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It's staggering



THAT's how Victoria's Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People, Andrew Jackomos, has described the findings of his new report into the state's child protection system.

Mr Jackomos tabled the Taskforce 1000 report – 'Always was, always will be Koori children: a systemic inquiry into services provided in out-of home-care in Victoria' – last week in Parliament.

He found many Victorian children taken from their home under child protection

orders suffered further physical, mental and cultural trauma as a result of separation from their families.

And, disturbingly, he found the primary cause of children being removed is family violence.

"Nine out of 10 children we investigated

had experienced family violence. Parental drug and alcohol abuse was another major factor in kids going into care," he said.

The commissioner also found only 9% of children being removed were placed in care of their kin.

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Our fashion front and centre



MODELS Maminydjama (Magnolia) Maymuru and Declan Findlow share a laugh with fashion designer Hannah Trindorfer during an on-country shoot at the annual Yapa Styles Fashion Festival, held in Alice Springs. The week-long Aboriginal fashion spectacular featured a range of outfits from Indigenous designers modelled at a variety of venues, and concluded with a well-attended runway show. See our coverage on pages 30-31. Picture: Jillian Mundy



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My FAMILY

Leanne Brown – Port Augusta, SA



THIS is me (right) with my brother Lionel, my sister-in-law Nathana and their son Tallen. Lionel and I also have another brother and sister and two step sisters.

We spend a lot of time together and do lots of different things. I think it's important as a family to always stick with each other.

Nathana and I are part of the Dusty Feet Mob dance group. It's something really good to do together.

Lionel always comes and supports us when we dance, which is great.

We travel a lot together, and

we've got a few performances coming up we have to travel for.

Nathana and I have only been part of Dusty Feet Mob for about four months but already they are like family, too.

Soon Tallen will be able to dance with us as well. He's only one, but already he gets up and dances along when we do.

This picture was taken in Adelaide for Nunkuwarrin Yunti's 45th anniversary where we performed.

We all enjoyed the day and were proud of how we performed.

Even Tallen got up to have a dance with us!

Share your family with our readers

If you would like to see your family featured in the 'My Family' section of the *Koori Mail*, email a high-resolution digital photo to myfamily@koorimail.com along with a full caption (always reading from left to right) and between 350 and 400 words about your family. Tell us who is in your family, what you like to do as a family, your traditions and achievements, and what is important to you.

OUR CHILDREN



MARCUS Wesley, from Bulla Camp in the Top End, is ready to score runs in the Dingo Cup cricket competition held at Timber Creek, in the Victoria Daly Region of the Northern Territory. See our report on page 57.

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200,000 reasons for fundraiser



Boomerang Festival is having an exhibition of photos at Photo Fox Den in Lismore, northern NSW, from last year's event, including this image of dancers by Ben Knight.



WHILE last year's Boomerang Festival of First Nations music and culture was considered a rousing success by everyone who attended, organisers need to raise a minimum of \$200,000 to stage it next year as part of Bluesfest at Tyagarah, northern NSW, over Easter.

So festival director Rhoda Roberts has launched a series of fundraising events on Bundjalung country, including an exhibition of images at Fox Photo Den in Lismore opening next Wednesday, November 9.

Hosted and curated by Ben Knight and Jo-Anne Driessens, some top photographers have united to present a display of the best shots captured during Boomerang at Bluesfest in April 2016.

The photographers who have donated their works are Natalie Grono, Tao Jones, Kirra Pendergast, Orlando Sydney and Joseph Mayers.

In addition, Mr Knight and Ms Driessens have shot portraits of some prominent Bundjalung people, which will be on display at the event.

There will be a silent auction on the launch night, with all proceeds going to Boomerang Festival.

The launch event will also feature live music by Triple J unearthed artist Pat Tierney, who is currently on a national tour, plus guests can enjoy complimentary canapes, and drinks supplied by Yogi Beer, Byron Bay Wild Cider and Stone & Wood Brewery.

The exhibition will run until 20 November 20. Entry is \$5.

For more information and tickets, visit www.boomerangfestival.com.au

Jail inquiry views differ



THE Federal Government's announcement last week of a new inquiry into the high rates of incarceration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people has received a mixed reaction.

The idea has been slammed by both the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples and the chair of the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council, Warren Mundine, but met with cautious optimism from some Indigenous legal groups.

Congress co-chair Rod Little said it would be more helpful to examine what each state and territory had done in response to the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody (RCIADC) 25 years ago.

Mr Mundine said another inquiry would be a waste of taxpayers' money.

"I don't know who the dickhead is who actually thought up this incredible, brilliant idea," he told Sky News. "I just find this a joke, and I'm getting sick and tired of the crap that is coming out of this Government in regard to Indigenous affairs."

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Service (NATSILS) co-chair Wayne Muir said it was essential that the

terms of reference for the Australian Law Reform Commission inquiry must be decided in partnership with Indigenous people and representative bodies.

"There is, and has been for many years, a national crisis occurring for our people and the ever quickening rate at which they are imprisoned," he said.

"The Government could take immediate steps such as committing to federal justice targets, the development of an intergovernmental agreement and re-committing to the recommendations of RCIADC."

Funding cut

Congress co-chair Jacki Huggins said the Federal Government had cut funding to preventative programs at a "rate never seen before".

"Since the RCIADC we have had punitive measures imposed on our people and our communities at the fault of both federal and state governments," she said.

"Whether it be bail laws, Alcohol Management Plans that aren't regulated or the forced closure of communities combined with the Intervention and the lack of targeted funds through the Indigenous Advancement Strategy, our

people seem to be going backwards."

Labor will support the inquiry even though it's not needed because the problems are already "well identified", federal Opposition Leader Bill Shorten said. WA Labor senator Pat Dodson, who was an RCIADC commissioner, said both Labor and the Coalition had failed Indigenous people in the justice arena.

Greens spokesperson on Indigenous Affairs Rachel Siewert said she was "astonished" by the announcement of a new inquiry.

"We have known what we need to do for over 25 years now. The RCIADC made 339 recommendations, a large number of which have not been implemented," she said.

"It really is quite astounding that successive Governments have basically sat and watched Aboriginal deaths in custody and incarceration grow for 25 years. "There are numerous reports on this issue, it is time for action by Governments."

Attorney-General George Brandis said the terms of reference would be decided after consultation with Indigenous groups and the wider community.

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Concern as weed invades Kakadu



NT

A GRASSY weed is affecting birdlife and wetland habitats at Kakadu National Park, according to a Charles Darwin University PhD graduate. James Boyden said his research suggested more than 30% of the park's 255 sq km Magela Creek floodplain was at high risk of a para grass invasion. Dr Boyden said the spread of para grass into wetland areas would likely affect magpie goose habitat by replacing wild rice, water chestnuts and other native foods with the less nutritious grass.

"Para grass chokes out native vegetation and creates a blanket of monoculture," he said. "It can also impact on traditional fishing and bushfood collection by physically blocking access to certain wetland areas and limiting native food sources."

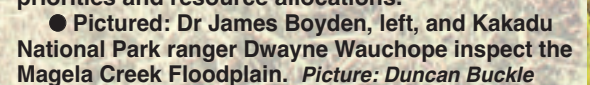
Dr Boyden, who has been assisted by Kakadu National Park rangers, said the weed was a slow invader, but had rapidly increased in some park areas since it was introduced more than 70 years ago.

He said remote sensing satellite technology could assist in weed management by identifying potential hotspots for invasion before the weed became established in an area.

"Positively, para grass is a slow invader. What is particularly concerning is its continued invasion into wetland areas in a localised way," he said.

Dr Boyden said park rangers were managing the weed in many critical areas of the park, and remote sensing could help to set management priorities and resource allocations.

● Pictured: Dr James Boyden, left, and Kakadu National Park ranger Dwayne Wauchope inspect the Magela Creek Floodplain. *Picture: Duncan Buckle*



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It's no wonder our Jessica's smiling



POPSTAR and actor Jessica Mauboy is sitting pretty at the height of her powers. She's the star of the TV series *The Secret Daughter*, her new album – the soundtrack of the show – debuted last week at number one, she's been nominated for another ARIA award, was on the cover of *WHO* magazine as one of 'Australia's

sexiest people' and has just released dates for a new tour.

The All The Hits Live Tour will feature Mauboy, who has Kuku Yalanji heritage, performing hit songs spanning her 10-year career.

And she's thinking about working with other Australian musicians.

"I would love to link up with Illy ... our connection with music would definitely happen," she said.

"Hilltop Hoods are big friends of mine and I'd love to do something with them. I think they're top.

"There are so many names that are kind of just flowing out there and I definitely want to be a part of that."

All The Hits Live will feature tracks from her new album, which includes original tunes and covers of classics like Cold Chisel's *Flame Trees* and Crowded House's *Better Be Home Soon*, plus songs from the movie *The Sapphires* as well as all of her greatest hits from the past 10 years.



'Staggering' findings in state child report

By KEIRA JENKINS



VICTORIAN Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People

Andrew Jackomos has described the findings of his report into the state's child protection system "staggering".

Mr Jackomos tabled the Taskforce 1000 report – 'Always was, always will be Koori children: a systemic inquiry into services provided in out-of-home-care in Victoria' – last week in Parliament.

He said many children taken from their home under child protection orders suffered further physical, mental and cultural trauma as a result of separation from their families.

"The primary cause of children being removed is family violence," Mr Jackomos told the *Koori Mail*. "Nine out of 10 children we investigated had experienced family violence. Parental drug and alcohol abuse was another major factor in kids going into care.

"These kids already have some degree of trauma as a result of their experience of removal and their experiences before being in out-of-home care.

"To get the best outcomes for kids and to protect them, we need to keep them in an environment that is safe but also discourages further trauma."

The investigation found that of the 980 Aboriginal children and young people in out-of-home care



"The major thing I see needing to improve is educational outcomes for our kids. We need to ensure our kids are safe and ensure the services are culturally friendly."

– Victorian Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People Andrew Jackomos

in Victoria, 60% were placed with a non-Aboriginal carer.

It also found more than 40% were separated from siblings and 42% were placed away from their extended family.

Mr Jackomos said that, throughout the inquiry, he was confronted by horrific stories but was also heartened by meetings with people who were committed to getting the best outcomes for Aboriginal children.

He said only 9% of children were being placed in care of their kin.

"I know there's some family members – Koori or not – that you wouldn't place a child with, but we aren't all bad," he said.

"To me that small a number being placed with their kin smells of racial bias, institutionalised racism and just downright racism.

"There are so many good, strong community members who

make excellent grandparents and parents. It's obvious to me that that's where kids should be placed, so they're not excluded from their culture."

Mr Jackomos said in some cases the children were not even aware of their Aboriginal heritage, causing a loss of identity and sense of belonging.

Breakdown

He said it is not the policies that are the problem in the child protection system but the breakdown of those policies when they are put into practice.

"Kids who are placed within Aboriginal care know who their mob is, they know where their country is, they have stronger identities and they know who they are," Mr Jackomos said.

"That's so important because these kids know where to go to feel safe and they know who

to go to when they leave care.

"When kids turn 18 the system turns them out on the streets. Lots of them end up struggling with homelessness or drug and alcohol addiction unless they know where to go."

The report details 77 recommendations including calls for children to be placed with Aboriginal community-scontrolled organisations, more Aboriginal people working in child protection, expansion and better resourcing of kinship care, and early intervention programs to tackle family violence.

The Victorian Government has pledged more support for Aboriginal families, including \$5.3 million over two years to support cultural planning for all Aboriginal children in out of home care.

Mr Jackomos said he is hopeful that the Government is

taking these recommendations seriously.

"I'm positive but realistic about it," he said. "The Government says it has accepted all the recommendations. It's good that they didn't reject any but we still have a lot of work to do.

"I'm optimistic but I'll be more excited when the rubber hits the tarmac."

The inquiry was launched in 2014 by the commission and the Department of Health and Human Services to investigate the rapidly increasing numbers of Aboriginal children in out-of-home care.

Mr Jackomos said during the two-year investigation the numbers rose from 980 to almost 1800.

Aboriginal children in Victoria are nearly 12 times more likely than non-Indigenous children to be put in out-of-home care.

Mr Jackomos said that if things don't start to change soon, these statistics will only worsen.

"It starts before removal," he said.

"We need to be working with kids now and teach them what is a strong and healthy family.

"Those children who have experienced family violence are likely to be perpetrators in the future if we don't talk to them about strong and healthy relationships.

"The major thing I see needing to improve is educational outcomes for our kids. We need to ensure our kids are safe and ensure the services are culturally friendly."

NT jail report urges overhaul



A SCATHING report on the Northern Territory's correctional system calls for a complete overhaul to address a "devastating" crisis unfolding for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

NT Attorney-General Natasha Fyles released the summary from the review into adult prisons and youth justice last week.

A 'Safer Northern Territory Through Correctional Interventions', also known as the 'Hamburger report', said the NT's imprisonment rate ranks among the worst in the world, with the Territory's population

making up just 1% of Australia but accounting for 5% of prisoners.

It also found 85% of the NT's adult prisoners and 95% of youth detainees are Indigenous, with both groups highly likely to be repeat offenders.

"These tragic outcomes are largely driven by extreme social dysfunction and economic disadvantage in the Territory's Indigenous communities," the report said.

It found the NT Department of Correctional Services needed a "paradigm shift" to empower Indigenous people to be part of the solution to their "gross overrepresentation".

The report makes 172 recommendations including the need to create a culturally informed justice system with rehabilitative work camps, engagement with Elders and improved training.

It was commissioned by the former Country Liberal Government after boys were tear-gassed, hooded and shackled at the Don Dale Youth Detention Centre.

It was also ordered following public controversy about the security ratings of adult prisoners on work camps after a convicted rapist and murderer escaped.

Former chief minister Adam Giles refused to release the report in the lead up

to the August election that crushed the CLP.

The new Labor Government has accepted its findings but hasn't released it in full either over "privacy issues".

The full report will be tabled in the royal commission into juvenile justice in the NT.

The NT Government last week introduced legislation to ban the use of restraint chairs on youths and had already moved youth justice out of the corrections and into the families department.

Ms Fyles said staff development has begun and the Government will work to support collaborative Indigenous policy reforms over the next 12 months. — AAP

'We'll close Uluru'



AN Aboriginal community at Uluru has threatened to "close the rock" if their voices aren't heard and their people continue to live in poverty. The Northern Territory royal commission into juvenile justice visited Mutitjulu, a small community targeted by — and still reeling from — the Intervention.

The Anangu people who live in Mutitjulu told the inquiry that successive NT and federal governments have neglected their community and children are denied basic housing, plumbing, food and healthcare.

"The oldest living culture in the world has been kicked to the curb by government," Ngaanyatjarra Aboriginal Corporation chairman Rameth Thomas said.

"It's disgusting how the Government has treated our children. They should be ashamed.

"If they don't start listening to us we will close the rock."

Uluru's land title was handed back to traditional owners 30 years ago but was immediately leased to the Federal Government to be jointly managed as a national park for 99 years.

"There is a company making money off a UNESCO-listed natural living landscape and 26km away there is a living culture that's dying," Mr Thomas said.

"On one side of the rock we are in poverty and the other side is some sort of dream world. They are exploiting our culture here and making millions."

Hearings to resume

Royal commissioners Margaret White and Mick Gooda are touring Aboriginal centres across the Territory before the inquiry resumes formal hearings this month, and Mr Gooda described Mutitjulu's as the "most energetic".

Women were crying, men were yelling, and government service providers were kicked out of the meeting in the first five minutes.

Residents filled a whiteboard with ideas to help the community, and the first suggestion written was "decisions to be made by the people".

"Government has come here time and time again since I was child. I'm 40 years old and nothing has changed," Mr Thomas said. "(Service providers) are running amok here and kicking us in the guts."

Mr Thomas said the same issues were raised in the 1991 Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody report — yet things are now worse for his people.

Mr Gooda said many Aboriginal people in the NT feel powerless almost a decade after the Intervention and the inquiry is likely to recommend returning agency to communities.

But he's worried the NT Government won't be held accountable to implement the commission's recommendations. "We have got to put pressure on the Government," Mr Gooda said. — AAP



Anindilyakwa Land Council chairman Tony Wurramarrba on Groote Eylandt. AAP Image

Intervention 'has made it worse'

ANINDILYAKWA Land Council chairman Tony Wurramarrba has told the royal commission into youth detention that the Intervention has made the problems facing Aboriginal people in the Northern Territory much worse.

Speaking at a forum on Groote Eylandt in the Gulf of Carpentaria, Mr Wurramarrba said Aboriginal people were vastly overrepresented in the child protection and justice systems, yet their voices weren't heard, he said. "The underlying issue is the Intervention — our self-determination was taken away from us," he said.

"People down in Canberra are making all the decisions but they don't live here. I do, my people do.

"If you want us to be accountable for our children, give us our rights back."

Commissioners Margaret White

and Mick Gooda have been visiting Aboriginal communities before the inquiry resumes formal hearings this month.

The commission was told that many Aboriginal boys living in remote communities consider going to jail a rite of passage where they can pump iron and "be like their uncles".

Groote Eylandt residents told the inquiry that boys as young as 10 aspire to go to Don Dale Youth Detention Centre.

"Rite of passage"

Angurugu school principal Stephanie Blitner says being locked up has become a "rite of passage".

"Their uncles went to jail, so that's how they become a man," she said.

"They just think they're going to be able to pump iron and come back with muscles."

Ms Blitner, who has been teaching at the school since the late 1980s, says attendance rates now stand at about 40%.

Aboriginal kids living on the mineral-rich island face a lack of adequate housing, food and education despite communities receiving millions in royalties from South32's GEMCO manganese mine.

One woman, who did not want to be identified, says the community won't be able to break down the prestige of going to jail if children are living in poverty.

"That mine has been there for 50 years. It's so profitable. Why are we having kids that are hungry? Why are five kids sharing a mattress that's dirty?" she said.

"There is no accountability for the funds being spent here and it's not reaching the kids." — AAP

Indigenous content for Sydney fest

By RUDI MAXWELL



SYDNEY Festival director Wesley Enoch, a Noonuccal Nuugi man from Stradbroke Island, has announced a huge program for next January's festival with significant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander content.

"Next year is the 50th anniversary of the '67 referendum (to count Indigenous people in the Census) so to celebrate what that meant for all of us we're having a huge concert of gratitude with Dan Sultan, Radical Son, Thelma Plum," he said.

"Some of our younger artists said to me that looking back, what a different world it was and how we should be thankful, and celebrate who we were then.

"That referendum passed with 90.77% voting for it. I don't know that you'd get that sort of result now, but it made a difference to our lives.

"I'm 47, so I wasn't around at the time, but I've reaped all the benefits. I think about my grandparents, and parents who lived under different programs of oppression, things that restricted their freedom. From the '67 referendum on, a whole range programs began to change and I look at my family now and we're great beneficiaries of the legacy of that referendum."

Mr Enoch said the Sydney Festival would have workshops and events celebrating the Gadigal language of Sydney, with Bayala language classes in both Parramatta and the city centre.

"Bayala means to speak, to come from the tongue," he said.

"Because I'm a visitor in Sydney, I really believe language is a great way of understanding and connecting.

"Language is based on the world around us, so we're inviting festival-goers

For the Sydney Festival, Trevor Jamieson will star in *The Season*, a play about Tasmanian Aboriginal mutton-birding written by Nathan Maynard. *Picture: Simon Pynt*



to understand a small part of Gadigal, to build empathy."

The Sydney Festival runs from January 7-29.

"So that means it includes January 26, which is a very contentious date, no getting around it," Mr Enoch said.

"My big thing around January 26 is that because the word 'celebrate' is used it creates hurt. If we change the language to be similar to the language used around Anzac Day, about commemoration, it would be better.

"We've commissioned a local Elder to

work with Nardi Simpson from the Stiff Gins to write a song in local language.

"It's not a national anthem. It's a song about spiritual connection and history, an invitation to start that day remembering that to look at what that day means."

Mr Enoch has commissioned many Indigenous artists to create works for the festival, including palawa man Nathan Maynard, who has written *The Season*, a play about the Tasmanian Aboriginal practice of mutton-birding.

"There's this whole narrative around

Truganini and that Tasmanian Aboriginal people died out, which is a complete myth," Mr Enoch said.

"So this play looks at mutton-birding on islands in the Bass Strait, cultural continuity where Tasmanian Aboriginal people practice mutton-birding. It's also an incredible funny play – everyone's knocking each other in a loving way, slipping off to have a little durry on the side. It's naughty."

This year's festival will have a big focus on Parramatta as well as central Sydney and many other venues across the city.

Call for action as Govt details violence plan

By RUDI MAXWELL



LAST week, the Coalition Government announced a \$25 million plan to reduce

the violence experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children – but Indigenous advocates say action is needed now.

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said the measures in the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-22 would assist in early intervention and also help to address the drivers of violence in Indigenous communities.

"Indigenous women are 34 times more likely to be hospitalised because of family violence than non-Indigenous women," he said.

"Indigenous children are more than five times more likely than non-Indigenous children to be hospitalised

for assault, and eight times more likely to experience child abuse or neglect.

"The Government has actively sought the views of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people on how best to address family violence to inform the development of the Third Action Plan.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and communities will be engaged on these new initiatives. We will also be encouraging Indigenous community organisations to deliver services under the Third Action Plan as they are best placed to help those in need."

Speaking at the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) National Summit to Reduce Violence Against Women and their Children in Brisbane last week, Senator Scullion also announced an extra \$9 million for the Family Violence Prevention Legal Service (FVPLS), organisations that help Indigenous people.

National FVPLS convenor

The package to reduce violence includes:

- trauma-informed therapeutic services for Indigenous children affected by family violence to break the cycle of intergenerational violence;
- services for perpetrators to encourage behaviour change and prevent future offending;
- intensive family-focused case management to address behaviours that lead to family violence; and
- increasing the capacity of family violence prevention legal services to deliver holistic, case-managed crisis support to Indigenous women and children experiencing family violence.

Antoinette Braybrook welcomed both funding announcements and said the national plan recognised the disproportionate experiences of family violence by Indigenous women and their children.

"Importantly, the Third Action Plan recognises the need to develop culturally appropriate policies, programs and primary

prevention activities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children," she said.

"It is now time for the Turnbull Government to match this recognition with tangible action that will make a difference in the lives of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and children.

"Access to services and

supports is literally a life-or-death matter for women and children in our community."

But Ms Braybrook was disappointed that a funding package for legal assistance services for family violence did not involve any funding for FVPLS or Indigenous legal services.

"Our Family Violence Prevention Legal Services are frontline services that provide quality, culturally safe and holistic supports for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander survivors of family violence," she said.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are the most legally disadvantaged group in Australia. The Attorney-General has missed an opportunity to provide our country's most vulnerable group with increased access to quality, culturally appropriate, holistic legal services and supports."

Ms Braybrook said the \$9 million for FVPLS would provide certainty until June 2018, but the services

remained "chronically underfunded".

She said the continual lobbying for funds and large amount of time spent on funding applications was taking away from important work to prevent violence in Indigenous communities.

"We also know that in order for violence against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women to be addressed we need an appropriate holistic response, so our organisations put a lot of energy into early intervention, building women's resistance to vulnerability. But we need greater awareness around these issues," she said.

"Our organisations are constantly working at capacity. Some of the services are reporting a 30-40% turnaway rate, which is telling in itself.

"I know in Victoria, for example, in one area where we deliver our services reports to police have increased by 360%."



Truwana rangers Fiona Maher, Colin Hughes, Bourbon Hodges, Bill Maher and Terry Maynard.

Rangers fired up

By JILLIAN MUNDY



KNOWLEDGE and skills shared between Aboriginal land managers from across Australia

at the eighth National Indigenous Fire Workshop in Cape York has ignited more than flames.

The Truwana Rangers of Cape Barren Island, off the north-east coast of Tasmania, have returned home to resume traditional burning practices and share knowledge across their community.

They are also working towards hosting the annual workshop down the track.

For the past century there has been very little traditional burning on truwana (Cape Barren Island).

Truwana rangers co-ordinator Fiona Maher, who travelled about 3000km each way with her colleagues for the workshop, is inspired.

She recalls old fellas burning off the mutton bird islands and their snaring patches for wallabies, but these practices stopped for all kinds of reasons, including restrictions by the then Tasmanian Fauna Board.

What is prominent in her memory is the threat of wild fires.

"We'd always reacted to fire," Ms Maher said.



Truwana ranger Fiona Maher: "It's about bringing our bush back to a healthy state." This fire is burning dead vegetation leaving the fresh green shoots to keep growing.

"We'd see smoke and call the firies, and if it was going to turn into a wild fire, they'd fight it."

In the past couple of months the Truwana rangers have ignited so-called 'cool', slow-burning fires to manage vegetation, fight weeds and reduce the threat of wild fires. They are monitoring their progress and results.

"We came back confident; it completely changed our way about thinking about fire," Ms Maher said.

"We overcame our fear of fire. We're the opposite now. We go out and use fire as a good tool to manage vegetation, burning at the right time of year, with the right conditions.

"It's about reading the bush

for the right times to burn.

"It's about bringing those old ways back again as well, and to create shade on the ground for animals. To look after our resources that we use from the bush – wallabies, grasses for weaving, bush foods, making spits for mutton birding.

"Before, they'd burn off bird islands and burn off all year,

but those burns were more for fire breaks."

With the island's dozen or so volunteer firefighters coming on board, Ms Maher is seeing her people embrace fires as a good thing rather than something to worry about.

The Truwana rangers were among 130 mainly Aboriginal traditional owners and land managers who were in Wujal Wujal, Cape York, this August to work with fire, learn to read country, animals, trees, seasons, discuss inherited cultural responsibility, hear about research, monitoring techniques and land-management solutions.

The main man behind the workshops, Indigenous fire practitioner Victor Steffensen, has visited truwana since.

He said there was a lot of work to do in reversing the damage caused by colonialism and wild fires, which is possible as most of the island has been returned to the Aboriginal community.

With the right support, he hopes the National Indigenous Fire Workshop can be hosted by truwana within the next few years.

"They have the opportunity to show Tasmania how to get landscape healthy again," Mr Steffensen said.

"It's healing for the landscape and the community."

"They have the opportunity to show Tasmania how to get landscape healthy again. It's healing for the landscape and the community." – Indigenous fire practitioner Victor Steffensen

Queries over PM's IAC

By RUDI MAXWELL



CRACKS appear to be forming in the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council (IAC), with chair Warren

Mundine having a public swipe at the Turnbull Government for not bothering to speak with its own advisors before making an announcement about an inquiry into Indigenous incarceration.

"I don't know who the dickhead is who actually thought up this incredibly brilliant idea. It's just a total waste of taxation money," he told Sky News.

"I just find this a joke, and I'm getting sick and tired of the crap that is coming out of this Government in regard to Indigenous Affairs."

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull said Mr Mundine was

wrong in his assessment and Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion told ABC Alice Springs that the Government's hand-picked top Indigenous advisor was "having a bad hair day".

"What he said is complete and utter garbage," Senator Scullion said. "Now, Warren and me are good mates and we like having robust conversations, and I can see we're going to have one."

The *Koori Mail* also understands that the most recent scheduled meeting of the IAC was cancelled.

From the outset the IAC, which originally had 12 members but has been reduced by two due to resignations, has been plagued with criticism, with many Indigenous leaders saying it was problematic to hand-pick advisors

and that the criteria for selection was unknown.

While the original appointments, made in November 2013, were for three-year terms, there has been no official announcement about what happens next from the Department of Prime Minister and

was making inroads.

"It's been almost like a marriage, and love-hate relationships can be frustrating," he said. "At the same time it's about getting things to work, making a big difference."

"One of the things I'm happy with is the Indigenous Procurement Policy (where at least 3% of government contracts are aimed at Indigenous businesses), which has improved Indigenous businesses from \$6 million to \$220 million, so that's massive."

"I've had conversations with government about dealing with northern Australia development, making sure there's a positive outcome and making sure Indigenous people are at table, which they weren't at first in the White Paper process, which was

bizarre, when you think 80% of the land is owned by Aboriginal people.

"At the moment, we're focusing on economic issues, so looking at this conversation around work for the future."

"We've been looking at the mining industry in particular, which is becoming more automatic and robotic, so what does this mean, what are the jobs of the future and how does that affect education."

"We've been dealing with issues around community violence. Is just locking people up the answer, is it about community leadership, going through those types of debates and arguments."

Mr Mundine said the IAC had also been discussing approaches around child abuse, education, particularly for early childhood, governance and climate change for Indigenous communities.

"... I'm getting sick and tired of the crap that is coming out of this Government in regard to Indigenous Affairs."

Cabinet (PM&C, which administers the IAC) website, with the last communique dated February this year.

Earlier in the week, before his spray on Sky, Mr Mundine told the *Koori Mail* there had been ups and downs, but he felt the IAC

Traditional owners get Cape York land



THOUSANDS of hectares of land have been returned to Cape York traditional owners under

a deal with the Queensland Government.

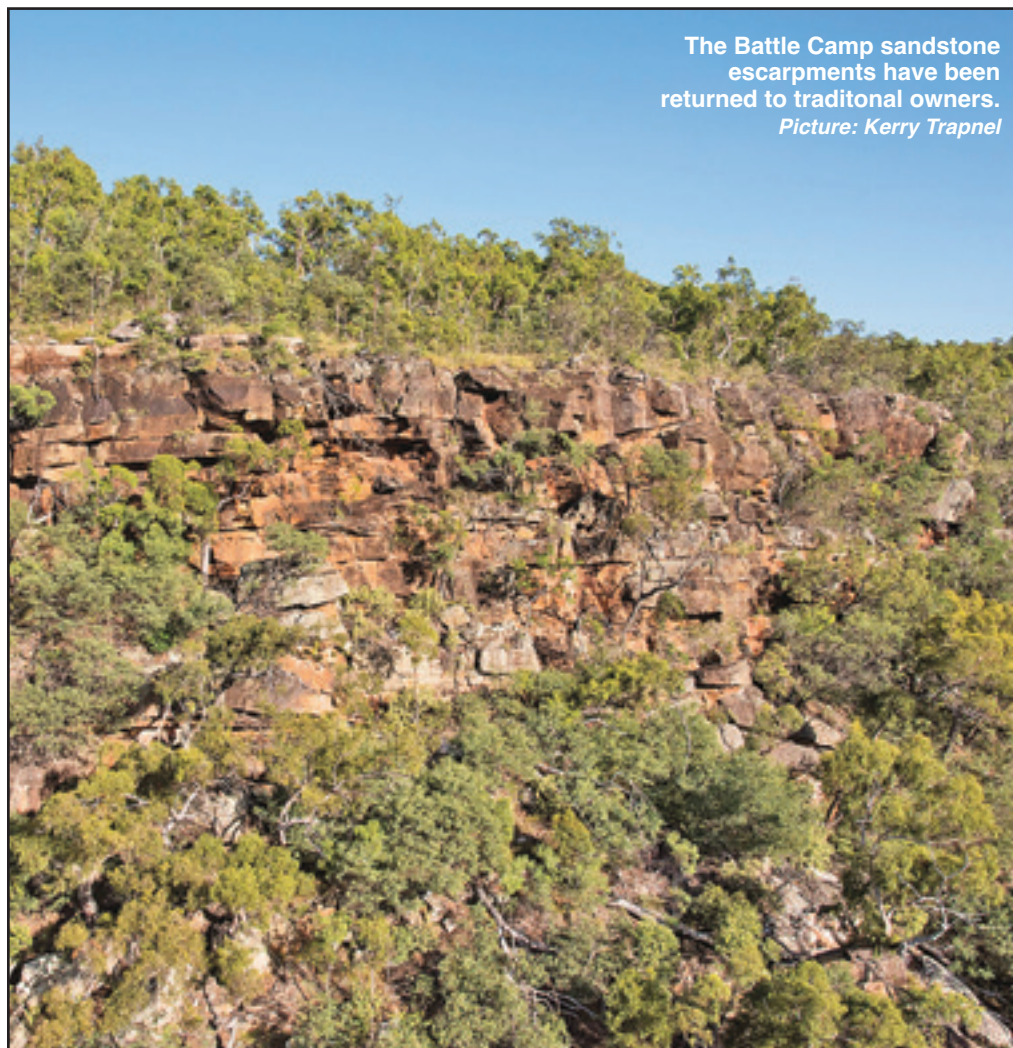
The Balnggarr, Muundhi and Magarmagar peoples, represented by the Balnggarrawarra Aboriginal Corporation, received the land north-west of Cooktown in a ceremony on country attended by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Curtis Pitt.

About half the land will form the new Ngaynggarr National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land). It is named for the orange bloom of the scarlet gumtrees which abound in the area.

"The return of Aboriginal freehold land and the creation of a new national park mean traditional owner groups now have new avenues to pursue economic, social and cultural development on their homelands, which, in turn, creates the potential for more jobs and more opportunities," Mr Pitt said.

"These could include tourism, cultural, agricultural and educational prospects ranging from raising cattle for the domestic market, and visiting and living on country, to enterprises involving teaching traditional skills."

"The Sandstone West and recent Sandstone East (part of the handback) land dealings demonstrate our commitment to returning homelands, conserving natural and cultural values, creating opportunities and enhancing employment prospects for Indigenous



The Battle Camp sandstone escarpments have been returned to traditional owners.
Picture: Kerry Trapnel

Queenslanders in remote Cape York areas."

The handback takes to more than 3.4 million hectares the area of land returned to traditional owners under the Government's Cape York Peninsula Tenure Resolution Program.

Significance

The Sandstone West area, which is part of the latest handback, has strong historical and cultural significance for local people.

The area encompasses a

rich cultural landscape including significant rock art and other archaeological sites, as well as important story places and heritage values.

Under the terms of the land transfer, traditional owners will have greater involvement in its care and conservation.

"The Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service and Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships will work with the Balnggarrawarra

Aboriginal Corporation to protect the area's natural and cultural values," Mr Pitt said.

"Sustainable land management through continued traditional land management practices including fire, pest and plant control will also help preserve the land for future generations."

There are now 23 Aboriginal-owned and jointly managed national parks on the Cape York Peninsula covering almost two million hectares.

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South Australia's nuclear fuel gambit

Dump the dump!



Pitjantjatjara woman Mima Smart, right, sings with the choir at a recent anti-nuclear protest in Adelaide.

Pictures: Kathy Whitta, Conservation SA



Adnyamathanha woman Regina McKenzie speaks at the rally.

By ROSEMARY LESTER*



THIS is not a political issue. This is life or death.

On the October 15, 2016, the 63rd anniversary of the first nuclear bomb blast on mainland Australia at a place called Emu Junction, more than 3000 people gathered on the South Australian Parliament steps in Adelaide on Kurna Land to send a strong message to Premier Jay Weatherill and his government and to Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and the Federal Government.

We don't want a nuclear waste dump on Aboriginal land.

A lot of Australians do not like to get involved in what they view as a 'political issue', but this proposal for a radioactive waste dump for the world's high-level nuclear waste is a most dangerous and irreversible proposition.

Even the findings of the recent Nuclear Royal Commission acknowledged that "the high-level waste will need to be isolated for 300,000 years". As any reasonable thinking person will be able to work out, this scheme of the nuclear industry in partnership with the SA Government-sponsored nuclear royal commission is jeopardising all living creatures.

As Adnyamathanha traditional owner Vivianne McKenzie said, "We've got to look after it – this is God's creation."

"We've got to look after the land, the waters, the



A crowd protests against proposed nuclear waste dumps in South Australia.

peoples in it, animals, everything."

SA's sorry nuclear history began with the British nuclear bomb testing in the 1950s and 1960s. These bombs and the so-called 'minor' trials, which contained plutonium, caused widespread sickness and deaths and devastation to the country; a devastation that will be with us forever.

At the rally, black and white people stood in solidarity against two waste dump proposals. The Commonwealth proposal's site is in the Flinders Ranges on Adnyamathanha traditional lands. Adnyamathanha women Regina and Vivianne McKenzie spoke at the rally along with senior Elder Heather McKenzie.

Adnyamathanha Traditional Land Association chief executive Vince

Coulthard sent a message reiterating that members were totally opposed to a nuclear waste dump at Wallaberdina in the Flinders Ranges in their yarta (country).

"This issue is bigger than the Adnyamathanha people; this will affect us all," he said.

"No-one has the right to leave poisoned land for our future generations."

Many other traditional owners travelled long distances to attend the rally, including Pitjantjatjara representatives Keith Peters and Mima Smart from the Maralinga Tjarutja Lands.

Yankunytjatjara Native Title Aboriginal Corporation was represented by chairperson Karina Lester, who played a dual role as MC, sharing the stage with Conservation Council of SA chief

executive Craig Wilkins.

Elders were present from Kokatha and Arabunna, Kurna as well as Narungga and included Kurna/Narungga Elder Tauto Sansbury, who also chairs the Native Title Congress representing more than 25 native title representative bodies in SA.

They were all strongly opposed to the waste dump proposal.

"Before we had no rights, but now we have rights," Ms Smart told the gathering.

All traditional owners of South Australia have found their voice and are strongly speaking up for their country and saying "No way not on our land. Dump the dump!"

*Rosemary Lester is a Yankunytjatjara woman and a second generation survivor of the Maralinga atomic tests.

Communities visited, forum held

By KEIRA JENKINS

MORE than 30 Aboriginal communities have been visited by the Nuclear Fuel Cycle Royal Commission Consultation and Response Agency (CARA) to determine how people feel about South Australia's involvement in the nuclear fuel cycle.

The CARA consultation team travelled the state over a three-month period, discussing the SA royal commission's findings and collecting feedback from the community to provide to the State Government.

People were given fact sheets, shown videos and told expert opinion about the royal commission findings and recommendations.

An Indigenous forum on the nuclear fuel cycle was also held in Adelaide, to engage Aboriginal people in discussing the findings.

CARA community engagement leader Jason Downs said the input will now be



Janette Milera at the Indigenous forum on the nuclear fuel cycle in Adelaide.

collated and provided to the wider SA community in the form of a 'citizens jury', and will inform the Government's decision at the end of the year.

"A lot of people were concerned about



SA Premier Jay Weatherill and CARA board member Parry Agius.

the safety of transport and storage of nuclear waste," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"Aboriginal people in particular felt nuclear fuel could be dangerous because of their experiences through history, such

as the nuclear bomb testing at Maralinga.

"They had very strong feelings because of this very sad part of South Australia's history. We had conversations around this issue and allowed people to share their stories."

Mr Downs said the Government is encouraging communities to decide what they want to see if SA does become "involved in the nuclear fuel cycle".

"What many Aboriginal communities are asking to see is the Government commit to a treaty," he said.

"They want the Government to start to create an open dialogue and level the playing field for Aboriginal people in South Australia."

Mr Downs said this engagement project is phase one of a lengthy process the Government will need to undertake to make an informed decision about nuclear fuel.

He said the community will continue to be "kept in the loop" about the decision, and respectful consultation will continue.



Greens MLC Tammy Franks speaks at the protest.



Kuranye Owen attends the Black Lives Matter rally in Adelaide last month. Pictures: Peter Argent

Death protest in SA



Kimberley Penneck at the protest.



THE family of an Aboriginal man who died after a violent altercation with prison guards while in custody took to the steps of Parliament House in Adelaide last month as they continue to seek answers.

Latoya Aroha Rule was joined by family members of other Indigenous people who have died or been harmed in custody during the protest, including Shaun Harris, the uncle of Julieka Dhu. Ms Dhu died in custody in Western Australia three days after being locked up for unpaid fines.

Ms Rule says while nothing can bring back her brother Wayne Morrison, an apology from authorities to her family would acknowledge his death in custody as an issue.

Her family also wants any CCTV footage of the incident released. "We actually haven't seen any

CCTV footage or haven't had confirmation that that exists at the moment or who has it," Ms Rule said.

The group protesting included the family of Dylan Voller, whose treatment in the Northern Territory's Don Dale Youth Detention Centre sparked a royal commission.

Ms Rule said they are banding together to show the treatment of their Indigenous loved ones in custody are not one-off incidents.

"Solidarity"

"Having them there I think brings not only solidarity to the issue, but also makes people realise that this is much bigger than just an isolated death in custody," she said.

SA Greens MP Tammy Franks renewed calls for an independent inquiry into the death of Mr Morrison.

"I want to know why a child has been left without a father. I want to know why there's a mother without

a son, and a sister without her brother," she said.

"I want to know why he was in Yatala when he had never been in prison before and had never been convicted of a crime."

Ms Franks said in the absence of an independent investigation the Greens would push for a parliamentary inquiry.

Mr Morrison, 29, died in hospital after being involved in a violent altercation with prison guards in September.

In a show of support for Mr Morrison and for other Indigenous people who had died or been hurt while in custody, the protest also heard from Kirra Voller, the sister of Dylan Voller.

She said she found it scary that authorities expected her brother to give evidence to the royal commission when he was still being held in custody.

"They expect him to feel safe about that," she said. —AAP

Court rejects NT oil, gas project



THE Federal Court has overturned a decision to approve a \$130 million marine supply base north of Darwin.

The controversial oil and gas project at Port Melville was approved by former federal environment minister Greg Hunt despite not having an environmental assessment.

The site of the facility on the Tiwi Islands is home to threatened and endangered species including turtles, dugongs and shorebirds.

It leaves the development by Ezion Offshore Logistics Hub in limbo.

The decision comes as a result of legal action by the Environment

Defenders Office NT and the Environment Centre NT.

NT Environment Minister Lauren Moss welcomed the decision.

"It shows why robust and responsible assessment processes were crucial for environmental protection and also economic and employment certainty," she said.

"The Commonwealth and previous CLP governments must take responsibility for the uncertainty their failure to follow proper process has created."

A smaller port remains, owned by the Tiwi Plantations Corporation, and will be unaffected by the decision. —AAP

● Plantation working for Tiwi Islanders, page 22

Calling for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) to join the

Mid North Coast Aboriginal Health Council



The North Coast Primary Health Network (NCPHN) is establishing a Mid North Coast Aboriginal Health Council to improve the health care system for local Aboriginal people. The Council will advise the NCPHN Board on matters relating to Aboriginal health strategy, policy and funding.

We are seeking EOIs from people with a knowledge of mid North Coast Aboriginal health and community development organisations and with the skills, knowledge and networks to contribute to the Council.

Council membership is for an initial 12-month period.

Details can be found on the NCPHN website at: <http://ncphn.org.au/councils-and-committees/>
EOI submissions must be lodged no later than 5:00pm on 18 November 2016.



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'Station IDs' in language



LISTENERS to ABC regional radio stations across the country will soon hear their local area identified by one of the local Indigenous languages. First Languages Australia and ABC Regional are collaborating

to have hundreds of 15-second sound bites in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages created and aired on ABC regional radio across the country.

The project was launched last week by Federal Communications Minister Mitch Fifield at ArtLands Dubbo, the biennial

Regional Arts Australia conference.

The sound bites are known as 'station IDs', as they identify the radio station.

Around the country, ABC radio producers have been working with local Indigenous people to record and edit the sound bites for broadcast.

First Languages Australia manager Faith Baisden sees the project as a bridge between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, the national broadcaster and regional audiences.

"This is a project of international significance," she said.



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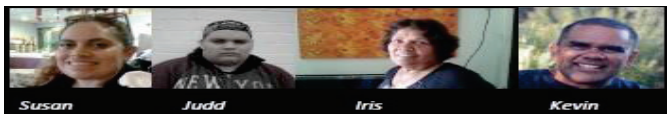
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Batchelor Institute Lecturer Amanda McMillan, Otto Sims and Warlukurlangu art centre manager Cecilia Alfonso work on the dress for the Melbourne Cup Fashions on the Field.

Fashion on the Field included Otto's art



CENTRAL Australian Aboriginal artist Otto Sims' art was showcased at yesterday's Melbourne Cup Fashions on the Field.

With the help of Batchelor Institute visual art lecturers and designers Amanda McMillan and Brigida Stewart, Mr Sims' art was used on a dress for the fashion competition.

Mr Sims, a Warlukurlangu artist from Yuendumu art centre, is studying a Certificate II in Visual Arts at Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education, and has begun focusing on textiles.

"The design is part of my totem," he said.

"It is an important totem. We call it 'witi'. It belongs to the skin group of the Japaljarri and Jungarrayi. It is an important songline. I have a lot of respect for the totem that I have put on canvas."

"Challenge"

"The privilege of putting it on fabric, which I have never done before, is a challenge," Mr Sims said.

"It is a window of opportunity for me to showcase my art in fabric."

Mr Sims was heading to Melbourne to see his finished work on the runway at the Designer Award at the Melbourne Cup Day

yesterday. The invitation-only category focuses on some of Australia's emerging racewear designers.

"I can show my young people that if I can do it, you can do it," Mr Sims said.

"It is good because we are trying to teach our young people, our young Indigenous people, to be successful in the art world. To try different avenues."

"The old people, the old artists before us, they worked really hard to give us these art centres so that we can work hard."

"It is a second income for our young people."

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A GREAT Book Swap in Lismore, on the NSW far north coast, this Saturday, November 5, will raise funds for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. The foundation provides books for children

in remote communities and leads programs with authors to help children write and illustrate their own stories.

The Great Book Swap and other activities will be held at the Lismore Library from 9am until noon.

Working for our women



Vicky Welgraven represents Indigenous people at the United Nations Commission for the Status of Women.

By KEIRA JENKINS



DRIVEN by a passion for Aboriginal women's rights and issues, reconciliation and education of the wider community about her

Adnyamathanha heritage, Vicky Welgraven is representing her people the best way she knows. Speaking out about issues close to her heart, Ms Welgraven was formerly the South Australian representative on the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women's Alliance (NATSIWA) board.

This took her to the United Nations Commission for the Status of Women in New York this year, where she was a keynote speaker on 'Overcoming Indigenous Family Violence and Engendering National Economic Growth'.

Now Ms Welgraven has taken on a new role, after being appointed to the Premier's Council for Women in SA.

In this position she will advise the premier and women's minister, advocate for SA women, inform the council on issues affecting women, monitor how state policies affect women, influence the council by providing information about the impact of gender, and partner with other organisations to inform action.

Ms Welgraven was also recently awarded the Zonta 2016 Women of Achievement Award. Zonta is a



Vicky Welgraven holds her Zonta Women of Achievement Award.

global organisation that aims to empower women.

Ms Welgraven received the award for her work advocating for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women's rights.

Ms Welgraven said the award and the appointment to the Premier's Council are great honours.

"You never think you'll get acknowledged for the things you do as an individual, but to get that

recognition it tells me I'm on the right track," she said.

"I was so emotional about the award because I never thought I'd get something like that, but it goes to show when you work towards the things you're passionate about, you never know who's watching.

"What I've learnt is that I just do things because that's what I love and I don't expect recognition. I'm just passionate about women's issues."

Ms Welgraven said her she couldn't have achieved what she has without the support of her family.

"Their support is crucial," she said.

"They allow me to go and do what I love doing. That's especially true for my daughter and my husband because they see me every day. They see all my highs and lows.

"I can't stress enough how important they are to me."

This is not the first recognition Ms Welgraven has received for her efforts.

Last year she was inducted into the SA Women's Honour Roll for her advocacy and won a Gladys Elphick Award for Excellence in Service to Women, Community and Sport for her contribution to her community.

"One voice can sometimes make a huge change in the community," Ms Welgraven said.

"I'm going to keep doing what I'm doing and advocating for human rights."

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Digital economy action urged



TWO Queensland Indigenous entrepreneurs have called for greater equity in the development of the new digital

economy. Cairns-based Indigenous studios creative director Leigh Harris and enVizion chief executive Julie-Ann Lambourne said marginalised communities, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, newly arrived migrants and people with disabilities, are missing out on the economic and social opportunities offered by the new economy.

"Innovation is critical to regional development but we must also be more innovative in the way we ensure that the benefits of the new digital economy don't pass by those who are already missing out," Mr Harris said.

The pair, who were recently appointed to the Queensland Government Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business and Innovation Reference Group and as Advanced Queensland Community Digital Champions, are proposing to reshape digital innovation and 'startup' through the establishment of regional Indigenous-led incubation hubs.

The proposed Cairns hub, or D:HIVE, conceived by Mr Harris more than five years ago, aims to capture the innovation ideas of Indigenous people, new migrants and people with disabilities and turn these ideas into collaborative startup enterprises.

With more than 20 years as an Aboriginal digital entrepreneur, Mr Harris developed Australia's first Indigenous mobile app, in 2006, and

has been a constant champion of providing economic opportunities for Indigenous people.

Ms Lambourne, his partner in the D:HIVE project, runs enVizion, a not-for-profit employment and training agency for minority groups in Cairns.

EnVizion has developed Australia's first virtual reality training bus operating through regional and remote northern Australia.

"We want to ensure that Australia's most disadvantaged groups are part of an innovation and digital ecosystem; we don't want people to get left behind," Ms Lambourne said.

"Imagine the potential talent we may be missing out on if Indigenous people, new migrants and those with disabilities are excluded from participating and contributing to the growth of the digital economy.

"In the National Year of Digital Inclusion, the challenge is to imagine a more inclusive digital future for everyone, including regional and remote communities."

Mr Harris and Ms Lambourne will present a class on the DHIVE concept and their plans for a Tech Inclusion Summit in Cairns next year at this month's Festival of Ideas in Townsville.

"We're both passionate about new technology and passionate about societal equity and that's why we are determined to bring governments, corporates and academic institutions together to fill the gap in digital access," Mr Harris said.

"The Tech Inclusion Summit in Cairns next year will bring all these players together to create something really innovative and game-changing."



Indigenous entrepreneurs Leigh Harris and Julie-Ann Lambourne.



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Concern over WA children in care



WESTERN Australian children mistreated in state care are often too scared to speak out because they will not be believed or fear the consequences will make life worse, a report has found.

One child surveyed for the WA Children's Commissioner report said she was scared of the foster carers she was living with.

"I was scared of what my foster carers would do because they always got angry if we spoke up about things," a 15-year-old Aboriginal girl said.

"So I knew they would get angry and they'd say that we were lying. It would look like I'm the bad person, so I was too scared to say anything."

A 17-year-old Aboriginal boy in foster care said he was worried if he complained about anything it would make things worse and he would be kicked out on to the street. "Just the fear of where I am going to end up if I do speak up," he said.

A survey of almost 100 young people, many of them Aboriginal, identified the major issues faced by children in out-of-home care included being scared of the consequences, not being believed, being told not to say anything, shame and imbalances of power.

Young people felt their concerns about their safety, wellbeing and privacy

"The children and young people who participated in the consultation exhibited a striking and prevailing resilience despite the significant adversity they have experienced in their lives."

– Western Australian Children's Commissioner Colin Pettit



were not being addressed and they needed people they could trust to do that, through technology, mentors and independent case workers and agencies.

Aboriginal children are massively overrepresented, making up 52% of the 4547 children in state care but just 6.3% of WA's child population.

Abuse survivors

The plight of children in government institutions is in the news, with the WA Parliament set to debate a bill to remove the six-year limit for abuse survivors to take legal action.

Children's Commissioner Colin Pettit said he was concerned about staff

resourcing and enabling children to have a voice about their fates.

He said he would address the fears raised in the report, 'Speaking Out About Raising Concerns in Care', with the Department for Child Protection and Support to ensure staff and carers had the essential time, skills and empathy.

"While many children and young people reported having strong, positive relationships with their case workers and carers, many others did not," Mr Pettit said.

"The children and young people who participated in the consultation exhibited a striking and prevailing resilience despite the significant adversity they have experienced in their lives." – AAP

Mobs unite for Sioux



MEMBERS of 16 different mobs united in the northern NSW town of Uki recently to

show solidarity with Native American tribes protesting against construction of a gas pipeline through sacred Sioux sites.

Thousands of Native Americans and other supporters have joined the Standing Rock Sioux to try and stop the North Dakota Access Pipeline.

In Uki, 150 people turned up to witness performances from the Kids Caring for Country Dance Troupe and rising Indigenous stars Emily Wurramara and CKNU.

Githabul man Jarmbi conducted a smoking ceremony and welcomed people to country.

Organisers said the aim of the event was to support the global Indigenous environment movement and celebrate the cultural empowerment of all Indigenous people.

Anindilyakwa woman Emily Wurramara said fossil fuel companies are hoping to mine her home of Groote Eylandt, in the Gulf of Carpentaria, for oil and gas. "It's sad," she said.

"Money and power can buy anything. It's super important for Indigenous people to come together, to show unity and strength."

The event concluded with the creation of a group video, sending a message of solidarity from Indigenous Australians and their supporters to the Standing Rock protector movement.

The day after the video was



People in Uki, northern NSW, show their solidarity with the Standing Rock Camp on the Standing Rock Sioux's land in North Dakota.

shot, authorities moved in on the Standing Stone camp, tear gas was used, and more than 20 arrests were made. Since then, hundreds more have been arrested and the Standing Rock Sioux have asked US President Barack Obama and the US Department of Justice to intervene.

Ngunduwal Minjungbal woman Deidre Currie said she was there to stand in solidarity with the land and with the American First Nations people.

"United"

"There is no separation in spirit, and the beauty of technology is we can be united in truth and strength,

love and beauty," she said.

"We are one mind, body, spirit walking towards the new creation."

People can send a message of support to the Standing Stone camp by posting videos, pictures and messages of support on Twitter (#NODAPL).

Indigenous mobs represented at the Uki gathering were

Anindilyakwa, Ngunduwal, Minjungbal, Kabi Kabi, Goreng Goreng, Githabul, Ngarkwul, Bundjalung, Butchula, Wiradjuri, Gariwa, Mununjali, Dunghutti, Noonukul, as well as Pacific representation from Aotearoa (New Zealand) and the Solomon Islands. Sri Lanka was also represented.

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New research brewing



WINE researchers at the University of Adelaide are investigating the traditional practices of Australian Aboriginal people in producing fermented beverages and foods.

Although referred to in early European texts, little is known about the processes involved, the yeasts and bacteria at work, or the chemistry, taste and smell of the plants and finished products.

Led by Professor of Oenology (the study of wine) and director of the ARC Training Centre for Innovative Wine Production Vladimir Jiranek, the research will focus initially on fermentations of cider gum sap (from Tasmania), nectar from banksia and other native blossoms (from various locations) and quandong roots (from South Australia).

"Although these historic accounts mention such fermentations by Aboriginal people, as far as we can tell none of these processes have been characterised scientifically," he said.

"Preliminary discussions with members of Aboriginal community groups and historic texts to date have pointed us towards the steeping of nectar-laden



A pool of sap collected in a natural indentation in the cider gum tree's root.

Picture: John Reid of Redbeard Bakery, Victoria

flowers such as banksia or extracts from pandanus nuts in water, which could be then set aside for varying lengths of time.

"Such materials would undoubtedly ferment to some extent, changing the sensory properties and yielding alcohol, although probably at quite low levels – less than beer.

"Another product arises from the cider gum, a eucalypt limited to isolated parts of Tasmania which readily produces a sugar-rich sap that was actively sought by Aboriginal people as well as the local fauna.

"Allowing this material to stand for some time would result in a fermented, cider-like

beverage, albeit again of modest alcohol content."

Prof Jiranek said the project represents an opportunity to comprehensively document these and related practices across Australia.

The study aims to improve understanding of the use of native plants and their cultural context.

"There is an important historical and anthropological aspect to the project," Prof Jiranek said.

"Some of these processes are not being practised any more, but there may at least still be people with living memory of them.

"We're keen to record what we can while still possible.

"The work may also reveal that novel organisms are involved that are unique to Australia, making this an opportunity to identify some new species of yeast and bacteria, perhaps with interesting new properties."

The research group is recruiting honours and postgraduate students, ahead of the first round of field trips this summer.

Those with an interest in research in the field should contact Prof Jiranek directly on (08) 8313 6651 or vladimir.jiranek@adelaide.edu.au

2017 Darebin Australia Day Awards



Do you know an individual or group who has made an outstanding contribution to the Darebin community? If so, nominate them for the 2017 Darebin Australia Day Awards.

The three Award categories are:

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For information or nomination forms for the Darebin Australia Day Awards visit www.darebin.vic.gov.au/australiaday email civicevents@darebin.vic.gov.au or call Bronwyn Ryan-Mercer on 8470 8551.

Nominations close Friday 2 December, 2016.

Jewellery business is a Games winner

By KEIRA JENKINS



A SOUTH-EAST Queensland jewellery business that uses the technique of millefiori to create Indigenous designs has been chosen to develop products for the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast.

Millefiori is a technique which produces distinctive decorative patterns on glassware.

Bush Therapies, based in Jimboomba, will produce keyrings, cufflinks, rings, pendants, necklaces, brooches and bracelets to sell as merchandise for the event.

Founder and managing director Nikki Chenoweth uses polymer clay to craft her designs.

A Guugu Yimithirr, Kalkadoon and Nyamal Nyamal woman, Ms Chenoweth said it was a great opportunity. She says she is looking forward to interpreting her Indigenous designs into something that is specifically for the Commonwealth Games.

"It's wonderful," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"I'll be interpreting Indigenous culture for all to see. I'll give something more than just the stereotype so people can have a wider perspective."

Ms Chenoweth already supplies her jewellery to theme parks on the Gold Coast.

Inspired by family

She has been making jewellery since she was young, inspired by aunties and uncles in her family who she said were great artists.

"Art is just another way of telling stories," she said. "I can't draw; I've tried many times. I think in images but I go straight from the image in my head to the clay.

"I'm inspired by nature and by the stories of the day-to-day. I'm inspired by colours too. I love vibrant, energetic colours that reflect our vibrant, energetic culture."

Ms Chenoweth said her success has been built over 20 years.

"There was lots of work involved in applying to get my product chosen for the Commonwealth Games," she said.

"The application was multi-step and we had to do an in-depth business proposal. We had to adhere to sustainability protocols and things like that, too.

"I'm even more proud of it knowing all the work I had to do. I worked really hard to get through. I'd say to other Indigenous businesses give it a go."



Bush Therapies founder Nikki Chenoweth: "I'll be interpreting Indigenous culture for all to see. I'll give something more than just the stereotype so people can have a wider perspective."



Notice of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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AGENDA

Business to be conducted at this meeting is as follows:

- Attendance, welcome and apologies
- Previous minutes
- Presentation of the Annual Report
- Presentation of Financial Statements; Auditors Report
- Election of Board Members 2016/17
- Appointment of the Auditor 2016/17
- Close of meeting

NOMINATIONS

Nominations are open to all current Members for Community Director Positions on the FVLSAC Board. Applications for Director positions can be collected from your local FVLSAC office or accessed from our website www.fvlsac.org.au

Please return nominations to your local FVLSAC office by close of business Wednesday 16th November 2016.

PROXY

A member has a right to appoint a proxy. A proxy does not have to be a member. Please contact the office to obtain a proxy form.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Remains returned to Lake Tala



The group at the repatriation ceremony: front from left, Edward 'Smokey' Murray, Kay Dowdy, Neville Murray, Lawrie Smith, Dave Edwards, Nanette Smith, Kyle Hudson, Shane Murray and Cameron Murray; back, Steve Meredith, Matt Poll, Ruth Murray, Randelle Blair, Andrew Smith and Mick Moore.



MEMBERS of the Balranald Aboriginal community in the Riverina region of

NSW have come together to commemorate the return of ancestral remains, which had been held in the University of Sydney's Shellshear Museum.

The remains were found on October 12, 1958, on the banks of Lake Tala and were returned 58 years to the day after they were removed.

Nari Nari Elders met at the site in August to discuss the return of the remains.

The repatriation was coordinated by Office of Environment and Heritage's South West Repatriation and Conservation Heritage division senior team leader Robert Evitt.

The remains were returned to the spot they were originally found, and the site is now registered as a protected area under the *National parks and Wildlife Act*.

The repatriation ceremony was conducted by David Edwards in front of a gathering of local people to lay the Tala man's remains to rest on country.

Major new reserve in WA's Kimberley



THE Western Australian Government has created a 230,000 hectare conservation park in the Kimberley, taking the area of reserves created in the region since 2008 to more than 1.1 million hectares. The Walyarta

Conservation Park and five other new parks and reserves adjoin Eighty Mile Beach Marine Park between Port Hedland and Broome.

Environment Minister Albert Jacob said the new park and reserves were the result of State Government partnerships with traditional owners the Karajarri, Nyangumarta and Ngarla people.

Walyarta Conservation Park includes internationally significant wetlands of the Eighty Mile Beach Ramsar site.

Initiative aimed at helping business



ONE Indigenous business will receive expert advice to the value of \$30,000 as part of the PwC and MURRA Boost Initiative.

The initiative, established by professional services firm PwC and Melbourne Business School's MURRA Indigenous Business Masterclass Program, is designed to help strengthen and build capacity within Indigenous business organisations.

PwC Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) chair Kim Cheater said skills and expertise provided through the initiative will go towards supporting a specific issue identified by the successful business that will allow for future growth.

"We are proud to offer this opportunity to assist an Indigenous business to achieve its goals, to strengthen its business practices and continue to be a leader for others in the sector."

For further information and deadlines or to submit an application, visit www.indigenousbusinessmonth.com.au

Further inquiry on student education



THE House of Representatives Standing Committee on Indigenous Affairs says its inquiry into educational outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students from the

44th Parliament has been re-referred for further investigation.

Committee chair Melissa Price said the end of the 44th Parliament prevented MPs from completing the inquiry so it has been re-referred to the committee for that purpose.

"The aims of the inquiry are to identify the best opportunities and pathways we can give to Indigenous students to assist them to succeed in school, regardless of whether they live in a remote community or in a regional or urban centre," she said.

The committee will accept submissions until November 25.

More inquiry information is available at www.aph.gov.au/indigenousaffairs

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Auntie Betty's story is not uncommon.

Auntie Betty was born and raised in the Torres Strait as daughter of the late Edward Koiki Mabo. At the age of 18, she was sent to Canberra to work in administration. Each week, food and boarding costs were deducted from her pay leaving her with just enough to pay for her travel to work. In winter she would share warm clothes with the other girls from the Torres Strait. The wage Auntie Betty received was less than her fellow colleagues working at the same level.

Stolen Wages Reparations Scheme

Acknowledging the past

From the late 19th century, the lives of many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders were controlled by 'Protection Acts'—including taking and controlling their wages and savings.

The Queensland Government acknowledges the past injustices and pain that these 'Protection Acts' have caused Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders.

In the spirit of reconciliation, a Reparations Scheme was opened in 2015 with a commitment to distribute \$21 million in reparations payments to people whose wages or savings were taken and controlled.

If you have a similar story, you may be eligible for reparations payment.

Visit: qld.gov.au/reparations
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Cape York wetlands could be a drawcard for tourists to Aurukun.

Aurukun council has plan to draw tourists



AURUKUN Shire Council will document walking trails, significant historical sites and scenic

waterfront locations in its town area that would be of interest to visitors as part of a plan to introduce tourism to the Cape York community.

Aurukun Mayor Dereck Walpo said the council tourism committee has met with representatives from Tourism Tropical North Queensland, the Queensland Tourism Industry Council (QTIC), Cape York Tourism, Sea Swift, Skytrans and the

Ngan Aak Kunch Aboriginal Corporation (NAKAC).

"Tourism provides opportunities for traditional owners to preserve their culture and to develop their own businesses to create employment in the community," he said.

"The interest in authentic Indigenous tourism has never been stronger and Aurukun is fortunate to have traditional owners who continue to practise their culture and speak their language.

"Our Wik and Kugu artists are acclaimed internationally for their Ku' carvings which depict Aurukun's camp dogs.

"Fly-in fly-out tours for

people wanting to meet the artists at the Wik and Kugu Art Centre are a high-end option while other tours might bring people with camper trailers to outstations where they can experience camping and fishing with traditional owners.

"Cape York Tourism and the Cape York Mayors Alliance have both agreed to work with traditional owner groups who wish to proceed with tourism ventures on country, and they will meet in the next few weeks.

"A number of successful partnerships were discussed at the meeting where existing ranger programs are conducted on country."

Family's legal costs waived



AN Aboriginal family split up by the Western Australian Government's past policy of forcibly removing

Aboriginal children who then lost a bid for compensation have had their costs owed to the state waived.

Donald and Sylvia Collard, from the Wheatbelt town of Kondinin, sought redress after their seven children were removed without consent by officials and placed in state care between March 1958 and December 1961.

The Aboriginal Legal Service of WA (ALSWA) had considered the action a test case for thousands of other Aboriginal people from WA, but the family's bid for compensation failed.

In April 2014, the WA Supreme Court ruled the Collard family would not have to pay the WA Government's legal

costs, but the state took the case to the Court of Appeal and won.

The Collards' legal team unsuccessfully went to the High Court seeking special leave to appeal against that decision.

In May last year, ALSWA wrote to WA Attorney-General Michael Mischin on behalf of the Collard family, asking the state to be merciful and forego enforcement of the costs, which it said would only further exacerbate the suffering and trauma endured by the family.

Written off

Mr Mischin recently finally replied, saying he and Child Protection Minister Andrea Mitchell, on behalf of the state and with approval of the Governor, had written off the costs debts owed by the family.

Glenys Collard said it was a relief for her parents and siblings. "I'm relieved. It's something huge off our shoulders," she said.

"We can now say that it is over and deal with this chapter of our lives."

ALSWA chief executive Dennis Eggington said the resilience of the Collard family had been incredible.

"The action was not just about their family, but all families affected through the forced removal of children from Aboriginal families," he said.

"We can never forget that this cruel act was sanctioned by law and government policy.

"The Collards' own traumatic tale was a story similar to thousands of others, but their selfless and unwavering strength touched the heart of the nation."

ALSWA said it is extremely grateful to all who assisted in the matter, including Lavan Legal and former ALSWA lawyer the late Nikki Dwyer-Hager, whose work, they say, was of great assistance and support to the Collard family throughout this process.

Trainees all fired up

By MAHALA STROHFELDT



THERE are four values written on the whiteboard as 24 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students file into the classroom – respect, integrity, service and courage.

They're values that resonate deeply with the men and women of all ages from across the state who have their sights set on becoming one of the 120 in the latest firefighter trainee intake for Fire & Rescue NSW.

The group comprises students of the Indigenous Fire & Rescue Employment Strategy (IFARES), an initiative from frontline Aboriginal firefighters. It has been developed and delivered by TAFE SWSi Aboriginal Learning Circle and Fire & Rescue NSW.

IFARES has been developed to support and encourage more Indigenous people to consider a career in Fire & Rescue NSW. It also provides the opportunity to gain a TAFE qualification – Certificate IV in Fitness – and hands-on experience. Students are further assisted through the recruitment process to give them every chance of success.

For the first time since it started in 2014, the students and their mentors will be stationed at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) for their placement.

Half will study at the NCIE with TAFE teachers to complete their fitness certificate and train in the centre's facilities including group fitness classes, a basketball stadium and swimming pool.

The other half will train at the Fire & Rescue NSW State Training College, doing intensive exercises with trained firefighters.

Of the 36 Indigenous students who

have completed the training, 21 have gone on to become firefighters with Fire & Rescue NSW.

I spent some time with the crew as they prepared for their fire and rescue techniques in a three-storey building, complete with smoke and zero-visibility areas. The training is mentally and physically intense.

For the youngest member of the team, 20-year-old Bronty Burhop, it's the community work that appeals to her most. Plus, she doesn't mind getting her hands dirty.

She couldn't be further from her start in education, studying a Diploma of Beauty Therapy and Massage, but – just like everyone else – she's here to save lives. "I'm here to be the best I can be and to make a shit situation better," Ms Burhop said.

"Best thing"

"It's the hardest thing I've ever done in my life, but at the same time it's the best thing I've ever done – it's so much fun.

"I've always wanted to be a fire, but I never thought I could do it.

"At the moment I work for the NSW Police and it's good to be able to be a friendly face when people walk through the doors.

"I can't wait to put on the uniform. I've spoken to heaps of fires and I know that this role will be community-driven, and that's what I love.

"We're now staying and studying at the NCIE and it's brought us all closer together. We're all working on the same goals; we work together and push each other to be our best."

The bond is plain to see. The crew assembled are comfortable with each other, having trained together for weeks on end. And mentored by Indigenous and other firefighters, they are well aware of

the challenges that lay ahead.

They have every reason to be fiercely ambitious, but a little cautious. Of the 9000 applicants each year to the service, only 120 make it through. Traditionally seen as a 'white man's job', Fire & Rescue NSW is looking to change that. Its commitment to a Reconciliation Action Plan and diversity is high on the agenda, and a 50/50 intake of men and women into the service speaks of an organisation heading towards positive change.

The group members say what they want most is to become role models for the younger ones in their community – to give them a sense of pride of seeing their own culture represented.

Wiradjuri man Shane Lyons was a professional soccer player from age 16. Charlie Perkins met the then young Shane Lyons and helped put him on a trajectory that saw him playing in Portugal and England. After a decade as a professional soccer player, Mr Lyons found himself at a crossroads when it ended.

After years of applying himself to a powerline trade, he finally decided to follow his boyhood dream of becoming a firefighter.

"When I was in Year 10 I did work experience as a firefighter," Mr Lyons said. "I tried to get in once but I didn't get through. It's my dream job and I'm going to do everything I can to make it.

"We still have to prove ourselves like everyone else, but the support is incredible. It's physically challenging and it's all about getting out of your comfort zone, but that's what being a firefighter is all about. You never know what you're going into.

"At the end of the day, I would be so proud to put on that uniform and be a firefighter. I want to be able to show others that we can make it."



Bronty Burhop: "I've always wanted to be a fire but I never thought I could do it."



Wiradjuri man Shane Lyons.



The Indigenous Fire & Rescue Employment Strategy students, mentors and teachers.

Qld remote kindy scheme expanding



THE Queensland Government is expanding its Remote Kindergarten Pilot programs for next year.

The scheme, offered in state schools covering 11 rural and remote centres, offers specialised teaching for students in need. It will now be expanded to cover 26 more schools.

Queensland Education Minister Kate Jones says children in the program are placed in composite classes with Prep and other students, with the existing classroom teacher running lessons and additional teacher aide support provided as needed.

She said the expansion of the pilot will provide support to more than 100 families, many of them Indigenous.

More information on the Remote Kindergarten Pilot is available by calling 1800 454 639.

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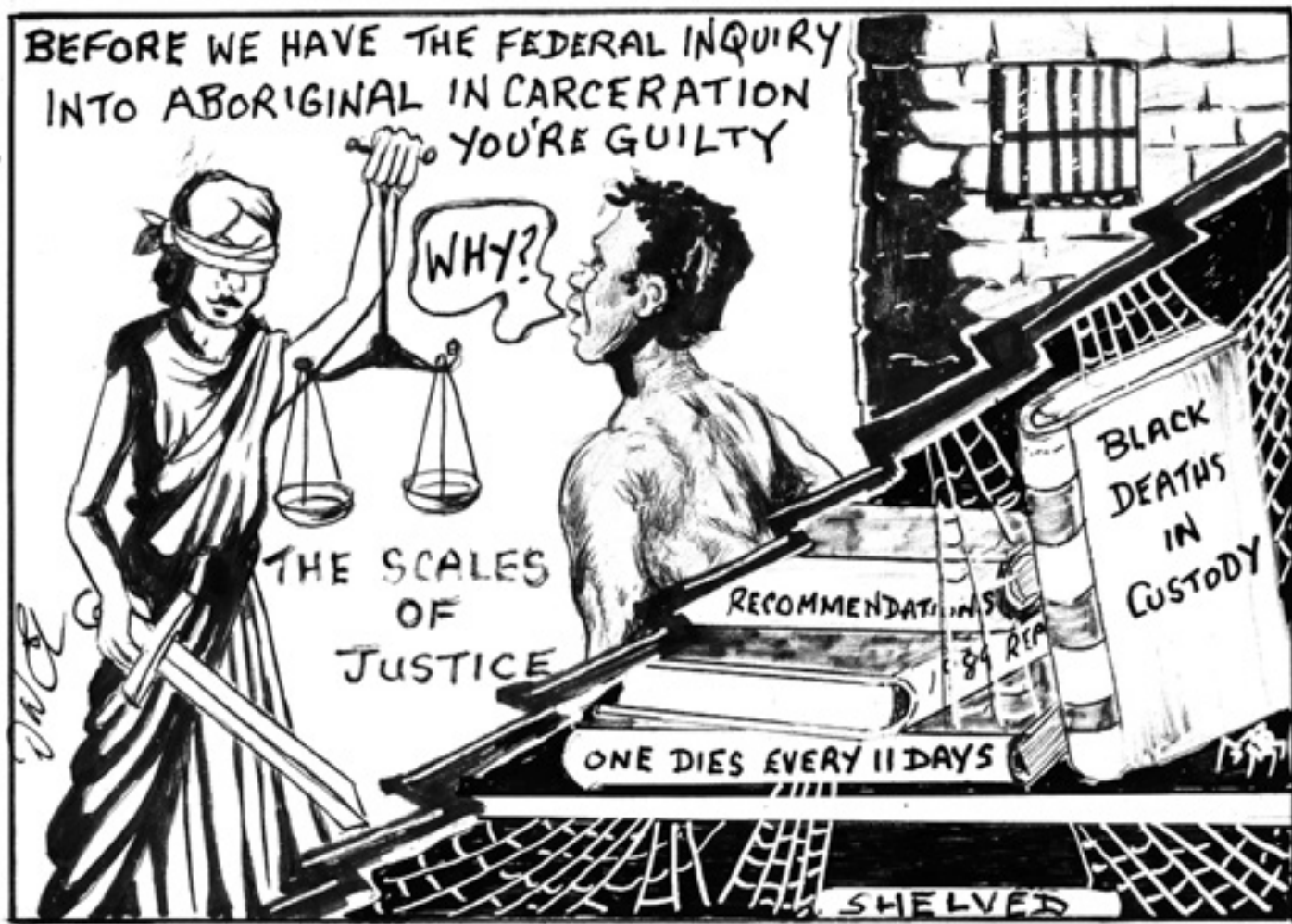
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Favourite read?

Newspapers and magazines.

Favourite holiday destination?

Hermannsburg, NT.

What are you watching on TV?

Action movies and scary films.

What do you like in life?

Relaxing in the library reading a book or watching TV.

What don't you like in life?

Partying too much.

Which people would you invite for a night around the campfire?

My aunty Marlene Smith and my cousins Tanya Pulla and Roslyn Briscoe.

Who/what inspires you?

My three grandsons and three granddaughters – and I'm waiting for one more.

What is your ultimate goal?

To keep doing painting and walking around with Roslyn and being happy.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people? Make more flexible work available.

Quote



"To get the best outcomes for kids and to protect them, we need to keep them in an environment that is safe but also discourages further trauma."

– Victoria's Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People Andrew Jackomos

● See page 5

Unquote

Why the need for another inquiry?

DO we really need another inquiry into what causes the high rates of Aboriginal imprisonment?

Because the answers are going to be: disadvantage and institutionalised racism through bad practice, bad laws and bad policing.

If the response on the *Koori Mail's* Facebook page is anything to go by, then there's certainly a great deal of cynicism in the community about what difference yet another inquiry will make.

And that scepticism is based on real-life experiences.

It's 25 years since the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody handed down 339 well-researched recommendations, and fewer than half have ever been implemented.

Two weeks ago, the author of the *Little Children are Sacred* report Pat Anderson begged the royal commission into juvenile detention in the Northern Territory to ensure that its new report doesn't just sit on a shelf in Canberra gathering dust. That report was misrepresented so the Howard Government could justify doing what it wanted to: imposing racially-based laws on Aboriginal people in the NT.

Is it any wonder that people are rolling their eyes, asking how much paper it will take before we see real action?

It's been suggested by the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples co-chairs that a better place for the Government to start might be looking at previous reports, including the Royal



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Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody and the many other reports, including by statisticians, academics and legal bodies that consider incarceration.

And perhaps the Federal Government would have thought about that course of action if it had bothered to ask Congress, or even its own top advisor Warren Mundine, who clearly was pretty annoyed they hadn't bothered to speak with him.

And that's one of the big problems with this Government's – and many governments before it – approach to Indigenous policy: They don't bother to ask Indigenous people.

It's an approach in stark contrast to what we saw last week from Victoria, where Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People Andrew Jackomos released his report into child protection. It's heartbreaking reading but it addresses issues of immense importance.

And it was done by a highly-qualified Aboriginal man who understands the issues facing Aboriginal communities.

The Federal Government would do well to look at that approach.

Koori Mail – 100% Aboriginal-owned

The *Koori Mail* is owned by five Aboriginal organisations on Bundjalung country in northern NSW – Kurrachee Cooperative (Coraki), Bunjum Cooperative (Cabbage Tree Island), Nungera Cooperative (Maclean), Buyinbin Cooperative (Casino) and the Bundjalung Tribal Society (Lismore).



Vicky Holmes in the brand new Gladys Elphick board room at Nunkuwarrin Yunti's head office in Adelaide.

She runs 'Nunk'

By KEIRA JENKINS

IN 1981, the then 18-year-old Vicky Holmes became a medical receptionist at leading South Australian health organisation Nunkuwarrin Yunti.

After expansion within the organisation and, as Ms Holmes says, growth within herself, she is now the organisation's chief executive.

"I grew up in Adelaide and when I finished school I went to the secretarial business college," the Tanganekald and Arrunda woman told the *Koori Mail*.

"Nunk had just been established as a medical centre and they appointed me along with a doctor and a nurse.

"Over those years I did a lot of home visits with the doctor; I supported the doctor and I grew with the organisation."

In 1986, Nunkuwarrin Yunti

"We've got four Cs – Community, Caring, Communication and Continuity – that I hope will help the organisation grow as one." – Chief executive Vicky Holmes

appointed three Aboriginal health workers, and Ms Holmes became a coordinator.

"I was doing a lot of data and statistics, keeping the records for patients," she said.

"There were also a lot of programs being developed, like the women's clinic and the HIV clinic. I coordinated those programs too.

"Back then we still did everything on paper. Then when the computers came in I started doing some training in

data and computer software."

In 2008, former 'Nunk' chief executive Polly Sumner was looking to retire, and Ms Holmes was appointed deputy chief executive.

"She mentored me until 2010, when I became chief executive," Ms Holmes said.

"Polly was chief executive for 27 years. When she retired the board appointed me."

Now in the top job for six years, Ms Holmes hopes to be able to make as much

difference as her predecessors.

"I want to continue what Polly did," she said.

"We've got four Cs – Community, Caring, Communication and Continuity – that I hope will help the organisation grow as one."

In her 35-year career, Ms Holmes said she's seen plenty of ups and downs in Nunkuwarrin Yunti – and her own life.

"I was young, only 18, when I was just starting out," she said.

"The main thing was I wanted to work with an Aboriginal organisation and be part of the community.

"Years ago there were no Aboriginal health workers. I was going to go to Melbourne and train to be one, but I was so young and I didn't want to leave the state."

Although Ms Holmes is now chief executive, she hasn't forgotten her roots and can often be found at the 'Nunk' reception desk answering telephone calls.

"Just be fair and move with the times," she said.

"There's a lot of staff who have been here for a long time and they all know how I work, and that hasn't changed. I've still got an open-door policy.

"I make sure I'm working on the ground, too. I'm not a chief executive that staff never see."

Plantation working for Tiwi islanders

By NIGEL ADLAM



TIWI Islanders in the far north of Australia seemed to be taking on an impossible job when they decided seven years ago to resurrect an abandoned acacia plantation business on their homeland.

They had no money, no trained forestry staff, no port suitable for woodchip and no export market.

But the Tiwi – known for producing some of the greatest Australian Rules footballers of all time and creating world-class art – still took the decision to take on the risk themselves.

As Tiwi Plantations Corporation board chairman Kim Puruntatameri says: “Things weren’t looking good.”

Today, the plantation covers 5% of Melville, one of two islands making up the Indigenous-owned Tiwi Islands, 60km north of Darwin.

Twenty-four of the 55 forestry staff are Tiwi and the aim is to increase that to 80.

After a tense period due to expansion of the Tiwi port without proper environmental approvals so it could become a gas hub, the company was able to secure finance and a major Japanese customer was found for the exports.

“Incredible”

“It’s been an incredible turnaround,” Mr Puruntatameri said. “I’m very impressed by what our crew has achieved. It makes me very proud.

“And it’s great to see so many of our people working.”

TPC’s medium-term financial future is underpinned by an agreement to sell 40% of the forecast harvest to Japan.

Woodchip demand from China and emerging Asian economies is hoped to continue driving export growth.

The harvest is exported through Port Melville, a deepwater port with links to routes to north Asia, China and south-east Asia.

TPC is now seeking to sell the full forecast harvest, requiring a second customer.

Trial plantings of a eucalypt hybrid are showing early promise for a productive, non-invasive replacement for the acacia plantations.

The first plantation started on Melville Island in the early 1960s.



Tiwi islanders, from left, Desmond Bruppacher, Gibson Ilortaminni, Victor Puruntatameri and Michael Wilson celebrate the first shipment of wood chip to Japan. Picture: Glenn Campbell

The Northern Territory Government ended its support for the forestry operation in 1986.

Many Tiwi people had been employed in forestry for more than 10 years, with 3900 hectares of established pine plantations, plus trial plantings of Acacia mangium.

The islanders decided to continue the plantation in partnership with several successive private investors.

Investors

The last of the investors, the Great Southern group, went into receivership in 2009.

Rather than give up, the Tiwi Plantations Corporation was set up to export woodchip.

A port was built with investment from Singapore-based company Ezion Holdings and the first harvest was celebrated in June last year.

Tiwi Land Council chairman and TPC director Gibson Ilortaminni described it as a “great day for the Tiwis”.

There have been three more shipments and the total export value of the consignments is estimated to be more than \$47 million.

A second Japanese paper mill is interested in buying Tiwi woodchip from April next year, subject to Port Melville accommodating larger carriers.

Tiwi Plantations Corporation hopes to benefit from growing demand in China and India.

Central to the strategy is the engagement of Japan’s Mitsui Bussan Woodchip Oceania, a company of the Mitsui group, to market up to 400,000 tonnes of Tiwi woodchip a year for five years.

The Mitsui group is the fourth largest exporter in Australia on an equity basis,

with about \$6.5 billion in total exports annually, including 2.5 million green metric tonnes of hardwood and softwood chip. It has invested about \$15 billion in Australia over the past decade.

Tiwi woodchip is accredited as Forest Stewardship Council Controlled Wood, which allows it to be exported to the premium Japanese market.

Assessed

The plantations and export of woodchip from Port Melville have been assessed and approved under the Commonwealth’s *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act*.

TPC is no ordinary company. It wants to be profitable – not to increase the wealth of outside shareholders, but to help combat Indigenous disadvantage.

The primary objectives of the TPC Trust are the relief of poverty, sickness, suffering, distress, misfortune, disability and helplessness – and to advance education.

The benefits are already being felt on the islands, with local people finding jobs.

And school leavers are being offered work experience and training to make them eligible for forestry work.

Mr Ilortaminni started working in forestry at the age of 17, more than 40 years ago.

“It’s good to work,” he says. “We’re trying to stop our people being welfare-dependent. It’s not good to sit around doing nothing.

“We’ve had bad times, but the future looks good for our people.”

● This story first appeared in *NQ Magazine*.

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Dancers share culture, and winnings

By KEIRA JENKINS



SHARING and caring was on the minds of the members of this year's Dance Rites winners Koomurri when they donated portions of their prizemoney to other entrants in the annual dance competition, held at the Sydney Opera House as part of the Homeground festival this month.

The dance troupe split their \$20,000 prize with every entrant so no-one would go away empty-handed.

Koomurri manager and Gamilaroi dancer Russell Dawson said \$20,000 was a lot of money to take for themselves.

"That could feed a lot of families," he told the *Koori Mail*. "It's more important to us to get our culture out there."

"More value"

"That's got more value than any money. That's why we decided to donate the money to the other dancers."

Mr Dawson said the win was still sinking in. "We entered last year so we were excited to enter again this year," he said.

"We just went for it and brought our spirit to our dance. I don't think it's sunk in yet."

Koomurri formed a decade ago from the Yuin, Dja Dja, and

Dance Rites winners Koomurri.



Sydney Opera House.

Dancers from around the country entered the competition, including runners-up Nupitji

Mr Dawson said events like Homeground and Dance Rites alive help keep culture alive. "You're like a bendy stick

your culture you feel great to be part of this big history and heritage." Mr Dawson thanked the

showcase Indigenous culture. "Putting these events on is so important," he said. "But Rhoda needs more

POETRY

Alcohol

Like a poison
Rampaging through my blood
Pumping too hard
Like that shard
I used today
Only to say
No
Now just go
Leave my body
In peace
Coz there is heaps of
Joy and love
I can share
Without the long neck
Coz I am not a wreck
Any more
I have seen the shore
Drowning for too long
No more mosie
Bourbon or grog
Because I've been freed from
liquid insanity.

SHIAN BARKER

Justice or Just Us

I was born in the outback
Out on the Western plains
I've seen prejudice in action
I've felt my share of pain.

I had hopes and dreams
They just haven't turned out
right
I'm guilty of a major crime
I was born Black instead of
White.

Living in Australia
We're all doing time
Every move we make
We're guilty of a crime.

Life in a stolen country
A land of minerals and dirty
money
Could be the joke's on Us Mob
But to me it don't seem funny.

Turn back the hands of time
Is what I really wish
Bush tucker and the
ceremonies
Had to be better than this.

Four walls and a big iron door
Muster in the morning
It's so hard just to believe
That a better day is dawning.

Justice in Australia
In the present tense
Forgive me as a Black man
If I take offence.

If you think I'm crying poor
I hope you'll see the irony
One time you were the
convicts
And Us Mob, we were free.

RIVERBANK FRANK
DOOLAN
Dubbo, NSW

● See Riverbank Frank's
justice essay on page 24.

Touched by generosity

I JUST wanted to say how touched we all were here at work about the story of the wonderful winners of Dance Rites, Koomurri (tear sheet above).

It was so wonderful and heartwarming to hear about their generosity in sharing

their prizemoney with other entrants.

On a day when most of the news was grim, it was a timely reminder of the kindness and goodness that we often don't hear about.

Thanks *Koori Mail* for this great

story and others like it.

And congratulations Koomurri for reminding us of what really matters.

MARY CAROLAN
Carss Park, NSW

HERE are some reactions by our Facebook friends to the news that Federal Attorney-General George Brandis has announced a new inquiry by the Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC) into the high rates of Indigenous incarceration (report page 3).

Jo Tanginoa: Address the bloody issues from the last inquiry and actually listen to the concerns of our people! Stop pushing around pieces of paper saying we gotta do this, we gotta do that and actually put your money where your mouth is and match the words with real actions! My Aboriginal Studies

Facebook reactions to jail rates inquiry

kids could tell you what to do... Makes me wild!

Gary Oliver: An examination by the ALRC is smoke and mirrors by the Federal Government. It is the responsibility of states and territories. What's happened to over 330 recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal

Deaths in Custody? Twenty-five years of silence and increased incarceration.

Lois Coleman: Tokenistic, face-saving, weasel-wording bullshit. It has all been done before. The evidence is there. All talk and no action. Just fix it!

Pamela Menere: Absolutely

NOT necessary. What a furphy. Wasting more taxpayers' money on yet another unnecessary inquiry. That is all the Coalition Government has been doing now since they got into power. Their way to fix the Budget is to not act on anything to do with the community entirely. Only jobs for the boys and rewards to big business for ripping off Australia!

Lee De Jong: New inquiry really means 'let's put it off for a while, and hopefully we will be out of government when the findings come in and then we can blame the new leadership for not adopting the recommendations'.

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Still waiting for justice

IN the United States, I'm seven times more likely, as a black or Hispanic person, to be harassed, arrested and incarcerated, than the average American.

In Australia, that figure jumps to 13 times more likely if you're an Indigenous Australian.

You do the maths.

This tells me in no uncertain terms that not only is the justice system in Australia shamefully racist, but it's also badly in need of overhaul.

Recently, NSW Premier Mike Baird announced the need for 7000 new cells (cells not jails) at a cost of \$3.8 billion.

Baird is smooth and presents well on television. But how can he seriously announce the need for more prison space at a cost of \$540,000 a cell? I could buy a house in many parts of Australia for much less.

Professor Michael Marmot, who along with Prof Tony Vinson, devised what's known as social determinants, urges society to look at the postcodes that have the most prisoners and to then set to work fixing these places. Mount Druitt in Sydney's West, Elizabeth in North Adelaide, even Orange's Glenroi or Dubbo's Apollo Estate would qualify.

In these places, which have been allowed to run down, education levels are poor, unemployment and welfare dependency are high and the issues of violence and substance abuse are all-pervasive. The great unknown in these places is often the level(s) of mental illness.

If you are an ice addict, you need rehab and healing, not prison.

If you suffer from a mental illness then you need real help in a suitable facility rather than incarceration.

The United States has 5200 prisons. Almost one in 10 is run privately. But there has been a move in recent times to reverse that trend.

Americans are realising a privatised prison system just doesn't work.

When will Australia slavishly follow suit?

In Australia, we outsource to multinationals to run many of our jails. The same applies with Villawood, Manus Island and Nauru (detention centres).

This, in my opinion, absolves government of accountability and of responsibility for life on their watch.

Recently, Rebecca Maher, a 36-year-old Wiradjuri woman, was arrested, walking after midnight beside a busy road.

Her crime? She was known to police and she appeared to be intoxicated. When police checked Rebecca at 6am the next day, she was dead. This happened at Maitland in the Hunter Valley, not at some far-flung outback outpost.

How many of the police who dealt with Rebecca that night were aware of the many recommendations from the Deaths in Custody Royal Commission on how best to treat Indigenous prisoners? How many cared?

In a country where we spend thousands on anti-domestic violence advertising, where a



Frank Doolan*

recent Australian of the Year was domestic violence survivor Rosie Batty and where one woman dies every four days as a result of domestic violence, who will say a prayer for Rebecca Maher? Dead after one night in an Australian police cell.

So what is the solution? Is the answer to build even more prisons and to adopt even more punitive measures?

In the United States, they are trying out what they call 'restorative justice' in which more money is invested in preventative measures rather than prisons. It is a much more cost-effective way

to counter crime, and it is working.

In Australia, a similar initiative is being tried in the far western NSW town of Bourke. So far, these measures appear to be working.

Crimes involving violence and sexual assault demand incarceration. But what about the many who are jailed for minor, petty crimes, and at what cost?

Community service orders and home detention are much cheaper options than building more prisons.

A local parish priest and a team of volunteers provided a blueprint for healing community in Mount Druitt in Sydney's west in the 1980s and 1990s.

The Holy Family Centre at Emerton was a real lighthouse for the poor. A co-op shop was set up selling cheap food and clothing and a real community spirit was nurtured. Many of the Mount Druitt residents who used the centre also did community service orders at the Holy Family Centre.

When a holiday program was established, offering residents day trips out of Mount Druitt, the priest needed drivers for the buses. He turned to the men doing community service orders at the church. Over time, many of the men trained and gained licences to drive buses.

This, in turn, led to them gaining employment with Westbus as drivers.

So a scheme intended to punish offenders and to make them repay a debt to society actually ended up making them more employable.

That particular priest's time at Mount Druitt passed and he moved on. The first thing the new mob did

was to erect a two-metre fence around the centre.

An interesting bunch, the Catholics. A priest with a real social conscience is one in a million.

Maybe it's time to revisit the past?

We've created industry out of disadvantage.

Before white arrival, there was not one single prison. There was law and justice, but not jails!

Customary or traditional law has been described as primitive and barbaric. When I see the way the Australian justice system treats Indigenous offenders, I wonder how primitive, punitive and barbaric Indigenous systems of law are in comparison.

The horror stories many Indigenous youth relate to me makes me glad I'm through that stage of my life. To be Indigenous in Australia today, between the ages of 15-25, must feel for many as if they have targets on their chests.

Racist police fill in their time doing slow drives through estates in places like Dubbo or Mount Druitt and often stop, harass and publicly humiliate black kids under the guise of crime prevention.

These exchanges between police and Indigenous youth are often racist and are most definitely an attack on human dignity. I've observed, over time, how these experiences seem to embitter and, in many cases, create petty, yet hardened, habitual criminals who are constantly told, as adolescents, by serving police that they are, by

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Helping ourselves

I WROTE the following last week via text to a loved one struggling with a momentary crisis: *"When frightened, rather than fear, open your heart to what you possess. For you have strength in knowing what you do have rather than what you do not have. As it is written 'They who have gathered much had nothing left in their hearts to give, but they who gathered little felt love in abundance and gave to others'."*

Most circumstances that create a sense of crisis are momentary. The problem is that at the time you can't see beyond helplessness to negotiate a way out or see a possible future.

I have previously written that I wish I could go back and see myself as a child of 12 just to tell that young boy that everything would be okay. To share with that child his achievements, the beautiful family and children he will have and the love he will eventually find.

A term that describes this sense of helplessness is 'internalised oppression'. It affects many groups of people. Women, people of colour, our own Indigenous people, poor and working class people, people with disabilities, young people, Elders, immigrants, gays, and many other groups can feel this same sense of isolation and lack of worth.

And, unfortunately, Australian culture is active in making minorities feel this sense of alienation and lack

of worth. Aussies will display nationalism with a sense of pride, the Southern Cross tattoos, the endless cars with Aussie flags and – to a more extreme example – the hate mail we see on the internet and public blogs and other social media targeted towards minorities.

There are two ways that internalised oppression functions:

1. On an individual basis. A person believes that the stereotypes and hate messages are true. They hold themselves back from their full potential and/or act in ways that reinforce the stereotypes and are ultimately self-defeating.

2. People turn the hate back on one another. 'Mission bred', 'broken English', 'uptown' and 'coconut' are all terms that divide our community and prevent unity.

The results are that people treat one another in ways that are less than respectful. Rather than support one another we hurt, undermine, criticise, mistrust, fight with, or isolate ourselves from one another.

It is what we once called in our communities 'Black Politics', described as vicious and alienating in denying opportunities to others who perhaps displayed more potential than others.

It is only recently that we have understood such behaviour as a form of lateral violence. The consequences of such behaviour are damaging and increase mental



Woolombi Waters

health issues, isolation and trauma.

As members of the minority, we need to help and support those who suffer low expectations and are in need of encouragement.

Many of our children believe that they won't succeed before they even begin primary school. Our children are giving up on learning and pursuing their dreams before they even begin.

It's not good enough.

To empower communities to become more effective at fighting the battles for better health care, good education, a safe environment, and adequate jobs, community members have to learn how to overcome the discouragement, confusion, and divisions that are a result of such division.

Community, culture and identity, as within an extended family and or community with shared identity and caring, are the strongest weapons we have in combating internalised oppression.

All forms of depression have the same hurtful messages in common – that you are not valuable and you are not loved and you are helpless.

Friendship and love provide a strong and effective contradiction to those messages.

For me, my Aboriginality has always been a sense of celebration and strength. Therefore I feel an obligation to write what I do in order to provide alternatives to the simplistic conservative ramblings that continue to ignore the deeper complexities and underlying issues that face our people.

I am concerned with cultural maintenance, language repatriation and ensuring my children understand their customary obligations as part of the oldest living culture in the world.

These concerns make my

fundamental needs and aspirations very different from other Australians. But rather than make me a target, these beliefs make me stronger, not weaker.

Teaching my children, and caring for those most vulnerable and fighting for my culture does not become a barrier to me or a weight too heavy to carry. Instead, it retains a point of reference, a focus and an identity which generates for me and those I love greater self-esteem, dignity, place and belonging.

I would like to finish this week with a quote from the 2009 United Nations report into the State of Indigenous Peoples:

"... belief systems have been a feature of cultures throughout human history. Belief systems are also integral to indigenous cultures. They often codify behaviour... (are) used in rituals and sacred ceremonies. But foremost, they respond to human needs for reassurance in times of trouble and for averting misfortune; they also provide rituals that bring spiritual healing and address the major passages and transitions in human life." (United Nations, 2009, p60)

Woorngaa nginda ngiyani (Love you all).

● Dr Woolombi Waters is an award-winning writer, educator and academic at Griffith University.

Focus on film festival



THE 10th annual Tarerer Film Festival will be held on November 12 at the Reardon Theatre, Port Fairy, in south-west Victoria.

Curator Walter Saunders said the Indigenous festival will continue as it has for the past decade, with "no grand plan".

"It'll go on like it does any other year," he said.

"This year we're hoping to get a few families to come along. Usually we just get the film buffs, but we're focusing on a matinee program to get some families along.

"If you watch the five films back to back you should get an understanding of Aboriginal culture."

Episode four of ABC series *Bush Mechanics* will open the program, followed by the 2015 film *Pan*, telling the children's classic *Peter Pan*. A documentary about Aboriginal actor Jack Charles also features on the lineup, then Ernie Dingo stars in the 1993 film *Mr Electric* and the festival will wrap up with *Goldstone*, Ivan Sen's film

starring Aaron Pedersen set in an Australian mining town.

"I've been running film festivals all my life," Mr Saunders said.

"It's not about making a big deal of it. It's about saying we're not going away; we're not being quiet. It's about getting out the message about us and our lives.

"Most films about Aboriginal people are about our dispossession, and the Stolen Generations. This festival hopes to be more representative of Aboriginal lives."

History

Film festival chairperson Fiona Clarke said the event has been an important part of Tarerer's history.

"This year's Tarerer Film Festival will be our 10th year running it," she said.

"The films we show are both entertaining and educational and keep people aware of the issues that face Aboriginal people, the good and the bad.

"They also show the talents of our people who produce and direct many of the films we show."



Tarerer Film Festival curator Walter Saunders.

Views sought on Vic child protection laws



A CONSULTATION paper to examine the impact of changes to Victorian child protection legislation has been released by the Commission for Children and Young People. The Commission's Permanency Amendments Inquiry seeks the views of the Victorian community about changes aimed at reducing delays to decisions about long-term care of vulnerable children removed from their families.

Amendments to the *Children, Youth and Families Act* that came into effect in March changed the way

Victoria's child protection system operates.

The changes aim to ensure that decisions about the care of vulnerable children are made in a timely way and promote permanent, safe care for vulnerable children.

The commission will examine whether the changes are achieving their objectives six months from their implementation.

Submissions to the inquiry close on November 14.

Details on how to make a submission, as well as the inquiry's terms of reference are available at www.ccyp.vic.gov.au

Justice system needs overhaul

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nature, criminal. Much more needs to be done in the way of diversionary programs. I hope also that somebody in authority will do something to change police culture in this country as far as our kids are concerned.

Police need to learn how to treat Indigenous youth with dignity. Otherwise, my people will continue to provide cannon fodder for the privatised prison system of Australia.

We have politicised the justice system in this country. It's all about management control and a top-down approach and political expediency.

We must empower communities to carry their wounded, to support community service orders and not to demonise people who are guilty of petty crime.

Studies reveal that restorative justice programs do work and are much more cost-effective than privatised prisons.

What's needed to make this really work is a dismantling of the top-down approach and greater

consultation with and empowerment of communities.

Mount Druitt, one of Australia's biggest public housing estates, was planned and implemented by government, as were the other estates. It's easy now to blame community for the issues facing them, but government must accept some responsibility.

Someday, sometime, in this most ancient of lands, the people whose forebears came from other lands will learn how to treat my people with dignity, fairness and (shock horror) maybe even kindness.

Until that day arrives, Indigenous Australians will collectively continue to ask: Is it Justice or Just Us?

● Frank Doolan, better known as Riverbank Frank, is a Wiradjuri Elder from the Dubbo region of central-western NSW. As the name suggests, he lives on the riverbank. He is a founder of the Dubbo Community Men's Shed. Currently, he is a community worker at Apollo House in the Apollo Estate at Dubbo.

PROPOSAL TO UPGRADE MOBILE PHONE BASE STATIONS AT MANTAMARU, WANARN, WARAKURNA AND WINGELLINA

Telstra plans to upgrade a telecommunications facility at 129 Marnpi Street, Mantamaru WA 0872

- The proposal consists of the removal of two (2) antennas, the installation of four (4) antennas, the provisioning of LTE 700 technology and the installation of ancillary equipment.
- Telstra regards the proposed installation as exempt from requiring development consent as Council has determined that, given the small scale of the development, it does not constitute a Material Change of Use under The Mantamaru (Jameson) Community Layout Plan No.2.
- Further information can be obtained from Isaac Scheer, Graduate Town Planner on behalf of Telstra, 1300 745 210, Isaac.scheer@visionstream.com.au and at www.rfnsa.com.au/0872113

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Telstra plans to upgrade a telecommunications facility at 117 Fourth Street, Warakurna WA 6642 (Lot 9 on DP91722 – Warakurna Community North)

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Written submissions should be sent to:
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Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations

Reminder for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander corporations

Time is running out to lodge 2015–16 reports with the Registrar *

Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI)
General report

start to fill

Corporations must lodge by the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006 (CATSI Act).

Do it now. Don't be late!

* Due between 1 July and 31 December. All corporations must lodge their 2015–16 reports with the Registrar according to their registered size and income.

Lodge your 2015–16 reports online! It's easy and it will save you time. Register at <https://online.oric.gov.au>.

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Sam Lester and her glazed ceramic work *Bowl of Bush Tucker*.



Our Mob curator Coby Ann Edgar.



Young Dusty Feet Dancers perform at the opening.



Kurna Elder Uncle Lewis O'Brien welcomes all to country.

on display in Adelaide



Reg Dodd with his photographic prints work *Saltbush*.



Don Dunstan Emerging Artist winner Josephine Lennon with her work *Waterhole, Wind and Drifting Sands*.

Top artist emerges

By PETER ARGENT



JOSEPHINE Lennon, who has won the Don Dunstan Foundation's Our Mob Emerging Artist prize for her

work *Waterhole, Wind and Drifting Sands*, has in fact been painting for quite a while.

"I actually started painting when I was at school," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"As you do, I went away from it for a while, but watching my mother and sister paint rekindled my interest."

Our Mob 2016, an exhibition of South Australian Aboriginal artists at the Artspace Gallery in Adelaide, is made up of four components: Our Mob, Our Young Mob, Our Mob Contemporary displays and the Don Dustan Foundation Prize Showcase.

Ms Lennon, whose family comes from Ceduna and Coober Pedy, received a \$5000 prize for professional development.

Three other entrants in the emerging artist category, Henry Witjika Young, Phyllis Donegan, and Lavene Ngatokorua, received high commendations.

Last year's Our Mob



Our Mob Emerging Artist Professional Development Award winner Ashley Pompsey and Mandy Brown, from Country Arts SA.

Emerging Artist prize winner Josina Nyarpingka Pumani exhibited 11 of her works in the Festival Theatre foyer as part of the *Our Mob*.

Josina Nyarpingka Pumani, a Pitjantjatjara/Yankunytjatjara woman born in Mimili in the APY Lands, began painting in 2009.

One of the youngest members of Mimili Maku Arts, she has strong cultural connections to the land passed down from her celebrated artist mother Ngupulya Pumani and grandmother Kunmanara Pumani (now deceased).

The Country Arts South

Australia (CASA) Regional Our Mob Emerging Artist Professional Development Award was won by Port Augusta man Ashley Pompsey.

He has been painting for only a year and collected his accolade for *The Snake's Food Chain*.

Pompsey's prize of \$1500 will be used to fund his professional development.

This year's Ananguku Our Young Mob Award went to Con Ken, while Rene Ferguson was highly commended.

Our Mob's main exhibition featured a range of artworks including new paintings from artists in Oak Valley/Maralinga, a boomerang and shield by Darryl Thomas, etched glass by Ena Turner, Betty Sumner's hand-painted silk headscarf, and canvas-based works like Carolanne Ken's acrylic on Belgian linen and Rita Lindsay's photographic pieces.

As a key part of the opening, the Dusty Feet Mob – a group of Aboriginal young people and children aged from six to 29 – entertained the large crowd with three performances.

Our Mob 2016 is on display in the Artspace Gallery and the Festival Theatre foyer until November 26.



Renee Ferguson and her highly commended artwork *The Passing on of Knowledge of Bushtucker*.



Len Handasyde presents Southern Aboriginal Corporation's Asha Bhat, Oscar Colbung and Elizabeth Woods with the Community Business Award.

Business award for southern corporation



THE Southern Aboriginal Corporation (SAC), based in Albany, Western Australia, recently won the Community Business Award at the 2016 ACCI Great Southern Business Awards.

The corporation was formed in 1983 as a regional body to represent the

interests of the 3900 Noongar people of the south-west of Western Australia.

The ACCI Great Southern Business Awards celebrate the diversity of business in the Great Southern region of WA and recognise some of the most outstanding businesses in the area for their energy, innovation and passion.

SAC chief executive

Asha Bhat said she was thrilled with the win.

"We put considerable time and effort into our submission, which addressed questions on planning, marketing, customer service and business ethics," she said.

"The competition was very close and in some categories there was as little as one point separating the winner and second place."



Boys from Lismore Heights Public School perform a hunting story.



Auntie Gwen Hickling and Noelene Olive at the show.

Culture on show at Lismore show



ABORIGINAL culture was showcased at the North Coast National show in Lismore on the NSW north coast, with artworks on display and performances by local students.

The Deadly Dancers from Lismore Heights Public School drew a crowd for their performance on the first day of the show.

The Aboriginal community also ran the Banyam/Baigham art

space for the sixth year, featuring the talent of local artists.

As part of the display the annual Schools Aboriginal Art Competition, sponsored by the YWCA and Rekindling the Spirit, was also on show.

Local Elders also had a place to rest and recuperate in the Bundjalung Elders tent, connected to the art space.

Elders had the chance to enjoy some entertainment and lunch in a quiet space with family and friends.

Extra funds for councils



MORE than 30 remote and Indigenous councils will be able to apply for a one-off special round of the Queensland Government's \$375 million Building our Regions infrastructure program.

State Development Minister Anthony Lynham told Parliament that remote local councils would have access to an extra \$5 million for critical infrastructure projects to support jobs and economic development.

"This one-off round of funding will kick-start infrastructure in these battling communities," he said.

"This is about listening and responding to the needs of our most remote and Indigenous councils which is why we are

making extra funds available."

Dr Lynham said the eligible councils were small, with lower rate bases, and many had been affected by long-running drought.

"Some of these councils need an extra hand, which is why my department has been working with council staff to help them identify suitable projects and demonstrate how these meet community need and support local economic development," he said.

"Apply"

"By lowering the funding threshold from \$100,000 to \$50,000, councils will now be able to apply for projects previously deemed too small.

"I encourage the 31 councils eligible to get their expressions of interest in for the Remote and Indigenous Communities Fund."

Expressions are open until November 18.

Councils will be advised by January if they have been shortlisted and then they have to make detailed application.

For more information, visit statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/buildingourregions.

Local governments eligible for the Remote and Indigenous Communities Fund include Aurukun, Diamantina, Mapoon, Richmond, Balonne, Doomadgee, Mornington, Torres, Barcoo, Etheridge, Murweh, Torres Strait Island, Blackall-Tambo, Flinders, Napranum, Winton, Boulia, Hope Vale, Northern Peninsula, Woorabinda, Cherbourg, Kowanyama, Palm Island, Wujal Wujal, Cook, Lockhart River, Paroo, Yarrabah, Croydon, Longreach, and Pormpuraaw.



Roger Mick Holten and Ken Morgan at the Indigenous art display.



Noel and Thelma James and Dennis Kelly enjoy the show.

Israel gig for dancer



ABORIGINAL
Centre for the
Performing Arts
(ACPA) dance
student Keia
McGrady

(pictured) has secured a residency in Israel's Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Company (KCDC) for next year. KCDC hosts a five-month international study abroad dance program known as Dance Journey, which is run by some of the best choreographers and dance teachers from Israel and worldwide.

Ms McGrady is the second ACPA student to gain an overseas scholarship this year. She joins David Bioni-Odo, who recently won one of 12 scholarships worldwide to study dance at Banff Centre's Indigenous Dance Residency Program in Canada.

Ms McGrady, who graduates next month from ACPA with an Advanced Diploma in Dance, will leave Australia in February to take up her scholarship.

ACPA chief executive Dimitri Kopanakis said it is exciting news and a great



opportunity for Ms McGrady.

Not only will the students study dance but they will also be given the opportunity to learn more about the Israeli culture.

The Dance Journey program also offers Hebrew

classes, tours around Israel, volunteering activities among local communities and more.

ACPA is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander performing arts institution providing training in dance, music and theatre.



Tessa Bulsey, left,
and her assistant
Lindsay Malone.

Palm Island gets taxis

By ALF WILSON



THURSDAY
Island's TI Taxis
have inspired
Torres Strait
woman Tessa
Bulsey (nee
Tamwoy) to start
Palm Island's first cab and
shuttle service.

Last month Mrs Bulsey
started running her PI Taxi,

which is also used as a shuttle
to the ferry.

It can hold up to seven
people and takes residents and
visitors anywhere on the 10km
of bitumen roads on the island.

Of Badu and Moa descent,
Mrs Bulsey said business was
good, with people telling her it
was a service the island needed.

Previously, people and
especially visitors needed lifts
from friends or workers there.

"I have been busy and will be
getting another vehicle, a nine-
seater, and will have a volunteer
helper in Lindsay Malone," Mrs
Bulsey said.

The PI taxi, which is not part
of the network of taxis on the
mainland, has the support of the
Palm Island Shire Council and
Mayor Alf Lacey. "It is great to
see a local woman having her
own small business," Mayor
Lacey said.



Jeswon and Tuka share
the fun with kids at the
National Centre of
Indigenous Excellence in
Sydney.

Thundamentals share the love



HIP HOP has roots
deep in many
political struggles,
with thought-
provoking lyrics
that tell of racial,
religious and political divides.

But Australian group
Thundamentals take their political
commitment one step further with
their 'Got Love' initiative that raises
money through merchandise sales
on tour to support organisations
which serve the community.

In its first year, Got Love raised
\$20,000 for the Asylum Seeker
Centre in Sydney's Newtown. This
year it's the National Centre of
Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) –
known for its innovative digital
technology and leadership and
cultural programs – that will
partner with the group.

NCIE programs and
partnerships general manager April
Long welcomed the initiative,
saying it would have a direct and
positive impact on the young
Indigenous children who attend
the centre's After School
Program (ASP).

"This is a partnership we're
really proud of," she said.

"The Got Love initiative funds
that are being raised are going to
enable 50 young people to come
into the centre and enjoy our after-
school program, where they'll get
to do arts and cultural activities,
have a healthy dinner and also
participate in sporting activities.

"But, more importantly, they'll
be connected as a young
generation of Indigenous leaders
who are going to pave the way for
the future of Australia."

The ASP does more than
provide a bus pick-up and meal. It

delivers a solid base of social,
emotional and cultural support and
guidance to not only the students
who attend, but to their families
and community as well.

Band members Jeswon (Jesse
Ferris) and Tuka (Brendan
Tuckerman) stopped into the NCIE
recently to spend some time with
the students.

"I feel like it is important to
stress the fact that we are by no
means social justice experts,"
Jeswon said.

"We are musicians first and
foremost, not politicians. But we
are also citizens who are
passionate about the entirety of
our society.

"Wanted to help"

"We wanted to help support an
organisation that is on the front line
day in and day out, serving the
community in a tangible way.

"We feel like the biggest way
we can contribute is to raise
additional funds to further support
organisations in the programs they
are already undertaking."

Tuka said he felt lucky to have
had the opportunities to build a
career doing what he loves.

"We have a platform to be
heard, to tell our stories and I
think the Got Love initiative was
partly born out of a desire to
support other members of our
community in the sharing of their
stories," he said.

Fans and supporters can buy
Thundamentals Got Love
merchandise on the band's
national tour throughout November
and December and can
also donate to Got Love through
the purchase of the song
Ignorance Is Bliss.

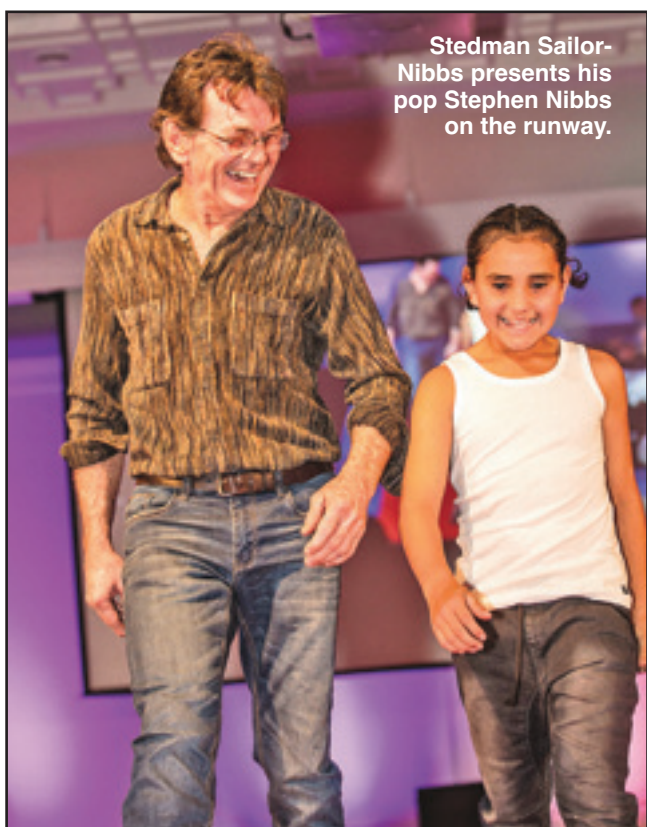
Aboriginal fashion, models



Kitana Shaw wears an outfit by Buluuy Mirrii (Colleen Tighe Johnson).



Yapa Styles founder/director and photographer Hannah Trindorfer snaps model Merryn Apma wearing a piece from Salma Bowie's Neon Splash collection.



Stedman Sailor-Nibbs presents his pop Stephen Nibbs on the runway.



Cherry Lowah presents her mother Joyce Palmer.



Yeperenye (Emily Gap) provides a stunning and culturally important location for one of the fashion festival photo shoots.



Michealine Faud struts her stuff on the runway in Alice Springs.



Young Yapa Styles models enjoy the show.



Proud family members Cody Shaw, Barbara Shaw and Lazarus Chungaloo on the runway.



The Merindas - Candice Lorrae and Kristel Kickett - entertain the audience at the runway show with some of their Motown tunes.

on runway for Yapa Styles



Designer Colleen Tighe Johnson is with models Anika Jones, Daniel Olsever, Raylene Smith and William Carpenter showcasing her outfits. All pictures by Jillian Mundy

No pouts in week of fun

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THERE were plenty of smiles, laughter and applause – with nary a pout in sight – at the annual Yapa Styles Fashion Festival, held in Alice Springs.

The week-long Aboriginal fashion festival included mentoring from special guest model Maminydjama (Magnolia) Maymuru, photo shoots on country and a range of outfits to showcase from Indigenous designers, all wrapping up with a vibrant runway show.

“We teach our kids the runway is theirs; they smile and have fun,” said Janelle Crosbie, one of the mentors who helped to coordinate the festival.

“Others models have said in previous runways they have been trained to have a serious demeanour; that is where Yapa Styles is different.

“There is a seriousness to it – the training and learning how to walk and the stop points on the runway. But you’ve got to have fun.

“And no one is above anyone else.

“The idea behind Yapa Styles is to encourage people to make healthy choices in their lives.”

Yapa Styles focuses on personal development and building self-esteem. It includes models of all ages, shapes and sizes.

A highlight of the runway event was a showcase where each model



Cody Shaw puts a skin to fashionable use.

presented a family member or mentor to the audience.

One of the 2016 Faces of Yapa Styles, 15-year-old Declan Findlow, says his involvement has helped him get rid of shame he developed as a teenager.

Declan was spotted by Yapa Styles founder/director Hannah Trinderfor last year while he was

working at an Alice Springs grocery store.

“Before Yapa I was embarrassed about stuff. I would get a nervous reaction, and lose my confidence a bit,” he told the *Koori Mail*.

“As I got older I got ‘shamefulness’ in me and Yapa Styles helped take it out, with Auntie Hannah’s talking skills and her laughter and the way she explained stuff.

“It made me more confident.

“My dream is to become an actor, and modelling is a start, I guess. It helps me not to be shame around cameras.”

Declan says the best thing about being involved is the relationships formed and the bonding, and he now helps mentor other young Yapa Styles models.

Another model, 19-year-old Sherry Lowah, who was excited to walk the runway for the first time, told the *Koori Mail* becoming involved in Yapa Styles had helped her regain her dignity.

The Yapa Styles runway event showcased more than 30 Indigenous models and outfits from Paperbark Women (Lenore Dembski), Buluuy Mirrii (Colleen Tighe Johnson), Yapa Styles (Hannah Trinderfor), Mother and Daughter Collection (Georgina and Hannah Trinderfor), Kunga Malu/JT Styles (Jayhannah Trinderfor), Kowmini Janappriya, Kimberlee Schaefer, Salma Bowie, and Adi Dunlop.



Maminydjama (Magnolia) Maymuru models a dress by Colleen Tighe Johnson.



Estrelorna Bowie, left, and Alkiramundai Bowie hit the runway in outfits from Paperbark Women's (Lenore Dembski) Tiwi Island Collection.

Mental health program a winner



A MENTAL health program for Aboriginal children in South Australia has been awarded the 2016 Mental Health Excellence and Innovation Award by SA Health.

The program, called Nanko-walun Porlar Nomawi (meaning 'wellbeing for children and families'), is run by the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS) in the Murraylands of South Australia.

The award was presented by the South Australian Mental Health Minister Leesa Vlahos as part of Mental Health Week.

The Nanko-walun Porlar Nomawi program is free for children and young people, aiming to close the gap on racial inequality and strengthen local Indigenous families.

It partners with Families SA and the Department for Education and Child Development to work with families at risk of involvement with the child protection or youth justice systems.

It also endeavours to improve school

Nanko-walun Porlar Nomawi program team members Lesley Saunders, Harley Hall and Regina Newchurch.



attendance, build self-esteem and reconnect Indigenous children in the Murraylands with their cultural heritage.

CAMHS regional manager Robyn Duckworth said the award was a great honour and she is thrilled for the team.

"We know that Indigenous Australian children are twice as likely

as their non-Indigenous counterparts to develop mental health concerns," she said.

"The Nanko-walun Porlar Nomawi program endeavours to address this disparity through role-modelling, early intervention and culturally relevant engagement strategies.

"The program offers

individual and family support through mentoring, counselling, support groups, inter-agency liaison and a client transport service.

"It has enabled Aboriginal families to connect with clinical mental health and psychiatry services when needed.

"We take special pride

in celebrating the inspiring individuals behind the Nanko-walun Porlar Nomawi program who have brought their vision and heart to the table."

The program is run by coordinator Lesley Saunders, Aboriginal wellbeing counsellor Regina Newchurch and Aboriginal health worker Harley Hall.

The SA Mental Health Excellence Awards recognise the contributions made by South Australians towards participation, awareness, promotion and mental health service reform.

This is the first time the Nanko-walun Porlar Nomawi program has been recognised at a state level.

Commitment to housing, health in NT



NORTHERN Territory Health Minister Natasha Fyles has renewed the Government's commitment to health and

housing at a conference on rheumatic heart disease in Darwin.

The two-day workshop, run by RHD Australia, raised concerns about the high levels of acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease in Australia.

"In the NT we have some of the highest recorded rates of rheumatic heart disease in the world, with most cases recorded in Indigenous communities," Ms Fyles said.

More than 2500 Territorians are affected by the disease that has been all but eradicated from the developed world.

"Rheumatic heart disease (RHD) is a disease of social disadvantage and it is preventable," Ms Fyles said.

"We know that the provision of appropriate housing is a key factor in preventing RHD."

The Territory Government is allocating \$1.1 billion over 10 years for housing in remote communities.

Concern over rates of hospitalisation



NEW research from the Australian National University (ANU) and University of NSW has revealed rates of avoidable hospitalisations among Aboriginal children are almost double those of other children.

The study, the first to investigate avoidable hospitalisations for common childhood conditions in Aboriginal and other children, analysed NSW hospital admissions data for more than a million children born between 2000 and 2012.

It found more than 365,000 avoidable hospitalisations by December 2013.

Aboriginal infants were twice as likely to be hospitalised for conditions that could have been prevented or treated outside of a hospital.

Lead researcher Kathleen Falster, from ANU's Population Health Research School and the Sax Institute, said more needs to be done to monitor and prevent avoidable hospitalisations in children, especially Aboriginal children.

"There should be no difference in avoidable hospitalisations between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal children," she said.

"The good news is that this study shows

we can make a big difference to children's lives, because these hospitalisations are largely preventable."

The study also found a significant gap between Aboriginal and other children in every part of NSW.

"It doesn't matter if children live in a poor area or a wealthy area, in the city or remote communities, there is a big gap," Dr

"We really need to support and enhance affordable family-friendly health services, particularly Aboriginal community-controlled health services who are on the front line caring for families."

Falster said. She has called on all governments to routinely monitor child-specific avoidable hospitalisations among Australian children.

"At the moment the measure used is mostly focused on adult diseases, so you aren't going to pick up on the areas where you could improve things for children," she said.

"A child-specific measure, like the one we

used for the first time in this study, could be incorporated into routine government reporting to support action to close the gap, and target efforts effectively."

Chief investigator and Aboriginal health research leader Sandra Eades, from Baker IDI, said many of the issues were costly and easily preventable.

"We really need to support and enhance affordable family-friendly health services, particularly Aboriginal community-controlled health services who are on the front line caring for families," she said.

"We also need to ramp up prevention efforts, such as quit smoking programs for new parents, because smoking has a big impact on respiratory illnesses in infants.

"Many of the illnesses causing these hospitalisations have also been linked to overcrowded and poor quality housing.

"Policies that support affordable and quality housing for Aboriginal and disadvantaged families are also part of the solution."

The paper has been published in *BMC Pediatrics* as part of the broader Indigenous Health Outcomes and Patient Evaluation Study at the University of NSW.

Dialysis boost for Palm Island

By ALF WILSON



AN upgraded renal unit at the Joyce Palmer Health Service on Palm Island has resulted in patients needing dialysis not having to travel for specialised treatment in Townsville.

Townsville Hospital and Health board chair Tony Mooney said the Palm unit now had four dialysis chairs.

"This allows more patients to have their dialysis on the island, helping to reduce travel to Townsville and enabling more patients to stay in their own community for treatment," he said.

The Bwgcolman Dialysis Unit now supports eight patients dialysing three times a week.

The *Koori Mail* recently toured the new unit with Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk and other politicians.

Patient Colyning Walsh (nee Coolwell), 59, the wife of Cr Eddie Walsh, was happy to be pictured.

"This unit has been a huge benefit to Palm Island as our people needing dialysis can have it here on the island and not go to Townsville," Cr Walsh said.

Mrs Walsh said she been receiving dialysis for seven years.

"I contracted swine flu in 2009 and now have treatment three days a week," she said.

"I have to say the nursing staff that I have met who do my treatment over the



Patient Colyning Walsh, her husband Eddie and Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk in the Palm Island dialysis unit.

years were always the best – first class all of them, and dedicated from the first time I started in Townsville."

Meanwhile, every Wednesday, health

workers from the Joyce Palmer Health Service visit the Palm Island Mall to conduct health checks.

Health service director of nursing John

Rallings told the *Koori Mail* these events are a chance to talk with people about their health and provide some simple tests and advice.

More maternity services urged



FEDERAL, state and territory governments need to show greater urgency in improving

maternity services for Indigenous women, according to a new report. The report, led by Mater Research Institute – University of Queensland (MRI-UQ) professor Sue Kildea, provided a review of Australia's National Maternity Services Plan (NMSP) and resulting actions regarding Indigenous mothers and babies from 2010-15.

"There is little doubt the NMSP resulted in stronger maternity services in some areas," she said.

"However, all women need one-to-one care from a midwife working side by side with Indigenous health workers, and collaborating with obstetricians and other health professionals when needed.

"We need a new maternity services plan, incorporating high-level monitoring, otherwise Australia will not tackle emerging priorities and complete the unfinished business from the last plan, particularly for Indigenous women in rural and remote communities."

The report says 24% of Indigenous women who give birth each year are in remote areas, compared with just 2% of non-Indigenous women.

Deaths

Indigenous babies are almost twice as likely to be born with low birth weight than other babies or Indigenous babies from other countries, and twice as many deaths occur.

The report says the NMSP "expired without notable results" in increasing the Indigenous maternity workforce, providing culturally competent maternity care and developing dedicated

programs for birthing on country.

Prof Kildea, along with co-authors from the University of Sydney Prof Sally Tracy, Prof Juanita Sherwood and Prof Lesley Barclay, and Fleur Magick-Dennis from the Aboriginal Culture Birthing and Parenting Organisation, noted three organisations have united in calling for fresh action. They are the Australian College of Midwives, the Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and Midwives, and the Council of Remote Area Nurses of Australia.

"Leadership must continue to come from the Australian Government, with greater urgency than has been evident to date," Prof Kildea said.

"Dedicated funding must be allocated towards the identified priority areas.

"This recommendation is based on international evidence that already exists."

Fruit and vegetable sales up, but...



FRUIT and vegetable sales have gone up slightly in outback stores in Indigenous remote communities. But compared with the sales in mainstream retail outlets there is a lot of catch-up to do to improve nutrition in Indigenous communities, Outback Stores chair Stephen

Bradley told a Senate estimates hearing in Canberra.

There were 1.13 million litres of soft drink sales across the network of 36 stores throughout Australia last year.

Mr Bradley said there was a small increase in sugary drink sales on the previous year, but overall there was a reduction in market share.

Oral Health Therapist Graduate Positions Various locations in NSW

The Poche Centre for Indigenous Health, Centre for Oral Health Strategy, Rotary Club of Sydney and Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District in partnership with Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services, are offering a number of graduate oral health therapist positions around NSW.

The Dalang Project, meaning '*learning*' in the Dharug language, is designed to build a workforce of qualified and skilled oral health therapists who can address the oral health needs and contribute towards obesity prevention in rural and remote communities. The graduate positions will be working with Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and will include equal components of oral health promotion and clinical service. The graduate positions will include weekly mentoring and also be supported by a tele-dentistry clinic.

These positions are available to Oral Health Therapists who complete the requirements for graduation in 2016 and are 12 month contracts only.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander graduates are encouraged to apply.

Applications close 5pm (EST) Friday 18th November 2016

For further information & a copy of the application please contact the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health (Sydney)

call (02) 9114 0829 email poche.admin@sydney.edu.au



THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY

Poche Centre For Indigenous Health



USQ welcomes new student interns



USQ student interns Justin Dolman and Ashleigh Hyland.



Justin Dolman and Ashleigh Hyland.

The student internships are an initiative of the university's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Career Development and Employment Strategy and part of USQ's Reconciliation Action Plan.

They are designed to assist Indigenous students find employment at USQ while completing their degree.

THE University of Southern Queensland has welcomed its newest Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student interns,

Bachelor of Business (Management and Leadership) student Mr Dolman has joined the Deputy Vice-Chancellor's Office (Academic Services), while Bachelor of Science (Environment and Sustainability) student Ms Hyland works in the USQ Residential Colleges section.

Mr Dolman, who also interns at Indigenous Business Australia, said the program is giving him a competitive edge before he enters the graduate market.

"The work complements my studies and is similar to tasks I'll do when I graduate, so it's definitely helping a lot," he said.

In addition to her studies, Ms

Hyland is a USQ student ambassador and 'Meet-Up' scheme leader, as well as a resident advisor at Concannon College. Her internship at USQ Residential Colleges will have an environmental focus.

"I'm working on the environment and sustainability plan to be implemented in the colleges, exploring what opportunities are available and feasible, as well as what's already under way," Ms Hyland said.

"I hope the internship helps me improve my professional skills and provides a taste of what my graduate job could be like next year."

Community service is in Leteah's future



LETEAH Mitchell has undertaken both a TAFE and university course in community services, following in the footsteps of her parents and her passion to help others.

Ms Mitchell, from Taree on the mid north coast of NSW, has high hopes for her future, and once she finishes her Bachelor of Social Work degree at Charles Sturt University and her Certificate Four in Community Services Work at the local TAFE, the 19-year-old hopes to develop her own programs for Indigenous people.

"After I get my degree I want to develop programs that cater for all people," the Biripi woman told the *Koori Mail*.

"I want to focus on Indigenous people because I want to help my own people.

"But I want to be able to cater for anyone who is disadvantaged."

Ms Mitchell said she is the first in her family to attend university, but since enrolling she has encouraged three family members to follow her lead. "My parents are really proud of me," she said.

"I know not a lot of Aboriginal people see university as an option. Maybe that's because no one in their family has gone before them.

"I hope that I can set an example that Aboriginal people can go to university and get a degree despite the stereotypes."

Ms Mitchell was named the NSW Department of Industry Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year, and will represent the state at the national awards ceremony in Darwin this month.

NSW Regional Development Minister John Barilaro met Ms Mitchell at Taree TAFE, where she had the chance to tell him of her achievements.



Leteah Mitchell is a winner at the NSW training awards.

Last month Ms Mitchell went to Parliament House in Canberra with the other state winners to again speak with Mr Barilaro.

Ms Mitchell said she's still trying to grasp why she's received these awards.

"I'm honoured to have gone this far," she said. "I believe God has helped me on my journey and so many doors have been opened for me. Personally, I've built so much more confidence and come out of my shell. It's been an amazing experience."

Ms Mitchell said she looked at a few careers, including law and nursing, before she settled on community services – a choice she's glad she made.

"I didn't know what I wanted

to do coming out of high school," she said.

"I think I was an ordinary Year 12 student. I relied on my family to steer me in the right direction. Both my parents are in the community services sector.

"I decided that was the best way for me to help disadvantaged people."

While Ms Mitchell has her eyes firmly set on the national awards on November 17, she has not forgotten her roots.

She said the things that keep her going are her family, which includes five siblings, and God.

"Don't let people limit what you can do, because you can do more than you think," she said.

Territory inmates graduate



THE latest round of graduation ceremonies at correctional facilities in the Northern Territory has brought to 181 the number of inmate students with educational certificates.

Sixty-nine VET certificates were awarded at the Darwin Correctional Facility's graduation ceremony earlier this month, and a further 23 prisoners graduated at the Alice Springs Correctional Centre earlier this year.

They join NT inmates who graduated last year.

Prisoners received training from the Territory-based Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary

Education in a range of disciplines including engineering, visual arts, family wellbeing and bridging courses such as Access to Vocational Pathways.

The educational program is run through a partnership between Batchelor Institute and the NT Department of Correctional Services under a seven-year service agreement signed at Parliament House, Darwin, last year.

It aims to provide quality education and training to prisoners in order to qualify them for work and reduce the risk of re-offending.

Batchelor Institute was recently judged the NT's Outstanding Training Provider of the Year for the third time.



NT inmates attend a Batchelor Institute graduation ceremony.

Students enjoy science experience



SECONDARY students from across the Northern Territory have experienced a range of science activities at the ConocoPhillips Science Experience at Charles Darwin University's Casuarina campus.

The 100 Year 9 and 10 students from Darwin, Katherine and Arnhem Land had hands-on workshops and other activities during the three-day event.

Students were told about career opportunities at CDU in areas including pharmacy, engineering, aquaculture, medical studies, exercise sports science, environmental science, psychology, and information technology.

Kormilda College student Samuel Roussos said he enjoyed touring the campus facilities, and was interested in finding out about study options around engineering.

"I have always wanted to be an engineer so it's interesting to learn more about it and see what the university has to offer," he said.

"The event has been very helpful and I have enjoyed the experience."

ConocoPhillips sponsored the event together with Science Schools Foundation, the Northern Territory Government, Flinders University, Engineers Australia, Rotary Club of Litchfield and Palmerston, Cameco Australia, Surveying and Spatial Science Institute NT, and NT Member for Goyder Kezia Purick.

● **Pictured:** CDU senior research fellow Dr Erica Garcia and Gunbalanya School student Sheyanne Nawirridj.

Horticulture help for Fish River rangers

CHARLES Darwin University's horticulture team is providing skills development to Indigenous rangers at the Fish River Station conservation area in the Douglas Daly region.

The team recently delivered rural operations units to rangers at Casuarina campus and at Fish River Station, which is home to about 60 plants and animals believed to be new to science as well as 21 threatened species.

Participant Stewart Brooks

said he gained skills including biodiversity management, weed and feral animal management, and methods for planting trees and shrubs.

Mr Brooks said the course would assist the group to establish an edible garden to reduce their carbon footprint by limiting rangers' trips into town.

"The work has been hard but very good," he said. "Fish River Station is beautiful country."

Horticulture lecturer Robyn

Wing said the rural operations course also aimed to assist rangers in land monitoring and the management of gamba grass, mimosa and other invasive weeds.

Fish River Station, about 150km south of Darwin, was bought through a partnership between the Federal Government, the Indigenous Land Corporation, The Nature Conservancy and Pew Environment Group.



Fish River Station rangers Stewart Brooks and Chris Miller grow their skills at CDU Casuarina campus.

Science, culture work well



COMBINING culture and science has been a winning mix for University of Queensland scientists and the Indigenous rangers

of the Northern Territory's Groote Eylandt.

For the past six years, UQ's Associate Professor Robbie Wilson has been travelling to the Gulf of Carpentaria island with a team of postgraduate students and academics to study a variety of species, including the endangered northern quoll.

Dr Wilson said the relationship with Anindilyakwa Land and Sea Rangers, who were employed as part of the Federal Government's Working on Country Program, was mutually beneficial.

"By working alongside PhD (doctorate) students, the rangers are getting scientific training beyond what they would be usually exposed to," he said.

"Our students gain too. They learn about Indigenous culture and its importance to the conservation of northern Australia."

Three of Dr Wilson's former students have gone on to work

with Indigenous groups on other projects after completing their doctorates.

Ranger Jennifer Yantarrnga has worked with Dr Wilson since 2010, and has travelled to UQ's St Lucia campus as part of the skills exchange.

"We learn by working alongside scientists on Groote and we can share our culture, language and country with young students," she said.

Significance

Groote Eylandt and its archipelago are recognised as a site of international significance for threatened plants and wildlife and the site is an Indigenous Protected Area.

"About half of Australia's protected areas are Indigenous-managed lands, so managing threatened species relies on building collaborations between Indigenous communities and scientists," Dr Wilson said.

"We want to use our project to highlight how well a collaboration can work."

"Combining environmental management with traditional culture gives everyone the best outcomes."

Yarrabah people get say in book

By KEIRA JENKINS



THE people of Yarrabah in far north Queensland will have their voices heard in a new book about the *Queensland Aborigines Act* by author Barbara Miller.

Ms Miller, from Cairns, who launched the book at Yarrabah last month, told the *Koori Mail* it was important to tell the story of segregation in Australia.

"A lot of people aren't aware that segregation and apartheid existed in Australia," she said.

"Some of the Elders in Queensland even say that South Africa got the idea from the Queensland legislation.

"That legislation was in place long before apartheid in South Africa. Even though we can't prove it for sure, a lot of Aboriginal leaders suspect the idea came from here."

Ms Miller explores the Act and the 1984 legislation that replaced it through the eyes of the self-governing community of Yarrabah.

Her study started 30 years ago with a report to the Human Rights Council, and now she has returned to it with an entire book.

Ms Miller said her work covers topics including segregation, self-determination, local



Author Barbara Miller at Yarrabah.

government and land rights through a case study of the "amazing community".

"Yarrabah is a unique community for a number of reasons," she said.

"But the reason I chose it for the case study was because it is a vocal community and has spoken out against the *Queensland Aborigines Act*."

Ms Miller said the book explores how the legislation affected the community and individuals' lives.

She interviewed local people in 1984 to get their ideas and feelings about the Act.

Despite the passing of the *Federal Racial Discrimination Act* in 1975, the Queensland

Government did not come into step until 1984 with the Deed of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) legislation, which allowed community councils to administer former missions.

Ms Miller said most of the work was done in a few months in 1984.

"The report I'd given to the Human Rights Council was a bit of a hot potato so they sat on it for two years, then they used it to inform their own report," she said.

"I thought it was about time to update the information and bring it into a national context.

"I found people were still talking and writing about it. I thought I should update it and change the focus a bit."



Sebastian Kelly has been chosen as a solo singer in this year's Schools Spectacular.

Sebastian is set for Spectacular



SEBASTIAN Kelly has been chosen as one of the 39 featured singers in this year's Schools Spectacular. The event has the state's best school-aged performers converge in Sydney for a showcase of music and dance.

This year's Spectacular will be on November 25 and 26.

Sebastian, 16, will perform Yothu Yindi's *Treaty* and Archie Roach's *Took The Children Away* as part of his solo performance.

The young Ngiyampaa man says he's "keeping his nerves under control".

"It's not just singing, it's telling everyone the stories," Sebastian told the *Koori Mail*.

"It's a chance to make sure people understand the history and have knowledge of that past."

Sebastian says the song choice just makes it all the

more important to get the performance right.

"It's very important that people understand we're still here and connected to the land," he said.

"I want to put that point across."

Although he doesn't see himself working in the industry, Sebastian said singing is a great hobby of his.

"I also love dance and art," he said.

"I never thought of music as a career. I never thought I'd take it to this extent."

As part of the annual Schools Spectacular, more than 100,000 public school students have taken to the stage. Many hundreds of teachers have also worked with students on performances.

Sebastian said he's raring to get on stage.

"I'm quite excited," he said.

"I'm ready to go. I'm ready for the performance."



SOUTH East Arts and Grow the Music have again joined forces in Wallaga Lake.

A month of music and film workshops for adults and children will culminate in a community concert at the southern NSW community on November 18.

More than 300 people packed the village hall and enjoyed a showcase of dance, music and film by residents of the Koori Village during last year's event.

Aboriginal arts officer Jazz Williams said South East Arts is determined to keep supporting the participants.

"The people who took part last year were so brilliant, and the concert was so well received, I knew it was crucial to keep opportunities rolling," she said.

"We've been running music lessons for the kids alongside the weekly study centre at Wallaga and also in the school holidays."

Grow the Music, based in northern NSW, has been taking music, film and performance experts into remote Indigenous



CJ 'Black Elvis' Leon performs at last year's Wallaga Lake concert.

communities for many years.

Program director Lizzy Rutten said she has seen just how transformational music can be.

"I hit the ground running each time, and there are always so many musicians, artists and young people eager to learn more about recording music, playing music and looking for

opportunities to perform with their band," she said.

Ms Rutten said part of the reason Grow the Music succeeds is its grassroots and inclusive approach and lack of agenda.

"Our only goal is to put on an awesome concert," she said.

"The participants have full input into the content. Whatever they want to learn, play or film is what we will do.

"As we saw last year, the Wallaga Lake community had full ownership of the concert, and that's why it was so powerful."

Some of the activities this year are making a film clip with a professional filmmaker, learning editing and uploading content, recycled instrument making, programming hip hop beats, hip hop dance sessions, drum circles and singing.

South East Arts is a regional arts and culture development organisation, providing assistance to artists, musicians, writers, dancers, filmmakers and creative producers throughout Bega Valley, Eurobodalla and Snowy Monaro.

Women's journeys celebrated



Eva Nargoodah shows her silk scarves.



SIX women have come together to exhibit the works of their country and tell their stories in Sydney.

Eva Nargoodah, Cleonie Quayle, Tigi Daramy, Kirsten Smith, Maureen Unasa and Alison Muir showcased their works at the Barometer Gallery last week.

The group came together thanks to Global Sisters, an organisation founded in 2013 to help women become financially independent. It focuses on Indigenous women, youth, single mothers, migrants and refugees.

The six involved in the *Memories of Country* exhibition learned about business, marketing and technology in the hope they could use these skills to become self-employed through their art.

The exhibition was a celebration of their journeys and the stories their work tells.

The six also held workshops for visitors as part of the exhibition.

Ms Nargoodah, from Fitzroy Crossing in Western Australia, said her art work involves creating natural dyes to make silk scarves and other garments.

Ms Quayle makes jewellery based on the native plants of her Pooncarie Paakantj country.

"It's a privilege to have got to work with all these different women," she said.

"I love working with, celebrating, watching and experiencing these women's stories, and can't wait to take some of these ideas back to my community."



Cleonie Quayle with some of her handmade jewellery at the *Memories of Country* exhibition in Sydney.



Nicole Monks: "It's not just furniture, it's a cultural project ..."

Roos inspire furniture

By KEIRA JENKINS



NICOLE Monks' new furniture collection Marlu (kangaroo) has been launched at the Australian

Design Centre in Sydney.

The furniture was inspired by the stories she heard about her great great grandmother, who Ms Monks was told made the best kangaroo tail stew.

The Wajarri Yamatji woman developed the collection during her Arts NSW Indigenous Design Mentorship, working with Top3 Design's Terri Winter.

Ms Monks said the three pieces give the whole story of the kangaroo.

"There's the Wabarn Wabarn (bounce) chair, which is inspired by the movement of the kangaroo," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"There's the Walarnu (Boomerang) chair, which is used to kill the kangaroo.

"And there's Nyinajimanha (Sitting Together), which is inspired by the campfire where everyone talks, cooks and eats together."

Ms Monks, the founder of the company 'blackandwhite creative', has won prizes including the Wandjuk Marika Memorial 3D Award at this year's Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award.



Nicole Monks' Nyinajimanha (Sitting Together) table set.

She said she found out about her Aboriginal heritage only nine years ago, and since then has been inspired through reconnection with her family.

"I'm a terrible cook but I'm using my skills of design to tell the story of my great great grandmother's kangaroo tail stew in a different way," she said.

Ms Monks said working with Terri Winter was a great way to get a different perspective.

"She's good at the business and marketing side of things," Ms Monks said.

"I'm more of a creative mind so it was good to have someone thinking about those things. It was really beneficial

for me to work with Terri."

Ms Monks said she's "feeling the pressure of her designs", and hopes they reflect contemporary Indigenous culture. "It's not just furniture, it's a cultural project, so I hope when people see it they have a positive reaction," she said.

"It's contemporary art but it's steeped in traditional stories. I hope they have a quality that speaks about that innovation and sustainability that is part of the Aboriginal ethos."

"I feel like my Old People are supporting me through this as best they can so we can start to evolve the Australian landscape and keep Aboriginal culture alive."

We welcome items for our Calendar of Events. Send them to any of the addresses in the panel on page 23.

National

Ongoing: Lifeline – saving lives, crisis support, suicide prevention. For assistance call 13 11 14.

Ongoing: 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.

Until November 19: Leah Flanagan national tour. Locations include Brisbane, Lismore, Sydney, Melbourne, Geelong, Candelo. Details: For venues and bookings: www.facebook.com

Western Australia

Now Open: All Nyoongar people who are no longer in Western Australia are eligible to nominate as pre-incorporation directors for the six Nyoongar regional councils. These unpaid roles will guide the cultural and economic development of the Nyoongar community after the South West Native Title Settlement is finished. Nomination forms at www.fdio.com.au

NSW-ACT

Ongoing: ACE Community College Aboriginal driver training. Held at ACE Community College, 59 Magellan Street, Lismore. Details: (02) 6622 1903 or text 0429 423 116.

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.

Now Open: Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery Program (IPROWD) applications. Details: 1300 832 939 or email IPROWD@tafensw.edu.au or visit www.iproud.tafensw.edu.au

Now Open: Expression of interest to join Social Futures' Reconciliation Action Plan working group to cover a representation of groups in the Bundjalung, Yaegl and Gumbainggirr nations. Details: Kylie Maunder or Jen Parke on (02) 6620 1800 or email youthinfrastructure@socialfutures.org.au

During School Term: Goori Playgroup for Indigenous families with children 0-5 years. Held at YWCA, Rous Road, Goonellabah every Thursday from 11am-1pm. Details: Zoe Dodd on (02) 6625 5809 or 0425 366 979

Until November 7: NAISDA Dance College auditions registration. Open to all inspired by culture, dance and the arts. To register visit www.naisda.com.au/learning/audition-for-naisda. Details: 1800 117 116

Until November 12: *At the Junction of Two Rivers* exhibition, bringing together regional and metropolitan artists working in Wellington's social, cultural and physical landscape. Held at the Old Western Stores Building, 33 Mitchell Highway, Wellington. Details: (02) 6845 3995 or visit www.wellingtonarts.org.au

Until November 27: *Gravity (and Wonder)* exhibition. Featuring the work of Indigenous artists from Warmup and Elcho Island. Held at Penrith Regional Gallery and The Lewers Bequest, 86 River Road, Emu Plains. open daily from 9am-5pm. Free. Details: (02) 4735 1100 or visit www.penrithregionalgallery.org

Until November 27: *Old Land, New Marks* exhibition. Looks at the premise that we live not in the past, not the future, but in the active 'now'. Held at Western Plains Cultural Centre, 76 Wingewarra Street, Dubbo. Open daily from 10am-4pm. Free. Details: (02) 6801 4444 or visit www.westernplainsculturalcentre.org

Until December 13: Yarning about crystal methamphetamine ('ice'). Find out what crystal meth is, how it works, and more. Held at YWCA, 101A Rous Road, Goonellabah every Tuesday from 10-11.30am. Free. Details: (02) 6627 3300 or email nr@ncphn.org.au



NGAPA Jukurrpa will be premiered at the Winda Festival in Sydney.

Packed program for Winda Film Festival



LEE Tamahori's *Mahana*, a tale of family rivalry and reconciliation set against the stunning backdrop of rural

Aotearoa (New Zealand) in the 1960s, will officially launch the Winda Film Festival in Sydney on November 10.

Mahana is just one of the 33 curated works featured in the program.

The festival, from November 10-13, will include 14 Australian premieres, feature films, documentaries, short films and short documentaries.

Festival artistic director Pauline Clague said she is proud to have a wide collection of Indigenous Films

from around Australia and the world in the festival.

"From gritty drama to comical storylines the chosen films show a strength and vitality of stories that affect our Indigenous peoples," she said.

"The international films resonate with our own struggles and stories, giving us insight into the connection of the universal storylines of Indigenous nations.

"We hope these stories help to show the richness of our cultures and the growing voice of Indigenous filmmakers in the cinema and digital landscape."

More details at windafilmfest.com

November 3-5: National Indigenous Football Championships (soccer). Includes a celebrity match, stalls, entertainment, kids' activities and more. Held at South Nowra Sporting Complex, Mumbulla Street, South Nowra. Details: Bernie McLeod by email: nationalindigenousfootball@gmail.com

November 3: Suicide Prevention and Severe and Complex Mental Illness information session. Discussing the National Mental Health Commission's Review of Mental Health Programs. Held at the Fountain Room, Lismore City Hall, 1 Bounty Street, from 5-6.30pm. Details: Sandra Findlay on (02) 6659 1800

November 9: Paying for a funeral information session. Free legal advice and financial counselling will be available. Held at Casino Community and Cultural Centre, 35 Walker Street, Casino from 10am. Details: Karin on (02) 6621 1000 or Paula on 0429 780 161.

November 9: Boomerang Festival + Portraits Photography fundraiser. Launch night will include a silent auction and live music by artist Pat Tierney. Held at Fox Photo Den, 34 Union Street, South Lismore from 6-8pm. Cost: \$5 entry (all proceeds to Boomerang Festival). Information and tickets: www.boomerangfestival.com.au Details: Monique on 0410 759 465

November 9-20: Boomerang Festival + Portraits Photography Exhibition. Details: 0410 490 949.

November 11: Barrage Gathang-Gathang on Country community event. An open day for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Held at Saltwater Reserve, Taree from 10. Bus pickups available. Details: Jay Davis on 0455 063 374 or email Jaycent.davis1@det.nsw.edu.au

November 10-13: Winda Film Festival, focusing on Indigenous film across Australia and the world. Held at Dendy Opera Quays, Circular Quay on Nov 10 and Hoyts

Entertainment Quarter, Moore Park from Nov 11-13. Details: www.windafilmfest.com or 33 Creative on (02) 9516 3466.

November 12 and 13: Black Arts Market: Featuring more than 90 artists offering traditional Aboriginal cultural objects. Held at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson Street, Eveleigh, Sydney from 10am-6pm. Free entry. Details: Jasmine Hersee on 0406 649 393.

November 15: Yeno Allowah Baby Welcome, a ceremony to introduce all Aboriginal babies born in the past 12 months to local Elders and seniors. Held at Mt Druitt Hub (old Dawson Mall), 9 Ayres Grove, Mt Druitt from noon-2pm. Details: Rebecca on (02) 9625 6357 or email rbastic@yenuallowah.org.au

November 15-24: Circle of Cultures: NAISDA Dance College 40th anniversary season. See NAISDA's story come to life through a photography exhibition, cultural dances and stage production. Held at Carriageworks, 245 Wilson Street, Eveleigh, each night from 6pm. Details: Alison Orren on (02) 4324 6962 or visit www.naisda.com.au

November 17: Aboriginal Benefits Foundation 12th anniversary dinner and art auction. Guests include Linda Burney MP, Djon Mundine, Imants Tillers, A H Xian and Simon Chan. Held at Level 3, Market City, 9-13 Hay Street, Haymarket from 6pm. Cost: \$108 a person, \$1080 for table of 10. Details: Simon Chan on 0411 138 308 or Jennifer Issacs on 0425 233 447.

November 24: The Search for J W Lindt's 'Australian Aboriginals'. Cultural heritage researcher Annika Korsgaard will give a lecture into the identities of the Clarence Valley Aboriginal people in the Lindt 1873 photographic series. Held at Lismore City Library from 6.30pm. Details: (02) 6621 2464.

November 24-25: Indigenous Justice Symposium. Includes discussion topics and yarning circles with Indigenous presenters from

Australia, Aotearoa New Zealand and Nigeria. Held at Building 32, Room G01, University of Wollongong from 8.30am-5.15pm. Register at uowblogs.com/fire

Details: Dr Juan Tauri on 0426 299 918 or email juant@uow.edu.au

November 25: Miss Indigenous Debutante Ball 2016. A Murdi Paaki Young Aboriginal Emerging Leaders Program event, with entertainment by Sean Choolburra and Indigenous Band Pickin Up Bones. Held at Coomealla Memorial Sporting Club, Silver City Highway, Dareton. Cost: \$30 a person. Details: (03) 5027 4073.

Queensland

November 5: Yarrabah Band Festival 2016. The line-up includes Montaine and Archie Roach. Held at Bishop Malcolm Park, Yarrabah, from 5.30pm. Details: (07) 3010 6600 or visit www.gmf.org.au

Victoria

Until November 6: *The Journey Home: Artworks from The Torch* exhibition by artists exploring pathways to change through The Torch's Indigenous Arts in Prison Program. Held at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre, Melbourne Museum, Carlton. \$14 entry. Details: (03) 8341 7784 or visit www.museumvictoria.com.au/bunjilaka

Until November 27: *Yenbena biganga, gaiymarr biganga: Stitching together the Songlines* exhibition. By artist Lee Darroch, it features installations of possum skin and kangaroo skin cloaks. Includes exhibition tour and artist talk on November 26. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square, Melbourne. Open daily 10am-5pm. Details: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

November 11: Monthly Weaving Workshop, with Yorta Yorta weaver Donna Blackall. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square, Melbourne, from noon. Cost: \$16.50 a person. Bookings essential. Details: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

November 18: Wileya borriyny, kids' armband workshop, for children aged six to 12. Held at ArtPlay, Birrarung Marr, behind Federation Square, Melbourne from 10.30am-12.30pm. Cost: \$16 a person. Bookings essential. Details: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

November 25: Christmas pine needle weaving workshop at Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square, Melbourne, from 1-3pm. Cost: \$33 a person. Bookings essential. Details: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

Northern Territory

November 27: The Inaugural 2016 NT Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Fashion and Textile Industry Awards. Celebrating and showcasing the talents and skills of Indigenous people working in the NT fashion and textile industry. Details: www.eventbrite.com.au

South Australia

Until November 26: Our Mob 2016, Adelaide Festival Centre's celebration of art by South Australian Aboriginal artists. Held at Artspace Gallery. Free. Details: www.adelaidefestivalcentre.com.au

Until December 3: Spirit Festival Adelaide, featuring Indigenous artforms from across Australia through a celebration of performance, events and workshops. Held at Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, Adelaide. Free. Details: (08) 8224 3200 or visit www.spiritfestpresents.com

November 4-19: *Terrain*, Bangarra's Regional Tour. Held at Marree, Whyalla, Port Pirie, Mt Gambier and Renmark. Details: (02) 9251 5333 or visit www.bangarra.com.au

November 25: White Ribbon art auction and cocktail event. Held at John Harvey Gallery, 12 James Street, Salisbury from 6pm. Cost: gold coin donation. Details (08) 8406 8477.

Employment

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Trainees Dwayne Lawrence and Shaun Sullivan with Western Australian Water Minister Mia Davies at the native seed bank in Broome.

Jobs grow in west



WESTERN Australian Water Minister Mia Davies has met with trainees at a native seed bank in Broome that uses recycled water to grow native species for land restoration projects across

the Kimberley and Pilbara regions. Ms Davies said the State Government, through the Water Corporation, had partnered with the Mamabulanjin Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) to offer Aboriginal trainees aged 17-24 the opportunity to work at the MAC seed

bank to gain experience and contribute to TAFE qualifications.

She said it was the first time recycled water from a Water Corporation wastewater treatment plant had been used to grow native trees.

“Experience and skills”

“The trainees have helped to establish thousands of native trees on land made available by the Water Corporation, and are gaining valuable experience and skills in horticulture and operating small machinery,” Ms Davies said.

“It is fantastic to see this progress, as well as the creation of employment opportunities for young Aboriginal people in Broome.”

Seedlings of species including salwood, black wattle and gubinge are grown in more than 17 hectares of land adjacent to the Broome North wastewater treatment plant. Some of these plants are at risk of becoming endangered.

The plantation uses ‘savanna enrichment’, a growing method that combines traditional techniques and modern horticulture which can be used

across many parts of the Kimberley region.

Ms Davies said land at the treatment plant was also used to grow rhodes grass, with more trainees travelling from Mowanum Station, near Derby, to help with the harvest under the guidance of Water Corporation operators.

“As this is the same type of crop grown by the Water Corporation in Broome, the experience gained by Mowanum trainees during this harvest will help contribute to the success of the trial in Derby,” she said.

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Experienced ATSI Caseworkers Full time permanent positions

Ngunya Jarjum is seeking to employ Aboriginal caseworkers for our OOHCA team. A minimum of 3 years' experience in casework practice in Human Services, particularly in OOHCA, social welfare, carer support or working with communities, families and children.

A satisfactory "Working with Children Check" and a medical will be conducted.

Salary: As per award - Social, Community, Home Care and Disability Services Industry Award 2010. A generous remuneration package plus superannuation, leave loading and including a generous salary sacrificing arrangement will be negotiated.

In this position an applicants race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination act 1977.

Location: Lismore.

Contact: Lenore Marlowe on (02) 6626 3700 or via email lenore.marlowe@ngunyajarjum.com

Information Packages: Must be obtained prior to completion of the application and is available on request by contacting the office on (02) 6626 3700.

Send Applications to: Chairperson, Ngunya Jarjum, PO Box 580, Lismore NSW 2480.

Closing Date: Friday 18 November 2016.

Part-time Freelance Job

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Job Specification: No qualification & No fee required *Organized, professional & motivated.
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For more info, Contact David:
david@deloittd.com



Receptionist

- Join a not for profit organisation striving to advance educational opportunities
- Be supported and motivated by an experienced team based conveniently in Glebe
- Part time 6 month contract with immediate start

Your new company

Tranby National Indigenous Adult Education and Training is a not for profit, Indigenous organisation committed to advancing educational opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people nationwide. We offer a number of qualifications and opportunities to provide students with new skills, knowledge and experience to empower individuals to positively contribute to their communities and their futures.

Your new role

You will be the first point of contact for all students and staff. You will be giving a great first impression and will be enthusiastic and have a "can do" attitude towards anything. Your duties will include; answering the phones, opening and locking up, keeping a tidy office area, meeting and greeting all students and visitors. You will also be in charge of word-processing, spreadsheets, and administrative support to the Senior Office Manager, along with other staff as required.

What you will need to succeed

- Have experience in a similar role
- Be highly organised
- Have a bright personality
- Have the ability to prioritise and work to strict deadlines
- Have outstanding customer service skills
- Understand and have previous experience working with the Indigenous community

What you need to do now

If you feel that you possess the skills, experience and personal attributes to be successful in this exciting role, we invite you to submit your application. Please include a detailed cover letter along with an up to date resume for consideration to tranbyrecruitment@gmail.com.



**Aboriginal Health Access team
Hunter New England Central Coast PHN**
Location: Newcastle, Tamworth or Erina
Full-time Fixed Term until 30 June 2018

Hunter New England Central Coast Primary Health Network is a government funded not-for-profit organisation and we are seeking people to join us on our mission of improving healthcare for our communities.

Aboriginal Health Access Manager

We are currently looking to recruit an Aboriginal Health Manager to lead the Aboriginal Health team. This team is responsible for the development of strategies that aim to improve access to effective health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the region. The team works with individuals, groups and organisations that have an interest and responsibility to improve the health outcomes of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The Aboriginal Health Manager is responsible for the Aboriginal Health Portfolio, providing strategic and operational leadership to the team in the development, implementation and evaluation of strategies and services, and offers advice to the HNECC PHN Executive on strategic cultural issues.

For further information on this role contact Leanne Morton Executive Manager Health Access & Performance on 0418 971 796 or lmorton@hneccphn.com.au

Aboriginal Health Access Officers Multiple Roles

The team is responsible for the development of strategies that aim to improve access to effective health and wellbeing services for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population within the region. This will be done by working with individuals, groups and organisations that have an interest and responsibility to improve the health outcomes of Aboriginal people.

For further information on this role contact Glenn Caldwell, on 0408 567 088

To Apply

For full position description with selection criteria visit www.hneccphn.com.au

Applications to HNECC@outlook.com prior to the closing date. Please ensure your cover letter addresses the criteria as set out in the position description and is accompanied by a current Resume.

Applications close November 11th 2016

HNECC considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).



Research Associate/Research Fellow: CRE Health Equity

Southgate Institute for Health, Society and Equity, School of Medicine

Ref 16208 The incumbent will provide high level research assistance and expertise to the CRE Health Equity research program and will be involved in the research related activities of the Indigenous component of the research program.

- **Faculty of Medicine, Nursing and Health Sciences**
- **Available on a fixed-term, full-time or part-time (minimum 0.6FTE) basis, for a period of between 2.5 to 4 years depending on FTE**
- **Salary:** Res A \$70,232 to \$85,536 pa full-time
Res B \$90,045 to \$106,926 pa full-time
- **Plus 9.50% employer superannuation**
- **Applications close: 11.00am, Monday 21 November 2016**

In Accordance with the University's Employment strategy for Indigenous Australian's the filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8 (1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) and s57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1995 (NT). The position is therefore only open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website: <http://www.flinders.edu.au/employment>.

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Blood Collector/Specimen Reception

Classification: Technical Assistant Grade 2

Location: Kempsey

Employment Status: Permanent Part-Time

Salary: \$25.12 - \$26.14 ph

Enquiries: Helen Westaway (02) 6656 5442

Closing Date:
6 November 2016



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 343192

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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**Ombudsman
Western Australia**

Senior Research and Project Officer

Web Search No: PCO05110

Location: Perth CBD

Level/Salary: Level 6, \$98,966 to \$109,590 p.a. PSGOGA

The Senior Research and Project Officer is an important role that:

- Undertakes strategic and executive research and projects and whole of office projects and programs.
- Undertakes qualitative and quantitative research and prepares reports, briefing notes and presentations for the Ombudsman and other senior staff.

People from an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply.

Visit: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: (08) 9220 7509 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Job Related Information: Please contact Rebecca Poole on Ph: (08) 9220 7571.

Closing Date: Monday 14 November 2016 at 5:00pm (WST)

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- Interested in working with an organisation committed to social justice?
- Do you have a passion for policy analysis and advocacy?
- Do you have excellent research skills?

The ACT Council of Social Service (ACTCOSS) is the peak representative body for the social and community services sector and people living with disadvantage and inequality in the ACT. ACTCOSS aims to ensure that government policy improves the lives of disadvantaged people and develops a well-resourced, cohesive and sustainable community sector. ACTCOSS is a member of the nationwide COSS network, made up of each state and territory COSS and our national body, the Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS).

Policy Officer (F/T)

ACTCOSS is seeking a full-time, ongoing Policy Officer to join our Policy Team. This position is ideal for someone with experience in and a passion for policy analysis and advocacy that will improve the lives of people living on low-incomes or experiencing disadvantage. The position involves a variety of duties associated with research, policy analysis and development, advocacy and stakeholder engagement.

The role involves building and sustaining relationships with ACTCOSS members, key partners and other stakeholders, facilitating and attending meetings and committees, and liaising with community representatives and government officials as needed. The successful candidate will need to be comfortable with developing policy advice and advocacy strategies on topics on which they do not have previous experience. Strong verbal and written communication skills are essential. Strong relationships in the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community and a research background would be highly valued.

The successful candidate will work under the supervision of the Policy Analyst and Research Manager and report periodically to the Director. ACTCOSS has above-award pay and conditions as part of the ACT community sector multiple enterprise agreement (MEA). This full-time position of 37.5 hours/week is classified under the SCHADS award as level 5, pay-point 1. The annual salary is \$59,641, plus superannuation.

Please phone (02) 6202 7200, email actcoss@actcoss.org.au or visit www.actcoss.org.au for more information, or a copy of the position description and selection criteria. All enquiries and applications for this position will be treated confidentially. A current driver's licence and the use of your own vehicle is required for this position. ACTCOSS is an equal opportunity employer, and we welcome applications from people with diverse backgrounds and life experiences.

Applications close
9am, Wednesday 9 November 2016



The Australia Council is seeking applications for the following position to be based at their offices in Surry Hills, NSW:

IT Service Delivery Manager

Full time, 3 year contract

Reporting to the Executive Director Corporate Resources, the IT Service Delivery Manager will develop and implement IT strategies for the Australia Council to ensure the provision of robust, effective and efficient systems to the organisation.

Applications close 9 November 2016 at 5.00pm AEDT

For further information please visit our careers page:
<http://australiacouncil.gov.au/about/careers/>



Client Retention Manager

New South Wales – Sydney, Newcastle
Full time, ongoing

CMC Indigenous Services is an industry leader in the Commercial Cleaning and Maintenance sectors. We are searching for a highly motivated Account Manager to provide support and direction to our cleaning operatives and to our clients in the Sydney, Newcastle and North Coastal areas. You will need to be extremely organised managing a large portfolio of commercial clients within large facilities and some smaller sites along with a requirement to travel and visit clients on a regular basis.

If you believe you are able to meet the above criteria, then we would love to receive an application from you at hr@cmcservices.com.au

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and work, go east**

Aboriginal Intake and Access Officer Healesville

Fixed Term until 30/6/2018 – 0.6 EFT

Would you like to work within our team to build connections with the local indigenous communities?

Enquiries: Andrew 5957 1100

Visit our website: easternhealth.mercury.com.au and find out more information or to apply via vacancy number **26816**

For more information and to apply online visit:
www.easternhealth.org.au
Applicants may be required to undergo a Police Records/Working with Children Check.



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**Family &
Community
Services**

Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker

NSW Family and Community Services aims to transform the lives of vulnerable children by recruiting and developing outstanding individuals to be leaders in Child protection practice.

As an Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker you will be working with vulnerable children and young people who are at risk of abuse and neglect, communities, interagency partners and peers, to be agents of change in the lives of children.

Being a Child Protection Caseworker is tough. It takes a special kind of person. But the rewards are huge.

We are looking for people with a strong commitment to children, families and community capacity building, people who possess a high level of resilience to become part of a team of skilled and dedicated professionals.

Do you identify as Aboriginal and have two years experience working with Aboriginal children, young people and families or communities?

If so apply now! Please visit www.jobs.nsw.gov.au and enter job reference no: 0000410M

Join a team of dedicated and professional Child Protection Caseworkers in your area and benefit from:

- professional support and training
- flexible working conditions
- great career opportunities

Note: Aboriginal Caseworker must identify and be recognised as Aboriginal.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information visit
www.facs.nsw.gov.au/careers/caseworker

The *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012*, requires persons engaged in children related work to have Working with Children clearances. If successful in this role you will be required to provide a Working with Children Check clearance number prior to commencing in the role.

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General Manager

FVPLS Victoria's primary goals since 2002 have focused on victim assistance, violence and abuse reduction, heightened awareness and the facilitation of sustainable solutions through education and advocacy.

Reporting to the CEO and managing an Executive Team you will act as a catalyst for transformation in the day to day business functions of an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation by:

- Working tactically with the CEO in directing overall strategy and operations.
- Managing operating/strategic plans, budgets and performance.
- Being an effective ambassador to government, commercial and community sectors.
- Supporting the CEO in sourcing/reviewing funding opportunities and through detailed reporting and analysis.
- The effective development, engagement and utilisation of human and capital resources.
- Driving a cohesive team culture.

This opportunity requires an accomplished leader who has successfully managed comparable levels of responsibility within a cross functional, multi stakeholder environment. A demonstrated ability to work or learn to work with Aboriginal Organisations in culturally appropriate ways, as well as mainstream organisations, is vital. Additionally, experience in initiating and managing organisational change processes is highly beneficial.

This is an empowering opportunity to build on our client's significant achievements, working with an experienced and passionate team in a role that offers a diverse range of responsibilities, and autonomy to think purposefully about best-practice service delivery.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For a confidential discussion, please contact Jason Hunwick at HORNER on 03 9604 2888 or email jason.hunwick@horner.com.au.



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Justice

Assistant Client Service Officer (ATSI Targeted)

- Location: Walgett & Dubbo
- Clerk General Scale
- Salary: \$29,127 to \$57,015. Pro-rata for part-time plus employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading
- Ongoing Part-time, 14 hours pw - Walgett
- Ongoing Full-time - Dubbo

The Assistant Client Service Officer provides a range of clerical and administrative services including, but not limited to, responding to client enquiries, providing assistance in the courtroom, data entry and records management.

When applying you will need to:

Answer the two targeted questions below - we are looking for you to demonstrate your competency in this focus capability:

- Please tell us about a time when you used a software application to accurately keep a record or an outcome of an event. What was the record and what steps did you take?
- Please tell us about a time where you have used your communication skills to work in differing teams or environments.

Attach a resume (maximum 5 pages) and a cover letter (maximum 2 pages) outlining how you meet the requirements and capabilities of this role as specified in the role description.

Applications Close:
Sunday, 13 November 2016 (11.59pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Holly Smith (02) 6855 7607 or email holly.smith@justice.nsw.gov.au



Applications must be lodged electronically. For more information and a copy of the role description please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00004ROL

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Director, Poche Centre for Indigenous Health

Ref 16211 The Director, Poche Centre for Indigenous Health will be responsible for the development and leadership of the Poche Centre multidisciplinary team as follows:

- To improve the preparation of health professionals to work effectively with Indigenous people and in Indigenous communities;
- To improve the availability of culturally appropriate health knowledge opportunities for Indigenous people;
- To achieve recognition of the Poche Centre, Flinders NT as the provider of choice of cultural awareness and safety training;
- To provide leadership in the development of a culturally safe environment within Flinders NT; and
- To increase the number of Indigenous health graduates.

The Director will also provide strong Indigenous academic leadership for the entire Flinders NT.

"In accordance with the University's Employment Strategy for Indigenous Australian's the filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) and s57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1995 (NT). The position is therefore only open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants."

- **Location:** Alice Springs
- **Available on a fixed-term, full-time basis, until 31 December 2018**
- **Salary:** Academic Level D \$132,812 to \$146,317 pa full-time
Academic Level E \$171,079 pa full-time

Lecturer Indigenous Knowledges and Culture Centre for Remote Health

Ref: 16220 The Lecturer Indigenous Knowledges and Culture is a new position to be located at the Centre for Remote Health in Alice Springs. The incumbent is required to possess cultural authority and deliver education relating to Central Australian Indigenous knowledges and cultural practices, and will contribute to the orientation of students to Indigenous cultures and contexts while on placement. The incumbent will facilitate academic and logistic support to Indigenous students of the Centre for Remote Health, and will assist the Centre with community consultation and engagement. This position is essential to building a health workforce for NT, Central and Northern Australia.

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- **Location:** Alice Springs
- **Available until 31 December 2018 in the first instance, on a fixed-term, full-time basis**
- **Salary:** Level B: \$90,045 to \$106,926 pa full-time

Academic Leader Engagement and Social Accountability

Ref: 16221 The Academic Leader, Engagement and Social Accountability will have a Territory-wide role to strategically lead the further development of the Flinders NT program of allied health and nursing placements in order to meet the Rural Health Multi-disciplinary Training (RHMT) program parameters, particularly in regards to multidisciplinary community-based clinical placements and inter-professional education.

With a key mandate for social accountability and community engagement, the incumbent will collaborate with local and national stakeholders to ensure that existing and new placement initiatives support and deliver a multidisciplinary workforce well-suited and prepared for rural and remote practice in the NT, Central and Northern Australia.

- **Location:** Darwin
- **Available until 31 December 2018 in the first instance on a fixed-term, full time basis**
- **Salary:** Level C:\$110,301 to \$127,182 pa full-time
Level D:\$132,812 to \$146,317 pa full-time

Information relevant to all positions

- **Flinders NT**
- **School of Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences**
- **Plus 17% employer superannuation**
- **Applications close: 11.00am, Monday 14 November 2016**

Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our **Jobs@Flinders website: <http://www.flinders.edu.au/employment>**.



Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service

CIVIL LAWYER

12 MONTHS FIXED POSITION

An exciting opportunity has come up for a lawyer to join the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service Co-operative Ltd's (VALS) civil law team.

VALS is seeking to employ a lawyer with at least 12 months post admission experience in the areas of civil law relevant to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members, including but not limited to: VOCAT; tenancy; discrimination, employment, police complaints, and coronial inquests.

The successful applicant will assist VALS' clients by providing them with high-quality legal advice and casework with a range of civil legal issues, and will also have the opportunity to contribute their knowledge and experience to VALS' broader strategic and policy based work.

This is a full-time position for approximately 12 months, ending in November 2017. The lawyer will be based in VALS' Preston office, and will report to the Principal Legal Officer of Civil Law.

Applications will close at 9am on 14 November 2016.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons are encouraged to apply.

A full position description along with further information about the application process and documentation required is available online at:

vals.org.au/get-involved/careers/ or

http://www.fcl.org.au/cb_pages/careers_and_getting_involved.php

INTEGRATED TEAM CARE COORDINATOR



- Full-time, fixed-term contract until 30 June 2018 with possible three year extension
- Flexible location: Wollongong, Queanbeyan or Moruya
- Generous salary packaging options

THE ORGANISATION

COORDINARE has been established to take up the challenge of delivering the Primary Health Network for South Eastern NSW. COORDINARE utilises a unique blend of private and public perspectives and innovative thinking which aims to transform the health of people in the region.

THE POSITION

Working within the Commissioning team, this new position will provide support and leadership to a commissioned Integrated Team Care (ITC) workforce and a range of health care providers in the South Eastern NSW region to achieve better access to services, improved coordination of care and provision of supplementary services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

THE APPLICANT

We are seeking a person with excellent communication skills, appropriate qualifications and care coordination experience to provide support and leadership to the Integrated Team Care workforce.

You will have a comprehensive understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, protocols, issues and affairs as well as expert knowledge of chronic disease management in a primary care setting.

TO APPLY

Visit www.coordinare.org.au for additional information and to download a copy of the position description or contact Andrew Coe on 1300 069 002 to discuss this opportunity further. Applications must include a cover letter and address the selection criteria and include a current CV. They should be sent to jobs@coordinare.org.au

We promote diversity and practice equity. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.



Australian Government
Aboriginal Hostels Limited

Head of Boarding

Wadeye, NT

Aboriginal Hostels Limited (AHL) has a unique opportunity for a full-time Head of Boarding to join their team within Kardu Darrikardu Numida Hostel in Wadeye, NT.

Kardu Darrikardu Numida Hostel is a purpose built, 40 bed secondary education boarding facility which provides a safe, comfortable and culturally appropriate environment for remote Indigenous students. Reporting directly to the Top End Regional Manager, the Head of Boarding provides high level leadership and day-to-day management of all boarding matters, providing management oversight for the facility, staff and resident students including budget and financial management, reporting and community engagement. The Head of Boarding leads a team of Residential Youth Workers in developing and implementing strategies to address boarders' cultural, social, pastoral and recreational needs, while ensuring access to academic opportunities.

Vacancy: Non-ongoing 18 months, Full-time

Salary: \$93,975 - \$97,030 per annum plus superannuation

How to Apply: For further information on the positions and how to apply - www.ahl.gov.au/?q=employment

Contact Officer: Tim Wolfgang (02) 6212 2007

Closing Date: 14 November 2016

This is an identified position.

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Project Officer Indigenous Advancement Strategy

Deaf Services Queensland is seeking a full time Indigenous Project Officer with fluency in AUSLAN to work with Indigenous Deaf and Hard of Hearing children, adolescents and their families in Cairns and other parts of Far North Queensland to increase the overall awareness of Deafness in the local and broader Indigenous communities.

This is a full time contract position until the 31st December 2017 with possibility of extension.

Interested applications should visit www.deafservicesqld.org.au to view the position description which includes selection criteria and to download an application form.

For further information please visit

www.deafservicesqld.org.au, email hr@deafsq.org.au or phone voice: 07 9892 8500 TTY: 07 3792 8501

It is a requirement of this position that the person be of Australian Indigenous heritage as it is permissible to screen applicants on the grounds of heritage under Section 105 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 (QLD).

Applications close 5pm, Thursday 10 November



TOOMELAH LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Toomelah Local Aboriginal Land Council (TLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of TLALC'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.

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 Andrew Riley from NSW Aboriginal Land Council, by email: andrew.riley@alc.org.au or on 0266591201.

Applications close:

Wednesday 23rd November 2016.

ABORIGINAL PEOPLE ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY



- **Interested in working with an organisation committed to social justice?**
- **Do you have a passion for policy analysis and advocacy?**
- **Do you have excellent research skills?**

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Policy Officer

(F/T, Temporary to 30 June 2017)

ACTCOSS is seeking a full-time, temporary Policy Officer to join our Policy Team until 30 June 2017. This position is ideal for someone with experience in and a passion for policy analysis and advocacy that will improve the lives of people living on low-incomes or experiencing disadvantage. The position involves a variety of duties associated with policy analysis and development, advocacy, communications and stakeholder engagement.

The successful applicant will be familiar with the relevant literature base, have the capacity to build and sustain relationships with key partners and other stakeholders, facilitate and attend meetings and committees, write reports and develop advocacy material. Policy Officers in ACTCOSS also contribute to the production of ACTCOSS strategic documents, funding reports and newsletter/media articles. Policy Officers liaise with community representatives and government officials as needed. Strong verbal and written communication skills are essential. Strong relationships in the Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander community and advocacy campaigning experience would be highly valued.

The successful candidate will work under the supervision of the Advocacy Manager and report periodically to the Director. ACTCOSS has above-award pay and conditions as part of the ACT community sector multiple enterprise agreement (MEA). This full-time position of 37.5 hours/week is classified under the SCHADS award at level 5, pay-point 1. The annual salary is \$59,641, plus superannuation.

Please phone (02) 6202 7200, email actcoss@actcoss.org.au or visit www.actcoss.org.au for more information, or a copy of the position description and selection criteria. All enquiries and applications for this position will be treated confidentially. A current driver's licence and the use of your own vehicle is required for this position. ACTCOSS is an equal opportunity employer, and we welcome applications from people with diverse backgrounds and life experiences.

Applications close

9am, Wednesday 9 November 2016



Careers in Child Protection Child and Youth Worker (Pool)

Department for Child Protection
Adelaide Metro (North, South and Central)
Ongoing (Permanent), Temporary/Term and
Casual Roles Available

Vav No: 2016-13473

**\$59,181 - \$63,368 p.a + Superannuation
+ Shift Penalties where applicable (OPS3)**

As a Child and Youth Worker, you will be accountable to the Supervisor / Senior Child and Youth Worker for developing the social and living skills of children and young people in residential care to facilitate their effective transition into the community and reunification or reconnection with their families.

People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are encouraged to apply.

For further information about the role and to submit your application please visit:
www.childprotection.sa.gov.au/working-with-us

There will be an information session held on Wednesday the 2nd November 2016, Room G11 at the Education Development Centre, 4 Milner Street, Hindmarsh, SA, 5007. Session times 2:30pm and 6:00pm.

Enquiries or to register your interest for the information session, contact: Human Resources, (08) 8226 2959, email DECDFamiliesSARecruitment@sa.gov.au

Applications close 11pm Sunday 13 November 2016

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Government of South Australia
Department for Child Protection

NSW Health
Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network

Aboriginal Chronic Care Program Manager (Aboriginal Identified Position)

Classification: Health Manager level 2

Location: Homebush

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$90,827 to \$107,728 pa

Enquiries: Sarah Wood, (02) 9700 2218

Email: sarah.wood@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

Reference Number: 352046

Closing Date: 6 November 2016

Aboriginal Health Worker – Primary Health Care (Aboriginal Identified)

Classification: Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Location: Justice Health & Forensic Mental Health Network, Silverwater Correctional Complex

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$49,121 to \$72,346 pa

Enquiries: Leo De Jesus, (02) 9700 2233

Email: cornelio.dejesus@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

Reference Number: 353012

Closing Date: 6 November 2016

These are dedicated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander positions. Applicants must be able to prove Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*. JH&FMHN deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginal status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions either during the interview process or prior to commencement of the position.

Community Integration Team Clinician (Kempsey) – PFT

Classification: Health Manager Level 1

Location: Kempsey

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$69,093 to \$92,943 pa

Enquiries: Jeanette Toole, 0408 163 583

Email: jeanette.toole@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

Reference Number: 354036

Closing Date: 7 November 2016

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Numbers above.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Aboriginal Community Support Workers

Location: Hunter, NSW

As an Aboriginal Community Support Worker you will deliver quality support to people with complex health needs to reach their personal goals.

Our ideal candidate:

- Identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander
- Passionate about empowering people
- Supports family and cultural community connections
- Positive written and verbal communication skills
- Proficient computer skills
- Current NSW drivers licence
- Enjoys a challenge

If you are interested in the position please follow the link below to complete the online application.

<http://applynow.net.au/jobs/N49554-aboriginal-community-support-worker>

**Applications close
COB
6th November 2016.**



Health
Sydney
Local Health District

Aboriginal Case Worker and Support Officer Harm Minimisation Program

F/T at Redfern Drug and Alcohol

Enquiries: Elizabeth Haines 0428 669 268

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

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**Closing Date:
18 November 2016**



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 354599

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Senior Advisor – Aboriginal Cultural Planning

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander designated positions

1 Full Time & 1 Part Time position

Metropolitan location (Preston, Ringwood, Dandenong or Werribee)

2 Year contract

Generous salary packaging available

The Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency is recognised within the state of Victoria as the lead agency in the provision of Aboriginal child and family welfare services.

As part of a new initiative funded by the Victorian State Government through the Department of Health and Human Services, you will be working in a critical role to support Aboriginal children and young people living in out-of-home care maintain and develop their connection to their Aboriginal cultural and community. Your work will include assisting care teams with the development, assessment, and review of cultural plans to ensure they meet the cultural needs of Aboriginal children and young people. You will build connections between care teams and Aboriginal communities, and recommend to senior management the endorsement of cultural plans

You will play a lead role with local child protection and mainstream agencies to increase the awareness of, and participation in Aboriginal cultural activities by Aboriginal children and young people.

The Senior Advisor – Aboriginal Cultural Planning is a senior practitioner responsible for supporting the development, endorsement, implementation, and review of cultural plans for vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people living in out-of-home care. Senior Advisors support the development of cultural plans by care teams, assessing and providing support where needed, and recommend cultural plans are endorsed by the Chief Executive Officer. This includes reviewing cultural plans and working with care teams to ensure they are of a suitable standard and address the cultural needs of vulnerable Aboriginal children and young people.

For information specific to the position please contact Mark Byrne on (03) 9287 8800

To apply for these positions, please go to www.vacca.recruitmentthub.com.au

Applications close: Sunday 13 November 2016

This is an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander designated positions, classified under Section 12 Special Measures of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. This employment opportunity is only available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.



**Northern Rivers Women's Domestic Violence
Court Advocacy Services**



Specialist Domestic Violence Position

Assistant Coordinator – Information & Referral/Court Advocacy – 26 hours per week

The Service has an exemption under s31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 to employ women in this role. The Service operates out of the Lismore office assisting women who have experienced domestic and family violence. This position is SCHADS Level 5. Ph: 6621 1000 for a job kit. An eligibility list and casual pool list will be developed from this process.

Closing date: Tuesday 15th November, 2016 at 4pm

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In partnership with Gidgee Healing, Normanton Recovery and Community Wellbeing Service provides a residential Drug, Alcohol and Gambling program for individuals and couples. In partnership with Gidgee Healing, Normanton Recovery and Community Wellbeing Service provides a residential Drug, Alcohol and Gambling program for individuals and couples. This program aims to provide a safe, drug-free environment to help establish a healthier lifestyle, focus on the problems that underlie addiction, provide a holistic treatment service that will help achieve physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual wellbeing via medical treatment, one-to-one and group and pastoral support, impart living skills to not only overcome addiction but to lead a more meaningful and fulfilling life.

We are inviting applications for the following positions; All positions are fixed term to 30 June 2018.

• **Program Manager** – 1 Full Time (38 hours/week). Accommodation can be negotiated.

• **Case Worker** – 1 Part Time (20 hours/week). Remote area allowance provided.

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Federation College – Mt Helen Campus

Full-time, continuing appointment.

The Aboriginal Education Centre (AEC) is Federation University's Centre responsible for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student recruitment, access and support, and engages with all stakeholders to promote the University as a key site for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tertiary training as well as being the visible Centre for University engagement with local, regional and national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and organisations.

You will ensure that the University and the AEC achieve their strategic goals in promoting access, recruitment and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. You will also take a leading role in the development and implementation of the University's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education strategy, policy development and implementation, overall supervision of programs and staff, management of relations with internal and external stakeholders as well as be responsible for statutory reporting to Government through liaison with the Executive Director, Federation College and Finance directorate.

As the successful applicant, you will have demonstrated knowledge of the needs and aspirations of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, particularly as they relate to education, as well as experience in developing strategies responding to these needs and aspirations. With a demonstrated ability to develop and implement strategies, operational plans, policies and procedures, your knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and cultures with the ability to communicate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will be a key requirement of this position.

Travel between campuses and throughout Victoria will be required.

SALARY | \$105,859 to \$110,141 p.a. plus 17% superannuation. Appointments will normally be at the base of the salary range.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE | Sunday, 13 November 2016.

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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- Aboriginal Bridge Carpenter Apprentice – Albion Park, Bega, Newcastle
- Aboriginal Plant Mechanic Apprentice – Narrandera
- Aboriginal Civil Construction Apprentice (Roads) – Bega, Bomaderry, Broken Hill, Narrabri, Orange, Russell Vale
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- Aboriginal Government Trainee – Parkes, Yennora

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- Earn while you learn in a supportive environment
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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of all ages and genders are encouraged to apply for this exciting opportunity! You can be a school-leaver, re-entering the workforce or a mature age worker simply wishing to change careers.

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Applications Close: Mid-November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Bethany Lee (02) 8574 3150.



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search position title and location from above.

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General Administrative Support Officer

- NSW Police Force
- Aboriginal Targeted Position
- New England Local Area Command, Armidale
- Clerk Grade 1/2 Permanent Full-Time
- I Work for NSW Requisition No.00004U05

Salary Package: \$72,164. **Salary:** \$60,154 – \$65,396. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides support within the New England Local Area Command, focusing on quality advice and high-level customer service to members of the public as well as other members of the NSW Police Force.

The General Administrative Support Officer also provides administrative, clerical and keyboard support at various NSW Police Force locations, including the workings of the Local Courts system.

Job Notes:

An information session for this position will be held at Armidale Police Station, 96-98 Faulkner Street, Armidale on Friday 11 November 2016 at 10.30am.

If you wish to attend the Information session, please email the Aboriginal Employment Programs Unit at hraboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

- **Applicants must satisfy the Aboriginality criteria.**
- **Applicants must** hold a current driver's licence with no traffic offences recorded on their driving history within the last six (6) months.
- This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines. The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.
- It is a requirement to obtain and maintain a security clearance as determined by the NSW Police Force at the level appropriate to the position held and/or information/data accessed. The successful applicant will also be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.
- For assistance in completing your application or for information regarding the National Police Check, Security Clearance or Information Sessions, **please contact the Aboriginal Employment Programs Unit on (02) 8835 6257 or (02) 8835 9093.**
- Applications can only be submitted electronically online via the *I Work for NSW* website (iworkfor.nsw.gov.au).

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Applications Close: Sunday 20 November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Sarina Emery – Local Area Manager on (02) 6771 0501.



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A Unique Opportunity; Koori Graduate, VCAT

Reference Number VT0005

A Unique Opportunity; Koori Graduate position

If you're an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander graduate and want to help shape the future of Victoria's courts and tribunals, then consider this unique 12 month program. You'll receive and/or develop:

- a work environment that is inclusive and supportive
- a solid understanding of courts and tribunals by undertaking three workplace rotations
- skills in project management, research, report writing, and team building
- relevant learning and development opportunities
- opportunities to build your networks through professional and social networking.

This position is sponsored by VCAT and is open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander graduates who have completed (or are currently completing their final year of) an undergraduate degree.

Applications close 13 November 2016

Please visit careers.vic.gov.au to apply and find out more.

For further enquiries please contact Melissa Harrison, Manager Koori Programs and Initiatives on (03) 9032 0844



The Central Land Council (CLC) is a Commonwealth Government Statutory authority established under the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976* operating over the southern half of the Northern Territory – an area of 776,549 square kilometres. With more than 250 employees, and at least half Aboriginal employees, the CLC is the peak Aboriginal body for Central Australia and a Native Title Representative Body under the *Native Title Act 1993*.

The CLC provides traditional owners with advice, advocacy and practical assistance to support their aspirations, have their rights as landowners recognised and in the sustainable use and management of their land. We strive to represent the interests of the traditional landowners and other Aboriginal people resident in our region on a wide range of land-based and socio-political issues.

Our Council seeks to improve the lives and futures of all Aboriginal constituents through sustainable development and change. Together with Legal, Anthropological, Land Management and Mining services we operate successful Community Development (CD) and Ranger Programs with ranger groups based in ten Aboriginal communities across the CLC region. The CLC is seeking applications for:

PROJECT OFFICER - MEDIA AND DIGITAL ARCHIVE - ME003 - ALICE SPRINGS

Classification: ASO 5 (\$67,058—\$71,107)

Plus Super, Salary Sacrifice and Remote Area Allowance

Full-time, 3 year fixed term contract

This Aboriginal identified position is responsible for managing and growing the CLC Digital Archive (clc.keepingculture.com/archive/index.php). The archive is the CLC's main tool for repatriating information materials to constituents that rightly belongs to them. The successful candidate will source, prioritise, digitise and upload images, audio visual recordings and documents created or held by the CLC and support its constituents to access them no matter how remotely they live. The candidate will be required to liaise with constituents in order to gather and fact check relevant information about these materials and ensure they are backed up and stored in the CLC's electronic records system. Training and mentoring will be provided to the successful applicant, who will have relevant post-secondary qualifications or be willing to obtain them.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: SUNDAY 06 NOVEMBER 2016

For a confidential conversation please contact the Human Resources Advisor, Leonie Jones on (08) 8951 6377.

To be considered for an interview all applicants must address the selection criteria and send to jobs@clc.org.au

ABORIGINAL PEOPLE ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

Employment Conditions

The CLC offers district allowance, flexible salary sacrifice packaging, five weeks annual leave and other entitlements included in the Enterprise Agreement. Relocation assistance may be available. For Job Descriptions and Selection Criteria, please visit www.clc.org.au.

Contact Human Resources

Email: jobs@clc.org.au

Phone: (08) 8951 6211

Fax: (08) 8958 2805

The CLC reserves the right to not make an appointment or vary the type of appointment.

Koolin Balit Coordinator

Limited Term Full Time
Closes 09.11.2016

Ref No: 19534

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Enquiries: Katrina Taufa on (02) 9219 5167

Closing Date:
Monday 5 December 2016



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and search Job Reference
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SERVICE DEVELOPMENT & PERFORMANCE MANAGER – ABORIGINAL HEALTH



- Full-time, fixed-term contract until 30 June 2018 with possible three year extension
- Flexible location: Wollongong, Queanbeyan or Moruya
- Generous salary packaging options

THE ORGANISATION

COORDINARE has been established to take up the challenge of delivering the Primary Health Network for South Eastern NSW. COORDINARE utilises a unique blend of private and public perspectives and innovative thinking which aims to transform the health of people in the region.

THE POSITION

This role will collaborate with Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services, other service providers and local communities to ensure best practice commissioning of primary health initiatives which achieve: improved health outcomes, reduced inequalities and better patient experiences for Aboriginal people who live in the South Eastern NSW region.

THE APPLICANT

We are seeking a person with excellent communication skills, strong negotiation abilities and the experience to lead the commissioning of primary Aboriginal health initiatives across the South Eastern NSW Primary Health Network catchment.

TO APPLY

Visit www.coordinare.org.au for additional information and to download a copy of the position description or contact Andrew Coe on 1300 069 002 to discuss this opportunity further. Applications must include a cover letter and address the selection criteria and include a current CV. They should be sent to jobs@coordinare.org.au

We promote diversity and practice equity, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.



**Office of
Environment
& Heritage**

Aboriginal Education Officer

- Sydney Region
- Location: Sydney Greater West – Mount Tomah
- Clerk Grade 5/6, Year 1
- Vacancy Ref: 00004RMO
- Casual – 35 hrs per week

Primary purpose of the role:

Develop and deliver education and community programs on botany, horticulture and environmental themes with a focus on supporting the interpretation of the Aboriginal heritage of Botanic Gardens & Centennial Parklands sites.

Total Remuneration Package: \$43.46 – \$47.96 per hour, plus applicable casual loadings and employer contributions to superannuation scheme.

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Applications Close: 31 October 2016 (11.59 pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Jody Orcher on (02) 9231 8128.



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Beaconhills College is a shining light in education. We are a proud co-educational, independent, open-entry Christian College with two campuses in the south-eastern region of Melbourne.

Our **Beacon Explorers** program is huge, encompassing all learning beyond the classroom from the early years to Year 12. It spans our outdoor education and global experiences as well as co-curricular activities such as snowsports, cadets, equestrian and the Human Powered Vehicle (HPV) program. The benefits it brings to our students are immeasurable – critical life skills such as leadership, resilience and learning to work collaboratively, to name a few.

Beaconhills is seeking to appoint innovative and inspiring outdoor education staff to the following positions in our **Beacon Explorers** program for 2017:

Deputy Head – Learning & Wellbeing (full-time)

Program Coordinators (2 x full-time)

Group Leaders (2 x full-time and 2 x part-time)

Outdoor Education Trainee (full-time)

Essential requirements

You must hold or be in the process of obtaining:

- A current wilderness/remote area first aid qualification, or equivalent or higher
- A Royal Life Saving Society Bronze Medallion (surf bronze preferred)
- A current full manual Light Rigid Driver's licence and Driver Accreditation
- A current employment Working With Children Check
- A current Police Certificate

To read position statements and find out more, go to
beaconhills.vic.edu.au/employment

Applications should be lodged electronically at
jobapplications@beaconhills.vic.edu.au and
close at 5pm on Monday 14 November 2016.

First round of interviews will be scheduled
for Saturday 26 November 2016.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are encouraged to apply. Beaconhills College is committed to Equal Employment Opportunity principles and is committed to the principles of merit-based selection, equity, diversity and procedural fairness in our recruitment process.



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Education

Communication and Engagement Officer

- Clerk Grade 7/8
- Full-time appointment
- Position number and location: 178678 – Sydney
- Total remuneration package: \$110,697. Package includes salary (\$90,215 – \$99,862), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Aboriginal Affairs works with Aboriginal communities to promote social, economic and cultural well-being through opportunity, choice, healing, responsibility and empowerment. We implement OCHRE, the NSW Government's community focused plan for Aboriginal affairs, establish partnerships for economic development, support effective Aboriginal governance and strengthen cultural identity and language.

About the role:

The Communication and Engagement Officer's primary role is to provide advice and support to the Manager Planning and Coordination in relation to communication strategies and activities to promote the work of Aboriginal Affairs with critical stakeholders. The position also supports the agency's Executive to communicate effectively with staff, external stakeholders and partners to advance the agency's reform agenda.

To be successful in this role you will identify as Aboriginal and have a qualification and demonstrated experience in communications, marketing or equivalent.

How to Apply:

If you are interested in this role please apply online and include a covering letter (maximum of 2 pages) and your resume (maximum 5 pages), which clearly details how your capabilities, knowledge and experience can contribute to the success of the Directorate. Please also include the name and contact details of two referees.

Note:

It is a requirement that **all candidates submit their applications online via iworkfor.nsw**. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Pre-screening questions:

1. What do you consider to be the most important components of a communication strategy for the agency (300 word max)?
2. If you were asked to lead a project to redesign the agency's webpage how would you go about it (300 word max)?

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Degree or equivalent qualifications in marketing and/or marketing communications (or equivalent knowledge and experience) with demonstrated practical experience in a marketing and/or communications role.

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Applications Close: Friday 25 November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Brenda Love on (02) 9561 8608.



Applications must be lodged electronically.
Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and
search Job Reference Number 192506.

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CAREERS AT CSU

Student Liaison Officers (Indigenous)

- 2 x Positions
- Wagga Wagga - Full Time, Continuing
- Goulburn – Full-time, Fixed Term (until December 2018)
- Level 6 - \$72,114 to \$78,079 p.a. (plus 17% Superannuation)

Staff in the Office for Students work collaboratively with Faculties and Divisions to enhance students' University experience. We recognise that successful transition into University depends upon an holistic approach involving academic and social integration. Through inclusive practices we build aspiration levels for Higher Education, enhance participation in chosen courses of study and enable people to make smooth transitions into University and into the workforce.

The Indigenous Student Centres facilitate Indigenous students' experiences of CSU. Practice excellence is the key to these Centres facilitating positive Indigenous student experiences that enhance students' capacity to succeed. The Centres engage with all Indigenous students, irrespective of their mode of study (i.e. distance, blended, on campus).

The Office for Students are seeking an Indigenous Australian to fill the positions of Student Liaison Officer on the Wagga Wagga and Goulburn campuses. Under the direction of the Manager, Indigenous Student Centres, you will be responsible for the implementation and evaluation of a range of services, provided in an inclusive and holistic approach, to enhance student experience.

Applications are sought from Indigenous Australians pursuant to Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

Applicants are expected to apply online and address the selection criteria listed in the position description.

Applications close: 13 November 2016



Koorie Engagement Support Officers (KESO)

There is one full time ongoing position available in the DET North Eastern Victoria Region (NEVR) – Outer East Area. This position plays a key role in working toward the achievement of education outcomes for Koorie children, young people, families and communities in partnership with the multi-disciplinary Area teams within the Region.

This role is an identified position and available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only. Confirmation of the indigenous status of candidates may be requested.

Contact Cory Pearce on 0429 152 528 or pearce.cory.k@edumail.vic.gov.au for a detailed role description and selection criteria. **Closing date for applications is Friday 9 November, 2016.**



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Education

Senior Education Officer – SEO 2 (ETS) English as an Additional Language Dialect Advisor

- Temporary full-time appointment three (3) years from entry on duty date
- Position number and location: 192511 – Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
- Total remuneration package: \$142,906. Package includes salary (\$128,918), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

About the role:

Providing high level support and advice across School Operations and Performance Division to improve literacy outcomes for Aboriginal students through the implementation of English as an Additional Language/Dialect (EAL/D) strategies.

Please address selection criteria in your application. **Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.** This is a child-related position. If you are not currently employed in a child-related position in the Department of Education, you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check. In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Note:

Under new provisions for permanent teachers taking up non-school based temporary appointments, the right of return to their substantive position has been extended to up to 3 years.

The maximum continuous period of time in **temporary Non School Based Teaching Service appointments at-level is for 3 years (cumulatively)**. Successful applicants currently employed in an SEO1 (ETS), SEO2 (ETS) or PEO (ETS), who still meet the definition of recent school based experience (where it is required in the advertisement) and apply for a position at the same level, will be offered the new at-level position for the remaining balance of their existing period(s) of appointment (being accumulative period in any at-level positions, inclusive of higher duties and/or temporary appointments to a maximum of 3 years).

Note:

Recent school based experience is either direct classroom teaching within the past three years or school executive experience within the past three years. Direct classroom teaching or school executive experience is full time service in a school based position in a departmental preschool, infants, primary, central/community, secondary, environmental education centre or special school for a continuous period of one (1) year. For more information please review Rules Oct 2015.

*Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.

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Applications Close: 16 November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Janice Dennis (02) 9244 5751.



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Aboriginal Liaison Officer

- Diverse and stimulating opportunity available
- Contemporary and supportive team environment
- Implement genuine change for youth within a secure service

The Aboriginal Liaison Officer is responsible for the development and delivery of high quality support, counselling and case management services for young people in a secure services facility, from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds.

The role requires you to have a strong appreciation of issues of cross cultural communication and Indigenous cultural traditions and experience in engaging with Indigenous young people from diverse backgrounds.

This is a truly rewarding position for someone passionate about working with youth in a supportive and culturally aware environment.

This is an opportunity to have hands on experience implementing change for Indigenous youth to limit reoffending behavior.

To be successful you must hold a current Working with Children Check, along with a current eligible Drivers Licence; as travel may be required from time to time.

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit: www.careers.vic.gov.au

Please contact Helen Archibald on (03) 9389 4246 for further information.

Job Reference number: **DHHS/SS/374814**

Applications close: **Thursday 10 November 2016**

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health and Human Services recruitment process.

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au

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Aboriginal Case Manager



- **Make a difference in your community**
- **Full time, ongoing position based in Bendigo**
- **Salary range \$67,892 - \$74,590 plus superannuation**

Aboriginal Case Managers are responsible for applying evidence based case management practices for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal offenders. Aboriginal Case Managers support offenders to successfully complete their court orders, while balancing risks to community safety and may also be required to provide advice to the Koori Court to assist in the sentencing process.

To be successful in this role you will have:

- a high level of knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Aboriginal Community
- a demonstrated understanding and practice of effective case management

Apply online at correctionsjobs.vic.gov.au by 21 November 2016

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Ananguku Arts and Cultural Aboriginal Corporation

An Aboriginal owned and governed visual arts organisation started by artists and Art Centre managers on the APY Lands in 1998, Ananguku (Ku) Arts delivers programs supporting artists' professional development, art worker training, Art Centre startup and business development, marketing, and advocacy for ethical dealing with Indigenous artists.

The organisation is governed by a board of directors comprised of Anangu representatives of the seven Art Centres on the APY Lands, one representative of Indigenous artists in regional South Australia, and two independent directors.

Chief Executive Officer

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) will work in accordance with the vision, goals and policies of the Ananguku Arts board as informed by the rules of the corporation and to support the aspirations of Ananguku Arts members. The CEO as the senior executive of the corporation has overall responsibility for leading and managing the corporation in a strategic leadership and advocacy role. The position is based in Adelaide, however frequent travel will be required, including to remote communities in South Australia.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are encouraged to apply.

How to apply

To obtain the selection documentation and application processes, please request a copy of the Applicant's Job Pack by email: ora@oric.gov.au. Should you require any further information regarding the position, please contact Colin Plowman on 0408 619 649.

Applications close: 20 November 2016

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Justice

Aboriginal Information Officer - Legal

- LawAccess NSW
- Temporary Part-Time or Full-Time position. Maternity leave cover up to 9 months with the possibility of extension.
- Location: Parramatta
- Clerk Grade 3/4
- Salary \$67,248 - \$73,635 pa plus employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading (pro rata for part time)

Role Description:

Aboriginal Information Officers - Legal provide the first point of contact for customers of LawAccess NSW, completing inquiries by providing legal information and/or referral to appropriate assistance services. The positions also provide cultural support for Aboriginal persons needing legal help.

The core business hours of LawAccess NSW are 9 am to 5 pm, Monday to Friday, with the possibility of expanded hours in the future.

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Applications Close: Wednesday 9 November 2016 (11.59pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Nicholas D'Cruz on (02) 8833 3160 or email Nicholas.DCruz@justice.nsw.gov.au



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00004TDZ

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Wingara Mura Leadership Program



Expressions of interest – Professional staff stream

Closing date: 16 November 2016

The University of Sydney has embraced an ambitious vision for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education and opportunity. Our Wingara Mura Leadership Program aims to develop careers by offering employment and attractive career support pathways, and offers opportunities across the University's many faculties and professional areas, designed to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander academics and professionals.

We are currently seeking candidates of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background to join us in the following roles:

Development Associate
Division of Alumni and Development
Reference no. 1739/1016

Administration Officer
Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)
Reference no. 1805/1016

HR Administration Officer
Human Resources
Reference no. 1773/1016

Information and Research Skills Officer
University Library
Reference no. 1778/1016

Research Data Officer
University Library
Reference no. 1779/1016

To further your professional career development, you will undertake part-time master's study relating to your area of employment.

Join us as we embark on a journey of change and opportunity at the University of Sydney.

For more information and to apply, search by the reference number at sydney.edu.au/recruitment



Education

Principal Education Officer – PEO (ETS) Coordinator, Secondary and Post Schooling

- Temporary full-time appointment: Approximately 14 months
- Position number and location: 192514 - Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
- Total remuneration package: \$158,562. Package includes salary (\$143,042), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

About the role:

Leading a team to plan, implement and evaluate policy and strategies to improve educational outcomes for secondary Aboriginal students, specifically focusing on retention and post schooling pathways.

Please address selection criteria in your application. **Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.** This is a child-related position. If you are not currently employed in a child-related position in the Department of Education, you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check. In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Note:

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The maximum continuous period of time in **temporary Non School Based Teaching Service appointments at-level is for 3 years (cumulatively)**. Successful applicants currently employed in an SEO1 (ETS), SEO2 (ETS) or PEO (ETS), who still meet the definition of recent school based experience (where it is required in the advertisement) and apply for a position at the same level, will be offered the new at-level position for the remaining balance of their existing period(s) of appointment (being accumulative period in any at-level positions, inclusive of higher duties and/or temporary appointments to a maximum of 3 years).

Note:

Recent school based experience is either direct classroom teaching within the past three years or school executive experience within the past three years. Direct classroom teaching or school executive experience is full-time service in a school based position in a departmental preschool, infants, primary, central/community, secondary, environmental education centre or special school for a continuous period of one (1) year. For more information please review Rules Oct 2015.

*Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.

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Applications Close: 16 November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Mary Senj (02) 9244 5866.



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 19514

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Justice

Juvenile Justice Caseworker (Aboriginal Identified)

- Temporary full-time, up to October 2017
- Location: Bateman's Bay and Queanbeyan
- Grade 6/7, Salary (\$85,098 - \$92,912), plus employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

Role Description:

Front line delivery functions of a community office, providing a quality range of externally and internally sourced services to youth justice conferencing clients, victims or crime, court mandated young people and their families, as part of a multi-disciplined team.

The *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012* requires persons engaged in children related work to have Working with Children clearances. If successful in this role you will be required to provide a Working with Children Check clearance number prior to commencing in the role. To obtain further information and to apply for a WWCC clearance please visit www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au

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**Applications Close:
Friday 11 November 2016**



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Government of South Australia
Department of Planning,
Transport and Infrastructure

Director, Safety Coordination (SAES1)

Department of Planning, Transport & Infrastructure (DPTI)

Vacancy number: 2016-15237

We are looking for a highly experienced senior leader who can deliver tangible results and embed a safety culture across all elements of our diverse and complex business.

The Director, Safety Coordination provides a single point of strategic oversight and a coordinated approach to all workplace safety elements. They strategically coordinate the establishment of joint policies and processes to safely manage all people and services employed across the department. This encompasses; departmental employees, visitors, public transport operations, construction zones, major and minor project delivery and road and rail network systems, including managing notifiable reports to DPTI's regulators.

The opportunity:

- Responsibility for the coordination and development of strategic policy and a collaborative approach in it's communication and implementation through engagement with all stakeholders.
- Leading significant business processes, systems analysis and improvements for the department.
- Playing a pivotal role in driving a safety cultural change across our people and processes.
- A member of the South Australian Executive Service (SAES) and part of a dynamic, innovative and leading organisation.

For enquiries, please contact Ms Gabby O'Neill, General Manager People and Performance on 0419 108 641, email gabby.o'neill@sa.gov.au

Applications to: Mr Gray Packham, Executive Contracts, Workforce Management, Level 3, 136 North Terrace (GPO Box 1533) Adelaide SA 5001, email gray.packham@sa.gov.au

For further information and how to apply please visit www.dpti.sa.gov.au/careers

The SA Government is an Equal Opportunity Employer and safety is a core value.

Closing date: 5.00pm 10 November 2016

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CEO, HUNTER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Hunter is the leading regional economy in Australia, with thriving communities and a biodiversity-rich natural environment. With 130,000 new residents and more than 60,000 new jobs to be created in the region by 2036, the Hunter is one of the great places to live and work.

With a strong commitment to delivery and implementing the region's vision, the Hunter Development Corporation (HDC) oversees and coordinates government activities in the region to facilitate economic growth and renewal in Australia's leading regional economy.

As Chief Executive, you will be responsible for overseeing this exciting opportunity and for providing leadership, governance, direction and strategic advice to ensure the regional economic growth, investment and renewal objectives in line with the Hunter Regional Plan 2036.

The ideal candidate will possess a strong understanding of regional economic development and infrastructure priorities, be an outstanding communicator, with proven ability to prioritise effectively and influence the agenda.

Key leadership attributes include strong collaboration and stakeholder engagement skills; capabilities in leading and successfully driving teams; ability to articulate complex issues and arguments; a real appreciation for the economic and infrastructure issues affecting the Region.

Note: This is an ongoing role recruited in accordance with the Government Sector Employment Act 2013.

Further information, including a candidate information package, can be obtained from Erin Giuliani on +61 2 9006 3431 or email CEOHDC@kornferry.com
The closing date for this role is Monday 14th November 2016



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Health
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Senior Project Officer, Aboriginal Health Promotion

As part of the Health Development Unit, Prevention and Population Health Branch this role is responsible for developing evidence-informed policy and program advice and interventions to promote health and prevent disease in Victoria.

The role is pivotal in implementing commitments under Koolin Balit, the Victorian Government's strategic directions for Aboriginal health over the next 10 years. This will entail working across the branch and the department, including in close collaboration with Aboriginal Health Branch, to deliver on prevention initiatives included in Koolin Balit with a strong focus on Aboriginal tobacco control.

Given the nature of this role, the position is governed by an exemption from VCAT (No. A30/2009) and only persons of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background are invited to apply.

Do you have

- Sound understanding of the issues facing the health of Aboriginal people?
- Strong understanding of health promotion?
- Excellent organisational and interpersonal skills?
- Project and Program management skills?

Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply as this position is exempt under the Special Measure Provision, Section 12 (1) of the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010* (Vic)

Job Reference No: **DHHS/CPSRHW/51180**

Applications Close: **Sunday, 13th November 2016**

To apply online and view the job description, visit www.careers.vic.gov.au and click on Vacancies.

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health and Human Services recruitment process.

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au

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BIRRIGAN GARGLE LALC CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The Birrigan Gargle Local Aboriginal Land Council (BGLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a career undertaking a role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the BGLALC'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.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer Joanne Bolt, by email: bglalc@internode.on.net or on (02) 6646-1664.

Applications can be forwarded to bglalc@internode.on.net or marked "Confidential" and posted to:
The Chairperson

Birrigan Gargle Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 62, Yamba, NSW, 2464

Applications close Wednesday 16th November 2016
Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.



Chairperson Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly

(Fixed Term Contract to 30 June 2018)

Murdi Paaki Regional Assembly (MPRA) seeks to appoint an Independent Chairperson to lead the Assembly. MPRA is the peak Aboriginal governance structure for the Murdi Paaki Region, which covers far western and north-western NSW. In this capacity it represents the interests of all Aboriginal people in the Region.

The Chairperson's position is full-time and comprises high level strategic governance and executive functions. This is a unique leadership opportunity for a proven professional with credentials which include:

- The ability to inspire the contribution and participation of MPRA members
- Demonstrated business acumen and commercial astuteness
- A comprehensive understanding of political systems in the jurisdictions in which MPRA operates
- A profile within and external to the region and the capacity to build a profile across sectors in which MPRA operates
- Detailed knowledge of Aboriginal affairs administration in the region
- Experience in negotiating successful outcomes with political leaders, senior bureaucrats and leaders in the private and NGO sector.

An attractive remuneration package commensurate with the role and responsibilities will be negotiated. The successful candidate will be based in a community of his or her choice within the Murdi Paaki Region.

For further information about the role – please contact Mr Bob Davis on (08) 8082 9888.

Applicants who wish to be considered for this role should first read the Candidate Briefing Documentation. Applicants will be assessed against the criteria in the documentation. This can be requested by contacting kay.macsween@maarima.com.au

To apply, please submit an application (including a current CV and referees) outlining your suitability for the role (no more than 4 pages) to Kay Macsween at kay.macsween@maarima.com.au

**Applications close 5.00pm:
Friday 18th November 2016**

Australian Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position under section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

A National Police History Check is essential for this position



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Over its 50-year history, AIATSIS has evolved into a national authority on Indigenous studies. It is a hub for collaborative, ethical collecting and research and develops Indigenous staff and researchers. AIATSIS Collections are one of the world's leading collections of printed, audio and visual materials on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, history and societies.

Head of Collections

Senior Executive Service Band 1 - Ongoing, Fulltime

The Head of Collections is responsible for the development, management, and preservation of the culturally significant collection held at AIATSIS. This includes best practice in the management and preservation of a large collection to meet a large number of international and national standards.

This position is also responsible for developing a strategic vision for the growth of the collection, and to ensure improved discoverability and accessibility of collection materials involving online solutions.

Director Research Indigenous Culture and Heritage (Special Measures)

Executive Level 2- Ongoing, Fulltime
\$106,861-\$119,411pa

Records Management Officer (Special Measures)

APS Level 3 – Ongoing, Fulltime
\$52,820 - \$57,355pa

Special Measures

This will be filled using the Special Measures provision, which allows for the targeted recruitment of Indigenous Australians into the Australian Public Service. The vacancy is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975.

Closing Date: 5pm Wednesday 16 November 2016

How to apply:

Applicants must address the selection criteria which include the ability to demonstrate knowledge and an understanding of both Indigenous cultures and the issues affecting Indigenous Australians today and an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Please consult the AIATSIS web site www.aiatsis.gov.au for more information including the position description and selection criteria and follow the steps for how to apply at <http://www.aiatsis.gov.au/about-us/work-us/how-apply>

These are identified positions

The Institute values a skilled and diverse workforce to meet the needs of the organisation in the promotion of knowledge and understanding of Australian Indigenous cultures, past and present. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



ABORIGINAL AOD SUPPORT WORKER RICK HAMMERSLEY CENTRE THERAPUTIC COMMUNITY (TC) Full time - 76 hours per fortnight – Job code: (ASWFTRHTC)

Cyrenian House is a leading not-for-profit non-government organisation that has been operating within the alcohol and other drug (AOD) treatment sector since 1981.

We have an opportunity for an Aboriginal AOD Support Worker to join our team at our Rick Hammersley Therapeutic Community based in Cullacabardee. If you are highly motivated, with relevant experience and qualifications within the alcohol and drug field, we would like to hear from you.

Excellent interpersonal skills and a desire to work in a vibrant team environment with consumers and their families is essential. You will draw upon your experience, knowledge and skills to support and improve the health and wellbeing of people experiencing problematic alcohol and other drug use.

Salary level 4 -5 \$57, 028 – 67,763. This position also comes with attractive employee benefits and salary packaging, excellent working conditions and professional training and development opportunities.

The successful candidates will:

- Have a Certificate III in Community Services and AOD and /or Experience in working with Indigenous people in an AOD

service (minimum).

- A knowledge and demonstrated understanding of alcohol and other drug issues and its impact on Aboriginal people.
- Well-developed communication and interpersonal skills both written and verbal.
- Have demonstrated ability to work in a multidisciplinary team.
- Take an active role in Continuous Quality Improvement.
- Have a current National Police Clearance.

For further information please refer to the employment tab on our website: www.cyrenianhouse.com. Applicants MUST address the selection criteria in their application.

Cyrenian House is committed to Reconciliation and Closing the Gap. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Cyrenian House is a smoke-free organisation. For further information please contact Peter Duncan - email pduncan@cyrenianhouse.com

Please email applications to:

nprowse@cyrenianhouse.com by 5pm, November 7th, 2016.



**Police
& Justice**



Special Constable (Security)

- NSW Police Force
- Two Aboriginal Targeted Positions
- Security Management Unit
- Counter Terrorism & Special Tactics
- Permanent Full-Time
- I Work For NSW Requisition No.00004FTO

Salary Package: \$63,200. **Salary:** Package includes salary (\$963.80 - \$999.30 per week), employer's contribution to superannuation, shift loading (\$65.80) and weekend loading (\$185.80).

Job Description:

Special Constables provide security services to assist in ensuring a safe and secure work environment for personnel, property and information at selected NSW Police Force and external agency establishments/buildings. The position is accountable to Senior Special Constables.

- Provide safety and security services to NSW Police Force and External Agency sites and facilities as directed.
- Respond to all breaches of safety and security including the monitoring of alarm systems and investigate when activated taking the appropriate action.
- Provide Customer Service and reception duties for various sites within the metropolitan area.
- Report any suspicious activity to the Shift Supervisor, Field Supervisor, Coordinator or local police.
- Perform security duties in accordance with the Standard Operating Procedures.
- Prepare and submit reports relating to disturbances and other incidents.
- Carry a firearm and associated appointments and undertake the necessary training.
- Assist with evacuation procedures in cases of an emergency.
- Perform other security services in support of police events and incidents across NSW.

Applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Satisfy the criteria of Aboriginality.
- Be of an acceptable health standard, capable of excessive periods of standing.
- Have a current First Aid Certificate (or equivalent).

For your application to be considered, you must:

- Scan, upload and submit all requested documentation with your application.
- Address each of the selection criteria by attaching a document addressing each of the selection criteria to your application.
- Provide three (3) references.
- It is a requirement to obtain and maintain a security clearance as determined by the NSW Police Force at the level appropriate to the position held and/or information/data accessed.
- Successful applicants will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.

For further assistance in completing your application or for information regarding the National Police Check or Security Clearance please contact the **Aboriginal Employment Programs Unit** on (02) 8835 6257 or (02) 8835 9093 or hraboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

Applications Close: Sunday 20 November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact SMURecruitment@police.nsw.gov.au



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Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search
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Principal Education Officer – PEO (ETS) Coordinator, Primary and Transition

- Temporary full-time appointment: Approximately 14 months
- Position number and location: 192509 – Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
- Total remuneration package: \$158,562. Package includes salary (\$143,042), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

About the role:

Leading a team to plan, implement and evaluate policy and strategies to improve educational outcomes for Aboriginal students P-6, specifically focusing on the transition from preschool to school and primary to high school.

Please address selection criteria in your application. **Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.** This is a child-related position. If you are not currently employed in a child-related position in the Department of Education, you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check. In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Note:

Under new provisions for permanent teachers taking up non-school based temporary appointments, the right of return to their substantive position has been extended to up to 3 years.

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Applications Close: 16 November 2016

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Mary Senj (02) 9244 5866.



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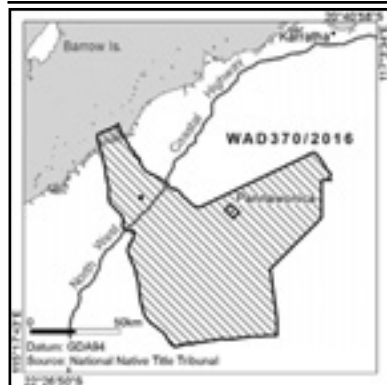
Notice of an application for determination of native title in the State of Western Australia

Notification day: 16 November 2016

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, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 **on or before 15 February 2017**. After **15 February 2017**, 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: Neil Finlay & Ors v State of Western Australia (Robe River Kurruma People)

Federal Court File No: WAD370/2016

Date filed: 15 August 2016

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *not accepted* this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The application area covers about 7781 sq km approx. 67 km south of Karratha in the vicinity of Pannawonica.

Relevant LGA: Shire of Ashburton, City of Karratha

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of the QYAC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC), Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate 7564, gives notice to all Members of QYAC that an Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held

Saturday 26 November 2016

Registration from 8:00 am for a 9:00 am start

Dunwich Public Hall

6 Ballow Road, Dunwich, North Stradbroke Island

Agenda - QYAC 2016 AGM

1. Welcome to Country and Blessing
2. Opening of AGM by QYAC Chairperson
3. Confirmation of Chair of Meeting
4. Apologies
5. Acceptance of proxy votes (*see below)
6. Acceptance of previous minutes and business arising
7. Reports of the Corporation for the financial year ending 30 June 2016
 - Chair and CEO Reports
 - Financial Audit Report
8. Questions and answers of the Directors and Auditor
9. Appointment and Remuneration of QYAC auditor for financial year ending 30 June 2017
10. Resignation of Directors
11. Election of Directors:
 - Lillian Lyons (Dungoo) - 3 years
 - Charlie Moreton (Dandruha) - 3 years
 - Tommy Nuggin (Gendarieba) - 3 years
 - Nellie/Lilly Kidgereee - 3 years
12. Closing remarks
13. Meeting Closed

A QYAC Information session will follow the AGM to discuss activities since the QYAC AGM reporting period and includes an update of Minjerribah Camping : 12:30 - 2:00 pm

RSVP - admin@qyac.net.au / 07 3415 2816



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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements



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Notification day: 9 November 2016



QI2016/023 Gkuthaarn and Kukatj People Commercial Fishers ILUA

State of Queensland

Description of the agreement area:

Agreement area covers about 16,700 sq km, located between the towns of Nomanton Burkettown and Karumba
Relevant LGA: Carpentaria Shire Council

The agreement contains the following statements:

The agreement includes no statements mentioned in subsection 24EB(1) or 24EBA(1) or (4).

Parties to the agreements and their contact addresses:

Marlene Logan, Francine George, James Logan, Phillip George, Richie Bee, Cathy Snow on their own behalf and on behalf of the Gkuthaarn and Kukatj People (QUD685/2012)
c/- p & e Law
211 Draper Street
Cairns QLD 4870

Richard Grant French, Michael John MacDonald, Donna Peebles, Justin Neil Hook, Gary David Ward, Claudine Elizabeth Ward, Shane Andrew Ward, Gregory Neil Richard Hook (Commercial Fishers)
c/- Gore & Associates
25A Kinmond Avenue
Wavell Heights QLD 4012

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 9 February 2017**. If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to this agreement before it can be registered.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about this application, call Claire Smith on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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DPI WATER

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An application for a new WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES** for two (2) new industrial bores located on the road reserve within Lot 404 DP 761186, Parish of Cowary, County or Werunda and the road reserve within Lot 406 DP 761188, Parish of Coolmara, County of Werunda (Ref: A008844).

Objections to the granting of the approval(s) must be registered in writing to DPI Water, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. Any queries please call (02) 6841 7469, Alice Buckley, Water Regulation Officer.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	16/540	TELLUS HOLDINGS LTD	832.36HA	75km NE'y of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 120° 5' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	30/253	CARNEGIE GOLD PTY LTD	266.57HA	47km W'y of Menzies	Lat: 29° 47' S Long: 120° 34' E	MENZIES 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: 2 November 2016

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 **2 February 2017**. 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. 2 March 2017**), 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.

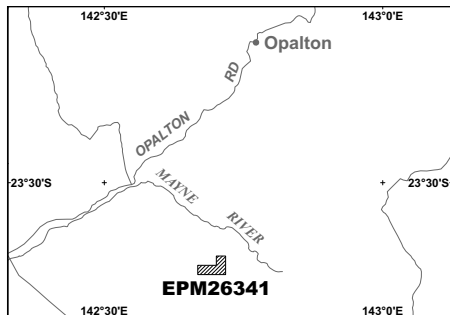
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS, MINING CLAIMS, AND A MINING LEASE AND PROPOSED RENEWAL OF A MINING LEASE

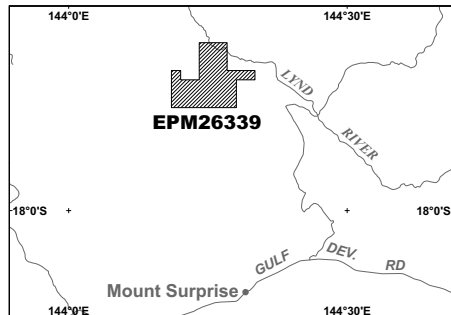
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 EPM 26341, 26339, 26343, 26344, 26350, 26352, 26357 and of the proposed grant of ML 100106, the proposed grant of MC 300111, 30114, 300132 and the proposed renewal of ML 60411 under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989 (Qld)*.

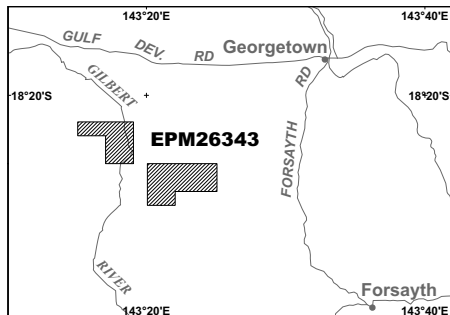
Exploration Permit 26341 sought by Erik B Madsen, over an area of 4 sub-blocks (13 km²), centred approximately 45 km South of Opalton, in the locality of the Winton Shire Council.



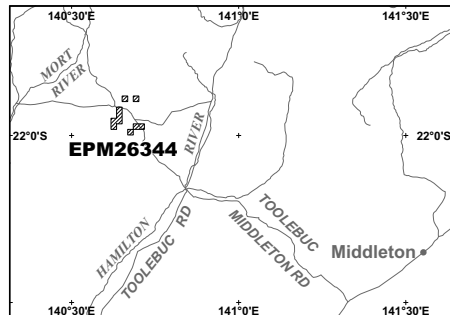
Exploration Permit 26339 sought by Lithium Australia NL, ACN 126 129 413, over an area of 37 sub-blocks (121 km²), centred approximately 42 km North of Mount Surprise, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



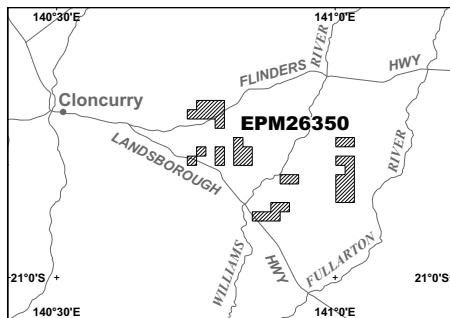
Exploration Permit 26343 sought by Ismins Pty Ltd, ACN 141 217 343, over an area of 20 sub-blocks (65 km²), centred approximately 25 km South West of Georgetown, in the locality of the Etheridge Shire Council.



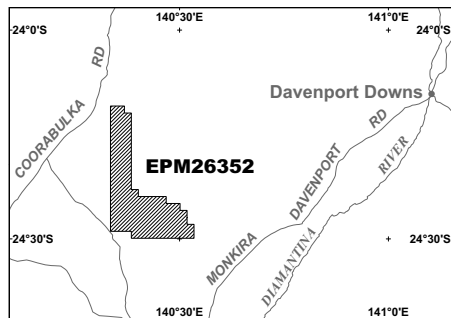
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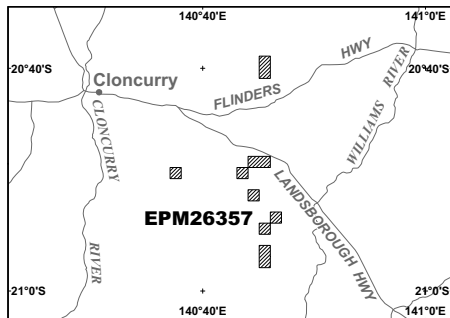
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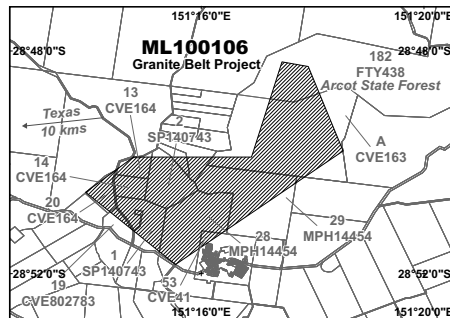
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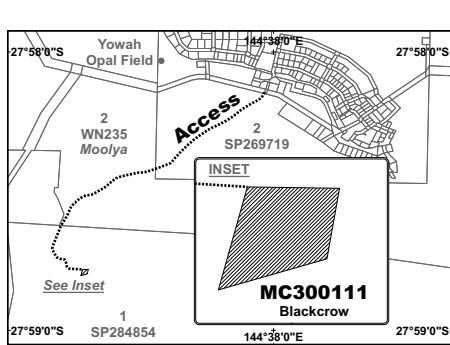
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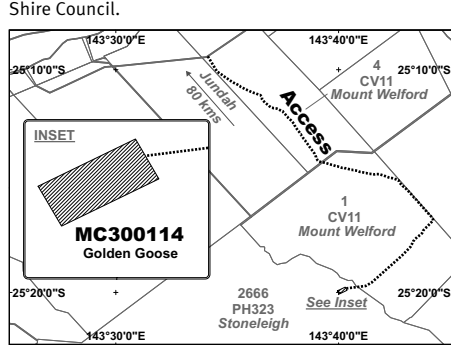
Mining Lease 100106 sought by MRV Metals Pty Ltd, ACN 610 100 402, over an area of 1904.000 ha, centred approximately 10 km East of Texas, in the locality of Goondiwindi Regional Council.



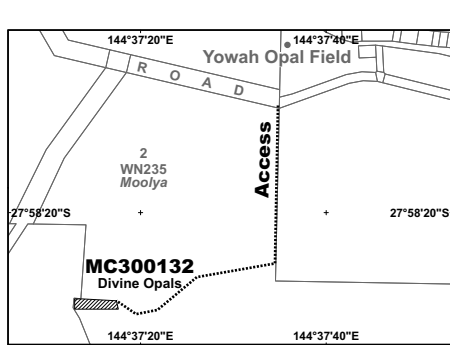
Mining Claim 300111 sought by Glen Bernard William O'Neil, over an area of 0.1225 ha centred approximately 1.5 km South of Yowah Opal Field, in the locality of Paroo Shire Council.



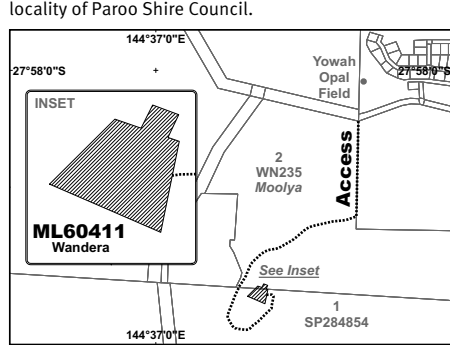
Mining Claim 300114 sought by Brendan Michael Edmund Collins (50%) and Timothy Bradley Collins (50%), over an area of 19.9600 ha centred approximately 80 km South East of Jundah, in the locality of Quilpie Shire Council.



Mining Claim 300132 sought by Craig Alexander Menzies, over an area of 0.3800 ha centred approximately 1.0 km South West of Yowah Opal Field, in the locality of Paroo Shire Council.



Mining Lease 60411 sought by Peter Robert McDonnell as executor estate Audrey Eicea Randall Helsham (DEC), over an area of 0.5526 ha, centred approximately 1.2 km South South West of Yowah Opal Field, in the locality of Paroo 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 also subject to the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 3, June 2014.

The grant or renewal of a 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 thirty (30) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding thirty (30) years.

The grant of a Mining Claim 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: Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

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 and exploration tenements. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Right to Negotiate: 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)*. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the 4 months after the notification day, there is no native title party in relation to the area of the tenements.

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) 3199 8082 or Email: nativetitleservices@dnrm.qld.gov.au

Notification Day: 23 November 2016

An application to amend an existing WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL (90CA811321) has been received from **BASALT FARMING PTY LTD** for two additional groundwater works for irrigation purposes on Lot 3 DP751089 Parish of Blue Nobby, County of Burnett. (A008841)

Any queries please call (02) 67631467, Ben Hutt, Water Regulation Officer.

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL (amendment) has been received from **ANTHONY CLARENCE CARRIGAN AND GEORGINA THERESE CARRIGAN** for 2 X 406 mm diameter bores, on Lot 1 DP 186590.(Ref A8849)

Any queries please call 02 67996626, Peter Cuell, Water Regulation Officer.

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **B R AND L R HALL** for One existing groundwater work for Irrigation purposes on Lot 123 DP754863 Parish of Turrawarra, County of Murchinson. (A008832)

Any queries please call (02) 67631467, Water Regulation Officer Ben Hutt.

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **MALCOLM STANLEY HENWOOD** for a bore (capacity 18-30ML/day) on Lot 21 DP 753006 Parish of Yaree, County of Franklin for irrigation purposes. (A008833)

Any queries please call (02) 6850 2808, Andrew Glasson, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS and USE APPROVAL has been received from **148 ENTERPRISES PTY LTD** for a bore on Lot 1 DP 997088, Parish of Ham Common, County of Cumberland for irrigation purposes. (A008822)

Any queries should be directed to
(02) 8838 7531, Wayne Conners,
Senior Water Regulation Officer.

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	08/2869	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	30BL	160km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 37' S Long: 115° 28' E	CARNARVON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2870	NORTH ROSSA PTY LTD	17BL	20km S'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 48' S Long: 115° 11' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2203	LITHOPHILE PTY LTD	21BL	147km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 24° 39' S Long: 116° 36' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2205	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	31BL	149km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 27° 12' S Long: 115° 39' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2206	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	60BL	159km NE'ly of Kalbarri	Lat: 26° 52' S Long: 115° 28' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2207	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	70BL	135km E'ly of Kalbarri	Lat: 27° 15' S Long: 115° 26' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2208	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	70BL	139km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 24° 48' S Long: 116° 33' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2209	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	60BL	143km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 49' S Long: 115° 37' E	CARNARVON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/907	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	12BL	59km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 3' S Long: 117° 27' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	26/194	KUNDANA GOLD PTY LTD	7BL	17km W'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 42' S Long: 121° 18' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	27/584	MINEX (AUST) PTY LTD	5BL	49km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 20' S Long: 121° 40' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/997	MGK RESOURCES PTY LTD	6BL	81km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 55' S Long: 120° 30' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/998	MGK RESOURCES PTY LTD	2BL	82km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 120° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/884	MKO MINES PTY LTD	4BL	61km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 25' S Long: 120° 58' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/885	MKO MINES PTY LTD	14BL	53km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 35' S Long: 121° 4' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/886	MKO MINES PTY LTD	1BL	46km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/887	MKO MINES PTY LTD	9BL	46km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 121° 4' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1281	PHIL-AUST HOLDINGS PTY LTD	4BL	13km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 46' S Long: 121° 18' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1282	PHIL-AUST HOLDINGS PTY LTD	9BL	16km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 45' S Long: 121° 22' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1283	DIAMOND EXPLORATION PTY LTD	9BL	57km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 121° 10' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3092	MONTEZUMA MINING COMPANY LTD	31BL	113km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 5' S Long: 124° 2' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3096	ALLOY RESOURCES LTD	63BL	77km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 51' S Long: 123° 39' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3179	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	75BL	204km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 124° 43' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3180	GSM MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	1BL	28km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 122° 27' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3181	GSM MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	2BL	31km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 122° 30' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3182	GSM MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	3BL	33km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 55' S Long: 122° 28' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1989	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	135BL	150km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 1' S Long: 124° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1990	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	198BL	165km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 47' S Long: 124° 17' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1991	APOLLO MINING PTY LTD	22BL	69km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 18' S Long: 121° 51' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4582	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	32BL	114km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 29' S Long: 121° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4751-I	DE GREY MINING LTD	38BL	60km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 50' S Long: 118° 43' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4806	GOLDEN MOUNT PTY LTD	34BL	32km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 13' S Long: 119° 26' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1128	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	11BL	88km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 8' S Long: 120° 55' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	47/3549-I	BROCKMAN EAST PTY LTD	1BL	26km NW'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 8' S Long: 119° 37' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1781	MONTEZUMA MINING COMPANY LTD	16BL	99km NW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 48' S Long: 118° 1' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1729	YANDAL METALS PTY LTD	1BL	55km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 4' S Long: 120° 57' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1742	YANDAL METALS PTY LTD	4BL	56km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 5' S Long: 120° 56' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	53/1759	YANDAL METALS PTY LTD	10BL	54km S'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 27° 3' S Long: 121° 0' E	WILUNA SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	58/499	CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD LEGENBRE, Bruce Robert PERRING, Robert John	70BL	79km SE'ly of Mount Magnet	Lat: 28° 28' S Long: 118° 31' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2125	CORPORATE & RESOURCE CONSULTANTS PTY LTD LEGENBRE, Bruce Robert T.E. JOHNSTON & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD	70BL	74km NE'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 54' S Long: 118° 19' E	MOUNT MAGNET SHIRE, SANDSTONE SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2195	CAPITAL MINING LIMITED	24BL	34km N'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 2' S Long: 116° 44' E	YALGOO SHIRE
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Exploration Licence	70/4901	BREAKER RESOURCES NL	36BL	14km S'ly of Goomalling	Lat: 31° 25' S Long: 116° 47' E	GOOMALLING SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5040-1	NORTHERN MINERALS LIMITED	100BL	152km SE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 51' S Long: 128° 56' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6070	LYONS, David Charles	54.14HA	13km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 121° 5' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	37/8759	AM-AUSTRALIAN MINERALS EXPLORATION PTY LTD	116.97HA	10km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 51' S Long: 121° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	38/4256	ROX RESOURCES LIMITED	74.55HA	136km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 26° 55' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4254-5 & 38/4257-8	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	643.07HA	92km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 35' S Long: 122° 4' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4259-63	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	899.71HA	90km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 37' S Long: 122° 5' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4264	ROX RESOURCES LIMITED	48.85HA	138km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 51' S Long: 122° 11' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5672	MCA NOMINEES PTY LTD	199.90HA	50km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 55' S Long: 122° 1' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5676	MCA NOMINEES PTY LTD	173.83HA	48km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 121° 59' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5680 & 39/5683-6	MCA NOMINEES PTY LTD	972.30HA	47km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 121° 59' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
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Prospecting Licence	40/1410	CUTHBERT, Aaron James	149.08HA	39km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 13' S Long: 121° 23' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1411	GRAY, Gavin John	120.12HA	56km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1412	GOUGH, Phillip David	0.53HA	37km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 13' S Long: 121° 23' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1413-S	CHITTLEBOROUGH, Graham John	4.25HA	45km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 16' S Long: 121° 26' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1414	ZHU, Yijun	103.32HA	42km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 14' S Long: 121° 27' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2993	DIVERSIFIED ASSET HOLDINGS PTY LTD	100.76HA	20km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 42' S Long: 118° 21' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	74/368	ASHBRIDGE HOLDINGS PTY LTD BUTLER, Raymond John Thomas	32.68HA	31km E'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 37' S Long: 120° 22' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	74/370	TRAKA RESOURCES LIMITED GALAXY LITHIUM AUSTRALIA LIMITED	19.60HA	6km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 31' S Long: 120° 2' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	74/371	GALAXY LITHIUM AUSTRALIA LIMITED	66.66HA	7km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 31' S Long: 120° 2' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	74/373	TRAKA RESOURCES LIMITED GALAXY LITHIUM AUSTRALIA LIMITED	94.12HA	6km N'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 31' S Long: 120° 4' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 2 November 2016

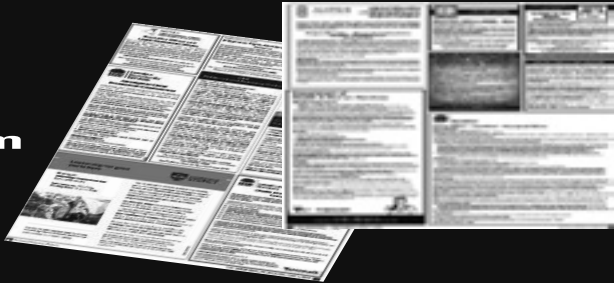
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Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 2 March 2017**), a native 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

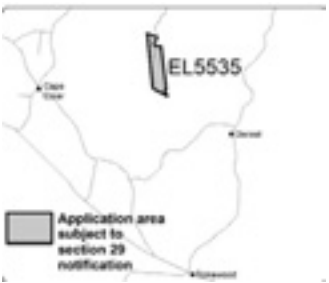
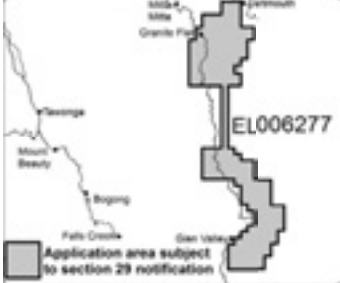
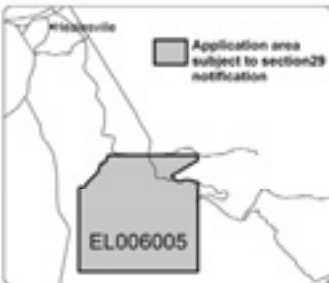
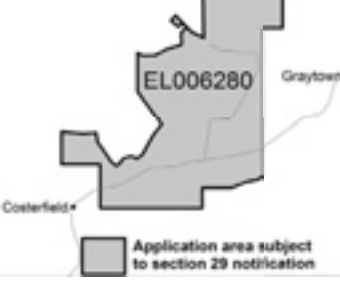
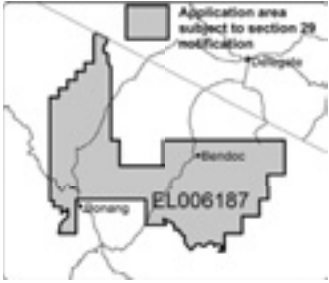
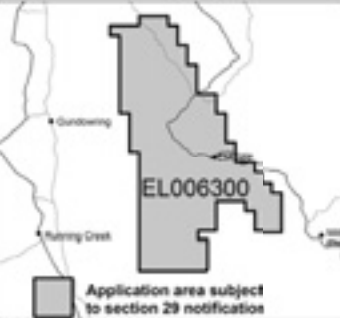
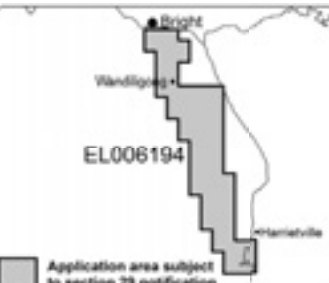
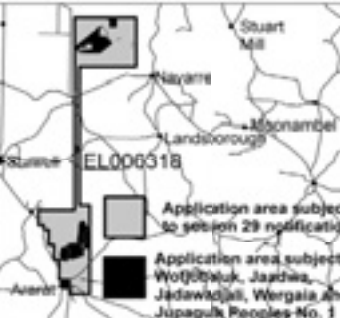
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Notice under Section 29(3) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*

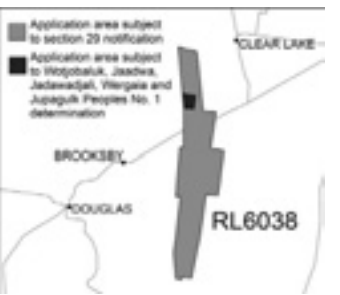
The State of Victoria, through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration licences under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY	TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL5535	NAME: Balmaine Gold Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 6km east of Cape Clear LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 76: D6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 9km2 MUNICIPALITY: Golden Plains Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 737750E 5815600N Z54 Centre 100k map 7622	EL006277	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 20km south of Mitta Mitta LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 50: H2-6, J2-8 Map 51: A3, A6-8 TERM: 5 years AREA: 220km2 MUNICIPALITY: Towong Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 541450E 5934900N Z55 Centre 100k map 8324, 8424
EL006005	NAME: Nugget and Stone Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 5km south of Healesville LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 80: A5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 40km2 MUNICIPALITY: Yarra Ranges Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 300700E 5926750N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824	EL006280	NAME: Mercator Gold Australia Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 6.5km west of Graytown LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 45: E7, F6-8, G6-7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 74km2 MUNICIPALITY: Shire of Strathbogie	 Centre MGA Co-ord 310300E 5922150N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824
EL006187	NAME: Goldcorp Pty Ltd, Peter Mitchell LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 8km south of Hayden's Bog LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 68: C3-4, D2-5, E2-5, F4-5, G4-5, H4-5 TERM: 5 years AREA: 284km2 MUNICIPALITY: East Gippsland Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 663600E 5884200N Z55 Centre 100k map 8623	EL006300	NAME: Dart Mining NL LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 11.5km east of Gundowring LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 36: D7-9, E7-9, F8-9, G9 Map 50: D2-3, E2-3, F2, G2 TERM: 5 years AREA: 245km2 MUNICIPALITY: Towong Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 519900E 5964250N Z55 Centre 100k map 8325, 8324
EL006194	NAME: Thomas Miroslav Krt and Louise Victoria Lindskog LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 13km south of Bright LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 49: H5-7 Map 50: B6-8, C8 TERM: 5 years AREA: 76km2 MUNICIPALITY: Alpine Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 501400E 5923300N Z55 Centre 100k map 8224, 8324	EL006318	NAME: Owen Coote and Glenn Connor LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 12.5km west of Stawell LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 41: H6-9 Map 42: B6-8, C6-8 Map 56: F4, G4-6, H2-6 TERM: 6 years AREA: 280km2 MUNICIPALITY: Northern Grampians Shire	 Centre MGA Co-ord 673400E 5899100N Z54 Centre 100k map 7423, 7424, 7524

Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration licence, which authorises the holder to explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to five years.

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following prospecting licences under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, GPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following prospecting licences under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY	TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN4644	NAME: Mandalay Resources Costerfield Operations Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 2km south of Costerfield LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 45: E7-8, F7-8 TERM: 10 years AREA: 1,219.30 ha MUNICIPALITY: City of Greater Bendigo	 Centre MGA Co-ord 304550E 5914600N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824	RL6038	NAME: Basin Minerals Holding Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 5km west of Brooksby LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 39: F8-9 Map 54: E2-3, F2-3 TERM: 5 years AREA: 2,919.80 hectares MUNICIPALITY: Rural City of Horsham	 Centre MGA Co-ord 304550E 5914600N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a mining licence, which authorises the holder to mine for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 20 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a retention licence, which authorises the holder to intensively explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 10 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

Notification Day: 2 November 2016

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* persons have until three months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the potential grant of the licences. The three month period closes on 2 February 2017. Enquiries about becoming a native title party may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, telephone 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further information about the potential grant of the licences, including identification maps, may be obtained from the Earth Resources Business Centre at Level 16, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000, telephone (03) 9658 4454.

For further information about native title and the right to negotiate process, contact Arwinder Gill, Native Title Coordinator, Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, telephone (03) 8392 6048.

Yarrabah sides on top



YARRABAH sides contested the final of this year's Gindaja Cup Allblacks carnival held in Cairns. In a hard-fought encounter, Guyana (1) downed Oombunghi Bulldogs 10-6 to take the prize. Twelve men's sides competed in the this year's carnival. In other results, Kummon Burri downed Vanuatu Brothers 22-14 in

the plate competition for the Bishop Arthur Malcolm shield, while Malu Kiwai topped Yarrabah 30-10 in the under 18s. There was also a women's exhibition game between Yarrabah and Cairns, and an under 15 game between Mareeba and Djarragun. Warrior of the carnival was Rhylee Herd (Kuranda Eels), while the most points scored went to Gresham Ross Jnr (Palm Island Barracudas).



Guyana players and supporters celebrate their Gindaja Cup victory.

Xavier Clarke in move to Tigers



RICHMOND AFL Club has finalised its coaching panel with the appointment of current NT Thunder senior coach and former St Kilda and Brisbane Lions utility Xavier Clarke as a development coach. Clarke, 33, has been coaching NEAFL club NT Thunder since the end of 2013. He won the NEAFL Coach of the Year in 2014, led the side to the premiership in 2015, and was named 2016 NT Sports Awards Coach of the Year. He began his AFL career at St Kilda after being a top draft pick in 2001, going on to play 105 senior games for the Saints from 2002-09,

before joining Brisbane in 2010. Ongoing injuries forced him into retirement at the end of the 2011 season, aged 28. Clarke has worked with the AFL Players' Association in Indigenous engagement, and with the AFL as the national Indigenous programs coordinator, managing Indigenous talent pathway programs such as Kickstart and Dreamtime at the 'G. He is also an AFL level three accredited coach and sits on the AFL Indigenous Advisory Group as well as the AFL Women's Football Advisory Group. AFL Northern Territory chief Michael Solomon wished Clarke well in his new role at the Tigers.

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
15/974	ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	494633	47.67HA	9km W'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 14' S Long: 121° 34' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/978	ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	494634	25.54HA	17km S'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 18' S Long: 121° 36' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1457	ST IVES GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	494632	57.36HA	16km SWly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 19' S Long: 121° 33' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
27/520	PIONEER RESOURCES LIMITED	482428	5.01HA	63km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 59' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY LEONORA SHIRE
36/867	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	493439	533.72HA	25km S'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 7' S Long: 120° 34' E	LEONORA SHIRE
37/1239	CROFT MINING PTY LTD	493813	99.24HA	64km NE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 30' S Long: 121° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2808	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	493361	5.51HA	62km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 46' S Long: 122° 18' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/2945	GOLDPHYRE RESOURCES LIMITED	493692	18.28HA	41km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 122° 29' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
38/3100	MAGNETIC RESOURCES NL	493329	43.93HA	14km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 44' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
51/1710	OXLEY RESOURCES LIMITED	494197	118.93HA	13km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 38' S Long: 118° 36' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
57/1029	SANDSTONE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	495252	39.49HA	7km E'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 56' S Long: 119° 16' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE

Nature of the act : Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.
Notification day: 2 November 2016
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 **2 February 2017**. 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. 2 March 2017**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.
For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Notice of a non-claimant application for determination of native title in the State of New South Wales

Notification day: 16 November 2016

This application is a 'non-claimant' application, an application made by persons to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the notice below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in this area may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 15 February 2017. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over this area **on or before 15 February 2017**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to this non-claimant application must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 16, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 on or before 15 February 2017**. After 15 February 2017, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Applicant's name: Deerubbin Local Aboriginal Land Council
Federal Court File No: NSD1472/2016
Non-native title interest: Freehold title in part of Certificate of Title Folio 2/734689.
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.
Description: The application area covers about 63700 sq m, located within Sydney.
Relevant LGA: Parramatta City Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Thurston keen to see NRL in new markets

JONATHAN Thurston believes Perth is ripe for National Rugby League (NRL) expansion. The NRL has been cultivating Western Australia for a number of seasons, drip feeding games to rugby league fans far away from its heartland in NSW and Queensland. Kangaroos star Thurston wants to see the NRL move on expansion. He is also keen to see the NRL open up new markets. “Personally, I would love to see a team playing out of Perth,” he said. “The NRL has brought club games to Perth over the last few years and you can see by the crowds at the ground they certainly love their rugby league.”

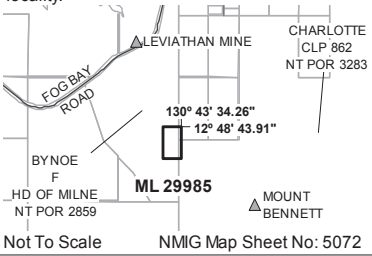
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF MINERAL LEASE

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

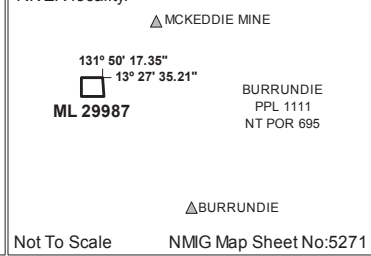
The Honourable Kenneth Edward Vowles MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry and Resources, C/- Department of Primary Industry and Resources, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an acts namely to grant the following mineral title applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Mineral Lease 29985 sought by OUTBACK METALS PROPRIETARY LIMITED, ACN 126 797 573 over an area of 40 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the BYNOE locality.



Mineral Lease 29987 sought by OUTBACK METALS PROPRIETARY LIMITED, ACN 126 797 573 over an area of 30 Ha depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the MCKINLAY RIVER locality.



Nature of act(s): The grant of a mineral lease under the *Mineral Titles Act* authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals including (but not limited to) the processing and the removal of minerals from the lease area and the treatment of tailings or other mining material the property of the Crown on the lease area, including any extractive minerals for or in connection with any of the purposes specified in the lease document for a term the Minister thinks fit and to seek renewals. The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral leases commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Mines and Energy, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne VIC 3001, or telephone (03) 9920 3000.

Notification Day: 2 November 2016

PUBLIC NOTICE

NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd ('QSNTS') invites the descendants of the following ancestors ('the Proposed Native Title Claim Group'):

- Billy Bloomfield
 - Ned Combo and Jane Sands
 - Sarah Forester
 - Clara [Foster]
 - Kitty Hibbett
 - Peter Hippi alt. Hippi Peters
 - Ellen Leonard
 - Clara Mason
- Susannah McCauley
 - Eliza McCrae
 - Albert Murray father of Dolly McPherson
 - Biddigae (Biddy) Murray [Hall]
 - Jack Murray and Mary Ann Combo parents of Sookie Murray
 - Mary Murray [Dancey]
- Mary Murray [Orchard]
 - Thomas Murray and Kitty Booth parents of Katie Murray [Butler] and Jenny Murray [Rose]
 - Biddy Martha mother of Harry Rose
 - John Jack Simpson
 - Ada Russell / Murdoch / Murray / Bloomfield
 - Fanny White
 - Jimmy Inch and Kitty

to attend a **Native Title Authorisation Meeting** at the time, date and venue below:

Date: Saturday, 10 December 2016
Time: 1:00pm registration for 1:30pm start
Venue: Dirranbandi Civic Centre, Kirby Street, Dirranbandi QLD 4486



As a result of a request received from those who attended a Yuwaalaraay information session at Dirranbandi on 24 July 2016, QSNTS is convening a Native Title Authorisation Meeting. The **Purpose of the Authorisation Meeting** is to authorise a native title determination application ('the Proposed Application') relating to the recognition of the Proposed Native Title Claim Group's native title rights and interests over lands and waters in South West Queensland (depicted in the map). The area is located north of the NSW/Queensland border, extending in the east from the Culgoa and Balonne Rivers west to the upper reaches of the Big Warambool River, and extending in the north to south of Birch Lagoon, and includes the towns of Dirranbandi and Hebel, and the Narran River. The preceding description and map are indicative only and the precise boundary of the claim will be provided at the Authorisation Meeting.

The Proposed Native Title Claim Group at the Authorisation Meeting will decide whether to **authorise**:

- The making of the Proposed Application;
- An Applicant to make the Proposed Application and deal with matters arising in relation to it under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth);
- The role of the Applicant and the extent of its authority;
- A boundary description for the Proposed Application;
- A description of the native title rights and interests to be claimed under the Proposed Application; and
- A title for the Proposed Application.

INFORMATION SESSION

To assist members of the Proposed Native Title Claim Group to prepare for the Authorisation Meeting and to make informed decisions at the Authorisation Meeting, an Information Session will be held immediately before the Authorisation Meeting, as follows:

Date: Saturday, 10 December 2016
Time: Doors open 9:00am for 10:00am start
Venue: Dirranbandi Civic Centre, Kirby Street, Dirranbandi QLD 4486

All members of the Proposed Native Title Claim Group are invited to contact the QSNTS Client Relations Unit on free call 1800 663 693 to register their intention to be present at the Information Session and/or Authorisation Meeting. QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with transport or accommodation to or from the Information Session or Authorisation Meeting. However, lunch and refreshments will be provided to participants on the day.



Rossy Williams presents the shield to Devils Marbles captain Gavin Butterworth.

Devils Marbles take shield at Tennant Creek



DEVILS Marbles have taken out this year's Rossy Williams Shield. The event involved eight cricket teams – including for the first time an all-female XI – from the Tennant Creek region of the Northern Territory.

Devils Marbles downed the Dexter Barnes side in the final of the round-robin seven-over competition.

Highlights included a running catch in the outfield from William Thompson, five sixes from Michael Torrens, and four sixes in the same game from Travis Bahr-Kelly, Andrew Baker and Matty Blankespoor.

In the Stuart Storms versus Bobs game, Lucas Fry hit a boundary off the last ball to seal victory for the Storms.

Winners. Most fours, Jeff Blow; most sixes, Michael Torrens; most runs, Darrell Lowe; most wickets, Travis Bahr-Kelly; most catches, Jay Singh; classic catch, Andy Meyers; best junior, Brodie Reid; best female, Taneal Croydon; spirit of cricket, All Girls team; Wayne Green Medal for best in grand final, Marcus Maher.

Organisers thanked the Anyinginyi Health Aboriginal Corporation for backing the event and Barkly Regional Council for its support.



Kobie Duncan trains with Brad Hardman.

Title on line



KAMILAROI/YUIN man Kobie Duncan fights this Saturday night (November 5) for the lightweight NSW Amateur Boxing League title.

The 19-year-old faces Milan Yasev at the Cabramatta Leagues Club.

Duncan, who lives in Sydney, previously held the NSW ABL featherweight 57kg title.

He is trained by Bundjalung man Brad Hardman out of the All Sorts Gym at Alexandria, Sydney.



Ryan Hector, from Timber Creek Dingoes, bats barefoot. Marcus Rosas is keeping for the Kalano Crocs.

Great action in Dingo Cup



ELEVEN teams took to the Timber Creek Oval in the Victoria Daly Region of the Northern Territory for the 2016 Dingo Cup cricket competition held

recently. Four teams (Timber Creek Dingoes, Timber Creek Bush Turkeys, Katherine One Set Bats and the Kalano Crocs) contested the main cup, with top cricket on show.

In the all-local final, top-placed Dingoes were sent in to bat by the Turkeys. John Garling (35 off 19) and Kenny Maxwell (18 off nine) smashed boundaries to help reach 5/95 for the Dingoes, as Mark Schmidt (2/19 off two) and Jake Schremmer (1/5 off one) bowled well for the Turkeys.

But power hitting from Travis Motlap (34 off 14, retired) and

Newton Hobbs (30 off 14 retired) ensured a comfortable win for the Turkeys, as they finished on 0/99 off 7.2 overs with 16 balls remaining.

The Bulla Bushies, Bulla Crocs, Timber Creek Tigers and Timber Creek Desert Eagles participated in the MILO T20 Blast School Cup, also known as the 'Pup Cup', before the senior carnival, with the Tigers pipping the Bushies 106-103.

Teachers and students joined in the fun Dingo Shield competition, won for the second year by the Timber Creek Puppies. The competition has a focus on female and junior participants.

Organisers from Northern Territory Cricket said boys and girls enjoyed playing their own cricket matches alongside the Timber Creek Oval field as senior matches were played.



The Kalano Crocs v Timber Creek Dingoes game produced big hits.

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Notification day: 9 November 2016



National Native Title Tribunal



Q12016/045 Port Curtis Coral Coast People and Local Government ILUA
State of Queensland

Description of the agreement area:

The application area covers about 18358 sq km, approx. 40 km south of Rockhampton extending south until approx. 18km north of Childers.

Relevant LGA: North Burnett Regional Council, Bundaberg Regional Council, Gladstone Regional Council

The agreement contains the following statements:

38.2 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.

Low Native Title Impact Activities

44.1 The Parties consent to any Activity which has a Low Native Title Impact (they are described in Schedule 7).

44.2 There are no conditions on the consent to an Activity which has a Low Native Title Impact.

High Native Title Impact Activities

44.3 Where the conditions in sub-clause 44.4 are satisfied, the Parties consent to any Activity which has a High Native Title Impact (they are described in Schedule 8).

44.4 The Local Government proposing the Activity must satisfy one of the following:-

(a) The Local Government:

i) gives a Notice to the Native Title Party or the Native Title Party's Representative in accordance with paragraph 46.1(a); and ii) complete Consultation in accordance with paragraph 46.1(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 61), the Local Government:

i) gives a list of capital works involving the Activity under paragraph 61.6(e); and ii) consensus is reached under paragraph 61.6(f) about the Activity being carried out.

Consent to Particular Act

45.1 Gladstone Regional Council and the Native Title Party have consented to a number of Future Acts which are the subject of the following Native Title Acquisition Agreements

("agreement") which record the benefits provided to the Port Curtis Coral Coast People under the Native Title Acquisition Agreement are made in full and final satisfaction of any Compensation and for the benefit of all Native Title Holders:

(a) agreement dated 25 March 2013 with regard to Lot 41 SP206868 (Agnes Waters water treatment plant);

(b) agreement dated 11 July 2014 with regard to Lot 8 SP273519 (Calliope kindergarten); and Lots 206-214 on CP U7251 (Ubobo residential).

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Bundaberg Regional Council, Gladstone Regional Council and North Burnett Regional Council	c/- Gilkerson Legal GPO Box 3333 Brisbane QLD 4000
Kerry Blackman, Dean Sarra, Lurleen Blackman, Richard Johnson, Nat Minniecon, Matthew Cooke and Neville Johnson on behalf of the Port Curtis Coral Coast People	c/- Queensland South Native Title Services PO Box 10832, Adelaide Street Brisbane QLD 4000
Gidarjil Cultural Heritage Corporation	

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Queensland South Native Title Services Ltd, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, BRISBANE, QLD, 4000 by 9 February 2017.**

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 Dianne Drake on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

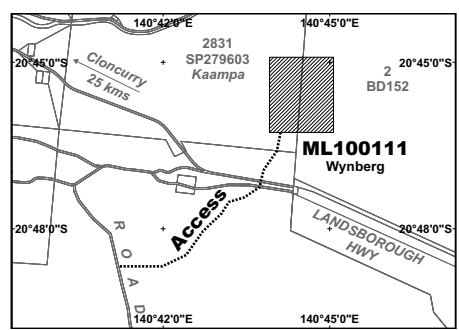
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF A MINING LEASE

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 100111 sought by Exco Resources (QLD) Pty Ltd, ACN 103 214 740, over an area of 499.7000 ha, centred approximately 25 km South East of Cloncurry, in the locality of Cloncurry Shire Council.



Nature of Act(s): The grant of the 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 extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease Application may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Mineral Hub, Level 9, Verde Tower, 445 Flinders Street, Townsville, Queensland 4810, Telephone: (07) 4447 9230, or email MineralHub@dnrm.qld.gov.au

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of the Mining Lease. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

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Notification Day: 23 November 2016



Argun Warriors too good in Mackay



The Argun Warriors celebrate their victory.

By ALF WILSON



BADU Island side Argun Warriors downed Mackay Stallions 32-20 in the grand final of the inaugural Mackay Indigenous Rugby League Carnival. Held at the Mackay junior grounds, 10 men's,

four women's and four under 17 sides competed.

The Stallions line-up included Cronulla Sharks NRL grand final player Ben Barba, while the Warriors also fielded NRL player Travis Waddell, who starred in the decider.

Warriors coach Terry Abednego said his best players in the final were George Kepa, Maipale Morseu, Yamba

Bowie, Aiona Nona and Bernard Mosby.

Down 12-0 at the break, the Warriors came back in a strong display.

In the women's final, CBM Memorial, a team named in honour of Charlie Bickey and Curtis Bobongie, beat the Ladies Stallions.

And the Sapphires downed the

Stallions in the under 17 decider.

Carnival organiser Neil Seden said Barba had played with the Stallions 10 years ago at Allblacks carnivals.

"Ben scored some entertaining tries over the weekend and we had big crowds," he said.

"It was good to have teams from as far away as the Torres Strait and Weipa taking part."

Magun take TSI cup

By ALF WILSON



YAM (Iama) Island's Magun Warriors downed Trawq Balas (2) 18-14 to win this year's Zenadth Kes Cup rugby league carnival.

Played on Thursday Island, the carnival attracted eight men's and four women's teams.

The other men's sides were Mulga from Badu, Roxin Eagles, Iama United, Trawq Balas (1), Buccaneers and Wagadagam Storm (Mabuiag).

Player of the carnival and men's best back was Yosepha Kepa (Magun Warriors), men's best forward was Joel Marama (Roxin Eagles), rookie of the carnival went to Emmerson Charlie (Trawq Balas 1), and men's highest point scorer was Billo Mosby (Mulga).

In the women's grand final, Badu United defeated Matriarchs 30-8.

Women's player of the carnival was Elsia Mosby (Badu United). Mosby and Matriarchs' Lotoya Billy were selected in the Women's Indigenous Allstars team to play the NRL Allstars team at Newcastle.

Women's rookie of the carnival was Mena Newman, highest point-scorer was Latifah Benjiman (Trawq Sisters), women's best back was Natasha Fujii while best forward was Sarah Sailor (Badu United).



Winning Zenadth Kes Cup side Magun Warriors after the final. Picture: Aaron Smith, Torres News

QRL game development officer Sean Durant said it was the first time in 17 years that Yam Island had won the carnival.

"Highlights were many, with the crowd support of all the teams

creating a wonderful atmosphere at the ground," he said.

"The free-flowing physical brand of football played was great."

The Magun Warriors' victory

was celebrated by many, including Queensland State of Origin and Australian Test forward Sam Thaiday, who has family on Iama.

Thaiday has told the *Koori Mail*

that when his NRL career is over he would love to line up with Magun Warriors at either the Zenadth Kes or the other major Torres Strait league carnival, the Island of Origin.

Inglis a Bunny for another three years



GREG Inglis will remain a Rabbitoh until at least the end of the 2020 National Rugby League (NRL) season, with the South Sydney captain signing a three-year contract extension.

Also currently the captain of the Indigenous All Stars and Australian Prime

Minister's XIII sides, Inglis is a veteran of 241 NRL games, with 124 of those for the Rabbitohs.

South Sydney coach Michael Maguire says that Inglis' long-term commitment to the Rabbitohs is a win for the club as well as the NRL.

"Greg is not only a phenomenal footballer, as his playing record shows, but

he is also becoming one of the great leaders in our game and in society," Maguire said. "It's great news for the team, the club and the whole South Sydney community to know that Greg will be part of us at least until the end of 2020."

Inglis said his decision was based on a combination of factors. "This is a wonderful club, a great team to play with and I'm really

happy to know what my family's future holds for the next four years," he said.

"This club has a history of success and I'm confident that as a group we are going to be able to add to that success in the coming years.

"The club is also highly connected to its communities and that's something I want to be a part of for a long time to come."

Some hard lessons

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

In my previous column I looked at how different NRL clubs would judge their seasons based on their individual expectations of success.

Rugby league can be a ruthless sport where individuals and clubs can be brought back to ground with a thud.

The South Sydney Rabbitohs have certainly experienced that over the past couple of seasons and the Broncos too would have been disappointed with their finish to the year given their high hopes after making the grand final last year.

It was hard to predict how 2016 would pan out for the Rabbitohs.

The inclusion of Sam Burgess following a season away was certainly a massive coup, with the loss of Issac Luke, Dylan Walker, Chris McQueen and Glenn Stewart somewhat offset by the return of the 2014 Clive Churchill Medallist and some astute signings in Damien Cook and Hymel Hunt.

There was certainly cause for optimism early following big victories in the opening two rounds, but Michael Maguire's men were unable to maintain their start as an unsettled line-up led to inconsistent efforts and their first season without finals football since Maguire joined the club in 2012.

All is not lost, though, with four consecutive wins to round out the year suggesting there are better days ahead in 2017.

The Rabbitohs have also made some significant changes to their coaching structure and



Cody Walker was one of South Sydney's best players in 2016.

have boosted their playing list.

Injuries undoubtedly played their part in the Rabbitohs' underwhelming season, with key personnel missing for extended periods.

Luke Keary's final campaign in cardinal and myrtle ended prematurely with a hamstring complaint, while halves partner Adam Reynolds broke his jaw in round one and made just 16 appearances as he juggled the added workload of State of Origin for the first time.

Opportunity

These injuries, however, opened the door of opportunity for Cody Walker who grabbed the No 6 and made it his own in winning the Rookie of the Year title.

Biding his time in reserve grade, Walker finally made his NRL debut in round one aged 26, and, in a true showing of perseverance, went on to play 20 games and was one of his side's best.

Starting the season in the halves before switching to fullback and finally returning to

the No 6 jersey, Walker scored eight tries, provided 12 try assists, and made 15 line breaks, 80 tackle breaks, 2022 run metres and 1635 kick metres.

He also finished third in the NRL for one-on-one steals and was rewarded for his efforts with a new deal to remain at Souths through to the end of 2018.

I also saw glimpses of Greg Inglis at his best towards the end of the season and if he can refresh after the Four Nations campaign I expect him to lead the side with a new level of determination next year.

He is a winner.

If GI regains his best form, also look to Alex Johnson to return to the form that won him an Australian jersey.

The Broncos will also have a steely determination to improve on 2016 despite being eliminated by the Cowboys in what was possibly the match of the season.

After falling just short of grand final glory in 2015, this year was always going to be about going one better for the Broncos.

The odds-on favourites to start the year, Brisbane appeared to



Tyrone Peachey is a pure footballer and a valuable asset for the Penrith Panthers.

be the team to beat after 10 rounds – sitting pretty at the top of the table.

But injury and suspension created an outside back shortage at Red Hill, and when this was accompanied by a brutal State of Origin period, the Broncos began to tumble down the ladder.

Halves Ben Hunt and Anthony Milford struggled to stand up and take control in this middle part of the season, and the loss of hooker Andrew McCullough to two separate injuries only placed more pressure on the two.

A late run into the finals gave the side some confidence, but it was a premiership charge left too late as Brisbane missed the top four and inevitably exited the competition.

Plenty of positives

But the Broncos have plenty of positives to take out of the year, and their fans have now seen a glimpse of the future with the club having six NRL debutants on show this year.

In my opinion, despite their strong start to the year, the Broncos have not found a

replacement for Justin Hodges. Hodgo was a rare package of skill and toughness, and his leadership and determination were sorely missed.

This is not a reflection on James Roberts who is a class player in his own right, but it is fair to say that Roberts has taken his time to fit into the Broncos structure of play.

If Roberts returns with a positive attitude he may well prove to be the difference to the Broncos' hopes for next season.

One thing is for certain, and that is Sam Thaiday will continue to lead by example.

I thought Sam had an outstanding year and he seems to be enjoying his football as he nears the end of a great career.

Former Broncos Coach Anthony Griffin can certainly look back with satisfaction on his first year at the Panthers.

Agonisingly close

The Panthers' year of transition was a season of success as a young Penrith outfit went agonisingly close to a preliminary finals berth and a shot at a Telstra Premiership grand final appearance.

Griffin gave the playing roster a significant shake up and the Panthers played an exciting brand of football which caught the attention of the Pepper Stadium faithful and rugby league fans alike.

With 16 of their 26 games in 2016 decided by eight points or less, Panthers fans were often left on the edge of their seats.

Things could have ended differently if they were able to convert some of those tight losses to victories and ensure a top-four finish, but the work done this season looks set to hold the side in good stead in the years to come.

This Panthers outfit loved to chance their arm and they were a great team to watch.

The emergence of Nathan Cleary was a revelation as he showed composure beyond his 18 years.

But the player to me who capture the spirit and essence of how the Panthers play is Tyrone Peachey.

I love watching this kid in action because no matter what position he plays he is a pure footballer.

He brings the fans to their feet with his unpredictability and his pure desire to win.

The Panthers are a team to watch.

Bring on 2017!

Hamling heads west

By PETER ARGENT



IN what is an aggressive new trading era of AFL football, Fremantle has acquired 2016

Western Bulldogs premiership defender Joel Hamling.

The 23-year-old key backman, originally from Cable Beach in Broome, has signed a three-year contract with the Dockers.

Fremantle management said they had been monitoring Aboriginal man Hamling since he played for Western Australia in the AFL Under 18 Championships in 2011.

"Joel's really grown physically over the past couple of years and we think there is more growth in him as a player," Dockers' Brad Lloyd said.

"He is a promising key defender who we believe will come in and be a long-term player for Fremantle."

Hamling was recruited from WAFL club Claremont by Geelong in the 2011 National Draft, before moving to the Western Bulldogs as a delisted free-agent in 2014.

He made his AFL debut against GWS in round nine last year and went on to win the Bulldogs' Best First Year Player award after playing 11 games that season.

Recalled to the side in round 19 this year, Hamling was instrumental in restricting West Coast's Josh Kennedy to two goals in the elimination final,

before keeping Swans superstar Lance Franklin to a single major in the grand final in just his 23rd AFL appearance.

Hamling joins fellow Indigenous talent Bradley Hill, also 23, who has returned home to play with Fremantle.

A Hawthorn triple premiership player, Bradley Hill is set to join his brother Stephen at Fremantle on a three-year contract.

Hill was traded by Hawthorn in exchange for the second round compensation pick (23), which Fremantle received following free agent Chris Mayne's move to Collingwood.

Trade picks

With the last official trade, St Kilda has secured midfielder journeyman Koby Stevens in a deal that involved trade picks with the Western Bulldogs.

From TAC club side Gippsland Power, Stevens was selected by West Coast Eagles at pick No 23 in the 2009 draft and played 11 games over three seasons before moving to Western Bulldogs at the end of 2012.

While an abdominal injury kept him to 12 AFL appearances this year, Stevens played 63 games during his time at the Bulldogs.

"Bringing the 25-year-old Stevens to the club will help bolster our midfield depth," St Kilda's Ameet Bains said.

"We are thrilled to bring in someone of Koby's calibre who will really deepen our midfield stocks."

Unrestricted free agent Daniel

Wells, another WA export, was secured by the Collingwood, with North Melbourne awarded a round two compensation selection (currently pick 33) after losing him.

Having played 243 games for the Roos since being collected at number two overall in the 2002 draft, the 31-year-old Wells has agreed to a three-year deal at the Magpies.

"I enjoyed a wonderful time as a North Melbourne player and now I get the opportunity to play for Collingwood, a club I have always admired," Wells, a dual best and fairest at the Kangaroos, said.

"I have to thank my two football families; North for the opportunity to play and the care they showed to me over the years, and Collingwood for the chance to take my career into a new and exciting phase."

Early in the trade period, GWS exchanged untried midfielder Paul Ahern to North Melbourne for its round four selection (currently pick 69). Ahern, who has had a dreadful run with injury, was the number seven pick in the 2014 National Draft.

And in a deal that also included Caleb Marchbank, GWS Giants exchanged 20-year-old South Fremantle export Jarrod Pickett and its 2017 round two selection to Carlton for its round three selection (currently pick 45), another selection (currently pick 58) and its on-traded 2017 future round one selection (from the Geelong Cats).



Fremantle-bound Joel Hamling shows his premiership medal after the Western Bulldogs' victory this year. He's with his partner Lilly.

Third-time lucky for Willie?

By PETER ARGENT



FOR Former Tiwi Island, St Mary's and now Glenelg footballer Willie Rioli, his third trip to an AFL Draft Combine state screening may well prove to be the lucky one.

He was among several Aboriginal footballers tested in Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth as part of the Combine – a gathering of prospective talent, where selected potential draftees show their athletic prowess and relevant Australian rules football skills.

Rioli, a cousin to Richmond's Daniel and Hawthorn's Cyril Rioli, has been at the Bays in the SANFL competition for the past two seasons.

"Willie has made a conscious effort to give himself every chance to be picked up this year," Glenelg football manager Paul Sandercock said.

"Being selected in the state side and performing well against the VFL was another positive. He certainly has the agility, pace and ball use to be effective at the next level."

Rioli, who first came to the Adelaide state screening in 2013, ran a strong 2.98 second 20m sprint at the Adelaide screening. He also ran a respectable 25.24 second repeat sprint time and his shuttle-run beep test times were solid.

Another Indigenous Combine participant, Tye Bedford, an SA Under 18 player who hails from Halls Creek in the Kimberley, also performed well.

And AFL national talent football

Tye Bedford goes through his paces at the AFL Draft Combine screening.



manager Michael Ablett also praised Indigenous man Liam Ryan, saying he was the standout in the Perth screening. Having just turned 20 and regarded as a bolter, Ryan is from the Rovers Football Club in the Great Northern Football League. He kicked 45 goals from 16 appearances in his first season of WAFL.

Other solid Indigenous performers in WA were Tyson Pickett and Keanu Shandley.

From the Victorian combine, Kayle

Kirby has been nominated as a Category B rookie with Richmond, if he isn't collected in the senior or rookie draft.

Kirby is a powerful footballer, with the same style as 2004 Norm Smith Medallist Byron Pickett.

Others tested in Melbourne included Alice Springs lad Jamie Hampton, who is the brother of Crows list player Curtly, the NT Thunder's Rohan Armstrong, and North Ballarat Rebels player Jermaine Jones.



Willie Rioli

Getting it right for Indigenous females

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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In an earlier column, I wrote about the potential opportunities the new AFL competition for women would provide for Indigenous girls and women.

I still believe this to be the case, but the competition itself should just be the start

It has always been my belief that we need to work on providing more opportunities across all areas of the game for our people.

While in one sense we are 'over'-representing on the playing fields at the AFL level, we need to promote opportunities in coaching and development, sales and marketing, administration and at the board level.

Dare I say it, we should also see a pathway that would enable us to one day have an Indigenous person as head of the AFL.

And I deliberately say person because why shouldn't there be a woman chief executive leading the game?

I know the AFL has many programs in place to assist with Indigenous education, health and employment, but why not use the women's competition as a new opportunity to address these issues.

It's been a long time coming, and we have the opportunity to take a new approach.

In developing the new league we should ensure women from all backgrounds are given the opportunity to work in key areas of coaching and development as well as key management areas.

This goes beyond the current



Courtney Ugle lines up a kick. She will figure in the new women's football league.

dispute around pay and other conditions. Most coaches in the new competition are male, and this itself is an indication that women have not been provided sufficient pathways in this area.

It would be great to see women appointed as assistants and mentored so this lack of representation was addressed.

The same should apply across all areas of the game until we get to the point where a leadership role in the women's league is seen as a stepping stone into coaching or administration in the men's competition for both men and women.

Having Indigenous women in these positions would have an immense impact on our communities and our youth.

Given the already established power of sport as an engagement tool, we would have a whole new generation of female role models having new pathways in the game.

There is also the need to address these issues in communities themselves in

grassroots game development programs as well as education and employment initiatives.

To gain an understanding of the potential involved, all you need to know is that in 2015 there were 330 youth girls' teams across Australia with total female participation at 318,880, which represents 25% of all Australian football participants.

Expertise

Narelle Long is a familiar figure when it comes to Indigenous AFL. She's worked alongside the Flying Boomerangs in the past and has given her expertise and guidance to the women's Woomeras team.

"One of the challenges we have as a Woomeras team is the girls only come together, you know, a day-and-a-half before we actually play in the competition, so one of the challenges we want them to do is create a sisterhood," she says.

"It's a great opportunity and they just keep arising for these young women."

Courtney Ugle, who will figure in the inaugural AFL women's competition next year with Fremantle, was assistant coach for the Woomeras during the tournament.

"It's great now that the fact is we can say, 'Yes, I want to play AFL footy,'" she says.

"You know, a few years ago you'd be laughed at if you said that. I think it's a great opportunity and they just keep arising for these young women."

But perhaps young Torres Strait Islander player Tanne Faud captures the impact that the growth of the women's game can have.

"AFL has been a really huge part of my life getting away from trouble," she says. "To be honest, I reckon I'd be out on the streets, doing nothing and just causing trouble. Yeah it was amazing to get selected into the Woomeras and represent my cultures and my family back at home."

Let's get it right. Until next time... Keep dreaming!

11 fewer free TV games on cards



THERE will almost certainly be 11 fewer AFL games broadcast on free-to-air television in 2017.

Last week, AFL chief executive Gillon McLachlan conceded Channel 10 appears unlikely to take up an option to return to the sport it broadcast for 10 years between 2002 and 2011.

As part of the \$2.5 billion, six-year television broadcast deal the AFL agreed with Channel Seven and Foxtel last year, the pay-TV provider was given the option to onsell an 11-game package, with those matches in the late Saturday afternoon time slot, to a free-to-air network.

That network was thought to be Channel 10, but McLachlan said that now appears unlikely.

"That's my understanding. I don't have a documented basis for saying it, but it looks like Channel 10 won't be taking up that option next year," McLachlan said.

"So that would be 11 games less on free-to-air than 2016.

"There was an option there for a free-to-air broadcaster and we thought it was more likely than not (to happen) – it hasn't turned out to be (the case)."

Channel 10 recently posted a \$156.8 million annual loss, but will have the same 11-game option available in 2018.

McLachlan denied free-to-air viewers were slowly being denied access to more games with the signing of each new broadcast deal.

"In 2018 we might have 11 (free-to-air) games more than in 2016," he said.

"This is a one-year arrangement; I'm not guaranteeing it, but the provision is in place.

"The broadcasting landscape is moving very quickly ... I don't think you should take a lead for 2018 from what's happening in 2017."

Veteran Bomber Dempsey goes



ESSENDON has delisted Indigenous veteran Courtenay

Dempsey. He was among three players released by the Bombers last week.

An Essendon life member, Dempsey has a career game tally of 133 from 11 seasons.

"Courtenay has made a significant contribution to the club both on and off the field at Essendon," football manager Rob Kerr said.

"He played with flair and courage, was a role model to his young teammates and has worked hard to make a difference in the Indigenous community."

To gain an understanding of the potential involved, all you need to know is that in 2015 there were 330 youth girls' teams across Australia with total female participation at 318,880, which represents 25% of all Australian rules football participants.



Matt Hodgson: "I wouldn't stick around if I didn't feel the same way now as I did back in 2006."

Another year for Hodgson

By CHRIS PIKE



WESTERN Force's Matt Hodgson has re-signed for another Super Rugby season as he attempts to get the Perth-based club to the finals for the first time.

Hodgson, an Aboriginal man, is one of just two foundation players left at the Force (along with Pek Cowan). He has played his entire 11-year Super Rugby career in Perth.

He has been an outstanding and consistent flanker in that time and on top of his 131 Super Rugby caps has represented Australia 11 times.

The 35-year-old has won the Nathan Sharpe Medal as the Force's player of the year a record three times and has been captain since 2012 when David Pocock departed.

His 2016 season ended prematurely with a shoulder injury and he spent time pondering his future, but decided he wanted to give it "one last push" with the Force for 2017.

Hodgson's goal is to help the Force to the finals in Super Rugby and he is happy with the direction the club is heading under new coach David Wessels following the departure of Michael Foley.

"It's always a big decision at this time in your career and there were some offers there, but I shut them out pretty early and didn't want to follow

through because my goal was to stay here," Hodgson said.

"I started here in 2006 so while I still think I'm contributing to the side I want to be part of it and I still think Super Rugby is the hardest comp in the world. I want to be part of that.

"I have played all round the world and this is the best supporting group we have. I know it's been difficult, but I urge them to stick strong with us because I feel good things are coming with the squad of players we have.

"I wouldn't stick around if I didn't feel the same way now as I did back in 2006."

No longer captain

One change for Hodgson in 2017 will be that he is no longer captain. But he will still be a leader in the group and says he is looking to help out in more of a coaching role that will become a full-time job in 2018.

"I took a lot of time to think about what I was going to do, but when I became captain here I got thrown in the deep end and had to learn from my mistakes," Hodgson said.

"So I thought as I transition into more of a coaching role that I wouldn't be able to give being captain my all.

"I'm not going to change the way I lead or what I do around the club, it's just going to give someone an opportunity to step up into the role and they can bounce ideas off me and I'll give them all my support."

Thousands at



Competition is fierce in the Melbourne Warriors versus Bendigo netball game.



Isaiah Johnson, from the Mallee Tigers, is on the attack against the Wimmera Eagles.



The Woomeranetball team, from Echuca, won the Division 2 netball title. All pictures by Mark Morgan

major Victorian carnival



The exhibition game between the Australian Defence Force and Tiwi Bombers youth teams delivered lots of action.



A Bunurong player takes a clearing kick.



Players fly high during the Bendigo versus Gippsland Bunjil football clash.

Top sport on show



TEAMS from Gippsland and Ballarat took out the top honours at the 2016 Murrumbidgee Statewide Koori Football Netball Carnival held in Bendigo, central Victoria.

After two days of strong competition, the Gippsland Eagles took the Division 1 football grand final, defeating Fitzroy Stars 13.3 81 to 8.3 51.

And in Division 1 netball, the Ballarat-based Gina's Dream Team downed Rumbalara from Shepparton 28-14.

In Division 2 football, Ballarat Wanderers 9.9 63 proved too strong for Bendigo 4.4 28, in a game where Western Bulldogs 2016 AFL premiership player Jake Stringer acted as water boy for the host side.

In Division 2 netball, scores were tied at full time, with the Echuca Woomearas topping the Mallee Tigers 22-21 after extra time.

And in Division 3 netball, in an emotional match between two Ballarat teams both playing in honour of lost loved ones, Gina's Dream Team won 24-21 against Team Beyond Blue.

About 70 teams attended the carnival, with attracted thousands of supporters and spectators.

Organisers said there was plenty of fun on the sidelines, including Specky Dreaming clinics, face painting, Indigenous hip hop and the Australian Defence Force (ADF) Band.

There were also women's football exhibition matches between the ADF and a team of Tiwi Islands youths girls in the



Tearna Johnson, Taylor Walsh, Melissa Walsh, Sharlene Johnson, Kasey Johnson and Olivia Walsh catch up between games.

area for an ADF Indigenous mentorship program.

The carnival was hosted by the Bendigo and District Aboriginal Co-operative (BDAC), along with the Dja Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation, under the theme Murrumbidgee, meaning 'Living Good Health'.

Those attending included AFL Victoria diversity talent manager Chris Johnson, rising netball star Beryl Friday, Olympian Nova Peris, Aboriginal Victoria executive director Jason Mifsud and community leader Richard Frankland.

BDAC chair Barry Fary said the carnival held a special place in the

hearts of Indigenous people.

"There is much to celebrate in the long list of successful Aboriginal athletes, particularly in football and netball," he said.

"But our achievements as a community are certainly not limited to sport and this weekend was about far more than sporting achievements and aspirations.

"It brought together people who might not otherwise have a chance to build relationships, exchange ideas and bond over shared beliefs, experiences and goals.

"Sport and physical activity have always been a vitally

important part of our culture and events like this remind us about the benefits of staying active and looking after our physical and mental health."

Individual winners

Div 1 netball. Player of the carnival: Eleanor Costello (Gina's Dream Team). Leading goal scorer: Jesse Barnes-Hill (Rumbalara).

Div 2 netball. Player of the carnival: Sandra Bell (Lake Condah Wanderers). Leading goal scorer: Claire O'Connor (Mallee Tigers).

Div 3 netball. Player of the carnival: Kurriki Ellis (Melbourne

Warriors). Leading goal scorer: Naomi Murphy (Sistagurls).

Div 1 football. Players of the carnival: Jesse Firebrace (Young Guns), Jarrah Maksymow (Millewah Suns), Kane Atkinson (Warma Turtles). Leading goal kicker: Jason Wells (Gippsland Eagles). Best player in grand final: Basil Sibosado (Gippsland Eagles).

Div 2 football. Players of the carnival: Jacob Greenwood (Bendigo), Leon Johnson (Mallee Tigers), Aaron Davey (Bunurong). Leading goal kicker: Aiden Kickett (Ballarat Wanderers). Best player in grand final: Brett Goodes (Ballarat Wanderers).

Aboriginal players on club lists

11 are set to make their mark

By PETER ARGENT



ELEVEN Aboriginal players have made the inaugural lists for the new AFL women's

competition, expected to start early in February.

They will play in four of the eight clubs (Adelaide, Brisbane Lions, Carlton, Collingwood, Fremantle, Greater Western Sydney, Melbourne and Western Bulldogs) competing in the league.

Fremantle have the most, with six listed. Kira Phillips, Taylah Angel, Cassie Davidson, Tiah Haines and Demi Okely have been drafted, while 30-year-old Kirby Bentley was a priority pick.

As part of its connection with the Northern Territory, the Adelaide Crows have secured two players. Taylah Thorn comes from St Mary's, while Jasmine Anderson is a rookie with a strong family football connection.

Brisbane's Indigenous players are Shaleise Law and Ally Anderson, while the Carlton Blues have secured dual code sportswoman Natalie Plane.

Dockers coach Michelle Cowan said her club was looking to recruit the best football talent and best athletes who had great character and who "ticked all the boxes".

"It is more of a coincidence that we have the largest Aboriginal contingent," she said.

"Taylah (Angel) is an inside ball-winning midfielder, Demi (Okely) is a wing/defender type who is a competitive beast and who can run all day, while Cassie (Davidson) is 19 and has natural pace – I'd expect her to play a mid-forward role.

"We see Kira Phillips as a marking target up forward, as when she is on fire she is unbeatable. She is electric and creative; there is a bit of Eddie Betts and Cyril Rioli about her, with her ability around goals."



Fremantle's Kira Phillips flies high playing for Western Australia.



Adelaide Crows Indigenous women players Jasmine Anderson, left, and Taylah Thorn.



Kirby Bentley

Top sport Bentley on track for first game

It's no surprise Kirby Bentley is a natural athlete – sport is in her blood.

Now 30, she has the opportunity to be a part of inaugural Women's AFL competition after recovering from a knee operation. She injured her other knee playing elite netball back in 2008.

Bentley, who hails from Mount Barker in Western Australia, had an extensive netball career, including All Australian under-age honours, along with stints playing with the Perth Orioles, Canberra Darters (Australian Institute of Sport), Hunter

Jaegers and the West Coast Fever.

"Now both knees are shot," Bentley laughed.

"It's now eight months post-operation and I'm feeling strong. "I am couple of weeks ahead of schedule and on track for that first game."

Bentley started football after a family tragedy in 2009, taking the field with younger sister Ashleigh.

"I wanted to spend more time with family and Ash (28-year-old Ashleigh) was playing footy," Bentley said.

"That's how I started my involvement in the game."

Nicknamed 'Cuz' because that what she calls everyone, Kira Phillips, now 21, has played state football since she was 16. She hails from Gnowangerup in the Great

Southern region of Western Australia.

"I'm so excited to be among the first Indigenous girls to play for Fremantle; words can't

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for AFL women's competition

Brisbane Lions' Ally Anderson.



Fremantle Dockers players Demi Okely, Kira Phillips, Taylah Angel and Cassie Davidson.

February start date expected

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Brisbane Lions' Shaleise Law.

explain," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"I grew up playing footy with the boys at Gnowangerup, which helped my marking.

"I have four brothers to kick the footy with, three older in Brodie, Jason and Tre, and a younger one, Marley. My uncles, the Haywards, were local stars as well."

Tiah Haines, known for her skillset on both sides of her body, and Kirby Bentley are both coming off knee injuries.

The two Brisbane Lions players are expected to have a strong impact.

Shaleise Law hails from Murgon, an Indigenous stronghold in Queensland's Burnett region.

"She is lightning fast and we'd expect her to play a small forward's role, and run through the midfield on occasions," Lions coach and 1990 Collingwood premiership player Craig Starcevich said of Law.

"Another feature of her game is her tackling and the evasiveness she has picked up from playing touch football.

"Ally (Anderson), our quiet achiever on the football field, is a northern suburbs Brisbane girl. A consistent member of Queensland youth girls team, she is an inside midfielder and impressive clearance player who is clean around stoppages.

"She has a great understanding with our key forward, Tayla Harris."

Fresh off a six-wicket haul for Melbourne in the Victorian Cricket Association Premier Women's Competition, Natalie Plane was drafted to Carlton after just 10 games of senior football.

"I wasn't able to play the first eight games of the season as I couldn't afford to get injured before the Indigenous cricket team's tour of India (during May)," Plane, who works as a landscape gardener, said.

"Footy started for me at the Pines Junior Football Club at Frankston when I was aged eight, following my brothers Damo and



Carlton player Natalie Plane.

Jordie. I played there from under 9s to under 14s in the boy's competition, and then went to play local soccer.

"I actually did the soccer pre-season this year, but after going to football training with Seaford in the Women's VFL competition I changed codes again.

"Dreams"

"I still have dreams of playing cricket for my state and Australia, but am also keen to don the Carlton jumper in the first round of the 2017 season."

Adelaide's Jasmine Anderson, who had been playing representative soccer for the Northern Territory over the past couple of seasons, has been recruited by the Crows as a rookie.

One of eight siblings, she is the 25-year-old sister of North Melbourne's Jed



Fremantle's Tiah Haines handballs.

Anderson and former Carlton, Sturt and North Adelaide defender Joe. She has a 16-month-old son, Isaac.

Still a teenager, the versatile Taylah Thorn played in the AFL Youth Girls All Stars match in Melbourne this year and also represented the NT against South Australia at Adelaide Oval.

For most teams, pre-season will start in the middle of November, with the inaugural eight-week season proposed to begin in the first week of February.

Rule adjustments for the women's game include 16-a-side teams with six players on the bench, with the games to run over four 15-minute quarters plus time-on after goals or major injuries.

The players will use size four footballs.

● **New competition an opportunity,** says Michael O'Loughlin. See page 61.

Football to kick off



TEAMS from a wide area of Australia as well as New Zealand are expected to contest the inaugural National Indigenous Football Championships (soccer) in NSW's Shoalhaven region this week.

Event manager Lawrence Gilbert said 24 teams from NSW, Queensland, the Northern Territory, Canberra and New Zealand will play over three days, starting tomorrow (November 3). "There's 12 women's teams and 12 men's teams," he told the *Koori Mail*.

Mr Gilbert said the event won't be just about soccer, with information stalls, entertainment and children's activities planned. "We've got a 'minirooms' clinic where kids from around the region can come and play with some of the guys from the Western Sydney Wanderers," he said.

"A few kids from that will be chosen to do the mascot for the women's and men's finals and the celebrity game."

Ambassadors giving their support to the titles include Sydney FC and Matilda player Kyah Simon, Brisbane Roar star and former Socceroo Jade North, former Socceroo and SBS chief football analyst Craig Foster and



National Indigenous Football Championships tournament director Bernie McLeod (in white cap) tunes his skills with Wreck Bay Sharks players ahead of the inaugural titles in Nowra, southern NSW.

former National Soccer League champion and current Fox Sports commentator Andy Harper. The championships will be held at the South Nowra Sporting

Complex, with the local Wreck Bay Sharks Football Club hosting the event. Tournament director Bernie McLeod said it is an opportunity to

bring the skills of Aboriginal soccer players to national attention. "The event has received overwhelming support from the football fraternity, the

corporate and government organisations involved and the Indigenous communities right across the nation," he said.

"It's just fantastic that the championships will attract up to 1000 participants and we expect the event to double in the next few years."

The Johnny Warren Football Celebrity Match will have former soccer legends, Indigenous sporting icons, Paralympians, and Indigenous role models go head to head in the spirit of reconciliation.

Football Federation Australia helped launch the championships, with chief executive David Gallop saying he was proud to give support to the titles.

"It is appropriate that the first event of this kind will be a grassroots event hosted by a local community for the broader community," he said.

"The history of the game in Australia is punctuated with stories of great players scouted from similar competitions that then go on to represent Australia, and hopefully we may identify future Matildas and Socceroos from this tournament."

● Find coverage from the championships in our next edition, out on November 16.

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Adelaide venue for rematch



BITTER boxing rivals Anthony Mundine and Danny Green will face off in a big-money rematch at Adelaide Oval on February 3 next year. The bout will be fought at the catch-weight limit of 83kg, well up from the 76.2kg super middleweight limit from their previous meeting in 2006, where Mundine triumphed.

Mundine, 41, claims he will have to come up 13kg for the fight.

"He's going to be very strong. I'm going to have to be a matador to get the victory," the Aboriginal star said.

"But I'm going to be very explosive and powerful myself so I'm feeling confident."

"Speed beats power. Skills pay the bills."

Mundine beat Green in 2006 by a unanimous points decision and predicted a win by stoppage in the rematch, which is worth a reported \$10 million each in prizemoney.

Mundine has undergone hip surgery to fix a problem that has plagued him for several years.

"That's fixed now. I feel my feet are back, my movement's

Fenech's fears

FORMER champion Jeff Fenech not only gives Anthony Mundine no chance of beating Danny Green, he fears the weight disparity for their bout in Adelaide puts Mundine's health at serious risk.

In fact, he has called for their February 3 fight to be called off. "If Danny Green hits him with a very clean punch, Anthony could face a serious health problem," Fenech said.

back," the Bundjalung man said.

But Green, 43, was confident he would stop Mundine this time around and prove he was the better fighter.

"You hit me with everything you had with two hips. I didn't stop marching forward," the Western Australian said.

"Australians all let us rejoice because this bloke's about to get a proper tune-up."

Both all but confirmed the upcoming fight would be the last bout of their careers.

Aboriginal quicks face might of South Africa

By PETER ARGENT



YOUNG Aboriginal quick bowlers Ryan Lees and Brendan Doggett were members of the

Cricket Australia (CA) XI for the opening game of the South African tour of Australia.

Both were in the national team coached by former Test cricketer Greg Blewett that took on the best of the Proteas in a two-day pink-ball fixture at Adelaide Oval on October 22-23.

Tasmanian Lees was outstanding on day one, collecting two wickets for just 21 runs from 12.5 overs against a strong Proteas batting line-up which made 415 runs over the three two-hour sessions.

Doggett, from Queensland, was a little more expensive, finishing with 1/51 from his 12 overs. But he did claim the scalp of 26-test top



Aboriginal quick bowlers Ryan Lees and Brendan Doggett at Adelaide Oval.

order bat Dean Elgar.

"South Africa have a pretty potent batting line-up," Doggett told the *Koori Mail*.

After their five-pronged pace attack ripped through the CA XI batting list, the South Africans had a second hit, ensuring the

game would be a draw.

Doggett collected a second innings wicket – a brute of a ball to dismiss Stephen Cook – and finished with 1/21 from four overs, while Lees bowled four overs for just seven runs.

Doggett has played four

Matador Cup one-day games for the CA XI this summer, as well as the tour match.

Lees has played five List A one-day fixtures and made his first class debut last December in a tour match against the West Indies in Brisbane.

Indigenous Test player is goal



CRICKET Australia boss James Sutherland is hoping that the upcoming tour of England will encourage another Indigenous player into the Test ranks.

Australia hasn't had an Indigenous player since fast bowler Jason Gillespie, who played his last Test in 2006.

This year's Boxing Day Test between Australia and Pakistan will honour the 150th anniversary of a match between an Aboriginal XI and the Melbourne Cricket Club at the

MCG. The commemorations will continue through to 2018 when men's and women's Indigenous teams will tour England to retrace the steps of an Aboriginal XI, which in 1868 became the first cricket team to tour internationally.

Sutherland said he'd like to see another Indigenous player break into the Test arena before too long. There are six men and two women of Indigenous heritage contracted to state and Big Bash League teams.

"Jason Gillespie was the last one to wear the baggy green cap, and we would love to see an Indigenous

Australian man or woman come through to the Test stage," Sutherland said.

"There are some players not too far away, so hopefully through the course of summer someone will put their hand up."

Sutherland said the challenges were lack of access and competition as well as creating aspiration, but he hoped the upcoming tour would encourage more Indigenous players into the game.

There has been a 40% increase in Indigenous people participating in cricket between 2014-15 and 2015-16.

Boost for our cricketers

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Indigenous players, and it's also great to see more recognition and support for women.

"It will be a real honour if I can play in England to represent my country and my people."

Pattison echoed the sentiments.

"Like many others, I'll be more than keen to gain selection for the England tour," he said.

Cricket Australia Indigenous cricket officer Paul Stewart said the

developments were a huge boost.

He welcomed the Commonwealth Bank's sponsorship, saying it would enable the national Indigenous men's and women's teams to tour in Australia next year as well as the United Kingdom in 2018.

"The 2018 UK tour marks the 150th anniversary of the first ever cricket team to tour internationally, back in 1868," he said.

"More importantly this tour will give Indigenous cricketers something to aspire to."

Stewart said the Boxing Day Test plans would "celebrate the wonderful

contribution that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have made within the game of cricket in the past, present and future."

"Cricket Australia will celebrate the 1866 match between the Melbourne Cricket Club and an Aboriginal XI from Western Districts in Victoria at the Test," he said.

"Fiona Clarke, the great, great granddaughter of Mosquito, a player who toured England in 1868, has produced a commemorative art piece that will feature on the Test playing shirts, stumps and various signage around the ground."

Runners ready for New York Marathon



TWELVE Indigenous athletes will arrive in New York tomorrow (Thursday) to compete in the US city's huge marathon on November 6. The 12, all members of the Indigenous Marathon Project, have been training for months to take part in what for most will be their first marathon (42.2km run).

The runners come from across Australia, including Broome in Western Australia, Murray Bridge and the APY Lands in South Australia, and up to Thursday Island in the Torres Strait.

The New York Marathon is one of the largest in the world, attracting the world's best marathoners as well as thousands of other entrants.

● Look for more coverage in our next edition.

Generation Cup is on in Launceston



THE Generation Cup, one of Tasmania's major Aboriginal sports events, will be held on Sunday, November 13, in Launceston.

The annual event involves softball, netball and football games between over-30s and under-30s teams.

Aboriginal players come from across the state to compete. This year's competition, at Rocherlea Football Grounds, will also include a barbecue lunch, children's activities and more.

Details from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre on 1800 132 260.

Orange set to host Aboriginal T20 Cup



TOP NSW Indigenous cricketers will be in Orange on November 7 and 8 for the Aboriginal T20 Cup. Sides playing under the Sydney Thunder and Sydney Sixers banners will contest the cup, now in its second year.

Both teams will consist of Aboriginal men vying for selection in the NSW team to compete in the 2017 National Indigenous Cricket Championships in Alice Springs in early February.

Last year's inaugural event proved a success, with Thunder crowned winners.

Jonte Pattison will captain the Sixers this year, with Brendan Smith in charge of the Thunder.

More details at sydneysixers.com.au

NRL recognised at awards in London



THE NRL has been officially recognised on the international stage for its School to Work Program at the annual Beyond Sport Awards in London. The program was praised for providing increased opportunities,

through rugby league, for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to access quality programs aimed at closing the gap between Indigenous and other people across key social indicators such as education, employment and health.

Beyond Sport is the peak global organisation with the sole focus of demonstrating how sport can play an active role in sustainable social change.

League will scrap under 20s comp



THE NRL's under 20s competition will be scrapped at the end of next year, Australian Rugby League Commission chairman John Grant has confirmed. The youth competition has been on borrowed time since former NRL boss Shane Richardson's whole-of-game review last year, but there was speculation it may continue beyond 2017 in some capacity.

Instead, statewide under 20s competitions will be rolled out in NSW and Queensland, while the NSW and Queensland Cups will be expanded.



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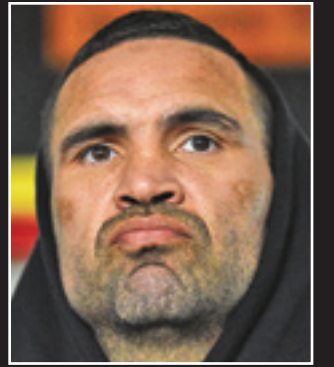
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Man v Machine

THE long-awaited and much-hyped boxing rematch between Anthony 'The Man' Mundine (right) and Danny 'The Green Machine' Green (left) will be held in Adelaide on February 3. See our report on page 66.



Cricket scores major boost



INDIGENOUS Australia's top cricketers have welcomed major Cricket Australia moves to recognise and develop Indigenous players.

The national body has commissioned a tour by Australia's Indigenous women's and men's squads of England in 2018 as part of plans to commemorate the famous all-Aboriginal team 1868 tour of England.

It also will work with major sponsor the Commonwealth Bank to offer career pathways and opportunities for Indigenous players to help balance their sports and professional careers.

And it will use this year's Boxing Day Test in Melbourne to honour the 150th anniversary of the 1866 Boxing Day match between an Aboriginal XI and the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC).

Australian Indigenous team captains



Jonte Pattison and Ashleigh Gardner.

Jonte Pattison and Ashleigh Gardner praised the moves, with both keen to be part of the England tour in 2018.

"What's happened is brilliant," Gardner told the *Koori Mail*.

"Cricket Australia is really looking after

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Victorian carnival a winner



ROBINVALE defender Corinne Best works hard to put off Woomearas goal attack Kathleen Terrick during play at this year's Murrumbidgee Statewide Koori Football Netball Carnival in Bendigo, central Victoria. Thousands turned out for the huge event. See our coverage on pages 62-63. *Picture: Mark Morgan*



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