummerunga Mission, in the depths of Aboriginal poverty in Australia – there he is, everybody's idol. He wasn't even a citizen in his own country."

"You can't walk past those stories. They need to be told, shared. We need to celebrate them."

"Let's give people the opportunity to have a look at the man, in one of the dark periods of Australia – a man who can have so much grace, compassion, love, and fortitude and remain a gentleman throughout."

"Our generation – I'm 40 – and younger, we walk on the shoulders of greatness. Amazing stuff has been done. All we need to do is pick up that torch, mantle, songline, boomerang, spear or guitar and walk forward and tell what happened."

Country Song, a fictionalised celebration of the music and life of Jimmy Little, by Reg Cribb, is on at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre in Brisbane until August 9 and then NORPA will bring the show to Lismore City Hall from August 13-15.

For Brisbane bookings go to www.queenslandtheatre.com.au

For Lismore bookings call 1300 066 772 or www.norpa.org.au

There will be a free Q&A session with QPAC director Wesley Enoch and Michael Tuahine after the performance of *Country Song* on Thursday, August 13.

Deadline nears for NSWALC election



TO vote in the upcoming NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) election or to nominate as a candidate, people need

to join their Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) before August 10.

NSWALC chief executive Les Turner said the future of the land rights network depended on more people taking an active role in their land council, especially young people.

"We've worked hard to build the network up to where it is now," he said.

"We're in a good position to leverage some of our hard-earned

gains into social, cultural and economic benefits for our people, particularly through our five-year \$16 million Economic Development Strategy.

position the land rights network to achieve self-determination and economic independence.

"In NSW, more than 114,000 of our mob are aged 24 years and under. This

The NSWALC election is held every four years, with eligible voters electing nine councillors to represent the interests of members in Sydney-Newcastle, Mid-North Coast, North Coast, Northern, South Coast, Wiradjuri, Central, North West and Western regions.

Voting will take place at nominated polling booths throughout the state on October 31. Applications to

vote by post from eligible electors may be lodged before October 23.

Further information about the election can be found at www.alc.org.au/

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represents more than half of the state's Aboriginal population, which is why it's essential for young people to get involved and continue the legacy of land rights."

Findings spark call for action



A REPORT that identifies the links between systemic disadvantage and postcodes has found a clear link

between levels of social and economic disadvantage and rates of incarceration and criminal convictions.

The Dropping off the Edge Report, jointly commissioned by Jesuit Social Services and Catholic Social Services Australia, has pulled together data from across the country and found little is being done to help people in the poorest areas from becoming entrenched in a cycle of extreme disadvantage.

Many of the communities identified in the report as being most disadvantaged are Aboriginal.

The National Justice Coalition (NJC) is a group of leading Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community and human rights organisations working to address the disproportionate rates of incarceration and violence experienced by Indigenous Australians.

NJC co-chair Shane Duffy said the new report confirmed much of the NJC's messaging through its Change the Record campaign.

"The majority of current approaches are just sticking band-aids over the problems," he said.

"We need a place-based



Calling for commitment at all levels: National Justice Coalition co-chairs Shane Duffy and Kirstie Parker.



approach, which invests in tackling these underlying causes and building strong and healthy communities."

The community of Bourke, one of the areas identified in the report as being one of the most disadvantaged areas, has already started to make positive changes through a community-led justice reinvestment pilot.

Good example

Fellow NJC co-chair Kirstie Parker said that while it was still early days, Bourke was a good example of a community coming together to find solutions.

"It is imperative that we continue to look to examples such as Bourke, in addressing these social issues," she said.

"In order to address this disadvantage, we need commitment at the state and territory and Commonwealth government levels.

"This must be more than an expression of concern or one-off funding. There are no quick fixes here. We need sustained commitment of targeted place-based investment into communities.

"Empowerment is key to addressing the entrenched disadvantage that many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities face.

"We can't write whole communities off – we must work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to change the record for a better tomorrow."

Christine Anu will team up with Archie Roach for the opening night of the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair on July 30.



Roach, Anu set for CIAF



SINGERS Christine Anu and Archie Roach will perform at the opening party for the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF) tomorrow

night, July 30.

Funny man Kevin Kropinyeri will play host for the event, which kicks off at 6.30pm on The Green outside the Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal.

Guests will arrive to music from multi-instrumentalist, audio engineer and producer Will Kepa, and Danny Bani, an artist from Thursday Island whose harmonies are proving popular.

After the formalities, audiences will be entertained by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander dance groups, including the 2015 winner of the Laura Aboriginal Dance Festival Shield, before Christine Anu takes to the stage for the headline performance.

Dance troupes travel from across Cape York to compete for the Festival Shield at LADF, which is the oldest dance festival in Australia.

For more information and to check out the full line-up for CIAF and to book tickets, visit ciaf.com.au

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Police watch hate group

By NATALIE CROMB



ALICE Springs police are monitoring a hate group of vigilantes that call themselves Alice Spring Volunteer Force (AVF), which is made up of 14 heavily armed 'volunteers' and led by Gary Hall, an Irishman who claims to have a link with a paramilitary group.

A Facebook post on the wall of closed group 'Alice Springs Community Forum' by Mr Hall called for people to join the group.

"Ex or current military welcome. Those experienced in communications, logistics and firearms and willing to teach others. Be a part of something to be proud of," Mr Hall wrote.

Mr Hall is originally from Bangor, Ireland, and moved to Australia seven years ago and now lives in Alice Springs.

He claims to have been associated with the Ulster Volunteer Force (UVF), a paramilitary group formed in 1966 that claimed responsibility for the lives of 33 people in bomb attacks in

Dublin and Monaghan.

Mr Hall has been vocal in his condemnation of the Aboriginal people that reside in Alice Springs, including in an interview with Irish newspaper the *Belfast Telegraph*.

"There are basically two communities where I live — the whites and the Aborigines who are stuck in the 1700s," he said.

Referring to claims that he is a racist, Mr Hall stated, "The fact is that race plays no part in who the organisation targets.

"The Aborigines carry out their own form of punishment beatings by spearing the kneecap of someone who has wronged them. I don't see what the big fuss is about the AVF doing similar."

Mr Hall has said that the group was heavily armed and prepared to use their weapons on Aboriginal people, in addition to carrying out punishment beatings. He considers that the police are not addressing the crime allegedly perpetrated by the Aboriginal community and he intends to rectify it with the use of violent force.

Not only do Aboriginal residents of Alice Springs need to be

concerned of this vigilante group's existence, but the numerous violently anti-Aboriginal posts in response to Mr Hall's drive for new recruits indicate that the potential for racial violence is a real threat to the community.

Supporters of Mr Hall were encouraging attacks upon the Aboriginal community, one even going as far as encouraging an "open season" and payment of bounties; others were engaging in racial attacks on the character of Aboriginal residents and indicating that they aren't concerned if violence is perpetrated against the Aboriginal community.

A Northern Territory police spokesperson said, "Upholding of the law is always best left to professional law enforcement officers," and confirmed officers are "monitoring" Mr Hall's group.

Alice Springs police were contacted for comment amid fears of racial attacks.

"Alice Springs police have not received any reports of unlawful activity by this group. We will continue to monitor the group's activities."



Samara Hand

Samara a UNICEF young ambassador



ABORIGINAL woman Samara Hand, 24, has been named as one of UNICEF Australia's latest cohort of Young Ambassadors.

The ambassadors will work to engage children and young people about child rights issues, gauge the views and interests of Australia's young people and represent their views as youth spokespeople.

Ms Hand, who is now living in Melbourne, was born on Awabakal land in Newcastle, and is a descendent of the Worimi

and Birripai tribes.

She recently completed a law degree at the University of NSW and said the program would give her the opportunity to talk to other young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and help their voices reach the leaders of the Australian community.

"Just being able to actually hear their voices and make them feel heard as well, I think that's something that's really important to their confidence and it's actually one of their rights under the Convention on the Rights of the Child," she said.

Anger over NT hit and run penalty



A MAN who drove off after hitting and killing an eight-year-old Northern Territory Aboriginal boy has been given an 18-month suspended sentence.

The father of the boy told the ABC he was devastated by the leniency of the sentence, declaring the system had failed. He said the driver should have gone to jail.

Michael Page, the father of Jack Sultan-Page who died in November last year after he was hit by a car, was critical of the sentence meted out to 23-year-old Matthew Alexander.

"The system, it is up to the system and I can't get my grips on reality," Mr Page told the ABC.

"It is devastating, most of all shock."

Justice Stephen Southwood sentenced Alexander to an 18-month suspended sentence and six months in home detention.

Jack was hit by Alexander while riding his BMX bicycle in Davoren Circuit, in the Palmerston suburb of Moulden.

He later died in hospital from severe internal injuries.

The ABC reported that the Darwin Supreme Court heard that Alexander did not cause the incident, but fled the scene and was believed to have been under the influence of methamphetamine.



Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda has criticised the leniency of the penalty imposed on an NT driver who did not stop after hitting a young Aboriginal boy riding his bicycle. The boy later died in hospital.

The court also heard that following the incident, Alexander parked his car in a way so as to hide the damage.

Alexander was charged on November 3 for failing to stop and render assistance to the victim.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner Mick Gooda lashed out at the justice system following the court decision.

There was a huge disparity between the way Indigenous and non-Indigenous people were

sentenced by Australia's justice system, he said.

Mr Gooda said he found that "hard to comprehend" and that he was troubled by it.

He said it seemed to be light for the crime "compared with what happens to our people".

"In the Northern Territory there's people being locked up for breaching an alcohol protection order; there are paperless arrests where people haven't even done anything and are put in jail," he said.

Clontarf model for girls' education



A PROGRAM aimed at helping Indigenous female students gain education and training qualifications will be run at seven Northern Territory secondary schools.

NT Education Minister Peter Chandler said the Girls' Engagement Program was a key part of the NT's A Share in the Future – Indigenous Education Strategy Implementation Plan 2015-17.

"Similar to the Clontarf program for Indigenous boys, the new girls' engagement program is tailored to reinforce engagement and attendance, implementing a system-wide approach with a focus on educational outcomes, health and wellbeing amongst Indigenous female students," he said.

"The program will assist students to obtain a NT Certificate of Education and Training and assist with their employment options

beyond school."

Stars Foundation Ltd (Stars Foundation) will provide the program, which will be overseen by a board led by former NT Deputy Chief Minister Marion Scrymgour.

"We would like to thank the NT Government for providing support to this very important program, which we believe will make a significant difference to young Aboriginal women in education and in preparing for adult life," she said.

Stars Foundation will operate the engagement program at Katherine High School, Dripstone Middle School, Sanderson Middle School, Nhulunbuy High School, Yirrkala School, Casuarina Senior College and Tennant Creek High School.

"As well as operating using funding from the NT Government, the program will be complemented by a philanthropic investment by the Stars Foundation," Mr Chandler said.

Action on Qld wages

By ALF WILSON



SIXTEEN Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in Queensland have been invited to select a Stolen Wages representative who will liaise with the State Government taskforce, which will be formed next month to finalise outstanding payments to claimants.

An estimated 7000 Indigenous Queenslanders, many who are elderly and in ill health, are owed Stolen Wages from when they worked as virtual slaves decades ago.

When elected this year, the State Labor Government agreed to set up a \$21 million fund to pay Stolen Wages.

Councils from 16 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities were sent letters on

July 10 by Treasurer and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Curtis Pitt asking them to select a representative.

The Queensland Council of Unions is liaising with the Queensland Government about the Stolen Wages issue and its Brisbane-based field officer Lara Watson said the community representatives would have vital input.

Ms Watson said she was not able to name the representatives due to privacy issues.

Taskforce

She said they would meet with a 10-member taskforce to be appointed by Queensland Cabinet by late August. "The 16 representatives from the councils will have a meeting day with the taskforce members to put forward any issues from their local community," Ms Watson said.

Nominations for the taskforce were called during a series of Stolen Wages meetings around Queensland some months ago.

A 1800 phone number and website will be established for Stolen Wages.

"Government is looking at the possibility to set up the 1800 number sooner rather than later, so claimants who were eligible last time have a number to contact to change their details, if they are different since receiving a payment last time," Ms Watson said.

She said two people had been engaged by the Government to work on Stolen Wages.

"The taskforce will have a team dedicated to assist them in administration, research and any other area of need," she said. "Once taskforce representatives have been selected there will be a submission process which will allow people to advise on what

issues they need to address, what should be included in their recommendations and any other matter they wish to highlight."

Ms Watson said the Government would like to start payments by the end of the year, but will rely on the direction of the taskforce and community recommendations on how that process will be achieved.

"They are confident payments and the application process for new claims will commence no later than February 2016," she said.

A Stolen Wages meeting had been scheduled in June for Thursday Island, but Ms Watson said it never eventuated.

"No one returned my calls or answered my emails about the meeting, but I was delighted to receive three nominations for the taskforce with one from Boigu Island," she said.



Queensland Council of Unions field officer Lara Watson at a Stolen Wages meeting.

Footy cup comes to Bamaga



Northern Pride chief executive Rod Jensen, left, and rugby league star Johnathan Thurston. Thurston is co-owner of Skytrans, the airline sponsoring the Super Cup rugby league match at Bamaga on August 23. Picture: Victoria Ciddor



BAMAGA – mainland Australia's most northerly town – is to host an Intrust Super Cup rugby league match on Sunday, August 23.

Located 61km north of the Jardine River and 983km north of Cairns, Bamaga hosts a significant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population, last recorded to be 784. Supplies are usually shipped or flown in.

The Super Cup match between Northern Pride and Norths Devils is being supported by Skytrans, a far north Queensland airline that has rugby league legend Johnathan Thurston as a co-owner and company director.

Skytrans has two 36-seat Dash-8 turbo-prop aircraft linking Cairns with Aurukun, Weipa, Northern Peninsula Area (Bamaga), Horn Island,

Kowanyama, Pormpuraaw (Edward River), Lockhart River and Coen.

The August 23 game will be the second Super Cup match at Bamaga following the 2011 game between Northern Pride and Souths Logan Magpies.

Pride chief executive Rod Jensen said the Bamaga game would not have been possible without Skytrans' sponsorship.

"Skytrans has been a driving force in making the game a reality for the NPA with a sponsorship investment exceeding \$50,000," he said.

"It's a huge exercise to take a state game to a regional area, and this event wouldn't be taking place without the Queensland Rugby League's backing and the support of the Bamaga community.

"Bamaga is a superb choice to host this match – the Bamaga people love

their footy, and have put so much into the game in our region over the years.

"It's great to be able to recognise the community's ongoing contribution to rugby league."

Thurston said rugby league was an important part of Australian culture and fostered a spirit of unity.

"It is important to me that our remote communities have the opportunity to experience first-hand the excitement a Queensland derby can provide, which is why Skytrans is right behind this initiative," he said.

Skytrans returned to the skies on March 31 after a rescue buy-out by aviation entrepreneur Peter Collings and Thurston.

The Queensland duo, who also own Collings Holdings Airlines, teamed up to resurrect permanent services for people in the Cape York and Torres Strait regions.

Reclaim rallies 'divide and distract'



ROXLEY Foley, the caretaker of Canberra's Aboriginal Tent Embassy, stood proudly behind the Reclaim Australia group's anti-Islam gathering last week with a sign reading "not yours to reclaim". "This kind of division, fearmongering and pandering to ignorance in communities is dividing us away from where our real problems are," he said.

As a minority group, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people knew "all too well" what it was like to be subjected to broad laws that took away liberties and choices, Mr Foley said.

"When any community or group is going to be marginalised, we're going to say 'we know what it's like and we're going to stand in solidarity with you', he said.

Vocal anti-Islam and anti-racism protesters marched to Federal Parliament, closing Canberra roads and causing minor traffic delays.

Against the backdrop of Parliament and to the tune of Men at Work's *Down Under*, the 200 or so protesters clashed with words.

Anti-racism protesters easily outnumbered the 50 people marching for Reclaim Australia, who object to Islam and say they're trying to "uphold Australian values".

The mood was at times aggressive but the violence and arrests witnessed at a similar rally in Melbourne on July 18 were nowhere to be seen in the nation's capital.

Police blocked off roads to Parliament to allow the two groups to march onto the Parliament lawns about midday.

About 30 officers, some armed with capsicum spray, kept the two groups separated on the lawns. – AAP



Matt Scott, from Modelcraft, puts some finishing touches on the model of Sydney at Customs House.

Our flags fly on city models



TWO scale models of Sydney that attract more than one million visitors each year have been dotted with miniature Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags, highlighting significant cultural and historical sites around the city.

Twenty-four flags appear across the mini cities, from Dawes Point in the north and

south to Surry Hills. Scaled-down versions of Tony Albert's 2015 artwork, *Yininmadyemi – Thou Didst Let Fall*, which acknowledges the contribution made by Indigenous people to Australia's military, have also been installed in the replicas of Hyde Park.

The two mini cities are at Customs House in Circular Quay and Town Hall House in the city centre.

Sydney Lord Mayor Clover Moore said the 1:500 scale models were a popular attraction and the flags would help people to learn more about the city's Aboriginal heritage.

"Connection"

"Aboriginal people have an unbroken and ongoing connection to Sydney, and these 24 significant sites help to reveal some of these associations,

histories and cultures," she said.

The information about the sites was taken from the City's free 2011 publication, *Barani Barrabugu*, a booklet featuring 58 sites of cultural and historical importance across the City of Sydney area including the Tank Stream, which was an important source of fresh water for Sydney's first inhabitants, and the Burlington Hotel in Haymarket, where a sit-in was held in 1965 to

protest the pub's refusal to admit Aboriginal patrons.

Sydneysiders and visitors can also use the *Barani Barrabugu* booklet to take a self-guided walking tour around the city to discover and learn more about its Aboriginal heritage.

Smartphone users can download the Culture Walks app, which now features a 4.5km walking tour of Sydney Cove, known as Warrane in Gadigal.

Police make kava arrests



NORTHERN Territory police believe they've made a dent in a kava dealing syndicate, but say there are others targeting remote Indigenous communities. In a six-week operation, four people have been arrested and charged with possessing and supplying a commercial quantity of kava, with a combined total of 760kg, and estimated to be worth about \$760,000.

About 1.2 tonnes of kava has been seized in the NT over the past 12 months, but police say that has not led to a reduction in use.

Virtually all of the seized kava was

destined for Indigenous communities in Arnhem Land, where it is sold at exorbitant cost to people who do not have much money, Detective Acting Senior

"They view Indigenous communities as a soft target and they're being exploited."

Sergeant Mark Malogorski said.

"They view Indigenous communities as a soft target and they're being exploited," he said.

Snr Sgt Malogorski said kava was being transported to Australia from the Pacific, where it is not illegal and is used for medicinal and cultural reasons.

It has a numbing effect when brewed and consumed.

"Whether you call it a soft drug or a hard drug, it is illegal," Snr Sgt Malogorski said.

He said Tongans and Pacific Islanders were involved in the syndicate working in the Northern Territory.

It was not uncommon to find \$50,000 to \$100,000 when arresting dealers, police said.

"The amount of kava we're still seizing shows how profitable it is," Snr Sgt Malogorski said. – AAP

Turning Point for offenders



FIRST-time, low-level criminal offenders in Western Australia will have their prosecution dropped if they meet the terms of a four-month trial program called Turning Point. The program aims to tackle Aboriginal overrepresentation in the justice system and will require the offender to complete activities and meet certain conditions.

Sexual offences, graffiti vandalism, offences involving a weapon and adult burglary offences are excluded from the program.

WA Police Minister Liza Harvey said the Turning Point program would allow eligible offenders to enter into a four-month tailor-made agreement aimed at addressing the root causes of their offending.

The Minister said that upon successful completion of the agreement, the prosecution would be dropped. But if the offender failed to meet the terms of the Turning Point deal, they would be prosecuted for the original offence.

"We anticipate that by intervening early and identifying and addressing the drivers of the criminal behaviour, we can reduce the chance of reoffending," Ms Harvey said. "Turning Point is about attempting to stop the cycle of criminal behaviour before it has a chance to establish."



Australian Army soldier and engineer Corporal Michael Britten, from 21st Construction Squadron, 6th Engineer Support Regiment, instructs members of Falintil-Forsa Defeza Timor Leste on housing construction techniques in Titjikala.



Australian Army medical officer Captain Brenton Systemans, from 3rd Health Services Battalion, conducts a medical examination of Edward Foster.

Army helps Titjikala



AACAP member Corporal Anita Gail with local residents in the art gallery at Titjikala in central Australia.



ENGINEERS from the Timor-Leste Defence Force (F-FDTL) have joined Australian Army engineers to

deliver building projects to the remote Indigenous community of Titjikala. The soldiers have been deployed as part of the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Program (AACAP), a partnership between the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Australian Army.

AACAP contingent commander Major Chris Sampson said this was the third AACAP Timorese soldiers had joined.

"The program helps the F-FDTL soldiers enhance their engineering capability," he said. "This year the soldiers will gain an applied understanding of 'block laying'.

"The inclusion of the F-FDTL creates a unique multicultural team environment where the cultural diversity of the combined forces produces innovative approaches to construction in remote locations."

AACAP aims to improve the environmental health and living conditions in remote Indigenous communities.

As well as construction, army personnel are holding a first-aid course, conducting health checks, helping with veterinary care, running music workshops and held a special NAIDOC celebration.

Lieutenant Valentina Nikiforova and a team of army health professionals are leading the first-aid training, providing instruction on essential life support and first-aid skill training.

Course

"This course will help to build safe and healthy communities," Lt Nikiforova said.

"A quick response combined with awareness in a crucial moment can make all the difference when administering emergency medicine and life support in a remote location.

"These skills save lives. What you do in the first few minutes will be critical. By doing the course, trainees will become more confident and skilled first-aiders."

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Badu boasts biodiversity



TSRA Rangers learning one of the techniques for biodiversity surveying.
Pictures: TSRA



A BIODIVERSITY survey conducted on Badu Island in the Torres Strait has confirmed the island has a high number of species and a healthy ecosystem.

The survey uncovered 124 animal species including mammals, birds, reptiles and frogs that have been recorded in other parts of the Torres Strait, as well as a number of new species.

Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) chairman Joseph Elu said one significant finding was the fawn leaf-nosed bat, which is listed as vulnerable under Queensland's *Nature Conservation Act (1992)*.

"The fawn leaf-nosed bat is previously known to exist in the Coen region around the tip of Cape York and has been recorded in Iron Range National Park, Mungkan Kandju National Park and Kulla (McIlwraith) National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land) in Queensland," Mr Elu said.

"The survey found the insect-eating bat to be at a roost in substantial numbers on the island."

The survey also recorded



A fawn leaf-nosed bat trapped and released on Badu Island.

robust populations of the native rodents grassland melomys and the Cape York melomys, which Mr Elu said was a good sign for the local ecology.

Rangers, ranger supervisors and trainees from Mura Badhulgal (Badu), Mua Lagalgau (Moa) and Mabuigiw (Mabuiag) took part in all aspects of the fauna survey.

"The local knowledge and hard work of the TSRA team were invaluable to the success of the survey, and created increased capacity for rangers – such as how to trap and identify animals as well as undertake general habitat descriptions – so they can continue to carry out these surveys in the future," Mr Elu said.



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Building Safe Communities for Women Funding Round

The Australian Government is inviting grant applications from eligible organisations under the *Building Safe Communities for Women and their Children* funding round.

One-off funding of up to \$150,000 over two financial years is available to local community groups, not-for profit organisations and local government authorities from 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2017.

Funding will assist grant recipients to respond to local needs, and develop and implement targeted, practical solutions to prevent violence, improve safety and provide support to women and their children experiencing violence.

It is not intended for ongoing service provision.

Building Safe Communities for Women and their Children is an Australian Government initiative under the *National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022*. It builds on the partnership between Australian governments and communities to reduce violence against women and their children.

Applications close 2pm AEST Thursday 27 August 2015. Further information is available at www.dss.gov.au/grants.

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Rangers move croc



THE Nyikina Mangala Rangers have captured and relocated a cranky 3.2m male crocodile from the Fitzroy River after it had become a threat to public safety.

The croc had been lunging at locals and displaying aggressive behaviour to those threatening its territory at the popular Minnie Bridge camping and fishing area near Willare, about 160km north of Broome.

Nyikina Mangala ranger Kimberley Watson, who works for the Kimberley Land Council (KLC), said the crocodile was the second his team had captured in the past two months, after they trapped a 3.6m animal in May at another camping area on the Fitzroy River.

"Locals swim, camp and fish at the spot where we caught the croc," he said.

"He wasn't shy and you would see him on the bank every day. But because he became intimidating and aggressive, it was time to move him.

"We knew exactly where he was because there's this little pool where he hangs out and there were tracks and big slides along the river bank.

"We found a nice little area where the water comes up and set



Nyikina Mangala Rangers Cyril Watson and John Butt with the 3.2m crocodile they caught in the Fitzroy River, north of Broome. Picture: Kimberley Land Council

the trap up there, using fresh beef as bait. It took a little while, maybe a week or so but we caught him in the end.

"The crocodile was a healthy male in the prime of its life, so the Malcolm Douglas Crocodile Park, where we relocated it to, was

pretty happy to have him because they said he's going to be good breeding stock."

Mr Watson said his group had

stepped up their efforts to monitor and manage aggressive crocodiles in the interests of public safety.

"An aggressive crocodile this size can be a threat to locals and tourists and we don't want anyone to get hurt," he said.

"We don't want to remove all the crocodiles from the Fitzroy River. People have to understand that this is the crocodile's home and they have to be aware of that. It's just about explaining this to people and educating them.

"Saltwater crocodile numbers are increasing and we are seeing them migrate up the river and into pools and fishing places where we've never seen them before.

"We all know that crocodiles are there so everyone needs to be careful when they go out fishing and camping. If you make sure you clean your fish away from the water's edge and keep the camp ground clean, there shouldn't be any problems."

All crocodile sightings in the Fitzroy River area should be reported to the Nyikina Mangala Rangers on (08) 9191 7960.

To view video footage of the croc capture head to the KLC's Youtube page youtu.be/TCBISbr4Xq0 or Facebook page.



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NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL ELECTION OF 9 COUNCILLORS

In accordance with the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*, and Regulation thereunder, an election is to be held for 9 councillors of the New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council with one member to be elected to represent each of the following Regional Aboriginal Land Council areas:-

Central	Mid North Coast	North Coast
Northern	North Western	South Coast
Sydney/Newcastle	Western	Wiradjuri

WHO CAN VOTE

A person is entitled to vote at the election for a Councillor to represent a Region if the person is a voting member of a Local Aboriginal Land Council within the Region. However a person is only entitled to cast his or her vote in respect of the Local Aboriginal Land Council area for which the person is a voting member.

CLOSE OF ROLLS

The rolls for the election will close at **12 Noon, Monday, 10 August 2015**. The roll of a Local Aboriginal Land Council may be inspected at the office of the Council during normal office hours.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Information regarding enrolment procedures is available from the following:

Registrar – *Aboriginal Land Rights Act*

C/- Tranby Aboriginal College, 11-13 Mansfield Street, Glebe

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Fax: (02) 9562 6350

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New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council

Level 4, 33 Argyle Street, Parramatta – Phone: (02) 9689 4444

New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council Zone Offices

Eastern Zone 50/24-26 Watts Street, Gosford – Phone (02) 4337 4700

Far Western Zone Level 3, NSW State Government Building, 32 Sulphide Street, Broken Hill – Phone (08) 8087 3468

Northern Zone 2/26 Park Avenue, Coffs Harbour – Phone (02) 6659 1200

Southern Zone Unit 22, 289 Canberra Avenue, Fyshwick ACT – Phone (02) 6124 3555

Western Zone 2/36 Darling Street, Dubbo – Phone (02) 6885 7000

NOMINATIONS

Nominations will be able to be lodged with the Returning Officer on and from Tuesday, 8 September 2015 and will close at **12 Noon, Tuesday, 6 October 2015**.

ELECTION DAY

Election day will be **Saturday, 31 October 2015**.

Steve Robb

Returning Officer

New South Wales Electoral Commission

Level 25, 201 Kent Street, Sydney

Phone 1300 135 736 or

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Proposed changes to WA's electoral boundaries – the shape of things to come

Electoral districts and regions are now proposed that will apply from the next State election.

Help shape our state by giving us your thoughts on these proposals.

We invite you to lodge written comments or objections and to suggest names for new and amended districts by **5pm on 24 August**.

To view maps and the reasons for the changes, visit www.boundaries.wa.gov.au or call (08) 9214 0450 (country callers 13 63 06)

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ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES 2015



Family affair: Margaret Hornagold and Amarina Smith are both studying law.

Law all in the family for aunt and niece



MARGARET Hornagold and her niece, Amarina Smith, are both working towards law degrees.

Ms Hornagold, a mother, grandmother and native title claimant, already has many years of work behind her, while Ms Smith left high school to start a double degree she hopes will put her on the world stage.

"I'd love to do something in international law," Ms Smith said. "Human rights law really interests me as well, so maybe some kind of combination of those two."

Ms Hornagold's aim is closer to home. When working for Community Corrections she noticed how little people knew about legal processes – particularly young people – and she would like to correct this.

Ms Hornagold is in her final year of her Bachelor of Laws at CQ University in Rockhampton, central Queensland.

Ms Smith is a fulltime student in the second year of a double degree at Griffith University in Brisbane – a Bachelor of Laws/Bachelor of Government and International Relations.

"I've actually wanted to be a lawyer since I was about eight years old," she said.

"I remember telling my parents that one day I wanted to be a lawyer. I don't know where it came from; maybe a book? They kind of expected it to change the next week, as young kids tend to do, but it stayed the same."

Global Voices

Ms Smith has presented her first international paper, to the World Trade Organisation Public Forum in Switzerland last year, as part of a three-month research fellowship with Global Voices.

Ms Hornagold was the first in her family to finish high school and, as a mature-aged student, the first to go to university, where she completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1988.

In between degrees, she has worked for organisations including the Commonwealth Bank, ATSIC, and Community Corrections in Rockhampton.

Her latest studies pick up where she left off more than 25 years ago.

"(Law study) was always something that was just bubbling away in the back of my mind but it still took a number of years before the opportunity arose and, in 2013, I decided 'why not?'" Ms Hornagold said.

"I like constitutional law and I like the native title area and, I think, not too far away there's going to be a review of native title in Australia – what it's delivered and what it hasn't."

"I think there's starting to become a groundswell of people talking more about sovereignty issues, and how that plays out in an international way."

Flashback to September 15, 2000, and Australian sporting star Cathy Freeman lights the Olympic cauldron in Sydney to ignite the 27th Olympiad of the modern era. The suit she wore has been returned after disappearing 15 years ago. Picture: AFP



Suit back with Cathy



CATHY Freeman has been reunited with the bodysuit she wore at the 2000 Sydney Olympics opening ceremony.

The ensemble went missing after the champion athlete left it in the

stadium dressing room almost 15 years ago.

It was anonymously mailed into the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) sports museum last December, and officials have since been trying to confirm its authenticity.

Freeman revealed the good news on Friday, July 17.

"Finally been reunited with my authenticated Sydney2000 opening ceremony suit!" the 400m Olympic gold medalist tweeted.

"Thanks to all involved in returning it!" – AAP

VALS running legal service



LEGAL services for Tasmanian Aboriginal people will now be

provided by the new Tasmanian Aboriginal Community Legal Service (TACLS).

The Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS) has established offices in Hobart and Launceston and operates outreach services to other locations across the state.

VALS chief executive officer Wayne Muir said a state advisory committee would be established and a position on the VALS Board would be reserved for a Tasmanian representative to inform operations and governance.

Mr Muir said VALS decided to apply to the Federal Attorney General's



Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service chief executive Wayne Muir and strategic adviser Meena Singh.

Department to deliver Aboriginal legal services in Tasmania as it was concerned that it could be awarded to a non-Aboriginal provider.

"Tasmania was the only state where the Commonwealth Government was advertising the contract to deliver the service in an open

and competitive environment," he said.

"We took the view that the current provider was unlikely to be reappointed.

"It is important to note that in our proposal to the Commonwealth we wrote that any Aboriginal legal service established by VALS in Tasmania could, with the right support, be returned to Aboriginal control in Tasmania. We remain committed to this approach."

Mr Muir said, as much as possible, all legal work would be completed by the TACLS, rather than briefing out to private legal professionals.

"This is a model that successfully works for all other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander legal services across the country," he said.

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Justice on trial

By ALF WILSON



PROUD Bwngcolman man Whanjullahimbala said he wanted to put the Western system of justice on trial when he appeared in a north Queensland court in his traditional Murri attire.

Whanjullahimbala appeared in the Townsville Magistrates Court on July 16 on two charges of obstructing police and failing to appear.

The charges were in the name of Timothy Jai Cummings, which Whanjullahimbala says is "an entity created in his image without his consent".

It was just before 9.15am when Whanjullahimbala arrived at the back entrance of the court building.

"I started off with a smoking and walked around to the back entrance the same way they have established the system in the country through the back door," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"A security guard rushed out and said the magistrate has called your name. I replied I thought court didn't start until 9.30am and he replied they want to see you before the other court proceedings."

The security officer told Whanjullahimbala he could not take his smoking plant



Whanjullahimbala outside the Townsville Magistrates Court.

inside because it would set off the smoke alarm.

He was also told to leave his boomerang and message stick outside.

"I said I will leave the boomerang but I will take the message stick as I am a carrier of a message to let them know that the boomerang law is coming back to hit them," he said.

The magistrate asked whether it was the matter for Timothy Jai Cummings.

"The prosecutor said 'Yes,' and the magistrate said

'Haven't I already issued a warrant?'" Whanjullahimbala said.

"The prosecutor said 'Yes, but he has arrived.'

"I then stated that 'I am Whanjullahimbala Bolgababai Yagamarrri' with my hand held in the air with my folder stating that I have Timothy Cummings in this folder, which you have the birth certificate to and you have created an entity in my image without my consent.

"The magistrate then stated 'I cannot go any further with this' and set the matter for a

trial in September.

"The date was set and I walked out of the court, within five minutes letting everyone sitting in the waiting room know that the Australian Government has no jurisdiction and to state it to the magistrate.

"I am so happy with the outcome, thanks and praises to the father and ancestral being for guiding and protecting me in this journey."

The magistrate set down the trial date for September 4.

Child sex inquiry sitting in Victoria



THE Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse will hold a public hearing in Melbourne from Monday, August 17.

It will inquire into the experiences of former child residents at Turana Youth Training Centre, Winlaton Youth Training Centre and Baltara Reception Centre between the 1960s and early 1990s.

It will also examine past and current policies of the Victorian Police and Department of Health and Human Services Victoria (and its relevant predecessors) in relation to children and young people in youth training, reception and youth justice centres in Victoria.

Any person who believes they have a direct and substantial interest in the scope of the public hearing is invited to lodge a written application for leave to appear at the public hearing by this Monday, August 3.

Applications for leave to appear should be made using the form available on the Royal Commission website titled 'Application for Leave to Appear at the Royal Commission' and include a short submission setting out the basis on which it is said the applicant has a substantial and direct interest in appearing.

For more information go to www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au

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Darwin, NT, on 28th-30th September, 2015.

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Darwin, NT, on 28th-30th September, 2015.

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Luke Phelan

Luke joined Woodside through the National Indigenous Cadetship Program during his first year of university.

"I jumped at the opportunity to work in an Australian oil and gas company, doing real engineering. I got to work 12 weeks each year in Perth, between the study years, and enjoyed the chance to practice engineering on real systems."

"It was an excellent supplement to my studies and granted me a much greater understanding of real world engineering."

Luke applied for the 2011 Woodside Graduate Program intake, and moved across country with his wife, to be a graduate engineer. Since completing the graduate program, Luke continues to work as a Woodside Project Engineer, delivering control systems, instrumentation and electrical projects.

Ebony Taylor

Ebony applied for the 2013 Woodside Graduate Program intake. Growing up in the southwest town of Busselton, Ebony moved to Perth and studied geology. Since accepting her offer Ebony has enjoyed working in different areas of the company as a Woodside graduate geologist.

Ebony's Woodside journey has taken her offshore on a drill ship and travelling around Australia and internationally for training and business. "I particularly enjoy being able to work on lots of different projects with locations all over the world."

Sharing her experiences with university and school students is highly rewarding. "I hope I can inspire students to consider geology, the oil and gas industry, and Woodside in their career aspirations so that they can experience the same fantastic opportunities that I have."

Geoff Drage

Geoff applied for the 2012 Woodside Graduate Program intake. Born in Geraldton, he moved to Perth at an early age and returned for his final year of high school. Geoff enrolled in Engineering at Curtin University of Technology and joined the Cadetship Program. This allowed him to "get his foot in the door" and start gaining valuable industry experience.

After graduating with a Degree in Mechanical Engineering, Geoff worked on a number of construction and commissioning projects throughout Australia before joining the Woodside Graduate Program. Geoff has worked in oil and gas production and project developments and continues to encourage others to go to university.

"I hope my experiences will inspire those who wish to take the extra step and gain a tertiary education because the opportunities out there are endless and it is only limited by how much effort you put in."

Artefacts from historic cricket tour found



A BOOMERANG, spear throwers and firesticks are among artefacts from the 1868

Aboriginal cricket tour of England uncovered at a museum in the United Kingdom.

It was the first ever international tour by any Australian sporting team.

Gaye Sculthorpe, curator of the Oceania section at the British Museum, found the items at the Royal Albert Memorial Museum and Art Gallery in Exeter.

She said she was inspecting a group of artefacts from Victoria when she had "a Eureka moment" on seeing the name and date of the donor – W R Hayman 1868.

William Reginald Hayman was the Aboriginal team's manager when it toured England



Members of the First Australian cricket team to tour England, in 1868.

from May to October 1868.

"The 1868 Aboriginal cricket tour of England is a key moment

in Australian history and these artefacts are of great significance as tangible evidence of this

historic tour, the first Australian cricket tour to England," Dr Sculthorpe said.

Until now, the only Aboriginal artefact known to be surviving from the tour was an Aboriginal club in the collection of the Marylebone Cricket Club Museum at Lord's Ground in London.

The objects found at the Exeter museum include a boomerang, several clubs, two spearthrowers, two spears, two parrying sticks and firesticks.

During the tour, in which they played 47 games, the Aboriginal cricketers gave displays of their skills in boomerang and spear throwing and dodging cricket balls thrown at them before and after the games of cricket.

The British Museum is currently mounting the exhibition *Indigenous Australia: enduring civilisation*, which runs until August 2. – AAP

Program is benefitting prisoners

By BRITTA LYSTER



AN innovative program aimed at establishing and maintaining the family unit of

Aboriginal inmates has recently come online in one of the fastest growing Indigenous regions in the country, the NSW Central Coast.

The Family Video Contact Program is a joint venture between the NSW departments of Corrective Services and Justice.

Launched by Corrections Minister David Elliott at Wyong Local Court earlier this month with an open information session, it is the fourth chapter of the program in the state.

It's already online at Moree, Walgett and Wagga Wagga, and there are plans to expand it to Broken Hill, Wilcannia and Bourke in August.

The Family Video Contact Program has already been responsible for 198 individual video link visits aimed specifically at family members of Indigenous inmates who are sometimes faced with a variety of obstacles including disabilities, finances and chronic health issues that may prevent them from visiting loved ones in custody.

The program initially came about after Elders in Walgett raised concerns about a lack of contact and visits with family members in jail.

The program utilises video link facilities already in most courts and jails throughout the state. Inmate advocacy services such as SHINE for Kids and CRC have also jumped on board to



Fiona Dargin and partner Todd Sampson with twins Harmonie and Destonie, 2, and Hope, 4, after using the video service.

bring the total number of video link visits to 300.

The process of organising a visit involves little more than registering for a Visitor Identification Number, which can be established through Aboriginal client and project officers based at many NSW courthouses.

Video call

Fiona Dargin, her partner Todd Sampson and their children Hope, 4, and two-year-old twins Harmonie and Destinie, organised a video call with a family member they hadn't seen for more than three years. The twins were able to meet their uncle for the very first time.

There were smiles all around after the visit, with the family saying they intend to make a regular and ongoing commitment.

Mr Elliott said the program can have a positive effect on the prisoner's mental health and can also assist with rehabilitation.

"Maintaining contact with family members is critical to assisting with the transition of prisoners back into the community," he said.

Recently appointed Aboriginal client and community support officer at Wyong Local Court Anita Barker says she is excited about the project.

"I understand and value the importance of keeping the Koori family unit together under what can be very trying circumstances for Aboriginal inmates in custody, so I just feel very privileged to be a part of this project and can't wait for the local community to get on board and utilise this very important service," she said.



Rachel Agius with DonateLife SA Volunteer Joy Thiele at the DonateLife information stand during this month's NAIDOC Family Fun Day at Bonython Park, Adelaide.

It's a week to talk about donating life



A SMALL family chat could save lives. That's the message of DonateLife Week, which is all about promoting organ and tissue donation.

The national awareness week, from August 2-9, provides an opportunity to yarn with your mob on a subject that many find difficult to bring up with family and other loved ones.

Indigenous organ donation rates have historically been

very low and organ transplant demand high.

A common reason for refusing to donate has been that many families were unaware of the existence of organ and tissue donation and had been given little information about what was involved in the process.

For more information, go to www.donatelife.gov.au

From there, people can find culturally appropriate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander resources to discuss the issue with family.

Labor hears concerns



THE National Justice Coalition (NJC) spoke at the Labor Party's national conference in Melbourne last weekend about the importance of reducing the massive overrepresentation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in jail.

NJC co-chair Kirstie Parker, Family Violence Prevention Legal Service (FVPLS) national convenor Antoinette Braybrook and Arrerente man Des Rogers spoke about the justice system and the Change the Record campaign.

"This is a catastrophic situation that we are dealing with here in terms of the levels of incarceration and violence experienced amongst our people," Ms Parker said.

"We need the help of all Australians to address these issues.

"I want to say that our campaign is entirely non-partisan. We need help from all sides of the political fence. But it is very encouraging to see that the ALP has thrown its support behind the development of some targets in this areas."

Shadow Minister for Indigenous Affairs Shayne Neumann said the Labor Party was committed to adding justice targets to the Close the Gap campaign, which Ms Parker also chairs along with the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples.

"When the Royal Commission into Aboriginal deaths in custody operated about 20 years ago, the rates of incarceration were seven times of those persons who were from a non-Indigenous background. Now it's 13," he said.

'Shameful'

"And we've seen in the past 10 years an 88% increase in Indigenous incarceration. This is shameful, a tragedy and a disgrace and we need to change the record."

Mr Neumann also indicated support for Congress, which under the Coalition Government, had all of its promised funding cut.

Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for Indigenous Affairs Warren Snowdon said underlying social issues had to be addressed to help lower the number of

Indigenous prisoners.

"Unless we actually identify and invest in the social determinants, we will not solve this," he said.

"The justice reinvestment targets are one aspect of it, but also as important is health issues, housing issues, environmental issues, all which go to make the whole. So we've got to see this as not something that is discrete, but something that involves the whole panoply of Indigenous policy.

"So education, health, housing, environmental health, all those issues go to combine to address this question of incarceration of people in the justice system. And it can't be done on its own, we've got to see it as a whole."

Ms Parker said it was crucial to have Indigenous people front and centre in any policy discussion regarding issues for Indigenous people.

"We know that access to employment, education, housing, health, all of these things will determine where we end up in life," she said.

"We know that we have our own Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled organisations doing tremendous work; doing absolutely vital, frontline work.

"We also have a range of organisations undertaking advocacy on behalf of our communities.

Vital message

"So from this conference, I do take some comfort in the fact that our people are there front and centre in every policy. Whether it's with regards to Constitutional recognition and reform, whether it's in relation to justice, or anything else, this is a vital message that has to be heard by all policy makers, all law makers, all parliamentarians, that our people have to be involved in all the solutions that lie ahead of us."

The National Indigenous Labor Network was due to bring a motion to the national conference regarding the number of Indigenous Labor representatives after the *Koori Mail* had gone to press.



Uncle Dave Bell with Nellie Dargan at Young Spirit Mentoring.

Plea for crowdfunding



YOUNG Spirit Mentoring, a powerful multicultural on-the-ground fitness and empowerment program run by Aboriginal Elder Dave Bell in Campbelltown, south-western Sydney, is seeking help with a crowdfunding campaign.

"We've been doing this for 15 years and it's embarrassing that we can't get support from government," Mr Bell told the *Koori Mail*.

"We've been achieving a lot of outcomes – we know the program works."

Mr Bell said Young Spirit Mentoring was well known in the community and welcomed.

"We need funding for six mentors, who are already trained and ready to talk to people about generational trauma," he said.

"We've got the advantage of being able to go into homes – it's all about trust.

"This is a multicultural program being led by Aboriginal people – if that's not closing the gap, I don't know what is.

"We're about encouraging parents, helping them find the right pathways.

"We talk with parents about showing them that they have to guide kids to the right perspective, in employment, education, mental health.

Right track

"The way we've worked it, we want to help make sure people get on the right track, especially people coming out of incarceration – make sure they get the life skills to change."

Run on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Young Spirit Mentoring starts at 6am at the ABC Centre in Airds, Campbelltown.

The kids are fed breakfast cooked by the volunteers, and taken to school or home to

get ready for the day. Many would go without breakfast otherwise.

"Young Spirit Mentoring is a beautiful program, but no-one is investing in it, despite the fact we've won numerous awards, which is disappointing," Mr Bell said.

The program aims to empower young people through boxing, fitness, discipline, belonging and friendship. It works through mentoring, offering support for jobs, training, career pathways and providing a vision of hope.

Young Spirit Mentoring also works with the schools and families, provides role models for the kids, guidance and support to career and training opportunities, somewhere to belong, a positive track away from ending up in trouble.

To help support the program, go to www.chuffed.org/project/youngspiritmentoring/

\$900,000 for clients in Koori courts



THE Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS) will receive a \$900,000

funding boost over three years to support clients represented at the Adult and Children's Koori Courts.

Attorney-General Martin Pakula said the funding would go towards the VALS Koori Court Initiative, and increase the number of Aboriginal people VALS is able to represent in an expanded Koori Court system.

Koori Courts work to ensure the Aboriginal community is engaged to help deliver better justice outcomes.

"The Government knows that providing accessible, culturally appropriate legal services is an important aspect of reducing overrepresentation of Aboriginal people in the justice system," Mr Pakula said.

Articles sought by publication



AUSTRALIAN Aboriginal Studies (AAS) is inviting papers for coming issues.

AAS is a multidisciplinary journal that exemplifies the vision where the world's Indigenous knowledge and cultures are recognised, respected and valued.

General Editor Dr Lawrence Bamblett said each edition included a thought-provoking article by a leading Indigenous thinker about the importance of Indigenous knowledge to wellbeing, as well as Indigenous ways of living in and engaging with the world.

AAS has been published by the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) since 1983.

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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



Natika Hughes

**pakana (Aboriginal) finance officer
Hobart, Tasmania**

Favourite bush tucker?
Love collecting werriners, but prefer eating abalone.

Favourite other food?
Pizza and pasta.

Favourite drink?
Orange juice.

Favourite music?
Rap.

Favourite sport/leisure?
Football.

What are you reading?
Out of Breath by Rebecca Donovan.
I don't want it to end.

Favourite holiday destination?
Preminghana, north-west Tasmania.

What are you watching on TV?
iZombie.

What do you like in life?
Food.

What don't you like in life?
People who stop in the middle of the footpath. I don't drive, so I get pedestrian rage.

Which black or indigenous person would you most like to meet?
Charlie Perkins.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Chris Judd, Eminem and Deborah Mailman.

Who/what inspires you?
My Mum.

What is your ultimate goal?
To be happy.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
I would try and get our (Tasmania's) Aboriginal Legal Service back.

Quote



"I was there for 10 years without anyone else ... until the Winmars, the Kicketts and those sort of guys came to pave the way for the rest to come and have a go ..."

Syd Jackson, who has been inducted into the West Australian Football Hall of Fame, reflecting on his days at the Victorian Football League (VFL).

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Unquote

The influence of great music

It's simply wonderful to see the ever-increasing pool of talent at the National Indigenous Music Awards. (See story page 5.)

From traditional music to hip hop, with rock, country, pop, reggae and every genre that you can think of in between, our musos are kicking goals.

A big congrats to all the entrants, performers and winners.

And a big thank you to NIMA Hall of Famers Vic Simms and Blekbala Mujik.

Blekbala Mujik has been bringing us their unique sound since the 1980s and their importance and influence on other musicians is huge.

And Vic Simms' story of recording an album while in prison is a tale that needs to be heard by as many people as possible.

Thanks to both these worthy recipients for sharing their talent, stories and music with us for decades.

The NIMAs give us a chance to recognise and appreciate just some of the amazing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists around today. A great idea, great event and thanks to Music NT and everyone involved for making the NIMAs such a fantastic success.

AND from the wonderful to the terrible.
It's incredibly disturbing that a



OUR SAY

white man in Alice Springs is trying to gain traction for a violent vigilante group prepared to take up arms against Aboriginal people. (See story page 10.)

It's always hard to know how much traction to give racists – we frequently make the decision not to air horrible ignorant statements made by, say, former Labor politicians. Often we take the view that it's better not to give racists' views any attention in our pages at all.

But when somebody is brazenly calling for people who are prepared to shoot aboriginal people it becomes a different matter.

Police are apparently monitoring the hate group.

But imagine if it were an Aboriginal group calling for black people to arm themselves against white people.

Authorities would almost certainly do more than simply monitor.

In a world where the original inhabitants of a country are so often treated as second-class citizens on their own land, threats of violence need to be more than simply monitored – they need to cease.

Koori Mail – 100 per cent Aboriginal-owned

By MAHALA STROHFELDT

AUGUST 24 is a day Brad Hardman will never forget. In fact, the father of two is flooded with daily reminders of the accident that sealed his fate.

Every time he has to remove his prosthetic leg, his mind is cast back to the day of the high-impact crash.

It's been almost two decades since that fateful day when he and four of his mates piled inside a Holden and took off on a high-speed joyride that saw the car reaching speeds of up to 200km/h when it crashed head-on into a power pole.

The impact severed the car in two. Brad went with one half of the car and his left leg with the other.

One of his mates lost his life and another suffered a brain injury.

At 15, Brad was staring down the barrel of one of the toughest physical and mental challenges anyone could face. Weeks turned into months in hospital as he learnt to walk again.

While he began the painstaking process towards his physical healing, it would be years before the up-and-coming rugby league hopeful could exorcise the demons that had taken up residence in his mind.

"I was angry for a long time," he said. "It will be 19 years on August 24, but I think about it all the time. I can't escape it because it's my leg. I have to put it on and off to have a shower and go to bed. It's a constant reminder.

"If I was like everybody else I probably wouldn't think about it that much. I can remember everything all the way up to hitting the telegraph pole."

"I was in and out of consciousness and didn't feel any pain in the beginning. I was numb from the waist down. I asked what had happened and the ambulance officer said to me, 'Mate, you've lost your leg.'"

Brad admits the recovery, often excruciating, was only the start of his journey.

White-hot rage

For years after his injuries healed and only scars remained, a white-hot rage took over, an anger at the world that changed him into a different person.

Brad's promising football career was gone in an instant. Anyone who knew Brad at the time would tell of a rising star destined for the big league.

"I'd been playing rugby since I was four and then starting doing boxing training around 11," he said.

"I made the Penrith team under 15s and won the Southern Zone titles and that's when I got picked for reps. I was young and focused. I'd come home from school and go straight to training. That was my life."

Brad locked himself away in a world of hurt, and didn't emerge for a long time. And when he did come out, he came out swinging.

"There's a lot of people around at the start, but once everyone starts dropping off and you have to be on your own, that's when you start thinking about things. I couldn't get out of bed, I spent a lot of time in my head," he said.

"When you're by yourself, that's when you think about it a lot. It plays on your mind."

Brad returned to school the following year, trying to fit back into a new version of 'normal', but without the focus of training and the lure of a successful rugby career, life began to unravel around him.

"I was out of control for years. One thing ticked me off and I just ran with it for ages. I wasted years of my life fighting and drinking and



Brad Hardman:
"It's all changed.
I have to say I'm
enjoying life."

Fighting the good fight

being angry at the world," he said.

"I'd be at a pub and someone would spill a drink on me and it was on. I was done for assault when I knocked someone's teeth out. Looking back now, the stuff I was doing was pretty bad."

Fast forward many years and Brad has started to rebuild his life. In fact, his transformation from an angry young man into community mentor and sportsman is nothing short of remarkable.

Worth it

Brad admits he's had to jump through many hurdles, but the rewards have been worth it. Gaining notoriety for his skills in the boxing ring, Brad also travelled the world after he chanced upon an amputee golf day.

"I was trying to play a bit of sport and one day I googled amputee golf and saw they had a day at Cronulla," he said.

"I started playing and got right into it and even started travelling overseas competing in golf tournaments.

"People heard about my story

and sponsored me to travel to Japan and Korea. I recommend the experience of travelling overseas to anyone. It really changed my outlook on life."

When Brad met boxing trainer Johnny Lewis, who now trains him for professional fights, everything started to fall into place. Brad returned to studies and became a youth worker, mentoring at the Police Citizens Youth Club. His work with young Aboriginal men, many of them troubled like he had been, gave his life new meaning.

These days, every time Brad steps up to fight someone, it's in the ring. The pubs and streets are a long-forgotten nightmare.

While the father of two had to learn a whole new way of fighting without the balance of two feet firmly planted on the ground, he soon adjusted. His street sense was still keen and he's a formidable opponent, landing some massive blows against able-bodied fighters.

The old Brad was back – working hard, training, looking after himself, well disciplined and head right in the game.

"I travelled with Anthony Mundine and his team to Germany when he fought," he said.

"Now I train others at All Sorts Gym in Sydney three days a week and mentor other young men. I'm getting back into fighting professionally again and have some matches coming up. Life is pretty good at the moment."

Acceptance

If Brad has some peace of mind now, it's because he's fought hard, every day, to exorcise the demons that plagued him since the accident. That's also meant a slow acceptance that while life is different now, it's no less rich with experiences he couldn't even imagine at 15, lying in his hospital bed, locked in the prison of his mind, for months on end.

"It's great. Life is different now," he said. "I'm a dad to two girls and I get up and get them ready for school, pick them up and we have a whole routine.

"It's all changed. I have to say I'm enjoying life. I just cruise along." These days, there's not much

that can slow Brad down.

He admits to having no greater satisfaction than raising his girls and living a normal family life.

It's also his mentoring work with troubled youth that gives enormous personal satisfaction. He wants more than ever to be able to effect change in the lives of these young men before they go off track like he did so many years ago.

"I just put it all into perspective for them," Brad says.

"I've been down that road and that's how we can relate. I almost lost my life. I teach them that they don't have to become stars but it's all about giving something a go when you're young. Don't waste your talents.

"I feel good about my life but having a car accident has put me in this place. I'd rather have my leg back any day.

"I just want to see these young boys on the right track for years to come; that's my biggest goal. Sometimes I don't even have to say anything. I just show them my leg and that's enough to get them thinking."

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Students paddle canoe workshop



Nawi canoe on display as part of the *Eora Exhibition* at the ANMM.



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THE first full-size nawi canoe ever built by students is now on display at the Australian National Maritime Museum (ANMM) in Sydney as part of its *Eora Exhibition*.

The canoe project started early last year when staff and male students from Lawrence Hargrave School in western Sydney worked with ANMM staff to learn about the history of the nawi – a traditional canoe used around Sydney – and its cultural significance.

During construction, the boys learned about traditional building methods and the ways in which the canoe was used.

There were other benefits from the project as well. The school said participating students developed their literacy and numeracy skills through a series of workshop presentations, and attendance rates improved.

"It's been an all-round success," teacher Kevin Cosgrove said.

"The boys have become more confident and engage enthusiastically in a number of subjects at school. They are making connections to real-life experiences and have become role-models for other students."

The school says the project has also strengthened ties with the local Aboriginal community.



Owen stripping the bark sheet on the museum wharf getting it ready to shape.



Back, from left, Donna Carstens and Jeff Fletcher. Front, from left, Dean Kelly, David Payne and Owen Talbot.





On page 24, Arrernte man William Tilmouth, who chairs the Central Australian Aboriginal Congress, asks what it is we really celebrate during NAIDOC Week.

Action needed on bad decision

TASMANIAN Premier Will Hodgman needs to urge Prime Minister Tony Abbott to again correct the bad decision of Federal Attorney General George Brandis, who awarded the contract for Aboriginal legal aid services in Tasmania to a Victorian organisation. The result is about to be another \$10million over five years removed from Tasmania and an increase of up to 15 more people unemployed in this state.

It is not too late to reverse the decision as

the new body has not yet started delivering services on the ground in Tasmania.

Our Aboriginal Legal Service has continued to provide basic services to our clients as we work to wind up the program, but we are doing it without federal funds and the organisation who has the funds, the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS), is doing no more than setting up an office. We have the work but not the funds, and VALS has the funds but not the work.

If the Premier does not act now to stop this drain of federal funds out of Tasmania, we will see still more attacks on the Tasmanian economy as already suggested by Western Australian Premier Colin Barnett, who considers Tasmania over-funded from GST revenue.

TRUDY MALUGA
State Secretary,
Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre

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NAIDOC thanks

ON behalf of the National NAIDOC Committee, we would like to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone across this nation who made NAIDOC Week 2015 such an outstanding success.

It was pleasing to see, hear and learn of such diverse events and activities being held across the country to mark and celebrate this year's festivities. The sheer numbers of events and activities held across the country highlights the growing success each year of NAIDOC Week.

This year, NAIDOC celebrations were held by secondary and primary schools, Indigenous organisations, medical centres, universities, land councils, cultural institutions, national representative bodies, state, federal and territory government agencies and departments, city councils, shire councils, our defence forces, and even in our high commissions and consulates overseas.

We would also like to thank and acknowledge those state, territory and local NAIDOC committees who work so tirelessly year in year out to ensure that local celebrations come together each year. They play such a vital role in NAIDOC Week each year.

We congratulate those NAIDOC Awards winners – at all levels – for your achievements and contributions to our communities and nation. Keep up the great work.

We also acknowledge the



National NAIDOC Committee co-chairs Anne Martin and Ben Mitchell at the national awards ceremony in Adelaide.

efforts and contributions of our many national and community Indigenous media outlets – including NIRS, NITV and the Koori Mail – all of whom bring the

stories of our culture, our identity and our celebrations to both our communities and to the nation.

We look forward to NAIDOC 2016 being bigger and better.

Anne Martin and Ben Mitchell
National NAIDOC Committee

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POETRY

Unsung

They arrived in chains
Stolen quietly from their lands
Also taken violently
Under a white man's
command.

Dispersed from their kinsmen
Many became all alone
In a land called the New
Colony
A horrid history arose.

This new history of progress
Of wealth to behold
Not a whisper to any
Chained up in the hull.

A history of Slavery!
Where stories not shared
Of coloured bans and policies
Of poison and dread.

The history of change
For another's demise
First Nation Australians
Also fought to survive.

The history still lingers
Maybe the eras have changed
The incarceration of freedom
Is just Progress in Chains!

Zelda Quakawoot

Deaths In Custody

Deaths In Disgusting Ways
Have Left Aboriginal Families
In A Daze
Lost For Words Without An
Answer
Is Like Having A Tumour Or A
Cancer.

Murdered In The Hands Of The
Authorities
And They Didn't Even Get An
Apology
What Could They Have Done
That Was So Bad
That You Made Their Loved
Ones All So Sad.

The Lust For Power And
Control
Is The Reason Why Their Lives
You Stole
Maybe They Swore At You Or
You Were Bitten
But Your Violent Response Will
Never Be Hidden.

It Made The Front Page Of The
Morning Paper
And It Won't Disappear Like A
Boiling Vapour
How Can You Remove This
Greasy Stain
As Forever It Will Cause You
So Much Pain.

Their Friends And Families
Just Went Insane
But You'll Wear The Guilt
And The Embarrassing Shame.

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What are we celebrating?

NAIDOC began as an 'observance committee' and we began to wonder what we were observing.

From the time we saw the sand being poured into the hands of that old man, we observed our rights being constantly whittled away.

Our rights to veto over our land, our rights to self-determination, our rights to choose where we want to live, our rights controlling our own income and where and how we spend it.

Now all we have left is the right to remain silent.

Then it became a day of celebration, but what are we really celebrating? More of the same, with more to come, I suspect.

For me it is a day of reflection, when we have a chance to come together as a community and take stock of where we have come from, where we are going and how we can all work together to build a better common future for our people.

I want to focus on two key issues that are critical to culture and capacity: the healthy development of our children and the key role that men have to play in this.

There is a relationship between this year's important themes of culture and capacity, in that unless

we are able to ensure that more of our children are well cared for and protected from violence and alcohol in pregnancy and in their early years, they will not have the capacity to get an education, a job, and a stable family, nor will they have the capacity to learn the rich complexity of our own culture.

Capacity and culture come together in the early years.

As we celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Uluru hand back, which is a great symbol of the richness of our culture and the great stories that our people tell about who we are, where we have come from and how we should behave, we need to take stock and reflect on the sad reality that many of our children have been too traumatised and disadvantaged to have the capacity to properly learn about all of this.

The sad reality is that the problems our kids are facing are clearly there in the key data.

There is a test that is done on all children in Australia over three days in their first year of school and this looks at their development in five key areas. The test shows that more than half the Aboriginal children in our region (central Australia) by the age of five have suffered such disadvantage that they do not have the normal



William Tilmouth

capacity to learn and do well in school.

It is also the case that our kids here in the Northern Territory suffer the highest rate of substantiated neglect and abuse in the country and they are having to be placed in out-of-home care in large numbers. This is a tragic situation that we all

need to be aware of and help to do something about.

Too many children are still being exposed to too much alcohol-related violence in their homes. Every time our kids see their parents or other close family drunk and fighting in front of them it is doing them damage. We have to work out how to better care for our kids.

If some of our kids need to be removed we have to make sure we, as a community, have the capacity through strong Aboriginal families to care for these kids through kinship care or through foster care within Aboriginal families.

I think this is the biggest challenge to the strength and maintenance of our culture. We must invest more in the development of our children.

There are many things that need to be done if this is to occur and we need to work in partnership with governments. We cannot do it on our own but, equally, governments cannot address these issues without us.

We need to be in control of the programs, services and policies that need to be put in place to address the crisis that is now occurring in the early development of many of our young children.

Aboriginal men have a key role

to play if things are going to improve for our children and their mothers.

First some data that our men need to come to terms with, which was first presented by former NT Children's Commissioner Howard Bath:

- Aboriginal women in the Northern Territory make up only 0.3% of all Australian women, but they account for 14% of the hospitalisations for assault nationally.

- Aboriginal women in the NT are 80 times more likely to be hospitalised as a result of assault than non-Aboriginal women (AIHW, National Hospital Morbidity Database, 2011/12).

- The substantiation rate for child abuse and neglect for Aboriginal children in the NT is seven times higher than the rate for all Australian children.

We are all familiar with the history of the disempowerment of Aboriginal people, especially Aboriginal men.

We, as a people, have suffered and are still subject to the scrutiny and surveillance and public debate about our lives.

We all realise that our jails are full and overcrowded, made up mainly of Aboriginal men.

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The right way ahead



Patrick Dodson



Noel Pearson

We agree that general community engagement is extremely important. All Australians will need to vote for this change, and therefore all Australians need to be involved. Reconciliation is a two-way, reciprocal street.

At the meeting, Indigenous leaders spoke of the need for substantive, rather than merely symbolic, constitutional change. Leaders proposed Indigenous conferences around Australia, so that Indigenous people can understand and form views on the appropriate model to achieve this.

We each have our own independent views on constitutional propositions, but our commitment should be to ensure that the voices of Indigenous Australian communities are brought into the discussion. We must hold seriously our responsibility to work towards a reasonable consensus.

An independent process for Indigenous people to reach a position is crucial to ensure Indigenous support. Without such a process, a Referendum Council and community conferences will be unlikely to produce the necessary engagement, understanding and consensus amongst Indigenous Australians.

We cannot proceed to a referendum without knowing where Indigenous people stand.

Indigenous people need an opportunity to discuss options for constitutional recognition amongst ourselves, before engaging with the general community. While this could occur in parallel with mainstream conferences, it would be wiser to prioritise clarity and consensus within Indigenous Australia before going to mainstream conferences. That way, Indigenous people will be in a position to explain to Australians why we want the changes we seek. The wider public conversation can happen with greater coherence and clarity.

Indigenous people need these forums to understand the political constraints, legal complexities and likely practical operation of each model. This will provide our people with the best chance to come to a consensus position.

Three steps are needed to enable the Parliament to reach a final position on a referendum question.

1. There should be Indigenous conferences and a national Indigenous Convention.
2. There should be broader community consultations with all Australians.
3. There should be a diplomatic process between Indigenous representatives, the Prime Minister, the Opposition Leader and the Leader of the Australian Greens, so we can reach multi-party agreement on the model to take to a referendum.

The first step is Indigenous conferences, so Indigenous people can reach a position.

Starting as soon as possible, there should be a process of Indigenous conferences around the country, with the specific purpose of allowing Indigenous people to understand and express their views on models for constitutional recognition. A partnership of Indigenous organisations should run and oversee the comprehensive process with Indigenous Australia.

Recognise's function is to build public understanding and support for constitutional recognition. Recognise is not an appropriate organisation to facilitate an Indigenous position about the preferred model. The Indigenous process should be Indigenous led and run.

Each conference would discuss the legal soundness, political viability and practical outcomes for Indigenous people with respect to each model. The participants at each conference should then nominate delegates to represent the options coming from their conferences and participate in a national Indigenous convention. The relevant models should be presented and discussed at the convention. The delegates could then choose their preferred model, taking into account all relevant considerations. A small group of Indigenous leaders could then be nominated to engage on the delegates' behalf with government and Parliament.

The final wording that comes out of this process could then be the subject of an

Indigenous plebiscite, if it is felt necessary, to ensure there is broad Indigenous agreement.

The nation will then be able to proceed to a referendum with confidence that Indigenous people understand and support the proposed reform. It will not enable 100% Indigenous consensus. But it will let the nation know where most Indigenous people stand.

The magnitude and seriousness of this decision for our people should not be underestimated.

Deciding how Indigenous Australians should be constitutionally recognised is a big decision for our mob to make.

Whatever we decide will have lasting impacts on our people for generations to come. If the referendum fails, that will have lasting impact. If all we get is symbolic words without practical effect, that too will be a legacy we leave for future generations. And if our people decide to walk away from this because nothing substantive can be achieved in the current political climate, then that will be a legacy as well — one that all Australians leave for another day. If that happens, Indigenous leaders will pass the torch to the unborn grandchildren, so hoping they will succeed where we could not.

Presently, however, the opportunity is ripe. There is the real possibility that a referendum can succeed. And there is the real possibility that the reform it implements will be of practical benefit for our people and of practical benefit for the nation, as well as providing an uplifting and symbolic moment of national unity.

There are serious options we need to consider, as Indigenous people. There are strategies we need to think about. There is work we need to do. But this is a massive decision, and it needs to be taken seriously.

Once it is in the Constitution, it is there forever. We need to get it right.

We need to make it count.

Yawuru man Patrick Dodson co-chaired the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition and Cape York man Noel Pearson was a member of the panel.

Question marks on Recognition

I am writing this letter in response to the recently disappointing national meeting on the so-called Recognition campaign where (Prime Minister) Tony Abbott and the Opposition Leader (Bill Shorten) invited a select group of Indigenous people to talk about moving towards a referendum.

I, like many Ab-Original people across our great country, would prefer to move towards a treaty, like other developed Western countries have done way before us. Those so-called select Indigenous people who attended the national meeting do not speak for my ancestors, tribe and community.

What I find more important than some tokenistic inclusion in some foreign British document, is the ever-increasing concerns that continue to impact on the lives of our people, and this select group of people chosen by Tony Abbott would be very much aware of the current and historical issues that have continued to affect our peoples for the past 200 or so years.

More important to me and many of our people across the country is the over representation in the justice system of Ab-Original people and the increasing high numbers of incarcerations in every state and territory. It is a national shame and worse than the apartheid days of South Africa.

Our sovereign rights as sovereign peoples are important to many of us and the human right to make decisions on the

issues that affect us as individuals, tribes and communities. The English justice system we currently face within Australia is one sided and discriminatory, and has never had legal jurisdiction over Ab-Original people within their Western courts.

Native title is nothing but a political scam and disrespectful to Uncle Eddie Mabo, as we all come from many tribes and were never consulted on the formation of the so-called native title law, which continues to change to suit the political

As I currently see Tony Abbott's Recognition, it is nothing but a move to legislate and legalise control over our lives. Please Explain.

elite and rich mining corporates and their buddies.

The creation of another Stolen Generation and the ongoing ignorance, arrogance and discrimination that is portrayed within child safety departments from so-called academic people continues, and the problem is these bigots filter into government jobs to continue their redneck attitudes towards Ab-Original people. I have witnessed the hidden discrimination and challenged their handed-down 230-year-old racist, bigoted ideologies.

My questions to these select Indigenous people and to those who support the so-called Recognition Campaign are:

1. What do you really understand about Tony Abbott's intentions with Recognition?
 2. How do you see the Recognition of Ab-Original peoples in the Australian ConStitution will make a genuine impact or improvement on the issues raised here?
 3. How do you see becoming a part of the Australian ConStitution will improve our sovereign rights and our standing in the Australian and international community?
 4. How will this inclusion see an end to welfare dependence and social disadvantages?
 5. How will it put an end to the formation of the new Stolen Generations?
 6. How will it end the rorting of some non-Ab-Original organisations that claim to be delivering services to Ab-Original peoples with no meaningful outcomes?
 7. How will it improve our access to our country and give us more autonomy over decisions about our lands, sacred areas and mining?
- As I currently see Tony Abbott's Recognition, it is nothing but a move to legislate and legalise control over our lives. Please Explain.

GEORGE BLAIR
Maryborough, Qld

What are we celebrating?

● From facing page

Sadly for many of our Aboriginal men the much-sought 'Territory lifestyle' is behind bars.

There is nothing tough about being powerless in a prison cell. In reality you are just feed for a system that is quickly becoming an industry.

Men must own up to their agency in this problem. It is the men who can stop the abuse of our women, our children and our families more than anyone else.

It is the men who can stop the domestic violence, the rapes and sexual abuse of our children, our women and families.

It is the men and their attitudes towards women, children and families that must change.

It is the men, not everyone else, who have to change.

Our women need support from our men and to not fear the violence if they are going to be able to care properly for our children.

I say to men, stop and think before you act.

Do not mistake your love for your family, children and wives as an excuse or a reason for having power over them just because you are the man of the house. Because every second, every minute, every hour, every day, every year our men spend in jail it is time from their lives they will never get back.

Don't donate your life or your time to the prison system and go to jail for 30 years for some terrible act of violence.

Think about what you are doing and how you conduct yourself.

The healthy development of our children and the health and wellbeing of our families, our sisters, our mothers, and grandmothers depends on what men choose to do.

Responsible men and women combined can make a safer environment and safer future for our communities.

Let's say goodbye to the days when men were men and women and families were frightened.

Arremnte man William Tilmouth chairs the Central Australian Aboriginal Congress.



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TAC is being undermined

THE Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre (TAC) was established in the 1970s to represent and fight for social justice for the Tasmanian Aboriginal community.

It has been the only Tasmanian Aboriginal organisation to offer legal representation.

In the early days, among its legal team were political activists Michael Mansell and Heather Sculthorpe, along with former Supreme Court Justice Pierre Slicer, who have actively paved the way towards self-determination.

The early inroads that the TAC made in terms of embracing change are enormous. It is also reflective in the manner our community currently protests or is outspoken against any form of discrimination anywhere in this country. The Northern Territory Intervention saw the TAC rally Tasmanian Aborigines to march in protest against such a discriminatory action against their fellow brothers and sisters. It's one example of many.

Federal Attorney-General George Brandis has stripped the TAC of its legal service funding. Previously, Senator Brandis sought to introduce 'proud to be a bigot' legislation that would allow the condemnation of fair-skinned Aborigines without fear of persecution. In his crosshairs was the TAC, seemingly, a victim of its own morality. All because of its political views.

The TAC speak is harsh but responsibly opinionated and its criteria on the definition of Aboriginality is stricter than the open-slathe Commonwealth interpretation; a mock version of 'tick-a-box' Aborigine. Yes, the TAC is guilty of having community-idealised integrity. It is the core of its existence. This is its problem. It's why Brandis grasped its neck like a chook on a chopping block. Assimilation by elimination.

Brandis' removal of the TAC's legal service funding is disheartening, as voiced by a collective of Tasmanian Aborigines and renowned community leaders.

Their service is to be replaced by the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service (VALS). Herein lies the problem. Any person who ticks the box will likely receive free legal aid from VALS. As such, VALS will be held



Attorney-General George Brandis

responsible for adulterating the integrity of who is a Tasmanian Aboriginal person. Brandis will receive the accolades for assimilating what was once an identified service designed to address the inequality of Aboriginal incarceration figures back into the mainstream system.

It is an unfortunate situation that both Brandis and VALS are undermining the TAC, which runs a holistic approach to an Aborigine's wellbeing. That is, when an Aborigine enters its doors seeking legal assistance they are not only provided with advice and representation if needed but offered access to counsellors, child protection and youth diversion officers and guided into its health service, early childhood support, after school care and pregnancy support programs.

This divide and conquer mentality is contradictory of the reconciliation jargon the Government so often spruiks.

The term "Closing the Gap" will be reduced to Closing.

GRAEME GARDNER
Newstead, Tas

Supporters of Abbott urged to think again

AUSTRALIAN Prime Minister Tony Abbott will be remembered as the George W Bush of Australia, not only illogical but violating and destructive to the world around him.

The people who support this man can be likened to those Germans who were brain-washed into following Hitler in the time of Nazi Germany.

Mr Abbott claims to be Catholic yet runs the country contrary to how Pope Francis would. His beliefs are in fact contrary to those of the current Pope's and the majority of the people living on the planet.

Unfortunately, in some ways his behaviour does mirror that of someone who is against the teachings of Christ or, more specifically, an anti-Catholic or someone who has had no religious or spiritual instruction whatsoever.

On the other hand, Pope Francis will be remembered as a real leader because some of the real message of Christ has entered him. As head of the Catholic Church, he is beginning to take proper responsibility of its violations by apologising to various Indigenous people for the abuses by the Church as well as encouraging people to take a more caring and responsible approach to the environmental chaos unfolding on the planet.

Christian groups all around the world need to take responsibility for their violations (in terms of their own property and international law) against the indigenous people of the various countries, including the Aboriginal nations of Australia.

Christ was exactly against so much of what the various church institutions in this world have enacted. Unfortunately, this is a world where there are people who tend to disguise themselves in Christ's clothing and employ Christ's words to twist the truth to justify violation and human rights abuse.

As a result of this, great atrocities take place such as colonialism and the destruction of indigenous rights.

I feel that this is the closest any Pope in



Prime Minister Tony Abbott

history has acted in following the true message of Christ.

In contrast, Mr Abbott will be remembered as the George W Bush of Australia and the face of a dark and violating period in Australian politics and policy, that which echoes back to the dark ages of Christianity or, more recently, fascist movements such as Adolf Hitler's Nazi Germany.

I encourage those who continue to support Tony Abbott and his affiliates to have a very close look at their irreligious as well as unscientific attitudes and behaviours, as well as the types of policies and behaviours which led to the Nazi movement taking control in Germany.

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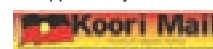
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Architects told of risk to heritage

By NEELIMA CHOAHAN



VICTORIAN landscape architects have been urged to connect to the "true identity of the land" to help protect ancient Aboriginal culture. Three Aboriginal industry leaders spoke in Melbourne recently about the risks to Indigenous heritage from the rapid urbanisation of cities.

The talk, the first of a series of events organised by the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA), was aimed at exploring the Aboriginal connection to country and culture in Victoria.

Indigenous Architecture and Design Victoria executive officer Rueben Berg said it was important for people to understand they were living on land that had ancient culture.

But he said the acknowledgement would come only when landscape practitioners stepped away from "mere tokenisms" such as putting up plaques.

"Ancient culture is here in Melbourne, and it is just as strong as anywhere else," Mr Berg said.

"You might not see it but you can find ways of revealing it."

"Architects have a really powerful role to play to be able to make it more clear to people that this is a place with actual connections."

Elder Bill Nicholson, from the Wurundjeri Tribal Land Compensation and Cultural Heritage Council, said Indigenous culture had survived despite "concentrated attacks from the European colonialists".

"Language, culture, dance, story – the government tried every little trick they could possibly come up with to

"Language, culture, dance, story – the government tried every little trick they could possibly come up with to eradicate it off this planet."

Charles Solomon, a landscape designer from Garawana Creative, said he learned from his grandfather to respect the land as you would a person.

"Our culture fitted perfectly into the ecosystem, it didn't unbalance it. And that's a very, very special thing that we are

trying to regain now," he said.

Mr Solomon said people needed to ask themselves, how they could connect to country.

AILA founding director Jon Shinkfield said involving Aboriginal knowledge would help save cities of the future.

"Clean water, streams with fish and eels and green cool places of resilience and life are aspects of country that the Aborigines managed so well over a very long period," he said.

"Yet we have destroyed and actively worked against it through a very recent history of engineering disdain and

the 'We can do it, regardless' (attitude)."

"Our liveability is at threat and can only come back to a renewed understanding of country if we are to truly engage with the issues of this land, and who better to be working with than its custodians and managers through time."



At the talk in Melbourne, from left, Garawana Creative's Charles Solomon, Indigenous Architecture and Design Victoria executive officer, Rueben Berg and Wurundjeri Tribal Land Compensation and Cultural Heritage Council's Bill Nicholson.

Upgrades for 43 houses at Nyirripi



CENTRAL Desert Regional Council has been contracted to upgrade 43 houses at Nyirripi community, 440km west of Alice Springs.

Chief executive Cathryn Hutton said Nyirripi residents made it clear they wanted maximum involvement of their people in the upgrades.

She expects 30% of the works will be done by local Indigenous employees and there will be Certificate II Construction Pathways training for people working side-by-side with contracted tradespeople, learning valuable on-the-job skills.

Govt backing for fisheries sector



THE Federal Government has reaffirmed its commitment to the Indigenous fisheries sector, with a new report into research, development and engineering in the Fisheries, Research and Development Corporation.

Senator Richard Colbeck, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, welcomed the report, saying the Coalition is committed to improving interactions between Indigenous fisheries and broader fisheries management.



Elders Aunty Millie Ingram and Aunty Beryl Van Oploo and Governor General Sir Peter Cosgrove check a crafty goanna.



Gumaroy Newman performs at the NCIE in Redfern.



Raymond Finn catches up with a friend.



NCIE after-school program mentor Damien House shows his skills at Oztag.

Pictures by **ANDREW ROSENFELDT**



MORE than 4000 people braved cold and overcast weather in Sydney for the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) NAIDOC family and sports day. Governor General Peter Cosgrove was the special guest for the day. Gumaroy Newman performed as part of the opening ceremony, and music was provided by Mi-kaisha Masella, the Renegades of Munk and Uncle Vic Simms. Oztag also proved popular, as did the arts and crafts stalls.



Nadina Dixon, right, demonstrates weaving.



The photo booth proved popular at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence NAIDOC family and sports day.



From left, Deanna Fekeke, Eva Fogarty and Sara Hamilton at the Australian Electoral Commission stall. They encouraged people to enrol to vote, particularly with the NSW Aboriginal Land Council election coming up.



One of the Aboriginal models from Aboriginal Model Management on the catwalk.



Local Elders gathered for the cutting of the NAIDOC cake.
Pictures: Jamie Murray

Busy program at Blacktown club



Darug Elder Aunty Edna Watson giving the welcome to country.



MORE than 450 people packed the Blacktown Workers Club on July 18 for this year's Western Sydney NAIDOC Dinner Dance.

Darug Elder Aunty Edna Watson gave the welcome to country, followed by a packed program MCed by Luke Carroll.

Armidale band Terra Firma, local DJ Digital Mouth and Native Born Mafia provided entertainment.

A feature was a show by Aboriginal models from Aboriginal Model Management.

Elders gathered around the special NAIDOC Cake provided by Kallico Catering, as a mark of respect and acknowledgement.

Members of the organising committee thanked the many groups and individuals who contributed to a successful evening.



Armidale band Terra Firma was a hit with the NAIDOC crowd.



Action on the dance floor.



National NAIDOC Young Person of the Year musician Chris Tamwoy with Archie Roach. Both performed on the night.



From left, Sarah Sampson, Jackie Cook and Roslyn Sampson.



From left, Margaret Mercy, Laurie Mercy, Belinda Heron, Georgina Cohen and Mitch King.



From left, Billy Smith, Larissa Cook, Jenny Smith and Yvette Smith.



From left, Adrian Webster, Naomi Moran, Russell Smith, Joel Deaves and Tom Avery.

Roach shines in north coast performances



LISMORE, northern NSW, staged a NAIDOC ball for the first time in many years.

Widjabul Elder Irene Harrington welcomed everyone to country, and Bundjalung man Gilbert

Laurie performed a smoking ceremony.

The night began with well-known local identity Uncle Bill Smith performing as people walked in, while proceedings were MCed by musician and

surfer Tom Avery (aka Black Boi).

Highlights included Archie Roach giving an emotional performance.

National NAIDOC youth of the year Chris Tamwoy made a surprise appearance, wowing the crowd with his virtuoso guitar skills and vibrant personality.

Everyone was dressed to the nines, lining up to have their pictures taken at the free photo booth and dancing the night away.



From left, Jamaya Moran, Casey King, Kristy Afutoto Leagailelo and Tamara Rosas



Nicky-Bidju Pryor with Maliza Gizar, 12, and Lindy Gizar. They are standing on the new school mural.

Celebration at Garbutt school

By ALF WILSON



GARBUTT State Primary School in Townsville has 145 pupils – 121 of them Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

That's why the school had a major NAIDOC celebration on July 24, with one of the highlights being the official launch of a mural created by artist Nicky-Bidju Pryor, a former Garbutt student.

The painting depicts the shooting star and carpet snakes which are the totems for the local Bindal and Wulgurukaba peoples.

Teacher's aide Samara Luta, who has both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage, said the mural was a wonderful addition to the school.

"The students will really enjoy sitting around and looking at it," she said.

Mr Pryor and Ms Luta cut the ribbon around the mural as pupils sat nearby.

Among other activities on the day were face painting, weaving and a Kup Murri feast.

School Principal Lydia Jamieson was glowing in her praise of the mural and the effort by Mr Pryor. "It is amazing and the kids will love it," she said.



Teacher's Aide Samara Luta with students Keelin Hookey and Nazareth Alfred, who are ready to have their faces painted.



Smoking a first



NSW NAIDOC activities were held in the Lake Macquarie City Council region of the NSW Central Coast. Mayor Jodie Harrison said more than 150 people attended the launch ceremony which, for the first time, included a traditional Aboriginal smoking ceremony (pictured above) led by Bahtabah Local Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Uncle Mick Green, as well as music and dance performances, and a flag-raising ceremony (shown below). A family fun day was also held at Westlakes (pictured left).



Comedian a guest on gulf islands



COMEDIAN Sean Choolburra (pictured playing didgeridoo) was a special guest at the Mornington Shire Council NAIDOC

celebrations in the Gulf of Carpentaria. Speaking on the Wellesley Islands, he encouraged residents to "laugh their guts out and keep Gununa culture strong".

Choolburra and others entertained more than 250 locals with a series of remixes, dance grooves and didge workshops.

Mornington Shire Mayor Brad Wilson says the council recognises the importance of celebrating NAIDOC, preserving culture and encouraging a healthy social setting.



Red Cross joins in



NAIDOC celebrations were held around Australia by the Red Cross.

Pictured here are just some of the activities.

● Left: Red Cross staff and community members together at the Red Cross Darwin office, celebrating NAIDOC Week with a morning tea.

● Right: Red Cross staff members Alma Major and Brenda Lucas celebrating NAIDOC Week at the Red Cross Townsville Wellbeing Centre.

● Bottom left: Staff gathered at the launch in Melbourne of Red Cross's second Reconciliation Action Plan.

● Bottom right: Red Cross staff at the organisation's Adelaide office.



Celebrations on Palm Island

By ALF WILSON



NAIDOC celebrations on Palm Island were a great success, with many family-friendly events.

Celebrations included an open day followed by a twilight combined church service on the Esplanade.

The celebrations were officially opened with a flag-raising ceremony.

Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council community services director Lyn Freckleton, events officer Bernadine Castors, Susan Pryor, from Bwgcolman Arts, and Zina Prior, of the Business Lifestyle Learning Consultancy, coordinated the events.

"Many local adults and children performers showcased their skills and talent throughout the week with cultural and contemporary dances, music, live bands and karaoke performances (proper deadly style)," Ms Prior said. "There was a combination of competitions and activities."

Rugby league games featured local sides Butler Bay Bulls, Skipjacks, Bwgcolman Brothers and Jets.

Due to sorry business, limited activities were held on the second weekend.

NAIDOC was rounded off with a fireworks display on the island.

● Pictured right: Marchers during the NAIDOC Week celebrations on Palm Island.

Picture: Eddie Walsh



Noongar Radio busy

By Noongar Radio Station manager WAYNE BYNDER



THERE is only a small team at 6NME Noongar Radio, Perth, but this dedicated mob of broadcasters continually pushes the boundaries every year.

During NAIDOC Week, the Noongar Radio team did four outside broadcasts in five days.

The NAIDOC opening ceremony at Wellington Square, East Perth, on Sunday, July 5, was washed out, but it didn't dampen the spirits of the Noongar community as people turned out in force to celebrate. Noongar Radio broadcasted live from 11.30am and throughout the afternoon.

Noongar Radio again broadcasted live from Royal Perth Hospital, where staff got right behind the event. It was good to see patients and visitors alike come down for a look and to sample a little kangaroo stew and emu.

The Wednesday broadcast went national through Community Broadcasting Association of Australia Digital (Radio NAIDOC). Local professional performers, headlined by Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse, made the job of broadcasters easy.

This broadcast, from the Perth Cultural Precinct, made many people stop to listen.

6NME's Thursday broadcast was live from Perth's biggest family NAIDOC event, put together by the Derbarl Yerrigan Health Service and the Town of Bassendean.



The Noongar Radio Royal Perth Hospital team, back from left, Catherine Schwerin, Paul Whitton and Carol Mitchie and, front, Jim Morrison, station manager Wayne Bynder and John Morecombe.



Guest Rodney Rivers yarning with broadcaster Jim Morrison.



Gina Williams and Guy Ghouse perform at Perth Cultural Precinct.



The Struggling Kings on the Water Stage at Perth Cultural Precinct.

Tenders let for 40 new houses



TENDERS to rebuild 40 houses at Galiwin'ku (NT) following the devastation caused by cyclones Lam and Nathan have

been awarded.

NT Housing Minister Bess Price said two tenders to each build 20 houses had been awarded.

"More than 80 houses were severely damaged or are beyond

repair and will take many months to be rebuilt, dislodging more than 300 people," she said.

One contract is to Yolngu business partnership DRG Industries, and the other to Ngarda Civil & Mining.

Construction will start in September, but preparation for works was due to start from the end of July.

Works will be completed in stages, with the final home ready for handover in June, 2016.



NT Housing Minister Bess Price (centre) with community members on a recent visit to Galiwin'ku.

Support network for tourism employees



THE Queensland Tourism Industry Council (QTIC) and corporate partner Echo Entertainment Group have celebrated the creation of Australia's first support network for Indigenous employees in the tourism industry.

To coincide with NAIDOC Week celebrations, the launch of the QTIC Indigenous Employee Network's North Queensland Chapter was held in Cairns on July 7.

The new employee group is part of a \$300,000 partnership between QTIC and Echo Entertainment

Group to create and promote Indigenous job and career opportunities via peer mentoring and relationship building.

The new network, for existing and potential Indigenous employees in Queensland's tourism sector, is designed to support and retain staff in the industry and further strengthen the representation of Indigenous employees.

Due to the strong concentration of tourism employers in far north Queensland, the new statewide network is starting in Cairns, with further chapters to be established across Queensland.



Queensland Tourism Industry Council Indigenous Employee Network members, from left, Alison Smith, Rachael Hodges, from Mossman Gorge Centre, Willie Enoch-Tranby, from CaPTA Group, Bridget Lawton, from Adventure North Australia Tours, and Kim Harrington, from the Queensland Tourism Industry Council.



Delegates at the Broadband for the Bush forum in Darwin.

Forum told of broadband inflexibility



THE Broadband for the Bush annual forum in Darwin has heard that a lack of flexibility

will ultimately lead to a failure in closing the digital divide between urban and remote Australia.

The Broadband for the Bush Alliance is a not-for profit organisation that aims to influence policy makers about improving connectivity for remote Australia.

The fourth annual conference in Darwin heard from a range of presenters and a key theme that emerged was that there is an "unrelenting focus on satellite" as the primary means of

delivering broadband communication services to small remote and regional communities.

Delegates heard how in many cases, communities would receive communication services via satellite, despite close proximity to fibre backhaul connections.

"As more and more government, education and healthcare services are delivered online, policy makers need to be more aware of the limitations that existing delivery models place on uptake of these services," delegates said in a post-conference statement.

The forum called for a range of measures, including:

- further extensions to

mobile coverage in remote areas through blackspot remediation programs;

- investigation of alternate last-mile delivery options, including community Wi-Fi;

- investigation of exciting essential services such as education, healthcare and government services from data limits; and

- acceleration of the uptake of Tele-Health and Tele-Care as mainstream practice.

The forum also discussed the need for a coordinated remote Australian digital strategy that incorporates discussion of acceptable service levels and the need for greater training and education regarding online services.



Keynote speaker Northern Land Council chief executive Joe Morrison with Broadband for the Bush forum facilitator Christine Ross.

Book traces NSW land rights



A NEW book by academic Heidi Norman tells the story of how Aboriginal people in NSW framed their land rights

demands to a sympathetic government in the late 1970s and continues up to the present day.

What Do We Want? – A Political History of Aboriginal Land Rights in New South Wales charts the intrigue, deception and disappointment of the movement as well as the

unprecedented engagement by Aboriginal people.

Dr Norman is a lecturer in communications at the University of Technology (Sydney) and a descendant of the Gomeroi people of north-western NSW.

"The 1978 Land Rights Inquiry and the Land Rights Laws that followed in 1983 brought Aboriginal people and the state into new and different relationships of power that have remained a source of ongoing contestation in the decades since,"

she said.

"Thirty years later, with more than a billion dollars in land assets, a near billion-dollar investment fund, and with more than 115 local Aboriginal land councils, the resultant network of land councils is the largest Aboriginal representative body in the country."

New generation

Dr Norman said a number of factors fell into place in the late 1970s, including a government that believed land rights were the best way to

redress the devastating impact of two centuries of British colonisation, and a new generation of politically astute Aboriginal activists working alongside older, culturally informed stalwarts.

Dr Norman said the Act recovered 81,637 hectares (a fraction of 1% of NSW land mass) and also provided a 15-year compensation package.

But more significantly, it marked a departure from the era of assimilation to one of self-determination.

What Do We Want is published by Aboriginal Studies Press.



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Women find their voice



MEMBERS of the Queensland Indigenous Languages Advisory Committee (QILAC) have

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The women decided to each bring a song in their own language to share at one of their meetings. With five different languages within the group, they had to teach their own language to the others and learn the other four languages.

QILAC chairperson Joy Bonner said it highlighted the importance of contemporary song in sharing language, and encouraging family language use.

"It has been a wonderful, challenging and joyful experience which truly shows the power for music for sharing language," she said.

Singer and choirmaster Kristina Kelman said everybody had the ability to sing.

"I have had the joy of watching these women's words come to life through this project," she said.

"I don't think many of the

group would have initially called themselves singers, but through their strength and passion for their languages, they have given us a beautiful collection of songs that will have us all singing along."

The CD Yamani was produced by acclaimed singer-songwriter David Bridie (*My Friend the Chocolate Cake*).

"We hope that the music will encourage Indigenous Australians everywhere to continue to sing in their languages, and to use their songs to help the rest of Australia grow to better appreciate this place that is home to all of us," he said.



Queensland Indigenous Languages Advisory Committee members Warrgamay woman Bridget Priman, Gunggari woman Ethel Munn and Butchulla woman Joy Bonner singing.

Service recognised



VICKY Welgraven, an Adnyamathanha woman from the Flinders Ranges, was recently awarded a Gladys Elphick Award for excellence in service to women, community and sport.

The awards are an annual event recognising the valuable contribution and service from outstanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women across South Australia.

Ms Welgraven has worked in the public sector for the past 21 years.

In November 2014, she was appointed to the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance (NATSIWA) as state representative for SA. Since then, she has advocated for health services for women and children in SA.

Ms Welgraven has been an enthusiastic long-time member of the Outer Army Supporter Group, an unofficial non-profit supporter group of the Port Adelaide Football Club that helps disadvantaged families to attend football games. She is also involved with the Port Adelaide Football Club cheer squad.

In July 2013, Ms Welgraven was chosen to carry the Aboriginal flag around Port Adelaide's home stadium for the AFL's multicultural round.

She also presented framed boomerangs to Power club president Brett Duncanson in May 2012 during the Indigenous round to recognise the contribution of its Aboriginal

players past and present.

Ms Welgraven is a passionate supporter of the Power and Port's SANFL team – the Magpies. She continues to work with Port Adelaide's supporter groups, where she is able to promote change and reconciliation and educate people about Aboriginal culture.

Adnyamathanha Elder Charles Jackson said Ms Welgraven had made her family and community proud and that she was a leader.

Adnyamathanha and Arabunna Elder Wilfred Strangways said he had watched Ms Welgraven grow up at Davenport Reserve, a community on the outskirts of Port Augusta.

"I have always known Vicky as the quiet achiever and a person who, when she puts her mind to something, she does it with passion, commitment and dedication," he said.

"Her role as the SA representative on the National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance (NATSIWA) for women's issues across SA, in her voluntary role she took as secretary with the Outer Army Support Group and where she promoted reconciliation and her involvement with the Aboriginal community and employment in the public sector shows the type of person Vicky is."

Ms Welgraven paid tribute to her husband Stephen, daughter Khyleesha, the Outer Army Supporter Group and committee members past and present and to all those people who had inspired her, and said she could not have received this award without their valuable support.



Vicky Welgraven with her husband Stephen and daughter Khyleesha.

Nominate now for Banksia awards



NOMINATIONS for this year's Australia-wide Banksia Sustainability Awards are open

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Indigenous individuals and groups around Australia are demonstrating leadership in community development and natural resource management and the Banksia Foundation

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The Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment and Engagement (OATSIEE) contributes to enhancing both the staff and student experience. It represents one of the main areas within the University that focuses on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander affairs. It seeks to maximise employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; build collaborative networks and commercial partnerships within Greater Western Sydney region; and listen and give voice to the issues being raised by the communities in Greater Western Sydney.

The office is recruiting for the following positions that will be based at Werrington North:-

Project Officer

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The Project Officer is responsible for scoping, implementing all aspects of the Action Plan and associated projects and delivering successful outcomes for projects and programs designed to meet the business requirements of the Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment and Engagement.

The Project Officer is required to interact with staff across UWS and with external stakeholders in Industry and Government, and actively participate and contribute to the working parties and consultation group meetings. He or she is also required to monitor and report on each of the initiatives within the project or program. This position will be until 20 February 2016.

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The Project & Client Support Officer will work in conjunction with employment service providers, and relevant stakeholders to advance Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander educational and employment outcomes, in line with agreed targets. This position is funded until Oct 2016.

Please visit the UWS Website and apply online: <http://www.uws.edu.au/vacancies>

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For further information contact Joanne Brown, Team Co-ordinator Office Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment and Engagement, P: 02 9678 7412 or E: joanne.brown@uws.edu.au

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Wiradjuri man Nathan Sentence has been awarded a scholarship for his commitment to Indigenous issues in libraries and archives.

Scholarship for lucky man who loves libraries



A LOVE of libraries and a lucky break have earned Charles Sturt University (CSU) student Nathan Sentence a scholarship with the Australian Society of Archivists (ASA).

Mr Sentence, a Wiradjuri (NSW) man, is studying a Bachelor of Information Studies degree at CSU's School of Information Studies while he works in the Indigenous Services Branch of the State Library of NSW.

"By random chance, I saw a job advertised in the *Koori Mail*," he said.

"I'd been working at the Darkinjung Land Council, archiving and digitising old documents. I was able to help them organise their documents when they moved.

"I got the job (with State Library of NSW) and fell in love with archiving."

Mr Sentence has been

awarded the ASA's Loris Williams Scholarship, an initiative that aims to increase the number of Indigenous librarians and archivists.

"I am particularly excited about the mentor aspect of this scholarship as it will help guide my studies and work," he said.

"I am excited to be working and studying in an industry that can be so beneficial for people and communities.

"I believe Indigenous intellectual property is an important part of communities owning and managing their history, culture and stories.

"Libraries and archives contain a lot of information regarding Indigenous people and our culture. Recognising Indigenous communities as the co-creators and or joint copyright holders of this information is an important step in assisting Indigenous Australians manage information by and about our people and culture."

NT NAIDOC awards to CDU researchers



TWO prominent Indigenous researchers at the Northern Institute at Charles Darwin University have

taken out NAIDOC 2015 awards in the Northern Territory. Part-time senior research fellow Gotha (Kathy) Guthadjaka won the NT Elder on Country (Female) Award, while senior research fellow Dr (Payi) Linda Ford won the Caring for Country Award.

Ms Guthadjaka is a senior Elder from Gäwa, a small homeland community on Elcho Island in north-east Arnhem Land. She is passionate about preserving and sharing traditional knowledge.

Working as an educator since the mid-1960s, her research spans Warramiri language, knowledge, culture and country and, more widely, Aboriginal education, both-ways



CDU NAIDOC NT award winners Dr (Payi) Linda Ford, left, and Gotha (Kathy) Guthadjaka.

education, spirituality, identity and ceremony.

Dr Ford identifies as Rak Mak Mak Marranunggu, from Kurrindju, on the Finnis River region of the NT. She graduated with a doctorate in education in 2006 from Deakin University.

Dr Ford is familiar with Indigenous epistemological (the branch of philosophy that examines the nature of knowledge) practices and its application to her research projects. These have allowed her to work with Aboriginal people and communities.

Barngarla revival 'a test case'



A UNIVERSITY of Adelaide linguistics expert says the revival of an Aboriginal language in South Australia could serve as the

first "test case" for the potential mental health benefits of reclaiming what he calls "sleeping beauty" languages.

Professor Ghil'ad Zuckermann says activities to resurrect the Barngarla Aboriginal language with the Barngarla communities of Eyre Peninsula offer hope in the quest to better understand the relationship between linguistic continuity and social and personal wellbeing.

"A study in British Columbia, Canada, has demonstrated a correlation between a lack of conversational skills in the native Aboriginal language and youth suicide rates," he said.

"In communities whose language was subject to

linguicide (language killing), youth suicide was frequent.

"But so far there has been no systematic quantitative study of the impact of language revival (rather than loss) on wellbeing, mental health and suicide ideation (formation of concepts). This is partly because language reclamation is still rare and in its infancy."

The Barngarla community has worked closely with Prof Zuckermann to reclaim its language.

"Since colonisation, Indigenous Australian people have suffered the effects of wide-scale linguicide," Prof Zuckermann said. "Out of 330 Aboriginal languages, only 13 are alive and kicking today."

"Language loss, and the consequent lack of cultural autonomy, intellectual sovereignty and spirituality – not to mention the dependence on the coloniser's tongue – unfortunately

increase the phenomena of disempowerment, self-loathing and suicide.

"Colonised people all over the globe sometimes hate not only the colonisers but also themselves."

Prof Zuckermann's efforts to reclaim "hibernating" Aboriginal tongues reflect a desire to recover identity and reconnect with ancestors.

"I have noticed, qualitatively, that language reclamation is often empowering for those involved. It strengthens one's soul and validates one's pride, dignity and sense of cultural heritage," Prof Zuckermann said.

"However, I plan to also conduct quantitative research in revitalistics, the new trans-disciplinary field of inquiry, so that we can improve our approaches to reviving languages, and thoroughly and systematically evaluate its impact on individuals and communities."

Trainees talk the talk



THE Resource Network for Linguistic Diversity (RNLD) this month welcomed 10 Indigenous participants from around Australia for a two-week workshop in linguistics and language teaching, to build their capacity to strengthen — and in some cases revive — their languages.

RNLD works with Indigenous language centres and community and family groups around the country to provide flexible training in documenting and revitalising Indigenous languages (DRIL). The workshop participants are members of the DRIL Leadership Professional Development group receiving ongoing training and mentorship from RNLD.

With almost all Aboriginal languages considered either silent or critically endangered, and the overwhelming majority of Australian linguists being non-Aboriginal, RNLD celebrated NAIDOC by providing more support and training to Aboriginal people working to save and revitalise their own languages.

In May, Ebony Joachim, a Yorta Yorta (Vic) woman from Shepparton who has been teaching her language in a local primary school, joined RNLD as a trainee DRIL trainer.

"After two-and-a-half years of learning and teaching my own language, I have been given this great opportunity to work with RNLD, to build on my linguistics and training skills and empower other people in their language work around the country," she said.

Jason Kirby, a Wadi Wadi (Vic) man from Swan Hill, started learning his language just over a year ago, with training from RNLD.

"I have recently started to teach my language to the children in my street," he said.

"My class at the moment is around 10 participants, and we do these classes in the comfort of my own kitchen."

For updates, follow RNLDorg on Twitter and search #RNLDPD.



Advanced DRIL professional development participants and trainers Ebony Joachim, Nadine Taylor, Ajay Joshua, Salote Bovoro, Jessica Solla, Michelle Warren, Margaret Florey, Roko Shioji, Katerina Forrester, Karen Mezentsef, Emma Murphy, Grant Thompson and Jason Kirby.

Aboriginal Problem Gambling Training Program

Is problem gambling having a negative impact on your community?

Apply for a scholarship and make a difference

Would you like to become part of a highly skilled workforce that aims to address problem gambling in rural and remote communities?

The NSW Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing has partnered with the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health at the University of Sydney and TAFE NSW – South Western Sydney Institute to raise awareness of problem gambling.

The program aims to increase the number of Aboriginal people working in the problem gambling field and to break down barriers to seeking help in remote and rural communities.

Scholarships are available for up to 20 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across NSW.

Preference for these scholarships will be given to people who are employed part time or full time in the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health sector, NSW public health system or relevant service providers linked to problem gambling.

Some features of the scholarships include:

- completing assessments within the workplace
- employers will be supported through wage subsidies for up to a week as employees attend a one-week training block split over two sessions
- travel, accommodation and meals are covered
- course fees and a mentor will be provided to support scholars.

Once scholars complete the program, they may choose to undertake a traineeship or cadetship in the area of problem gambling.

More information and applications

02 9114 0829

poche.admin@sydney.edu.au

www.facebook.com/pochecentre

Applications close on 14 August 2015.



Country wins Cossack



ESTABLISHED Pilbara artist Wendy Darby has won the 2015 Cossack Art Awards Best Overall Artwork for her painting *Country*.

This is the second time Ms Darby has won the award. She won the Best Overall Artwork award in 2008 and took the prize for Best Pilbara Artist in 2014.

"Country means so much to me and my family," Ms Darby said.

"We learn all about places, plants and animals of the area through stories from our family. To me, every time I paint, I think about my country and what the old people taught me."

This year's award judges *Sydney Morning Herald* art critic John McDonald and Aboriginal contemporary artist Vernon Ah Kee said the work was a standout piece right from the beginning.

"The winning artwork ... showed a depth of story and line that stood out when judging. We recognised the painting immediately as a deserving winner," Mr Ah Kee said.

An artist at Yinjaa-Barni Art Centre in Roebourne, Western Australia, Ms Darby uses her country and experiences as inspiration for her painting.

Growing up in the Nyangumarta bush community at Yandeyarra cattle station, outside of Port Hedland, Ms Darby learned about her country and environment from a young age.

City of Karratha Mayor Peter Long said it was a pleasure to present Ms Darby with the prize.

"It is a real thrill to be able to reward such a beautiful piece of artwork – and from a local Roebourne artist," he said.

"Wendy and the Yinjaa-Barni Art Centre have been great supporters of the Cossack Art Awards in the past and it is a pleasure to acknowledge Wendy and her beautiful work this year."

Yinjaa-Barni Art Centre manager Patricia Floyd said the Cossack Art Awards were important for local artists.



2015 Cossack Art Award overall winner Wendy Darby with her winning work *Country*, alongside judges Vernon Ah Kee and John McDonald, City of Karratha Mayor Peter Long and Rio Tinto's Zara Fisher.

41 in running for Vic award



ORGANISERS of the Victorian Indigenous Art Awards have announced 41 works by 35 artists are in the running for this year's top prize.

Now in its 10th year, the exhibition will go on show at the Art Gallery of Ballarat from August 9 to September 20. Total prizemoney of more than \$50,000 is on offer across all categories, with the state's richest Indigenous art prize, the Deadly Art Award, worth \$30,000.

State Creative Industries Minister

Martin Foley said the awards were established in 2005 with the aim of raising the profile of Victoria's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander arts sector and creating career development opportunities for Indigenous artists.

The shortlist includes artists from all regions of the state and features works across a range of mediums including traditional pokerwork, painting, sculpture, photography and digital video works.

The winners will be announced on Saturday, August 8.



Last year's Deadly Art Award winner Jenny Crompton (shortlisted again this year) with her winning work *Gathering at Godocut*.

A Year in Yarrabah...



THE annual cycle of hunting and gathering around Yarrabah is the subject of a group exhibition now

on show at the north Queensland community.

A Year in Yarrabah features the works of five local artists, who have depicted animals and plants found around their home during certain times of the year. Traditional owners the Gunngandji people define the area's seasons by the appearance of certain flowers, birds, fruits and seeds. Traditionally, these changes have signalled the best times to hunt and gather different types of food.

The five artists – Edna Ambrym, Andrew Garrett Jnr, Michelle Yeatman, Philomena Yeatman and Valmai Pollard – have used a range of media, including watercolour, mono and lino prints and ceramics.

They also collaborated on a large print on calico. Central to this work is Yarraburra (also called Guyala), the fish hawk, a totemic ancestor that hunted for fish in the Cape Grafton region.

The pandanas tree is also a recurring motif in their work as it is abundant throughout the year and its leaves are still used by local basket weavers.



Seafood/shellfish that are gathered in Yarrabah, 2014, a monoprint by Edna Ambrym.

A Year in Yarrabah will be opened officially today (July 29) by Cairns Indigenous Art

Fair chair Cameron Costello. More details at www.cairnsevents.com

Textile pieces are out of Qld



Teho Ropeyarn's artwork *Udhyama unpanthi arrirra ayki wanthah*.



CAIRNS Regional Gallery's *Out of Queensland: New Indigenous Textiles* exhibition is

being held now in partnership with the Cairns Indigenous Art Fair, which starts on Friday (July 31).

The exhibition explores new directions in the work of leading artists Vernon Ah Kee, Naomi Hobson, Gordon Hookey, Heather Koowootha, Claudia Moodoonuthi, Ryan Presley, Brian Robinson, Teho Ropeyarn and Arthur Roughsey.

The challenge for each artist was to consider how the imagery of their paintings, linoprints and relief-sculptures might be reconfigured as floor-to-ceiling textile lengths.

In translating art to fabric, the main drivers were scale and design. The artists had to rescale their imagery into a repeat-pattern format,

imagining how this would complement the drape and movement of pure linen. The results, all completed using new digital printing technology, were produced by Cairns Regional Gallery staff, the artists and Cairns-based designer Bobbie Ruben.

The images range from political comments and themes through to patterned and colourful designs.

Gallery director Andrea May Churcher, who came up with the exhibition more than a year ago, is thrilled that it has brought together nine of Queensland's top Indigenous artists.

"This exhibition demonstrates the adaptability and inventiveness of the nine artists and their diverse approaches to creating bold new directions in textile art," she said.

"The exhibition makes a collective creative statement while celebrating individual artist's signature styles."



Heather Koowootha's *Traditional women's building material*.

\$500 prize on offer for female writers



CRIME buffs organisation Sisters in Crime Australia is calling for Indigenous women to turn their hand to crime – of the fictional sort. Sydney crime writer Josephine Pennicott is offering a \$500 prize for the best story by an Indigenous woman as part of Sisters in Crime Australia short story competition, the Scarlet Stiletto Awards. Ms Pennicott said she decided to offer the award because she said she was disturbed by figures on the Indigenous Literacy website that show an obvious discrepancy in literacy between

Indigenous and other Australians. "I saw a gap in the awards that could hopefully produce some very exciting writing from Indigenous women entrants, with some dynamic crime and mystery storytelling from a different perspective," she said.

"In an ideal world, we wouldn't need the separate category, but there aren't many Indigenous women authors writing crime and mystery novels. I hope by sponsoring this award it will encourage more of them."

Closing date for the awards is August 31. Details at www.sistersincrime.org.au/

2016/17 Artist in Residence (AIR) program

Applications now open

- Open to both emerging and established artists that reside outside of the Sydney Metropolitan Area, including internationally based artists
- Any art form eligible
- 10 –12 weeks in length
- Community development/engagement component required

Further Information

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Closing Date

Applications close midnight Sunday 23 August 2015



Cook lands at museum



A UNIQUE perspective on European settlement in Australia is on display at the Australian National Maritime Museum. Aboriginal artist Michael

Cook has created 10 large-scale images that question who really discovered Australia while making reference to what was here, what has been introduced, and the impact this had on Indigenous people, country

and culture. *Undiscovered – Photographic works by Michael Cook* runs until November 15.

The Australian National Maritime Museum is at Darling Harbour, Sydney. Details at www.anmm.gov.au



Undiscovered #4, by Michael Cook, is on display at the Australian National Maritime Museum.

Fraser's focus is on beach movies



SCREEN artist Jenny Fraser has been studying beach movies for a new solo exhibition at Cell Art Space in Cairns. The work is presented as a series of digital prints and text using scripts from beach movies that are set to question the influence of international mainstream movies.

Titled *name that beach movie II*, Fraser said her study looked at mainstream movies "specific to the fascination with coastal areas as a contested site".

"Most films reflect ideology, and beach movies subconsciously say a lot about culture wars, often mirroring issues of belonging, identity, ownership, entitlement and consequent conflict," she said.

The exhibition can be seen all hours at 109 Lake Street, Cairns, until next week.

● **Pictured right:** One of the images from Jenny Fraser's *name that beach movie II*.

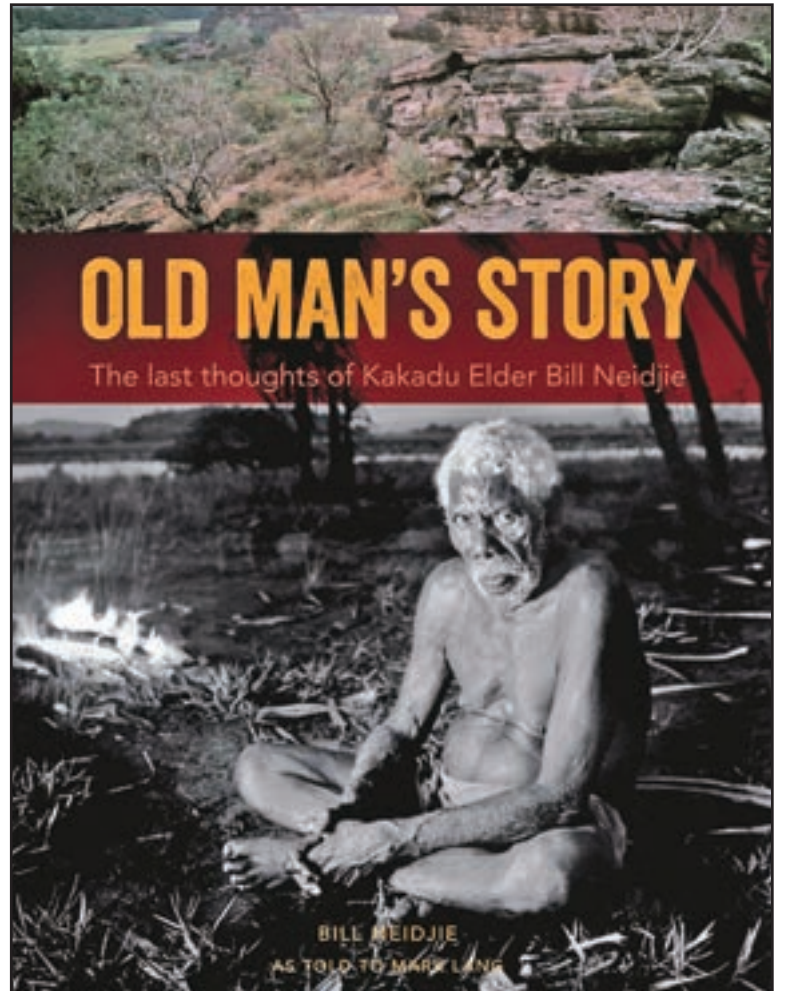
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Book tells Elder's last thoughts



A NEW book, *Old Man's Story*, is the result of a collaboration between senior Aboriginal Gagadju Elder and traditional owner of Kakadu Old Man 'Big Bill' Neidjie and Mark Lang.

Neidjie had a story he wanted to leave for his people – especially the youth – before he died. It would follow on from the two books of his thoughts already published.

Lang, a landscape photographer who had been on the road for several years, had decided he needed to spend time with Aboriginal people to gain some insight into their feeling for country. He had come to Kakadu in search for someone, hopefully

an Elder, to 'learn him up'.

After several weeks of getting to know each other, Neidjie asked Lang to work with him, record his story and photograph his country.

Lang stayed in Kakadu for two years while they worked together, and during that time he recorded nine hours of tape with Neidjie, all of which had to be transcribed and read back to ensure there were no mistakes. Lang also camped in Neidjie's country through the wet and dry seasons, photographing the landscape to provide the images to accompany *Old Man's Story*.

The result of their friendship, and the work they did together, is now published by Aboriginal Studies Press. Details at www.aiatsis.gov.au/aboriginal-studies-press

Applications open for \$30,000 fellowship



APPLICATIONS are now open for the 2015 NSW Government Aboriginal Arts Fellowship.

The \$30,000 fellowship will support an Aboriginal artist to showcase work and expand skills, which could include travel, mentorships, residences, workshops, research and creation of new work.

The fellowship is open to all Aboriginal artists across all art forms including collections and cultural heritage, community arts and cultural development, dance, literature, multi-art form, music, theatre and visual arts.

Applications close on Monday, August 10. For more information and details on how to apply, go to www.arts.nsw.gov.au



Expo at Brungle centre



BRUNGLE
Health
Centre in
southern
NSW

marked its 10th anniversary with a safe and healthy families expo.

The expo, which promoted allied health options available to the community, attracted about 130 people.

The event started with a welcome to country by Aunty Phyllis Freeman and a smoking ceremony by Stan Russell.

Special guest, footballer and boxer Joe Williams, spoke about the importance of good health and education, and how they helped him.

The Maliyaa group also performed traditional dances.

● Pictured: Cutting the cake, at back, Brungle Health Centre directors Bill Leigh and Sue Bulger with coordinator Noeleen Williams and, front, Jody MacPherson, Sonia Piper, Barbara Leigh and Phyllis Freeman.

Mallee targets violence



A NEW partnership between two Mallee district family support agencies will help to combat family violence in the local Aboriginal community.

Mallee District Aboriginal Services and the Mallee Sexual Assault Unit and Mallee Domestic Violence Services have formalised an agreement that focuses on improving service delivery across both organisations and ensuring all responses are culturally appropriate and sensitive.

Family violence is the biggest killer of Australian women aged 14 to 44, and for Aboriginal women deaths from domestic violence are

double that of non-Indigenous women.

"The demand for support is growing every year with the increase in reported cases of domestic abuse," Mallee Sexual Assault Unit and Mallee Domestic Violence Services chief executive Joanne Sheehan-Paterson said.

She said the collaboration would further enhance the crisis care and intervention responses of both services.

"But beyond that, we hope that by focusing on early intervention, and working together to raise awareness in the community, we can prevent situations from reaching the point where people are in crisis."

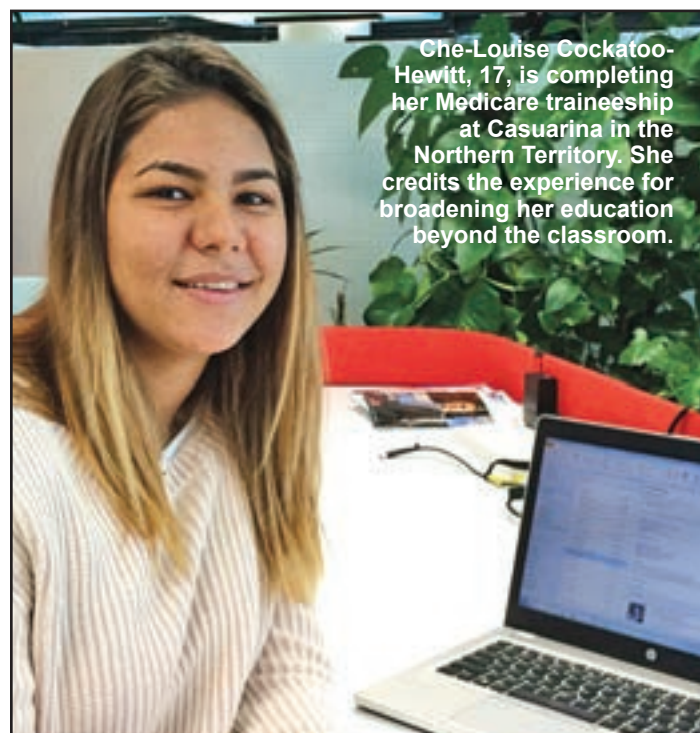
Traineeships part of Medicare RAP



AS part of Medibank's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), seven Indigenous students from across Australia have been given traineeships.

The RAP includes an Indigenous employment strategy to provide students with experience and exposure to future employment opportunities in the health sector.

"Education and employment are social determinants of health, and our two-way learning program not only provides trainees with an opportunity to pursue educational opportunities and experience a dynamic business environment, it also offers members of the Medibank team first-hand opportunities to deepen their understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture," Medibank head of corporate social responsibility,



Che-Louise Cockatoo-Hewitt, 17, is completing her Medicare traineeship at Casuarina in the Northern Territory. She credits the experience for broadening her education beyond the classroom.

Rita Marigliani said.

Completed over two years, the traineeship is being trialled with senior secondary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

students in Medibank retail and contact centres in the Northern Territory, Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia.

'Wellness' is the message for community



"WHAT makes me happy, makes me well!" That's the strong message to come out of an

eight-week Wellness Program and related PhotoVoice Project involving the Indigenous community of northern Sydney.

Participants ranged from teenagers to grandparents.

A Gaimariagal women's group shared culture, holding ceremonies and spending time focusing on what it means to be physically and spiritually well, and what it means to be culturally strong.

Men held discussions with Elders on Aboriginal culture, learned more about healthy eating, and met local service providers.

Plans are under way to extend cultural teachings, conduct rites of passage ceremonies, youth and adult leadership development, and wellness retreats.

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"The recommendations that came out of the Wellness Program and PhotoVoice Project called resoundingly for more cultural

events and activities that reaffirm cultural identity and pride, and build self-esteem, and we need to start with the young ones."



X Factor finalist Rochelle Pitt is now a kidney health ambassador.

Meet our new kidney health ambassador



INDIGENOUS singer Rochelle Pitt is a new ambassador for Kidney Health Australia.

Ms Pitt, who was a finalist on Channel Seven's *X Factor* in 2014, is also a registered renal nurse.

She says she's passionate about educating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people about kidney health.

"I'm very excited about my new role as an ambassador for Kidney Health Australia," she said.

"Kidneys are definitely the unsung heroes within us. They are such simple organs,

yet do so much. We need to learn to love and respect our kidneys and look after them, as they endlessly look after us."

In 2012-13, almost one in five Indigenous adults had indicators of chronic kidney disease.

Twice as likely

Indigenous Australians are twice as likely to have signs of chronic kidney disease, and four times as likely to have stages four to five chronic kidney disease, than other Australians.

"Kidney disease is a huge health problem in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

communities, and needs increased awareness and understanding," Ms Pitt said.

"As an Indigenous Australian and having worked as a renal nurse for many years, I am extremely passionate about talking with my people about health and their kidneys."

Kidney Health Australia national manager for Indigenous affairs Donisha Duff said she is thrilled to have Ms Pitt on board.

"Rochelle's profile, passion and experience will make a huge and positive contribution to raising awareness of kidney disease in Australia," she said.

Apunipima takes out three awards



APUNIPIMA Cape York Health Council has taken out three awards for its doctor training program at the annual Tropical Medical Training GP Supervisor

Conference. Apunipima won Best Registrar (Dr Jake Parker), Best Cultural Training Post (Sharyll Ellington for Mossman Gorge), and

Best Training Post (Apunipima Paediatric Specialist Outreach).

Senior medical officer Dr Jacki Mein said it was an honour to take home the awards and for Apunipima's doctors to be recognised for the work they do in Cape York.

"This recognises the hard work of all of our registrars, and supervisors training the next generation of Cape doctors," she said.

Counselling will continue on Cape



COUNSELLING services at the Cape York wellbeing centres have been funded for the next 12 months.

The funding is part of a \$1.67 million Federal Government allocation for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

The four wellbeing centres – at Aurukun, Coen, Hopevale and Mossman Gorge – were established in 2008 as part of the Cape York Welfare Reform trial to provide culturally appropriate health services to communities.

Federal Member for Leichhardt Warren Entsch welcomed the funding.

"The Royal Flying Doctor Service counselling team does an outstanding job at these centres by working directly with individuals to focus on drug and alcohol problems, gambling, family violence, mental health, and overall wellbeing," he said.

"In the last seven years, the centres have brought about a measurable reduction in anxiety, depression, problem drinking, drug-taking, and behavioural problems in each of the four communities.

"I'm pleased this funding will help the Royal Flying Doctor Service to continue providing support and counselling to those in the communities who need it most."

We welcome items for our National Calendar of Events. Keep them short and include a daytime telephone contact number. Send them to any of the addresses in the panel on page 23.

Ongoing: Lifeline. Saving lives. Crisis support. Suicide prevention. For assistance call 13 11 14.

Carer Line is a free national telephone information and support service for and about carers that provides access to information, emotional support and referrals to a range of services for carers. Call 1800 242 636, Monday to Friday.

The Better Start for Children with Disability Initiative. Children who are eligible for the program can access funding of up to \$12,000 each financial year for a range of early intervention services. Children must be registered before age six. For more information, call the Registration and Information Service on 1800 242 636 or visit www.carersnsw.org.au

Until 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/

August 6, September 3, September 18: Governing Girls, A Masterclass in Indigenous Governance. Held in Melbourne, Adelaide and Brisbane. Cost: \$50 for non-alumni member or \$30 for Alumni member. Details: Tamara Giles on (02) 6251 5770 or visit <http://goo.gl/60NVha>

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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 151 112.

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.

Until August 15: *We are in Wonder LAND* exhibition. The first national exhibition to explore experimentation in contemporary Central and Western Australian desert art. 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: Boomalli's *Unity Solid and Deadly* exhibition. Featuring works by Boomalli members. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Artist Co-op, 55-59 Flood St, Leichhardt from Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Free entry. Details: (02) 95602541 or visit www.boomalli.com.au

August 1-2: Aboriginal Illawarra Before Colonisation conference. Held at Panizzi Room, University of Wollongong, from 10am. Free. Details: Les Bursill on 0419 298 018 or email leslie.bursill@gmail.com

August 1-2: Underbelly Arts Festival 2015. Featuring works by more than 100 artists, includes an International program, talks, music and food. Held on Cockatoo Island, Sydney Harbour from 11am-10pm Sat and 11am-6pm Sun. Cost: \$15-\$45 per person, day or weekend passes, kids under 12 free entry. Details: www.underbellyarts.com.au



Kristy White, from Tennant Creek, is mentored by rock singer Dallas Frasca during last year's Barkly Divas program.

Divas in the Barkly



MusicNT's Barkly Divas is on again this week. The three-day workshop for Indigenous females from the Barkly Region provides women with workshops in singing, songwriting, the music industry and performance skills.

The workshops are from July 30 until August 1, with a showcase this

Saturday, August 1, from 12.30 as part of the Desert Harmony Festival in Tennant Creek.

This year's participants will be mentored by female musicians including Rayella lead singer and NAIDOC Cultural Award winner (Tennant Creek) Eleanor Dixon and Dallas Frasca.

Registrations and further information at www.musicnt.com.au/divas

August 4: Children's Day 2015 family fun day. Held at Goonellabah Sport and Aquatic Centre, from 10am-2pm. Free. Details: Zoe Dodd on (02) 25 5809 or 0425 366 979.

August 4: Children's Day 2015 celebration at Ballina Aboriginal Child and Family Centre, West Ballina, from 11am-2pm. Free. Details: Tanya on (02) 6681 1540 or Nena on (02) 6686 5644.

August 5: Building Bridges 2015 Forum, by Reconciliation for Western Sydney. Held at Parramatta Town Hall from 7.30pm. Details: Lyn on (02) 9639 8394 or visit <http://reconciliation4westernsydney.org>.

August 6-8: Yellamundie 2015 – National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Playwriting Festival. Held at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson St, Eveleigh on daily from 6pm. Cost: \$25 season pass or \$10 a show. Details: (02) 8571 9099 or visit www.carriageworks.com.au

August 6, 3, 20 and 27: Heal and Grow Workshops for Aboriginal women. The four-week program includes dealing with trauma and stress, grief and loss, building strengths and resilience and more. Free to attend, must register if childcare is required. Details: Mereki on 0407 675 603 or Belinda on 0475 817 383.

August 8: Dubowgale Beats Talk and Music. A group of Indigenous and other artists have been assembled for a night of song in two parts: a conversation with Archie Roach, and a concert in support of the Jimmy Little Foundation. Held at the Sydney Opera House, Bennelong Point, Sydney from 7pm. Cost: \$30 a person. Details: (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneypoperahouse.com

August 13-15: *Country Song* performance. A fictionalised story inspired by the life of Jimmy Little. Held at NORPA, Lismore City Hall, Lismore, daily from 7.30pm. Cost: \$15 a person Mob Tix. Details: 1300 066 772 or visit www.norpa.org.au

August 15, Sept 5, Sept 26 and Oct 17: Basket-making workshop series presented by the Guli-bal Living Culture Group. Held at the Lismore Rainforest Botanic Gardens, Wyrallah Road, East Lismore (beside the Waste Facility) from 10am-2pm. Cost: \$40 a workshop or \$160

full series. Details on (02) 6628 8120 or visit www.artsnorthernrivers.com.au

August 21: Bonalbo Central School NAIDOC celebration. Details: Rachael Moore or Matthew Martin on (02) 6665 1205.

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 Pl, 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 August 16: *A Year in Yarrabah* exhibition. Held at Cairns Regional Gallery Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm, Sat 10am-5pm and Sun 10am-2pm. Cost: \$5 Adult, free entry for children under 16. Details: (07) 4046 4800 or visit www.cairnsregionalgallery.com

Until September 30: Quandamooka Festival 2015. Held around the Moreton Bay area. Details: Nikki Michail on 0407 641 323 or visit www.quandamookafestival.com

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: Gimuy Fish Festival – A celebration of culture, community and culinary delights. Includes kids' activities, talking circle, corroboree, music, stalls and shops. Held at Fogarty Park, Esplanade, Cairns from 10am-6pm. Free entry. Details: 0429 539 944 or visit www.gimuyfishfestival.com

August 7-15: Bangarra Dance Theatre's *Iore*. 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

August 10: The Mabo Oration 2015. Join speaker Dr Dawn Casey as she pays tribute to the work of Eddie Mabo and examines current

issues facing Australia's First Nations' peoples. Held at Playhouse, Queensland Performing Art Centre (QPAC), Cultural Centre, South Bank, Brisbane from 6pm. Cost: \$20 per person. Details: 136 246 or 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 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 9: *Young Blood* exhibition. Inspired by the story of warrior Pemulwuy. Held at Footscray Community Arts Centre, Gabriel Gallery, 45 Moreland St, Footscray, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm and Sat-Sun, 10am-4pm. Free entry. Details: (03) 9362 8888 or visit www.footscrayarts.com

Until August 9: *What Lies Buried Rises* exhibition. Looks at the 1839 murder of a white woman and her child in a small Western Australian town. It includes photographs, paintings and film. Held at Footscray Community Arts Centre, Roslyn Smorgon Gallery, 45 Moreland St, Footscray from Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm & Sat-Sun, 10am-4pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (03) 9362 8888 or visit www.footscrayarts.com

August 17: Royal commission public hearing in Melbourne, to inquire into the experiences of former child residents at Turana and Winalton youth training centres and Baltara Reception Centre from the 1960s to the 1990s. Details: 1800 099 340 or visit www.childabuseroyalcommission.gov.au

Western Australia

Ongoing: Yirra Yaakin Theatre Company Writers' Group meeting for new and emerging playwrights. Held on the second Monday of the month at Yirra Yaakin, 65 Murray St, Perth, from 6.30-8.30pm. Details: Irma on (08) 9202 1966 or www.yirrayaakin.com.au

Until August 19: *Sixteen Artists – 16x2* exhibition, presenting two paintings each from 16 Aboriginal artists in one collection. Held at Japingka Gallery 1, 47 High Street, Fremantle on Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm and Sat-Sun 12-5pm. Free gallery entry. Details: (08) 9335 8265 or visit www.japingka.com.au

Until August 19: Northern Alyawarra painters exhibition. Held at Japingka Gallery 2, 47 High Street, Fremantle on Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm & Sat-Sun 12-5pm. Free. Details: (08) 9335 8265 or visit www.japingka.com.au

Northern Territory

August 3: Barkly Regional Arts culture experience day. Held at Lake Mary Anne Dam, Tennant Creek, from 1pm. Cost: \$15 a person. Details: (08) 8962 2799 or visit www.barklyregionalarts.com

August 21-23: Freedom Day Festival. Commemorating the 49th Anniversary of the Wave Hill Walk Off through art, culture, music and sport. Activities include a dawn ceremony, Freedom Day walk, dance ceremony, art exhibition, kids' art exhibition, disco, sporting events including football and basketball and more. Details: Phil Smith on 0406 224 866 or email gurindjicorporation@gmail.com or visit www.facebook.com/gurindjicorporation

August 25-28: Barkly Artist Camp. Run over four days, the camp aims to provide a mix of arts practice workshops, information sessions, night activities and professional development opportunities for Aboriginal artists from across the Barkly.

Held at Barkly Regional Arts Centre, 65 Staunton St, Tennant Creek. Details: (08) 8962 2799 or visit www.barklyregionalarts.com

On the asbestos train



A HISTORIC train in Western Australia has been cleared of asbestos thanks to a new business that is helping young Aboriginal men and others get into the workforce.

The S542 Bakewell Locomotive has been on public display in the Public Transport Centre car park in East Perth since 1976. It began service in 1943 and had its final journey in 1971. It is one of only three examples of its kind to have survived.

WA's Public Transport Authority found the train contained a type of woven asbestos used to insulate the boiler. The contract to remove it and all the lead paint was given to Thuroona Services, which managing director Roger Gordon says is the first Indigenous business in Australia to have an unrestricted asbestos licence.

"It was one of those things

where no-one had thought of going into it, and I thought I'd take on my own business," he said.

The job involved enclosing the locomotive in an airtight bubble to keep in the fibres and took three weeks to complete. Mr Gordon said he had three Indigenous men on the job, who were employed through a WA Corrective Services program.

Mr Gordon said they had just finished another asbestos removal job at Fremantle Post Office and the business also contracts out to mines and is doing a major fencing job at Tropicana gold mine. It is also developing emergency response kits for chemical spills and is in talks with the WA Department of Health and Environment about providing those services.

"We can respond and be anywhere, be onsite with the decontamination unit and shower and start as soon as possible ... The business is going really well," Mr Gordon said.



Thuroona Services managing director Roger Gordon on site in East Perth where his team was removing asbestos from an old steam train.



Aboriginal Employment Strategy Brisbane business development and operations manager Lanny Edey.

Jobs are his goal



BUSINESS operator Lanny Edey is head of the new Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) centre in Brisbane.

Mr Edey founded the electrical company Murri Power which he built up to employ 30 Indigenous admin staff in 15 offices around the country, plus 80 electrical contractors.

"We were a busy company and were very successful and then one day my first apprentice ever to be put on came up to me and said 'hey boss you must be getting tired of this' and he approached Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) and they put their heads together and bought me out," Mr Edey said.

Mr Edey said it was this

success story that made him even more determined to give back to his mob and he believes jobs are one of the best ways to empower people.

"Having this new centre in Brisbane means we can now represent not only our youth but a diverse range of ages," he said.

"Career-focused"

"Being 100% Indigenous managed we can culturally connect with employers and encourage them to diversify their staff and we're proving that our mob are just as smart and career-focused as anybody who is out there."

Mr Edey said Aboriginal employment is a niche market in which AES is well placed to serve and understand, especially when it comes to job longevity.

"How we break the cycle of unemployment in the Aboriginal community is to make sure that every person we put forward for a job is job-ready," he said.

"They need to be committed and I'm not afraid to tell people, 'At this very important time we can't help you,' but to also let them know there is always a way.

"If we don't believe someone is job-ready we will put them in contact with someone who can help them, whether they need help learning how to present themselves or with mental health, or if it's a cultural thing we'll put them in touch with Elders."

For more information on the AES and its programs, including its services, visit www.aes.org.au

It's your guide to employment

Welcome to the *Koori Mail's* Indigenous Job Opportunities section. Each edition we publish scores of employment advertisements from around the nation. To be part of this section, simply give our advertising staff a call on (02) 66 222 666, email advertising@koorimail.com or see our website – www.koorimail.com

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The program includes 18 months' experience and offers three rotations in different types of agencies, with formal mentoring, an executive sponsor, networking, development opportunities as well as an ongoing role offer upon successful completion of the program.

The NSW public sector is building a culturally diverse workforce and an inclusive workplace. We encourage people from an Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background to apply.

To find out more about the program including how to apply go to www.psc.nsw.gov.au/graduates
Applications close on Friday, 14 August 2015.

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Danila Dilba
Health Service

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Danila Dilba Health Service is going through a dynamic period of expansion, growth and review and currently has the following vacancy:

SENIOR PROGRAM OFFICER ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS

(Full-Time Role)

***\$76,526 - \$84,107**

The Senior Program Officer Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) is responsible for the general day to day coordination of the AOD program including the supervision of staff and the services it delivers. The Senior Program Officer AOD will also participate in the provision of AOD Services to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of the Greater Darwin Region.

(* 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: 10th August 2015

COB 5:00 pm

Details: daniladilba.org.au



**Aboriginal
Employment
Strategy Ltd**

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS MANAGER

(4 POSITIONS AVAILABLE)

**WATERLOO, CAMPBELLTOWN,
BLACKTOWN AND NEWCASTLE**

We are looking for individuals that thrive on business development. Successful applicants will have the opportunity to lead one of our AES Offices, and to grow and maintain our relationships within the region.

Selection criteria:

- High level of knowledge of and experience in the Employment Industry and Recruitment functions
- Demonstrated experience in working effectively with Aboriginal people/communities and delivering career outcomes for Aboriginal people
- Experience in maintaining and growing corporate accounts
- Experience managing and mentoring your own team of high performing individuals
- Understanding Budgets and KPIs and demonstrated ability to achieve revenue and expense targets
- Experience in public speaking and representing organisations in relevant meetings, events
- Proficient in MS Outlook and MS Office
- Flexibility to travel as and when needed
- A valid Driver's Licence
- Working with Children Check
- HR and IR knowledge and experience
- Understanding of Workplace Health and Safety

Desirable Experience:

- Understanding of Indigenous Employment & Training programs.
- Qualifications in relevant fields

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply. **APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON FRIDAY, 12 AUGUST 2015.**

Please forward written applications addressing the selection criteria with a copy of your CV to

Email address: hr@aes.org.au. For further information please call Barbara Dent on 02 8571 0999.

Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

Legal Practice Support Clerk (Aboriginal Identified)

- Central Sydney location
- Package up to \$79k (Clerk Grade 3/4)
- Ongoing Role – 35 hours per week

We are looking for an enthusiastic paralegal to join Legal Aid's Civil Law Service for Aboriginal Communities. The successful candidate will demonstrate expertise in working with Aboriginal clients and communities, have excellent communication and administrative skills, and ability to manage a diverse workload. The position will provide support to solicitors by assisting with legal research, case work, outreach, advice, community legal education, and client intake.

Apply Online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Jobs NSW Ref. No. 00003QXA

Closing Date: Wednesday, 5th August 2015

Enquiries: Jemima McCaughan on (02) 9219 6330

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Aboriginal Family Practitioner

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

ADELAIDE (METRO AND REGIONAL LOCATIONS)

ONGOING (PERMANENT) / TERM (TEMPORARY) ROLES

VAC NO: 2015-4913, 2015-5083

\$57,127 - \$70,111 p.a. (AHP1)

As a child safety professional in the Department you will have the opportunity to engage with and foster the strengthening of Aboriginal families and ensure the safety and wellbeing of vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people. You will be part of a dedicated, dynamic and diverse team committed to learning and delivering service excellence in child protection.

We are looking for energetic and innovative people of Aboriginal/ Torres Strait Islander descent who will play a key role in the protection and support of Aboriginal children, youth, families and communities. If you are passionate about improving the capacity and wellbeing of Aboriginal children and young people, we want to hear from you.

Note: There are several roles available throughout metropolitan and regional South Australia and information sessions will be conducted.

For further details on the roles available, the information sessions and how to apply please visit:

<http://decid.sa.gov.au/childprotectioncareers>

Only people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are eligible to apply.

Enquiries to: Human Resources, (08) 8204 2490, email DECDFamiliesSARecruitment@sa.gov.au

Applications close: Friday 14 August 2015



**Aboriginal
Employment
Strategy Ltd**

CAREER RECRUITMENT OFFICER

POSITIONS (X2)

CAMPBELLTOWN & KEMPSEY

Core elements of the role include:

- Interviewing, assessing and referring Aboriginal career seekers into a career and training.
- Develop and implement employment career action plans
- Networking with community organisations and local businesses to generate new career opportunities
- Preparation and coaching of Aboriginal career seekers

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated ability to successfully engage with Aboriginal people and communities
- Proven track record in delivering tangible outcomes for Aboriginal people
- Highly developed time management skills
- Ability to work autonomously and as part of a team
- Proficiency in MS Office suite including Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Demonstrated ability to work to compliance processes
- A valid driver's license
- Working with children's check

Desirable Criteria:

- Experience in Employment Services Industry

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON FRIDAY, 12 AUGUST 2015.

Please forward written applications addressing the selection criteria and a copy of your CV to

Email address: hr@aes.org.au. For further information please call Barbara Dent on 02 8571 0999.



OPPORTUNITY HUB TAMWORTH

Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council are seeking to appoint a full time worker for the Opportunity Hub Tamworth.

Opportunity Hubs are designed to focus on inspiring young Aboriginal people with the confidence and knowledge required to follow pathways to assist them through their transition into tertiary education, training and/or employment.

The core goals of the program are:

- Partner schools with local employers and training providers;
- Coordinate local opportunities including employment, mentoring, scholarships, internships and volunteer work;
- Match local opportunities to Aboriginal students career aspirations that lead to jobs;
- Mentor and support Aboriginal students each step of the way;
- Engage Aboriginal students and their families early on at school; and
- Track Aboriginal students progress including once they have transitioned to employment.

Essential Criteria:

1. Aboriginality
2. Demonstrated ability to successfully work and engage with Aboriginal youth, schools, organisations and communities.
3. Strong youth focused leadership and facilitation skills,
4. High level communication skills including written, oral and interpersonal,
5. Certificate in Mentoring (or willing to obtain),

6. Proficient in Microsoft Office
7. Current valid drivers licence,
8. Ability to obtain Working with Children's check and Federal Police clearance.

Highly Desirable:

1. Demonstrated experience in preparing personal learning plans for students,
2. Demonstrated experience working with students to develop career plans,
3. Experience writing resumes, job applications and scholarship applications,
4. Knowledge of the processes required to apply for University and higher education.

* Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position, exemption claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-discrimination Act NSW 1977.

Applications Close at 4pm, Monday 10 August, 2015

Please ensure that your application addresses the essential and highly desirable criteria

For enquires contact:

Fiona Snape – Chief Executive Officer
Tamworth Local Aboriginal Land Council
Phone 02 6766 9028
Email Fiona@tamworthtlalc.com.au



Your future has a new name...

Aboriginal Education Liaison Officer

Aboriginal Education Centre – Mt Helen Campus

Full-time, fixed-term appointment for one (1) year.

You will contribute to increasing access, participation and educational outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by promoting higher education courses. You will also liaise with staff and the community to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students with course completions as well as contribute to the student enrolment process.

As the successful candidate, you will have demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and cultures as well as an understanding of educational needs. Strong administrative, communication and organisational skills are key components of this position.

Travel between campuses and extensively throughout regional and metropolitan Victoria, and throughout Australia, often at short notice, is a requirement of this position.

SALARY | \$60,558 to \$68,203 p.a. plus superannuation. Appointments will normally be at the base of the salary range.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE | Sunday, 9 August 2015.

Administrative Officer

Aboriginal Education Centre – Mt Helen Campus

Part-time (0.5), fixed-term appointment for one (1) year.

You will provide a comprehensive and confidential administrative support service to the Aboriginal Education Centre including handling enquiries, general office support services as well as diary and travel arrangements. You will also prepare correspondence, reports and documents for the Aboriginal Education Centre and provide administrative support for various associated committees.

As the successful candidate, you will have experience with MS Office, have the ability to draft complex documents as well as provide best-practice customer service. You will also have demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, cultures and educational needs.

SALARY | \$55,716 to \$59,126 p.a. (pro rata) plus superannuation. Appointments will normally be at the base of the salary range.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE | Sunday, 9 August 2015.

In accordance with its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy, the University has designated this position as an Identified Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Position. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

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Koori Graduate Recruitment and Development Scheme

We are currently recruiting for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander graduates in a range of disciplines located in Melbourne CBD. These graduate positions will start in February 2016.

The 12 month graduate scheme offers professional development and training, with exposure to a cross-section of the departments activities leading to ongoing employment.

To apply, go to the careers section of www.justice.vic.gov.au

If you would like to find out more about this exciting opportunity please contact the Koori Employment Team on (03) 8684 8074 or email koori.employment@justice.vic.gov.au

Applications close on Sunday 20 September 2015.

This is an Aboriginal Designated Position, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

Department of
Justice & Regulation



Department of
Primary Industries
Water

Project Support Officer (Lake Victoria Program)

- Located in Buronga, NSW
- Clerk Grade 2-3, \$74,581 pa package includes salary (\$62,097 – \$67,586 range pa), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.
- This is a full-time temporary role up to 12 months
- This is an Aboriginal identified role

To succeed in this role you will have the ability to provide administrative and business services to the Lake Victoria Program activities and projects, including word processing, records management and information dissemination. You will have the ability to communicate, develop and maintain relations with Aboriginal Council and communities relating to the Lake Victoria Program.

To qualify for this role you must be of an Aboriginal heritage and possess a valid driver's licence.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander People are encouraged to apply.

For further information, the role description and to apply on-line, applicants should go to www.jobs.nsw.gov.au and search for Job Reference No: 00003SDM

Enquiries: Steve McGlashan on (03) 5051 6214 or 0429 036 385

Closing Date: 9 August 2015

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Community Development Worker – Aboriginal Programs

Part time (14 hours per week)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified position

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a qualified and experienced Community Development Worker, Aboriginal Programs to assist with the implementation of Council's Reconciliation Action Plan. Reporting directly to the Team Leader Community Programs, this position is responsible for building relationships and increasing cultural awareness within Council and the community.

The successful applicant must have experience in community engagement and strong connections in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community. Strong communication, event and project management skills as well as the ability to work as part of a team are essential.

A salary range between \$32.16–\$37.62 ph is offered depending upon competencies, knowledge and experience. Benefits include close proximity to public transport, flexible working hours and employment based on EEO principles led by progressive management, with a strong safety focus.

Specific Enquiries: Jane Pollard, Team Leader Community Programs on (02) 9716 1841.

Closing Date: 4pm Friday, 21 August 2015.

How to Apply: This is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified role. Applicants should first obtain a comprehensive job information package by visiting our website www.ashfield.nsw.gov.au or scan the QR code if you are mobile. Applications must address the selection criteria as outlined in the person specification (found in the job description).



Ashfield Council



Forestry
Corporation



Aboriginal Partnerships Liaison

Located in Batemans Bay OR Eden, NSW

The Forestry Corporation of NSW (FCNSW) is currently seeking an Aboriginal Partnership Liaison (APL) in the Batemans Bay area. The APL is responsible for supporting effective forestry operations by undertaking accurate, compliant and timely pre-harvest Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Surveys in designated areas.

The APL is also responsible for building and maintaining mutually-beneficial partnerships with Aboriginal communities in order to collaborate and contribute to the development, implementation and review of business opportunities and other initiatives that maximise opportunities for Aboriginal communities to gain value from the forest estates.

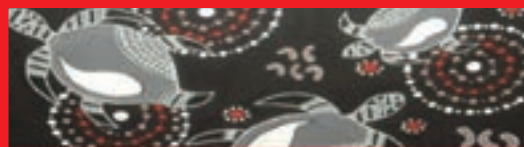
For further information please visit <http://www.forestrycorporation.com.au> or call John Shipp on 0437 879 096.

The closing date for applications:
7 August 2015

Job Notes:

Forestry Corporation considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

KURRANULLA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION



FULL TIME ABORIGINAL EARLY LINKERS

Kurrannulla Aboriginal Corporation is looking to recruit 2 people for the role of Aboriginal Early Linker.

Location: Sydney! South Eastern Sydney

The role: The Early Links program provides timelimited support to families of children aged less than nine years while awaiting/seeking a diagnosis or around at the time of their child's diagnosis with disability or developmental delay.

We assist children, from infants up until nine years of age, and their families to:

- Recognise and build on individual and family strengths and support networks.
- Look at ways children with a disability can fully participate and be part of community and plan for the future.
- Build on the capacity of local communities to be welcoming and inclusive for children with a disability.
- Support families to access the range of community support services including specialist services (if required) throughout the time of diagnosis.

Salary: As per award - Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010 (level 4). A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

About you:

- The position is an identified Aboriginal position. Aboriginality is a genuine qualification authorised under Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination ACT 1977
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Demonstrate ability to work with limited supervision and manage a variety of tasks and display initiative, flexibility and integrity.
- Have an understanding and awareness of people with disability
- Approved and current NSW Working with Children check, Drivers licence and Police check

For a copy of position description and key selection criteria please contact Tracie McNally on (02) 9528-0287 or email managerkurrannulla.org.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 28TH AUGUST, 2015

Blacktown City

Blacktown City is a modern city of 48 suburbs, home to over 330,000 people. Council is continuously evolving and our Vision will inspire and motivate you to be part of Blacktown City's future.

Apprenticeships 2016 Placements

Position No: BC101

Become a professional in your preferred trade. Throughout the first three years of your apprenticeship, you will receive on-the-job training and be completing a relevant TAFE Certificate. Your fourth year will be purely practical experience. Throughout your apprenticeship you will be working with, and supported by qualified tradespeople.

Apprenticeships for 2016 placements are:

- Heavy Vehicle Plant Mechanic x 2
- Air-Conditioning (HVAC) Technician x 1
- Plumber x 1
- Electrician x 1
- Gardener x 6
- Greenkeeper x 1

The salaries and conditions of employment are in accordance with the Blacktown City Council Enterprise Agreement.

Note:

- The selection process requires selected applicants for all positions to undertake an aptitude test and a medical examination.
- Morning and afternoon shift arrangements will apply from the second year onwards for the Heavy Vehicle Plant Mechanic apprenticeship.
- Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: Human Resource Services on 9839 6000.

Closing Date: Friday 11 September, 2015.

Internal Ref: Apprenticeships.

Traineeships 2016 Placements

Position No: BC103

Council is offering traineeships commencing in 2016 in Administration and Children's Services. These 12-month traineeships provide a combination of on-the-job work experience and one day per week attendance at TAFE completing a Certificate III in Business Administration or Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care.

Traineeships are available in the following areas:

- Arts and Cultural Development (Arts Centre)
- Blacktown City Information Centre
- Civil and Park Maintenance
- Finance
- Human Resource Services
- Records Services
- Communications and Marketing
- Children's Services
- Events and Sister Cities

You will be motivated, enthusiastic and committed to providing a high standard of customer service. You will also possess strong communication skills, both verbal and written.

The salaries and conditions of employment are in accordance with the Blacktown City Council Enterprise Agreement.

Note:

- The selection process requires selected applicants for all positions to undertake an aptitude test and a medical examination.
- Indigenous applicants are encouraged to apply.

Enquiries: Human Resource Services on 9839 6000.

Closing Date: Friday 11 September, 2015.

Internal Ref: Traineeships.

To apply visit Council's website
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Disability Support Workers

Casual Positions

Brimbank, Melton, Hobsons Bay, Werribee, Stawell, St Arnaud, Horsham, Bacchus Marsh, Ballarat, Geelong, Colac and Colanda

Casual positions are available across the West Division of the Department of Health and Human Services, particularly within the areas listed above. These positions include shift work (sleep over, active nights and weekend shifts).

In this role you will provide support in the daily living activities for people with a disability living in a Group Home. You will also play an active role in facilitating the development and enhancement of independent living and other skills including the individual's participation in the community.

To be successful you will need current level 2 First Aid, CPR certificate, Working with Children Check (employee) and drivers licence.

Working for the Department of Health and Human Services is not just a job. It can be a journey of learning, self discovery, challenge and achievement.

Closing date is Midnight 2nd August 2015

Position Number: DHHS/WWD/50670

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, contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au



To apply online and view the job description, visit www.careers.vic.gov.au



Aboriginal Community Support Worker

Job No: N49097
Location: Hunter, NSW

As an Aboriginal Community Support Worker you will utilise your cultural knowledge to support Indigenous community members and their families. An integral part of the role will be to walk the recovery journey beside the individual to enable them to make positive empowering choices in life to reach their full potential.

To be successful you will have:

- A passion to help people;
- Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander;
- Hands on work experience working with people with mental health issues;
- Qualifications in Mental Health;
- A can do attitude and a professional approach to working as part of a team;
- Ability to work across a seven day roster.

If you are interested in the position please visit our New Horizons Careers Website to complete the online application. More info call Megan Platt on (02) 9490 0006.

Applications close COB Tuesday 4th August 2015.



Danila Dilba
Health Service

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Danila Dilba Health Service is going through a dynamic period of expansion, growth and review and currently has the following vacancy:

TEAM LEADER SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

(Full-Time Role)

***\$101,486 to \$113,659**

The Team Leader Social and Emotional Wellbeing is responsible for leadership and management of a team providing high quality mental health and social and emotional wellbeing services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults and children.

(* 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: 10th August 2015

COB 5:00 pm

Details: daniladilba.org.au

Regional Managers



CCNT is implementing a regional management structure across the NT. Three new positions have been created that will provide positive onsite leadership and effective management of our regional offices, in Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs. If you have a passion for regional work, highly developed leadership and collaboration skills and experience working in the field, this maybe the new opportunity you have been looking for!

We require experienced all-rounders that can work across a range of diverse programs. The Regional Managers will be adaptable and have the ability to develop, manage and support staff and relationships from culturally diverse backgrounds. The Regional Managers will be accountable for ensuring operations are compliant with all required legislation, standards, accreditation requirements and funding bodies.

Employment is subject to obtaining a National police check and Working with Children (Ochre) Card. CatholicCare NT is committed to the protection of children and young people

CatholicCare NT

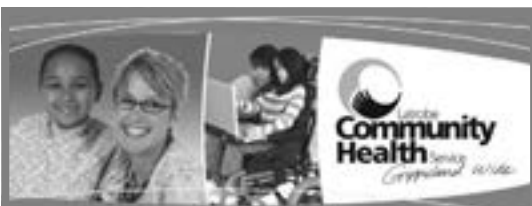
www.catholiccarent.org.au



Applicants must address the selection criteria and be forwarded to:
recruitment@catholiccarent.org.au

Applications close: 9am Thursday 6 August 2015

Interviews to be held:
Monday 10 & Tuesday 11 August 2015



Latrobe Community Health Service (LCHS) is one of the largest community health providers in Victoria. We provide professional and career development, salary packaging, an employee assistance program, work life balance and much more.

We are currently offering the following career opportunity:

Aboriginal Regional Development Officer (19070)

Gippsland, Permanent ongoing

We are seeking to appoint an Aboriginal Regional Development Officer whose role will be to assist Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations and generic health services in Gippsland to deliver culturally sensitive HACC services and improve access for our Aboriginal community.

The Regional Development Officer will coordinate the operation of the local HACC Aboriginal network and implement the aims of the Diversity Planning and Practice Framework of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Latrobe Community Health Service auspices the role which is funded by DHHS.

The Regional Development Officer will need to network with all ACCCOs and generic health services located in Gippsland.

The base location for this position is negotiable, where an attractive remuneration package applies with motor vehicle, mobile phone and laptop usage provided.

Please note, due to the nature of this role Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are only eligible to apply.

For more information please contact Christina Rush, Acting Executive Director Community Support and Connection on (03) 5136 5333.

Applications will be accepted until 11pm, Friday 31 July 2015.

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are encouraged to apply
- For further information and copies of each position description visit our careers page www.lchs.com.au/careers
- Applicants must address the Selection Criteria and lodge their application online.
- No late or hard copy applications will be accepted.

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SVITZER



Indigenous Pre-Employment Program

SVITZER is part of the A.P. Moller - Maersk Group of companies which employ about 110,000 colleagues globally. SVITZER Australia operates harbour and terminal towage and associated maritime services across 35 Australian ports and is one of the country's largest maritime employers.

SVITZER is funding a pre-employment program to be held in Cairns, Far North Queensland offering twelve (12) places, three (3) of which are reserved for Larrakia people from Darwin leading to possible job opportunities with SVITZER or further support to be placed in similar industries.

Course Offered:

Certificate I in Maritime Operations (General Purpose Hand Near Coastal) at TAFE North- Great Barrier Reef Marine College, full-time over one (1) week attending five (5) days, 8.30am-4.30pm.

- Assist with routine maintenance of a vessel
- Apply basic survival skills in the event of vessel abandonment
- Follow procedures to minimise and fight fires on board a vessel
- Meet work health and safety requirements
- Survive at sea using survival craft
- Work effectively as part of a crew on a vessel up to 80 metres
- Apply general purpose hand skills aboard a vessel
- Perform basic lookout duties

Prerequisites:

- Minimum sixteen (16) years of age
- Minimum year ten (10) with a sound achievement in English and Mathematics (or the equivalent)
- Indigenous Australians
- A keen interest and passion in the Marine Industry

SVITZER invites applications for this exciting opportunity commencing 21 September 2015.

If you have any questions about this exciting opportunity please contact either HR/IR Business Partner QLD, Sharon Galliozzi on Sharon.galliozzi@svitzer.com, or Courtney Moore, North Queensland Operations Co-ordinator on Courtney.moore@svitzer.com or 07 3895 1022. We look forward to hearing from you.

Applications addressing the prerequisites must be received by Monday, 10 August 2015. To apply for this opportunity please go to www.svitzer.recruitmentthub.com.au

To apply for this job go to:
www.svitzer.recruitmentthub.com.au
& enter ref code: 2266181.
Applications close 31 July 2015



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❖ 2016 INDIGENOUS LEGAL TRAINEESHIP PROGRAM

The Victorian Government Solicitor's Office (VGSO) is offering an Indigenous Traineeship position, commencing March 2016.

The role of a Trainee Lawyer with the VGSO is wonderfully diverse, constantly challenging and extremely interesting.

As a Trainee Lawyer, you will gain exposure to various facets of the legal system, with four rotations through our legal branches. The successful candidate will have opportunities to participate in the Department of Justice & Regulation Koori Staff Network and related activities.

At the successful completion of the program, the Trainee Lawyer will be admitted to practice as a lawyer of the Supreme Court of Victoria.

If you are a law graduate or are due to complete your law degree in 2015 and are interested in becoming a Trainee Lawyer with the VGSO, please visit vgso.vic.gov.au/working-vgso/indigenous-traineeships

To submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by Sunday 23 August 2015.

This is an Aboriginal Designated Position, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.



www.vgso.vic.gov.au

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council (BLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

The CEO will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the BLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues is also required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the Position Description and Selection Criteria. These are available by email at birpailalc@midcoast.com.au or by phone on 02 6584 9066.

Applicants must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

Applications can be forwarded to mvegterceo@gmail.com or marked "Confidential" and posted to:

The Chairperson
Birpai Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 876, PORT MACQUARIE 2444
Applications close Friday 7th August 2015
Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.



Department of
Education & Training

Koorie Engagement Support Officer – ES 1.4

Salary Range: \$74,569 to \$87,925

1 x 0.2 FTE Fixed Term Position

South East Victoria Region

The Victorian Department of Education & Training is seeking a suitably qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander to work in the South East Victoria Region as Koorie Engagement Support Officer.

The position will be based in Orbost 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 position 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 qualification/s.

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 **1020682**

Applications close **3/8/2015**

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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Koorie Engagement Support Officer – ES 1.4

Salary Range: \$74,569 to \$87,925

2 x Fixed Term Positions

South East Victoria Region

The Victorian Department of Education & Training is seeking two suitably qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to work in the South East Victoria Region as Koorie Engagement Support Officers.

The positions will be based in Frankston and Dandenong and support schools and early childhood services.

The successful applicants will work as members 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.

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Please refer to position numbers 1021178 and 1021180.

Applications close **3/8/2015**

Contact Lisa Anderson, Koorie Education Co-ordinator for further position information.

anderson.lisa.j@edumail.vic.gov.au Ph: 03 8765 5702



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Aboriginal Hospital Liaison Officer (AHLO) / Aboriginal Mental Health Liaison Officer (AMHLO)

Full time, Permanent Aboriginal Identified Position

A fantastic opportunity to take on a role which seeks to make a difference in Aboriginal health care. This is an opportunity to work with a supportive and committed Aboriginal Health Team. We are seeking a suitably experienced person to work with others to deliver culturally safe care to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients. The role works closely with an experienced Aboriginal Health team, other health professionals and Aboriginal community controlled health care organisations. The main focus of the work is the Emergency Department and the Mental Health Unit, as well as the acute hospital.

The role is responsible for:

- patient and family support
- liaison work and consultation to other clinicians
- effective liaison with and referrals to community controlled organisations.

The successful applicant will have relevant tertiary qualifications and experience in health, social or community services specifically related to Aboriginal clients.

Please contact Sonia Posenelli, AHLO Program Supervisor on (03) 9231 3438 for more information or to discuss this position.

Applications close on 14th August 2015.

Job reference number: 15416

St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne acknowledges the local Aboriginal people of the land on which it's many sites are located. St Vincent's acknowledges Aboriginal people as the traditional owners of the land. We are committed to improving the health and wellbeing of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their communities and believe that this can be achieved, in part, through greater representation in the health workforce.

Aboriginal Early Links Linkers

The Western Alliance Ability Links Program is seeking Early Link Linkers to deliver Aboriginal Early Links NSW across the Western area of NSW.

Aboriginal Community Members who have a lived experience/understanding of children with disability are encouraged to apply.

- 3 permanent full time (35 hours per week) Linker positions based in the Deniliquin, Orange and Broken Hill Local Aboriginal Land Council offices.
- A satisfactory Working with Children Check is required
- These are identified Aboriginal positions. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Aboriginal Early Links NSW (AELNSW) is the NSW approach to local area co-ordination for children 0-8 yrs. with disabilities, their families and carers.

The successful applicant will support Aboriginal and Non Aboriginal children and their families/carers with disabilities to enable the families to encourage an inclusive lifestyle. Linkers ensure Aboriginal families are empowered on their decision making, and enable the client to access choices, resources and opportunities within their communities.

Salary: As per award - Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010 (level 4). A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

All applicants must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the General Manager Denise Williams by email: generalmanager@lalcd.com or (03) 58814891 0400420231. Forward completed applications to the above email or post to:

General Manager
Aboriginal Ability Links
Western Alliance
PO Box 846
DENILIQUIN NSW 2710

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification as authorised by Part 2, Division 2, Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Applications close COB 7th August 2015



Expression of Interest - Research Project Officer

- Casual opportunity, approximately one (1) day per week
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply
- \$48.86 per hour, inclusive of 25% loading

Australian Catholic University (ACU) is an inclusive community which welcomes students and staff of all beliefs. ACU has over 1,800 staff supporting more than 30,000 students across seven campuses – Adelaide, Ballarat, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, North Sydney and Strathfield.

The Institute for Positive Psychology and Education (IPPE) sits within the Faculty of Health Sciences. Its vision is to lead scientific research that empowers individuals and groups to thrive. IPPE conducts world-class, multi-disciplinary research in positive psychology and education that makes a difference in addressing critical educational and psychosocial issues.

As the Research Project Officer, you will provide varied research support to the institute's research project: Keeping Culture: Utilising Koori Elders Wisdom and Knowledge in Education (Elders).

Reporting to the Research Projects Manager you will also assist the Principal Researchers with the design, data collection and facilitation of research projects.

TO BE SUCCESSFUL YOU WILL:

- Possess a degree (Aboriginal Studies and or/Education or similar) and/or equivalent experience;
- Demonstrate commitment to the specific mission and Catholic ethos of the institution, and
- Demonstrate experience in conducting qualitative research design, collection, analysis and presentation.

HOW TO APPLY:

To obtain the Position Description and to apply, visit www.acu.edu.au/careers.

Applications close: **Monday 3 August 2015**



www.acu.edu.au/careers



POSITIONS VACANT - RECOGNISE

Recognise is the campaign to build community awareness and support for the recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution and ensure there is no place for discrimination in it. Recognise is part of Reconciliation Australia (RA) an independent, national not-for-profit organisation promoting reconciliation by building relationships, respect and trust between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We are looking for a highly skilled, passionate and enthusiastic people to assist us in meeting our organisational goals through working in the Recognise Campaign.

We currently have six positions to fill.

MEDIA OFFICER

The Media Officer – Recognise will contribute to the work of the Recognise communications team by maintaining an up-to-date and comprehensive national media database, assisting in the planning and generation of media for the Journey to Recognition, assisting with the drafting of press releases, blogs, speeches and opinion pieces, as well as, coordinating Recognise communications activities with the Reconciliation Australia communications team.

MEDIA ASSISTANT

As a member of the Recognise communications team the Media Assistant will undertake administrative tasks to contribute to the smooth running of the team. The successful applicant will assist in organising media events, assist in maintaining national media database to ensure accuracy and currency, as well as, assisting with the administrative arrangements in generation of media for the Journey to Recognition.

All positions are full-time, fixed-term up to 30 June 2016.

Reconciliation Australia is committed to improving employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and strongly encourages them to apply.

For further information about Reconciliation Australia and job descriptions go to our website at www.reconciliation.org.au or contact Recognise on (02) 8204-1500.

Applications should include a CV and address the selection criteria for the position (max. four pages).

EXECUTIVE SUPPORT ASSISTANT

The Executive Support Assistant will be responsible for providing administrative and logistical support to the Executive team of the Recognise Campaign. The successful applicant will use their high level organisational skills and attention to detail to undertake research and discrete projects as required, as well as, working collaboratively across teams within Recognise to support the aims of the campaign.

YOUTH CAMPAIGN COORDINATOR

The Co-Coordinator, RECOGNISE THIS is responsible for jointly leading the youth-led campaign for constitutional recognition (RECOGNISE THIS) in partnership with Indigenous and non-Indigenous stakeholders in the youth sector. The successful applicant will develop strategies to engage young Australians in the RECOGNISE THIS campaign, as well as, develop a range of resources to engage a youth audience and participate in public speaking and media interviews. This position is an identified position to be filled by an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person.

NATIONAL FIELD COORDINATOR

The National Field Coordinator will assist in running a volunteer – led community engagement program across all states and territories to build grassroots awareness of the need for constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The successful applicant will administer the volunteer management software, manage the RECOGNISE supporter list and assist with developing and implementing the national training program.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS

As a key member of the Recognise communications team the Deputy Director of Communications will be responsible for working to the Director of Communications in the development and delivery of Recognise communications plans, drafting of press releases, blogs, speeches and opinion pieces, as well as, the planning and generation of media for Indigenous, women's, multicultural, regional and local media, as well as, national outlets.

Applications close: 5pm Wednesday 12th August 2015.

Please send applications to:

'CONFIDENTIAL'
Chief of Staff
Recognise
PO Box K746
HAYMARKET NSW 1240

Email to: anda.mednis@recognise.org.au

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It's how many readers your ad will reach in every edition of the Koori Mail!

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Case Manager

**Out of Home Care - Aboriginal
Leeton, NSW - Part Time**

We are looking for a competent, professional individual to join our expanding team in Leeton. As a Case Manager, you will develop and implement case plans for children and young people in out-of-home care. You will work with families, foster carers and other professionals to achieve the best outcomes for children in care.

The successful applicant will have experience working with children with high support needs, demonstrated competencies in assessment and case management and excellent report writing skills.

Tertiary qualifications or relevant experience in a human services setting will also be essential.

Indigenous applicants are strongly encouraged to apply. The successful applicant must be prepared to participate in four days of specialised Parents as Teachers training in Sydney on the commencement of their role.

All applicants will be required to address the selection criteria in the Position Description for this position. The successful applicant must have or have applied for a Working with Children Check through the Office of the Children's Guardian (NSW) and will be subject to a National Criminal History Check. Shortlisted applicants will be required to undertake the psychometric profiling instrument - Safe Select™ prior to appointment.

**The Position Description, including selection criteria can be obtained from Anglicare's website
www.anglicare.com.au**

To find out more about this position and to obtain an Application Pack please contact Samara Curtis on (02) 6937 1555 or email samara.curtis@anglicare.com.au

To apply, please send your application, addressing the Selection Criteria, along with a cover letter and your resume to the General Manager, Anglicare Riverina - brad.addison@anglicare.com.au

**Closing date for applications is
COB Monday 3rd August 2015.**

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SENIOR FINANCIAL OFFICER

**Are you passionate about
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Aged & Community Services NSW & ACT is the leading industry organisation supporting church, charitable and not-for-profit providers for retirement living, community and residential care services for older people.

Are you :-

- Keen to work with an enthusiastic team?
- Looking for full time work?
- An experienced CA/CPA?
- Able to work autonomously?
- Passionate about timely accurate reporting?
- Experienced in MYOB?
- Able to liaise at a high level with key stakeholders?
- Experienced in iMIS database and eTouches?
- Customer service focussed?

If you answer yes to most of these questions we'd love to hear from you. A position description is available upon request. Please forward your confidential application to mail@acs.asn.au or for further information contact Mira Sandre on 02 8754 0400.

**Forster Local
Aboriginal Land Council**



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) (Identified Position)

The Forster Local Aboriginal Land Council (FLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in undertaking the role of CEO.

Applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria. Applicants are required to meet and address the selection criteria.

This position will be 5 days per week (35 Hours). Remuneration range of 65-75k negotiable.

To obtain a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer - Wes Fernando on (02) 6659 1204 or email wesley.fernando@alc.org.au

Aboriginal Identified, "An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977."

Applications marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Contact Officer

Wes Fernando

PO Box 1912
Coffs Harbour NSW 2428

Applications close: 13th August 2015

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IRONBARK
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
Improving lives, transforming communities

Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation

Ironbark Aboriginal Corporation (Ironbark) is a not-for-profit corporation based in Darwin, NT. The organisation was established in 2000 following extensive consultation with Indigenous organisations and communities in the broader Darwin area. From these discussions, a unique governance model was developed with representation and participation based on regional community organisations.

Ironbark has grown markedly over the years, developing from a small Community Development and Employment Program (CDEP) entity to a medium sized service provider. Ironbark successfully delivers community, employment and enterprise programs to urban, regional and remote communities throughout the greater Darwin/Daly Region of the Northern Territory.

Current program delivery encompasses Remote Jobs & Communities Program, Indigenous Community Links and Aboriginal Bush Traders.

Operations Manager

The Operations Manager reports directly to the CEO and is responsible for the business operations of the RJCP Program in line with budgets, service delivery plans and performance frameworks, that are prepared and reviewed in conjunction with the Executive Management Team.

The Operations Manager will work in partnership with the Executive Management Team to achieve organisational objectives, inclusive of supporting the development and maintenance of business and strategic plans, and risk management matrices

How to apply

To obtain the selection documentation for the position, please request a copy of the Applicant's Job Pack by email: ora@oric.gov.au. Should you require any further information regarding the position, please phone the corporation's contact Shaun Pearce on 0488 662 999 or email ceo@ironbark.org.au

Applications close: 9 August 2015

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Lifetime Learning Coordinator

Leeton/Griffith NSW

ANGLICARE NSW, NSW West and ACT provides a range of services for children, young people and families throughout Riverina and Western NSW. We are currently seeking a Coordinator for our new Life Time Learning - Indigenous Parenting Support Services Program to work across the Leeton and Griffith regions. This is a permanent part-time position, working 60 hours per fortnight and primarily based in our Leeton office.

"The early years of a child's life are the most important for learning and development"

The Life Time Learning - Indigenous Parenting Support Services Program works with families to build their knowledge of early learning and development through supportive engagement. The program works to strengthen positive relationships in families, promote positive development in children and build confidence in parenting through play sessions, group meetings, home visits and resources.

School readiness is also addressed through the program with a focus on literacy and numeracy foundations, orientation to school programs and parent engagement initiatives. A dual generational approach provides adult activities during early learning sessions.

Applicants will require:

- Tertiary qualifications in Early Childhood Education, Social Work, Psychology, Community Development Adult Education or Primary Teaching. Less formal qualifications will be considered with evidence of specialised skills and substantial relevant experience in working with indigenous children 0-5 and their families.
- Demonstrated experience in the coordination of child and family group work programs, counseling and support services for parents, or child and family project development and implementation.
- Demonstrated experience in engaging and working with Aboriginal children, adolescents and families in a way that is culturally responsive, respectful, appropriate and holistic.
- Capacity to work within the Leeton and Griffith Aboriginal communities
- Current Driver's Licence

Indigenous applicants are strongly encouraged to apply. The successful Applicant must also be prepared to participate in four days of specialised Parents as Teachers training in Sydney on the commencement of their Role.

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The Women's Hospital Melbourne has a number of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander graduate positions available throughout the year.

We would love to hear from you if you are about to, or have recently graduated from:

- Midwifery
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For more information about our current Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander graduate opportunities please contact Alison Hamilton alison.hamilton@thewomens.org.au

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APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE NSW YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Applications are being sought from young people aged between 12-24 years interested in being appointed to the 2015/2016 NSW Youth Advisory Council (YAC).

Applications are particularly sought from young people with relevant life experience, a keen interest in youth affairs and/or experience in youth and community organisations.

The YAC provides a direct avenue of communication between the young people of NSW and the NSW Government.

The 12 member YAC is established under the *Advocate for Children and Young People Act 2014*. It provides advice directly to the responsible Minister, the Hon John Ajaka, MLC, and to the NSW Advocate for Children and Young People.

Information and application forms for membership of the YAC are available on the Advocate for Children and Young People's website at www.acyp.nsw.gov.au or from the office acyp@acyp.nsw.gov.au or (02) 9286 7231.

Closing date for submission of applications is 5pm, Monday 31st of August 2015.

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Aboriginal Youth Worker Outreach South East Sydney

- Full time 12 month Fixed Term Contract
- Salary packaging and attractive benefits
- Located in Maroubra

Youth Off The Streets provides a range of support services for young people with the aim of making a difference in the lives of disadvantaged young people.

We are looking for a committed, professional and experienced Youth Worker to build on local networks and deliver results.

Primary Responsibility:

To work with disadvantaged youth to develop their capacity to take responsibility for their lives, by planning for and facilitating options as necessary, employment and further education options and life skills training in preparation for discharge - whilst offering care, mentoring opportunities, support, and structure in line with the program guidelines.

To be considered for this role you will have:

- Cert IV qualification in Youth Work or other related discipline is a minimum
- Demonstrated knowledge and experience in one or more of the following areas: the youth services field, group facilitation, child protection procedures
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, demonstrating confidence in engaging young people
- Experience in engaging Young People in the South Eastern Sydney area with particular

focus on the Maroubra and La Perouse areas

- High degree of initiative
- Ability to work in a team environment and independently
- Ability to communicate with, engage and advocate for disadvantaged young people who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
- A current driver's license, minimum P2
- Must have a current Working With Children number
- Current First Aid certificate desirable

This role will involve some evenings and occasional weekend work.

Please send your application by email to recruitment@youthoffthestreets.com.au
Applicants are required to have the right to work in Australia.

Police Checks and Working with children Checks form part of the recruitment process.

This is an identified position for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by S14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Please outline your claim for Aboriginality in your application.

YOTS is an EEO Employer

Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

Senior Solicitor (Aboriginal Targeted)

- Central Sydney Office (Ongoing – 35 hours per week)
- Package up to \$145k (Legal Officer Grade VI)

We are looking for a Senior Solicitor to provide management and leadership in the provision of civil law services to disadvantaged Aboriginal communities in accordance with the Legal Aid NSW Plan and the Civil Law Division Business Plan. This includes directly providing legal services to clients of Legal Aid NSW, including in more complex matters.

Apply Online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Jobs NSW Ref. No. 00003SVR

Closing Date: Wednesday, 12 August 2015

Enquiries: Monique Hitter (02) 9219 5828

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Legal Aid
NEW SOUTH WALES

SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER (Aboriginal Targeted)

- Central Sydney Office (Ongoing Role – 35 hours per week)
- Package up to \$148k (Clerk Grade 11/12)

We are looking for a Senior Project Officer to assist in the planning and implementation of targeted Legal Aid NSW Civil Law legal service delivery initiatives, support the Civil Law Division to improve its strategic partnerships and identify, monitor and support the legal service deliver initiatives particularly in the area of fines.

Apply Online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au

Jobs NSW Ref. No. 00003SVS

Closing Date: Wednesday, 12 August 2015

Enquiries: Janelle Clarke on (02) 9219 5146

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**Thungutti Local
Aboriginal Land
Council**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) (Identified Position)

The Thungutti LALC is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the role of CEO.

This position will be 35 hrs per week with a starting wage of 65-75K negotiable.

To obtain a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer – Wes Fernando on (02) 6659 1200 or email wesley.fernando@alc.org.au

Aboriginal Identified, "An applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and authorised by Section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977."

Applications marked **"Confidential"** and posted to:

The Convenor

Po Box 1912, Coffs Harbour NSW 2450

Applications close Friday, 7th August 2015

NAROOMA HIGH SCHOOL

ABORIGINAL PROGRAM COORDINATOR

Applications close 3.00pm, Wednesday 5 August 2015.

The Role

The Aboriginal Program Coordinator will implement the Buradja Gundjiran project which aims to improve the attendance and retention of Aboriginal students at Narooma High School to successful completion of the HSC. The project is part of the Australian Federal Government's Indigenous Advancement Strategy and ongoing reporting is to the Prime Ministers and Cabinet department. The Program Coordinator will work under the direction of the steering committee. The position is for four days per week for two and a half years.

Selection Criteria

- Minimum educational requirement HSC or equivalent.
- Previous experience in implementing programs within Aboriginal communities; preference is given to experience within the local Yui region.
- Excellent organisational, group facilitation and presentation skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills.
- Demonstrated skills in using Microsoft Office applications.
- Current drivers licence.
- Preparation of various reports.
- Current Working with Children Check
- This position is a targeted Aboriginal position under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

For further information on this position, please contact the Principal, Mr Tony Fahey on 02 4476 4377 or 0414 419 986. Salary to be negotiated depending on skills and experience of the successful candidate.

Written applications are to be submitted, containing:

1. Resume
2. Statement addressing the Selection Criteria
3. Two referees

Please send to: The Principal (Marked Confidential)
Narooma High School 7181 Princes Highway Narooma NSW 2546



Health
Mid North Coast
Local Health District

Aboriginal Immunisation Support Officer – 2 positions

Location: Port Macquarie and Lismore

Enquiries:

Port Macquarie – John Turahui (02) 6588 2750

Lismore – Marianne Trent (02) 6620 7514

Ref ID: 261115 and 261408

Closing Date: 27 July 2015

Port Macquarie:

[https://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/
ViewPosition.aspx?Id=261115](https://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?Id=261115)

Lismore:

[https://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/
ViewPosition.aspx?Id=261408](https://nswhealth.erecruit.com.au/ViewPosition.aspx?Id=261408)

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NSW Health Service: employer of choice

HNECC Limited

Hunter New England Central Coast PHN

Hunter New England Central Coast PHN is a government funded not-for-profit organisation focused on improving healthcare for our communities.

We are currently looking to fill two roles in our Aboriginal Health Team. The team are responsible for the development of strategies that aim to improve access to effective health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within our region by working with individuals, groups and organisations that have an interest and responsibility to improve the health outcomes of Aboriginal people.

- **Aboriginal Health Manager**
- **Aboriginal Health Officer**

Both roles are full-time, 1 year contracts and the location is flexible in the New England, Central Coast & Hunter region (i.e. Tamworth, Newcastle or Erina).

For a full position description and details of how to apply visit www.hneccpn.com.au or contact Graeme Kershaw on 0403 269 419.

Applications close: 5 August 2015

HNECC considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).



Health
South Western Sydney
Local Health District

Program Coordinator – Aboriginal Mental Health (HSM Level 2)

Ref: 264311 – Perm F/T 38hpw at

Mental Health, Liverpool

Salary: \$86,451 – \$102,538 pa

Enq: Patrick Parker, (02) 9616 4069

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*.

Administrative Officer (Level 2) – Respiratory & Sleep Medicine Permanent Full-Time, at Liverpool Hospital

Ref: 249431

Enq: Kathryn Younan, (02) 8738 4107

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 Immunisation Liaison Officer (RN, AHEO Grad/ Non-Grad) at Population Health (Liverpool)

Ref: 261610

Enq: Janice Kitson, (02) 8778 0834

This is an Identified Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Position. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*.

Applicants must also be Female (for cultural reasons, under section 31(2H) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*).

Closing Date: 12 August 2015

Please apply online by visiting:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

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NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Department of
Education & Training

Koorie Engagement Support Officer - ES 1.4

Salary Range: \$74,569 to \$87,925

1 Fixed Term Position

South East Victoria Region

The Victorian Department of Education & Training is seeking a suitably qualified Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander to work in the South East Victoria Region as Koorie Engagement Support Officer.

The position will be based in East Gippsland in the Bairnsdale area and will 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 position 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 qualification/s.

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 1020762.

Applications close **02/08/2015**

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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Solicitor (Aboriginal Targeted) Legal Officer Grade I-III

- Temporary & Ongoing Talent Pool
- Package up to \$115k

We are looking for enthusiastic and committed team members able to conduct an effective and efficient criminal law practice. This role includes providing high quality criminal law advice, minor assistance and casework services to disadvantaged clients.

Apply Online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au
Jobs NSW Ref. No: 00003T4S
Closing Date: Wednesday, 19 August 2015
Enquiries: Stephen Lasker on (02) 9621 4800

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Solicitor (Aboriginal Targeted) Legal Officer Grade IV

- Temporary & Ongoing Talent Pool
- Package up to \$126k

We are looking for experienced and committed criminal lawyers. This role includes the provision of an effective and efficient legal service including legal advice and representation to disadvantaged clients in more complex matters and supervising or leading junior legal staff in achieving this aim.

Apply Online: www.jobs.nsw.gov.au
Jobs NSW Ref. No: 00003T4X
Closing Date: Wednesday, 19 August 2015
Enquiries: Leanne Robinson on (02) 9219 5672

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Our mission is to deliver quality and culturally appropriate legal services that meet the needs and aspirations of Aboriginal people and communities across NSW and the ACT and to be recognized as a leader in this field across Australia.

The following five positions will support these goals:

- Field Officer Redfern
- Administration Officers (2) Redfern
- Administration Officer Parramatta
- Administration Officer Canberra

As it is essential to see the full position descriptions, full selection criteria, extensive benefits and follow the guidelines on our web go to www.alsnswact.org.au and see our jobs section

Applications close early August 2015

Field and Administration Officer roles in the ALS are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander identified. Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977



OPENING THE DOORS FOUNDATION TEAM LEADER

Opening the Doors Foundation was launched in 2001 to help improve the life choices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families by enabling their children have access to educational choices provided by independent primary and secondary schools in Victoria. The Foundation arose from within the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry for Victoria and is a fully self-funded organisation. In 2015, the Foundation provided financial assistance to over 720 students.

The position of Team Leader is a new position established as a consequence of the continued growth of the Foundation. The Team Leader is responsible for all administration and management aspects of the Foundation, the management of the grant application process and will also be responsible for engagement with the schools and families of the grant recipients and the management of donor relationships. The position reports to the Board of Trustees.

As an Aboriginal organisation, the Team Leader will need to demonstrate a strong understanding of the Aboriginal Community and culture, a commitment to the mission and values of the Foundation and good administration, communication and relationship management skills.

For more information on Opening the Doors Foundation visit: www.openingthedoors.org.au

Enquires about the position and lodgement of Applications should be made to Vicki Clark on email vicki@yingadi.org.au

Applications Close Friday, 21st August 2015

This is an identified position for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person. Employment of an Aboriginal/ Torres Strait person in this position is authorised in accordance with Part 14D of the Anti-discrimination Act (1977).



RED CHIEF Local Aboriginal Land Council

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER Designated Aboriginal Position (Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council (RCLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position has recently been established following amendments to the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, 1983 (ALRA) as amended, and provides an excellent opportunity for the successful applicant.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the RCLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstrable knowledge and understanding of the ALRA, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered.

For a recruitment package contact Toni Comber by email: ceo@redchiefalc.com.au or on (02) 6742 3602.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification for the above position and is authorised under Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Inquiries: Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council
Ph: (02) 6742 3602.

Applications: **Marked Confidential to Chairperson**
(Chief Executive Officer Position)
Red Chief Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 745 Gunnedah NSW 2380

Applications close: Friday 7th August 2015 at 4pm.



Male Aboriginal Health Promotion Officer (Aboriginal HEO Grad/Non Grad)

Ref ID: 249179

Temp F/T up to June 2017 at
Population Health, Camperdown.

Salary: \$941.40 – \$1,605.60 pw
Enquiries: Karen Bedford, (02) 9515 9055

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*. Being male is recognised as a genuine occupation qualification and is authorised under section 31(2h) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Aboriginal Population Health Trainee (HSM Level 1)

Ref ID: 258465

Temp F/T up to July 2018 at
Population Health, Camperdown.

Salary: \$1,291.90 – \$1,737.80 pw
Enquiries: Anna Whelan, (02) 9515 9055

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Closing Date: 14 August 2015

Please apply online by visiting:
nswhealth.erecruit.com.au

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NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Curator - Public Programs

Salary range: \$50,000 - \$55,000
Employer contribution of 9.5% superannuation.
Full time, fixed term (12 months)

The Koorie Heritage Trust is seeking a full-time Curator – Public Programs for a 12 months fixed term position. This position has been made possible by funds from Creative Partnerships Australia and our generous supporters, through the CPA Plus 1 Program.

Working within our Exhibitions and Collections Team, you will be responsible for developing and delivering a dynamic program of public events and activities that complement our exhibitions and education services to increase our engagement with the Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

Working with us, you will have great time management skills, a positive attitude and the ability to work creatively and in response to opportunities at short notice. The role also requires you to work closely with Koorie artists and performers, and partner organisations.

You will be based at Federation Square in our new premises designed by Lyons Architecture and Indigenous Architecture & Design Victoria.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

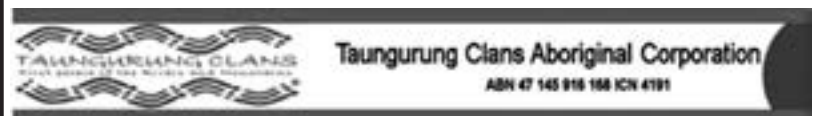
Applications addressing the Key Selection Criteria should be addressed to:

Private and Confidential
Giacomina Pradolini
Koorie Heritage Trust
Level 3, Yarra Building, Federation Square
Cnr Swanston and Flinders Streets, Melbourne, VIC, 3000

Enquiries only call Giacomina Pradolini on (03) 8662 6309 or Email: gpradolini@korieheritagetrust.com

For **position description** call: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.korieheritagetrust.com/about_us/work_for_us

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 5.00pm, Friday 21 August 2015



Taungurung Clans Aboriginal Corporation Cultural and Natural Resource Manager

Part time position

The preservation of Taungurung Cultural heritage is the fundamental driver for the TCAC NRM position.

TCAC are the registered Aboriginal Party for Taungurung Country and are the recognised group for a range of activities on country. TCAC covers a vast area, and engages with many stakeholders such as Catchment Authorities, Local Government, school groups and developers.

We are currently seeking a Cultural and Natural Resource Manager to build the business and reputation of TCAC, undertake reporting requirements, engage with stakeholders and manage staff working on country.

You will need to have a solid knowledge and demonstrated work experience in the State Cultural Heritage Legislation, be a motivated person, multi functioning and skilled in people management.

The Role:

The TCAC C&NR Manager will be responsible for managing and ensuring that the TCAC RAP responsibilities are being properly executed as per the requirements of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 and that the cultural requirements of the TCAC are being adhered to. The C&NR Manager position reports to the TCAC CEO and is required to brief the TCAC CEO on day to day operations.

Specific tasks will include:

- Statutory Functions
- Meetings
- Field Work
- RAP Policies & Procedures
- Training
- OHS Compliance
- Strategic Opportunities
- Reporting
- Delivery of the TCAC Country Plan and activities

The Skills Required:

- Working knowledge and understanding of the State and Commonwealth Cultural Heritage Acts
- Cultural Heritage management and knowledge of RAP responsibilities
- GIS Mapping
- Project Management skills
- Research and analysis skills
- Facilitation and negotiation skills
- Mentoring skills
- Computer skills including, word, excel, publisher, power point and email
- Stakeholder engagement skills ie Government agencies, Sponsors and Proponents
- Financial management skills
- Monitoring, evaluation and Reporting skills
- Qualification in Cultural and Natural Resource Management

Remuneration:

Hours: Part time (24 hours/ week) 3 days per week

Salary Range: \$40per hour (pre-tax, excl. Superannuation) pro rata

Package includes the above salary range, a vehicle & superannuation (9.25%)

Reporting to: CEO

Based: Current TCAC office Seymour - 3 days per week

For a copy of the selection criteria please contact Taungurung Clans Aboriginal Corporation, 36 Station St Seymour phone 03 57990097.

Applications Close
7th August 2015 at 5.00pm

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Trainee Dental Assistant

Aboriginal Employment Strategy
Fixed Term – Part Time
(76 hrs per fortnight) 12 month contract
Position No: 155727
Enquiries: Jacqui Nolan, Manager
Ph: 0434 658 517 Closes: 07/08/2015



For further details and to apply, please go to our website at www.bhs.org.au and click on 'Career'.
Appointment is subject to satisfactory clearance of a current Police Record Check.



APS 5 – Facilitator – National Training Team - Geelong (Special Measures)

- Ongoing, Full time
- National Office - Geelong
- \$69,185-\$74,481 + Superannuation

About the NDIA

The purpose of the National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA) is to implement the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) which will support a better life for hundreds of thousands of Australians with a significant and permanent disability. The NDIA will also provide great benefit to the families and carers of Australians living with a disability. The NDIS is designed to enhance the quality of life and increase economic and social participation for people with disability and will mean peace of mind for every Australian, for anyone who has, or might acquire, a disability.

The position

- Facilitate delivery and evaluation of training programs to NDIA staff
- Coordinate administration of training programs
- Identify skill and knowledge requirements for local area staff
- Contribute to design and development of resources and materials for use in delivery of training programs.
- This position may require travel.

Applications

- For more information and details of the position including selection criteria and application instructions, visit: <http://www.ndis.gov.au>.

Applications close 12 August 2015

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THE UNIVERSITY
of ADELAIDE

CRICOS Provider Number 00123M

(Ref:493788)

Dean, Indigenous Education

- Prestigious international university
- Outstanding Indigenous education leadership role
- Head strategic initiatives to enhance student participation and success

The University of Adelaide is a world-class tertiary education and research institution committed to delivering high quality and distinct learning, teaching and research experiences. With an international reputation for conducting world-leading research across a wide spectrum of areas, the University is consistently ranked in the top 1% of universities worldwide. The University constitutes a vibrant and diverse community with over 25,000 students and over 3,500 members of staff across four campuses.

The Dean, Indigenous Education provides leadership in achieving the University's strategic goals in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education and research, and the enhanced employment of Indigenous people in the University. The Dean is responsible for leading the ongoing implementation of the Tarrkarri Tirkka: ATSI Education Strategy and strengthening leadership within the University in relation to Indigenous Education, as well as building links with the community. The role is also accountable for the strategic and operational leadership of Wirltu Yarlur, which delivers educational initiatives and activities relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education.

Reporting to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President (Academic), the Dean will work closely with senior university staff, the community and representatives from government departments and agencies.

With a PhD or equivalent tertiary qualification and relevant management experience, ideally in an academic setting, the successful candidate will have leadership experience in an Indigenous education portfolio and a track record in leading strategic developments. The Dean will have excellent communication, negotiation and representational skills, with the ability to lead the team and develop strategic relationships across the university and in the wider community.

Closing Date: 19 August 2015

For more information about this role and to obtain the selection criteria, please contact Kate Wheeler at Jo Fisher Executive Search on Tel: 03 9016 6000 or by Email: katewheeler@jofisher.com (reference adedie0615)

The University of Adelaide is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who meet the requirements of this position are strongly encouraged to apply.

adelaide.edu.au/jobs seek LIGHT



Mirrung Ngu Wanjarri and Aboriginal Legal Access Project Worker

(Aboriginal identified)

Part-Time Fixed Term 24hrs per week.
Salary \$60,199 - \$63,312 (pro-rata) plus salary sacrifice package (Lismore based)

Are you an Aboriginal woman, passionate to see a reduction in domestic and family violence in North Coast Aboriginal communities?
Are you passionate to assist Aboriginal women open pathways to healing?
Are you interested in improving access to legal and community services for Aboriginal people?

We are an award winning Community Legal Centre with a good reputation in the community. We are looking for an Aboriginal woman who has understanding of NSW North Coast Aboriginal communities and experience in prevention of domestic and family violence.

The position is funded for 2 years, at 4 days per week.
To obtain a Job Kit email nrcclc@clc.net.au, download from <http://www.ethicaljobs.com.au/Members/NRCLC/legal-access-project-worker-lismore> or <http://northernriversclc.org.au/> or call 6621 1000.

Applications close 4pm Friday 14 August 2015



BLUE MOUNTAINS ABORIGINAL CULTURE AND RESOURCE CENTRE

14 Oak St, KATOOMBA, NSW, 2780
Ph: 02 4782 6569
ICN 2827

ABN 72 778 150 873

Aboriginal Social Support Worker

Title: Aboriginal Elders Support Service Co-ordinator.
Salary: Grade 5 Level 1, Social and Community Services (SCHADS) NSW
Hours: 38 hours per week - 3 month probation period.

Position Purpose
The role of the Blue Mountains Elders support service Co-Ordinator (HACC Program) is to work collaboratively with all Blue Mountains services for collaboration of holistic service approach for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
The Blue Mountains Elders support service Co-Ordinator position will ensure the effective co-ordination, administration, reporting and operations of the Blue Mountains wide HACC social support groups, social transport and domestic assistance services.
The Blue Mountains HACC Program Coordinator position will have primary regional responsibility (Blue Mountains LGA wide) to ensure program activity, data and funding reporting, quality and common care standard compliance for all aspects of the program (domestic assistance, transport & social support groups) across all sites and sub-contracting arrangements.

Please note that Aboriginality is a genuine requirement.

Applications close on the 12th of August 2015.

To receive a full job package please Contact Manager Wayne Cornish on 02 4782 9402 or email: manager@acrc.org.au



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	58/323	MT MAGNET GOLD PTY LTD	57.03HA	10km N'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 27° 58' S Long: 117° 50' E	MOUNT MAGNET 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: 29 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 **29 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. 29 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, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland



National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 12 August 2015

This is an application by a native title claim group which is asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that the group holds native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE QLD 4003 **on or before 11 November 2015**. After **11 November 2015**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Nywaigi People
Federal Court File No: QUD148/2015
Date filed: 10 April 2015
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers approximately 838 sq km and is located about 9 km south east of Ingham.
Relevant LGA: Charters Towers Regional Council, Hinchinbrook Shire Council and Townsville City Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Michelle Mann on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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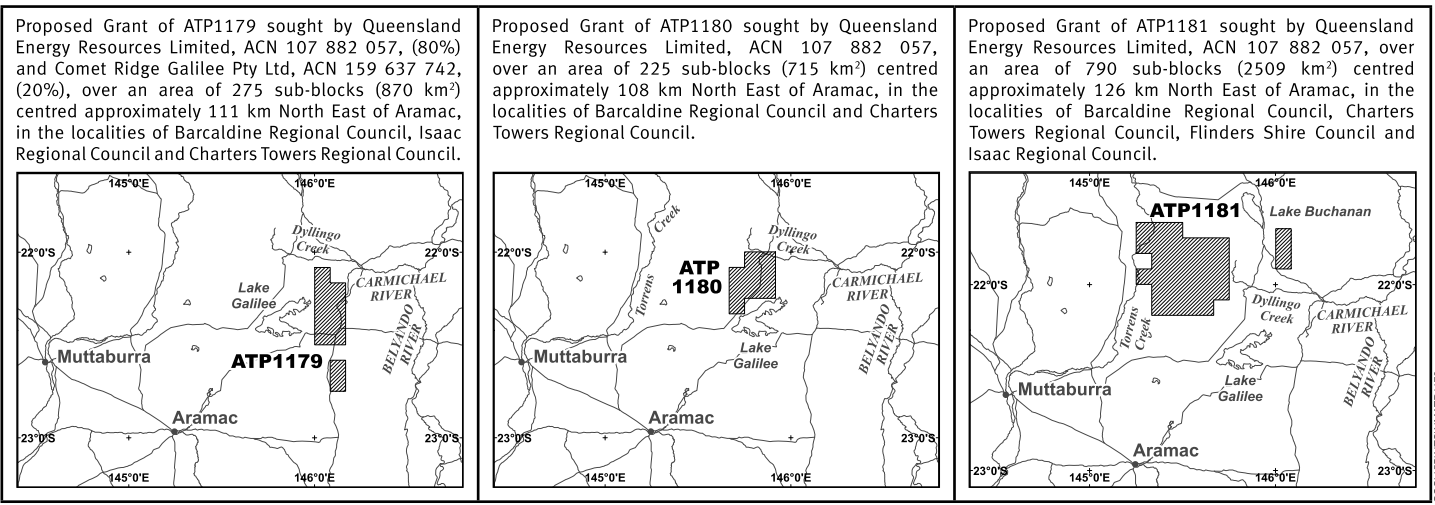
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF AN AUTHORITY TO PROSPECT
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 an Authority to Prospect shown below under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld).

Nature of Act(s): Grant of Authorities to Prospect under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) authorise the holder to explore for petroleum for a term not exceeding four (4) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding four (4) years. Under the Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 (Qld) a holder of an Authority to Prospect is entitled to apply for a Petroleum Lease over land that is the subject of the Authority to Prospect. A Petroleum Lease entitles the holder to undertake regulated activities in order to develop and produce payable deposits of petroleum. It should be noted that this land will not be granted over a National Park (Scientific), National Park (Aboriginal Land), National Park (Torres Strait Islander Land), National Park (Recovery) or Conservation Park that are in existence on the date of effect of this authority.

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 an Authority to Prospect. 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



Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grant of the Authority to Prospect, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Authority to Prospect application may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3199 8082.

Notification Day: 12 August 2015



NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	08/2594	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	7BL	44km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 41' S Long: 115° 54' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2647	GEACH, Cyril	12BL	43km NW'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 18' S Long: 116° 6' E	KARRATHA CITY
Exploration Licence	08/2716	NORTHERN STAR RESOURCES LIMITED	30BL	68km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 48' S Long: 117° 36' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2723	ESSENTIAL PROPERTY PTY LTD	62BL	93km W'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 23' S Long: 116° 47' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2725	KALAMAZOO RESOURCES PTY LTD	18BL	37km SE'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 47' S Long: 115° 26' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1418	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	17BL	13km NE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 25' S Long: 121° 40' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1469	MINCOR RESOURCES NL	1BL	25km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 42' S Long: 121° 39' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/872	RIO TINTO EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	12BL	35km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 15' S Long: 118° 10' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	21/188	MURCHISON GOLD MINES PTY LTD	30BL	23km SE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 34' S Long: 118° 3' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/526	RARE EARTH CONTRACTING PTY LTD	6BL	51km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 50' S Long: 122° 0' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2541	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	4BL	79km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 14' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	37/1220	PATERSON, Andrew	34BL	61km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 121° 16' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1221	HALLORAN, Wayne Vincent	5BL	13km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 121° 22' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/2945	GOLDPHYRE RESOURCES LIMITED	30BL	41km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 122° 30' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3027	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	7BL	45km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 122° 25' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3050	FOCUS MINERALS (LAVERTON) PTY LIMITED	3BL	33km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 47' S Long: 122° 40' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4432	GREAT SANDY PTY LTD	6BL	85km W'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 36' S Long: 121° 25' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4444	GREAT SANDY PTY LTD	4BL	7km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 13' S Long: 119° 47' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4519	KIMBERLEY QUARRY PTY LTD	3BL	34km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 28' S Long: 118° 52' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4564	ENCOUNTER OPERATIONS PTY LTD	61BL	44km SE'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 3' S Long: 122° 25' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1006	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	1BL	84km SE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 32' S Long: 120° 31' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/2922	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	2BL	37km SE'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 56' S Long: 116° 29' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1674	BEETON, Robert Bruce DYER, Edward John SIRR, Robert Alfred	3BL	126km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 45' S Long: 119° 21' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	58/491	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	8BL	62km SE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 23' S Long: 118° 22' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2130	DEFLECTOR MINING LTD	4BL	55km SW'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 44' S Long: 116° 21' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3374	MARIA RESOURCES PTY LTD	101BL	227km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 22' S Long: 125° 5' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4709	CABLE SANDS (WA) PTY LTD	4BL	8km E'ly of Busselton	Lat: 33° 39' S Long: 115° 26' E	BUSSELTON CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4721	NINGHAN EXPLORATION PTY LTD	49BL	3km NW'ly of Narembeen	Lat: 32° 2' S Long: 118° 22' E	NAREMBEEN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4944	TREMJONES PTY LTD	18BL	106km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 24' S Long: 128° 11' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/4952	SORRENTO RESOURCES PTY LTD	23BL	50km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 51' S Long: 127° 56' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5958	POLAR METALS PTY LTD	40.81HA	33km SE'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 40' S Long: 121° 50' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5980-2	VENDRAMINI, Nicole	368.27HA	13km NW'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 121° 33' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/5984	STACEY, Steele AVILA, Tony	114.35HA	22km NW'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 19' S Long: 121° 28' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/2897	CASCADE RESOURCES LTD	196.46HA	42km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 121° 7' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/4977	ASR RESOURCES PTY LTD	199.12HA	34km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 121° 24' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2322	KALGOORLIE ORE TREATMENT COMPANY PTY LTD	175.00HA	24km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 44' S Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4033-4	BORROMEI, Rino	233.34HA	26km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 121° 36' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4048	MADIGAN, Michael Francis HANLON, Deon James LINDSAY, Michael Andrew	197.24HA	8km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 49' S Long: 121° 28' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4052	ANGLO AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES NL	200.06HA	27km N'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 121° 37' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2225	WICKS, Shane Raymond DONKIN, Barry James	153.42HA	15km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 38' S Long: 121° 32' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2230	NORTHERN STAR (KANOWNA) LIMITED	3.18HA	21km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 34' S Long: 121° 33' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	37/8583	INDEPENDENCE JAGUAR LIMITED	25.65HA	54km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 25' S Long: 121° 8' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4169	WYMER, Paul Phillip WYMER, Samanda Geraldine NIELSEN, Ross Edward	61.45HA	13km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 122° 17' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5556	KAMP, Darren John	74.58HA	19km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 41' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5557	GOLDEN CLIFFS NL	75.97HA	44km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 121° 46' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5558	GOLDEN CLIFFS NL	116.17HA	46km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 121° 47' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5559	GOLDEN CLIFFS NL	129.13HA	45km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 121° 47' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	47/1744	ARNOLD, Ashley Dean	3.15HA	108km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 21° 13' S Long: 118° 14' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Prospecting Licence	59/2067	BLAIR, Steven	34.89HA	63km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 29° 2' S Long: 117° 5' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2068	CROASDALE, Graham	8.50HA	30km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 34' S Long: 116° 51' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4313	BULT, Steven William CRAWFORD, Christopher Ernest ARGOW GOLD PTY LTD	2.02HA	54km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 39' S Long: 119° 35' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4314	STRANGE, Vernon Wesley	9.58HA	49km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 35' S Long: 118° 53' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4315	WEST AUSTRALIAN PROSPECTORS PTY LTD	178.13HA	53km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 38' S Long: 119° 35' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 29 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 29 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. 29 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

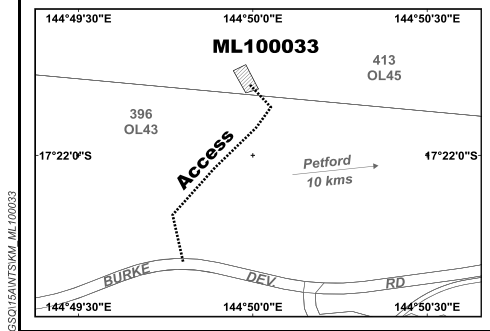
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF A MINING LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Mining Lease shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Mining Lease 100033 sought by Raymond William Hussey (50%) and Raymond Bernard Ulinovich (50%), over an area of 0.9885 ha, centred approximately 10 km West of Petford, in the locality of Mareeba Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Lease 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 Lease be granted by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease Application may be obtained Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000, Telephone: (07) 3008 5742 or from Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Mineral Assessment Hub, Level 9, Verde Tower, 445 Flinders Street, Townsville, Queensland, 4810, Telephone: (07) 4447 9230.

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 Mining Leases. 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: 19 August 2015

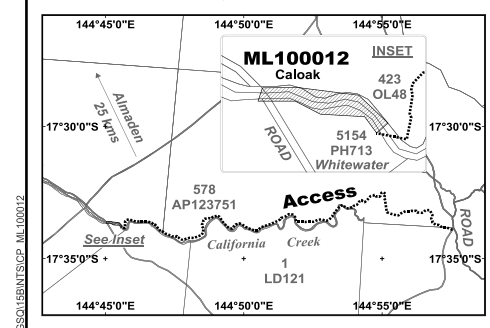


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Mining Lease 100012 sought by Bookall Mining Company Pty Ltd, ACN 110 689 748, over an area of 15.79 ha, centred approximately 25 km South East of Almaden, in the locality of Mareeba Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of Mining Lease under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to mine and carry out associated activities subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), for a term not exceeding Twenty (20) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding Twenty (20) years.

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Lease be granted by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant of the Mining Lease, including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease Application may be obtained Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000, Telephone: (07) 3008 5742 or from Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Mineral Assessment Hub, Level 9, Verde Tower, 445 Flinders Street, Townsville, Queensland, 4810, Telephone: (07) 4447 9230.

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 Mining Leases. 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: 19 August 2015

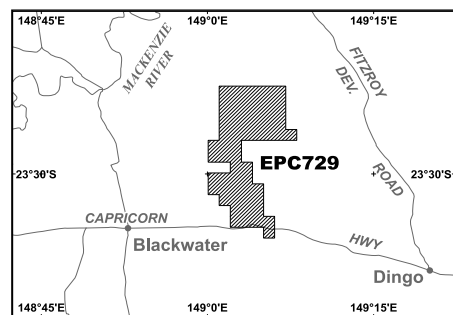


NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADDITION OF EXCLUDED LAND INTO EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR COAL OR GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

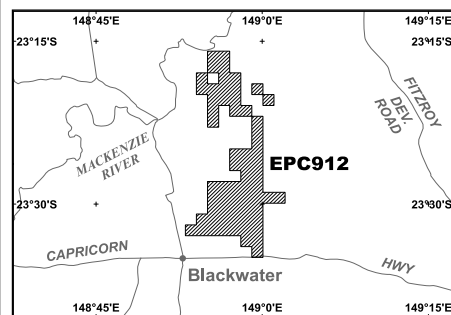
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 addition of excluded land to the Exploration Permit for Coal or proposed grant of the Exploration Permit for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

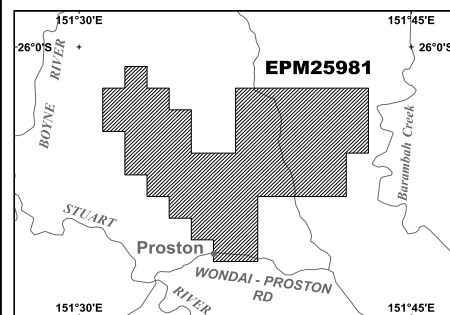
Proposed addition of excluded land into Exploration Permit 729 sought by Christopher Ian Wallin, over an area of 60 sub-blocks (189 km²), centred approximately 21 km North East of Blackwater, in the locality of Central Highlands Regional Council.



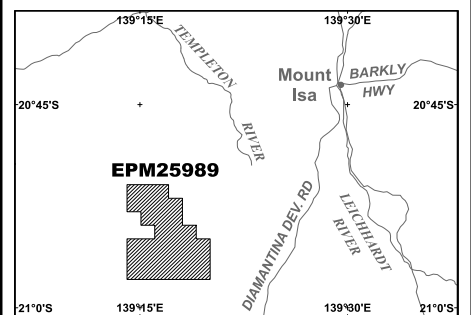
Proposed addition of excluded land into Exploration Permit 912 sought by Bullock Creek Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 133 357 310, over an area of 64 sub-blocks (201 km²), centred approximately 18 km North East of Blackwater, in the locality of Central Highlands Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 25981 sought by Albatross Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 152 604 521, over an area of 57 sub-blocks (176 km²), centred approximately 8 km North East of Proston, in the locality of the South Burnett Regional Council.



Exploration Permit 25989 sought by Aeon Walford Creek Limited, ACN 121 478 993, over an area of 31 sub-blocks (99 km²), centred approximately 30 km South West of Mount Isa, in the localities of the Mount Isa City Council and Boulia Shire Council.

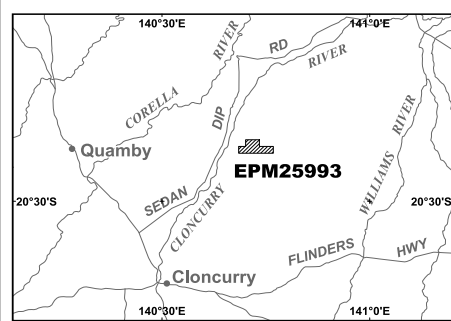


Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and to grant the application to add the Excluded Land to the Exploration Permit under section 176A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), pursuant and subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 3, June 2014.

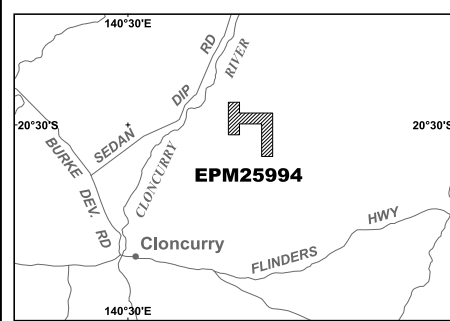
Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant or renewal of the permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification 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

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 and the application to add the Excluded Land to each individual Exploration Permit, may

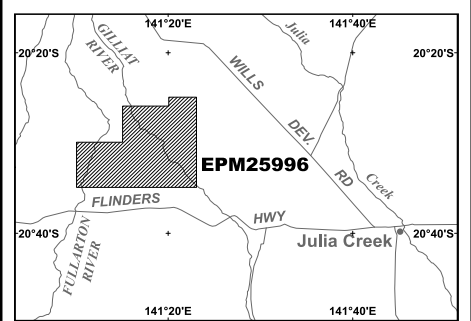
Exploration Permit 25993 sought by Newmont Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 006 306 690, over an area of 7 sub-blocks (22 km²), centred approximately 43 km North East of Cloncurry, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 25994 sought by Newmont Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 006 306 690, over an area of 9 sub-blocks (29 km²), centred approximately 28 km North East of Cloncurry, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 25996 sought by Jems Exploration QLD Pty Ltd, ACN 153 655 273, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (321 km²), centred approximately 52 km North West of Julia Creek, in the locality of the Mckinlay Shire Council.



be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day, a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 30, 239 George Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3008 5742.

Notification Day: 19 August 2015



Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Notification day: 5 August 2015



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2015/018 – Arrow Darumbal LNG Project ILUA No. 2 State of Queensland

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers about 2.42 sq km and is located about 30km south of Marlborough on the Fitzroy River.

Relevant LGA: Rockhampton Regional Council

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

9.2 Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the [Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)] (which relates to the right to negotiate) does not apply to any Agreed Project Activities covered by the Agreement.

11.1 The Parties consent to the activities included in the class specified in the following table [the activities comprise exploration and production related activities and gas transmission related

activities done in the ILUA Area which are necessary for, or incidental to, Arrow Energy's LNG Project – greater detail about the activities consented to is set out in the table in clause 11.1. A copy of this information can be obtained from the National Native Title Tribunal – see the contact details below].

11.2 For Native Title purposes and particularly for the purposes of section 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the [Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)], any Future Acts (other than an intermediate period act) which:

- (a) have been done invalidly prior to the Registration Date;
 - (b) are included in the class specified in clause 11.1;
 - (c) are attributable to Arrow Energy or its Related Bodies Corporate; and
 - (d) are not attributable to the Commonwealth of Australia or the State of Queensland,
- are validated as at the Registration Date.

11.4 Some examples of acts which constitute, or may constitute, Agreed Project Activities and which are included in the class contained in clause 11.1 are listed in Schedule 4, however it does not contain an exhaustive list of all such acts [a copy of Schedule 4 can be obtained from the National Native Title Tribunal – see the contact details below].

‘Agreed Project Activities’ means the activities described in clause 11.1.

‘Project’ means: (a) the planning, preparation, construction, operation, maintenance and repair of any development; (b) the action or use of land or waters necessary for or incidental to the exploration for and the extraction, collection, processing and production of natural gas; (c) the collection, transmission, distribution and transportation of natural gas by pipeline or otherwise; (d) the conversion of natural gas to liquefied natural gas, the storage, transportation and export of liquefied natural gas to domestic and export markets; (e) the conversion of natural gas into electricity or for use in industrial processes; and (f) any Looping Project undertaken by Arrow Energy or its Co-Venturers.

‘Registration Date’ means the date of Registration of this Agreement.

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Alan Douglas Hatfield, Warren John Malone, Rodney William Mann, Vanessa Ross, Amanda Meredith and Pauline Cora as the Registered Native Title Claimant for Native Title Determination Application QUD6131/1998 on their own behalf and on behalf of the Darumbal People
c/- Daniel Lavery
PO Box 891
Lutwyche QLD 4030

Arrow Energy Pty Ltd
c/- Ashurst
GPO Box 9938
Brisbane QLD 4000

Responses to an application to register an ILUA—where the application has not been certified:

Any person claiming to hold native title in relation to land or waters in the area covered by the agreement may wish, in response to this notice, to make a native title determination application or equivalent application under a law of a state or territory in respect of any part of the area. The application must be made by 5 November 2015. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

Apart from the information referred to above, details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Tracey Jefferies on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Sport



The 1, 2 Duroux Crew



The Coffs Dolphins

Focus on netball at NAIDOC carnival



EIGHTEEN teams from the NSW North Coast took part in the NAIDOC netball carnival in Lismore.

They came from Coffs Harbour, Yamba, Lismore, Casino, Kyogle and Ballina, bringing together more than 185 players for four hours of netball and community get-together.

The tournament was organised by the Lismore-based Bundjalarms Netball Club in collaboration with the Lismore Independent NAIDOC Steering committee. It was run by volunteers. The Solid Mob Healthy Lifestyle team was there and Southern Cross University performed health checks throughout the day.

Meanwhile, Bundjalarms Netball Club founding member Julijana Caldwell has won a national netball award, proving that dreams can come true.

She took out the Australia Post One Netball Community Award, but still can't believe she won, particularly considering she didn't even know about the nomination.

“One of the ladies who plays in our A-grade team nominated me ... that was a surprise,” she told *The Northern Star*.

“I'm still a bit in shock about it being a national award ... I think I keep minimising it a little bit.”

Ms Caldwell and her husband Brian Caldwell began the club last year with nine sides and have since increased that to 12.

The Lismore Bundjalarms is the result of a dream to encourage collaboration and social inclusion across the netball community.

Ms Caldwell told *The Northern Star* she saw the prize as a group achievement, highlighting the combined effort put in by the committee, coaches, players and their families.

“Our club is all about teamwork and community,” she said.



NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
15/1437	ALLEN, Royce William	471043	71.89HA	15km N'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 22' S Long: 121° 32' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
20/546-I	SINOSTEEL MIDWEST CORPORATION LIMITED	470441	173.71HA	59km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 0' S Long: 117° 33' E	CUE SHIRE
20/844-I	WELD RANGE METALS LIMITED	470947	97.63HA	70km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 26° 57' S Long: 117° 25' E	CUE SHIRE
26/168	BLACK MOUNTAIN GOLD LIMITED	470844	332.93HA	11km W'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 43' S Long: 121° 21' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
27/175	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	470525	10.65HA	57km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 121° 41' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
36/627	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	469782	492.47HA	32km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 121° 0' E	LEONORA SHIRE
36/627	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	469784	110.43HA	32km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 121° 1' E	LEONORA SHIRE
36/628	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	469783	63.37HA	29km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 57' S Long: 120° 59' E	LEONORA SHIRE
36/629	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	469785	13.61HA	34km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
36/629	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	469786	32.72HA	34km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
36/690	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	468936	45.44HA	24km SW'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 2' S Long: 120° 29' E	LEONORA SHIRE
36/829	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	466865	18.69HA	12km W'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 120° 34' E	LEONORA SHIRE
38/2297	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	464717	54.84HA	44km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 1' S Long: 122° 26' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3024	GSM MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	470469	315.15HA	34km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 55' S Long: 122° 21' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
39/1351	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	470304	138.44HA	78km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 19' S Long: 122° 15' E	LEONORA SHIRE
77/2230-I	SNAP HOOK (WA) PTY LTD	469053	20.85HA	110km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 48' S Long: 119° 17' E	MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 29 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 **29 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. 29 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.

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Shallin shows touch of class



SHALLIN Fuller is a 15-year-old natural sportsman. The Muli Muli lad attends Woodenbong Central School and has been named in the NSW Combined High Schools touch football team to contest the national titles at Bokarina, between Caloundra and Mooloolaba, on the Queensland Sunshine Coast, in September.

A week later, he will be back in Queensland for the Australian futsal championships.

Shallin's rise in touch football began last March when he was selected in Lismore for the Northern Rivers open boys team to attend Ballina a few weeks later to try out for the North Coast team.

He gained selection and in June, travelled to Coffs Harbour for the NSW high school open touch football championships over three days.

From the 140 boys playing, 14 were chosen in the NSW team.

His proud mum described Shallin's selection as a great achievement.

"We are proud of how far he has come. He trains hard and is very committed and dedicated to his sports," she said.

"He will not only represent NSW, but also his family, community, school and Indigenous people.

"We are also looking for any financial help or donations to help get the family up there to be with him as a week later he will be back in Queensland for the national futsal championships."

Indigenous side too slick for opponents

By ALF WILSON



AN Indigenous All Stars side beat an All Stars side 6-3 at the Townsville touch football Dash for Cash competition.

The game was played at Queen's Park on July 5. The Indigenous All Stars team consisted of Jason Norford, Theo Majid, Joel Townson, Lachlan Pierce, Ryan Shibasaki, Kristian Congoo, Cody Green and Jared Townson.

Joel and Jared Townson have descendants on Saibai Island and at Seisia, on the Northern Peninsula Area; Shibasaki was born on Thursday Island; Majid has Boigu bloodlines, and Congoo has Darnley heritage.

"The sides were made up of the best players at the carnival and our Indigenous All Stars side won what was a good game. Both teams were packed with elite touch players and we were just too fast and skilful," Shibasaki said.

The Indigenous team was coached by Debbie Norford and Jodie luck (Townsville).

Pierce and Majid were part of a great double of wins.

Fockers won the Townsville cash competition that was led by Lachlan Pierce and Theo Majid, beating Wolves 5-3 in the final.

Thusday Island-born Shibasaki also played in the winning side Thorby's Crew at the 10th annual Battle of the Islands touch carnival a month earlier.

It was contested by 14 men's and women's teams at the Ken Brown Memorial Oval on Thursday Island.



From left are Jason Norford, Joel Townson, Lachlan Pierce, Ryan Shibasaki, Kristian Congoo, Cody Green and Jared Townson.

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State of Queensland

Notification day: 5 August 2015



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2015/019 Ergon Energy and Boonthamurra People ILUA
QI2015/021 Boonthamurra People and Local Government ILUA

Description of the agreement areas:

The agreements cover the same area of about 27,900 sq km located approximately 20 km west of Quilpie.

Relevant LGA: Barcoo, Bulloo and Quilpie Shire Councils.

Parties to the agreements and their contact address:

Barbara Olsen, Mark Wallace and Barbara Bond on their own behalf and on behalf of the Boonthamurra People are a party to both agreements
C/- Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd
PO Box 10832, Adelaide Street
Brisbane QLD 4000

The names and contact details for the other party to each of the agreements are:

QI2015/019
Ergon Energy Corporation Limited
C/- MacDonnells Law
GPO Box 79
Brisbane QLD 4001

QI2015/021
Barcoo Shire Council and Quilpie Shire Council
C/- MacDonnells Law
GPO Box 79
Brisbane QLD 4001

The agreements contain the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

QI2015/019 Ergon Energy and Boonthamurra People ILUA

11.1 The Parties consent to the doing of any particular future act and any class of future acts in this Agreement.
11.3 Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA [Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)] does not apply to any future act, to which the Parties have consented, in this Agreement.
11.4 The Native Title Party consents to Ergon Energy and its contractors undertaking the low native title impact activities.
11.5 Ergon Energy will comply with the procedures in Schedule 2 when undertaking low native title impact activities.
11.10 The Parties agree that Ergon Energy can conduct activities over extinguished areas and that the Native Title Party's consent is not required.
13.1 Subject to clause 13.2, the Parties authorise and consent to the doing of any future act (except for the surrender of native title) after the registration date over any part of the Native Title Agreement Area that is Aboriginal land.
13.2 The consent in clause 13.1 is subject to the entity holding the Aboriginal land giving written consent to the future act.
'Low Native Title Impact Activities' are (a) inspecting, maintaining, repairing and reinstating electricity infrastructure or access tracks; (b) tree lopping and tree clearing; (i) in the immediate vicinity of electricity infrastructure; (ii) required for the safe operation or use of the electricity infrastructure; or (iii) required for public health and safety; (c) installing street light poles and service/intermediate poles that are tied into the existing power line system in urban areas/town precincts; (d) the performance of statutory duties and responsibilities under the Electricity Act, Electricity Regulation or other laws; (e) the grant of a lease, easement, permit, licence or other interest to Ergon Energy from the owner or occupier of land for a use of or incidental to the performance of statutory duties and responsibilities under the Electricity Act, Electricity Regulation or other laws; (f) the exercise by Ergon Energy of any rights or obligations under any way-leave agreement, easement, license, permit or other interest over land or waters; (g) accessing the Native Title Agreement Area for the purpose of undertaking any low native title impact activity.

QI2015/021 Boonthamurra People and Local Government ILUA

24(b) Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the Native Title Act (which relates to the right to negotiate) does not apply to any Future Acts covered by the Agreement.
29.1 The Parties consent to any Activity which has a Low Native Title Impact [these activities are described in Schedule 4 and comprise the following classes of activities: maintenance, repair and protection of existing infrastructure and structures (including repairs to buildings); construction or establishment of low impact infrastructure (including street signs); statutory approvals (including Ministerial approval of a trustee lease); low impact tenure grants (including easements); invalid past acts; pest control (including removing weeds); contractual interests; operational activities; access and site investigation (including inspecting or surveying an area); emergencies (including constructing a fire break); contractual interests with third parties; and low impact works/infrastructure otherwise agreed at a Capital Works Forum].
29.2 There are no conditions on the consent to an Activity which has a Low Native Title Impact.
29.3 Where the conditions in the immediately following sub-clause are satisfied, the Parties consent to any Activity which has a High Native Title Impact [these activities are described in Schedule 5 and comprise the following classes of activities: high impact infrastructure; high impact tenure grant; preventing the exercise of native title (including enclosing an area by a fence or other structure which prevents the Native Title Claim Group from entering the area); high impact works/infrastructure otherwise agreed at a Capital Works Forum].
29.4 The conditions are that the Local Government proposing the Activity satisfies one of the following:
(a) The Local Government: (i) gives a Notice to the Native Title Party in accordance with paragraph 31.1(a); and (ii) complete Consultation in accordance with paragraph 31.1(b).
(b) Where the Activity involves a capital work dealt with at a Capital Works Forum (provisions about a Capital Works Forum are contained in clause 32), the Local Government: (i) gives a list of capital works involving the Activity under paragraph 32.6(d); and (ii) consensus is reached under paragraph 32.6(e) about the Activity being carried out.
30. Where a condition applicable to a Particular Future Act is satisfied, the Parties consent to the Particular Future Act [Particular Future Acts are certain specific High Impact Native Title Activities which the parties identified when negotiating this agreement. Schedule 6 contains a template for a Compliance Notice for use by the Parties where such acts arise].
'Capital Works Forum' means one or more meetings of the Native Title Party and a Local Government of the kind, and for the purposes, set out in clause 32 [clause 32.4 provides that the objectives of the Capital Works Forum are to: (a) provide a forum at which the Local Governments can table a list of proposed capital works for discussion and reaching consensus about whether they have a Low Native Title Impact or a High Native Title Impact; and (b) enable the Parties to discuss any other proposed Activities which the Local Governments cannot readily categorise under Schedule 4 or Schedule 5 – with a view to reaching consensus on whether those Activities have a Low Native Title Impact or a High Native Title Impact; (c) where the Parties reach consensus that any of the listed capital works are Activities which have a High Native Title Impact, to enable them to undertake Consultation in relation to those Activities].

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

These two applications for registration of indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs) have been certified by the Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd, the representative body for the area concerned. The area covered by each agreement is shown in the respective map. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by any of the agreements may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the agreements if they think that the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of any of the agreements (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the areas covered by the agreements) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, BRISBANE, QLD, 4000 by 5 November 2015**. Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

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Shared country, shared future.

Two from two for Guyula

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QI2015/022 Ergon Energy and Budjiti People ILUA
QI2015/023 Budjiti People and Local Government ILUA

Description of the agreement areas:

The agreements cover the same area of about 16,700 sq km located on the New South Wales and Queensland Border between the townships of Thargomindah and Cunnamulla.

Relevant LGA: Bulloo and Paroo Shire Councils

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Dinny McKellar, Philip Eulo, Elizabeth McNiven, Margaret Hearn, Melissa Bryan and Carolyn Hooper on behalf of the Budjiti People are a party to both agreements. The contact details for this party are:
c/- Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd
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CHRIS Guyula, from Arnhem Land's Gapuwiyak, in the Northern Territory, narrowly defended his open men's title at the Indigenous Marathon Project's (IMP's) fourth annual

Deadly Fun Run (DFR) at Yulara, near Uluru.

Guyula, a 2015 IMP New York Marathon squad member, beat 2014 IMP graduate Nathan Riley (Dubbo) by two seconds, with 2013 IMP graduate Luke McKenzie (Murraylands, SA) third.

A record number of Indigenous runners took part in the Deadly Fun Run championships on Saturday, July 18.

The IMP, a program of the Indigenous Marathon Foundation (IMF), initiated the DFR series in 2012 to encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to take up walking and running to address the high incidence of chronic disease affecting the Indigenous population.

The DFR series is driven by IMP graduates and consists of a regular 3km (juniors) and 5km (seniors) run or walk in their communities.

Each year, four representatives – two male and female, senior and junior – from each community are chosen to represent at the annual DFR at Yulara, with Uluru – Australia's most recognised Indigenous icon – the backdrop.

Representatives are selected based on participation, consistency and commitment.

This year, a record number of 11 communities were represented.

Skyeisha Rigney, representing Murraylands, defended her junior female title, taking out the event ahead of Jada Hart, from Mossman, and Asia Diamond, also representing Mossman.

The senior female title went to first-time participant Ginibi Robinson, representing Queanbeyan, closely followed by Jacinta Gurruwiwi, a 2015 IMP squad member from Galiwinku, and Evelyn Dhamarrandji, who is a 2013 IMP graduate from Galiwinku and mentor for the Galiwinku team.

In the junior male division, Dane Charters took the title for first-time community participants Dubbo, ahead of Jayden David, of Mossman, and Jayden Hyde, also from Dubbo.

It was Dubbo's inaugural participation in the event and their results saw them crowned the overall community champions, followed by Murraylands and Gapuwiyak.

Dubbo's Nathan Riley said the experience reinforced the importance of encouraging people in his community to adopt active and healthy lifestyles.

"The Deadly Fun Runs aren't designed to uncover the fastest runner," he said.

"The focus is on participation and consistency. It's suitable for people of all ages and abilities and an ideal way for people to come together and socialise in a fun and active way."

Sadow walks out on Parramatta



PARRAMATTA has agreed to release out-of-favour halfback Chris Sadow from his National Rugby League (NRL) contract, effective immediately.

Sadow had requested a release from the club, with English Super League club Warrington keen to recruit his services.

He played in the Eels' round 19 loss against Canterbury the weekend before last, but was handed a two-game ban for a shoulder charge.

The announcement frees up Sadow to join Warrington, who have reportedly offered him a one-year \$450,000 deal.

Warrington chief executive Roger Draper told UK media overnight: "We are very hopeful that we will have secured Chris both for 2016 and 2017 and also for the remainder of the season." – AAP

Talent to burn



TALENTED junior footballers from a remote community in the Torres Strait have impressed Australian Football League (AFL) scouts at a national tournament on the Gold Coast.

Badu Islanders Timakoi Bowie and Brandon Jacksonia were standout performers for division two champions Queensland this month at the NAB AFL Under 16 championships, while Hopevale's Damian Burke was named an emergency.

Fellow Badu Islander Philemon Nona, 15, also played in the elite junior tournament, taking the field for the Flying Boomerangs, a national Indigenous squad.

But Bowie attracted the most attention, kicking a goal in the side's first-up win over the Northern Territory Thunder before an impressive performance in the midfield against Tasmania.

The Queenslanders followed it up with a come-from-behind victory against the fancied New South Wales/ACT Rams at Metricon Stadium to wrap up an excellent carnival.

Great year for Queensland

The win marks the first time Queensland have won the Under 16 and Under 18 championships in the same year.

AFL Queensland's Indigenous programs manager Rick Hanlon said the championships showcased the talent emerging from remote far north Queensland communities.

"It's just a further opportunity for the boys to experience high-performance training," Hanlon said.

"The fact that two of our boys had the chance to play for the division two champs is great.

"This is Philemon's first taste of higher representative football and he held himself in good stead.

"Exposure to the lifestyle programs and preparation around games is also a really valuable experience."

Nona and Bowie board at AFL Cape York House, an Indigenous boarding facility in Cairns.

The house takes in secondary school-aged students from Cape York, the Torres Strait and western Gulf of Carpentaria.

All four players play for the recently re-named Cairns Eagles in the AFL Cairns competition.

Formerly known as the Cape York Eagles, the junior football club is in just its second year of competition.



Timakoi Bowie



Brandon Jacksonia Pictures: AFL Images

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NI2015/001 Tubba-Gah ILUA

State of New South Wales

Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 628 sq km approx 20 km north east of Dubbo.

Relevant LGA: Dubbo City Council, Gilgandra Shire Council, and Warrumbungle Shire Council.

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

14.1 The Parties agree that the undertaking of all Future Acts affecting the Agreement Area after 1 January 1994 and before the Commencement Date are valid to the extent of any invalidity that may exist by reason of the existence of Native Title.

14.3 The Parties agree that: (a) Subject to paragraph (b) any Post-Registration Act (whether or not it is a Future Act) that is undertaken in the Agreement Area from the date this Agreement is Registered, need not be undertaken in accordance with Division 3 of Part 2 of the NTA *[Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)]* provided that the Alternative Regime set out in clause 15 of this Agreement is complied with.

15.3 The Applicants, the Tubba-Gah People and the Corporation consent to the undertaking of Category One and Category Two Post-Registration Acts provided that: (a) at the time the Post-Registration Act is done the Agreement Area remains reserved under the NPW Act *[National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 (NSW)]*;

(b) Subdivision P of Division 3 Part 2 of the NTA [which relates to the right to negotiate] does not apply to the relevant Post-Registration Act; (c) in relation to Category Two Post-Registration Acts, the State has complied with all procedural requirements set out in clauses 15.6 to 15.12 of this Agreement *[clauses 15.6 to 15.12 of the agreement relate to the notice that the State must give to the Corporation for Category Two Post-Registration Acts]*; and (d) the Post-Registration Act is consistent with: (i) the Co-Management Agreement in Schedule 3; and (ii) any Plan of Management approved by the Minister for the Environment in relation to the Agreement Area or, if there is no such Plan of Management in place, the Statement of Management Intent for the Goonoo National Park and Goonoo State Conservation Area (as amended from time to time).

15.4 Where consent to a Post-Registration Act is given under clause 15.3, the Parties agree that the Applicants have no procedural rights in relation to that Future Act under Division 3 of Part 2 of the NTA.

'Category One Post-Registration Acts' *[The parties agree that the following classes of Post-Registration Acts lawfully undertaken or any interest lawfully granted in the Agreement Area are, to the extent the Right to Negotiate does not apply, Category One Post-Registration Acts: (a) preparation, adoption and implementation of a plan of management for the Agreement Area in accordance with the Co-Management Schedule; (b) grant of a lease or licence, other than a lease or licence to which subdivisions G, H, I and M of the NTA applies, where the lease or licence is granted to undertake another type of Category One Post-Registration Act; (c) grant of an easement or right of way or licence for access over infrastructure or an access track or road existing at the Commencement Date and provided that the New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage: (i) has, within 60 days of the Commencement Date provided the Corporation with notice of the infrastructure, access tracks or roads over which easements or rights of way will be granted; and (ii) has granted the easement or right of way within twelve months of the Commencement Date; (d) construction, maintenance and repair of signage and plaques; (e) fire suppression and fire prevention management activities, including hazard reduction burning and temporary closure of the Agreement Area for fire suppression or fire prevention purposes; (f) environmental assessment or protection activities including research, survey and monitoring of species, erosion control, pest animal control, clearing or spraying of noxious or introduced species, regeneration, rehabilitation, and acts carried out in accordance with plans of management with objectives including the relevant category of act; (g) excavation or clearing necessary for public health and safety; (h) construction of a track or other access that is reasonably necessary for public health and safety; (i) maintenance of existing roads, tracks, boardwalks, platforms, historic heritage structures, bridges and fire trails including grading, sediment control, gravelling and tree lopping and clearing; (j) construction, maintenance and repair of fences and gates; (k) maintenance, cleaning, operation and repair of existing Public Works; (l) replacement of existing Public Works with similar or upgraded works within the same area of the existing Public Works or with a minor realignment; (m) removal of existing Public Works; (n) any management activities that are urgently required for public health and safety; (o) renewal or re-grant of interests existing at the Commencement Date (and immediately prior to the renewal or re-grant) where the renewal or re-grant confers rights or interests substantially the same as the rights or interests in existence at the Commencement Date; (p) construction or establishment of infrastructure and acts described in s 24KA of the NTA; and (q) any other act that is similar to any one or more of the acts in the above paragraphs].*

'Category Two Post-Registration Acts' *[The Parties agree that the following classes of Post-Registration Acts that are not Category One Post-Registration Acts lawfully undertaken in the Agreement Area are Category Two Post-Registration Acts:*

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Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by NTSCORP Limited, the body funded under section 203FE(1) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* ('the Act') for the purpose of performing the function of a representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Sydney, NSW, 2001 by 5 November 2015.**

Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Nicole Maher on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Shared country, shared future.



Soldiers from the Australian Army Band play softball with Titjikala community members as part of the Army Aboriginal Community Assistance Program 2015.



Australian Army soldier Corporal Rob Carlisle coaches Stephanie Campbell, right, and Justine Meruntju in softball at Titjikala.

Titjikala takes on the Army



SPORT played its part in the Australian Army's Aboriginal Community Assistance Program (AACAP) at Titjikala, in the MacDonnell Region 120km south-east of Alice Springs.

AACAP is a partnership between the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and the Australian Army.

One project is undertaken each calendar year in remote Indigenous communities 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.

The Army delivers infrastructure, vocational skills training and complementary healthcare services – and lines up against local teams in Australian football and softball.

There was no grass to be seen as the Army took on local community players on the footy field and the softball diamond.

About 150 soldiers are being deployed in the program over four months.



● ABOVE: The Army and Titjikala Hawks exchange greetings before a friendly game of Australian football.

● LEFT: Titjikala Hawks player Shaun Marshall takes a mark against Australian Army.

● RIGHT: Titjikala Hawks player Edward Foster kicks the ball during the Aussie rules game.



The dust flies as an Australian Army player is collared by a Titjikala Hawks defender.



Titjikala Hawks' Edward Foster takes a mark against the Australian Army.

Beale gets ringing endorsement from coach



KURTLEY Beale's rollercoaster Wallabies career reached a milestone as the enigmatic back prepared to play his 50th Test last weekend and coach Michael Cheika believes his best rugby is still to come.

Signed by the Waratahs as a 16-year-old schoolboy, Beale's dazzling skills have too often been dimmed by his off-field antics.

Named on the bench to face the Pumas last Saturday in Mendoza, 26-year-old Beale's selection continues a

story of redemption after his career almost ended at the same Argentine city last year.

Beale's verbal altercation with Di Patston on the 2014 flight to Argentina almost led to his sacking when the lewd text message he'd sent to her previously emerged as a simmering issue.

While team business manager Patston and then-coach Ewen McKenzie are long gone in the wake of the upheaval, Beale – who was fined \$45,000 by the ARU – is ready to stake his claim for a berth at a second World Cup.

Beale said he had learned not to take anything for granted and to appreciate the

position that he was in.

"The opportunity to be back in the squad is a great honour and I'm very grateful for Cheika to give me another crack and it's now up to me to do my part for the team," Beale said.

"There's no better feeling than to play for my country.

"When you don't have the opportunity to pull on a jersey it's heart breaking."

Beale has blossomed with the stability of playing under Cheika at the NSW Waratahs and for Australia.

Cheika said he was an unabashed fan of the utility back and loved the passion he

had for his country.

"I don't think it's any secret that I like the way Kurtley plays rugby," Cheika said.

"He's a very exciting player and the versatility he brings to the game is really important for us because he can come in and create something for us in several roles in the backline.

"I know he's had his ups and downs. I don't want to try and paint a rosy picture, but from my end, he's been a pleasure to coach.

"Our relationship's always been really respectful between coach and player and friends as well." – AAP



● **ABOVE:** Marlon Motlop was outstanding for the beaten North Adelaide in their SANFL game against South Adelaide.

● **LEFT:** Karl Winda Telfer, senior cultural custodian of ceremony, designer and artist-educator, giving the welcome to country.

● **BELOW LEFT:** Northern Territory product Brandon Parfitt, who made a stunning SANFL debut for North Adelaide.

● **BELOW:** Matt Rankine in the Panthers jumper he designed.

Pictures: Peter Argent

Stunning jumpers on show



By **PETER ARGENT**

STUNNING jumper designs were the order of the day in the South Australian National Football League

(SANFL) Indigenous round on July 11-12.

Four SANFL's clubs – Port Adelaide and Norwood, along with South Adelaide and North Adelaide – donned the special guernseys.

For the July 12 contest at Noarlunga, the Panthers' jumper was designed by quicksilver Aboriginal forward Matthew Rankine.

North Adelaide's jumper was illustrated by Blackfriars Priory School student Brayden Nicol, who won a competition that attracted 25 entries.

Despite North Adelaide's large 65-point defeat, Northern Territory Indigenous talent Marlon Motlop was simply superb.

The hard running link man, finished with a competition-high 39 disposals (24 kicks and 15 handballs) to be close to best on ground.

Other North Adelaide Indigenous players Joe Anderson and Michael Clinch were serviceable, while for the victors, Rankine kicked a third-quarter goal to go with his 14 disposals and four tackles.

At The Parade on July 11, the Redlegs' guernsey was designed by Charles Campbell College student Khadejia Bright.

The Magpies' jumper was created by artist Scott Cook, who liaised with a cultural adviser for the Kaurna people.

Its distinctive feature were the tracks of an emu, acknowledging the Le Fevre Peninsula, which was an emu catching ground used by the Kaurna people.

This traditional clash between competition heavyweights was a heart-stopper.

Reigning premiers Norwood won

by one point, despite a strong performance by Magpies defender Nathan Krakouer.

Another Aboriginal talent, Eagles utility Jared Petrenko, was a key performer for the ladder-leading Woodville West Torrens side that defeated Sturt by three goals in a low-scoring affair.

Petrenko was best on ground with 25 disposals, nine clearances and kicking 1.1.

In other SANFL news, Northern Territory export, Brandon Parfitt continued his stellar 12 months.

He came down to Adelaide after winning the Nightcliff Tigers best and fairest in the Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) competition, along with being the NTFL's best under 21 footballer.

After his heroics at the National Under 18 championships, where he won the NT Thunder's Most Valuable Player along with winning All-Australian honours, Parfitt made his SANFL senior debut for North Adelaide in their round 14 clash with the Adelaide Crows SANFL side.

Right at home

Parfitt, 17, looked at home at this level, finishing with 17 possessions, three marks and five tackles.

Over the three-day period from Tuesday July 14, the 2015 SANFL Under 17 championships were held in suburban Adelaide, with the Norwood team, including a number of Indigenous talent from the their new Eyre Peninsula country zone, took over from Port Adelaide.

Mallee Park lad Troy Simpson was impressive, being among the best players in two of the three games, displaying his superb balance and elite skills for the unbeaten Redlegs, and kicked two goals against Central District.

Ali Johncock, from the Ceduna Blues and a cousin of former Crow Graham, was among the best players in the final contest against the Eagles.

US south-west rugby tour planned



AN Invitational Indigenous Australian under 20 rugby union squad of 28 is preparing to tour the south-west of the United States in October.

The young players are being selected based on their on and off the field contribution to their communities.

They come from all over Australia.

The tour will involve playing five college rugby teams over two weeks and a Native American team in New Mexico.

Players also will stay on a native American reservation, meet with relevant tribes and visit native American faculties at universities to share their cultural heritage and develop international indigenous relationships.

"Our goal is to also showcase our future talent to college recruiters with the hope of getting some of our players considered for scholarships to attend college in the USA," tour organisers said.

"The players will be aged between 17 and 20. This age group has been targeted as it is when most young rugby players leave the sport as they struggle with work/school life balance.

"Our program intends to assist these young men over the year leading up to the tour as well as after the tour.

"Expectations leading up to the tour include continued employment and/or school and tertiary attendance as well as community involvement.

"We require funding for this to happen. We have some really talented individuals

on our team, several of whom have played in the national Indigenous teams and state teams as young teens.

"This opportunity will assist in personal development of all these young men. This will enable them to return to their communities to make a positive contribution and become future leaders.

"These young men will go back to their communities as leaders."

Call for assistance

Organisers are looking for financial assistance.

"Our players and support staff are also willing to participate in any promotions or events as required here in Australia and in the USA and any major sponsor will feature on our playing jerseys," they said.

"Any contribution would allow us to buy team uniforms, including playing jerseys, tracksuits, shorts and polo shirts that would all clearly show sponsors' names.

"Additionally, we are seeking funds to assist with flights and accommodation."

The squad will be made up of players from Queensland (nine), the Northern Territory (two), NSW (10), and the ACT (five) aged between 18 and 20.

The coaching will be head coach Anthony Donovan, of Coffs Harbour, assisted by Matthew Donovan (backs) and coach/manager Darrell Morris.

Morris said that while some of the players had featured for their states in age groups and the top rugby schools throughout the country, the selection committee had searched for future stars.

Competitive edge

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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THERE are many elements to what makes a successful sporting team.

As with individual players you need to start with talent.

But talent is not enough.

The only time that success comes before work is in the dictionary.

Hard work is a given, but if we accept that all Australian Football League (AFL) sides have talent and put in the hard work, what other factors give winning teams the edge?

Obviously, the team chemistry and the way a coach can exploit this can drive a team's competitive advantage.

This can also drill down to the relationship a coach has with his individual players.

In recent columns, I have been talking up the chances of the Dockers and the Swans only to see Hawthorn come out and completely dominate both teams in a manner to suggest that the flag is their destiny.

Two key figures in their dominance are their coach Alistair Clarkson and Cyril Rioli, who is the catalyst for so much

of their attacking flair.

One challenge for any coach is to keep a team performing consistently.

This has to be a challenge for the Hawks given their recent superiority.

For Clarkson, he believes the key is internal competition.

He believes the competition for senior spots will help drive Hawthorn's playing group in the final rounds of the home-and-away season.

Despite their recent dominance, the Hawks need to continue winning in order to push for a top-two finish.

On the back of a run of wins – and convincing victories against top four sides Fremantle and Sydney – Clarkson said the Hawks must maintain their killer instinct.

Clarkson said while Hawthorn's senior side had been in strong form, having competition for senior spots was a definite positive.

"Blokes are jostling for spots," he said.

Opportunities

"We've got a lot of players at Box Hill level who are playing really, really good footy and are probably seeing some opportunities coming towards the end of the year of trying to get into a side that's going to play finals."

One player whose position seems safe is Cyril Rioli, whose preparation for the season is paying dividends.

The 25-year-old has missed 21 games due to hamstring problems in the past two seasons, but has still featured in the Hawks' back-to-back premierships.

He had a brilliant grand final in 2014 despite being out of the senior team between round 16 and the preliminary final.

"I feel a lot stronger in the legs," Rioli said of the intense program this year.

"It's been a lot different but I have definitely embraced it a lot more.

"I learned from last year that



Cyril Rioli and his father Cyril Jnr in the Hawthorn dressing room after the Hawks' 2014 grand final victory over the Sydney Swans. Cyril Jnr won 12 Northern Territory premierships with St Mary's. Cyril Jnr's wife is Kathy, sister of AFL legend Michael Long. Picture: Peter Argent

it's all about patience and you want to be there at the end of the season, so I definitely took my time and I have definitely enjoyed it."

His run of games – and the ability to get more heavily involved in training – has been a massive confidence-booster for the 25-year old after injuries restricted him to just 27 games over the past two years.

"I've been injury-free, so I think that's a real plus for me personally, just getting through to the bye," Rioli said.

Confident

"I'm feeling fully confident in my body ... and how it's been able to cope with the season so far.

"During the week, I'm getting all the workouts that I can and transferring that into the weekend.

"I've been doing a lot more boxing and touching on a few different things – it gives me a lot of confidence and I'm taking that out on the field."

Rioli has been a consistent

contributor for the Hawks this season, not just in terms of possessions and his output on the scoreboard, but also in terms of his tackling and constant application of pressure on the opposition.

Cyril has also kept himself mentally fresh, using the bye earlier in the season to head to Darwin for a few days and relishing the opportunity to take a break from football.

"It was just a good mental break, getting out and doing the things I love, like catching up with friends and family and getting out on the boat," he said.

"It's just like being on the football field for me ... being out on the boat is something I've grown up doing and something I love very much."

And this is another area where Clarkson has an advantage over other coaches.

Clarkson really tries to get to know his players, which was acknowledged by Cyril's mum Kathy Rioli.

"It was difficult for him to

adjust when he first arrived in Melbourne," she said.

"He phoned up once, sobbing. It was difficult because everything was so different for him."

Rioli was most comfortable shifting the sand between his feet on Tiwi beaches, fishing for barramundi and keeping a close eye out for crocs.

Family photos show a young Rioli with a generation of footballers famed around Australia — his father was a champion Northern Territory footballer.

His uncle was the late great Maurice Rioli. Cousin Dean also carved out a career at Windy Hill.

"The boys always looked over him and still do — we would camp at Melville Island and fish or there was always a football to kick," Mrs Rioli said.

"It's a special connection Junior has always held on to."

Guiding figure

Kath said her brother, Essendon great Michael Long, had been a guiding figure in her son's life because he understood the difficulties of the transition.

But she said Hawthorn coach Alistair Clarkson was a leading example of coaches who made an effort to truly understand where Indigenous players had come from and their connection to the land.

"Clarko came up and met the family and went out fishing," Kath said.

"I think that made it easier in some ways for Junior.

"I look at the photos of him on Melville (Island) and I see the opportunities he has had and how far he has come and wonder just how many kids get to do that in their lifetime."

"I couldn't be prouder."

It is that connection between a player and his coach that can make all the difference.

It can be the competitive edge.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming.

NAIDOC Week in the west

By CHRIS PIKE



THE West Australian Football League (WAFL) has again celebrated NAIDOC Week with its annual round dedicated to celebrating the

influence of Indigenous players in the competition. The round was headlined by the clash that started it all – Claremont v South Fremantle.

Round 16 of the 2015 WAFL season was dedicated to NAIDOC Week, with all eight clubs that participated that weekend wearing specially-designed jumpers featuring Aboriginal artwork while the football used in all games also featured Indigenous artwork for the first time.

Claremont and South Fremantle began the tradition of playing each other during NAIDOC Week in 2007 and now for the seven years since, the rest of the WAFL has followed suit.

However, it's the Tigers (Claremont) and Bulldogs (South Fremantle) who continue to lead the way, with both clubs having among the strongest histories with Aboriginal talent in Australia.

Claremont has produced talent such as Jim and Phil Krakouer and Chris Lewis, while South Fremantle's Indigenous players of the past are like a who's who of greats, including Stephen Michael, Maurice Rioli, Nicky Winmar, Peter, Phil and Wally Mather, Jeff Farmer and Ash McGrath.

'Royalty' attended

The 2015 clash between the two clubs took place at the Claremont Showground and not only did both teams feature a host of current Indigenous players, but past greats were in attendance, including Dale Kickett, representing Claremont, and Nicky Winmar there for South Fremantle.

Claremont jumped to a flying start in the clash, kicking seven goals to two in the first quarter, and despite only booting two more goals the rest of the day, the Tigers held on to beat South Fremantle by four points in a thriller.

Claremont's team included Indigenous players Keifer Yu and Francis Watson, with Yu tossing the coin to start the match, being presented the cup afterwards by Dale Kickett, and having 16 possessions in between, while Watson also did well, collecting 15 disposals and laying five tackles.

South Fremantle meanwhile was well served by Aboriginal players Tim Kelly, Jacob Martinez, Marlon Pickett and Traye Bennell, with Kelly racking up 30 possessions, Pickett 22 off half-back, Bennell returning to the team and kicking his team's first goal and Martinez working hard and also representing the Bulldogs at the coin toss.

Martinez is the most experienced of South Fremantle's crop of Aboriginal players and was proud to lead the team against Claremont, and is succeeding in modelling his



Claremont's Francis Watson in full flight against South Fremantle.



● ABOVE: Claremont's Keifer Yu, right, and South Fremantle's Jacob Martinez, left, at the coin toss.

game after former Sydney, Fremantle and Perth champion Troy Cook.

"It means a lot to wear the jumper on NAIDOC Week and to play for our people, and to stand out a little bit," Martinez said.

"Troy Cook and Andrew McLeod were two I always looked up to and I guess Troy Cook is someone I have tried to model my game on."

Kelly has cemented himself as an important midfielder at South Fremantle the last two years now, and was proud to be there for NAIDOC Week but doesn't really model his game on anyone despite looking up to some greats of the game.

More fire

"It certainly makes you want to play good wearing the NAIDOC jumper. You want to play good every week obviously but being Indigenous for Indigenous round it just gives you a bit more fire in the belly," Kelly said.

"I definitely looked up to the Materas when they were playing for West Coast and Andrew McLeod, and definitely Goodes as well. I probably don't really play like many of them, but I do like the way Shaun Burgoyne goes about and he can

play forward, back and mid."

Bennell has had his first taste of senior football this year with the Bulldogs and has shown some exciting signs, and there is certainly some similarities in his game to former Melbourne star Aaron Davey, and current Fremantle small forward Michael Walters.

"It's good to wear the jumper for our people and we all wear it with pride," Bennell said.

"Aaron Davey is someone I always looked up to. He was an outside and I liked his run when he used to play. Michael Walters is another one I try to play like because I like his pressure."

Claremont and South Fremantle weren't the only two teams with Indigenous representation in NAIDOC Week, although, with Leroy Jetta, Gerald Ugle, Jonathon Griffin and Brady Grey helping Peel to a win over East Fremantle, with the Thunder on target to play finals in the WAFL for the first time.

Shane Yarran kicked a goal in Subiaco's win over an East Perth that featured Malcolm Karpany, Murray Newman, Jarrad Oakley-Nicholls and Jamie Bennell, while Brennan Stack worked hard in a loss for Perth against West Perth.



Dale Kickett, left, presents the cup to Claremont's Keifer Yu.

NIS breaks even in four games



THE National Indigenous cricket Squad (NIS) won the opening and closing games

during a training camp at the Allan Border Field National Cricket Centre.

They beat the South Stars Australian women's team in their opening game and beat Cricket Australia's National Performance Squad (NPS) in their final game.

In between, they were beaten twice by the NPS.

The NPS is made up of Australian under 19 and Australia A players and included Indigenous star Jonte Pattison. Other players available for the NPS were Marcus Stoinis, Matthew Renshaw, Jack Wildermuth, Matthew Wade, James Pattinson and Sean Abbott.

The NIS coaching staff consisted of Jeff Cook (head coach) and assistant coaches Greg Shipperd and James Hopes.

In game one, the NIS 7-355 beat the Southern Stars 146. The *Koori Mail* reported on that game in our previous edition.

Brief scores for other games:

Game 2: NIS 156 [Ben Abbatangelo 39 (47), Nathan Price 29 (35); Billy Stanlake 4-20, Jonte Pattison 2-23] def by NPS 2-158 [Cameron Bancroft 81 no (90), Sam Harper 35 (46) Brendan Smith 34no (44); Ryan Lees 1/15].

Game 3: NPS 8-262 [Marcus Stoinis 121 (73), Matthew Renshaw 40 (71), Jack Wildermuth 30 (32), Matthew Wade 25 (29), James Pattinson 21 (27), Jonte Pattison 17 (23); Luke Lavender 3-37, Preston White 3-45] defeated NIS 9-250 [D'Arcy Short 85 (85), Cameron Trask 50 (52), Brendan Smith 39 (48); Matthew Kuhaemann 3-34, Jonte Pattison 2-46, Andrew Fekete 1-44, Marcus Stoinis 1-20 Gurinder Sandhu 1-56, James Pattinson 0-50].

Game 4: NPS 8-262 [Jack Wildermuth 109 (111), Jonte Pattison 40 (57); Brendan Doggett 4-55, Nathan Price 2-23] defeated by NIS 9-250 [D'Arcy Short 67 (58), Preston White 65 (69), Ayden McGregor-Baptista 31 (38), Zac Chapman 20no (15); Jonte Pattison 2-33, Billy Stanlake 2-51, Sean Abbott 1-57]. (The Duckworth Lewis method was applied, reducing the match to 44 overs for the NIS.)

Jamal Idris unsure of rugby league future



PENRITH centre Jamal Idris says he will wait to see how his reconstructed knee recovers before deciding

whether to fulfil the final year of his National Rugby League (NRL) contract next season.

Idris, 25, has previously come back from long-term injuries that had threatened his career, including double hip surgery, shoulder issues, an ankle reconstruction and neck problems.

But for the first time, the former NSW representative fears his mental demons might not let him return from this one.

"This is more in my head than anything," Idris said.

"The other injuries, afterwards I didn't really think about it. I didn't pay too much attention to the comebacks. I knew when I was going to come back and it was just going to be a rip and tear.

"But, at the moment, it's just playing on my mind because it was the ACL.

"You don't have much control over it. It's not an awkward step or anything – it just went.

"It's not like a broken bone or a soft-tissue injury."

Idris has targeted an unlikely return during the finals – should Penrith get there – after running for the first time on the right knee he tore in early April.

"We're looking at that at the moment," he said.

"I'm also going to see where the team's at and where I'm at fitness-wise. If I'm ready to play and I'm

feeling fit and ready to go, I'll play."

Where his future lies after that – he has one more year remaining on his deal with Penrith – he has left up in the air.

But the former Gold Coast player rubbished reports of an early switch to Manly or the Wests Tigers.

"People become doctors, telling me what I should be doing with my ACL," he said.

"They become professionals, telling me what I'm doing with my career.

"How are they meant to know when I don't even know?"

Asked whether he would fulfil the final season with the Panthers, he said: "When I start playing again, that's when I'll be able to tell where I'm at and how I'm feeling with myself." – AAP



Jamal Idris

Ben bowls them over in England

Darbyshire club's gamble pays off with Dubbo quick



DUBBO Indigenous cricketer Ben Patterson is making a name for himself in

cricket in England.

The right-arm fast bowler is playing the northern hemisphere season with Duffield, in the Derbyshire County League Division One competition.

He has been described as one of the finds of the season.

The *Derby Telegraph* reported this month that more often than not, Duffield had put enough runs on the board and then unleashed the young Australian quick bowler Patterson – one of the finds of the season.

"Ben has undoubtedly added a lot to the side, not just in his own performances but the opportunities that he creates for others," the *Telegraph* quoted Duffield captain Paul Bakel as saying.

Score quickly

"With the bat, we can take our time a bit knowing he's down the order with the ability to score quickly and with the ball the other bowlers have probably benefited from people having to look to get their runs away from his end.

"He was a relatively unknown quantity, with mostly country cricket and only half a season of grade cricket behind him but he came strongly recommended and if it was a gamble on our part, then, on half a season's evidence, it's paid dividends."

The *Derby Telegraph* said as other clubs had found in the past, if Duffield should get promoted, the trick would be hanging on to Patterson for their tilt at the Premier League.



Dubbo's Ben Patterson in England.

"There are plenty of clubs, not just in Derbyshire, prepared to offer money for a good quick bowler and, apparently, one or two have already spoken to the Australian," the *Telegraph* said.

Patterson is making rapid progress after just half a season in Sydney cricket.

Before that, he was playing club cricket in Dubbo.

He debuted for Hawkesbury in Sydney second grade cricket in early February and was an instant hit.

In his debut match, the former Rugby quick took the new ball and claimed 1-23 from eight overs as his side comfortably accounted for Mosman at Allan Border Oval.

After being in Adelaide with the NSW/ACT Country under 19s side at the start of the year, Patterson had been unable to train with his new teammates and admitted while he was shocked to be thrown the new ball in his very first game, he didn't back down from the challenge at all.

"I was pretty nervous. I wasn't sure what to expect. Everything was new so it was like playing my first game again," he told the

Dubbo Liberal.

"I didn't think I'd open. I got there and thought I'd maybe start first change and just give them a chance to see what I can do, but they threw me the new ball straight away and I bowled downwind.

"I bowled two balls and then tried something everyone had told me not to do and I bowled my bouncer.

Step back

"It went past the batsman's face and I saw the keeper and first slip look at each other a bit and move back a few steps, so that's always good as a fast bowler."

Patterson claimed the first wicket of the match.

With his debut out of the way, Patterson said his aim immediately turned to making his way into the first grade side.

"I'm trying to make it happen in the short term. I just want to get through the ranks and play the best cricket I can," he told the *Liberal*.

"I want to prove myself, hopefully as a bowling all-rounder, get into the side and cement a first grade spot for next season."

Another accolade for Syd Jackson

By CHRIS PIKE



INDIGENOUS footballers are now a big part of Australian Football League (AFL) nationally, but when Syd Jackson arrived at Carlton in 1969, he

wondered where all the Aboriginal players were.

But he had remarkable career that spread across three states between 1963 and 1977.

He started in the West Australian Football League (WAFL) with East Perth before going the Victorian Football League (VFL) with Carlton and

finishing in the South Australian National Football League (SANFL) with Glenelg, where he became one of the greatest Indigenous players and trailblazers.

In recognition of his remarkable contribution, Jackson was recently inducted into the West Australian Football Hall of Fame on top of his honours that already included being named in the Australian Football Indigenous Team of the Century, and the East Perth Team of the Century.

During his 254-game, 265-goal career, Jackson won two VFL premierships with Carlton and claimed an East Perth fairest and best award.

While his career at home in WA with East Perth was outstanding, it was at Carlton where he truly paved the way for Indigenous players of the future.

Jackson was humbled and honoured to have been inducted to the WA Football Hall of Fame, and WA is where he feels at home having started his career firstly with South Bunbury, and then at East Perth.

"Western Australia is still my home," Jackson said.

Big surprise

"This has come as a huge surprise to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, but it's a huge honour and West Australian football is clean, fast and a very skilful game and I think I picked up all those traits from here.

"That put me in good stead for playing in Victoria. The WA football community is like a family to me and that continues today, and I'm very fortunate for that."

Jackson never saw himself as someone breaking down the barriers of Aboriginal players featured in the VFL in Melbourne, but he soon realised that he was doing just that as the only Indigenous player in the competition for much of his career after Graham 'Polly' Farmer left Geelong.

"I knew I could play footy. I always felt comfortable out in the middle, it was like my home," he said.

"I don't see myself as a trailblazer, but I guess after the first couple of years, I did start to wonder where the other Aboriginal players were," he said.

"I was there for 10 years without anyone else being there until the Winmarrs, the Kicketts and those sort of guys came to pave

'... after the first couple of years, I did start to wonder where the other Aboriginal players were.'



Syd Jackson

'All I can remember is the big, long truck ride and we all had ice creams ... we were then sorted out and sent to different institutions or reserves.'

the way for the rest to come and have a go, which is where we are today."

Jackson's journey early in life was certainly not easy to overcome and that's why he is so grateful that he was able to find football.

Jackson was part of the Stolen Generation, but he found solace in football and then that turned out to be his way to make his mark in the world.

"My people were the Wangai people back at Leonora, a little place called Laverton, and when I was three or four years of age I was taken, along with a lot of other kids," he said.

"The State Government and police at the time rounded us all up on several trucks and after a few days we ended up 1200km away and stopping down at Moore River, and coming to Perth.

"All I can remember is the big, long truck ride and we all had ice creams. From what I

recall, we were then sorted out and sent to different institutions or reserves.

"I was taken all the way to the south and I was really brought up in the Noongar country.

"I was in the mission until I was 16 and there were 40 of us kids running around with this old, round football and it was kicked so much it looked like a soccer ball.

"We just kicked it all day long and you had to get in and win a kick, or else you missed out.

"Then, by the time I got to town I just knew how to play football. I played for South Bunbury for a few years and then went on to East Perth."

Jackson showed remarkable character and courage to be an Indigenous player in WA and Victoria in the 1960s and 1970s which were still inherently racist, but his football did all his talking.

He started his career playing under a great coach and with some great teammates at East Perth, and then at Carlton he was part of some of the great teams of all time.

The Blues won premierships in 1970 and 1972 and lost the grand final in 1973.

"I always played in the centre and I had two good wingmen alongside in Derek Chadwick and Gary Gillespie at East Perth," Jackson said.

"I had a good coach in Jack Sheedy in the first place who developed my skills a little further and got my confidence up, and in the end I felt at home out in the middle.

"I was then quite ready when I went to Carlton. I had a few good years at Carlton playing in premierships, which every kid dreams of. I played in two winning grand finals and we lost in 1973."

Netball carnival planned for Canberra



A NETBALL tournament planned for Canberra is attracting widespread

interest, with expressions of interest from across NSW and in Queensland and Victoria.

The inaugural ACT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Netball Tournament will be held on the Calwell Netball Courts, Were Street, Calwell, on Saturday, September 19.

Sign-on will be at 8am, with play starting at 8.30.

It will cost women's and mixed teams \$600 to enter, and \$250 for junior teams.

There will be cash for teams finishing first, second and third.

Junior teams will play for prizes.

Organisers say that if the tournament is a success, it will become an annual event.

"Our aim is to host a fun-filled competitive tournament while encouraging physical activity for all players and school attendance for juniors," organisers say in their flyer for the tournament.

Each team can have a maximum of 14 players.

All juniors must be attending school and proof of enrolment must be provided.

Teams will be played in pools and will play round-robin games before pool winners proceed to a knockout phase.

Entries in the women's division will be capped at 32.

The mixed and junior (girls' under 15) divisions will be capped at 16 teams.

All players must be Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

Boomerangs to mark 90 years



THE famous Moree Boomerangs Rugby League Club is to celebrate its 90th birthday in style.

The club is planning an anniversary dinner in the Moree Town Hall on Saturday, August 8.

Limited tickets costing \$40 will cover dinner and are available at the Aboriginal Employment Strategy, 207 Balko Street, Moree.

Dress code for the function is semi formal.

The 'Rangs have had a checkered history in Group 19 Rugby League and at one stage were banned from the competition for 12 years.

The club has been a nursery for some great players and has been noted for its scintillating way of playing.

Pressure point

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WITH State of Origin out of the way, everybody's focus is on the race to the finals and who will emerge as premiership champions in October.

This is one of the most open competitions in recent memory, with any one of the teams in contention for the finals having a good case to argue they can win the grand final.

There are always a number of key factors in winning a competition, with the most important being the availability of key players.

There is little doubt that the likes of Johnathan Thurston, Greg Inglis and Cooper Cronk are central to their teams' hopes and with that comes the additional pressure of expectation. In the cases of JT and GI, this pressure takes a different form and it is interesting to see how their roles are perceived in the media.

All-time great

In my eyes, JT has confirmed this year that he is not only a player of his generation, but he is also one of the game's all-time greats.

Yet there is a lot of debate around how he will be remembered if he does not lead the Cowboys to their first title.

As North Queensland keep piling up the wins – soon they'll set a club season record in that area – the most positive debate in the game is how good JT really is.

Let's leave aside for a second the discussion about whether he should become an Australian rugby league 'Immortal'.

Most of the debate centres on the comparison with Andrew Johns and that JT needs to win a premiership with the Cowboys this year in order to be remembered as one of the top handful of players in the sport in this country.

I don't think any individual accolade in the game should be

dependent on a team's position on the table or the result of a final.

A good team will give a great player the opportunity to show his talents better than a poor team will.

But when I think of greatness in a rugby league player, I think of the things I saw him do on the field.

Besides, why should we punish a great player who stays at one club by denying him the right to stand among the game's greats?

JT's standing in the game should not be judged by how far the Cowboys go this year, even allowing for the fact that as a halfback, his performances will largely determine just that.

If they lose a sudden-death game through no fault of his, how does that make him less great?

There is little doubt, however, as to what drives Thurston.

He is the ultimate competitor and he makes little secret of his desire to take the Cowboys to the podium on grand final day.

Then there is the other side to JT – his loyalty.

When he re-signed with the Cowboys, he knew it was likely to be his last NRL contract.

He has any number of clubs chasing him, with Penrith in particular desperate to lure him to Sydney.

Cowboys faith

But it was his desire to deliver a premiership to the club that had shown great faith in him that was the decider.

His reasons at the time give a great insight into what drives the man to this day.

"Starting a family, lifestyle, the club, and coming to training with the boys and the lifelong friends and best mates I've got here were all part of my decision," he said at the time.

"I've definitely got some unfinished business here and I think we've got a squad who can give it a shake over the next few years."

His belief and vision have been vindicated.

I firmly believe the Cowboys have all the qualities to win the premiership.

JT could be the defining quality.

Meanwhile, the Rabbitohs will be relying heavily on Greg Inglis to help deliver back-to-back titles.

It is interesting to make comparisons between the two because GI came to the burrow promising to deliver them a title.

It was not a claim made out of arrogance.

It was the statement of a winner.

I believe captaincy is starting to fit comfortably with him and he is showing signs that he is returning to his dangerous and dominant best form.

And the Rabbitohs will need him at his devastating best every



Johnathan Thurston, pictured above with Brisbane Broncos and National Rugby League (NRL) All Stars coach Wayne Bennett, and Greg Inglis, pictured below at left, with Linda Burney and George Rose. Preston Campbell reckons a grand final showdown between Thurston and Inglis is on the cards.



week from here until grand final day if they are to win back-to-back premierships.

The Rabbitohs' reliance on Inglis is as significant as North Queensland's on JT and the Broncos' on Ben Hunt.

After an indifferent first Origin game that was hampered by an illness in the lead-up, Inglis burst back to life at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in game two and came up with a number of crucial plays against the Dragons to ultimately prove the difference between the two teams.

Defy history

But if the Rabbitohs are to defy more than 20 years of history that says premierships are impossible to defend, that type of performance has to be the norm, and not the exception.

Greg Alexander has nominated him as the key to Souths' premiership ambitions.

"The loss of Sam Burgess and Ben Te'o over the off-season means that if South Sydney want to have a chance to go

back-to-back, they'll need Greg Inglis playing the best football we've ever seen from him," Alexander said.

"The Souths No 1 has almost ambled through this season – with the exception of the opening rounds – and it's up to him to stand up. The good news for Rabbitohs fans is that he's shown signs he's ready to do that."

"His past two Origin performances were some of his best, and in the second half against the Dragons he was back doing the things that only he can do."

"Unless he can be that dynamic for 80 minutes each week though, I don't think they can win."

The season is heading towards the pressure games where the true champions show their colours.

JT and GI were mates in the Origin series.

They are now both wrestling to get their hands on the premiership battle.

It's going to be great to watch!

Badu to host All Blacks carnival

By ALF WILSON



BADU Island will host an All Blacks rugby league carnival next month after the recent Island of Origin Series was held on Thursday island.

Argun Warriors Rugby League Club is hosting the Badu carnival from August 27-29 at the local Joe Mairu Sporting Oval.

The Argun Warriors team has been amongst the best All Blacks teams in Queensland, having won the Murri Knockout in southern Queensland, the Cairns All Blacks, the Dan Ropeyarn Cup at Bamaga and numerous Island of Origin carnivals.

However, while Argun Warriors won't be competing at the carnival, several other local Badu teams will be chasing the trophy.

Nominations are being sought for men's and women's rugby league, mixed darts, and mixed volleyball sides.

\$1500 prizemoney

If six men's teams nominate, prizemoney of \$15,000 will be up for grabs. However, if less than six sides compete, that will reduce.

Prizemoney for the women's rugby league, darts and volleyball competitions will also depend on the number of sides.

Keiji Bowie is a member of the organising committee and said a welcome dinner and breakfast would be provided for teams and officials.

"Teams will be billeted on Badu," he said.

Already, teams from several outer and central islands have indicated they will nominate for the Argun Warriors carnival. There has been particular interest from women's teams including one consisting of players with Mabuaig descent.

Busy time

This will be the second of three All Blacks carnivals in the Torres Strait during 2015, following the Island of Origin on Thursday Island in June.

The Zenadth Kes Cup will be held on Thursday Island from October 16-18, and the NPA Dan Ropeyarn Cup will be at Bamaga from October 29-31.

A Torres Strait team will also travel to the Queensland Rugby League-backed Murri carnival in southern Queensland from September 24-27.

Badu side Kulpiyam are the defending champions while Argun Warriors won it two years before that.



Chad Wingard was elusive for Port Adelaide, as Rory Laird found out.



Charlie Cameron grabs a one-hander for the Crows.



Patrick Ryder's big leap in the second quarter almost paid off.



● ABOVE: The Crows' Eddie Betts gets past Nathan Krakouer.

● LEFT: Jarman Impey tackles the Crows' Taylor Walker.

● RIGHT: The game's shortest player Jake Neade being tackled by the tallest – Adelaide's Sam Jacobs.

Pictures:
Peter Argent

Plenty of emotion

By PETER ARGENT



IN the 18 years since the South Australian football's AFL Showdown started in 1997, the 39th event held at The Adelaide Oval on Sunday, July 19, was the most highly emotive game between the two clubs.

In front of a record crowd of 54,468 the first match for the Crows back in Adelaide since the sad death of senior coach Phil Walsh proved to be a thrilling contest played in the best of spirits.

Both clubs had a strong connection with Walsh and the former Victorian also spent 11 years at Alberton as an assistant coach, including the inaugural premiership of the Power in 2004.

Storming finish

Five goals down at three quarter time, Port Adelaide, with its season on the line, charged back into the contest and fell agonisingly three points short when the final siren sounded.

All the Aboriginal players across both clubs had a telling influence on the contest.

For the vanquished, the mercurial Chad Wingard did his best to change the

course of the game, kicking three goals, with two of them being telling in the second half, along with 23 possessions and six tackles in a complete performance.

Big man Patrick Ryder played his best game since joining Port Adelaide from Essendon.

His effort to nearly complete the mark of the day in the second term defied gravity. He also secured three goals and finished with 15 disposals, along with winning 17 hit outs when he was thrown into the ruck.

Shepparton product Jarman Impey also had his moments.

Eddie Betts and Charlie Cameron worked together as small forwards for the Adelaide Crows.

The surprisingly inaccurate Betts had 14 disposals, but kicked 1.3.

Cameron, still in the embryonic stages of his career, got value for money from his possessions, bagging two goals from his eight kicks.

He also displayed strong defensive pressure with his pace and ability to close down space quickly.

The outpouring of emotion continued at the presentations after the game, culminating with applause lasting one minute.



Patrick Ryder gets away a handball for Port Adelaide.



Patty Mills left out of Olympic qualifying fixtures



COACH Andrej Lemanis insists the decision to leave Patty Mills out of Australia's Olympic qualifying series is in the team's best interest.

The San Antonio Spurs guard was unavailable for upcoming warm-up matches in Europe against Slovenia and Lithuania as he works to regain full strength on an injured shoulder.

As a result, Lemanis omitted him from the 12-man squad for next month's Oceania Championships against New Zealand. The winner will earn a spot in the 2016 Rio Games.

While Mills will be missing, four of Australia's other NBA stars – Andrew Bogut, Matthew Dellavedova, Dante Exum and Cameron Bairstow – have been included in a star-studded outfit.

Lemanis said it was important the group spend time together and develop a style of play before the matches in Melbourne and Wellington on August 15 and 18.

"Lots of consideration was given to this situation, and at the end of the day you've got to make a decision in what you believe to be in the best interest of the team," said Lemanis.

"We thought it was important that the group is able to (prepare for the Tall Blacks) as part of our European tour.

"Patty's obviously someone who's passionate for playing for Australia and would've loved to have been playing the games.

"So he's a little bit disappointed, but I think more so respectful of the need for us to develop as a team and spend time together in Europe, building our culture and style of play."

Mills is one of three current NBA players not in the squad, alongside former Spurs teammate Aron Baynes and Joe Ingles.

Baynes, who on Monday signed a lucrative three-year deal with the Detroit Pistons, will miss the campaign following recent ankle surgery, while Ingles has decided to rest after a tough rookie NBA season with Utah Jazz. – AAP



Patty Mills

Minda Murray gets a taste of cycle success



YORTA Yorta woman Minda Murray has had her first taste of success on the national cycling

podium, finishing second in a stage of the gruelling four-stage Battle of the Border at Tweed Heads.

She began cycling three years ago in an effort to lose weight.

"I was the biggest I'd ever been at the end of my university degree," she said.

"I bought a road bike, and lost 18kg in eight months."

What started as a weight-loss regime turned into a career.

She said she was bitten by the cycling bug and had since progressed through competition levels, and now represented her team Building Champions Women's Squad, competing in the Australian National Road Series.

Most recently, Murray rode in the Battle on the Border, a three-day four-stage race consisting of a 105km road race, a 114km road race, a 10km time trial and 45 minute criterium. It is in NSW near the Queensland border.

During the second stage road race, she displayed grit to ride across to a breakaway, and at the end of the longest and hilliest race, sprinted for a very close second place.

"I woke up that morning dreading the race," she said.

"It was the longest and hilliest day, and I am renowned for being a poor hill climber, as I train on flat roads.

"Before I knew it, I was sprinting to my first ever national podium.

"I was shocked and excited. I didn't think it would happen so soon in my cycling career."

Murray told the *Koori Mail* the Tweed effort spurred her on to the next result.

"It makes you hungrier, to get to the top spot," she said.

Murray's podium result was in conjunction with National Reconciliation Week.

"I am super proud to represent my family in the sport I love, and to



Minda Murray on her road bike.

do it in National Reconciliation Week made it all the more special and memorable," she said.

Murray rides with her super light Specialized race bike adorned with a sticker of the Aboriginal flag, and she flies it with pride as she flies past at breakneck speeds.

She believes cycling is not only a fantastic sport, it is a healthy lifestyle and provides a safe and fun environment.

Participation

Cycling Australia and other organisations are concentrating on increasing participation in the sport through a variety of ways. Austcycle has just completed a round of the Aboriginal Bicycle Safety Program in NSW as just one of the ways in which to increase participation of the sport.

The program provides a practical way for children to learn about bike safety initiatives through bike

handling skills, safe places to ride, how to fit and wear a helmet, relevant knowledge of road rules, visibility while riding and an introduction to bike maintenance.

Minda Murray encourages people to go out and try it – there are local clubs everywhere in Australia, most are on Facebook or have websites, or visit the Cycling Australia website.

"It opens up a pathway to a healthy lifestyle and while having a heap of fun at the same time," Murray said.

She juggles fulltime work and her cycling. She works for Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation as a project officer, and strives for environmental management and cultural heritage.

She will concentrate on the rest of the National Road Series this year while also taking up track cycling, and looks to head to America to race next year.

Surfing to make comeback on NSW far north coast



COMPETITIVE Indigenous surfing is to return to the NSW North Coast after an absence of more than a decade.

The 2015 Banaam Indigenous Surf Titles will be held at Fingal Head from September 10-13.

Organisers have described it as the only free cultural festival of its kind.

They said that when Aboriginal people were in the ocean, they knew they were in their country. They belonged to it. They did

not own it – surfing was about being part of the wave.

The Banaam Indigenous Surf Titles (BIST) will start with the registration on the Thursday and a welcome and media night at the Fingal Surf Club.

Competition which will kick off on Friday, September 11, and continue the following two days.

Organisers expect more up to 100 contestants entering the open mens, womens, juniors (male only) masters (over 35) and longboard divisions.

They say BIST will be much more than a surfing competition.

It will about the celebration of the Indigenous and surfing culture of Australia.

An Art exhibition will be part of the festival.

BIST director Joel Slabb, a known local surfer with a few comps under his belt, invites people from all backgrounds and cultures to attend.

"BIST is a positive gathering, an event for Indigenous people and Australians. It's a form of reconciliation. It promotes a healthy

lifestyle and shows positive role models," he said.

Joel's father, organiser of the first Fingal Indigenous surf competition and a highly regarded member of the community and Aboriginal Elder, has put his stamp of approval on the new competition.

"I found it be the most rewarding and positive experiences for Indigenous people," he said.

"It's like the old days, the gathering of people, Corroboree, meeting of all tribes throughout our great nation."

Basketballers flying our flag at Special Olympics



TWO Indigenous athletes are in Australia's squad of athletes with intellectual disabilities who are taking part in the 2015 Special Olympics World

Summer Games in Los Angeles. The Games opened in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum last Saturday. The outdoor stadium was home to the 1932 and 1984 Olympic Games. The Indigenous athletes competing

for Australia are basketballers Dean Pallier and Eliza Mills, both from Orange, in the central-west of NSW. The World Games is the largest sporting event in the world this year, with 7000 athletes from 177 countries

competing in 26 sports. The Games end on August 2. The Australians are competing in 12 sports: aquatics, athletics, basketball, bocce, equestrian, football, golf, gymnastics, sailing, softball, tennis and tenpin bowling.

Swans wary of too much Buddy



SYDNEY are battling to post big Australian Football League (AFL) scores despite their forward talent, with defender Nick Smith conceding they have sometimes focused too much on getting the ball to Lance Franklin.

Despite the presence of three-time Coleman Medallist Franklin in their forward line, fourth-placed Sydney still aren't one of the competition's higher scoring sides.

Before last weekend, they were only seventh best with Collingwood and North Melbourne, both outside the top eight, among those clubs with higher scoring records.

Only three times this season have the Swans scored 100 or more points in a game.

They tallied paltry club season lows of seven goals and 57 points in their thrashing by Hawthorn.

Former Hawk Franklin kicked three goals against his old club to take his career tally to 701, more than other current player,

Clear leader

With 42 goals this season before last weekend, he is by far Sydney's most productive scoring source, well ahead of the next best, Kurt Tippett, 25.

When coach John Longmire was asked earlier in the week if the Swans were too 'Buddy-centric', he pointed out his players struggled to hit any target, let alone Franklin, in the Hawthorn game.

Smith admitted Sydney had occasionally lapsed into that condition at times in the current campaign.

"I think it's generally been okay during the year, probably a few games where we've gone to Bud too much," Smith said.

"That's something we've got to keep working on, that we don't want to just use him.

"It's important if we want to score goals it's got to be many contributors."

Smith stressed the need for the Swans to be less predictable in their entries into their forward 50.

"If we do go to Buddy all the time, it becomes predictable and easier for sides to defend," Smith said.

"It's really important that we do have different avenues to goal."

He emphasised it was the responsibility of midfielders and forwards to manufacture more scoring opportunities.

"It's definitely two-way," Smith said, "The guys kicking it in have got to have targets coming at them, but the mids can't also be too one-eyed and just look for Buddy or just look for Tippto."

Franklin produced a memorable and much needed three-goal blitz in as many minutes to become the latest man to attain the 700-goal milestone in VFL/AFL competition.

In the second quarter against his former team Hawthorn at Sydney's ANZ Stadium, Franklin 28, became the 21st man to reach the landmark.

Franklin hasn't given up hope of joining AFL's exclusive 1000 goal club.

Only five players have kicked 1000 goals or more - Tony Lockett (1360), Gordon Coventry (1299), Jason Dunstall (1254), Doug Wade (1057) and Gary Ablett Snr (1030).

Asked if he had another 300 goals left in him, Franklin said, "I hope so."

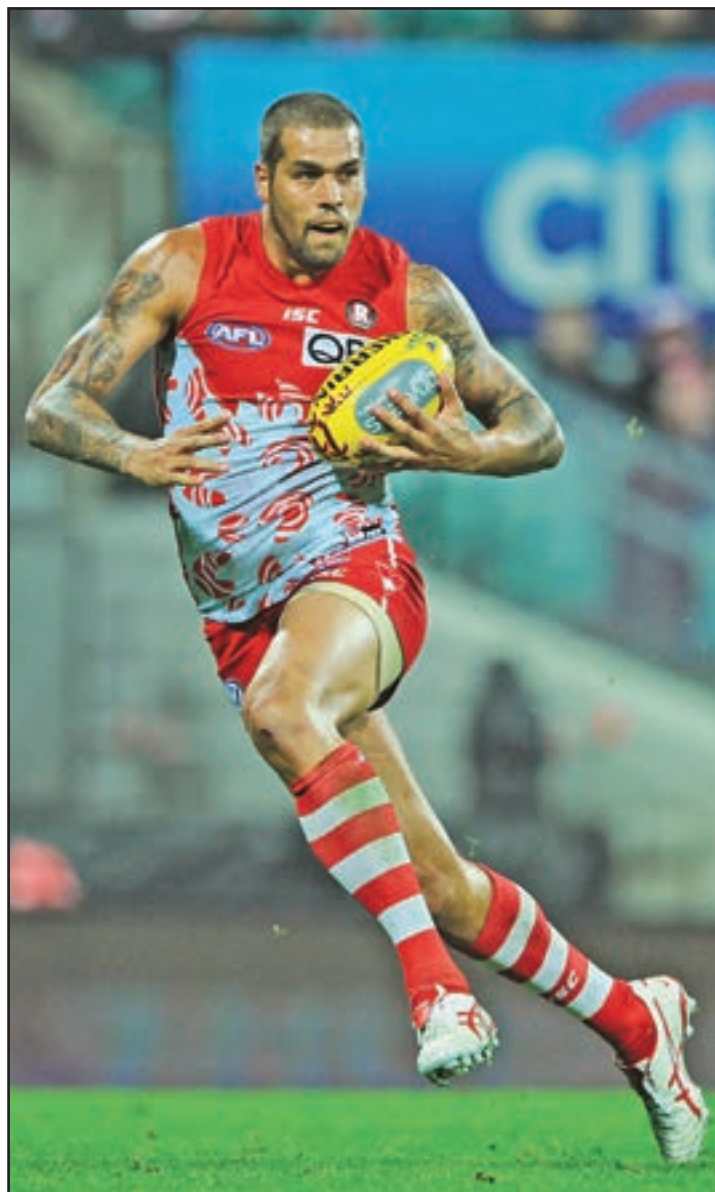
Franklin still has seven seasons left on his contract after this year and won't rule out someone getting to 1000 goals or surpassing Lockett's record.

"It would be good, wouldn't it? We'll wait and see," Franklin said.

He attributes the apparent demise of the 100-goal-a-season kicker to the modern trend towards developing a greater spread of goalkickers rather than just improving defence.

"You have your three or four guys that can kick 30 or 40 goals; there goes that 100 goalkicker out of the game," said Franklin, the last man to reach the ton. That was in 2008.

"Sharing the load, that's the way it's going these days." - AAP



Lance Franklin in action for the Sydney Swans against Carlton at the Sydney Cricket Ground during the Australian Football League (AFL) Indigenous round on May 29, 2015. Before last weekend's round, Franklin had kicked 42 goals this year and while he thinks that 100-goal seasons are a thing of the past, he still hopes to reach a career target of 1000 goals. He reached the 700-goal milestone in the game against Hawthorn. Picture: AAP

Matildas to face world champions



THE Australian women's soccer team, the Matildas,

will play two matches against the United States in September as part of the newly-crowned World Cup champions' victory tour.

It will be the first time the Matildas go head-to-head with the US since their 3-1 defeat at the opening group stage match of the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup and their first game since their 1-0 defeat to Japan in the quarterfinals.

Matildas' head coach Alen Stajcic said the matches would hone his players' skills and they couldn't have asked for better preparation ahead of the 2016 Rio Olympics.

"Our goal is to keep improving on our consistency, on our maturity on the ball; there are still a lot of areas we need to improve on," he said.

A handful of Matildas is currently playing in the USA's National Women's Soccer League and Stajcic says he can already see their improvement.

"They're showing it wasn't a fluke that we performed well on the world stage and I know that they're going to bring this experience back into the national team," he said.

"The more players we have playing overseas the more experience they're getting and the better it is for our national team."

Indigenous player Kayah Simon is one of the Australian women playing in the US.

She and Indigenous goalkeeper Lydia Williams were part of the Matildas team that performed so well in the FIFA Women's World Cup.

The US matches will take place on September 17 and 20 in Detroit and Birmingham respectively. - With AAP

Healthy message for NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout fans

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carnival and rugby league really brings our people together so this is the perfect opportunity to get the health message out there.

"It's also a good chance to celebrate our culture. Some people think culture is stuff that happened hundreds or thousands of years ago, but we have our modern culture and football, and the role models and health

benefits that come from it, plays a big part in that."

WACHS chief executive Darren Ah-See said: "With so many people attending, we can get important education, knowledge and strategies that can assist them lead a more positive life.

"WACHS have been supported by the Commonwealth Department of Health in sponsoring this year's event, and it is vital

that such partnerships are formed to challenge the normal statistics relating to the health outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"Being a smoke-free event really drives the message home about the impact that smoking has on chronic disease within our community, as this is a major contributor towards illnesses and deaths within our communities."

This year's Knockout will be held at Caltex Park, Dubbo, from Friday to Monday, October 2-5.

A feature will be a gala dinner on Wednesday, September 30, at the Dubbo RSL Club. The draw for the Knockout will be made at the dinner.

Nomination forms and more information about the Knockout are available at walgettaboriginalconnection.com.au



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Healthy message for NSW rugby league Knockout



WHEN an estimated 15,000 people flock to Dubbo for the annual NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout in October, they will not only be treated to some top football.

Organisers will be providing health assessments for fans and players as they endeavour to promote healthy lifestyle choices among our country's Aboriginal population.

Members of the Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service (WACHS) got together with Geoff Simpson from Knockout

organisers the Walgett Aboriginal Connection (WAC) at Caltex Park, Dubbo, on Monday, July 20, to launch the initiative, which will again be promoted as an alcohol and smoke-free event.

"Life expectancy among our people is significantly less than it is among the rest of the population so we wanted to use the Knockout as a way to get people thinking and more importantly taking responsibility for their health," Simpson said.

"This year's Knockout will be the 45th
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Walgett Aboriginal Connection representative Geoff Simpson, second from right, with Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service representatives, from left, Jaye Forrester, Samantha Ahsee, Darren Ahsee, Mick Dunn and Chris Ahsee at Caltex Park, Dubbo, last week.

Late inclusion

Brendan Smith joins Jonte Pattison in cricket tour of England



BRENDAN Smith has joined another Indigenous player – Jonte Pattison – in the Australian under 19 cricket squad for the tour of England.

Smith is the NSW under 17 captain and was recently part of the National Indigenous Squad (NIS) that was based at the National Cricket Centre in Brisbane.

During the Brisbane camp, the NIS played one game against the Australian Southern Stars women's team and three games against Cricket Australia's National Performance Squad (NPS).

The NPS was short of a player for their first game against the NIS, so the NIS 'loaned' Smith to the NPS.

That was a mistake – the youngster scored 34 not out off 44 deliveries to help the NPS to a comfortable victory.

In the next game, Smith returned to the NIS side and scored 39 in a losing team.

The last-minute replacement flew fly out on Saturday with the Australian squad.

Smith, a young Dunghutti warrior, is a specialist left-hand batsman and occasional right-arm medium-pace bowler.

He plays club cricket with Bankstown, in Sydney.

Pattison was named in the original Australian under 19 team to tour England.

He is a leg-spinner and like Smith, is a member of the National Indigenous Squad and, like Smith, was a member of the NSW Imparja Cup team at this year's carnival in Alice Springs.

Last season Pattison played for Australia A in a couple of Test lead-up games against India.

The squad will return to Australia on August 24.

It is being coached by the Cricket Australia high-performance coach and former England batsman Graeme Hick and former Queensland fast bowler and Indian bowling coach Joe Dawes, who is also assisting the Southern Stars on their Ashes tour.

The Australian under 19 squad was selected with an eye to next year's ICC Under 19 Cricket World Cup in Bangladesh and includes several graduates from last year's Australian under 16 side and under 17 championship selection.



Brendan Smith sweeping in a game against Victoria at this year's Imparja Cup carnival in Alice Springs. Picture: Getty

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