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Howzat!

Kavita Pepper, from Shark Bay, bowls for Western Australia against South Australia at the Australian Country Cricket Championships in Wollongong, NSW. Pepper produced her best effort in the Sandgroppers' win over the Northern Territory when she finished with 2-16 from four overs. More on the ACCC on the back page and page 61.

Picture: Peter Argent

Wyatt is our first federal minister



KEN Wyatt has become the first Aboriginal person to hold a federal ministry, after Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull elevated him to the Indigenous Health and Aged Care portfolios.

Mr Wyatt, who has Wongi, Noongar and Yamatji heritage,

paid tribute to his Elders, family and Western Australian electorate.

"I really want to thank the people of the seat of Hasluck who have given me this incredible opportunity," he said.

He told the *Koori Mail* that since becoming the first Aboriginal person elected to the House of Representatives, in

2010, he has been repeatedly inspired by young Indigenous people.

"I think it's important that Aboriginal people are in positions of influence in Canberra because what I've found on my journey is that numerous young Aboriginal people have said to me, 'Uncle, what do I have to do now to take that journey?' And there's five of

us here now (Indigenous MPs) and I know the same question has been asked of Pat Dodson, Linda Burney, Malarndirri McCarthy and Jacqui Lambie."

Mr Wyatt said one of the top priorities in Indigenous health was the early years.

"I've always believed that if you can concentrate on the ages from 0-8, then we can break the

cycle of poor health and establish good foundations," he said.

"And the second part of that is that if you influence the mothers, then the rest of the family will follow suit.

"Mothers and women play such a significant role in the health of our communities."

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My FAMILY Ashley Saltner Snr – Townsville, Qld



FAMILY and culture are so important to me, and the influence of my father James (Alick) Saltner and my late mother Margaret (Nee Mason) has been vital to where I am currently in life, which is a very happy place.

I am now aged 50 and just recently we had a memorial for my mum in Townsville where about 70 family and friends gathered.

I was born at Springsure. My dad's mob was the Wulli Wulli and mum's the Ghungalu people from around Woorabinda.

For 27 years I have been married to Linda (nee Wyles). She is from a big family and a Wulgurukaba woman from around Townsville and Magnetic Island, Waragamy (Ingham) and Girramay (Cardwell).

We have four children Ashley Jnr, aged 26 (married to Stacy), Breanne, 19, Hayden, 16, and Mason, 10. It was great to see our eldest son Ashley married recently.

Over the years I have been an

organiser of the Walkabouts rugby league team and the Wulgurukaba Walkabouts Aboriginal Dance Group.

We love getting together at local carnivals.

The Wulgurukaba Walkabouts dancers was formed 17 years ago and have performed hundreds of times over the years.

My mum had 10 children, 56 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

It is wonderful to see our children become adults and the grandchildren and great grandchildren grow up. It gives strength for the future.

My parents taught me respect and I wouldn't be the person I am today without what they have done for me.

I'm positive the younger generations will maintain our culture and respect.

● Pictured above: Saltner family members Stacy, Ashley Jnr, Ashley Snr, Linda, Breanne, Hayden and Mason (front).

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BRISBANE
Broncos rugby league star Sam Thaiday meets Aboriginal children during a Broncos regional tour of Queensland schools. The Broncos squad will head back to schools early next month for a two-day regional tour. Players will visit 12 schools across the Surat Basin on February 1-2, delivering leadership advice, reading tips and coaching skills.



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On target for another big Yabun



The annual Yabun Festival takes place tomorrow, January 26, at Victoria Park in Camperdown, Sydney, and celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. It's one of the many Invasion/Survival Day events around the country.



THE 15th annual Yabun Festival takes place on the traditional land of the Gadigal in Victoria Park, Camperdown, Sydney, tomorrow (January 26) with performances, music, art and lively debates in a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

Yabun, which in Gadigal language means "music to a beat", is run by Gadigal Information Service Aboriginal Corporation and features two performance stages, a Corroboree ground, over 100 stalls and activities for all ages.

The *Koori Mail* is a media partner with Yabun and will have a stall, so pop down and have your photo taken at our photo booth.

In a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander music, 12 entertainers will grace the main festival stage, including Kev Carmody, Rochelle Pitt, Lucky Luke, Marlene Cummins, Warren H Williams, Dani Young and the Northern Territory's 11-piece Salt Lake Band.

Corroboree Grounds, at the heart of the festival, will be hosted by Logie nominated duo Jax and Daz from the Muggers Dancers. Corroboree Grounds will have a smoking ceremony and Welcome to Country to launch the annual extraordinary cultural experience, followed by performances from Indigenous dance groups throughout the day.

The festival will also include market stalls, a Young Black and Deadly performance stage, and tents including the Speak Out Tent and Elders Tent.

Yabun Festival is on tomorrow from 10am to 7pm at Victoria Park, corner Parramatta and City roads, Camperdown.

Events marking Invasion/Survival Day will be held around the country. For a wrap-up of some of the major events, see our next edition.

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Govt appeals Palm ruling



A PALM Island resident who won a landmark racial discrimination case has expressed his surprise at the Queensland government and police commissioner's decision to appeal the ruling.

Federal Court Justice Debbie Mortimer ruled in December last year that police in the far north Queensland community had been racist in their response to the death in custody of Cameron (Mulrunji) Doomadgee.

Once-jailed protester Lex Wotton and two of his family were awarded \$220,000 on behalf of Palm Island residents, for the pain they endured during early morning raids in November 2004.

The officers' actions were triggered by a series of riots following reports Mr Doomadgee's death was accidental, even though he had four broken ribs and his liver was almost severed in two.

Queensland Attorney-General Yvette D'Ath confirmed last week she had instructed the Director of Public Prosecutions to lodge the appeal.

"We believe it's an important case," she said.

The Notice of Appeal, filed in the Federal Court, listed several grounds for overturning the decision.

It included submissions that Justice Mortimer had failed to give adequate reasons for several of her findings and that the damages were "manifestly excessive".

The Queensland Government and Police Commissioner Ian Stewart requested the appeal be allowed, all original orders be set aside and Mr Wotton's application be dismissed.

They also called for a retrial with a different judge and requested Palm Island residents pay their future legal costs.

Surprised

Mr Wotton said he was surprised to hear the matter would be appealed.

"I was very positive that they wouldn't," he said. "I thought they would like to let this matter settle but that's the legal process and they're entitled."

"All you've got to do is just accept it and prepare yourself for the next round of fights."

Justice Mortimer found the use of the Special Emergency Response Team in the raids was "unnecessary, disproportionate and undertaken as a show of force against local people who

had protested about the conduct of police".

"I have found they (the police) conducted themselves ... with a sense of impunity, impervious to the reactions of Palm Islanders," she said in a written summary.

"I have found that police acted in these ways because they were dealing with an Aboriginal community."

Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey said the community was devastated by the Government's decision to appeal.

"Our community was looking forward to putting this behind us and moving on; it now appears we are back where we started," he said.

"First Nation people deserve to be treated with dignity and respect and to have the same human rights as other citizens; but this does not appear to be the case in this instance."

"Our community is feeling discriminated against, very let down, and angry."

"The message the State Government is handing out with this decision is that the actions of the police, and including those of former police officer Chris Hurley, were and are acceptable."

"This is a true injustice to our Palm Island community."

— With AAP

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Lovett-Murray looks ahead

By JILLIAN MUNDY



NATHAN Lovett-Murray is keen to get on with his football career and pursue his dream of improving the health of his people.

The 34-year-old Wamba-Wamba/Gunditjmara man – one of the 33 Essendon players caught up in the AFL doping scandal – has just come to the end of his two-year ban.

Lovett-Murray, who has maintained his innocence, is tight-lipped on a compensation deal being negotiated by lawyers.

“It was a big relief to be able to run around and train with the players that I’m going to be playing with and coaching,” he said on the day the ban ended.

“I jumped out of bed and wanted to go down to the oval and run around; I couldn’t wait.

“It bought back that passion of loving football again. I’m back into it.”

Lovett-Murray, the playing coach of the Shepparton Rumbalara Aboriginal seniors football team, reckons they’ve got a decent chance of snagging a premiership this season.

The ban also made his role as a youth worker at the Academy of Sports, Health and Education (ASHE) in Shepparton difficult.

ASHE caters for Aboriginal youth aged 16 to 25, and operates under a partnership between Rumbalara Football Club and Melbourne University.

Lovett-Murray organises sporting activities for students, but he had been unable to participate.

“The 12 months was really hard; something had been taken

away from me,” he said.

“I really love my sport, football and basketball, and I wasn’t allowed to do that for 12 months.

“I struggled with it and was depressed. The footy club has been okay. They have helped with counselling and that sort of stuff.

“It’s been hard, but I’m not the only one. There’s been another 30 players going through the same stuff.”

To make matters even harder, last year prosecutors dropped charges against a man accused of the manslaughter of Lovett-Murray’s uncle after a fight at a country football match.

He is keen to put the whole saga behind him and hopes that being labelled a drug cheat will not affect his dreams of creating a better future for his people.

One of Lovett-Murray’s ideas is to stage a massive concert, featuring international artists, at the MCG to raise international awareness of the Indigenous health crisis.

It’s something he came up with after going to eight funerals of family and friends in a two-month period.

Lovett-Murray has been working on a business plan for a decade and has attracted corporate support, but wonders if the drug scandal is why government has not supported the project.

“We need the whole world to know what’s going on here,” he said.

“We’re controlled and restricted by government, we rely on their funding too much.

I want to raise money from this concert and put it back into Indigenous health organisations and foundations, and also go overseas and raise international aid for Indigenous health, just

like they do for Africans.

“I’ve been lucky through my football to be able to go to South Africa, and I’ve been to Japan, Ireland, America and different countries.

It’s opened my eyes; there are a lot of people around the world who really do care, and want to support the oldest living culture.”

While Lovett-Murray sees there are a lot of good people who do care, he feels most Australians don’t.

“It’s a slow genocide,” he said.

Lovett-Murray says appropriate education is the key.

“It starts with education. Mainstream education is failing our people,” he said.

Lovett-Murray wants to see a school like ASHE in every community, where students have one-on-one support if needed, cultural knowledge is taught as well as literacy and numeracy, and attention is paid to mental health and wellbeing.

He is also passionate and excited about the prospect of one day coaching at an AFL level, but worries that clubs might be turned off by the drug cheat label.

“I enjoy working with young people who want to get to that next level,” he said.

“I want to pass on my experiences of playing 10 years of AFL and what it took to get there – that advice and knowledge.

“What you put in is what you get out; the more you put in the more you get out.”



Nathan Lovett-Murray: “It’s been hard, but I’m not the only one. There’s been another 30 players going through the same stuff.”

Class action move over alleged abuse



HUNDREDS of Northern Territory children could join a class action launched by former Don Dale detainees over alleged abuse in youth detention centres that could cost the government and taxpayers millions.

Legal firm Maurice Blackburn has invited former inmates who may have been assaulted by guards, or subjected to unreasonable periods of isolation or restraint over the past decade, to join the action.

More than 95% of juveniles in detention in the NT are Aboriginal.

The lawsuit is being led by Aaron Hyde, 20, and Dylan Jenkins, an 18-year-old who claims he was tear gassed in custody as recently as April 2016.

Mr Jenkins, who is now in an adult jail, claims he was punched in the back of the head, kicked and beaten by guards with batons last year.

Mr Jenkins claims Don Dale guards entered his cell, sprayed him and another child with tear gas, and then handcuffed them both.

Staff members allegedly then dragged Mr Jenkins into another high security unit without CCTV, where he was assaulted and left in isolation for two days.

Mr Hyde, who is serving time at Darwin’s Holtze adult prison, alleges he was forced to urinate in his clothes after being handcuffed to a fence for an hour with his arms above his head in 2012.

He claims he was then stripped to his underwear and placed in an isolation cell for up to three weeks.

He allegedly spent the first night naked, without a mattress or bedding, and was told by a female guard to masturbate for warmth.

Mr Hyde claims that with no access to water in the cells he was forced to drink out of the toilet bowl and was only allowed out to shower for 15 minutes each day.

“This type of abuse isn’t an odd, isolated event ... it amounts to torture,” lawyer Ben Slade said.

“Broken”

“No-one denies these kids may have broken the law, but they didn’t deserve to be broken by the law.”

The NT Government is seeking legal advice, while Corrections has denied any use of tear gas at Don Dale last April.

“The alleged incidents, including matters being examined by the

royal commission, occurred prior to the Gunner Government taking office,” Acting NT Chief Minister Nicole Manison said.

Opposition Leader Gary Higgins said he wasn’t aware of any of the allegations when his Country Liberals Party was in power last April.

Mr Higgins said mistreated kids deserve compensation, but backed the money going towards rehabilitation services instead of a cash payout.

Mr Hyde’s mother Tracey made no excuses for his crimes, but said she was heartbroken and horrified to learn the extent of his alleged physical and psychological abuse behind bars.

Mr Hyde first entered youth detention at age 15, and his mother wonders whether his reoffending escalated because of

his ordeals in youth detention.

“How can a child be subjected to treatment like that and be expected to rehabilitate?” Ms Hyde said. “We’ve seen our son change completely.”

Between August 2006 and the end of 2016, more than 1000 juveniles were in the NT’s youth prison system, and almost 70% claim to have been mistreated.

Mr Slade said the Federal Court action could result in a taxpayer compensation bill in the millions, and expects the proceedings to take about two years.

It’s the third civil court action that has been brought against the NT Government, including a lawsuit filed by Dylan Voller, the teenager who was famously spit-hooded and shackled to a restraint chair. – AAP

Remains back home



The remains are reburied in a ceremony on country near Wellington, central-western NSW.



FIVE sets of Aboriginal remains have been returned to the Wellington Aboriginal community in central-western NSW for reburial at Blacks Camp and at Wellington Caves.

The reburial of the remains last month completed the repatriation of nine sets of Aboriginal remains taken from the Wellington district from the late 1800s to the 1970s.

NSW Office of Environment and Heritage's (OEH) John Duggan said the remains reburied this month were those of three men, one woman and a lower jawbone of an unknown gender.

"Little is known of the histories of these old people, but we do know that the three men lived off a traditional diet and that two of those men were put through the traditional practice of initiation," he said.

"One of the initiated men was very large and robust. He was originally found in one of the caves with a stone axe beside him."

The process to return the remains to country began in 2015, when the Wellington Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) and OEH requested their return from the Australian Museum.

When the request was granted, Mr Duggan, Wellington LALC chief executive Leanne Stanley and five other community representatives travelled to the museum to bring the remains home.

Ms Stanley said that before the ancestors left the Australian Museum, a cleansing ceremony was performed by community people.

"Once returned to Wellington, consultation with various landholders began and four sets of those remains were reburied at their original burial locations, Black Rock and Buckinbah Station, Yeoval," she said.

"The remaining five sets were buried this month at Blacks Camp and Wellington Caves."

For more details visit www.environment.nsw.gov.au/conservation/Repatriation.htm

Cabbo players get set to star

By RUDI MAXWELL



WHEN the Cabbage Tree Island Rugby League Football Club from northern NSW received an invitation to play in the Indigenous Allstars carnival in Newcastle next month, coach Des Anderson was over the moon.

"It's been unbelievable the amount of support we've had from the community," he told the *Koori Mail*. "Social media volunteers have been coming to training, which is really good for the boys."

"For Cabbo to finally be recognised for our efforts and get the opportunity to showcase what we can do in front of a different stream of people is just great."

"A lot of people come from interstate to watch the games, also a few talent scouts, which is one of the reasons we're excited to go down."

"We probably wouldn't get that opportunity in our local league (the Northern Rivers Regional Rugby League) or even at the NSW Aboriginal Knockout."

"And you never know, with a few talent scouts from the NRL, someone might get picked up."

In order to raise the estimated \$5000 it will cost the Cabbage Tree Island club for transport and accommodation, the team is looking for sponsors.

"If we can get sponsors it makes it a lot easier for the boys to concentrate on their football, instead of logistics," Mr Anderson said.

"At moment the boys are willing to put the money in from their own pockets."

"I believe it's a big opportunity for



Cabbage Tree Island player Brian Kelly attacks at last year's Koori Rugby League Knockout in Sydney.

Cabbo, especially as in all the years they had the All Stars on the Gold Coast not one of our Northern Rivers teams was invited to play.

"So it's a big thing for us to be invited. We've got heaps of support backing us, so we'll go down and do well."

Cabbage Tree Island will play against a Newcastle memorial side in one of the curtain-raisers to the NSW-Queensland interstate challenge between the Redfern Allblacks and Cherbourg Hornets on Thursday, February 9.

The women's and men's Indigenous Allstars versus World Allstars will be played on Friday, February 10.

Anyone who can help Cabbo with sponsorship can contact Mr Anderson on 0421 726 174 or Ashley Moran on 0419 255 689.

Playwrights ready to stage festival

By KEIRA JENKINS



SIX Indigenous playwrights are coming together in Sydney for the Yellamundie National First Peoples Playwriting Festival from January 27.

Henrietta Baird, Andrea Fernandez, Glenn Shea, Ken Canning, Maryanne Sam and Megan Wilding will share their writing as part of this year's Sydney Festival.

The biannual festival, developed in 2013, has developed 12 new scripts since it started.

Yellamundie – meaning 'storyteller' in Darug – is a celebration of Indigenous arts and aims to promote new writing for theatre.

This year two international guests, Cliff Cardinal, from Turtle Island in Canada, and Hone Kouka, from Aotearoa (New Zealand), have been invited.

The six plays selected for the festival were chosen from more than 20 submissions made to Moogahlin Performing Arts.

Artistic director Frederick Copperwaite said the festival is important as it gives Indigenous playwrights a place to develop and showcase their work.

"It's a two-week process so that these playwrights can



Colin Kinchela and Kirk Page share words during the Yellamundie Festival in 2015. Picture: Zan Wimberley.

develop their work," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"All the plays, even the ones we didn't end up selecting, are about community, and family and culture."

"To get more of these stories in the theatre would be to give people a voice that doesn't usually get heard otherwise."

The playwrights are currently in rehearsals for the three days of talks, play readings and debates at the Carriageworks Public Space.

The readings start on January 27 with Maryanne Sam's *Coconut Woman* and Ken Canning's *Forty Nine Days a Week*. January 28 will feature the first of the international plays with Cliff Cardinal's *Maria Gets a New Life*, Henrietta Baird's *The Weekend*, and Glenn Shea's

Some Secrets Should Be Kept will also be read. Then Hone Kouka's *Bless the Child*, Megan Wilding's *A Little Bit of Ash* and Andrea Fernandez's *Bollywood Dreaming* will be presented on January 29.

A meet-the-playwrights session will be held on Saturday afternoon and the 'Blak Attack' debate will be on Sunday.

Mr Copperwaite said the festival is a great opportunity to get together and share ideas.

"We're learning from each other," he said.

"We watch how the others work and we're meeting new people so this great exchange of ideas takes place."

"I think the artists love it because it's a chance to catch up with mob, but it's also a chance for development and to learn more."

Hip hoppers sing for change



NITV has brought together some of Australia's best hip hop artists to create a song about changing the date of Australia Day. NITV journalist Danny Teece-Johnson said the concept for the song *Change the Date* had been born from a conversation between two friends.

"A couple of months ago me and (IndigiLab chief executive) Luke Briscoe had an idea," he said.

"So with the help of (hip hop labels) Elefant Traks and Bad Apples we got together some of the best hip hop artists in the country to spread a message of change.

"It's pure fire and truth.

"I can't thank the artists enough, especially Nooky and Urthboy, who were the driving forces in this project.

"Big ups to production manager Rhanna Collins and director Ben Smith, who helped make all the magic happen."

Change the Date was released yesterday (January 24) and NITV has produced an accompanying 360-degree virtual reality experience (produced by Start VR).

Artists involved in the project include Urthboy (The Herd), Thundamentals (Tuka and Jeswon), L-Fresh the Lion, Ozi Batla, Nooky, Birdz (Nathan Bird), Kaylah Truth, Tas, Coda Conduct (Erica and Sally) and Hau (Koolism).

"January 26 has been a confusing one for me over my life because, obviously, I have one Aboriginal parent and one non-Aboriginal parent," rapper Kaylah Truth said.

"I guess it's been a bit of a journey for me trying to work out where I stand.

"I've always been at the marches in the morning in Brisbane and then over the years,



Artists Nooky, Tasman Keith, Kaylah Truth, Birdz, Urthboy, Ozi Batla, Thundamentals, Coda Conduct, L-Fresh the Lion and Hau Beat, plus Jay Tee Hazard have collaborated for a song about changing the date of Australia Day. Picture: Barbara McGrady

going to live with my dad and going back to that side of my family and everyone's celebrating.

"I guess I just sat back for a while and tried to work out where I stand with it.

"But I do see it as a really

important thing as part of the movement for change in the bigger picture.

"It might seem like one little thing to a lot of other people but it's all of these little things together that will make the change that

we need to move together as a country."

The song and virtual reality experience are available online through the SBS VR app and on NITV's Facebook and You Tube pages.

The SBS VR app is free to download for Apple iOS and Google Android. Information on what it is and how it works (with Google Cardboard) is at sbs.com.au/topics/vr/virtual-reality

More calls to change Australia Day date



INDIGENOUS people and supporters have again been vocal about the

need to change the date of 'Australia Day'.

In the lead-up to tomorrow's Australia Day national holiday, there have again been fresh calls for a new date, rather than one that marks the arrival of the First Fleet in Australia in 1788.

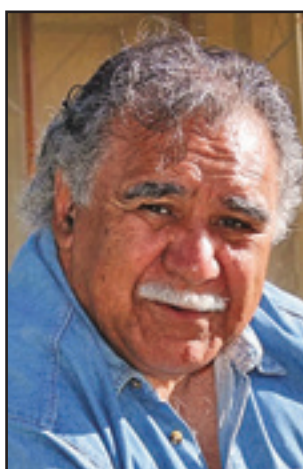
But that seems unlikely in the short term, with Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull saying on Melbourne's Radio 3AW "let's stick with the date".

The chair of Mr Turnbull's Indigenous Advisory Council, Nyunggai Warren Mundine, says January 1 would be a much more suitable date.

"That's the proper day to celebrate Australia's independence, identity and nationhood because that's the day Australia came into being and it's a day everyone can unite behind," he writes in his column on page 24 of this edition.

Indigenous support group ANTaR says January 26 marks the anniversary of the invasion of lands owned by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

It said celebrating



Ghillar Michael Anderson Australia Day on that date is akin to asking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander



Nyunggai Warren Mundine people to celebrate their own invasion and dispossession.

The Last Day of Freedom group planned celebrations for today, January 25 – the 'last day of freedom', and urged people to wear black and black armbands on January 26.

Sovereign Union of First Nations and Peoples in Australia convenor Ghillar Michael Anderson will be in Canberra tomorrow leading a protest march and hoping to present a declaration to the Governor-General. He said January 26 was a celebration of genocide of Indigenous peoples.

Fremantle Council in Perth has cancelled its Australia Day celebrations, instead opting for a 'One

Day' celebration on January 28.

But Arrernte woman and blogger Celeste Liddle has taken a different view. She opposes any 'change the date' moves, saying: "Merely changing the date will only end up erasing and nullifying the very reasons Indigenous people take to the streets to protest Invasion Day.

"We don't have land rights; we have not received proper reparations for the Stolen Generations nor stolen wages; our sovereignty is yet to be respected and the damage of the false doctrine of terra nullius is yet to be undone."

Art helps prisoners

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE Torch's successful Indigenous Arts in Prisons and Community

Program, which empowers inmates to learn, express and share culture, as well as build a nest egg for their release, is looking at going national.

The Torch chief executive Barkindji man Kent Morris has been getting calls from prisons across the country enquiring about the program, which started four years ago in Victoria.

Morris, a successful artist and musician, works with Indigenous prisoners in 12 of Victoria's prisons, and while art is a tangible result of the program, it encompasses much more.

The prisoners he worked with wanted to know about their history and culture, totems and language.

"Art is kind of the end of the process," Mr Morris said. "The start of the process is cultural learning and understanding where you're from and what the culture is – your stories and family history and putting those pieces together. Because what do you paint about if you don't really know who you are?"

"It's a cultural vacuum in there and, for a lot of the men and women, part of the reason that they've ended up where they are is due to the impacts of colonisation and that removal of connection to country and culture and understanding your identity.

"Without a doubt, a lot of the men and women are coming down through Stolen Generation lines."

The journey to embracing identity and culture is one close to Mr Morris' heart.

His father was fostered to a white family in Broken Hill. When Mr Morris was 11, for just one afternoon, he met his large extended Aboriginal family in Dubbo, a family who had been hidden from him until that time.

"I think, 'What kind of country makes a man like my father ashamed of who he is?'"

"The fear that he has to hide that, then it passes onto us. People say it's ages ago, but it's



The Torch chief executive and *Confined 8* curator Kent Morris gets among the artworks for the exhibition, which will be officially launched by Uncle Jack Charles at St Kilda Town Hall next week.

not ages ago. I see it every day with the work we do with intergenerational trauma, and I've experienced it.

"That's why I reckon when we've got our own programs we know what's going on, because we've lived through it."

Setting foot inside the Koori Heritage Trust in Melbourne about a decade ago, to help a mate pull down an exhibition, was a pivotal point in Mr Morris' life: It led to a four-year stint as a curator with the organisation, a lot of learning and listening, including researching the well documented history and culture of his family, which in turn inspired him to meet his father's 16 brothers and sisters, great aunties and a great uncle, and, of course, plenty of cousins.

While visiting his family in Burke, Mr Morris' partner spotted

a job ad in the *Koori Mail* to lead a pilot arts program for Indigenous prisoners.

And, as they say, the rest is history, Mr Morris is now chief executive of the Torch's highly successful Indigenous Arts in Prison and Community Program.

His own brushes with the law, binge drinking and journey to discovering and embracing his own identity and culture have been invaluable.

"When I started this program I heard my story come back at me so many times it wasn't funny.

"If we put our fellas back together culturally with their identity, you don't know what that person's capable of.

"It's not a conscious effort to give back, it's a just natural process. The support you've received, to then provide that support to others – it's kind of

what our community does. I reckon it's part of how our community has learnt to maintain our culture, by helping to build up those that have fallen or are lost or don't know.

"It's wonderful the ripple effects that has."

He said most of the programs designed for Indigenous prisoners by non-Indigenous people are having little impact and are money down the drain.

The Torch's program is about financial wellbeing too.

A major achievement of the program is the successful campaign to have Victorian prison policy changed to allow Indigenous prisoners to sell their artwork while inside – something Aboriginal people in Victoria had been pushing for decades, and in the end championed by former Victorian

premier Jeff Kennett, who is now the Torch chairperson.

Indigenous men and women have come out of Victorian prison with a nest egg of a few hundred dollars up to \$10,000.

Mr Morris said self-generated income lifts self-esteem and confidence, and gives people economic independence on release.

Following their release some participants have forged careers as artists, others enrolled in university, had artworks licensed for thousands of dollars to government departments and community organisations and won art awards.

Prisoners have also been able to support their families from the inside.

The latest evaluation of the program found a 53% reduction in reoffending for those who had come through the Torch program.

Artists from The Torch's post release program have been busy installing *Confined 8* – an exhibition of 150 works by 142 artists from the program, representing many language groups from across Australia.

"Having participants from the program work on all aspects of the exhibition builds skills and creates a sense of ownership, which is empowering," Mr Morris said.

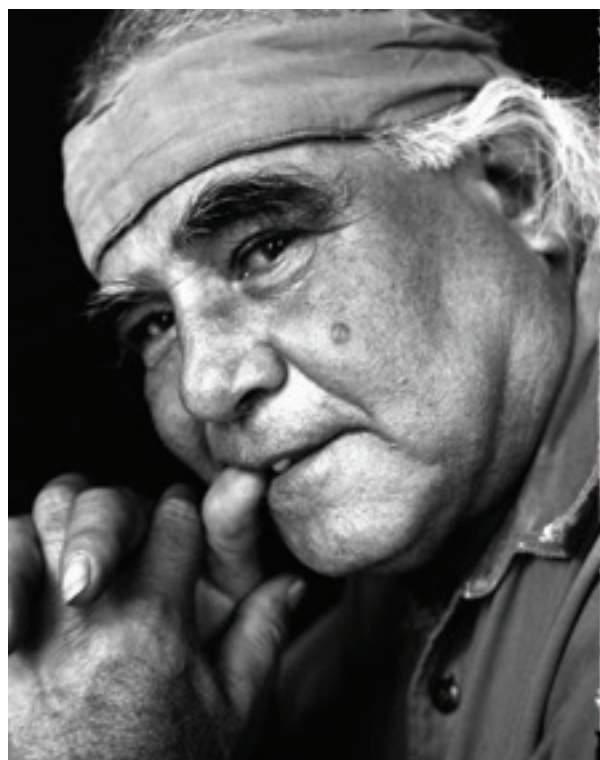
"Sharing their stories builds connection back to the community and the ability to reshape their future.

"Each year hundreds of people attend the exhibition, discovering compelling personal stories and insight into the pressing issue of the over-representation of First Australians in the criminal justice system."

Last year, *Confined 7* – the first exhibition held since the change in policy – sold \$85,000 of artwork.

Doors to *Confined 8* opened last week at The Gallery, St Kilda Town Hall.

The exhibition will be officially launched by Uncle Jack Charles on February 1 as part of Yalukit Wilum Ngargee, Melbourne's longest running Indigenous cultural festival, which kicks off the St Kilda Festival.



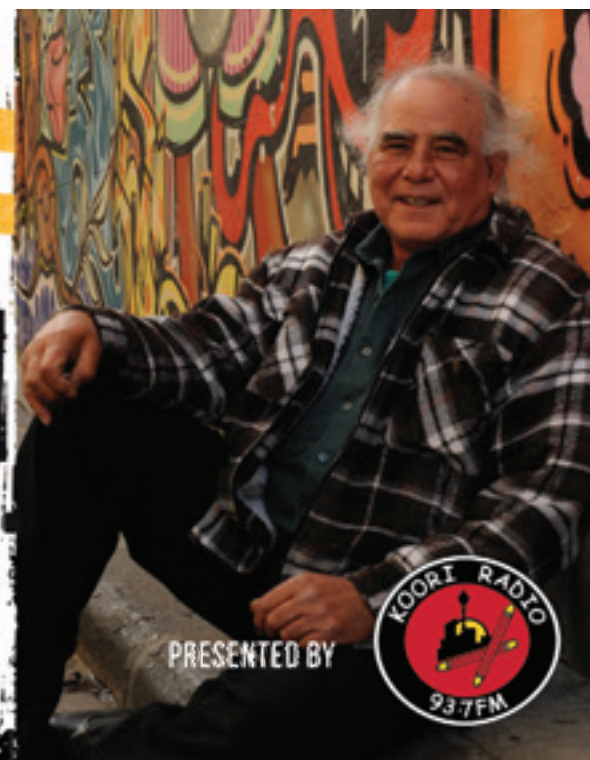
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An aerial image of one of the Budj Bim aquaculture systems. Picture: Denis Rose
Inset: Gunditjmara man and project manager for the Budj Bim site, Denis Rose.

Vic site protected

By JACK LATIMORE



PRIME Minister Malcolm Turnbull has announced that a vast significant

cultural site containing one of the oldest aquaculture systems in the world will be added to a provisional list for World Heritage nomination.

The Budj Bim Cultural Landscape – in the Gunditjmara nation in Victoria's south-western district – will now remain on UNESCO's tentative World Heritage register for the next year, after which a comprehensive world nomination will be submitted.

Victorian Premier Daniel Andrews and Federal Environment and Energy Minister Josh Frydenburg joined Mr Turnbull for the announcement at the Budj Bim site.

Gunditjmara man and project manager for the Budj Bim site Denis Rose says that traditional owners are excited that the Budj Bim landscape has been

recognised and are now looking forward to the next stage of the process.

"We've still got a fair bit of work in front of us to get to what they call 'inscribed' on the world heritage list," he said. "That's another process that takes about two years but, if everything goes to plan, then we're looking at having world heritage listing at some stage in the middle of 2019."

Mr Andrews' Labor government has provided \$8 million for the development of infrastructure that will increase the prospects of the 6600-year-old Budj Bim site being included on the renowned heritage list. The money will fund the construction of appropriate vehicle access, pedestrian paths, signage, a site information centre and a traditional aquaculture centre that will provide future visitors with an insight into traditional Gunditjmara culture and customs.

The Budj Bim site is arguably best known for shattering stereotypes of Aboriginal people as solely nomadic peoples, with

extensive onsite evidence suggesting that past Gunditjmara people settled in villages beside their innovative fishing technology; producing smoked eel that was used as currency in trade with other clans and nations.

"On one of our properties, there's 146 recorded stone house sites," says Rose.

"So we're talking a small village even by today's standards. And there's still a couple of smoking trees left. We've tested the soil at the base and found it to be rich in eel residue."

The major aquaculture systems at Budj Bim are not the only evidence of past Aboriginal fish husbandry in Victoria, with significant sites also identified at nearby Tyrendarra, and Mt William and Toolondo just to the north. But Rose says that Budj Bim is the only site that has these stone cultural heritage features on it.

"The main reason they built the fish systems and the stone houses on this site and not the others, is that we have an

exceptionally reliable water supply that runs through the lava flow, and the food resource was exceptional," he says.

"There's even an account of Major Mitchell firing a gun when he came through here and the sky turning black with swans and ducks taking off from the water."

From the late 1830s, as the Gunditjmara lands became increasingly invaded by European farmers, some of the local aquaculture sites were damaged or destroyed. Over 20 years of battles ensued, now known as the Eumeralla wars, with the ancient lava flow that comprises the Budj Bim site providing a near-impenetrable stronghold for the Gunditjmara resistance.

In 1869 the land around Budj Bim's Tae Rak lake was gazetted and the Lake Condah Mission was established. In 1907 the Aboriginal Protection Board proposed to relocate the local Gunditjmara families to the distant Lake Tyers Mission in Victoria's eastern districts.

After lobbying, the board reconsidered the move and the

Gunditjmara remained. When the mission closed in 1919, the Gunditjmara people asked the Victorian Government to return their land around Budj Bim so that a farming co-operative could be established. The request was refused and the land remained in reserve.

In 1951 the reserve status was revoked and the land handed over to the Soldiers' Settlement Commission.

It wasn't until 1988, almost four years after the landmark Onus v Alcoa High Court judgment and a subsequent deal in return for the withdrawal of the legal action against Alcoa, that the land was handed back to the Gunditjmara.

Many of the Gunditjmara's traditional practices have persisted at Budj Bim since the arrival of Europeans.

"We still have some of our mob coming out catching eels," Mr Rose said.

"We still have ladies making eel baskets out of the native grasses. We're still today teaching our kids about those practices."

Investigation into teen death reopened



FOLLOWING strong investigative reporting by BuzzFeed journalist Allan Clarke and a protest by the victim's family, the 30-year-old case into the death of Gomeroi teen Mark Haines will be reviewed by the NSW State Crime Command homicide squad.

Mr Haines was found dead on railway tracks outside Tamworth, northern NSW, on January 16, 1998.

On the 29th anniversary of his death, Mr Haines' family rallied outside Tamworth Police Station, calling for the police to reinvestigate and asking the Government to offer a reward for information.

Since the untimely death of Mr Haines in 1988, the family have endured two separate coronial inquests that both returned an open finding. The police investigation failed to turn up any concrete leads, despite a witness coming forward in 2001 saying that a group of men were seen near the stolen car located close to the location where Mr Haines' body was found.

The circumstances surrounding Mr Haines' death were suspicious, given that he suffered massive head trauma but examination of the scene revealed very little blood at the location.

Investigations revealed that Mr Haines is believed to have said goodbye to his girlfriend at approximately 3.30am. His body was found

hours later by a train driver just south of Tamworth.

Last year, following the extensive investigative reporting by Mr Clarke, new witnesses came forward and the case was reopened. But the family has been concerned that the local Tamworth Police have not been doing enough.

Mr Haines' uncle and Gomeroi Elder Donald Craigie pleaded with the community to come forward with any information so he can uphold the promise he made to Haines' now-deceased parents, that he would solve the murder.

"Please come forward and let us rest," he said. "We're tired. We need closure."

NSW Greens MP David Shoebridge suggested a cash reward might encourage new witnesses to come forward.

Investigators from Strike Force Puno, which was set up to look into the death, met with family members recently to provide them with an update on current lines of inquiry, and announced a full review of investigative records.

Any subsequent investigation will depend on the outcome of the review.

The family is urging anyone who knows any information in relation to the death of Mark Haines, or information on his whereabouts on the night of his death, to please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Chern'ee Sutton displays her jersey design artwork.



Chern'ee takes All Stars jersey design hat trick



CONTEMPORARY Indigenous artist Chern'ee Sutton has, for the third year in a row, designed the National Rugby

League's (NRL) Indigenous jerseys for the women's and men's teams for the All Stars game to be played in Newcastle on February 10.

At the launch of the jerseys at NRL headquarters at Allianz Stadium, Sydney, Miss Sutton said her painting – *Thaamu, Caina Putut, Ilyla, Wartanganha* – meant, in the Kalkadoon language, 'Totems, Long ago, Today, Tomorrow'.

"My painting represents the sacred and spiritual connection that all Indigenous people have with their totems from long ago, today and to tomorrow," she said.

Miss Sutton said that she was again honoured to have her artwork and story being used.

"It is such an honour to see not only the players taking to the field wearing my artwork proudly, but to also see all the spectators and supporters wearing their jerseys with passion and pride," she said.

● **Women's Allstars team announced, page 62**

Jail rates criticised



THE massive over-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in jails has again been highlighted by an international human rights report. The global report released by Human Rights Watch notes that Indigenous adults are 13 times more likely to be imprisoned than other Australians.

The report also pointed to the footage released of "horrific treatment of children held in Northern Territory and Queensland youth detention centres".

The CCTV video showed tear-gassing, hooding, shackling and stripping of children at a youth detention facility in the Northern Territory.

"Despite the report, Territory officials failed to act," the report says.

It says Australia's reputation has been damaged by serious human rights issues including its "draconian" asylum seeker policy, overly broad counterterrorism laws, failure to protect children in detention, limiting the rights of people with disabilities, and the fact that Australia still does not recognise same-sex marriage.

Human Rights Watch reviewed more than 90 countries in its 687-page report and Australia's asylum seeker policy drew most criticism for the nation.

Elaine Pearson, Human Rights Watch Australia director said that refugees and asylum seekers languish in limbo after years of detention. "New laws will subject

children to easy-to-abuse control orders," she said.

"If Australia wants to be a global human rights leader, then it should take immediate steps to end these unlawful policies."

Human Rights Watch recommends Australia take responsibility for the refugees it placed in Papua New Guinea and Nauru and end the system of offshore asylum processing and detention.

Double standard

The organisation also criticised Australia for a double-standard on human rights.

"Australia raises human rights concerns in other countries, but does so very selectively," the report states.

"It seldom raises human rights concerns

publicly about countries it works closely with in interdicting asylum seekers and refugees or with which it has significant trade relations."

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's introduction last year of counterterrorism laws was described by Human Rights Watch as incrementally chipping away at fundamental rights.

"Indefinite and arbitrary detention of prisoners who have already served their time undermines the rule of law, a crucial component of countering terrorism," Ms Pearson said.

"While Australia has a responsibility to protect its citizens from harm, this shouldn't come at the cost of undermining basic rights." – AAP



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Girls powering at Woorabinda



Members of the Woorabinda girls' group.

By CHRISTINE HOWES



SELF-RESILIENCE, confidence, respect and strength are the characteristics that bind a Woorabinda girls' group, originally intended to be a 10-week program but now in its seventh month.

Started as a response to unhealthy lifestyle choices being made by some of the Year 6/7 girls, the group has enabled many participants to turn their lives around.

Acting school principal Lisa Wogand said there was a need to re-engage the girls with the school as well as teach them life skills.

"We needed to teach them how to make good choices," she said.

"So we decided to put together a bit of a girls' group with a particular focus on leadership.

"They meet every week for about 90 minutes and they do lots of activities around resilience, self-esteem, confidence, healthy lifestyle choices and those sorts of things.

"We culminated 2016 with a

trip to the coastal town of Yeppoon, where they spoke with other Indigenous people and role models, did some music workshops and things like that."

Ms Wogand said that by far the most successful aspect of the program was a photo shoot.

"The school contributed a \$40 gift card to each of the girls to purchase a dress and shoes," she said. "Most of them are still wearing their shoes."

The group has been run and supported by Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet Indigenous engagement officer Desanya Stanley.

"We just work on a lot of different subjects for the girls to grow and develop, so they can understand what they can achieve and that they can achieve their own dreams," she said.

A *Koori Mail* straw poll of the class revealed the beach, the restaurant and the photo shoot were by far the most popular activities over the year.

The girls said during their time in the group they had learned about dreams, friendship, respect for each other, leadership goals, manners and helping each other.

"We are a team and we uplift each other," Ms Stanley said.

New book examines 'justice'

By JILLIAN MUNDY



IN his recently released book, *Treaty and Statehood – Aboriginal Self Determination*, Michael Mansell

discusses models for a seventh state (or 'First State for the First People'), designated Aboriginal seats in parliament, and a treaty.

The Tasmanian Aboriginal lawyer, activist, former legal director of the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre and secretary of the Aboriginal Provisional Government spent three years wading through constitutional law, reading any High Court cases vaguely relevant and connected to the legal principle of designated Aboriginal seats in parliament.

He also researched and has critically examined the legality of treaty, what it would deal with and its effects on the Australian public, sharing of power and autonomous communities.

"I really can't remember what I set out to do other than to write up the political solutions that were available to us," Mr Mansell told the *Koori Mail*.

"The book is for Aboriginal people who have a gut feeling that we have been denied justice and want to have someone explain what justice will look like.

"And those million white people who want to give support to Aboriginal people but don't know what we want.

"And for uni students and high school students who want to research the competition between Aboriginal rights versus the position of the Australian governments.

"The political goals that are in the book were nothing really new to me, but what I had to do was a lot of research to see if these things were legally possible and ultimately what they would produce."

It is fair to say these political goals are what Mr Mansell lives and breathes.

He says none of the proposed models in the book are extreme.

Mr Mansell suggests that a seventh state could be largely made up of lands Aboriginal people have some legal interest in such as areas returned under land rights legislation or places with native title rights. He says designated seats and a treaty are constitutionally permissible.

He discusses the meaning of self-determination and its limitations, and also reviews Aboriginal sovereignty and its function in a modern Australia.

Treaty and Statehood – Aboriginal Self Determination is available from publisher Federation Press for \$59.95.



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Cricket carnival a goldfield for Garbutt Magpies' women

By ALF WILSON



With a majority of players of Torres Strait descent, the Garbutt Magpies women's team is the first to compete at the Goldfield

Ashes Cricket carnival, and to also play in a men's division.

A record number of Indigenous players lined up from all over North Queensland at the 69th Goldfield Ashes Cricket Carnival at Charters Towers, which ran from January 20 to 22.

The Ashes began in 1948 with a modest six teams in one men's grade.

The 2017 Ashes had 230 teams in four men's divisions and a women's grade.

The Garbutt Magpies women's side had players from several generations of the Ross family from Darnley Island.

The *Koori Mail* watched the Magpies play UNO (You Know) XI in the men's social division at the Charters Towers Aerodrome Reserve.

Garbutt Magpies lost 209 runs to 156 but player Lorraine Ross said the girls were delighted to participate at their first Ashes campaign.

"We didn't even know there was a ladies division but this is a family team and we are very proud to be here," she said.

The side took about 15 players to the Ashes and club spokesman Drue Ross said 13 of them were



Torres Strait Islander sisters Nicole, Lorraine and Joy Ross from the Garbutt Magpies attend the 69th Goldfield Ashes Cricket Carnival.

of Darnley and Palm Island descent.

"The other two are non-Indigenous girls who are related," Drue said.

The Torres Strait players are descendants of the late Anastasia Maria Ross (nee Kanak) from Darnley Island and the late Manny Ross from Palm Island.

Garbutt Magpies also had a

men's team at the Ashes and both were memorial teams in honour of Emmanuel 'Porkey' Ross, who passed away in late 2015 and was one of the 11 children of Anastasia Maria and Manny Ross.

"Most of the ladies team are children or grandchildren of Porkey, who was my dad," Drue said.

About 100m away the Garbutt Magpies men's team played against another Indigenous team, West Indigies, which won and ended up top of the ladder after round one.

At previous Ashes there had been ladies teams with all Aboriginal players and others with a few of Torres Strait heritage.

This year, matches were

played on 70 fields at Charters Towers and surrounds and about 20 are privately owned grounds on properties.

The remainder of the matches were at parks, school grounds, the aerodrome reserve, in the middle of the racecourse, the gun club, golf club or an old people's home.

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Report finds health risks



CLINIC and accommodation alarms should be upgraded and personal alarms considered for use, in order to

keep remote health workers safe, a report has found.

The peak body representing remote health workers investigated safety concerns following the death of South Australian outback nurse Gayle Woodford in 2016.

CRANaplus says staff should be accompanied on call-outs and at times where risks have been identified, and should be better-educated about safety issues.

The investigation also identified that a lack of Aboriginal clinic staff had a negative impact on services available in remote communities and to the safety of nurses and other health workers.

"Remote area nurses and other health staff were at increased risk because they frequently did not know the personality or background of community residents or visitors," the report said.

"They were also at increased risk of harm at times, as they were often unaware of tensions in the community and the likelihood of violence."

Grave

The body of Ms Woodford, 56, was found in a shallow roadside grave near Fregon, in SA's north, three days after she was last seen on the state's Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands.

At the time she went missing, an ambulance she used in her work at the Fregon clinic drove away from her home and was intercepted by police several hours later at Coober Pedy, after being

tracked using its GPS data. Mimili man Dudley Davey remains in custody, charged with Ms Woodford's murder.

Her death sparked a major push to improve the safety of nurses working in remote communities with an online petition securing more than 130,000 signatures.

CRANaplus chairman Paul Stephenson says the organisation's investigation provided a valuable description of the conditions faced by many remote health workers.

"Working remotely in health care requires more skills, enhanced self-reliance and professional capability," he said.

The organisation's report will be followed by the development of a set of national safety and security guidelines for outback health workers and a suite of practical resources including online training. — AAP

Comic targets respect

By KEIRA JENKINS



A NEW comic for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities has been released, focusing on the role adults play in influencing disrespectful attitudes in young people.

The comic, *Respect Starts With Us*, follows the story of PJ and his family, as they start to see disrespectful behaviours and attitudes in themselves and start to have conversations to change them.

The book is part of the Federal Government's Stop it at the Start campaign, which aims to reduce domestic violence.

Campaign ambassador Jeremy Donovan said the resources encourage everyone to speak up about disrespect.

"This campaign is very relevant to my own personal story," the Gumbaingirr and Yalanji man told the *Koori Mail*.

"Violence was common with the way I was living when I was young, with multiple run-ins with the police.

"But I'd like to think my life is very different today with the way I raise my kids and my nieces. I want to make sure that violence is not part of their everyday narrative."

The national campaign aims to break the cycle of violence by



Jeremy Donovan speaks to his children Kaleema, Jakarri and Matari about respect.

encouraging adults to consider their behaviours and speak about positive relationships with young people.

Mr Donovan said family violence is all too common in Indigenous communities.

"It's a common tragedy," he said.

"And in the communities we

sometimes find excuses for violence. In my experience our culture has always been a safe and strong place so we need to stop hiding behind culture as an excuse for violence."

According to the Federal Government, Indigenous women are 34 times more likely to be hospitalised due to family

violence than other women.

Women in remote and regional communities are also 45 times more likely to experience domestic violence than those in metropolitan areas.

The Stop it at the Start campaign encourages parents and carers to think about what they're saying and how it may

affect the young people around them.

Mr Donovan said common excuses for disrespectful behaviour among young people like 'he probably did it because he likes you' start to shape children's ideas about the world.

He said it's important for men and women to consider their attitudes and speak up about domestic violence.

"I believe the more Aboriginal men that speak up against violence the more confident more men will be to speak up," Mr Donovan said.

"I've never met anyone who's said violence is a good thing. It's more about asking how do we heal."

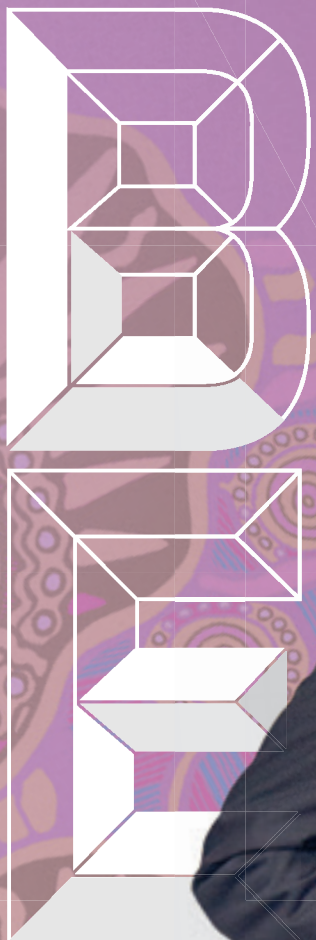
The campaign will run for 12 to 18 months on television, print and digital media.

There are also a number of online tools that parents, carers and teachers can use to start conversations with young people.

Mr Donovan said the main thing is for parents to start talking to their children about family violence.

"It's about stopping it at a young age," he said.

"There is no excuse for disrespectful behaviour. Any violence is not acceptable and when we start calling it out and more people start speaking up, that's when we will no longer have family violence."



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He's using animation to protect culture

By KEIRA JENKINS



JOSHUA Yasserie was inspired to follow his dream after his life hit "rock bottom" and he made the journey from Mackay, Queensland, back to his traditional Wiradjuri country in western NSW.

He went to Dubbo, studying Wiradjuri language and digital gaming design at TAFE, which he said led him to Sydney to further his studies.

Now Mr Yasserie has completed an Advanced Diploma in Screen, Animations and VFX at the Academy of Interactive Entertainment.

His work focuses on animation as a tool for teaching and protecting culture and language.

Mr Yasserie's work includes a welcome to country, which he said was a first for the academy's graduation ceremony.

He said he would not have been able to achieve all the things he has without the support of his teachers and the academy staff.

"My head teacher is from New Zealand," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"Over there they've got lots of cultural teachings. So he was very aware of cultural sensitivities when I approached him and



told him what I wanted to create.

"I want to make positive images of black people. I want to make Aboriginal superheroes and give kids positive Aboriginal role models.

"My specialisation is in cultural protocols. I embed culture into all my animations to protect it. Culture is so important to me."

Mr Yasserie says he's always been interested in animation and was always drawing as a kid.

"If you had a look at my old school books you'd see drawings all over the pages," he said.

"I wasn't that interested in school stuff but I loved art, and, since I was about 18, I wanted to be an animator.

"But life happened, as it does. I had a partner and kids, but that broke down. After that I felt like I hit rock bottom but I decided to use that time to go after my dreams."

Mr Yasserie is passionate about using animation as an education tool, and says that's what his work is all about.

"My work is about the concept of what we can do with animation to protect culture," he said.

"I do something called 'camera tracking' so I take my camera out and film the scenery, then I go back to my computer and embed my animated characters in the scene.

"I use textures of Wiradjuri dirt or bark to embed inside the character."

And as for his graduation, Mr Yasserie said he's excited to be able to share his work with his class and the wider community.

"I've dug my heels in a bit because I really wanted to do the cultural stuff," he said.

"A lot of the other people in the course are into the epic films with big explosions and stuff. There's nothing wrong with that – I think that stuff's amazing – but there's nothing out there like my work."

Mr Yasserie said he will now study a Bachelor of Design (Animation) at UTS and plans to go on to do his master's.

Heritage Act 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

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

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

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Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by **7 February 2016**. Enquiries to Mary Ann Hamilton on (02) 9873 8565 or Maryann.hamilton@environment.nsw.gov.au

The Heritage Council is interested in receiving information in writing, by email, telephone or in person from the Aboriginal community or Aboriginal organisations on the potential Aboriginal significance of this place.

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritageapp/NominationsOfStateHeritageRegister.aspx

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Sydney violence video leads to call for action

By KEIRA JENKINS



AFTER a video appearing to show police punching and kneeling an Indigenous man in Sydney was circulated online, Amnesty International has called for action.

Indigenous Rights campaigner Roxanne Moore said Amnesty International was calling for an investigation into the apparent violence against the young man.

"The Police Commissioner needs to make a public statement about what appears to be a police officer repeatedly punching and kneeling a young Indigenous man," she said.

"The violent response we see in the footage could amount to excessive use of force by the police officer.

"The officer involved in the violence seen on camera should be suspended until an investigation is completed, and should be held accountable if found to have violated the young person's rights."

The video, filmed by Jamie Burns, near Mt Druitt train station, shows an altercation between a number of young people and police.

Bystanders can be heard shouting 'stop, stop' and 'let her go' as a young woman is restrained.

Some bystanders appear to intervene, and are subsequently

pepper-sprayed, with one man being placed in handcuffs.

Ms Burns said she and her partner witnessed the altercation after getting off a bus at the station.

"My partner and I jumped off the bus and saw what was going on," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"I saw one of the police officers grab the girl by the hair and that's when I started filming. There's no need for that kind of violence.

"The police get away with this stuff

thrown a shopping trolley at a convenience store door and threatened to kill a staff member.

The staff member called for help, and police say a struggle ensued when they attempted to arrest the teenager.

Police were allegedly surrounded and threatened by a group of 15 people, and called for assistance.

Police say the 27-year-old man who was pepper-sprayed was trying to prevent the teenager's arrest. He was charged with obstructing police and will

appear in Mt Druitt local court on February 9.

The 17-year-old girl was charged with stalk and intimidate, assaulting police, offensive behaviour, resisting arrest, and other offences.

Police held her overnight before she appeared at Parramatta Children's Court on January 10. She was granted conditional bail and will appear again in the Children's Court on February 21.

There was no mention of the man who appeared to be punched and kicked by an officer, in the statement released by police.

Ms Burns said the man was calling the police officer racist.

"The guy who got punched was only calling them racist," she said.

"The girl got charged with assault but the police should be charged with assault for what they did.

"It's not the first time I've seen violence like this."

"The police get away with this stuff too often so I decided to catch it on video. You can see in the video the girl hit back at the police but I don't blame her for that."

too often so I decided to catch it on video. You can see in the video the girl hit back at the police but I don't blame her for that.

"They had her by the hair; of course she was going to hit back. Then when the police were pepper-spraying, they were just spraying it everywhere. My partner was sprayed and we were standing back."

Police say the incident began after the 17-year-old girl in the video had

Volunteers wanted to live in Oodnadatta



THE Aboriginal Volunteer Program is looking for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across the country who would like to experience living and working as a volunteer in the remote South Australian community of Oodnadatta.

The program has been running for four years and so far, 12 young Aboriginal volunteers have taken part.

South Australia's Aboriginal Reference Group chair Bruce Hammond said the program is based on a community development model that, at its core, is respectful and inclusive and is about building better communities together.

Funded by philanthropic donors and the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, the program involves work experience, cultural exploration, community development and empowerment.

Community members are encouraged to take the lead in defining what they want to achieve for their community through the program.

Volunteers are recruited by Volunteering SA & NT and not-for-profit company AVI. They complete training before they depart for South Australia and



2016 Aboriginal Volunteer Program volunteers, Charles Rolls, Montana McStay, Lisa Rapley and Renee Marks.

receive a basic living allowance to allow them to volunteer for 10 weeks alongside the community, completing a range of tasks and projects.

Montana McStay, a Gunai-

Kurnai woman and volunteer on the 2016 program said she found helping the community a valuable experience.

"How often do you get to be involved in and learn about

such a variety of things; working with children in the school, the cemetery project, youth and community events," she said.

Volunteers might find themselves in a number of roles,

including working with the community Elders; supporting the development of a garden; providing one-on-one support to students at the school to improve their literacy skills; supporting art programs and community social events, like movie nights; or discussing challenging topics, like mental health and personal wellbeing.

2016 volunteer Charles Rolls said he was trying to show that it was cool to be healthy during his time in the community.

"The kids would come around and we would go running on a daily basis," he said.

"I took the speakers and we would run to music."

Dunjiba Community Council chairperson Marilyn Ah Chee said being a part of the community is an essential element of the program because it's not a fly in/fly out support program, but rather an initiative directed by the community where partnerships, one-to-one relationships and shared learning is emphasised.

"We look forward to the volunteers coming every year to be part of the advancement of the community," she said.

Applications close on February 1.

For more information or to submit an application, visit <http://bit.ly/VolunteerInOods>

Academic to assist inquiry



A LEADING Indigenous educator has been appointed a part-time commissioner to assist with the Queensland Productivity Commission's inquiry into service delivery in the state's Indigenous communities.

CQUniversity's pro vice-chancellor of Indigenous engagement Professor Bronwyn Fredericks will work with other commissioners on the inquiry, which will focus on service delivery in remote and discrete Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Announcing the appointment, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Curtis Pitt said Prof Fredericks had extensive experience and understanding of Queensland Indigenous communities.

"The Government's objective is to increase social and economic participation and achieve service outcomes that meet the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities," Mr Pitt said.

"The inquiry will assist in determining if government investment is achieving value for money and what changes are needed."

Prof Fredericks, who oversees

Indigenous engagement at CQUniversity and is also the BHP Billiton Mitsubishi Alliance Chair in Indigenous Engagement at the university, welcomed her appointment.

"This inquiry is vitally important to Queensland as it will involve in-depth consultation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across the state, giving them a voice and allowing them to highlight the unique needs of their communities," she said.

"This will inform policy and decision making, and contribute to better outcomes for people and communities by identifying how resources can be best utilised to bring about opportunities and deliver successful outcomes."

Prof Fredericks has worked across the education and health sectors. She is a board member of the Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council and the Central Queensland Region Aboriginal and Islander Community Controlled Health Organisation.

It is anticipated that the inquiry will hold consultations from early this year, with a draft report for consultation by August 31 and a final report by November 30.



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New app will help connect Indigenous communities

By KEIRA JENKINS



A NATIONAL research project aiming to connect Indigenous communities in the digital space has

received a \$473,000 grant under the Australian Research Council's Discovery Indigenous scheme.

The project is one of 11 that received funding.

Noongar man Christopher Lawrence is one of the eight researchers from UTS working on the project that will see an app – #thismymob – developed in the hopes of connecting Indigenous people in a culturally safe and friendly way.

Dr Lawrence said the app uses the idea of 'digital land rights' to connect its users.

"Technology is how we're going to close the gap," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"We know Indigenous people are connected online. We know we use Facebook and social media; we get on our mobiles and on our laptops.

"What we're looking for is how we can facilitate that and design new ways to get our mob connecting."

Dr Lawrence said the mobile game *Survival Island 3*, which caused an outcry early last year because of its portrayal of Aboriginal people and its requirement to bludgeon them to death, reaffirmed the need for his project.

"We're coming from the point of view that this is who I am," he said.

"I went on Facebook when that app was launched and saw all the distressed family and friends I had.



Dr Christopher Lawrence

"I was upset about it, and a lot of my friends were very angry about it too. It caused the kind of 'where do I go and connect online' questions for Indigenous people and reinforced the fact that we need this."

Dr Lawrence said the app is still in development and the next step is to consult the community about what they want to see.

"We're going to use the approach of consulting with Indigenous people, holding design workshops, and get input on how to build the app," he said.

"It will be meaningless unless we have Indigenous input. It could be used as an education tool too, or for organisations to promote their services.

"We want something socially and family friendly that is also culturally sensitive, and importantly, we recognise

Indigenous people need to have a say in how to develop this."

Dr Lawrence said he will be recruiting a number of Honours and Masters students to help in the project.

"It's a very male dominated field so if there's any Indigenous females who'd like to take part I'd encourage them to get on board," he said.

"I'd encourage females to take up the challenge. It'd be great to see young women coming into the university to study technology."

Dr Lawrence said he has high hopes for the app, once it has been developed.

"It could be a catalyst for Indigenous connection on a huge scope," he said.

"This is not just about Indigenous people in Australia, but Indigenous people all over the world."

\$20m to help WA families



THE Western Australian Government will spend \$20 million over four years to fund a new pilot program aimed at

reducing the number of Aboriginal children in state care.

Child Protection Minister Andrea Mitchell said Aboriginal In-Home Practical Support Services would be trialled in the metropolitan area from January next year.

"This Government made a commitment with its Building Safe and Strong Families: Earlier Intervention and Family Support Strategy to address the overrepresentation of Aboriginal children in the child protection system," she said.

"That strategy recognises that earlier and more intensive engagement is the best way to support families and prevent their children coming into care.

"Aboriginal In-Home Practical Support Services will be established in four locations to provide culturally safe, in-home support and out-reach

parenting services for Aboriginal families.

"Vulnerable families sometimes find it difficult to navigate the service system or are reluctant to engage; these services will persevere with those families to provide earlier and more intensive support to reduce the chance of their children being placed in care."

Coverage

The pilot services will be linked to Family Support Networks, which will be expanded to provide coverage across the metropolitan area.

"Family Support Networks, which connects vulnerable families to the services they need, will also be enhanced and strengthened to include better access to government services as well as those offered by the community services sector," Ms Mitchell said.

Work will start this year to develop these new services in partnership with the community service sector, as well as Aboriginal service providers and communities.

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Roxanne Brown takes on the toughest aspects of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander education at Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT) – preparing young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students for a career in drug and alcohol community services and delivering cultural sensitivity training to non-Indigenous people.

Teaching both subjects require enormous care, sensitivity and a relentlessly positive attitude. Those characteristics, along with her deep professional experience, have seen Roxanne voted favourite CIT teacher of the year by her students for the past two years.

In recognition of her “significant contribution to students” Roxanne also picked up a special CIT Students Association Award in 2015 and 2016.

Roxanne, a Murrawarri woman from Brewarrina in northern NSW, teaches at CIT’s Yurauna Centre. The dedicated Centre of Educational Excellence for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students lies at the heart of CIT’s Reid campus in Canberra.

Yurauna, a Wiradjuri word meaning ‘to grow’, works to help students grow their knowledge, abilities and confidence on the path to a new career. In 2016 it supported about 900 CIT students to develop skills from basic reading and writing to creative writing, cultural arts, or community work.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students can choose any CIT course and benefit from the extra support and community activities the Yurauna Centre offers.

CIT students say Roxanne’s strong clinical background is the most valuable tool she brings into the classroom. “The experience she shows in the classroom really rubs off on us students. Her knowledge, what she’s been through in the workplace gets us ready for what we should expect,” CIT graduate Jordan Kolo-Buckle says. With his Certificate IV in Alcohol and Other Drugs (CHC43215), Jordan has already landed a job with the ACT Mental Health.

CIT’s Yurauna Centre is more than just a vocational training centre – it’s a space for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to feel they belong and where achievement through education is fostered and reached.

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Cherbourg farm worker Coby Sullivan.



Cherbourg Mayor Arnold Murray.

Cherbourg looks to future

By CHRISTINE HOWES



IN days gone by, Queensland's Indigenous community councils were often said to be burdened with looking after people on their former missions or reserves 'from the womb to the tomb'.

These days the role of the organisations, now called Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander shire councils, is very much like mainstream local government, covering roads, rates, rubbish collection and the like.

But that hasn't stopped many of them – there's 16 Indigenous councils across Queensland – from also taking local community and economic development opportunities as far as they can.

Cherbourg Aboriginal Council, in south-east Queensland, is a case in point.

It runs several successful local business ventures, with plans for more. Ironically, in a spin on 'womb to tomb', these plans include a birthing place and a funeral home.

"It's all for our future," Cherbourg Mayor Arnold Murray says.

Cr Murray grew up in

Cherbourg, a former Deeds of Grant in Trust (DOGIT) community three hours' drive north-west of Brisbane.

He went to school there and worked much of his adult life at the community including at 'The Farm', a council-run agricultural enterprise that employs six locals.

"Community"

"It's good to have that for the community," Cr Murray says.

The council also runs a joinery, employing cabinet makers, and is involved in local housing.

"We are successful at the moment... the cabinet makers and housing workers are doing

a good job," the mayor said.

Cherbourg Council economic and community development manager Sean Nicholson said the businesses worked together.

"The joinery is making the kitchens for our own houses on the community," he said.

"It makes a big difference to everyone to know it's all from here."

Cr Murray said he'd especially like to develop a local birthing place and a funeral home during his tenure as mayor.

"Having something like a birthing place in Cherbourg would be good. We've got nothing now," he said.

"I also want to open a funeral business. We've got the mortuary in the hospital and we've been cleaning it up to get it operating."

Cr Murray said a funeral business would lead to major savings for local people.

"Funerals could be \$2000 cheaper," he said.

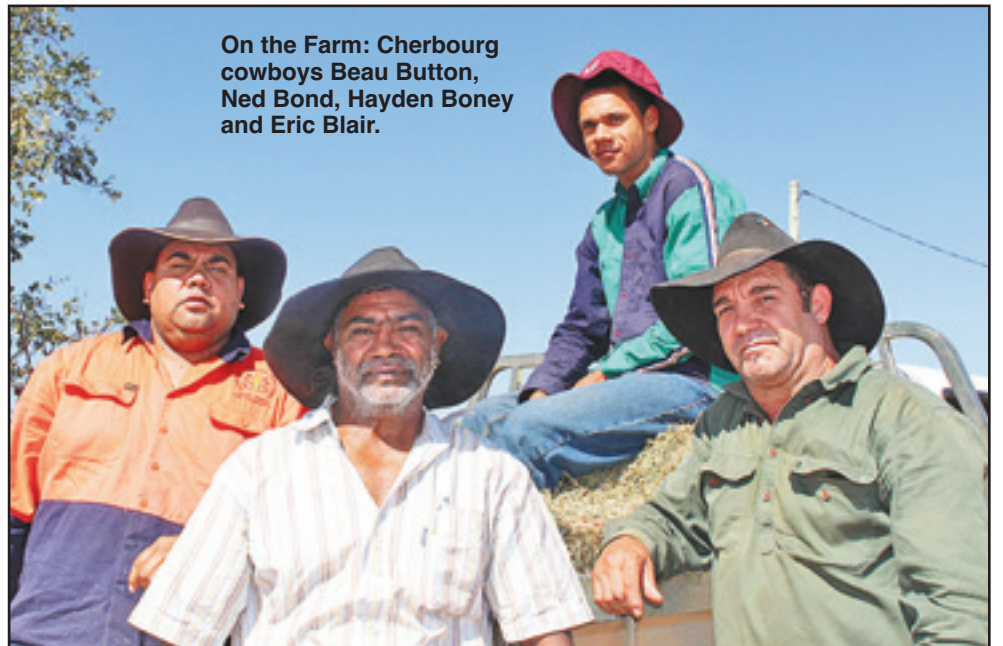
Mr Nicholson said the council was focusing on developing locally sustainable enterprises.

"Everything we've bought into is working. We want to build on it and get the kids from the school involved," he said.

"We want to get them into enterprises and give them a good chance in life."

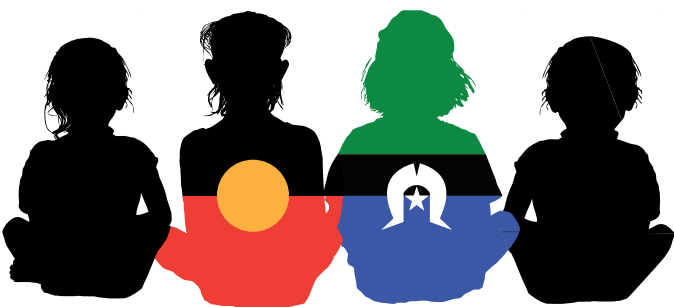


Housing workers Doug Law and C J Bligh.



On the Farm: Cherbourg cowboys Beau Button, Ned Bond, Hayden Boney and Eric Blair.

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Torres Strait Regional Authority chairperson Pedro Stephen and Torres Shire Council Mayor Vonda Malone sign the MOU.

TSRA and council sign deal



THE Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) and the Torres Shire Council (TSC) have renewed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

to work together on a range of initiatives.

The MOU was signed on December 14 by TSC Mayor Vonda Malone and TSRA chairperson Pedro Stephen.

Mr Stephen said both organisations have always worked together on projects and activities with joint outcomes for residents living in the Torres Strait region.

"The MOU arrangements aim to enhance the quality of life for people throughout the region including health and wellbeing and sustainable opportunities for strengthening the regional economy," he said.

"This includes identifying and co-ordinating joint strategic objectives, shared working arrangements to address social, economic and environmental needs and community projects, and facilitating the continual improvement in the delivery of community development programs and projects."

Cr Malone said the MOU is an important conduit to exchange and address matters collectively with the TSRA that support the growth and development of the communities of the Torres Shire Council.

"Another important aspect of the MOU was research and planning," she said.

"Cooperative planning for future regional service and infrastructure development, and cooperating and consulting on research and development will all form part of our work together under the MOU."

Woorabinda patrol stops break-ins



BREAK-ins at council buildings in Woorabinda have become virtually a thing of the past thanks to a street patrol team employed by the local council.

The patrollers work in shifts for 12 hours, from 6pm each day at the central Queensland community – about 200km west of Rockhampton. They cover a large perimeter of the township, checking on many Woorabinda Aboriginal Shire Council buildings.

Patrol member Deborah Murdoch said members' efforts were paying off. "We struggled early on, but we've been doing well now," she said.

"We've got the odd break-in, but they're either before or after we're finished work."

Woorabinda resident Damien Singer said the patrol had made a big difference.

"There's not as many break-ins in town anymore, at least with all of the council buildings we have to watch," he said.

Local man Wagwan Savage said the community was behind the patrol. "The community thinks it needs this kind of street patrol," he said.

"A lot of people have volunteered, and now it's good we're starting to get paid for it."

"We have a lot of people who would still get out and do it without the pay, because they're concerned for the local kids."

"We appreciate the people who are turning out and we're helping the community by turning up and doing a good job."



Laurence Crawford with his honorary doctorate.

Honorary doctorate awarded to long-time Aboriginal educator



A FORMER Charles Sturt University (CSU) Koori Teaching

Fellow has received an honorary doctorate for his more than 40 years of teaching experience and research in the field of Aboriginal education.

Laurence Crawford received an honorary Doctor of Education at a graduation ceremony in Bathurst, in honour of his contribution to developing and implementing Aboriginal studies programs that enhanced students' learning about Indigenous cultures.

Mr Crawford has worked in Indigenous education since 1970, when he started as an Aboriginal education assistant, then as a primary and tertiary teacher.

He was the first Aboriginal education assistant to be appointed to a NSW high school.

During this time, the Aboriginal education assistant program was in its infancy and it was through Mr Crawford's commitment and dedication in working with the NSW education system that conditions for the program were improved.

Mr Crawford attended one of CSU's antecedent institutions, Mitchell College of Advanced Education in Bathurst and attained a Diploma of Education.

His first appointment was

to a local public school, where he became the first qualified Aboriginal infants teacher west of the Blue Mountains.

Mr Crawford went on to complete a Bachelor of Education degree, and a Master of Aboriginal Education Studies.

In the International Year of the World's Indigenous Peoples (1992), Mr Crawford was awarded the NSW Director General of Education Award for his commitment and contribution to public education.

Career

He began his postgraduate career as the Koori Teaching Fellow in the CSU School of Teacher Education in Bathurst, a position he held for more than 20 years. Over this period he served as a lecturer and made a substantial contribution to Indigenous education and culture through his curriculum development, which was designed to challenge and motivate students.

Mr Crawford was a member of the School of Teacher Education, contributing and achieving across all areas of academic, administration and research.

He also established and maintained links between CSU and Indigenous communities across the university's footprint.

A founding member of the committee that established the Aboriginal Enclave Centre at Mitchell College, Mr Crawford conducted the first Aboriginal student orientation program.

Aided by Mr Crawford's guidance and involvement, the Enclave Centre later expanded into the Indigenous Education Unit of Charles Sturt University, with an Indigenous Student Centre established on each of the main campuses under the supervision of the education unit.

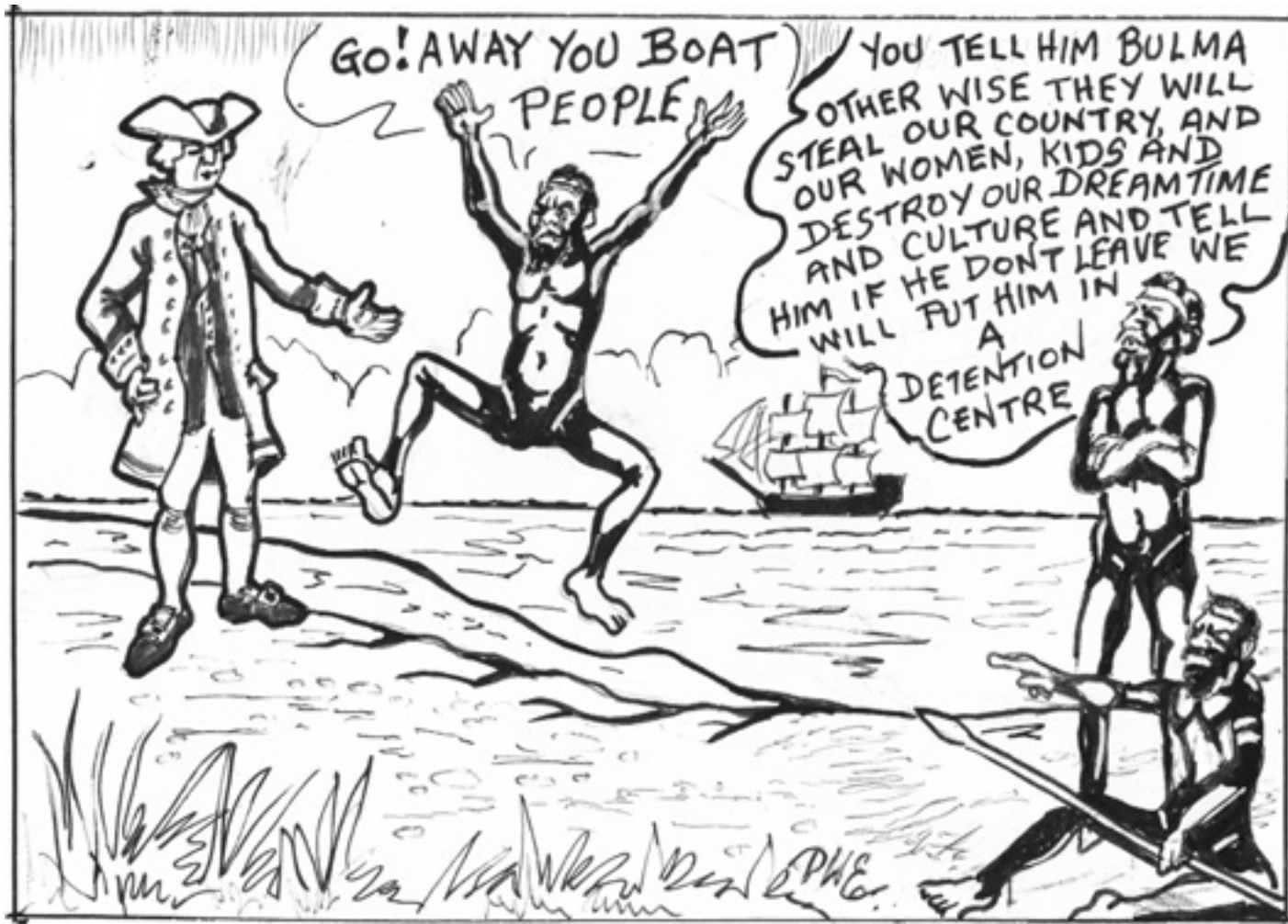
He also played a vital role in the negotiation with local Indigenous communities at Dubbo and Port Macquarie in the establishment of CSU in these areas.

Mr Crawford was also the inaugural chairperson of the Bathurst Health Council and a director of the Mid-Western Area Health Service.

It was during this time that Aboriginal health became a significant major social justice target, through the forging of links with Aboriginal communities across the Mid-Western Area Health Service footprint.

Mr Crawford and his wife Patricia are Aboriginal leaders in the local community and are responsible for establishing the Towri Multifunctional Aboriginal Children's Services Child Centre in Bathurst.

DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



Ashley Spratt Perth, WA

Favourite bush tucker?
Kangaroo steak.

Favourite other food?
Pasta carbonara.

Favourite music?
Blues.

Favourite holiday destination?
Melbourne.

Favourite drink?
Mocha.

Favourite sport?
Athletics.

Favourite read?
Sci-fi fantasy novels.

Who would you like to invite for a night around the campfire?
My mates.

If you could, what would you do to help Indigenous people?
Promote our Indigenous artists, musicians, storytellers etc more in mainstream media. Get their works out there.

Quote



“Our community is feeling discriminated against, very let down, and angry.”

– Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey

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Unquote

Why so hard to change the date?

WHY is it so hard for mainstream Australia to understand the hurt and pain caused by celebrating our supposedly national day on the anniversary of British invasion?

Is it really that hard for non-Indigenous Australia to see how marking the date when Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people had their lands dispossessed as Australia Day excludes Indigenous people from celebration. And, for many, reminds us every year of the litany of violence visited upon our people?

We agree with both of our regular columnists, Warren Mundine and Woolombi Waters (who often see things from widely differing perspectives), and the huge list of artists calling for change.

Just change the date.

A massive congratulations to Ken Wyatt on becoming the first Aboriginal person to hold a federal ministry.

The straight-shooting and down-to-earth Mr Wyatt seems like the perfect fit for both his portfolios – Indigenous Health and Aged Care.

And while it's unrealistic to think that the appointment of one person can fix all the many problems we know exist in Indigenous health overnight, if our in-depth yarn with Mr Wyatt on the facing page is any indication, he certainly knows where to start: with our



OUR SAY

grassroots people, our communities and our community-controlled organisations.

The Queensland Government should be ashamed of itself for appealing Federal Court judge Debbie Mortimer's ruling that police officers were racist in their response to the death in custody of Palm Island man Cameron 'Mulrunji' Doomadgee.

How much more pain should the Palm Island community have to bear?

Justice Mortimer's ruling and award of damages to Lex Wotton and two of his family members finally allowed some healing to begin on the remote community, but now the Queensland Government has ripped that away.

No wonder Palm Island Mayor Alf Lacey said the community was devastated by the Government's decision to appeal.

“Our community on Palm Island was looking forward to putting this behind us and moving on; it now appears we are back where we started,” he said.

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New minister has a healthy outlook

By RUDI MAXWELL

DESPITE a love of listening to Question Time on the radio as a child, the first Aboriginal man to be elected to the House of Representatives, Ken Wyatt, never pictured himself as a parliamentarian.

"Given I grew up in a Western Australian country town in the 1950s and 60s, Corrigin, if you'd asked me as a teen, I would have said there was no way I could ever be an Australian parliamentarian. It was just too far removed," he said.

"At that time, Aboriginal people were still fighting many battles to access what every other Australian was accessing – and given that we're elected by our peers within an electorate, at that point, no. There'd never been an Aboriginal person elected to Parliament so when (Queensland Liberal Senator) Neville Bonner was elected I was absolutely rapt.

"I used to listen to Question Time, used to love listening to the debates in Parliament. And then I started to think, 'Wouldn't it be great if our people were a part of this.'

"Then when Ernie Bridge, here in WA, a Kimberley man, was elected to the WA Parliament, I knew it was only a matter of time before one of us made it to the House of Representatives."

Last week Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull elevated Mr Wyatt from Assistant Minister to Indigenous Health and Aged Care Minister, making him the first Aboriginal person to hold a federal ministry.

"I felt immensely proud, but at same time emotional, and in a sense it was surreal, because normally a parliamentary secretary or an assistant minister spends a significant time in those roles before they're promoted," Mr Wyatt said.

Mr Wyatt, who holds the Perth WA seat of Hasluck, is a former public servant, having held senior roles in NSW and WA in education and health.

"When I was first elected in 2010 a group of Elders came and saw me and they made the comment that 'You are a leader. You are in a position to make a difference for our people,'" he said.

"Noongar Elder Neville Collard said to me, 'Brother, people will be watching you to see if you succeed or fail. The pressure will be greater on you than other Members of Parliament.'

"They said to me, 'Our mob expects a lot – and it won't be just the people who elected you. When our people need help they'll come to you,' – and that's certainly been true.

"Sometimes we're unforgiving



Federal Indigenous Health and Aged Care Minister Ken Wyatt: 'The politics in the Aboriginal community are much tougher than the political life you lead as a Member of Parliament. I've been well trained by our mob.'

towards each other. If we make mistakes, we tend to be tougher on each other.

"(Former Prime Minister) Tony Abbott once asked me how I was

enjoying politics and if I was finding it hard. I said, 'The politics in the Aboriginal community are much tougher than the political life you lead as

a Member of Parliament. I've been well trained by our mob'.

"In our community you can be doing something and, say, there's a public meeting with

aunties and uncles, sometimes they will chastise you if they think you're not doing the right thing or doing something the right way.

"I've had a couple of senior aunties say, 'Right, listen here, boy, you need to remember to look after your mob.'

"It always came in handy. It was good and probably a poignant moment to remember that, even though there's an agenda you're responsible for, you always have to remember what you went in there for in the first place – and our community reminds us if we don't, sometimes in a very cutting manner."

Mr Wyatt emphasised that he will take both portfolios equally seriously, but he has already signalled a break away from the top-down approach taken by former ministers to Indigenous health.

"I do want to work very closely with the Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation sector but I also want to spend time speaking with our grassroots," he said.

"I'm heading to the APY Lands (in remote SA) and I want to talk with groups of our people, instead of only from organisations.

"When a minister goes to a community they always go to an organisation and speak to the leaders of that organisation and it's always the same people. What I want to do is to hear from families in those communities.

"I want to take a different approach, because things have changed in Indigenous health but not significantly, and families are the empowering parts of community.

"There's a silence around their views, and even with our organisations. Our people are sometimes critical, but they never get the chance to express where they see our organisations fail.

"In mainstream society, you're always seeing consumer surveys asking what people think, but our people are never asked about the quality of service they receive."

Mr Wyatt particularly wants to speak with Indigenous women.

"We cannot shirk from them if we want to close the gap," he said.

"A mother determines the pathway for her child. Our women have been the strength of our community in terms of health because men ignore their health and we ignore it because we're meant to be tough, meant to be warriors.

"So I want to work directly with families, because it's not the minister who sets the direction of health, it's not the director of an Aboriginal health organisation, it's the mothers and fathers."

Didgeridoo leads to long-distance love

By BRITTA LYSTER

It was the sound of the didgeridoo at an international arts and cultural festival in Ontario, Canada, that initially brought Candace Wilde and her future husband Richard Moore together.

Candace was the artistic associate for the Planet IndigenUs Festival in 2009 and had organised for the renowned Doonooch Dancers from the NSW south coast to perform and facilitate a range of workshops over the 10-day festival.

Little did Candace know that the unique sound of the didj would mark the beginning of a love story that would see the meeting and sharing of two of the world's indigenous cultures.

"It was the opening night of the festival and the Doonooch Dancers were performing in the opening ceremony outside on the Redpath Stage," she said.

"I was inside at a reception when I heard the didgeridoo, a sound I wasn't familiar with at the time. I had to go see what was happening.

"As I walked outside and across the lawn, I saw these strong cultural men wearing their laplaps and cultural lore painting. I was totally gobsmacked.

"I was listening and observing, taking in the whole experience when I caught these big beautiful brown eyes looking right into mine. My heart skipped a beat and I was literally knocked off my feet."

Great Lakes

Now called Candace Scott-Moore Wilde, she is an Anishhabe woman from the Chippewas of Kettle and Stony Point First Nation. Her reserve is located on the shores of Lake Huron, one of Canada's Great Lakes.

It was from 15,500km away in Nowra, southern NSW, that Richard Moore, of the Wodi Wodi people of the Yuin Nation would begin a four-year courtship with her.

For the duration of the IndigenUs Festival, Candace and Richard spent time getting to know one another, exchanging numbers and email addresses. Candace wondered if she would see the big brown-eyed Australian cultural man ever again.



Love across the ocean: Anishhabe woman Candace Wilde and Yuin, Wodi Wodi man Richard Moore.

"I was sitting in a production meeting when my cell phone rang," Candace said.

"It was Richard telling me he landed. I was so happy to hear from him.

"For months afterwards we spent hours on the phone. With the time difference we both had sleepless nights, but getting to know each other was worth it.

"Then reality hit me, well actually my phone company did. I had a \$10,000 phone bill. So we eased off the phone calls and stuck to emails and social media updates."

This was where the budding relationship would stand the ultimate test.

Communication between the two almost ground to a halt, with only sporadic messages over the next few months. Then in June 2010, Candace received some much-awaited news, asking her to make some presentations at the

Festival of the Dreaming in Queensland.

"I felt blessed to have an opportunity to share my knowledge and my stories at such a prestigious festival," she said.

"The chief and council on my reserve supported my endeavour. I was on my way to Australia for the first time.

"I sent messages to Richard to let him know I would be at the festival, but I didn't hear back from him. I was just about to board my flight in Toronto when I decided to call him.

"Pure happiness"

"His phone rang and rang, of course it was the middle of the night for him and only mid-afternoon for me. When he answered I beamed with pure happiness. I told him I'm on my way to Australia. He was shocked."

It had been a long 10 months since the couple had seen each other and, as Candace wrapped up her successful

presentations at the festival and made arrangements to fly to Sydney to meet Richard, she was excited, to say the least. Her hands were sweaty as she claimed her baggage from the carousel.

"I felt restless and giddy, and as I walked over to our designated meeting spot, I saw him and we just stared at one another. Then I walked up to him, put my arms around him and he kissed me."

The two-hour drive south to Richard's home in Nowra flew. Candace said it felt like she was seeing all the places and familiar spots Richard had referred to in their phone calls and messages, and it felt like she had a familiarity with her surrounds and was overwhelmed by a sense of belonging to the land Richard had so lovingly referred to.

"I knew all about his family and who was who because we had shared

stories and pictures," she said.

"I had already spoken with many of his family members on the phone. It was such an amazing feeling to actually finally meet my soon to be in-laws.

"I spent five long weeks in Nowra but then I had to fly back to Canada to finish a project I was working on. I knew I wouldn't stay away for long."

Candace came back to Australia briefly and then took Richard back to Canada in October 2010.

"I got to bring him home to my reserve to meet my family," she said.

"Instantly my family and whole community fell in love with him and accepted him as one of our own.

"Richard and I stayed on my reserve in Canada together for three months. But then Richard had to go back to work in Australia, so I packed my bags and went back

to Australia with him."

It was during that time, as they prepared to take a photo from a mountain top on the family's property overlooking the picturesque surrounds that Richard popped the question, which was met with a resounding "yes" from Candace.

For a couple more years they travelled back and forth between Canada and Australia.

The wedding itself was a sight to behold, with more than 20 members of Richard's family travelling to take part in the nuptials.

"It was the first time our families had actually met," Candace said.

"The most memorable moment was when our mums met. It was like they were long lost sisters.

"They had spoken on the phone and via Skype over the years and now they finally got the chance to meet and visit face to face. Our uncles and aunties, our brothers and sisters, our nephews and nieces, our mates, they all finally got the chance to meet and it was truly magical. Global Indigenous unity. Two incredibly strong and powerful Indigenous families came together and through marriage they became one."

Richard says the time in his wife's community has broadened his horizons.

Struggles

He also says that despite being thousands of kilometres apart, the struggles of the two cultures are strikingly similar.

"I have had many opportunities to share my culture with my wife's community by singing and telling stories at schools and community events," Richard said.

"Life in Canada has opened my eyes, learning the similarities of the struggles and successes that both cultures have shared.

"If there is one thing that my wife and I have experienced, it is the strength, unity and courage of family, culture, respect and humanity.

"I am so proud to be an Indigenous Yuin, Wodi Wodi man from Australia.

"It is my job to maintain and teach identity, and to keep our culture alive. I love my life and I love my wife."

Let's reform what is wrong and unjust

THERE comes a time when the plight of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples must hit each and every Australian personally.

There is an undeniable opportunity coming for each of us to make a personal contribution to right the wrongs and deliver a fairer, just nation that doesn't shy away from truth and history and stands for all Australians.

This opportunity is a referendum to change the Constitution – to deal with the racism in our country's highest legal document, and to recognise our birthright as Australia's First Peoples and the unique identity and rights that brings with it.

Things are shaping up to make 2017 a year for important change to happen.

Real, lasting and substantive constitutional rights and reform is an achievement that is within our reach.

Will this year be auspicious and an important historic watershed moment? Well that's completely up to us.

Australia has shown it has the ability for hard conversations and for hard work to make changes that matter.

For starters, this year marks the 50th anniversary of the 1967 referendum and the 25th anniversary of the Mabo High Court decision.

We know that social policy and attitudes about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, built up over the past 200 years, has had some gains but, let's be up front – it has also left a trail of destruction and intergenerational disadvantage that we are just scratching the surface of and trying to rectify.

What keeps us all going then?

We all have our own stories to tell about how to keep keeping on; the fire in the belly to fix what is wrong and to



Mark Yettica-Paulson

be part of making a change.

For me, it is the guidance that my parents, Elders, leaders and mentors give to move forward, to appreciate the achievements, to hold on to the inspiration and to look to the future.

We must act with resilience and respect.

I am reassured by friends and supporters – whose numbers have swelled to more than 300,000 – for the campaign for constitutional recognition.

At the start of 2017, my determination is renewed

because I am reminded they are signed up, they have the staying power and the principles to see this through. They are standing with us like others stood together before, in 1967.

Just as my parents remind me and our own mob show me in every conversation and in every community, it is worth the setbacks, the toil and the personal sacrifices to commit yourself to what you believe in.

We stand in the light of a legacy from those who came before us.

When you look at what happened in 1967 and the foundation it laid for reform and for progress, you know the opportunity is here again to be a part of change within our lifetime.

The reforms of 1967 were not everything – no-one would argue that the job was done. Likewise, the calls to take the next step in fixing our Constitution – to get recognition in and racism out – is not everything, but it is something significant. It is an important next step to move us forward as a country.

The voices of our communities sometimes have a harshness, a desperation to see positive change come as fast as possible.

The enormity of the task can be daunting, can make us feel puny but always remember: We are powerful.

We are not alone, with hundreds of thousands at our side, and with millions to come.

Recognise is committed to having a million conversations this year, to grow support and to talk about all of the issues that go hand in hand with being black and Australian.

It needs to be said that we stand with our brothers and sisters who are committed and fighting to see other achievements such as lasting agreements with our peoples.

We are not for having one win without considering how to get wins on other issues as well.

We, too, are universally committed to defending and protecting our rights as the First Peoples of Australia.

We can stand together and take this next step to work for practical change. To reform what is wrong and unjust and to be a part of making Australia the very best it can be.

MARK YETTICA-PAULSON
Joint campaign director
RECOGNISE

POETRY

While the crown is worn

From many seas away
They rushed in across
our shoreline
Thinking it their own
Beating the Spaniards
and French
To a land none of them
owned
The best was taken to
build and farm
They ruled this continent
As if no one existed prior
to their occupation
The sending country
should be held
accountable
In a court of law.

BRUCE DOCKER
Brisbane, Qld

We'll Triumph Again

Our Future Now Is In
God's Hands
As We Get Revived On
Our Red Sand
No One Will Walk All
Over Us
As In The God Of
Heaven We Will Trust
We Have Been Broken
And We've Suffered A
Lot
We've Been Through
The Rain And The
Lightning Shocks
But We Are Still Willing
To Do What's Right
Though Things Are Still
Bad In The Dark Of
Night
We Care For Other
People Though We've
Been Done Wrong
And Down In Our Spirits
We Are Still Very Strong
At Times As A People
We've Been Fragmented
But We've Made Our
Wrongs Right As We
Have Repented
We Still Feel The Hurt
But We Must Move On
To Get Back Our
Dreams And Get Back
Our Song
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Let's change the date 1

JANUARY 26 is a very significant date in Australia's history. It was the first time Europeans landed on this continent intending to stay here. Whether that's regarded as good or bad, it's undeniably important.

People in NSW have been marking January 26 since the early 1800s to commemorate the anniversary of the first British landing. The other colonies celebrated their own founding dates. It wasn't until 1935 that all Australian states and territories accepted January 26 as Australia's national day and agreed to call it 'Australia Day'.

Marking January 26 had always been about commemorating British arrival. But over time it also became a day for the colonies to celebrate growing self-reliance and lessening dependency on Britain. There's always been a tension between celebrating British arrival on the one hand and celebrating Australia's own identity and independence on the other.

In 1938, the premiers gathered in Sydney to mark 150 years since the First Fleet's landing. That same day, Aboriginal leaders held a Day of Mourning and Protest to highlight the mistreatment of Aboriginal people and campaign for equal rights. Jack Patten opened the Day of Mourning and Protest

conference saying: "We, as Aborigines, have no reason to rejoice on Australia's 150th birthday. Our purpose in meeting today is to bring home to the white people of Australia the frightful conditions in which the native Aborigines of this continent live. This land belonged to our forefathers 150 years ago, but today we are pushed further and further into the background ... We do not wish to be left behind in Australia's march to progress. We ask for full citizen rights."

The conference passed the following resolution: "We, representing the Aborigines of Australia ... hereby make protest against the callous treatment of our people by the whitemen during the past 150 years ... we ask for a new policy which will raise our people to full citizen status and equality within the community."

Indigenous people overwhelmingly feel anger, sadness and grief about the chain of events beginning on January 26, 1788. That was when our ancestors began losing their lands and their ability to speak their languages, practise ceremony and live under their kinship systems. And we, their descendants, lost our birthright.

That chain of events continued to bring hardship and loss for many decades. For as long as I can remember, Indigenous people have



Nyunggai Warren Mundine

referred to January 26 as 'Invasion Day'. More recently we've also used the term 'Survival Day' to commemorate our achievements and survival of our nations against the odds.

Most Indigenous people will never celebrate January 26. That doesn't mean we won't celebrate

Australia. Quite the opposite.

Remember Jack Patten's call in 1938 – to be raised to full citizen status; to not be left behind in Australia's march to progress.

Indigenous people in 1938 were longing for inclusion; they weren't shunning Australia, but demanding full citizenship. We campaigned tirelessly to be recognised as fully Australian, to be truly part of this nation. And when we were in 1967 we celebrated.

January 26 is the wrong day to celebrate Australia Day.

Firstly, Australia wasn't founded on January 26, 1788. It was founded on January 1, 1901, when six British colonies united as a single nation under the Constitution. Before then, people living in those colonies were British subjects.

For most of their history the other colonies/states didn't commemorate January 26 because it was a day of significance for NSW. They resisted embracing it as the national day, reluctant to signal NSW as the senior state.

Secondly, the tension between commemorating British conquest on the one hand and celebrating Australian identity and independence on the other isn't going away. This isn't a recent tension drummed up by Lefties. It's always been there, even before anyone cared about what

Indigenous people thought.

Now, I know Australia loves its public holiday at the end of January. So declare the last Friday of January a public holiday and let the end of January continue to be part of our national routine for holidays, barbecues with friends and family, summer activities and fun. But it doesn't need to be on the 26th every year and it doesn't need to be Australia's national day.

Australia Day should be celebrated on January 1. That's the proper day to celebrate Australia's independence, identity and nationhood because that's the day Australia came into being and it's a day everyone can unite behind.

All Australians, including Indigenous Australians, should be able to celebrate our country, its achievements and unique identity.

The sentiments expressed on Australia Day are good and they're sentiments most Indigenous people share. But we can't celebrate unity on a day representing conflict and conquest.

I want Australia Day moved – not because I don't want to celebrate Australia, but because I do.

● *Nyunggai Warren Mundine chairs the Yaabubiiin Institute for Disruptive Thinking and chairs the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council.*

Let's change the date 2

LET'S be clear: this country was colonised through a forceful, aggressive invasion. People were massacred and their lands and children were taken. To make matters worse, for 200 years the history and truth of our people was lost in the deception of terra nullius that declared Australia was empty, barren land.

Make no mistake, Australia is a nation built on denial, theft and massacre and will continue to be while we celebrate the invasion over and above the concept of a country built on ancient lands, followed by European occupation and the migrant labour and diversity that came after.

In celebrating Australia we must acknowledge the land management and ecological biodiversity practised over tens of thousand of years by our people. Historians recognise such practice in enough dispersed areas across Australia to acknowledge intellectual trade agreements within numerous individual Aboriginal nations laying claim to Australia as the single largest managed land estate in the history of any society.

Others have listed this as the greatest human achievement for any civilisation in the world. No other culture comes anywhere near such demonstrated understanding of biodiversity or land management over an entire continent.

Rather than observe, learn and put into practice tens of thousands of years of effective land management, the invaders burnt it down, cleared the land and built over the top of it, trying to erase our history under a policy of terra nullius in what can only be described as an act of

environmental terrorism and genocide.

The truth is that on January 26, we celebrate the erasing of tens of thousands of years of prior occupation, civilisation and all the complexities that come with the oldest living culture in the world in honouring an invasion and the devastating effects on our people.

Strategies that manipulate people by persuasion or propaganda through the education system that benefits the rights of those who invaded over and above the needs of First Nations people in trying to create the illusion of one big happy melting pot living together just don't cut it.

Not when after more than 200 years we still have segregation, closing the gap in health, housing, education and every other quality of life indicator, deaths occurring in custody with high rates of incarceration, systematic poverty, violence and substance abuse running rampant, untreated and unmanaged in our communities.

The constant repetition of such pain and trauma from generation to generation is maintained by a government expenditure that includes \$3.4 billion to keep child protection structures that remove children in place compared with \$68 million that support keeping families together.

Such evidence only highlights the despair and hopelessness felt and seen in many of our communities. The disparity in wealth in places like Port Hedland and South Hedland are further demonstration of what can only be described as socioeconomic apartheid.

Port Hedland exports more than



Woolombi Waters

360 million tonnes of iron ore each year as part of the Pilbara iron ore deposits that make a significant contribution to Australia's GDP. China alone import goods valued at \$91 billion in mostly iron ore, coal and gas. That's resources from the land we developed over tens of thousands of years.

Less than 20 minutes' drive from million-dollar luxury apartments supported by Western Australia's multi-billion-dollar resources boom financed on the exploitation of Aboriginal lands is South Hedland. This is where the majority of our people live, in public housing squalor. It is also where Ms Dhu died in custody.

Our incarceration rate is five times that of black people when

living under apartheid South Africa.

According to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW), our young people aged 10-17 are 31 times more likely to be in detention than other Australians their age, and 48% of young people in juvenile detention in NSW are blackfellas.

Generations of misrepresentation in our education system glorifying peaceful settlement and Europeans as a superior culture that brought with it civilisation has had a psychological effect on masses of people who refuse to accept the truth.

So much so that when someone does speak out against the disparity between Indigenous and other Australians they are seen as divisive, such as witnessed with Adam Goodes, Stan Grant and Miranda Tapsell, when they chose to use their celebrity to speak out on racism.

You can't expect the engine of prejudice to grind to a halt by simply running out of steam. There need to be more active processes towards change, which is why as a community we choose to protest Australia day as either 'Survival Day' or 'Invasion Day'.

We can beat around the bush and deconstruct colonialism until we are blue in the face. The problem is black and Indigenous cultures are dismissed by a people who see them as inferior. 'We live in slums because we are lazy, welfare-dependent and won't get of our arse to help ourselves' is common rhetoric of those who are unable to develop multilayered thinking in associating past events to contemporary circumstance. And yet they demonstrate so

much pride in their own association with history that is generally steeped in denial and prejudice.

Racism is not part of the human condition, it is taught. You are not born racist, you are born into a racist society. You have to be taught to be a racist.

Those who choose to celebrate Australia Day and a history of colonialism continue to regurgitate one of the great lies told throughout history. This is the great myth of colonisation as pioneers of great white explorers who ventured out and conquered the unknown in bringing civilisation to the primitive savages of the world.

The truth is Europe was a primitive, sinful society fuelled by prostitution, child exploitation and labour, with class division ravished by disease and built on slavery and stolen Aboriginal lands. It had become overpopulated with people dying in the streets and, due to a lack of sustainable management and destruction of natural resources, was forced to seep out of its own boundaries like a cancer.

Every continent they came to has had its resources drained as generation upon generation of non-Indigenous people accumulate wealth as the Indigenous people are left traumatised and living in despair. There is not one colonised country in the world where the Indigenous people as a whole share the same quality of life, living standards and wealth as the non-Indigenous descendants whose forefathers invaded them.

Again that is the truth... so let's change the date.

● *Dr Woolombi Waters is a regular Koori Mail correspondent.*

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Kartanya Maynard.



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Amba Burgess, 23, back on the putalina stage after almost a decade.



Nurse, singer and 2017 putalina festival stage manager Emma Norman.



The kanaplila-ripiana dance group, from Launceston.



Sibling hip hop artists Cruze Smart, Jasmine Smart and Jahn Walters, from Burnie, are becoming a putalina festival fixture.



Local Aboriginal dancers performed a war dance with Maori members of the band Boil Up, who performed a haka.



Kellie Arnott (centre back) with her children Hayley Conrads and Andy Jones, and grandchildren Tamika, Blake and Tayah Jones.



Auntie Phyllis Pitchford, Jaide Jetson and Auntie Nan Mabb.



Dougie Mansell sings country tunes, supported by Mathew Fargher on fiddle.



Karen Smart and Madeline Wells, from Burnie, enjoy the festival.

enjoy festival atmosphere



Jodie Haines, Dewayne Everettsmith and Jude Reid are ready to perform as a trio.



Hiyeleum Jackson, from Hobart, and Malyn Edwards, from Wynyard, have a slimy good time.

Talent on show at putalina

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABOUT 400 people turned out for Tasmania's putalina festival, to soak up the community atmosphere, and sights and sounds of an array of home-grown talent.

Running for more than 30 years, 'the festival', as it is known in the Tasmanian Aboriginal community, is the biggest blackfella summer get-together in the state. It is scheduled to commemorate the re-occupation of the historic putalina site by the Aboriginal community on January 16, 1984. The land was officially returned on December 10, 1995.

This year, some regular performers

returned to the putalina stage after a few years' absence.

There were also performances by putalina stalwarts including Dougie Mansell, Bob Wilson and Kartanya Maynard, traditional dancers and a healthy feed.

Karen Smart and her children Jahn, Jasmine and Cruze, from Latrobe in north-west Tasmania, who have performed at the festival for past three years, spoke to the *Koori Mail* about what the festival means to them.

They said it is the biggest family event on their annual calendar.

"It means catching up with family we don't get to see so often; it's huge to us," Karen said. "It's the only time of the year we take time out and relax. I always take my holidays this time of year just for that."



June Brown, from Cape Barren Island, Kathleen Brown, from Burnie, Jmarli McDonald, from Cape Barren Island, and Bob Hughes, from Launceston.



Sophie Suitor has the crowd clapping with her hula hoop moves.



Jack Riley ochres up with the help of Craig Everett before their performance.



Nunami Sculthorpe-Everett is with her daughter Tanganutura at her first festival.

Kriol Bibles popular

By ALF WILSON



YUMPLATOK Baibols (Bibles) printed in Torres Strait Kriol language were handed out free to people from as far

away as Weipa during the Stable on the Strand Christmas celebrations in Townsville.

The 15th annual event was held at Strand Park, near the ocean, from December 18 to 22 and more than 40,000 people attended.

Maureen Harrison and Dave Andersen offered the free Baibols to interested people.

"We were very glad to have this opportunity to distribute the Yumplatok Baibol to many Islanders, especially as we knew that most of them are not aware that these scriptures are available," Mr Anderson said.

"Every copy available was taken. People from places like Rockhampton, Mackay, Bowen and Weipa received Baibols

and we trust that they will spread the word in their communities."

Event coordinator Richard Hosking said he was delighted that 72 Baibols were given away.

Siblings Mariam and Ben Agita said they were delighted to receive a Baibol.

Yumplatok New Testament was published by the Bible Society in 2014 after a painstaking translation process that took 27 years, led by translators Michael and Charlotte Corden from the Australian Society for Indigenous Languages (AuSIL) and with the assistance of more than 40 Torres Strait Islanders.

Yumplatok, also known as Torres Strait Kriol, is widely spoken in the Torres Strait as both a first and second language. Some Islanders wanting to translate into their traditional languages are looking to the Yumplatok translation to lead the way.

The Kriol Baibol was launched at a ceremony in Townsville in 2014, attended by more than 100 people at Cathedral School.

The Anglican Diocese of North Queensland Bishop Bill Ray and Torres Strait Island Bishop Saibo Mabo launched and blessed the Bible.

Bishop Mabo spoke to the audience in Kriol and Bishop Ray said it had been a wonderful effort by many people.

"The translation has taken a lot of work and we rejoice that it will enable the word of God to be spread to all Torres Strait Islanders," Bishop Ray said.

In September 2014, a 20m long Coweambah 'Bible Boat' started a journey up the east coast to Thursday Island and spent two years visiting Torres Strait and Indigenous Northern Peninsula Area communities.

The boat was a home for the crew, a classroom, a recording studio and sold Bibles in Kriol and other languages.



Maureen Harrison and Dave Andersen hold a Kriol Bible.



Djuki Mala (The Chooky Dancers).

Chooky Dancers ready to tour Australian festivals

By KEIRA JENKINS



THIS is shaping up as a big year for Djuki Mala (The Chooky Dancers), with performances planned at the Adelaide and Perth Fringe

festivals and the Ten Days on the Island Festival in Hobart over the next three months.

Djuki Mala director and producer Josh Bond said the group is excited to be touring the country again, and especially to be performing in Perth for the first time.

"It's been 10 years that we've been doing this so that's a landmark for the group," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"It's a big achievement to have survived this long and to continue to

survive. That's worth celebrating and that's what we're planning to do with these performances.

"We'd love for all the mob in Adelaide, Perth and Hobart to come out and celebrate with us."

The group, from north-east Arnhem Land, fuse their traditional Yolngu culture with contemporary dance, music and storytelling.

They've toured extensively throughout Australia over the past 10 years, and performed on the international stage too.

Last year, Djuki Mala toured through the Middle East and Europe, and performed the dance that first made the group a YouTube sensation to 'Zorba the Greek', in Cyprus.

"That was the first time we performed that to a Greek-speaking

audience," Mr Bond said. "They loved it! They went totally nuts for it. It was the last performance on that tour so it was really nice to end it on a high note."

And the dance group is already planning another tour through Europe, and considering adding the US to their travels.

Mr Bond said Djuki Mala are also keen to tour more remote communities back home, especially in the Northern Territory.

"We really want to try to pull together a tour through the bush," he said.

"It's a shame that remote communities get overlooked a lot of the time. We're trying to think up some creative ways to get out there for a tour."

Hair cut to help friend with cancer

By KEIRA JENKINS



AFTER a close family friend was diagnosed with leukaemia last year, six-year-old Marnee Biles, from Gunnedah, NSW, decided to take action to raise awareness about the cancer.

"I'm cutting my hair so I can donate it and make it into a wig for kids with cancer and alopecia (a condition that causes hair loss)," the Ngemba girl told the *Koori Mail*.

Marnee's four-year-old friend Adelaide Gurr, who is a Dunghutti girl, was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia in January 2016 and has been travelling from Gunnedah to John Hunter Hospital in Newcastle for chemotherapy over the past 12 months.

Marnee's mother Meleah said her daughter asked to shave her hair once she saw her friend had lost hers.

Instead Ms Biles did some research and found that if Marnee's hair reached a certain length they could donate it to be made into a wig.

"When Adelaide lost her hair, straight away Marnee wanted to shave hers so that Adelaide didn't feel different," Ms Biles said.

"I thought, 'Do I let a six-year-old make that decision?' but when we found out her hair only needed to be 35cm long to be able to make a wig we decided to cut it rather than shave, because that would be less invasive."

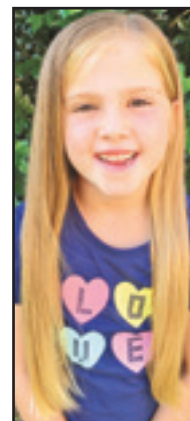
"At the same time we're raising money for Adelaide's medical bills."

In just two days Marnee had raised more than \$600 for her friend.

"It feels very good," Marnee said.

"I want to help Adelaide get her medicine."

For more information or to donate to Marnee's cause visit www.gofundme.com/adelaidepraylove



Marnee Biles

Determination pays off

By KEIRA JENKINS



FOUR Indigenous law students from Southern Cross

University (SCU) in Lismore, NSW, have received Bruce Miles Foundation textbook scholarships to help them fund their studies.

Daniel Cahill, Lorraine Dawson, Mallary Welch and Eliza McCabe received the scholarships as recognition of their determination and excellence in their studies.

"I'd run into a rough patch with my studies so when I was applying and writing about why I wanted to study law it reminded me why I wanted to do this in the first place," Ms Welch told the *Koori Mail*.

Bruce Miles was the principal solicitor at the Aboriginal Legal Service in Redfern for 14 years and was a defendant's solicitor, passionate about serving the disadvantaged, especially Aboriginal people, and the scholarships aim to honour his work.

Lorraine Dawson said she was also surprised to be invited to apply.

"We're not really good at talking ourselves up or self-promoting," she said.

"I want to get into advocacy and help the homeless, refugees and Aboriginal people. It's a growth area."

The scholarships have been awarded for 13 years,



At the presentation: front, Lorraine Dawson and Daniel Cahill; back, Robert Miles, Mallary Welch, Blake Edwards, Johanna Byrne and William MacNeil.

with the past two years focused solely on SCU.

Last year's winners were Blake Edwards, Jackson Morgan and Johanna Byrne, who was also recently recognised as the 2016 National Indigenous Law Student of the Year.

Ms Byrne said it was an honour to have received the scholarship last year and to have been named the Indigenous law student of the year.

"I did subjects last year that I wouldn't have been able to afford textbooks for without the help of the scholarship."

Ms Byrne now has a graduate position at Lavan Legal in Perth, and Mr Edwards is moving to Canberra to start work at the Attorney-General's office.

Despite each student's humility in accepting their scholarships, SCU's School of Law and Justice dean William MacNeil said they are all very deserving of the awards.

"I am proud of each of these students, with Johanna and Blake doing excellent things in their careers, and I believe this year's recipients have equally brilliant futures ahead of them," he said.

Senior solicitor and Bruce Miles' son, Robert Miles, presented the students with their scholarships.

He said the scholarships are a way of honouring his father's memory and his work.

Mr Miles said his father would often travel to regional communities from his home in Sydney to help people in need, so it made sense to offer the scholarships to regional students.

"My advice to them is this profession is not about advancing yourself, but it's about assisting and counselling those in need."

Premier supports grog restrictions



WESTERN Australian Premier Colin Barnett says he will support permanent restrictions on buying alcohol in Port Hedland after takeaway sales were banned last month. The ban was implemented by police and the local council amid fears of civil unrest and violence after the release of security footage by the state coroner showing the final moments of Aboriginal woman Ms Dhu, who died in custody.

There have been calls for permanent restrictions on alcohol sales in Port Hedland and South Hedland, which are already in place in Kununurra and Fitzroy Crossing, and the use of cashless welfare cards that cannot be used to buy alcohol.

"I think that's got a lot of merit, where alcohol bans have been put in place ... it certainly reduces crime, it reduces domestic violence, kids go to school and communities are far better off," Mr Barnett said.

New resource to help Vic councils



THE Victorian Government has launched a resource aimed at helping councils build their relationships with Aboriginal communities.

The Victorian Aboriginal and Local Government Action Plan focuses on advancing self-determination and reducing inequalities faced by Aboriginal Victorians.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Natalie Hutchins says the plan will be an important resource for councils across the state.

"It recognises, celebrates and presents a practical framework to help councils improve relationships with Aboriginal communities, promote reconciliation and engage Aboriginal people in planning, decision-making, employment, programs and services," she said.

"It is an important step towards reconciliation and self-determination for the Victorian Aboriginal community."

The Government says it has developed the plan in consultation with councils and Aboriginal communities, with nominations sought for best practice initiatives around the state. The plan is at www.localgovernment.vic.gov.au

Legal award for Cairns solicitor



CAIRNS-based solicitor Leah Cameron, from Marrawah Law, has won the Attorney General's 2016 National Indigenous Legal Professional of the Year Award.

Ms Cameron is one of the youngest people to have received the award, which aims to highlight and recognise the achievements of Indigenous Australians who improve justice outcomes for Aboriginal people.

The 33-year-old Palawa woman graduated from the University of Tasmania in 2006 and by 2013 became principal solicitor and co-owner of Marrawah Law.

She has represented numerous traditional owners in native title claims and negotiated Indigenous Land Use Agreements and large scale commercial agreements with companies, government and other land users.

She said her practice prides itself on tailoring representation to their clients' needs, law and cultural responsibility and working outside of the confines of the usual Monday to Friday 9 to 5 routine.

"We don't just give our clients a voice," Ms Cameron said.

"We let them speak through us in accordance with their laws and customs, on country."

One of the firm's non-legal aims is to



Leah Cameron

continue driving a conversation about the importance of buying from Indigenous businesses as a means of effecting social change.

Ms Cameron said she hopes the exposure from the award will bring more clients through the door of Marrawah Law and, in turn, enable them to hire more

Indigenous junior lawyers and increase their pro bono work.

Marrawah Law is Queensland's only supply nation-certified Indigenous legal practice and over 75% of their staff are Indigenous.

Ms Cameron volunteers at the Homeless Persons Legal Clinic in Cairns, where she represents a wide range of clients, mainly Indigenous, and often with complex legal needs, compounded by poverty and health issues.

She also speaks every Friday on Bumma Bipperra Media and the National Indigenous Radio Service's Talk Black Program, presenting on topical legal issues ranging from consumer law to road safety regulations.

Her mentor, friend and 2012 award recipient Terri Janke, who owns Australia's first and largest Indigenous legal practice, said Ms Cameron's work and the strength of her Indigenous heritage provided greater diversity for Indigenous organisations.

"She's bringing a great combination of native title and commercial legal advice to Indigenous organisations," Ms Janke said.

Ms Cameron is a director of Access Community Housing, a not-for-profit social housing provider, and a member of the Queensland Law Society's Reconciliation Action Plan working group.

Rehabilitation is goal of new jail



THE Western Australian Government says the rehabilitation of Aboriginal inmates will be a focus for a new women's prison opened last month. Prisoners have been moved into the 254-bed Melaleuca Women's Remand and

Reintegration Facility, at the men's Hakea Prison in the Perth suburb of Canning Vale.

The prison was built to ease pressure on the Bandyup Women's Prison.

Melaleuca operator Sodexo will get incentive payments for reducing re-offending rates, with a \$15,000 bonus for every inmate who stays out of jail for two years after being released.

WA Corrective Services Minister Joe Francis said the new jail would help address a rising prison population.

Mandatory jobs a part of strategy



THE Western Australian Government believes changes to the way the public sector recruits staff, awards contracts and buys goods and services will result in hundreds of jobs for Indigenous people.

Regional Development Minister Terry Redman said the introduction of mandatory regional targets for Aboriginal employment, procurement and contracting would result in major improvements.

Black girls to gain computer coding skills



HOPING to give Indigenous girls the opportunity to learn important computer skills, Keith Wilson is aiming to start a

'Black Girls Code' program.

The plan draws its inspiration from a project of the same name in the United States, where about 6000 girls have been trained in coding since 2011.

Mr Wilson, from Bundaberg in south-east Queensland, said he has been running coding classes with primary school students and would like to expand to the Indigenous knowledge centre in Cherbourg.

"I've been working with the students here in Bundaberg, and the school has applied for some funding," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"That would help them formalise the coding classes and allow the teachers to plan the

lessons a bit more.

"I got a bunch of laptops about a year ago and I want to take them to the knowledge centre in Cherbourg now that it's all ready because it might be an opportunity for some of the girls who are disengaged in school to learn something really useful.

"They're doing some really good stuff with it in the US, and our politicians are always talking about innovation, so why aren't we doing something like this?"

Mr Wilson's classes use free software to create and redesign websites for local community groups. One class made a flood safety video for the local council.

Mr Wilson said the aim of the program is to have locally sustainable enterprises that provide ongoing website support services.

He wants to expand the program to Indigenous communities around the country.

"A lot of people get funding and blow in to these communities, then, when the money runs out, they blow back out again," Mr Wilson said.

"I don't want to do that. I think we're on to something here. All I need is a place to start."

Mr Wilson also hopes to expand the program to Western Australia's Kimberley region.

"I'm hoping that once the girls start learning those skills, they can take on the challenge of teaching the younger ones," he said.

So far, Mr Wilson said the children are taking to the coding lessons and love seeing what they've produced.

"It could be a really good teaching tool if teachers can focus it towards a novel they're reading or a sum they're learning," he said.

"It'd be great to embed it into the classroom every day."



AFL SportsReady graduate Teneille Johnson.

Traineeships help sisters



TAUNGURUNG sisters Teneille and Ashley Johnson from Swan Hill have

benefitted from AFL SportsReady and are ready to start their careers.

Teneille, 23, and Ashley, 21, have both undertaken traineeships and are now embarking on very different paths.

Teneille started her AFL SportsReady traineeship in banking with ANZ Swan Hill in 2009 while studying at high school. She later went on to study commerce at Swinburne University.

"Back when I was in high school there were limited job prospects in regional Victoria so I had to take initiative and find a pathway into the finance and banking industry," Teneille said.

Differing from her finance and banking savvy sister, Ashley's strengths are in business and administration, which is relevant to

her current role at the University of Melbourne.

She began her traineeship in 2016 with University of Melbourne's Murrup Barak faculty as part of VTEC's Indigenous Australian Employment Development Program.

"I saw how hard my sister was working and I was inspired by her," Ashley said. "She was working two jobs and doing her traineeship as well. She has always encouraged me to follow my own dreams and has supported me through my own journey."

"I'm so happy to be working around such influential people. Every single day I am exposed to new and exciting information. At the moment I am working in earth sciences so I get to see the labs, learn about climate change and geology."

Ashley is due to complete the program at the end of 2018. Both sisters are living in Melbourne and often travel back to Swan Hill to visit their family.



Celebrating the anniversary at Gadens: from left, interns Suzie Howard, Kathryn Dorante, Zachary Frazer, Justice Anthe Philippides, Gadens chairman Paul Spiro, Liam Roberts, Chloe Heterick and Mikaela French.

Indigenous intern milestone celebrated by Qld law firm



GADENS Queensland has celebrated a milestone for its Indigenous Intern Program.

The major law firm has run the program for 10 years, employing 23 Indigenous interns across a range of practice groups in that time.

Started in 2007 under the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, in 2013 Gadens aligned the program with non-profit organisation CareerTrackers, to create

internship opportunities for Indigenous university students.

Program students perform their internship with a sponsoring company with the aim of converting from intern into fulltime employee upon completion of their university degree.

A number of Gadens' interns have secured positions at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC), Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal (QCAT), Cape York Land

Council and in private practice.

Keynote speaker at the celebration, Queensland Supreme Court judge Justice Anthe Philippides said Gadens has "demonstrated a genuine commitment to indigenous advancement".

Gadens reaffirmed its backing of the program last year by becoming a signatory to the CareerTrackers '10/10' program, which is a commitment to provide internship opportunities, adhering to learning contracts for indigenous students, for a period of 10 years.



University Centre for Rural Health academic Darlene Rotumah and Emma Walke, whose family is pictured onscreen.

New program for students



INDIGENOUS high school students on NSW North Coast will be encouraged to

consider careers in medicine, allied health and nursing, thanks to a new program from the University Centre for Rural Health (UCRH).

Called 'Baribunmani Wanyi Ngay' – Bundjalung for "I dreamed about you" – the program begins in three local high schools in first term this year. It is designed to increase the numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the health workforce and improve overall health.

Program coordinators Emma Walke and Darlene Rotumah said the program is adapted from a health academy program at Broken Hill.

"We want to be able to show Goori students the gamut of careers that are available in health and inspire their

confidence to know they can do it," Ms Walke said.

Director Professor Ross Bailie said the program is one of several student-focused initiatives from UCRH.

"Encouraging and supporting school-aged children to take up health careers is a vital step in the systematic, multi-pronged

Aboriginal culture and history.

The cultural immersion program for University of Sydney medical students, held at Camp Koinonia, covered an introduction to Aboriginal health, and included guests talking about a variety of subjects including Stolen Generations, trans-generational trauma, Aboriginal community-

controlled health services and health promotion initiatives.

"The aim is to give a better understanding of how to build relationships when working clinically with Aboriginal people, and give the students an

opportunity to talk with Aboriginal people about their real life experiences," Ms Walke said.

"The two days included a yarning circle, making fishing nets and canoeing. Being on country and off the university campus may take them out of their comfort zone, but the experiences will be priceless, and a great benefit to their careers."

"The aim is to give a better understanding of how to build relationships when working clinically with Aboriginal people ..."

and long-term approach to improving health among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people," he said.

Prof Bailie also said a new cultural immersion program for medical students held recently in Evans Head addresses the importance of ensuring that new generations of doctors have a sound understanding of



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Diabetes warning



THE National Diabetes Services Scheme (NDSS) is warning people of incorrect information circulating on Facebook, regarding the Federal Government's changes to subsidised access to blood glucose testing strips.

They say the changes do not

remove the subsidy for blood glucose test strips through the NDSS.

The changes also do not affect people with type 1 diabetes, type 2 diabetes using insulin, people with gestational diabetes, or people with other, rarer forms of diabetes.

The changes only apply to people with type 2 diabetes who are not using insulin.

Under the changes, people with type 2 diabetes not using insulin can access blood glucose test strips for an initial period of six months, starting from the date they first make a purchase through the NDSS.

Necessary

At the end of the six month period, they can get continuing access through the NDSS if their

health professional (doctor, credentialled diabetes educator or nurse practitioner) decides it is necessary for the person to continue to monitor their blood glucose levels.

If this is the case their health professional will sign an NDSS Blood Glucose Test Strip Six Month Approval form, which will allow them to access test strips for a further six months.

The person can take this form to their NDSS pharmacy to get their test strips.

There are no limits to the number of blood glucose test strip approvals as long as there is a need for the person to continue to monitor their blood glucose levels.

More detailed information at www.ndss.com.au/important-changes-to-the-ndss

Conquering body issues



Ready to exercise: from left, Ursula Harris, Donna Corrie, Noeleen Gordon, Jaida Young and Kylie Young.



A belief that keeping fit and healthy is big part of grooming and deportment has triggered Cairns-based Dee's Deportment and Grooming owner Donna Corrie to offer

what she calls 'Body Conquer' sessions to follow up on her theory.

And by all reports, it's working.

"The reason we have the Body Conquer sessions is because I had some women, mainly in their 40s plus and having healthy lifestyle issues, they were stay-at-home grandparents and mums and just needed some changes in their life," she said.

"There are some ladies who have changed their whole lifestyle around what they did in Dee's Deportment and Grooming program.

"We do strength and conditioning training and we do cardio, but I do it so that it's meaningful for them to understand to get the technique right.

"So, I say, 'I'm not your personal trainer. Look at me as your training partner 'cause we're going to work on this together, and this is not something you need to be doing on your own.'

"Because I do health and fitness within my deportment and grooming, that's when the ladies said, 'Oh, can you train us in the afternoons?'

"And it's not something they can say, 'Oh I can't come because I've got kids

or I've got grandparents to look after' because I say, 'Bring them with you.'

"We're all 46; the youngest in the group is 20, so that's really good."

Training partner Ursula Harris said guarding against a family tendency towards diabetes was her primary motivation.

"I'm the only one actually not affected by it at the moment, so I want to keep it that way," she said.

"I've just got to get my diet underway. It's a bit hard, but I'll get there eventually.

"I've just got to get my diet underway. It's a bit hard, but I'll get there eventually."

"There's a lot of things I'm not having now that I've started, like I don't drink soft drinks as much as I used to and rice is a big one too, so I just have rice now and then, which is good.

"I dropped a couple of sizes; my biggest was about 20 and now I'm about 16 or 14."

Noeleen Gordon said she started in March this year and had also dropped a few sizes, from 22 to 14.

"At first I couldn't walk from here to there to take my grandson for a walk. I was short winded and couldn't just

walk," she said.

"I see a lot of changes in me."

Ms Corrie said she knew Noeleen was also impressed to find she could now carry shopping bags without having to use a trolley.

"She had very dark skin before but now a lot of colour has come back into her and feeling really great," she said.

"Ursula had a sore leg and problems with her leg and now she doesn't have that issue anymore.

"And we had another lady who was here with us as well who had a lot of problems and was on anti-depressants and a lot of health issues, and she basically couldn't even tie her own shoe lace.

"And then just after a few sessions or so working with her as well, we found she could do her own shoelace now and she can walk without running out of breath and a lot of things have actually progressed since then."

She said she told them there was no rush. "We don't do all the running around burpie stuff; we do strength conditioning and taking the time and toning them up as well losing the weight, teaching them about nutrition," she said.

She said external business partners, such as local dieticians, were also supportive of the Body Conquer idea.

"There's others out there in the health industry who are supporting what we do here too," she said.

HAPPI Clinic for Kempsey



BURRUN Dalai Aboriginal Children and Family Support Services in Kempsey, NSW, has opened their Holistic Aboriginal Preventative Pathways Initiative (HAPPI) Clinic.

More than 80 people turned out for the launch including Secretary for Family and Community Services Michael Coutts-Trotter, Federal Member for Cowper Luke Hartsuyker and Burrun Dalai chairperson Elizabeth Stirling.

The HAPPI Clinic is an early interventional service, aiming to provide the best possible outcome for Aboriginal children in Burrun Dalai's care.

Services provided by the clinic include speech pathology; literacy teaching; trauma informed neurological psychology assessments for families, children and young people; trauma-informed secondary counselling consults with foster carers; drug and alcohol counselling; wellbeing counselling; and genealogy services.

Burrun Dalai chief executive Dana Syron-Clarke said the HAPPI Clinic is the only of its kind in NSW.

"We aim to provide the best possible life outcomes for our children and young people and this just builds on what we do," she said.

The opening of the clinic included performances by children from Dalaigur Preschool, who sang Christmas songs as well as heads, shoulders, knees and toes in Dunghutti language.

Aunty Esther Quinlan was supported by Greenhill Public School to welcome the visitors to country, while Uncle John and Aunty Thelma Kelly performed the smoking ceremony.

Broome gets new facility



THE Western Australian Government has announced the site for the construction of a new \$4.8 million community mental health facility in Broome.

The six-bed step-up, step-down facility will be built at 57 Robinson Street, facing Hamersley Street.

Mental Health Minister Andrea Mitchell said the new facility would be a significant additional resource in the Kimberley to help people with mental health issues and their families.

"This facility is one of six that are being built across Western Australia to provide short-term residential support for people, following hospitalisation for mental illness, or at risk of possible hospitalisation," she said.

"Step-up, step-down services can help people recover safely in their community and help to keep them out of hospital – for some people this can be the best option to promote recovery.

"The Mental Health Commission is committed to the development of a facility that will address specific needs of the Broome community, including the cultural sensitivities around the treatment of Indigenous people."

Hip hop music promotes vaccinations



Hip hop artist Nooky aims to raise awareness about the importance of immunisation.



AWARD-WINNING Hip Hop artist, Nooky, beatmaker/

producer Rahj Jordan, and LPS (Life-Per-Second) Productions are partnering with Murrumbidgee Local Health District to create a hip hop music video to raise awareness of the importance of immunisation against vaccine-preventable diseases.

Public Health director Tracey Oakman said the project was the brainchild of Aboriginal immunisation health worker Leanne Sanders.

"We are very excited to be working with Nooky, Rahj and the youth who will perform on the video," she said.

"Local youth will write the lyrics and perform with Nooky.

"We plan to promote the music video through schools and Aboriginal communities, via YouTube and social media."

A preview of the production can be viewed at the MLHD Facebook page.

New palliative care services



PALLIATIVE care services will be available in five Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in the

Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) of Cape York, after St Vincent's Health Australia committed \$450,000, as part of a project with Northern Peninsula Area Family and Community Services (NPAFACS) and Apunipima Cape York Health Council.

People living in remote Cape York communities – in particular the five Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities of Bamaga, Seisia, Injinoo, Umagico and New Mapoon – experience some of the highest levels of chronic disease and poorest health outcomes in Australia but don't have access to local palliative care.

The nearest palliative care is more than 1000km away in Cairns.

St Vincent's Health Australia said it responded to a need, raised by NPAFACS through Apunipima, for guidance to develop a high-quality, culturally appropriate palliative care service, tailored and accessible to the communities of the Cape.

St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne's Centre for Palliative Care deputy director Mark

Boughey, said he and his colleagues would listen to the communities about their palliative care needs.

"It's going to be a learning exercise and an exercise in trust building," he said.

"We need to listen to the people in community, and understand what they want from their palliative care service, so that it will cater to the requirements of those who will access it.

"From there, an appropriate service model can be developed, and then local stories will spread about how members of the communities will die respectfully, at home, on country and with family."

Partnership

The NPA palliative care project is an extension of an ongoing partnership between St Vincent's and Apunipima that already provides primary healthcare services to 11 Cape York communities and advocates for 17 others, including those of the Northern Peninsula Area.

NPAFACS president Ugari Nonam said with the highest levels of chronic disease in the country and an average life expectancy of 58 years, there's considerable need for high-quality and culturally appropriate end-of-life care in the region.

"There are currently no palliative care services north of Cairns, some 1000km away, and certainly no end-of-life care services appropriate to the cultural requirements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in Cape York," she said.

For the people of NPA's five communities who have a life-limiting illness, accessing end of life care means leaving the community, leaving family and country to travel to Cairns.

Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council mayor Edward Newman said it's hard enough for those who are dying to move away to Cairns, but it's also very hard for the family who can't be with them

"In most cases, our Elders go down to Cairns for palliative care, close to death, and often don't return, and it's their family, the community that suffers the burden of them dying away," he said.

Cr Newman said St Vincent's commitment to help address NPA's end of life service needs has been a welcome step, however sustained commitment, for not just the current Elders but the young people who will one day be Elders and leaders of the communities, it's an essential requirement for long-term success.

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Dream to record new music



ANDREW Beckett has always privately hoped the first artists to sign onto his dream production company

'Bullroarer Records' would be his own former band Tribal Link.

The Woorabinda/Cherbourg band played extensively across Queensland and around the country in the late 1990s to early 2000s and, more recently, at the Woorabinda Warriors Rugby League "Age of Origin" series final in 2014.

It was enough for a spark of hope for Mr Beckett.

"Since the split of Tribal Link I think lots of people asked me: 'How's the music going? What are you doing and everything?'" he said.

"For the past 10 to 15 years I've been under the radar, but I've always had my finger in regards to music in one way or another.

"In that time I've studied, done some study at the Byron Bay School of Audio Engineering.

"I've been working in Cherbourg for the past 10 years, and finalised my training with the Sunshine Coast TAFE.

"And, whilst in that process I've built a purpose-built recording studio on my private



Tribal Link pictured at the Woodford Folk Festival (late 1990s/early 2000s): from left, Andrew Schravemade, Andrew Beckett, Les O'Chin, Lindsay Jarrett, Eugene Yoren and, at back, Robbie Beckett. Pictured right, Andrew Beckett and Les O'Chin.

property in Murgon, next to Cherbourg, and my wife (Trish) and I we have a company, Jemalong Productions, and under that umbrella of our company we're actually Bullroarer Records, so we are a registered record label as well.

"I haven't signed anyone to date; maybe Tribal Link can be the first artist on my label."

Former lead guitarist Les O'Chin said anything was possible.

"Andrew's done a lot of new stuff and we've all learned to be

better musicians since we've split up and came back together," he said.

"I found it's a very big possibility that we could be a better band again."

He said they were all still playing.

"We've all went our own ways into different genres and different music styles," he said.

"And as we came back we found out when we got together up in Baralaba in 2014, it actually panned out pretty good.

"We only had a couple of



practices and we were still linked."

Mr Beckett said their combined experiences amounted to great possibilities.

"When we played, it sort of lit a spark," he said. "Back in the day we used to dream about this sort of stuff, I'm saying now it's in the palm of my hands that we can do this totally independently.

"We have a recording studio, we've got the skills and qualifications to do the job; we've got the experience; they've got the talent and the musical skills,

and we've got the songs that we never really got recorded.

"I think if we ever do an album we'll probably call it *Tribal Link Our Way*, which is we'll do it our way this time.

"We don't have any great expectations of cracking the big time or anything, but it's kind of more of just putting our own minds at rest – to say this is who we really are and this is the music that we make and this is what people used to come and listen to."

— courtesy South Burnett Times



It'll last the distance by the late Matthew Cook. Artwork courtesy of Tim Bishop.

Good Looking



BOOMALLI is preparing for an exhibition showcasing work by Indigenous lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, queer and intersex artists.

Called *Good Looking*, it will be at the Sydney-based gallery from February 22 to March 26.

Artists to exhibit include Jeffrey Samuels, Arone Meeks, Jasmine Sarin, Ella Bancroft, Jenny Fraser, Clinto Nain, Mary Munro and Maurice Shipp. The curator is Kyra Kum-Sing.

An opening night event will include performances by Kerriane Cox and Dreamtime Divas. More information at boomalli.com.au

Exhibition plan for Myall Creek



THE New England Regional Art Museum (NERAM) is inviting

expressions of interest from independent Australian-based Indigenous curators for the exhibition *Myall Creek and Beyond*, to be held next year in Armidale.

On the afternoon of June 10, 1838, 11 convicts and ex-convict stockmen led by a squatter slaughtered 28 Aboriginal people camped at the station of Myall Creek in the New England region.

Myall Creek and Beyond, being developed by NERAM in partnership with the Friends of Myall Creek, will produce an exhibition and range of public programs responding to the massacre and court case of 1883 and the theme of reconciliation.

Art museum director Robert Heather said the aim is to find a guest curator who will work with NERAM and partners, selected artists and the local community to create an artist-in-residence program at the 2017 Myall Creek Memorial event, leading to an exhibition at NERAM in June

2018 to coincide with the 180th anniversary of the massacre.

"The massacre was of enormous historical significance in our region and nationally because it was the only time when the white perpetrators of a massacre were arrested, tried and executed according to the due legal process of the era," he said.

"The history of the Myall Creek Memorial event which has been held every June since 2000 is also a story of active reconciliation between the Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities of our region as well.

"We have received funding from the Regional Arts Fund for stage one of the project in 2017 and will also be seeking funding and support for the exhibition in 2018.

"The person we are hoping to find will be an experienced curator who has worked with artists and communities on projects which address complex issues."

For further information visit <http://www.neram.com.au/eoi-myall-creek-exhibition/>



Memorial sign at the Myall Creek massacre site in north-western NSW.

Shepparton hosts *Montages*



Tracey Moffatt and Gary Hillberg have come together to create the exhibition *Montages: The Full*

Cut, 1999-2015. Developed by Artspace, Sydney, *Montages* is at the Shepparton Art Museum, Victoria, from January 28 until March 19, and touring nationally in partnership with Museums & Galleries of NSW.

Montages will present eight films giving an insight into collective cultural imagination stereotypes.

Using a collection of Hollywood films, telemovies and arthouse cinema, it explores themes like love, art, revolution and destruction.

Moffatt's *First Jobs Series*, (2008) will also be presented. She collected the series of 12 photographs, which relate to jobs she has held.

Digitally inserting her likeness into these photographs, Moffatt reflects on her previous jobs, from working in a pineapple cannery to a fresh fruit grocer.

This year, Moffatt will become the first Indigenous artist to present a solo exhibition at the Venice Biennale.

Shepparton will be the only Victorian location for the touring show.

● Pictured left is Tracey Moffatt's *Corner Store*, from the *First Jobs series*.

Looking for resident artists at Grafton Regional Gallery



GRAFTON Regional Gallery is calling for applications from Aboriginal artists for its 2017 artist in residence program.

The gallery is focusing on Indigenous art this year, with the touring exhibition *Wild Australia*, a curated exhibition *Contemporary Identity*, the biannual *Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Award* (CVIAA) as well as a number of associated events.

Expressions of interest are sought for two places in the artist in residence program for 2017. The artists work from Grafton for a month and are provided with an artist fee, accommodation and studio space.

Grafton gallery director Jude McBean said the program has gone from strength to strength, with national artists working in Grafton on creative and artistic projects.

"Our residency program has really blossomed in the

past few years," he said.

"We seek applications from artists who offer activities to engage with our community.

"Last year Todd Fuller and Gosia Wlodarczak were our resident artists. Todd presented workshops for high school students on digital animation, while Gosia drew on the Caringa window in Shoppingworld Link Arcade, Grafton."

Applications close on January 3. More details at www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au/



We travel in small bands by Penny Evans, a Kamilaroi artist who exhibited at the Grafton Regional Gallery last year.

Cash for artists



REGIONAL Aboriginal artists and arts organisations have been invited to apply for NSW Government funding to support local projects.

Arts Minister Troy Grant said the NSW Aboriginal Regional Arts Fund is for projects that encourage Aboriginal people to explore and express their cultural identities.

"The fund last year supported 15 striking projects including painting, carving and fibre workshops in Western Riverina and Wollongbar, a collaboration with the Slim Dusty Museum, music, performances and artwork in Bathurst, Deniliquin and Walgett and documenting community stories in Wilcannia," Mr Grant said.

"Community is central to Aboriginal culture and identity and these projects enable Aboriginal artists to express their creativity, build their skills across all the arts and share their stories with their communities and beyond."

"I encourage Aboriginal artists and arts organisations in remote and regional NSW to apply to Arts NSW for projects starting from July 1 this year."

The Fund supports projects that:

● enable Aboriginal communities in regional NSW to explore and express their cultural identities;

● engage and promote regional Aboriginal artists, arts and culture in NSW;

● encourage people to engage with Aboriginal arts and cultures;

● build the capacity and sustainability of Aboriginal arts organisations in regional NSW; and

● increase skills development opportunities for Aboriginal artists in regional NSW.

The NSW Aboriginal Regional Arts Fund offers up to \$5000 for individual professional artists and up to \$20,000 for organisations.

Funding applications close on February 27. For more information: www.arts.nsw.gov.au

"I encourage Aboriginal artists and arts organisations in remote and regional NSW to apply to Arts NSW for projects starting from July 1 this year."

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 telephone 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.

Ongoing: WGAR – Working Group for Aboriginal Rights (Australia). Prioritising grassroots Aboriginal voices and voices in solidarity with Aboriginal people's rights with information and opinions from a wide range of sources. Details: www.groups.google.com/group/

Now Open: National call for expressions of interest from Aboriginal artists by Ochre Dawn Creative Industries. Details on (08) 7226 3732, email rebecca@ochredawn.com or visit www.ochredawn.com

Until March 17: 34th Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards (NATSIAA) entries open. One overall and six category winners to be selected. Conditions apply. Details: Rosie Metcalfe on (03) 9944 7636 or visit www.magnt.net.au

January 26: NITV's Always Will Be Festival. An array of programming and events that encourage a national discussion on what it means to be Australian today. Coverage includes a sunrise ceremony, anthem sessions, news documentaries and films.

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.

Ongoing: Lismore women's and men's healing groups, held from February to December all year. Women's groups stop during school holidays. Held at Rekindling The Spirit, 25 Uralba Street, Lismore, Monday and Wednesday 11am-2pm. Details: (02) 6622 5534

Now Open: Aboriginal Go4Fun, a 10-week healthy lifestyle program for kids aged seven to 13 who are above a healthy weight.

A parent or carer is required to attend each session. Details: 1800 780 900 or SMS 0409 745 645 for a call back.



Yirmal Marika is headlining at this year's Tarerer festival in Warrnambool, Victoria.

Tarerer Festival to celebrate diversity



THIS year's Tarerer Festival will celebrate the cultural diversity in south-west Victoria with a range of performances on February 25 at the Lighthouse Theatre in Warrnambool.

The headlining acts include Yirmal Marika, Johnny Lovett and Shane Howard. Yirmal Marika, from Yirrkalā in north-east Arnhem Land, is a songwriter and guitarist, singing songs about his homeland and culture.

Johnny Lovett is a Gunditjmara Aboriginal Elder who has been entertaining crowds for many years with his country rock style.

Shane Howard, a co-founder of the Tarerer Festival, was born in 1955 in south-west Victoria.

Also performing will be dance groups Tarer-Gunditj Karweeyn, the Philippine Traditional Dance Group, and the Irish Dance Group.

Tarerer-Gunditj Karweeyn is a recently formed group of young Aboriginal traditional dancers.

Shakuhachi player Ann Norman, the Likely Celts and a house band directed by singer/songwriter Lee Morgan will also take to the stage.

For more information or to buy tickets, visit www.tarererfestival.com.au

Now Enrolling: Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY). Getting four-year-old kids ready before they go to school, and in their first year at school. Free. Limited spaces. Details: Zoe Dodd on (02) 6625 5807 or 0450 840 179 or email zoed@ywcansw.com.au

Until January 29: Art From Miligimbi: Taking Memories Back exhibition. Showcases the work of the artists at Miligimbi in the 1950s. Held at the Art Gallery of NSW, The Domain, Sydney, Mon-Sun 10am-5pm, Wed 10am-10pm. Free admission. Details: (02) 9225 1700 or visit www.artgallery.nsw.gov.au

Until January 29: The Koori Arts Expressions 2016 exhibition. Showcasing 90 selected works

created by students from public schools across Sydney, inspired by last year's NAIDOC Week theme. Held at the Australian National Museum, Darling Harbour, Sydney. Open daily 9.30am-5pm. Free. Details: (02) 9298 3645

Until January 29: Which Way Home performance. Held at Belvoir St Theatre, Surry Hills, Sydney. Cost: \$25-\$48. Details: (02) 9699 3344 or visit www.belvoir.com.au

Until February 10: Lismore City Council is seeking expressions of interest from Bundjalung artists wanting to create a new work in the city centre. Details: Brett Adlington on (02) 6622 2209 or email brett.adlington@lismore.nsw.gov.au

or visit www.lismore.nsw.gov.au under 'On Public Exhibition'.

January 25: Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council Day of Mourning commemorative event. Starting at Belmore Park (next to Central Railway station) and ending at 150-152 Elizabeth Street, Sydney from 9am. Details: Nathan Moran on (02) 8394 9666 or visit www.metrolalc.org.au

January 26: Yabun 2017. Celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Includes information stalls, arts and crafts, live performances, children's activities and more. Held at Victoria Park, Broadway, from 10am. Free entry. Details: (02) 9384 4000 or visit www.gadigal.org.au

January 26: Sovereign Union march, reading of proclamation and declaration to the Governor-General. Starting at the Aboriginal Embassy and ending at the gates of Government House, Yarralumla, from 10am. Details: Ghillar Michael Anderson on 0499 080 660 or email ghillar29@gmail.com

January 27: Peter Garrett and Kev Carmody performances. Held at Twilight at Taronga Zoo, Sydney. Tickets from twilightattaronga.com.au

February 3-5: Blue Flame Dreaming – International indigenous cultural event. Featuring guest speakers, musicians, workshops theatre, basket weaving, story telling and more. Held at Byron Community Centre, 69 Johnson Street, Byron Bay. Cost: Adult \$123.30, Youth (14-18) \$28.30, Child under 14 \$15.30. Details: Sharon on 0467 613 478 or email blueflamebreathing@gmail.com or visit www.byroncentre.com.au

Victoria

Until February 6: The Koorie Heritage Trust is seeking proposals from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders artists, collectives, community groups curators living in Victoria. Details: Charlotte Christie on (03) 8662 6316 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

Until February 15: Confined 8 exhibition. Featuring 130 artists currently in or recently released from Victorian prisons presenting 140 artworks. Held at The Gallery, St Kilda Town Hall, Mon-Fri, 8.30am-5pm, Sat noon-4pm. Free entry. Details: (03) 9042 1236 or visit www.thetorch.org.au

January 28: Peter Garrett and Kev Carmody Performances. Held at Melbourne Zoo Twilights. Tickets: twilightattaronga.com.au

Queensland

February 1: Our Place Walking Tour. Learn about Kurilpa Point, where the State Library of Queensland stands and the surrounding Brisbane areas. Held at Kuril Dhagun, Level 1, State Library of Queensland, Cultural Precinct, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane, from 10.30am-noon. Free. Details: (07) 3842 9824. Bookings: slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on

Northern Territory

February 11: Performance by Arnhem Land singer Gawurra at the Araluen Arts Centre, Alice Springs from 8pm. Cost: \$40-\$45. Details: (08) 8951 1122.

Western Australia

February 2-8: 6 x Artists exhibition. Featuring artists Rae Walter, Clair Shenton, Sandra Donovan, Sonia Wee, Claire Gillam and Eleonora Barcellona. Held at Kidogo Arthouse, Bathers Beach, Mews Road, Fremantle, Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Details: (08) 9335 9636 or visit www.kidogo.com.au

Employment

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Mark Thomson from Sodexo and National Centre of Indigenous Excellence chief executive Kirstie Parker at the recent Job at First Bite event.

Ready for work



LOCAL cafes and large corporations mixed with Job Ready program students and graduates at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence's job networking event, Job at First Bite.

The event, in Sydney, was about finding ways to partner for sustainable employment, and the companies attending included Stockland, Fresh Catering, Harry's Cafe, Park Cafe on Chalmers, Clem's Chicken, Gardiners Lodge, Sodexo and Compass.

Over a lunch prepared by chefs Mat Cribb, Jaye Tyrrell and some of the Job Ready team, 10 job offers were made and future commitments locked in.

The NCIE's Job Ready program, which offers Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

people the Certificate II in Hospitality, is led by Aunty Beryl Van-Oploo and Mat Cribb.

The program is designed to support graduates for many years after they finish the course.

"Many of our students are facing so many challenges and I'm privileged to be able to support all participants and be surrounded by them here today," Aunty Beryl said.

"Job Ready trains 60 people every year and assists them into employment, and we keep in touch with graduates from many years ago.

"Sometimes it takes more than an eight-week course to assist someone into employment. The mentoring and support we offer always goes above and beyond what a normal training centre would offer."

One of the first graduates, in 2006, was

Bundjalung and Wiradjuri woman Lisa Mundine, who now runs her own business.

"The course was more than just about learning skills; we were encouraged to think about other industries, and given help to go on and keep going," she said.

"I want to work with my people, help our mob, and everyone here has the same goal."

NCIE chief executive Kirstie Parker said the next Job Ready course at the NCIE starts next month.

"Job Ready gives young people the confidence to realise their full potential and gives them the tools to pave the way to a successful career," she said.

"We're so proud of the achievements of the graduates; the program has shown to be an asset to both the young people and their communities."



Harry Azzar from Park Cafe on Chalmers is with Job Ready graduate Shy Lomas.

It's your guide to employment

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The NDIA is seeking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to apply for current vacancies in Katherine & Alice Springs, NT.

We have affirmative measures vacancies available:

- APS 4,5 & 6 Planner, Ongoing
- APS 5 Local Area Coordinator, Non-Ongoing
- APS 6 Local Area Coordinator, Non-Ongoing

We are looking for highly motivated candidates to join the NDIA as Planners. As a Planner, you are responsible for conducting planning conversations and risk assessments and making reasonable and necessary decisions in accordance with the NDIS Act 2013.

Local Area Coordinators engage with local organisations and communities, including mainstream agencies to build awareness and improve opportunities for people with disability to access and actively participate in community activities.

The filling of this vacancy is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8 (1) of the 'Racial Discrimination Act 1975'. This vacancy is only available to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people.

If this sounds like your ideal role applications open **Monday 16 January 2017**, we encourage you to submit an application by **11.30pm (AEST), Sunday, 29 January 2017**.

For information on NDIA employment and to apply, visit www.ndis.gov.au or contact DFP Recruitment Services on telephone 1300 138 337 or email ndia@dfp.com.au

NDIA welcomes and encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people with diverse culture and linguistic backgrounds and people with disability.

The **NDIA Inaugural Reconciliation Plan 2016-2017** can be viewed on the NDIS website at www.ndis.gov.au

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This is an identified Aboriginal Position.
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- Short-listed applicants are required to obtain a Working with Children Check.
- Applicants who are motivated, enthusiastic and committed to providing a high standard of customer service.
- Applicants who have strong verbal and written communication skills.
- Applicants must be an Australian citizen or be eligible to work in Australia (evidence required).
- Applicants of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background are encouraged to apply.

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Closing Date: Friday 3 February, 2017.

Internal Ref: Childcare Traineeship.

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Aboriginal Hospital Liaison Officer

Limited Term Full Time
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Ref No: 20680

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Female Aboriginal Sexual Assault Worker at Community Health, Permanent Part-Time 24 hours per week

Salary: \$28.69 - \$33.77 ph
Enquiries: Debbie Allen, (02) 4633 4155
Reference Number: 368529

Senior Aboriginal Project Officer (Health Manager Level 3) - Knockout Challenge at Liverpool Hospital, Temporary Full-Time

Salary: \$2024.10 - \$2307.49 pw
Enquiries: Nageen Ahmed, (02) 8738 7234
Reference Number: 369181

This is an Identified Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Position. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and being accepted in the community as such. 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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Enquiries: Janice Kitson, (02) 8778 0855
Reference Number: 368412

This is an Identified Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Position. Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being Aboriginal and being accepted in the community as such. Demonstrated Aboriginality (an applicant's trace is genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the *NSW Anti-Discriminations Act 1977*).

Applicants must also be Female (for cultural reasons, under section 31(2H) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*).

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Casual positions are available across the West Division of the Department of Health and Human Services, particularly within the areas listed above. These positions include shift work (sleep over, active nights and weekend shifts).

In this role you will provide support in the daily living activities for people with a disability living in a Group Home. You will also play an active role in facilitating the development and enhancement of independent living and other skills including the individual's participation in the community.

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Working for the Department of Health and Human Services is not just a job. It can be a journey of learning, self discovery, challenge and achievement.

Closing date is Midnight Sunday 29th January, 2017

Position Number:

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Wimmera South Western Area	- DHHS/WWD/WSWA/50670
Western Melbourne Area	- DHHS/WWD/WMA/50670

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce. If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au.

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Senior Project Officer Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women and Their Children

Exciting opportunity to contribute to the development and dissemination of a new resource to prevent violence against Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and their children. You will liaise with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders, and others with relevant knowledge, to ensure the development of the resource involves appropriate and effective processes of engagement and participation, and to explore opportunities for partnerships and future work.

You will have strong research and writing skills, project management experience, stakeholder engagement and partnership skills, and the ability to work independently and as part of a team. You will be enthusiastic about social change, and committed to social justice and gender equality. Full-time, six-month position. Job-share, part-time and secondment arrangements negotiable.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander designated position, under Section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people should apply.

For full information and instructions for applying see our website: <https://www.ourwatch.org.au/Who-We-Are/Careers>



Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

- ACLO
- Temporary Part-time appointment up to: 15 December 2017
- Position number and location: 174160 – Murwillumbah

Total remuneration package: \$81,624 Package includes salary (\$67,248 to \$73,635), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

The NSW Department of Education serves the community by leading the provision of world-class education. The department protects young children by regulating preschool and long day care providers. Once children move into school, we provide them with a world-class primary and secondary education. We also work to advance the wellbeing of Aboriginal people.

About the role
Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the Department at all levels, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

We are looking for a suitable candidate to contribute to and when required lead the development of consultative mechanisms to promote understanding between Aboriginal communities and the Department.

Talent Pool
A talent pool may be created through this recruitment process. A talent pool is a group of candidates who have undergone an assessment process and have identified suitable for this role or similar roles for a period of 12 months. Being part of a talent pool means that you may be considered for ongoing, temporary or term employment for a range of similar roles by submitting only one application. This offers exciting opportunities for you to gain a wide range of experiences to build your public service career.

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.

Note: the selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Pre-screening questions:

- How do you see yourself personally working with the local Aboriginal community and highlight how you see yourself establishing the links between schools and the community? (300 words).
- How have you worked as a member of a team to ensure that partnerships with the Aboriginal community are strengthened, resulting in improved outcomes for students? (300 words).

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Applications Close: 8 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Denise Brown on (02) 6623 5928.

 **Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 174160**

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Chief Executive Officer - Change Manager Perth, WA



Would you like to lead and inspire a multidisciplinary team making a difference to the local Aboriginal community?

Are you skilled in change management and driven by culture improvement?

This is the opportunity for you!

DYHS is now looking for an experienced **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** to join their team in Perth.

This pivotal leadership position will work directly with the Board of Directors and is responsible for the day to day management and delivery of primary healthcare services to the local Aboriginal communities across four sites in the Perth metro area.

For your hard work and dedication, you will enjoy a **highly attractive remuneration package** plus salary sacrifice benefits. In addition, you will have access to 6 weeks' annual leave, 2 weeks' study leave, a fully maintained company vehicle and relocation assistance.

Please note: DYHS considers that being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under Section 50D Equal Opportunity Act 1984

Applications close: 12:00pm 5th February 2017



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Senior Investigating Officer

Review Branch
Web Search No: PCO05111
Location: Perth CBD
Level/Salary: Level 6, \$98,966 to \$109,590 p.a. PSGOGA

We are seeking a person for a critical role in the office of the Western Australian Ombudsman. You will have an important responsibility to review and investigate certain child deaths and family and domestic violence fatalities.

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 Natarlie de Cinqe on Ph: (08) 9220 7516.

Closing Date: Monday 6 February 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

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Justice and Regulation

Senior Koori Employment Adviser

- Join an organisation committed to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment
- Lead the implementation of employment and career development initiatives
- Salary range \$90,890 - \$109,969 plus superannuation

The Koori Employment Team sits within the department of Justice and Regulation's People and Culture business unit, providing expert advice and contributing towards the development of department-wide policies and procedures in relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (Koori) employment and career development. The team is responsible for delivery of the department's Koori Employment and Career Strategy.

Based in the Melbourne CBD, the Senior Koori Employment Adviser is a senior member of the Koori Employment Team. This role has responsibility for leading many of the key initiatives under the strategy which relate to the employment, retention and career development of our Koori employees.

More broadly, the Senior Koori Employment Adviser will provide specialist advice and write reports on employment matters and policy as they relate to the Koori community. This role will represent the Koori Employment Team within the Koori community and continue to build upon the work already undertaken to establish the department as an employer of choice for the Koori community.

The successful candidate will require strong practical experience in at least one employment related area, including recruitment, learning and development or generalist human resources. As our ideal candidate, you will also have:

- knowledge and understanding of the Koori community, both society and culture, and the issues impacting on it
- the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with members of the Koori community
- knowledge of the labour market, including the complexity of attracting and retaining Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander employees
- experience in the design and implementation of employment and career development initiatives.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au or contact Gavin Somers on (03) 8684 1753 by Sunday 12 February 2017.

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Project Officer



- Is recognising the cultural, spiritual and economic connections to water of Aboriginal people important to you?
- Do you want to work for a passionate government organisation who offers flexible working options to support individuals?

The North Central Catchment Management Authority (CMA) protects and enhances the integrity of our catchments, by working in partnership with communities to deliver enduring natural resource management outcomes. We are currently seeking an energetic and inspiring person to join our Strategy and Partnerships team as Project Officer to support our work on cultural water projects, partnering with Traditional Owner Communities.

Located at our Huntly office (near Bendigo), the Project Officer will work as part of a project team responsible for the delivery of cultural water projects which partner with local Traditional Owner groups to incorporate their views and values into environmental water management.

The successful candidate will:

- Have experience in working with Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander communities and an understanding of Aboriginal cultural sensitivities.
- Demonstrate excellent skills in relation to planning, project administration and scheduling.
- Be able to communicate effectively with a range of stakeholders in different ways, such as in-person, email and phone.

This position is offered for a 12 month period and has the flexibility to be on a full-time or part-time basis. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information about this position, please obtain a position description from the Jobs and Tenders section of our website at www.nccma.vic.gov.au or contact the North Central CMA reception on (03) 5448 7124.

Applications should include a covering letter, a current resume, and statement addressing the key selection criteria. Applications will be accepted until **Midday Monday 6 February** and may be submitted by e-mail to: hr.manager@nccma.vic.gov.au or posted to HR Manager PO Box 18 Huntly VIC 3551.

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People of all abilities are encouraged to apply including those with a lived experience or knowledge of disability.

For more details and to apply, please visit:

www.northcott.com.au

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
Programs Advisor, Debbie Frail on:
(02) 9890 0502

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Careers In Child Protection Child And Youth Worker (Pool)

Adelaide Metro (North, South And Central)

Ongoing (Permanent), Temporary/Term and
Casual Roles

Vac No: 2016-13473

\$59,181 - \$63,368 p.a. (OPS3)

As a Child and Youth Worker within DCP, 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.

There are multiple roles available; ongoing, temporary/term and casual in various metro locations (north, south and central).

Information sessions will be held on 31 January 2017 at 6pm and 1 February 2017 at 2pm at the Education Development Centre, 4 Milner Street, Hindmarsh SA 5007. Please refer to website below for role description.

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/work-with-us

Enquiries to: Human Resources, (08) 8226 2959,
email DCPRecruitment@sa.gov.au

Applications for this process close 11pm 5 February 2017

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ILLAWARRA ABORIGINAL MEDICAL SERVICE ABORIGINAL FAMILY WORKER (FEMALE)

Part Time - 16 hours per week

Essential Criteria:

Aboriginality
Cert IV in Community Services or currently completing
Demonstrated ability to liaise with Government and Non-Government organisations
Knowledge of Family Support issues and services available
Case management skills
Data collection and reporting skills
Current Drivers Licence
Current, or willing to apply for, Working With Children Check Number

Desirable Criteria:

Experience working in a community setting

The Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service considers that being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification under S14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act NSW 1977. Also, being a Female person is a genuine occupational qualification under S31 of the Anti-Discrimination Act NSW 1977.

To apply for this position, please email your Cover Letter, Selection Criteria Statement and Resume to klawlor@illawarraams.com.au.

**Applications will close at
5pm on Friday 17th February 2017.**

A criminal record check will be carried out on successful applicant. Applications that do not address the Selection Criteria will not be considered.



Government of South Australia
Department for Child Protection

Principal Tutor, Australian Indigenous Studies (Teaching Specialist)

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School of Culture & Communication

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 2011 (Vic).

Salary: \$66,809 – \$90,657 p.a. plus 9.5% superannuation

The Australian Indigenous Studies program delivers an undergraduate major and Honours program within the Bachelor of Arts at the University of Melbourne and is an exciting interdisciplinary program within the School of Culture & Communication. The School supports a wide range of collaborative, cross-disciplinary work in line with University priorities and is host to several large research projects and centres, including the Australian Centre, the Unit for Public Culture, the Centre for the History of Emotions and the Centre for Advancing Journalism.

Australian Indigenous Studies is a value driven program guided by the principles of interdisciplinary knowledge, intellectual exchange and social relevance; it maintains a vigorous research culture, contributes to teaching across the Faculty and has ongoing and wide-reaching community engagement relationships and projects. In the last five years, under the leadership of Academic Coordinator Philip Morrissey, Australian Indigenous Studies has undergone a period of rapid growth. The program now seeks a Principal Tutor (Level A) to support and further develop the program's undergraduate teaching and research agendas.

The Principal Tutor will contribute to teaching excellence within the Australian Indigenous Studies program, including the coordination of subjects, preparation and conduct of lectures and tutorials and related assessment, and consultations with students. The incumbent will also be given opportunities to contribute to the research outputs of the program, including research publications, conference papers and grant applications. The Principal Tutor will receive ongoing mentoring in all aspects of an academic career.

The successful applicant will be a committed and engaging educator, with an understanding of the cultural and political complexities framing Australian Indigenous studies. They will have an appreciation of the evolution and development of Australian Indigenous Studies within the Faculty of Arts at the University of Melbourne and the capacity to undertake individual and collaborative research projects congruent with the direction of the program.

This is a re-advertised position. Previous applicants need not re-apply.

Salary: \$66,809 – \$90,657 p.a. plus 9.5% superannuation.

Job No: 0042303

For position information and to apply online go to <http://about.unimelb.edu.au/careers>, and under the relevant option ('Current Staff' or 'Prospective Staff') search by the job title or number.

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Education

Coordinator, Secondary and Post Schooling

- PEO (ETS)
- Temporary full-time role up to 12 months
- Position number and location: 192514 - Oxford Street, Darlinghurst

Total remuneration package valued to: \$162,526 pa (salary \$146,618 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

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: 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.

Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.

Selection Criteria

- Aboriginality or comprehensive knowledge and demonstrated understanding of Aboriginal people, contemporary issues and community protocols and proven ability in working with Aboriginal people.
- Teaching qualifications and successful school based experience within the K-12 range.
- Demonstrated understanding of the professional standards and accreditation processes and capacity to coordinate accreditation processes with staff.
- Demonstrated outstanding written and oral communication and interpersonal skills and the capacity to apply these to a wide range of reports, submissions and strategic planning.
- Excellent liaison, negotiation, conflict resolution and team building skills across a wide range of internal and external stakeholders.
- Expert knowledge and understanding of curriculum, professional practice, policies, relevant legislation, initiatives and current research in Aboriginal education.
- Demonstrated high level capacity to initiate, develop, evaluate and coordinate planning, monitoring and reporting practices to drive improvement in Aboriginal student performance 7-12.
- Proven ability to plan, implement, manage, monitor and evaluate educational programs, provisions and resources.
- Capacity to lead staff in implementing the Department's Aboriginal Education policies to ensure quality outcomes for Aboriginal people.

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Applications Close: 8 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Mary Senj on (02) 9244 5866.



Applications must be lodged electronically.
Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search
Job Reference Number 192514

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I can influence positive changes towards the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people in South Australia. My cultural knowledge and life experience will help to break down barriers and improve an understanding of the challenges facing Aboriginal people. At SA Health, my career is varied and diverse, enabling me to do truly meaningful and interesting work.

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North Adelaide
Job Ref: 601087

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Job Ref: 602557

www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers
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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

An exciting position in South West Victoria (Warrnambool)
Delivering exceptional health outcomes to the community in a wonderful location

About the organisation
Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative (Gunditjmara) was incorporated in 1982. It is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) providing a range of high quality holistic community health and social support programs principally to the Aboriginal community and other residents in Warrnambool and outlying areas. The organisation employs 45 dedicated professional staff, who work in a team environment delivering high quality service to stakeholders. Gunditjmara works in close partnership with local, state and federal government, plus other health service providers and ACCOs, in particular, in the provision of health service, social welfare and community support programs.

About the role
The Chief Executive Officer will lead the organisation and provide advice and support to the Board, assist in the development and implementation of the strategic direction for the Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative. The role demands a high level of professional knowledge, proven administration skills and a capacity to establish sound relationships with representatives from within and outside the Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative community.

About you
To be considered for this exciting opportunity you will:

- Have a working knowledge or understanding of issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people
- Be transformational
- Create business growth initiatives
- Strengthen external and internal stakeholder partnerships and relationships
- Maintain financial oversight and accountability with the relevant funding bodies
- Be people focused and a self-motivated leader
- Shape and translate strategic vision
- Communicate with influence
- Have sound financial management and proven Governance experience

The Benefits
A salary package with attractive salary sacrificing benefits will be offered that reflects the importance of the role, capabilities and experience of the successful candidate. Salary sacrifice your home loan, car loan, superannuation. It can help you get the most value from what you earn.

To apply for this position and take the next steps towards a rewarding career, in a well serviced and vibrant regional area you will need to obtain a position description from annette@gunditjmara.org.au. Please submit your cover letter addressing the key selection criteria and resume to: annette@gunditjmara.org.au or Attn Human Resources, Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative, PO Box 732, Warrnambool Vic 3280 **by close of business, Monday 30 January 2017**.

Applicants that do not address the key selection criteria will not be considered.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

For a great place to learn and work, go east

We are looking for an Aboriginal Family Carer Advisor, Child Youth Mental Health Service on Permanent Part Time basis.

Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and a parent/carer of a child or adolescent who has used public mental health services and is passionate about supporting other parents and carers?

If the answer is yes then we need you!

For more information and to apply please go to our website or contact Nicole Harris – 9895 4060 or by email: Nicole.harris@easternhealth.org.au

Job reference number 10428

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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Homelessness Case Worker - Ballina

(Aboriginal Domestic and Family Violence Specialist)

We are currently on the search for an experienced Homelessness Case Worker.

This is a challenging role suited to someone willing to take on a key position in our homelessness service, providing case management and support specialising in Aboriginal Domestic and Family Violence. This is an excellent opportunity to work in a rewarding role that is about making a difference in the lives of others and strengthening communities.

- Permanent Full time Fixed Term to June 30, 2017
- SCHADS Level 4 / \$29.16 per hour + Super + Salary Packaging benefits

Please visit our website, www.otcp.com.au to view the job description and to complete the online application form and selection criteria.

For Enquiries: please contact Sarah Walker on 0448064693

Applications close:
9.00am Monday 30th January, 2017



Health

Hunter New England Local Health District

Aboriginal Health Worker (Building Strong Foundations)

Tamworth Community Health Centre
Enquiries: Sophie Scott (02) 6767 8148

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Closing Date:
5 February 2017

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 369243

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Manager Cultural and Community Relations (Indigenous)

Townsville, QLD



North and West Remote Health Ltd has an opportunity for a **Manager Cultural and Community Relations** to join their team on a full-time basis.

The key objectives of this role are:

1. To identify and establish structures within NWRH that improve measurable levels of cultural competence within the organisation's Governance, Management and Service Delivery frameworks; and
2. To support and facilitate local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community relations and health service literacy, education and promotion.

In return for your hard work and dedication, you will receive an **attractive remuneration circa \$99,400-\$106,958 plus a host of benefits including salary sacrifice up to \$15,900, 5 weeks annual leave and leave loading, relocation assistance and travel subsidy.**

Please Note: It is a genuine occupational requirement under section 25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 that applicants are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders.



Apply Online
ApplyNow.net.au/jobs/83402



PROJECT OFFICER

Koori Court Unit
VPS Grade 4
\$78,733 - \$89,375 plus super
Role No: MC2192

The Project Officer works as part of the Specialists Courts and Support Services within the Magistrates' Court of Victoria, which aims to deliver service excellence and strengthen the Courts processes across the state.

The Project Officer position is primarily responsible for developing and implementing best practice procedures for support workers in the Koori Court jurisdiction of the Magistrates' Court and Children's Court. The role will also play a critical part of the wider implementation of the expansion of Koori services in Magistrates' and Children's Court across Victoria.

This is a designated position under section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

Further information: Robyn Young, Acting Manager of Koori Courts on (03) 9032 0943
Applications to: careers.vic.gov.au
Applications close Wednesday, 1 February 2017



Executive Officer (North Metro) Regional Aboriginal Justice Advisory Committee

- A great opportunity to make a difference in the community
- Full-time, fixed-term until February 2018
- Salary range \$90,890 - \$109,969 plus superannuation

The North West Metropolitan Area (NWMA) delivers justice services to the 1.8 million Victorians who live in north and west Melbourne, including: custodial services at prisons, Community Correctional Services, Sheriff's Operations, Consumer Affairs, front of house enquiries (including Births, Deaths and Marriages applications).

The Executive Officer is responsible for the development and maintenance of supportive linkages between justice agencies and community organisations, providing policy advice, implementing the Regional Justice Plan, providing secretariat services to the RAJAC as well as promotion of all Aboriginal Justice Agreement initiatives within the region.

To be successful in this role, you will have:

- demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Koori community and the issues impacting on it
- strong problem solving and influencing skills, with the ability to think quickly and react appropriately to challenging situations
- excellent written and verbal communication skills and a demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with the Koori community.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by Monday 6 February 2017.

This position is an identified position in accordance with the Department of Justice and Regulation, Aboriginal Employment Policy. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.



Adviser, Communication Strategy

- **Position number:** VG/1253633
- **Employment Status:** Ongoing / Full time
- **Location:** Melbourne
- **Salary Classification:** VPSG4
- **Salary Range:** \$78,773 to \$89,375

Position Details:

Do you have strong communication and relationship building skills? Do you enjoy working in a fast-paced, supportive team environment? If you're ready for a challenge, this is the role for you.

A new opportunity exists for an Adviser, Communication Strategy, within the Department of Premier and Cabinet. Working with key influencers and stakeholders across Victoria, you will build relationships, networks and seek engagement opportunities in leading initiatives across the Victorian Government.

To be successful in this role you must have excellent writing skills, stakeholder engagement skills, experience dealing with media, be highly organised and enjoy the challenge of a dynamic working environment.

The closing date for this position is **29 January, 2017**.

How to apply:
All applications should include only a resume and a cover letter addressing the key selection criteria. Please refer to the contact on the Position Description if you have any questions regarding the job vacancy. APPLY TO: www.jobs.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs/VG-1253633

Other relevant information:
Employment of successful candidates will be subject to a National Police Check.

DPC is an equal opportunity employer and our recruitment process focuses on essential skills and abilities. We welcome applicants from a diverse range of backgrounds, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds and people with disabilities.

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The Department of Premier and Cabinet's vision is to be recognised and respected leaders in whole-of-government policy and performance.

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We lead the Victorian Public Service by:

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Website: www.dpc.vic.gov.au
Headquarters: 1 Treasury Place, Melbourne Vic
Company Size: 500 – 1000

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COUNTY COURT OF VICTORIA COUNTY KOORI COURT OFFICER

Reference Number CC0806

- Melbourne
- Ongoing, full time

The County Court is the middle tier of the Court hierarchy.

The Koori Court Officer plays a major role in the ongoing successful operation of the County Koori Court in Melbourne and Mildura.

The County Koori Court Officer will:

- Coordinate the preparation of all County Koori Court sittings in Melbourne and Mildura including contact with Elders and Respected persons and relevant support people/agencies and ensuring all relevant files are available to Elders.
- Provide advice and support to the Judiciary on appropriate services and programs available to assist Koori accused coming before the County Koori Court.
- Provide assistance and support to Aboriginal accused persons before the County Koori Court with their court outcomes and obligations.

This is an Aboriginal Designated Position, classified under 'Special Measures' of section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

For further information please call Terrie Stewart on (03) 8636 6083

Applications including full curriculum vitae and detailed response to the key selection criteria should be submitted on-line at www.careers.vic.gov.au

Applications close on Sunday 5 February 2017



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Advocacy Lead - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's Program (ATSIPP) – Oxfam Australia

- Full Time, 35 hours per week
- Permanent role
- Melbourne, Sydney or Canberra based (with regular interstate travel)
- Remuneration package \$98,010 including superannuation

The Role

Oxfam Australia is one of Australia's largest independent non-government organisations focusing on international aid and development. We have a strong commitment to the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and has been working to support self – determination for over 30 years. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Program (ATSIPP) sits within the Programs Directorate.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Advocacy Lead is responsible for Oxfam Australia's policy and advocacy work on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander rights including the development and implementation of advocacy strategies; the development, analysis and review of policy and research; the management of key stakeholder relationships and the coordination of public campaigns.

Key features of this role will be:

- Lead and manage Oxfam Australia's policy and advocacy work in key public campaigns such as Close the Gap and Change the Record; identify opportunities for Oxfam to engage policy makers and the public in relation to our work on Indigenous rights; oversee the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of our policy and advocacy work;
- Establish strong and productive relationships with high level external stakeholders including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders and organisations, relevant partners, allies and coalitions in the private and not for profit sectors, and the Australian Government;
- Coordinate Oxfam's research related to the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and work with our media staff to maximise the impact of research.

In order to be successful the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Advocacy Lead will not only work closely with the ATSIPP team but also with staff in our Public Policy and Advocacy and Active Citizenship units. The Policy and Advocacy Lead will also need engage with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders and organisations in key sectors of health, justice and Indigenous rights.

Selection Criteria

1. Demonstrated high level understanding of the Australian political system at Federal, State and Territory levels and current state of Indigenous policy within these jurisdictions;
2. Demonstrated experience working in cross cultural settings and in particular working effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders, organisations, and communities;
3. High level understanding of human rights, with a particular focus on the rights of and issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;
4. Experience working collaboratively in large coalitions or alliances under the direction of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leadership;
5. Excellent people management and interpersonal skills, including negotiation, diplomacy and collegiality in cross-cultural contexts with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people;
6. Ability to translate complex public policy issues into clearly written material for lobbying, media and other communications;

This is a great opportunity to support Oxfam's work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and organisations. We offer a flexible and supportive team environment of professionals dedicated to making a difference. It would be an ideal opportunity to learn more about Oxfam's approach to program, policy and advocacy work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Apply now

- Please visit <https://www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs> for application details
- To apply, please submit your CV, cover letter and a response addressing the required selection criteria outlined above in this ad
- **Applications close Friday 10 February 2017 5pm (AEST)**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.

Appointment to this position will require a satisfactory clearance of a police check and/or working with children check.

Oxfam Australia is committed to the safeguarding of children and young people.

To be eligible for this position, you must have the legal right to work in Australia.

MANAGER: INDIGENOUS DIGITAL EXCELLENCE (IDX)

The IDX Programs Manager heads an operational team delivering technology initiatives to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Based at the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence in Redfern, Sydney the IDX Program Manager will:

- Lead the development of IDX,
- Lead the design and delivery of the inaugural National IDX Awards 2017
- Develop and manage Flint Program learning experiences, community relationships and staff.

Applications close Friday 10 February 2017

For details visit: ncie.org.au/about/our-jobs



INDIGENOUS DIGITAL EXCELLENCE



NATIONAL CENTRE OF INDIGENOUS EXCELLENCE



TELSTRA FOUNDATION

IDX is a partnership between the Telstra Foundation and the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence.

BOGAL LALC CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Attractive Remuneration Package Negotiable)

The Bogal Local Aboriginal Land Council (BLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking a new and challenging role of Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of the BLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

Applicants are required to meet the selection criteria. 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.

To obtain a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer – Wesley Fernando on (02) 66591200 or email wesley.fernando@alc.org.au

Applications marked "Confidential" and posted to:

Lorraine Williams
Deputy Chairperson
Bogal Local Aboriginal Land Council
PO Box 72
CORAKI NSW 2471

Applications close Friday 3rd February 2017 at 5.00pm

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply



Education

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

- ACLO
- Temporary Full-time appointment up to: 26 January 2018
- Position number and location: 174168 – Moree

Total remuneration package: \$81,624 Package includes salary (\$67,248 to \$73,635), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

The NSW Department of Education serves the community by leading the provision of world-class education. The department protects young children by regulating preschool and long day care providers. Once children move into school, we provide them with a world-class primary and secondary education. We also work to advance the wellbeing of Aboriginal people.

About the role

Working as part of a team to support and develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the Department at all levels, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

We are looking for a suitable candidate to contribute to and when required lead the development of consultative mechanisms to promote understanding between Aboriginal communities and the Department.

Talent Pool

A talent pool may be created through this recruitment process. A talent pool is a group of candidates who have undergone an assessment process and have identified suitable for this role or similar roles for a period of 12 months. Being part of a talent pool means that you may be considered for ongoing, temporary or term employment for a range of similar roles by submitting only one application. This offers exciting opportunities for you to gain a wide range of experiences to build your public service career.

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.

Note: the selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Pre-screening questions:

1. How do you see yourself personally working with the local Aboriginal community and highlight how you see yourself establishing the links between schools and the community? (300 words).
2. How have you worked as a member of a team to ensure that partnerships with the Aboriginal community are strengthened, resulting in improved outcomes for students? (300 words).

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Applications Close: 8 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Sarah Giles Phone on (02) 6757 3022.



Applications must be lodged electronically.
Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 174168

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PRINCIPAL SOLICITOR

Are you inspired and motivated to manage an exciting and responsive Aboriginal community legal service and implement creative solutions in a co-operative and collaborative manner with a strong and vibrant team?

Along with the Manager of the Warra-Warra Legal Service and the Chief Executive Officer of the Far West Community Legal Centre Ltd, the Principal Solicitor of the Warra Warra Legal Service will provide dynamic leadership to the Broken Hill based Warra Warra Legal Service and to the Far West NSW.

Salary: \$100 000 inclusive of superannuation There are four weeks annual leave attached to the position and leave loading is considered to be part of the negotiated salary package. Negotiated assistance in relocation expenses is also offered. Applicants are requested to address the Competencies Required criteria in the position description to be considered for interview.

For a full position description please email
cathy.farry@farwestclc.org.au

Applications for the position of Principal Solicitor will remain open until the position is filled.



YERIN
Aboriginal Health
Services Inc.

F/T Early Childhood Nurse

Overview of Position

Yerin is looking for a suitably qualified person to be a part of our multidisciplinary team as an Early Childhood Nurse. The position holder will sit within the Primary Health Care Clinic and Dhanggan Gudjagang Team (Maternal/Child & Family) in order to improve access through delivering initiatives that respond to the local needs of the community. You will need to be able to multi-task, have excellent communication skills, be well organised and able to effectively time manage. You will lead and participate in a team environment but also be able to work independently.

A Competitive Salary Package is available including salary sacrifice.

For Further Information and to obtain an application pack ensure you address the Essential and Desirable criteria in the Position Description – contact Allison Trindall on 02 43511040; recruitment@yerin.org.au or visit our website www.yerin.org.au

Job Applications Close

Midnight the 22nd of February 2017

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are strongly encouraged to apply



Ombudsman
Western Australia

Director Complaint Resolution

Deputy Ombudsman Division

Web Search No: PC005069 (Perth CBD)

Level/Salary: Level 8, \$131,296 to \$142,609 p.a. PSGOGA

We are seeking a person for a critical role in the office of the Western Australian Ombudsman. You will have an important responsibility to lead and undertake the assessment and resolution of complaints received from members of the public about the decision making and practices of public authorities.

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 Michelle Bovill on Ph: (08) 9220 7525.

Closing Date: Wednesday 8 February 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

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**Police
& Justice**



Store Officer

- Aboriginal targeted position – Stores Officer Grade 2
- Permanent Full-Time
- Technical Investigation Branch, Special Services Group, POTTS HILL
- Job Reference No: 00004VA4

Salary Package: \$60,026. Package includes salary (\$53,992 – \$54,429), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The Stores Officer provides accurate and efficient storage and handling of command/business equipment and is responsible for the supply, distribution and maintenance of stores for the commands/business unit within NSW Police Force.

Key accountabilities

- Process stores and equipment including bar-coding and record keeping on the stores database system.
- Follow up outstanding orders, warranty repairs and equipment maintenance.
- Re-stock supplies, source quotes, place orders, and conduct annual stock take of stores.
- Receive deliveries for the command/business unit and verify the invoice to the order.
- Receive and respond to enquiries regarding stores and equipment, providing advice and information as required.
- Provide advice regarding stores, equipment, maintenance and warranty repairs to management to inform decision making and expenditure approvals.

Key challenges

- Balance workload and tasks with competing priorities within agreed timeframes so that deadlines are met.
- Maintain records management systems and storage systems in an orderly fashion to ensure accountability and service delivery.

JOB NOTES:

Applicants must:

- meet the Aboriginal criteria, as listed above
- Hold a current driver's license with no traffic offences recorded on their driving history within the last six (6) months.
- hold a current forklift license or be willing to obtain one

The successful applicant will be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement.

It is also 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.

For 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 email: hraboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au**

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Applications Close: Sunday 5 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Inspector Gina Bostick on (02) 9780 0405.



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 000004VA4

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Aboriginal Services and Programs Officer

- Clerk Grade 5/6
- Statewide
- Reference Number: 00004T3Q

The Aboriginal Services and Programs Officer provides services of assessment, case planning, case plan implementation and individual crisis and fundamental support interventions for predominantly Aboriginal offenders to facilitate their safe, secure, and humane management in a correctional centre and to reduce re-offending. The role provides group based accredited or approved programs to offenders within a correctional centre or community locations.

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Applications Close: 29 January 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Jean Dally on (02) 4824 2253 or Jean.Dally@justice.nsw.gov.au



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00004T3Q

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Justice

Assistant Manager (Aboriginal Identified)

- Juvenile Justice
- Department of Justice
- Ongoing Full-Time
- Location: Kempsey Juvenile Justice Community Office
- Clerk Grade 8/9, Salary (\$96,784 – \$105,730), plus employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading

The Assistant Manager manages a multidisciplinary team providing service/program delivery that aims to reduce re-offending of juvenile offenders and enhance their functioning and/or reintegration into the community, and increase community safety.

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Applications Close: Sunday 12 February 2017 (11.59pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Angela Scott on 0475 808 680.



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00004ZNB

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Principal Assistant Ombudsman Executive Services

Deputy Ombudsman Division

Web Search No: PC005027

Location: Perth CBD

Level/Salary: Class 1, \$171,438p.a. PSGOGA

We are seeking a senior person for a critical role in the office of the Western Australian Ombudsman. You will have an important responsibility to lead and undertake the Office's strategic planning, policy development, organisational development, corporate services, communications and strategic projects.

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 Mary White on Ph: (08) 9220 7575.

Closing Date: Monday 6 February 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

adcorp WG18762



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation (GLaWAC), Victoria

- Around \$140-150k plus car & benefits
- Native title, cultural heritage, land & waters resource management
- Professional & financial leadership
- Commercial acumen with an eye for business opportunity

Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation. GLaWAC is the Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) for the Gunaikurnai people and claim area and Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) providing joint management of 10 parks and reserves within the Gippsland region of Victoria.

Expressions of interest are invited from executives with five years' experience in a senior leadership position, ideally at CEO level, with understanding of Board function, governance, statutory compliance and reporting motivated to drive the strategic success and financial development of the organisation.

GLaWAC strongly encourages applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Applications in the form of a brief resume and cover letter to response@kmsearch.com.au please. Suitable candidates will be supplied with a Position Description document and invited to submit responses to selection criteria later in the recruitment process.

The full version of this advertisement can be accessed via www.gunaikurnai.org

For more information, contact Keith Mackay on 07 3289 6071 for a confidential discussion.

Applications close 2nd February 2017.

Aboriginal Ability Linker Get a career that matters.

Uniting is looking for an Aboriginal Identified Linker to join the Uniting Ability Links team in Mount Druitt in a Full Time Closed Period Contract until 30th June 2018.

The position is responsible for working with people with disability, their families and carers, to build on their strengths and skills, develop networks in their own communities and help plan for the future.

Linkers will provide a locally based first point of contact community and mainstream services and disability services (where necessary) to facilitate social and economic inclusion of people with disability.

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Applications close 8th February 2017

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NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

Senior Project Office (2 Positions)

Far Western Zone based in Broken Hill
Southern Zone based in Fyshwick
Applications from Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged

Salary Range \$86,118 to \$104,203 pa + 9.5% super and other benefits

The opportunity

We have two (2) exciting opportunities for Senior Project Officers. The Senior Project Officers assist the Zone Director with the implementation and delivery of Zone Office strategic priorities and projects.

About us

The New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) was established under the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW) (ALRA). NSWALC is a self-funding statutory authority responsible for protecting and promoting the rights and interests of Aboriginal peoples in NSW. To understand more about us, please go to www.alc.org.au

How to apply

All applicants must obtain a recruitment package and address the Criteria of the Success Profile found in the Role Description with each criteria being no more than half a page. For a recruitment package contact the Human Resources Officer by email:

recruitment@alc.org.au. Your application should include an up-to-date resume of no more than four pages which clearly details your skills and experience as relevant to this role plus a one page cover letter. For enquiries regarding the role and responsibilities of this position, please contact the Human Resources Officer on (02) 9689 4490 or email recruitment@alc.org.au

Salary

Maximum salary up to \$104,203 commensurate with skills and experience + employer's contribution of 9.5% to superannuation. An extensive range of benefits and conditions including access to salary packaging options are available.

Benefits

We offer employees challenging and rewarding work with opportunities for career progression, learning and development and flexibility. We provide comprehensive staff training through structured programs and provide study assistance to staff pursuing work related courses.

Job status: Ongoing (permanent)

Job reference

0002 Far Western Zone based in Broken Hill
0003 Southern Zone based in Fyshwick

Application close 9.00AM Monday, 13 February 2017



Education

Coordinator, Primary and Transition

- PEO (ETS)
- Temporary full-time role up to 12 months
- Position number and location: 192509 - Oxford Street, Darlinghurst

Total remuneration package valued to: \$162,526 pa (salary \$146,618 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

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.

Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.

Selection Criteria

- Aboriginality or comprehensive knowledge and demonstrated understanding of Aboriginal people, contemporary issues and community protocols and proven ability in working with Aboriginal people.
- Teaching qualifications and successful school based experience within the K-12 range.
- Demonstrated understanding of the professional standards and accreditation processes and capacity to coordinate accreditation processes with staff.
- Demonstrated outstanding written and oral communication and interpersonal skills and the capacity to apply these to a wide range of reports, submissions and strategic planning.
- Excellent liaison, negotiation, conflict resolution and team building skills across a wide range of internal and external stakeholders.
- Expert knowledge and understanding of curriculum, professional practice, policies, relevant legislation, initiatives and current research in Aboriginal education.
- Demonstrated high level capacity to initiate, develop, evaluate and coordinate planning, monitoring and reporting practices to drive improvement in Aboriginal student performance P-6.
- Proven ability to plan, implement, manage, monitor and evaluate educational programs, provisions and resources.
- Capacity to lead staff in implementing the Department's Aboriginal Education and Training policies to ensure quality outcomes for Aboriginal people.

Applications Close: 8 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Mary Senj on (02) 9244 5866.



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Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 192509

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NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

Manager, People & Workplace

Parramatta location

Salary Range \$151,447 to \$157,055 (+ 9.5% super) + other benefits

Applications from Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged

The opportunity

The People & Workplace team is a strategic and operational partner to the business responsible for delivering exceptional services to help attract, develop, motivate and retain a diverse workforce within a flexible and supportive workplace. The Manager, People & Workplace delivers positive leadership and direction to the People & Workplace team including promoting a climate of continuous improvement and achievement.

Leading a small multidisciplinary team, the Manager People & Workplace will:

- Deliver high level strategic advice and recommendations to the organisation on identified issues and opportunities associated with enabling the people capital of NSWALC;
- Deliver proactive, effective and accurate industrial and employee relations advice to support the goals of the business;
- Manage the People & Workplace team to deliver responsive operational HR and workplace services to meet required service standards;
- Plan, manage and monitor complex People & Workplace and OD projects comprehensively to meet NSWALC requirements.

To be successful in this role, the Manager, People & Workplace will need to have:

- Sound working knowledge of HR and Workplace related legislation, award and enterprise agreement interpretation and HR and Records Management best practice;
- Demonstrated experience in managing and providing direction on industrial relation matters;
- Experience in facilitating, collaborating with, and influencing a wide range of key stakeholders to develop solutions to complex HR related problems and developing innovative strategies and options;
- Demonstrated experience as a change leader with extensive knowledge and skills in developing and implementing people related and HR process change plans and the ability to bring successful conclusion to major change projects in relation to people and processes;
- Have tertiary qualifications and/or significant experience leading and managing a HR team and change management projects.

About us

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) is the State's peak representative body in Aboriginal affairs and aims to protect the interests and further the aspirations of its members and the broader Aboriginal community. NSWALC is a not for profit organisation.

More information about NSW Aboriginal Land Council can be found at <http://www.alc.org.au/>

How to apply

To apply for the position please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Role Description and Success Profile by contacting Kody Boney by email: recruitment@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4490. Applications close 5pm Monday 06 February 2017 and can be forwarded to recruitment@alc.org.au

Job Status: Ongoing (permanent)



The Australia Council is seeking applications for the following positions to be based at their offices in Surry Hills, NSW:

Evaluation Associate

Full time, 2 year contract

Contribute to the development and implementation of robust evaluation methodologies and frameworks to measure outcomes, assess impact and monitor progress of the Australia Council's strategic projects.

Applications close 1 February 2017 at 5.00pm AEDT

Human Resources Adviser

Full time, 12 month contract

Support the effective planning and delivery of generalist HR services to the organisation, with a particular focus on the coordination of recruitment activities.

Applications close 5 February 2017 at 5.00pm AEDT

For further information about these roles please visit our careers page:

<http://australiacouncil.gov.au/about/careers/>



Health
Justice Health &
Forensic Mental Health Network

Aboriginal Health Worker Primary Health Care (Aboriginal Identified)

Classification: Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Location: Silverwater

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$49,121 - \$72,346 pa

Enquiries: Leo De Jesus (02) 9700 2233

Email: cornelio.dejesus@justicehealth.nsw.gov.au

This is a dedicated Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander position. Applicants must be able to prove Aboriginal descent through parentage, identification as being an Aboriginal person and being accepted in the community as such. Exemption is claimed under Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act*. JH&FMHN deems it appropriate to seek confirmation of Aboriginal status from applicants applying for Aboriginal identified positions or targeted positions either during the interview process or prior to commencement of the position.

Closing Date: 29 January 2017



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 367528

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER

Location: Tamworth, NSW

We are seeking a motivated individual to lead and support our teams across a range of services on a permanent full time basis. Your responsibility will be to ensure service delivery is focused on a person centred service experience that is aligned to a recovery model. In your position, you will receive support by a multidisciplinary team and report to the Far North Coast Regional Customer Service Manager.

This is a permanent full time opportunity based in Tamworth (with regular visits to support our team at Armidale).

To be successful you will have:

- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Sound knowledge of budgeting and financial operations
- Understanding of relevant compliance legislation, quality standards, policies and procedures
- Be well versed in developing and implementing initiatives to meet business objectives
- Proven experience managing teams
- Experience in the Disability and/or Mental Health service delivery sector
- Technical literacy with proven ability to use Microsoft Office and systems for reporting
- Relevant Tertiary Qualification and/or equivalent industry experience

If you are interested in the position, please visit our New Horizons careers website

<http://applynow.net.au/jobs/N49620-customer-service-manager> to complete the online application.

**Applications close
COB 2nd of
February 2017.**



Principal Investigating Officer

Review Branch

Web Search No: PCO05076

Location: Perth CBD

Level/Salary: Level 7, \$115,725 to \$124,033 p.a. PSGOGA

We are seeking a person for a critical role in the office of the Western Australian Ombudsman. You will have an important responsibility to review and investigate certain child deaths and family and domestic violence fatalities.

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 Natarlie de Cinque on Ph: (08) 9220 7516.

Closing Date: Monday 6 February 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

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Assistant Ombudsman Investigations

Investigations and Legal Services Division

Web Search No: PCO05107 (Perth CBD)

Level/Salary: Level 9, \$150,689 to \$162,015 p.a. PSGOGA

We are seeking a senior person for a critical role in the office of the Western Australian Ombudsman. You will have an important responsibility to lead and undertake the investigation and resolution of complaints received from members of the public about the decision making and practices of public authorities.

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 Lisa Ward on Ph: (08) 9220 7421.

Closing Date: Wednesday 8 February 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

adcorp WG18858



Education

Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

- ACLO
- Ongoing full-time appointment
- Position number and location: 174285 - Warilla Office

Total remuneration package valued to: \$81,624 pa (salary \$67,248 to \$73,635 pa) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

The NSW Department of Education serves the community by leading the provision of world-class education. The department protects young children by regulating preschool and long day care providers. Once children move into school, we provide them with a world-class primary and secondary education. We also work to advance the wellbeing of Aboriginal people.

The role works as part of a team to develop partnerships and understanding between the Aboriginal community and the Department of Education at all levels, thereby helping to improve the outcomes for Aboriginal school students.

We are looking for a suitable candidate to contribute to and when required lead the development of consultative mechanisms to promote understanding between Aboriginal communities and the Department.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

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.

Pre-screening questions:

1. Please give examples where you have worked with a range of stakeholders to improve learning outcomes for Aboriginal students. (300 words)
2. Please provide details of your interpersonal skills and your ability to work with a range of stakeholders to address the policies and priorities of the government. (300 words)

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal Education policies.

Applications Close: 8 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Kelly Evans on (02) 4267 6174.



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 174285

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Operations Manager

About Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative Ltd.

Incorporated in 1982 Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) that provides a range of high quality holistic community health and social support programs, principally to the Aboriginal community and other residents in Warrambool and outlying areas.

We work in close partnership with local government, other health service providers including other Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations in the Western District of Victoria, liaising regularly on the provision of health service and social welfare and community support programs.

About the Opportunity

Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative is seeking to employ a 'dynamic hands on' individual to join their team in Warrambool as the Operations Manager.

The Operations Manager position is a 2IC role accountable to the Chief Executive Officer for overseeing, supporting and managing the effective day-to-day operations across four Divisional business units of Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative Ltd (Gunditjmara)

About You

The Operations Manager will be expected to be a driven individual who has a strong grasp on change management, leading people to create a high achieving organisational culture

and team and who will work strategically, making timely, and, at times, significant decisions to ensure the operational delivery for the organization is effective, maintained and on track. The successful applicant will have qualifications in business administration and extensive experience in a complex community based organisational environment.

The Benefits

A salary package with attractive salary sacrificing benefits will be offered that reflects the importance of the role, capabilities and experience of the successful candidate. Salary sacrifice your home loan, car loan, superannuation. It can help you get the most value from what you earn.

To apply for this position and take the next steps towards a rewarding career, in a well serviced and vibrant regional area you will need to obtain a position description from annette@gunditjmara.org.au.

Please submit your cover letter addressing the key selection criteria and resume to:

annette@gunditjmara.org.au

or Attn Human Resources, Gunditjmara Aboriginal Cooperative, PO Box 732, Warrambool Vic 3280

by close of business, Monday 30 January 2017.

Applicants that do not address the key selection criteria will not be considered. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply. Previous Applicants need not apply.



Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer Disability Services, Northern Sydney District

- Leading NFP Disability Organisation
- Generous salary and benefits
- 6 month contract: 2 day/ week – flexible

You will play a key role in community development and support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 0 – 65 living with disability.

Visit our website (<http://www.lifestart.org.au/join/employment-opportunities>) for more information or call 93640111.

Applications Close: Monday 6 February, 2017



Aboriginal Employment Strategy Ltd

ACCOUNT CONSULTANT NEWCASTLE

Core elements of the role include:

- Promote AES services
- Establish, build & maintain relationships with business, Indigenous community in the region
- Build strong and trusted networks with related organisations and associations in the region
- Assist new and existing Trainees and Apprentices through mentoring, support, direction and guidance
- Work across the region to identify and work with career seekers, students, business partners that express an interest in AES services
- Effectively coordinate with key stakeholders to meet requirements of Australian Traineeship & Apprenticeship governing bodies.

Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated ability to successfully engage with Indigenous peoples and communities
- Proven track record in delivering tangible outcomes for Indigenous peoples
- Demonstrated ability to exceed KPI

- Excellent time management skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Excellent verbal and written communication skill
- Proficiency in MS Office suite including Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook
- Ability to obtain a Working with Children's check
- Current valid Driver's License
- Certificate in Mentoring or willingness to obtain (Desirable)
- Knowledge of Australian Apprenticeship and Traineeship frame (Desirable)

**Applications close
5:00pm on Friday 3rd February 2017**

Please forward written applications addressing the selection criteria and a copy of your CV to

Email: HR@aes.org.au

For further information please call Leroy Wilkinson on
02 4939 4500



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Careers In Child Protection Aboriginal Family Practitioner

Department For Child Protection

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Ongoing (Permanent) Role

Vac No: 2017-17126

AHP1 \$60,019 – \$73,661 pa

As an Aboriginal Family Practitioner, you will be accountable to the Supervisor, for making and supporting referrals for culturally appropriate interventions, the safety and well-being of Aboriginal children and young people assisting in the development and implementation of a holistic culturally based service that provides specialised and innovative services. Developing and maintaining effective working relationships with the Aboriginal community to continuing quality outcomes for Aboriginal families and their children.

For further information on role duties, special conditions and essential qualifications please refer to website below for role description.

Pursuant to Section 56(2) of the *Equal Opportunity Act, 1984* only people of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent may apply for this role.

For further information and to submit your application please visit:
www.childprotection.sa.gov.au/work-with-us/

Enquiries to: Pia Richter, (08) 8626 2444,
email.pia.richter@sa.gov.au

Applications close 11pm Thursday, 1 February 2017



Government of South Australia
Department for Child Protection

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CAREER OPPORTUNITY

We currently have a vacancy for:

Lecturer - Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Primary Health Care - Alice Springs

Priority consideration for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander applicants

For further information or to apply, log on to our website and download the Position Description www.batchelor.edu.au/people/current-vacancies



Health
South Eastern Sydney
Local Health District

Dental Assistant Grade 2

Area La Perouse Dental Clinic,

Various Locations

Temporary Full-Time

Enquiries: Claire Phelan (02) 9540 7442

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**Closing Date:
6 February 2017**



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 369609

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Program Officer - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People's Program (ATSIPP) – Oxfam Australia (Indigenous Identified)

- Full Time, 35 hours per week
- Permanent role
- Melbourne (there may be some need for interstate travel)
- Remuneration package \$68,930 including superannuation

The Role

Oxfam Australia is one of Australia's largest independent non-government organisations focusing on international aid and development. We have a strong commitment to the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and has been working to support self – determination for over 30 years. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples Program (ATSIPP) Unit sits within the Programs directorate.

This is an Indigenous Identified role and is part of Oxfam Australia's commitment to creating a culturally competent and diverse workforce. A critical responsibility of the role is to act as the Unit's central contact and communications point providing high level administrative support to staff within the Unit and is critical to the Unit's overall operation. Oxfam Australia works with a large number of Indigenous organisations and leaders so we seek someone with a strong understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, culture and issues and can quickly build relationships of trust with Indigenous peoples, communities, and organisations.

Key features of this role will be:

- Provides secretarial support as needed to maximise the effectiveness of the National Manager and National Programs Lead including calendar and diary management, minute taking in meetings, preparation of various documents and reports and information management.
- Support the smooth running of the Unit by being familiar with Oxfam's various online management systems for information management, travel, credit card acquittal and financial and budget management;
- Oversee the delivery of gatherings and events; meetings, logistics, financial and administrative functions, and community and participant liaison.

Selection Criteria

1. Demonstrated competence and initiative in office administration procedures and systems including document and records management
2. Demonstrated experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and an understanding of issues affecting Indigenous Australians
3. Experience working in a complex environment with multiple teams including sound time management and prioritisation skills
4. Experience with event logistics, planning and implementation including working on large scale events and small gatherings
5. Understanding of budgeting and financial administration
6. High levels of computer literacy particularly MS Office Suite

We have a number of measures in place to support our Indigenous staff including an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Strategy, RAP and cultural protocols.

This is a great opportunity for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person who is interested in Oxfam Australia's work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and our work around the world. We offer a flexible and supportive team environment of professionals dedicated to making a difference. It would be an ideal opportunity to learn more about Oxfam's approach to program, policy and advocacy work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Apply now

Please visit <https://www.oxfam.org.au/my/jobs> for application details

- To apply, please submit a CV and cover letter expressing your interest, experience, and suitability for the role by responding to the Selection Criteria.

• Applications close: **10 February 2017**

This is an Indigenous Identified role only open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth), and s 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic).

Appointment to this position will require a satisfactory clearance of a police check and/or working with children check.



Education

Aboriginal Student Liaison Officer

- EO (ETS)
- Temporary full-time role up to: 26 January 2018
- Position number and location: 174337 - Armidale

Total remuneration package valued to: \$108,470 p.a. (salary \$59,163 p.a. – \$97,853 p.a.) including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Working with the community and schools to support the regular attendance of students, with a particular focus on Aboriginal students.

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.

Aboriginal applicants are encouraged to apply.

Selection Criteria

- Aboriginality.
- Understanding of issues affecting the regular school attendance of Aboriginal students.
- Knowledge of the Home School Liaison program and demonstrated involvement in student welfare programs.
- Demonstrated ability to liaise with schools, students, parents and outside agencies.
- Effective written and oral communication and liaison skills and ability to work as part of a team.
- Knowledge of and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

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Applications Close: 15 February 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Lynne Hugginson on 0411 156 870.



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 174337

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Aboriginal Child and Family Caseworker

Early Intervention Prevention Program (EIPP)

*This is an Aboriginal Identified Position
Full Time 5 days (per week)*

Classification for this position is Social Community Home Care and Disability Services Award (SCHCADS) Level 4 Paypoint 1-4 depending on qualifications and experience. Hourly rate range: \$30.00 per hour.

- Work within a team providing culturally appropriate casework and case management support for Aboriginal families with children aged 0-12 years who reside within the City of Sydney LGA.
- Work within an Aboriginal Community Non-Government Organisation that provides culturally appropriate support to its Aboriginal community.

The Child and Family Caseworker with Mudgin-Gal will work in a highly responsive, strength based, trauma informed, proactive and innovative way and develop collaborative relationships with other services both Aboriginal and mainstream to ensure a holistic and culturally appropriate casework support to local Aboriginal families and their children living with the Redfern, Waterloo, Inner West, City of Sydney LGA. You will feel highly supported through regular supervision, opportunities for training and development and a friendly and experienced team.

Please contact Jenny Munro CEO on 9698-1173 for further information and to request a job description if you require one.

Applications including a current Resume and a document specifically responding to and outlining how you meet each of the Selection Criteria (these are listed in the job description document), should be emailed to office@mudgin-gal.org.au

Closing Date for the application is on Tuesday 28th February 2017

Hunter PRIMARYCARE

Hunter Primary Care is an equal employment opportunity employer and is seeking applications for the following positions:

The **Senior Indigenous Mental Health Care Coordinator** (Full Time) is an exciting new role that would interest an experienced leader in mental health care coordination or similar service and a passion for the well-being of Aboriginal people with a mental illness.

The position will lead an integrated team to improve access to treatment and support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with a severe mental illness. The Senior Indigenous Mental Health Care Coordinator will involve staff supervision and management of the program and direct service delivery to support Aboriginal people in the management of their mental illness in the primary care setting.

The **Indigenous Mental Health Care Coordinator** (Full Time or Part Time) will involve proactive engagement with individuals, their families and carers and enhance the management of their illness in the primary care setting as well as assisting increased self-management.

Both positions are fixed-term until 30 June 2018.

If you have a strong interest in these roles and wish to apply for either position, visit our website – <http://hunterprimarycare.com.au/aboutus/careers-at-hunter-primary-care/>

Applications for both positions **must** provide a detailed response in your cover letter to each Essential and Desirable selection criteria outlined in the position description in order to be considered for interview.

Applications close **4:00 pm Monday 6th February 2017.**

For further information regarding these positions, please contact Sally Regan, Operations Manager PIR on 0428 329 514 or sregan@hunterprimarycare.com.au.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander People are encouraged to apply.

The successful applicants for these positions will be asked to consent to a police check. Please note that people with criminal records are not automatically barred from applying for this position. Each application will be considered on its merits.

WATERNSW

RICHMOND REGULATED WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **GALE FAMILY PTY LTD** for a 150mm centrifugal pump on Iron Pot Creek, Lot 771 DP849884 for irrigation purposes (20ha) (A009280).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 796, Murwillumbah NSW 2484 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. Any queries please call 02 6676 7881, Melissa Hundy.

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UPPER AND LOWER NAMOI GROUNDWATER SOURCE UPPER NAMOI ZONE 5

An application for a new WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL** for one water supply work (bore) on Lot 7301 DP 1143211 for the purpose of Town Water Supply. (Ref A9049)

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to PO Box 550, TAMWORTH NSW 2340 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries please call 02 6763 1465 Chris Binks, Water Regulation Officer.

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WATERNSW

HAWKESBURY AND LOWER NEPEAN RIVERS WATER SOURCE

UPPER SOUTH CREEK MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **WEI RONG CHEN** and **HUI RONG CHEN** for a bywash dam and 80mm centrifugal pump on Lot 1 DP 580979, Parish of Cabramatta, County of Cumberland for conservation of water and the irrigation of 1.0 hectare (A009115).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, Locked Bag 5123, Parramatta NSW 2124 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries should be directed to (02) 8838 7531, Wayne Connors, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

A04702

Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements



National
Native Title
Tribunal

State of Queensland

Notification day: 1 February 2017



Q12016/055 Bigambul People Protected Areas ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers approximately 150 sq km including five (5) land parcels (or parts thereof) north of Goondiwindi.

Relevant LGA: Goondiwindi Regional Council, Toowoomba Regional Council, Western Downs Regional Council and Balonne Shire Council.



Q12016/056 Bigambul People Revenue Sharing ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers approximately 11 sq km including one hundred and fifteen (115) land parcels (or parts thereof) north, east and west of Goondiwindi.

Relevant LGA: Goondiwindi Regional Council, Toowoomba Regional Council, Western Downs Regional Council and Balonne Shire Council.

The Parties to the agreements and their contact address:

Russell Doctor, Elaine Georgetown, Rhonda Sandow and Cyril Logan on their own behalf and on behalf of the Bigambul People; and Bigambul Native Title Aboriginal Corporation
c/- Just Us Lawyers
PO Box 120
Red Hill QLD 4059

State of Queensland
c/- Crown Law
GPO Box 5221
Brisbane QLD 4001

The agreements contain the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

Q12016/055 Bigambul People Protected Areas ILUA

The agreement includes no statements mentioned in subsection 24EB(1) or 24EBA(1). The agreement is about the exercise of Native Title Rights and Interests by the Bigambul People in the agreement area.

Q12016/056 Bigambul People Revenue Sharing ILUA

5.1 The parties consent to the validation of any Future Acts done prior to the Execution Date by the State in the Agreement Area to the extent they were done invalidly for the purposes of Native Title and can be validated in this Agreement.

5.2 The parties: (a) consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts to the extent that they are Surrenders or Future Acts; and (b) if any of the Agreed Acts, which are also Future Acts, are done prior to Registration, agree to the validating of those Agreed Acts.

5.5 The parties agree that any Surrender permanently extinguishes all Native Title Rights and Interests in the area of the Surrender from the date the Surrender takes effect.

6.1 The Native Title Parties surrender all Native Title Rights and Interests over the Surrender Area.

"Surrender" means the surrender to the State (and the permanent extinguishment of) all Native Title Rights and Interests in the Surrender Area.

"Surrender Area" means the area of any Revenue Share Lot depicted in Schedule 1 and described in Schedule 2 which is sold in accordance with the process set out in clause 6 *[Revenue Share Lots may be sold by a grant in fee simple, with the surrender taking effect over the Revenue Share Lots immediately prior to the issue of the deed of grant]*.

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 any of the agreements 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 1 May 2017.** If that application is registered on the Register of Native Title Claims, the registered native title claimants must be a party to the relevant 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 these applications, call Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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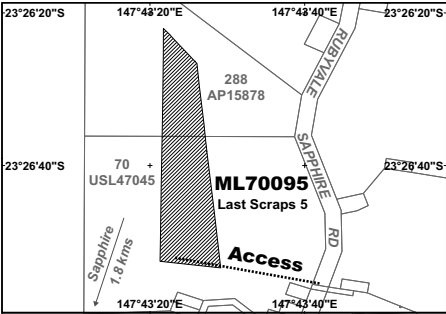
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RENEWAL OF MINING LEASES AND GRANT AND RENEWAL OF MINING CLAIMS

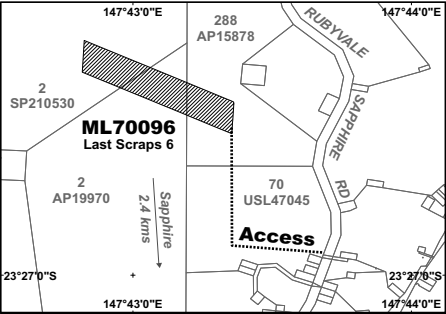
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed renewal of ML70095 and ML70096, grant of MC300125 and renewal of MC70440, MC71214, MC71493, MC71503, MC71511, MC71537, MC71552, MC71558, MC71566, MC71576, MC71611, MC72167, MC72197, MC71496, MC71599, MC72210, and MC72220, shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

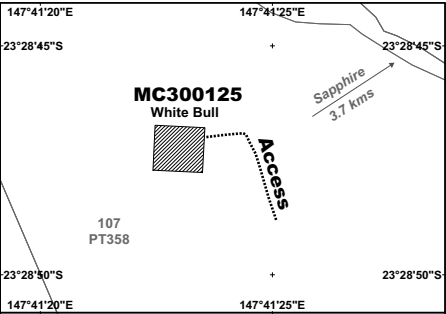
Mining Lease 70095 renewal sought by Torian Resources Limited, ACN 002 261 565, over an area of 15,0800 ha, centred approximately 1.8 km North North East of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



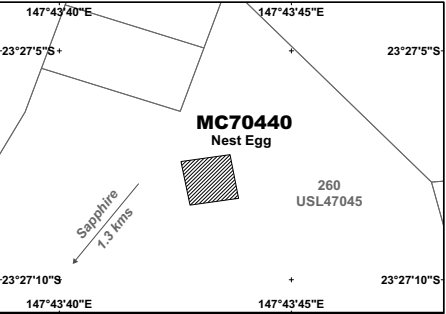
Mining Lease 70096 renewal sought by Torian Resources Limited, ACN 002 261 565, over an area of 19,9700 ha, centred approximately 2.4 km North of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



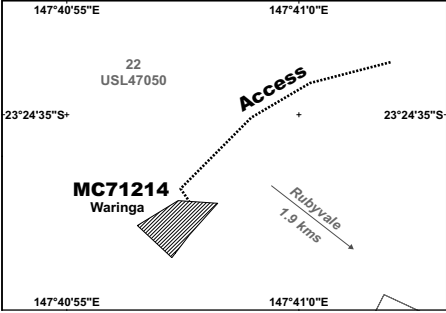
Mining Claim 300125 sought by Linda Jennifer Richards, over an area of 900 m², centred approximately 3.7 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



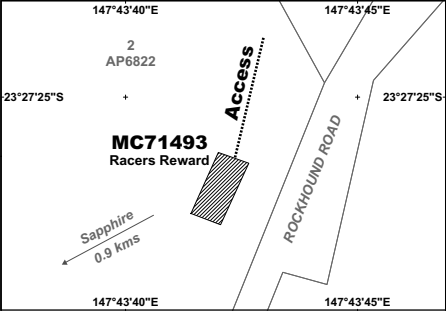
Mining Claim 70440 renewal sought by Michael John Charles, over an area of 900 m² centred approximately 1.3 km North East of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



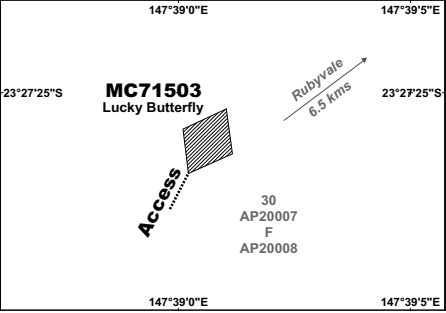
Mining Claim 71214 renewal sought by Ronald Holliday, over an area of 894 m² centred approximately 1.9 km West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



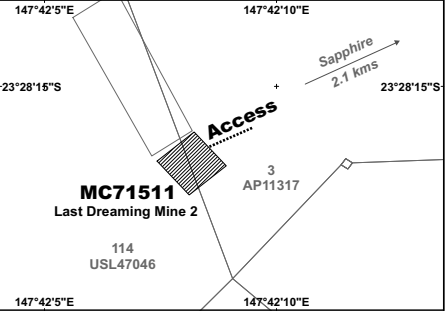
Mining Claim 71493 renewal sought by John Christopher Petrou, over an area of 882 m² centred approximately 0.9 km North East of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



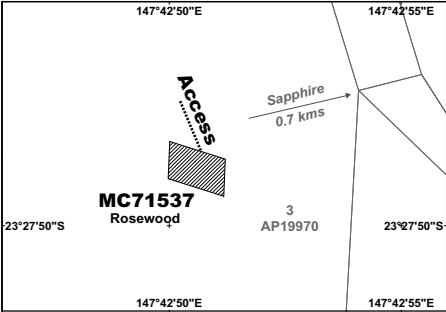
Mining Claim 71503 renewal sought by Marion Gaye Horsfall, over an area of 849 m² centred approximately 6.5 km South West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



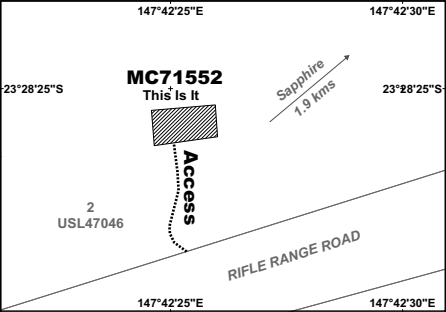
Mining Claim 71511 renewal sought by Edward John Green (50%) and Trudy Heather Green (50%), over an area of 900 m² centred approximately 2.1 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



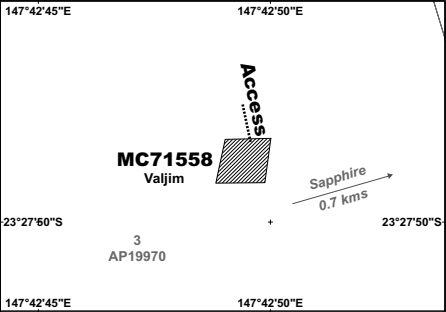
Mining Claim 71537 renewal sought by Peter Goode, over an area of 861 m² centred approximately 0.7 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



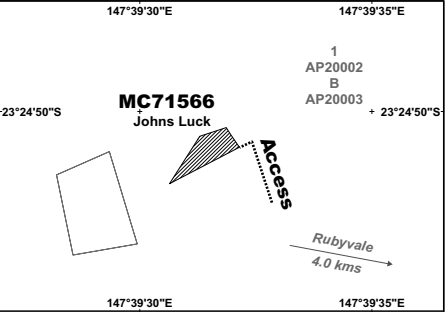
Mining Claim 71552 renewal sought by Darren James Roser, over an area of 882 m² centred approximately 1.9 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



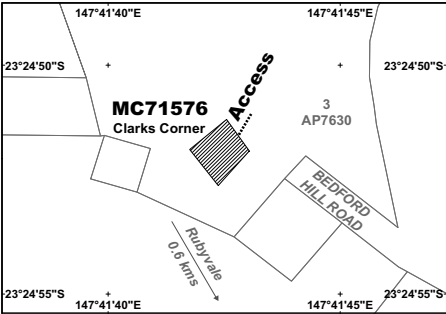
Mining Claim 71558 renewal sought by Hugh James Kennedy, over an area of 837 m² centred approximately 0.7 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



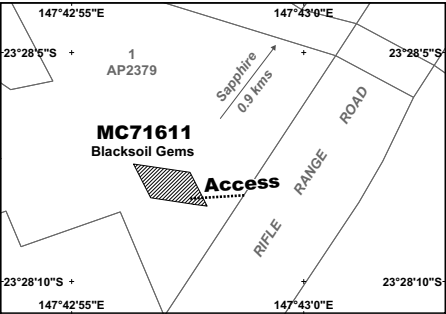
Mining Claim 71566 renewal sought by Anita Grace Nichols, over an area of 583 m² centred approximately 4.0 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



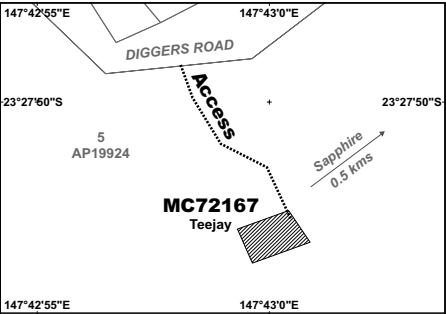
Mining Claim 71576 renewal sought by Barry John Clark (50%) and Sandra Clark (50%), over an area of 813 m² centred approximately 0.6 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



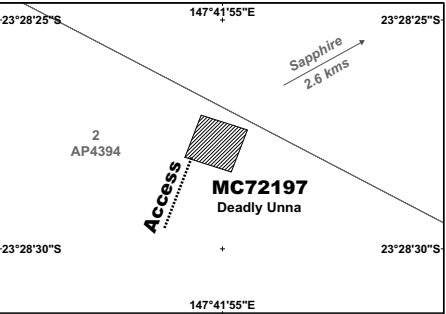
Mining Claim 71611 renewal sought by Michael Thomas (50%) and Rachelle Tania Thomas (50%), over an area of 736 m² centred approximately 0.9 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



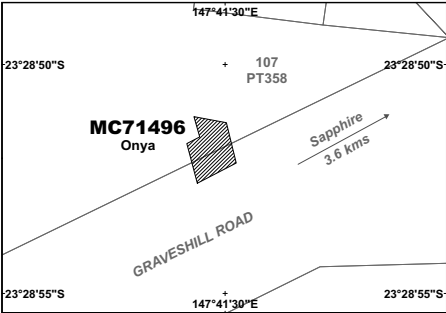
Mining Claim 72167 renewal sought by Andrew Edward White, over an area of 890 m² centred approximately 0.5 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



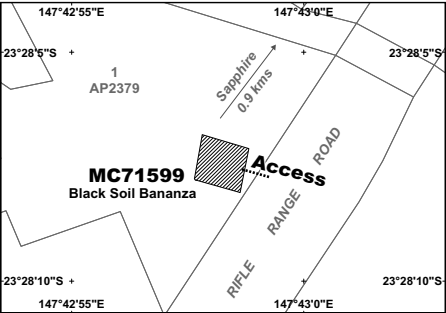
Mining Claim 72197 renewal sought by Kim Marie Pedersen, over an area of 900 m² centred approximately 2.6 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



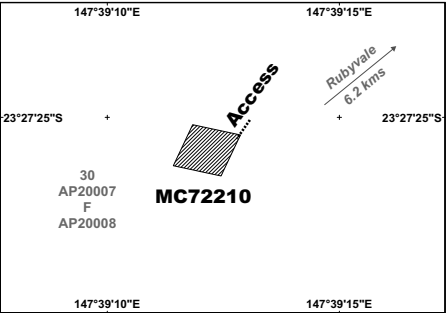
Mining Claim 71496 renewal sought by Peter David Moody (50%) and Patricia Anne Moody (50%), over an area of 857 m² centred approximately 3.6 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



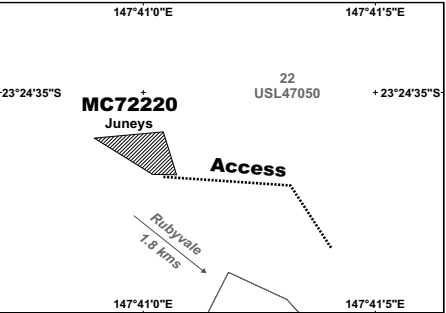
Mining Claim 71599 renewal sought by Michael Thomas (50%) and Rachelle Tania Thomas (50%), over an area of 891 m² centred approximately 0.9 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 72210 renewal sought by Douglas Sidney Partridge (50%) and Maria Philomena Partridge (50%), over an area of 886 m² centred approximately 6.2 km South West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 72220 renewal sought by Gary Robert McMillan (50%) and Patricia Joany McMillan (50%), over an area of 801 m², centred approximately 1.8 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



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

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Leases and Mining Claims be granted and renewed subject to the provisions of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources & Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grant and renewal of Mining Leases and Mining Claims, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Lease and Mining Claim Grant and Renewals may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Queensland 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a “native title party” is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant and renewal of Mining Leases and Mining Claims. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 15 February 2017

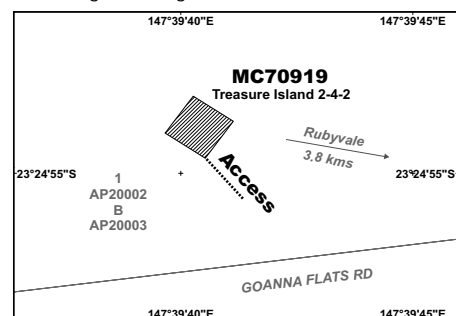


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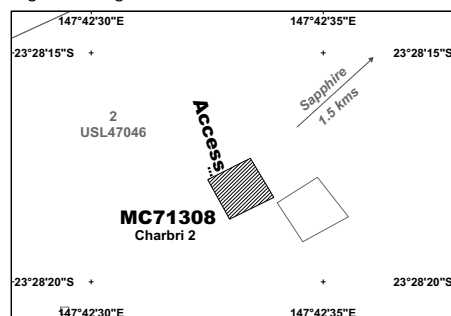
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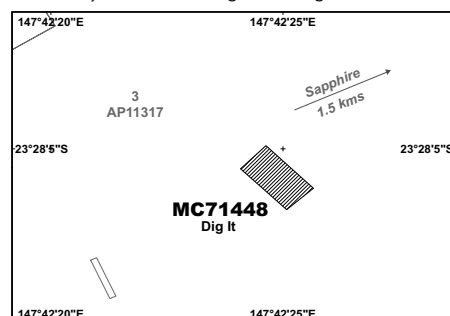
Mining Claim 70919 renewal sought by Deborah Anne Johnston, over an area of 900 m², centred approximately 3.8 km West North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



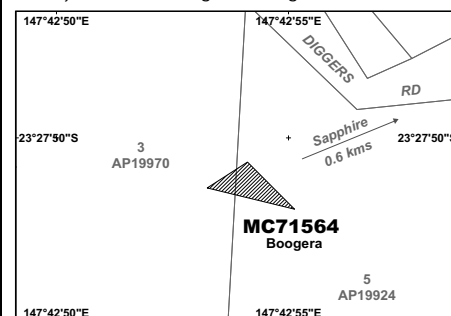
Mining Claim 71308 renewal sought by Ronald William Barry, over an area of 900 m², centred approximately 1.5 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



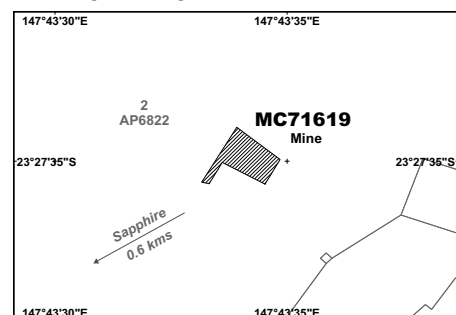
Mining Claim 71448 renewal sought by Marenus Adriaan Van Moolenbroek, over an area of 876 m², centred approximately 1.5 km West South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



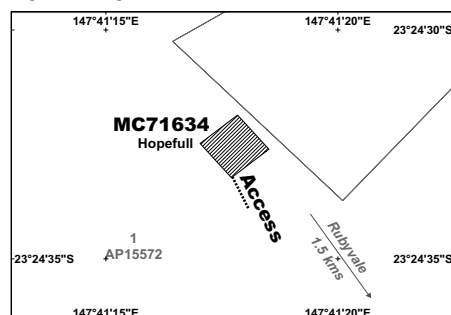
Mining Claim 71564 renewal sought by John Alan Chippendale, over an area of 640 m² centred approximately 0.6 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



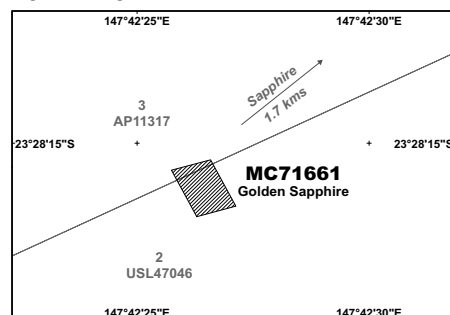
Mining Claim 71619 renewal sought by Shane Anthony Grenfell, over an area of 819 m² centred approximately 0.6 km North East of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



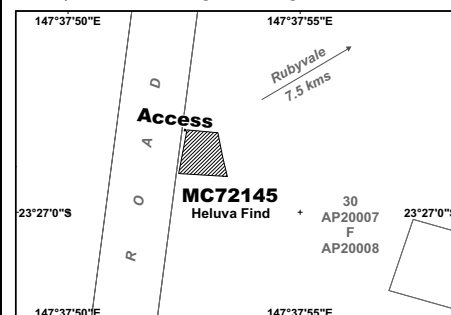
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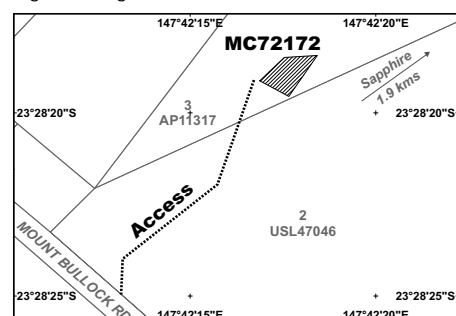
Mining Claim 71661 renewal sought by Paul Lionel Saron, over an area of 852 m² centred approximately 1.7 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



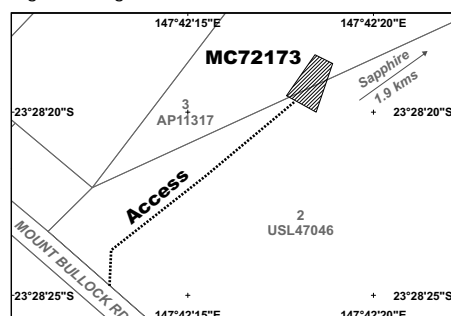
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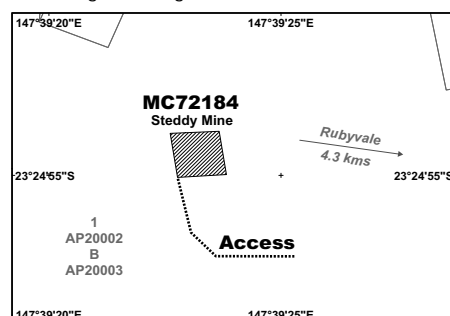
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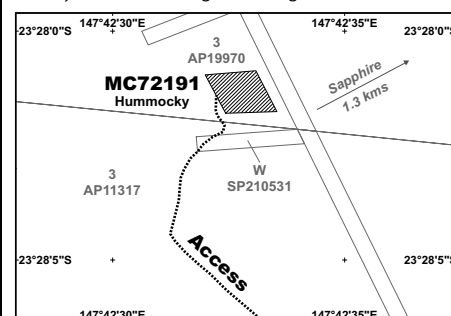
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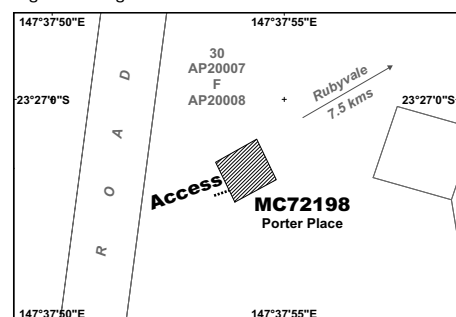
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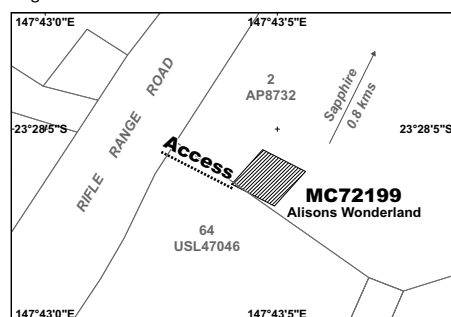
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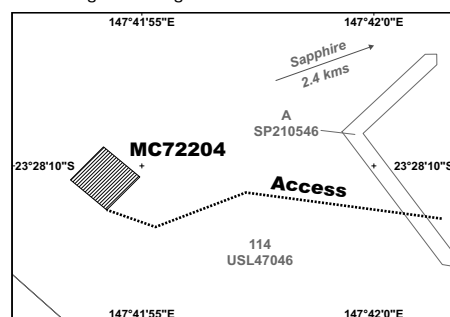
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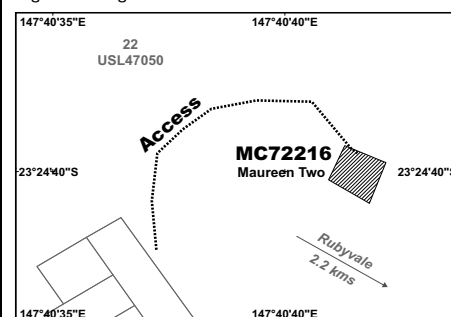
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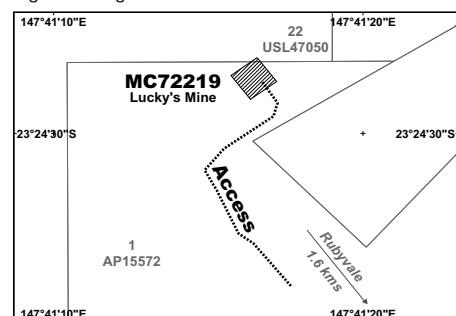
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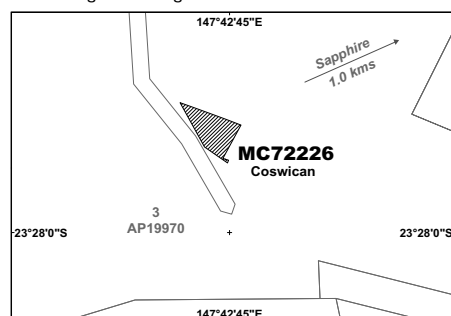
Mining Claim 72216 renewal sought by Bruce Philip Legge, over an area of 766 m² centred approximately 2.2 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



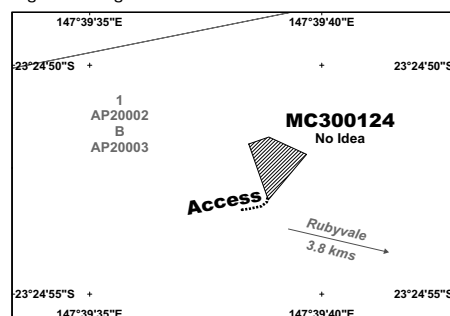
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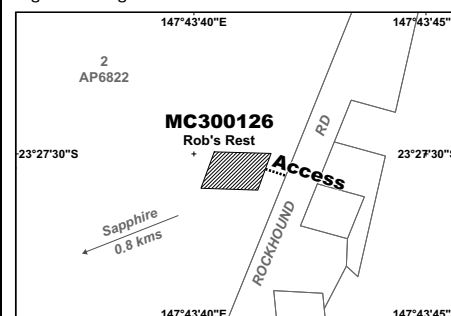
Mining Claim 72226 renewal sought by Graham Thomas Robertson, over an area of 630 m² centred approximately 1.0 km South West of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 300124 sought by Lynette Elizabeth Bailey, over an area of 750 m² centred approximately 3.8 km North West of Rubyvale, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



Mining Claim 300126 sought by Yvonne Jean Pittam, over an area of 860 m², centred approximately 0.8 km North East of Sapphire, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



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

Name and address of person doing acts: It is proposed that the Mining Claims be renewed or granted subject to the provisions of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) by the Queensland Minister for Natural Resources & Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed renewal or grant of Mining Claims, including extract of plans showing the boundaries of the Mining Claim Renewals or Applications may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Principal Mining Registrar, Small Scale Mining Hub, State Government Offices, 99 Hospital Road, Emerald, Queensland 4720, Telephone: (07) 4987 9373.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed renewal or grant of Mining Claims. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Enquiries in relation to the registration of a native title determination application may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Brisbane Registry, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland 4000, Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Notification Day: 15 February 2017



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	15/1552	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	10BL	5km N'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 27' S Long: 121° 35' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1566	ABEH PTY LTD	4BL	14km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 12' S Long: 121° 49' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/495	SEGUE (SALT CREEK) PTY LTD	70BL	87km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 13' S Long: 120° 6' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/496	LIAONING HEDI MINES(WA) PTY LTD	2BL	67km SW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 10' S Long: 120° 38' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	24/207	BARRA RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	63km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 15' S Long: 121° 0' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	25/557	SILVER LAKE RESOURCES LIMITED	6BL	48km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 122° 10' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	27/587	NORTHERN STAR (KANOWNNA) PTY LIMITED	5BL	54km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 121° 58' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/991	LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	9BL	62km NW'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 19' S Long: 120° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	30/493-4	SEGUE (SALT CREEK) PTY LTD	128BL	98km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 4' S Long: 120° 3' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1139	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	5BL	143km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 53' S Long: 122° 38' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1140	CARNEGIE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	15BL	104km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 35' S Long: 122° 6' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1141	CARNEGIE EXPLORATION PTY LTD	1BL	108km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 40' S Long: 122° 9' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1144	ABEH PTY LTD	1BL	87km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 29' S Long: 121° 54' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/897	PEAKMAN, Tane Lynwood	1BL	70km N'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 19' S Long: 120° 55' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1254	SILVERTON RESOURCES PTY LTD	20BL	41km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 31' S Long: 121° 15' E	LEONORA SHIRE
		WILLIAMS, Thomas Geoffrey				
Exploration Licence	38/3176	DUKETON MINING LTD	3BL	83km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 34' S Long: 122° 12' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3178	DUKETON MINING LTD	2BL	73km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 122° 16' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1996	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	6BL	21km NW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 31' S Long: 122° 13' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/1997	AURIGEN PTY LTD	7BL	168km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 56' S Long: 123° 16' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2001	VENTNOR GOLD PTY LTD	21BL	209km N'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 29° 13' S Long: 124° 40' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2005	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	1BL	95km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 122° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2006	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	6BL	86km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 24' S Long: 122° 21' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2007	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	1BL	98km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 30' S Long: 122° 23' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2009	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	7BL	94km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 122° 22' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4747	MACARTHUR LITHIUM PTY LTD	2BL	96km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 1' S Long: 119° 11' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4824	MACARTHUR LITHIUM PTY LTD	66BL	52km NW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 41' S Long: 119° 39' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4830	TANDY, Kathryn	1BL	58km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 37' S Long: 120° 35' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4843	EPMINEX WA PTY LTD	3BL	12km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 16' S Long: 119° 47' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1156	VAALBARA RESOURCES PTY LTD	70BL	23km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 56' S Long: 119° 54' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2218	GALAHAD RESOURCES PTY LTD	32BL	55km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 28° 3' S Long: 115° 40' E	GERALDTON CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4909	WESTERN GOLD FIELDS PTY LTD	32BL	20km NE'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 28° 24' S Long: 115° 39' E	GERALDTON CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4916	KAJAR RESOURCES PTY LTD	14BL	79km NW'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 0' S Long: 119° 33' E	LAKE GRACE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4918	BRL OTHER MINERALS PTY LTD	153BL	38km NE'ly of Albany	Lat: 34° 46' S Long: 118° 10' E	ALBANY CITY
Exploration Licence	70/4919	IMAGE RESOURCES NL	7BL	42km NW'ly of Gingin	Lat: 31° 4' S Long: 115° 36' E	GINGIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4921	IMAGE RESOURCES NL	12BL	46km NW'ly of Gingin	Lat: 30° 58' S Long: 115° 41' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE, GINGIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4922	SHEFFIELD RESOURCES LIMITED	17BL	37km S'ly of Moora	Lat: 30° 54' S Long: 115° 52' E	DANDARAGAN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4923	MONTEZUMA MINING COMPANY LTD	60BL	39km N'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 6' S Long: 118° 50' E	NAREMBEEN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4924-I	AUSTRALIAN VANADIUM LIMITED	4BL	22km S'ly of Toodyay	Lat: 31° 45' S Long: 116° 25' E	NORTHAM SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4926	BRL OTHER MINERALS PTY LTD	10BL	12km S'ly of Mount Barker	Lat: 34° 44' S Long: 117° 37' E	PLANTAGENET SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4927	SHENTON RESOURCES LIMITED	104BL	60km N'ly of Moora	Lat: 30° 2' S Long: 115° 59' E	CARNAMAH SHIRE, COOROW SHIRE, MOORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/610	COMET RESOURCES LIMITED	6BL	48km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 55' S Long: 120° 22' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2404	PARNELL, Steven William Bernard	4BL	37km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 33' S Long: 119° 24' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2416	SEGUE (SALT CREEK) PTY LTD	21BL	119km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 44' S Long: 119° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	04/272	FORTESCUE, Garry Raymond	184.46HA	75km N'ly of Derby	Lat: 16° 38' S Long: 123° 28' E	STATE WATERS-SUBMERGED LANDS ACT
Prospecting Licence	16/3018	EVOLUTION MINING (MUNGARI) PTY LTD	197.23HA	45km N'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 121° 1' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/3019-20	EVOLUTION MINING (MUNGARI) PTY LTD	319.72HA	46km N'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 120° 59' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2285	MADSON, Robert John TOWELL, Richard David SMITH, Gregory Thomas	6.70HA	3km E'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 25' S Long: 117° 54' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2288	MADSON, Robert John TOWELL, Richard David SMITH, Gregory Thomas	135.63HA	6km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 23' S Long: 117° 49' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2292	PASZNICKI, Graeme Richard NEENAN, Bradley Wayne	201.83HA	45km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 5' S Long: 118° 8' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/5169	TATTERSON, Timothy Vincent	184.63HA	46km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 121° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/5175	TIRRONEN, Harry DREW, Timothy Lee	145.88HA	43km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 14' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
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Prospecting Licence	25/2412 & 25/2414-6	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	659.18HA	37km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 121° 59' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
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Prospecting Licence	26/4256	BLACK MOUNTAIN GOLD LIMITED	53.23HA	11km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 40' S Long: 121° 22' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4257	GUERIN, Murray	6.28HA	33km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 55' S Long: 121° 45' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2289	IZAKOVIC, Joe	9.01HA	52km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 121° 45' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2302	NORTHERN STAR (KANOWNNA) PTY LIMITED	16.25HA	25km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 121° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2303	NORTHERN STAR (KANOWNNA) PTY LIMITED	23.31HA	26km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 121° 35' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2305-S	MARTIN, Leslie Charles	2.68HA	37km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 34' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	28/1301	CYANOMET PTY LTD	191.30HA	113km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 9' S Long: 122° 24' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY, MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	31/2109	WIBBERLEY, Jonathan Norman	173.44HA	129km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 47' S Long: 122° 29' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8796-809	DRILLGOLD PTY LTD	2745.87HA	28km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 44' S Long: 121° 33' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8814	MAURITZ, Leon Kurt	47.39HA	61km N'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 22' S Long: 121° 6' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8817	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	96.88HA	56km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8818	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	120.03HA	50km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 29' S Long: 121° 5' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8830	BELL, Rodney Wayne	116.01HA	53km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 30' S Long: 120° 59' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4299	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	18.35HA	70km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 43' S Long: 122° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4300	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	38.87HA	67km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4301-4	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	769.92HA	82km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 40' S Long: 122° 8' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4305	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	192.81HA	57km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 54' S Long: 122° 19' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4306-7	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	399.84HA	72km W'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 47' S Long: 122° 11' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4309	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	147.26HA	69km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 43' S Long: 122° 15' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4311-3	REGIS RESOURCES LIMITED	578.85HA	70km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 44' S Long: 122° 14' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4314	GOLDEN PIG ENTERPRISES PTY LTD	186.87HA	82km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 38' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5589-92	BREWER, Gerard Victor	483.25HA	49km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 58' S Long: 121° 49' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1389-S	WILTSHIRE, Peter Andrew	9.88HA	37km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 12' S Long: 121° 23' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1415-6	MALATESTA, Nathan	299.61HA	27km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 6' S Long: 121° 26' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1417	MALATESTA, Nathan	186.86HA	30km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 8' S Long: 121° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1418	MALATESTA, Kim	68.44HA	30km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 8' S Long: 121° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1419	MALATESTA, Nathan	197.22HA	47km NE'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 121° 22' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1420	FAIRPLAY GOLD PTY LTD	134.61HA	44km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 15' S Long: 121° 28' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1421-2	MALATESTA, Nathan	290.95HA	25km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 5' S Long: 121° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1423-S	FLETCHER, David Roy	9.29HA	33km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 10' S Long: 121° 25' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/2997-3001	CERVANTES GOLD PTY LTD	970.86HA	22km SE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 46' S Long: 118° 35' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1404	BENNETT, John Paul	6.83HA	10km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 3' S Long: 119° 14' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1405	GRANVILLE, Marc Darryl	38.42HA	7km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 55' S Long: 119° 16' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2103	ENGLISH, Eileen Anne	7.24HA	45km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 40' S Long: 116° 56' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	59/2104	ENGLISH, Eileen Anne	9.99HA	45km SE'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 40' S Long: 116° 56' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4398	PARKER, Richard	4.44HA	34km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 29' S Long: 119° 31' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4400	ELSBURY, Robert Gary FENN, John Leslie	24.16HA	61km NW'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 118° 51' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	80/1849	GOLDFIELDS CONSOLIDATED PTY LTD	10.00HA	18km W'ly of Kununurra	Lat: 15° 46' S Long: 128° 34' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Retention Licence	51/3	NOVA ENERGY PTY LTD	1781.40HA	57km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 4' S Long: 118° 41' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of retention licences which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 25 January 2017

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 **25 April 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.

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. 25 May 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



Women's 9s rugby league for regional NSW



NSW Country Rugby League (CRL) will introduce women's 9s competitions into the state's north-west (Tamworth, Armidale, Tingha), Group 21 (Hunter Valley) and the Central Coast in 2017 after the success of inaugural tournaments in Newcastle, Dubbo and the Illawarra in 2016.

Female participation in rugby league in regional NSW continues to grow, with almost 50% off all nationally registered female players playing in CRL

tackle and tag competitions.

The CRL says that with the increasing popularity of rugby league among women in all forms of the game, women's 9s are a great opportunity for current, returning or new players to try the tackle version of the game.

The CRL Women's 9s see teams play short, fast-paced games on a full-sized field, with multiple games played over a six-week period.

CRL female participation officer Kylie Hilder believes the announcement of the new competitions is testament to the

continued growth of women's rugby league in regional NSW.

"The initial competitions in Dubbo, Newcastle and the Illawarra were successful and we're excited to see the Central Coast, North-West and Group 21 host competitions in 2017," said Hilder.

"The CRL 9s is all about having fun and getting an opportunity to play rugby league."

The six-week competitions kick off with a 'come and try' skills session, followed by five weeks of games.

Non-competitive in its first year,

participants are able to try contact rugby league in shorter matches, with a pathway to further representative competitions planned for the future.

Players looking to participate in the CRL women's 9s can contact CRL female participation officer Kylie Hilder at khilder@crlnsw.com.au

Starting dates:

Central Coast open aged women's 9s – February 3.

Group 21 open aged – February 3.

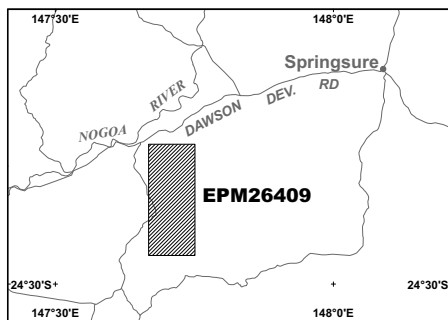
North-West open aged and U17s – February 4.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

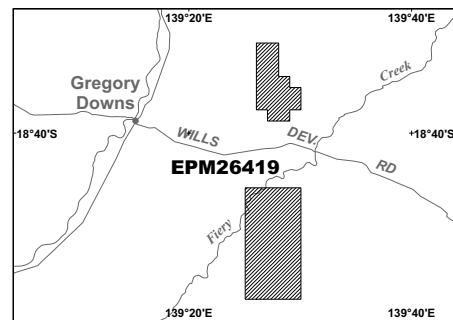
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of the Exploration Permits for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

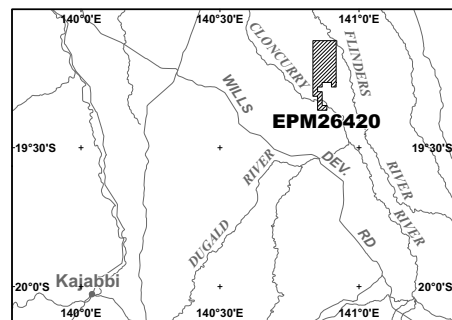
Exploration Permit 26409 sought by Jurassic Resources Pty Limited, ACN 139 359 292, over an area of 60 sub-blocks (187 km²), centred approximately 46 km South West of Springsure, in the locality of the Central Highlands Regional Council.



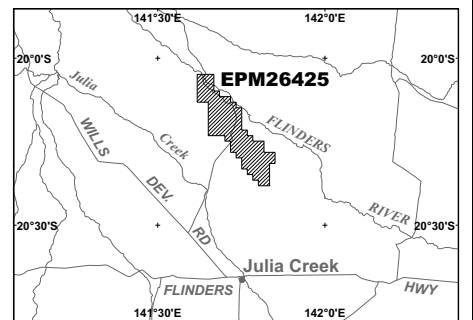
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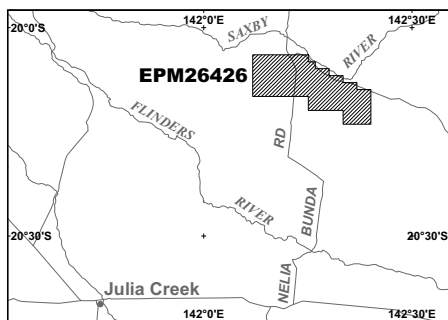
Exploration Permit 26420 sought by Strategic Energy Resources Limited, ACN 051 212 429, over an area of 55 sub-blocks (178 km²), centred approximately 125 km North East of Kajibbi, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council and Cloncurry Shire Council.



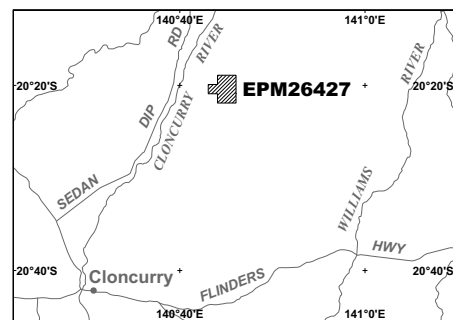
Exploration Permit 26425 sought by Intermin Resources Limited, ACN 007 761 186, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (318 km²), centred approximately 48 km North of Julia Creek, in the locality of the McKinlay Shire Council.



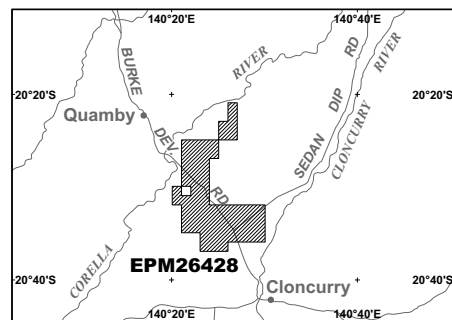
Exploration Permit 26426 sought by Intermin Resources Limited, ACN 007 761 186, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (319 km²), centred approximately 78 km North East of Julia Creek, in the localities of the McKinlay Shire Council and Richmond Shire Council.



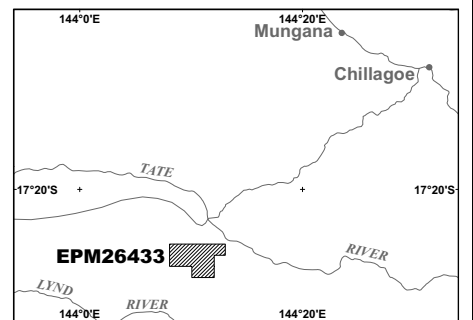
Exploration Permit 26427 sought by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited, ACN 000 057 125, over an area of 7 sub-blocks (23 km²), centred approximately 47 km North East of Cloncurry, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



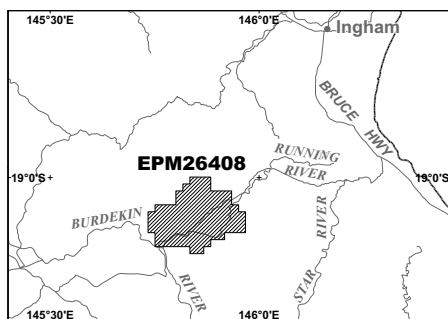
Exploration Permit 26428 sought by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited, ACN 000 057 125, over an area of 67 sub-blocks (215 km²), centred approximately 24 km North West of Cloncurry, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.



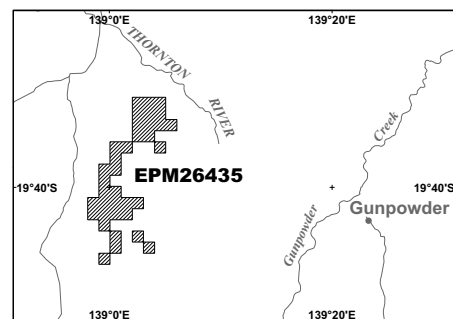
Exploration Permit 26433 sought by Bmax Holdings Pty Ltd, ACN 155 625 835, over an area of 11 sub-blocks (35 km²), centred approximately 48 km South West of Chillagoe, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



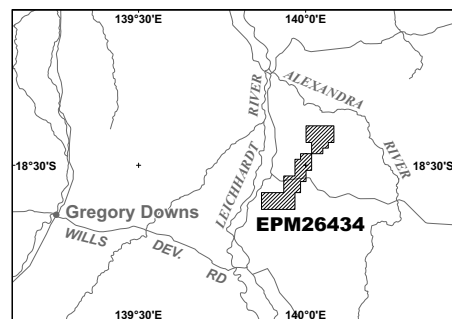
Exploration Permit 26408 sought by Sturt Exploration and Mining Pty Ltd, ACN 609 157 119, over an area of 97 sub-blocks (314 km²), centred approximately 60 km South West of Ingham, in the locality of the Charters Towers Regional Council.



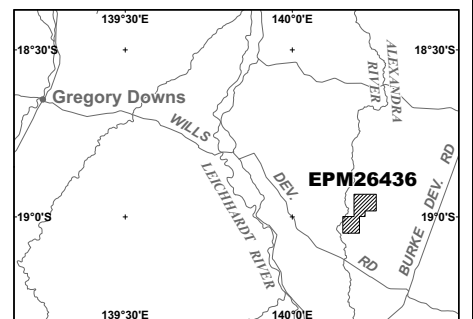
Exploration Permit 26435 sought by Mount Isa Mines Limited, ACN 009 661 447, over an area of 36 sub-blocks (116 km²), centred approximately 38 km West of Gunpowder, in the locality of the Mount Isa City Council.



Exploration Permit 26434 sought by Red Metal Limited, ACN 103 367 684, over an area of 58 sub-blocks (188 km²), centred approximately 78 km East North East of Gregory Downs, in the locality of the Carpentaria Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 26436 sought by Red Metal Limited, ACN 103 367 684, over an area of 23 sub-blocks (75 km²), centred approximately 105 km East South East of Gregory Downs, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council and Cloncurry 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.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Level 4, 1 William Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3199 8082, nativetitleservices@dnrm.qld.gov.au.

Notification Day: 15 February 2017



Queensland
Government

Grant to boost participation

THE International Indigenous Football Academy in the Brisbane suburb of Bellbowrie has been awarded a \$5000 Giving4Grassroots (G4G) grant from the Australian Sports Foundation to bring soccer to remote and regional communities.

The G4Ggrant will help the academy provide qualified coaches and trainers to communities and promote healthy participation.

G4G is the Sports Foundation's national grants program and funds programs aimed at increasing participation in grassroots and community sport throughout Australia.

Over the past two years, more than 72 community and grassroots clubs have benefited from grants totalling more than \$419,000.

Sports Foundation chief executive Patrick Walker said G4G money awarded in this grant round would fund programs that encouraged more adults to participate and experience the positive health and social benefits of sport.



Andrew Walker plays rugby union for Australia.

Walker's cameo comeback



ANDREW Walker is to make a brief return to rugby union at the age of 43.

He will join another former Wallaby – Stephen Larkham – in the ACT Brumbies colours on February 11 as the former backs duo is set to figure in the Brisbane Global Rugby Tens at Lang Park, Brisbane.

Walker, who scored 246 points in 47 appearances for the Brumbies, will play alongside Larkham, who played for the Brumbies between 1996-2007 winning 116 caps and scoring in excess of 200 points as well as appearing in Wallaby Gold on 102 occasions.

The pair are scheduled to play against the Bulls, Highlanders and Toulon.

“I am looking forward to putting the boots back on in a competitive match environment and playing alongside Andrew at the Global Rugby Tens,” Larkham said.

“It’s great that Andrew is able to commit to represent the Brumbies in the tournament as he was a firm fan favourite during an incredible career at the club.

“We will be selecting a strong squad for tournament and the inclusion of Andrew will augment what we are sure will be a competitive team as we prepare for the first round of Super Rugby.”

Larkham and Walker join a host of other big names who will be reigniting memories of their successful careers.

“The concept of the wildcard was to allow teams to include genuine rugby legends in their line-ups and

in Stephen Larkham and Andrew Walker there is no doubt the Brumbies have done just that,” Duco Australia chief executive Rachael Carroll said.

Walker, originally from the NSW Shoalhaven region, began his career as a rugby union player with Randwick, where he played alongside Eddie Jones in their 1991 premiership-winning season.

The following year he signed with NSW Rugby League premiership club St George Dragons.

He played with several National Rugby League (NRL) clubs, including the Dragons, Sydney Roosters and the Manly Sea Eagles.

Kangaroo

He played one rugby league international for Australia and was the first dual-international to switch from league to union.

He joined rugby union’s ACT Brumbies in 2000, but returned to rugby league with Manly in 2004.

He was banned for two years in 2004 following cocaine use.

He switched back to rugby union in 2006, joining French club Gaillac.

In 2007-8, he played with the Queensland Reds.

He retired in July, 2008.

But in 2010, he signed with the Goodna Eagles Rugby Club in the Ipswich competition.

Walker played seven international rugby union matches for Australia.

He played 145 NSWRL/NRL matches – 18 for the Dragons, 103 for the Roosters, 24 for the Sea Eagles and scored 600 points.



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
25/349	SOUTHERN GOLD LIMITED	498304	140.12HA	28km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 121° 43' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
27/345	LAWSON GOLD LIMITED	498885	241.72HA	45km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 21' S Long: 121° 37' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
45/3381	TALGA RESOURCES LTD	497843	0.35HA	23km SE'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 19' S Long: 119° 51' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4666	TALGA RESOURCES LTD	497854	388.51HA	16km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 19' S Long: 119° 48' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4725-I	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	498271	380.21HA	87km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 47' S Long: 119° 12' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
70/3032	IMAGE RESOURCES NL	499391	104.42HA	10km S'ly of Gingin	Lat: 31° 23' S Long: 115° 55' E	GINGIN SHIRE
70/3041	IMAGE RESOURCES NL	499392	80.23HA	15km NW'ly of Gingin	Lat: 31° 17' S Long: 115° 51' E	GINGIN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 25 January 2017

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 **25 April 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. 25 May 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 applications for determination of native title in the state of NSW

Notification day: 8 February 2017

These are applications by native title claim groups which are asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

A person who wants to become a party to any of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney, NSW, 2000 **on or before 8 May 2017**. After **8 May 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 any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the areas concerned.



Application name: Warrabinga Wiradjuri #2

Federal Court File No: NSD543/2013

Date filed: 27 March 2013

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **accepted** this application for registration.

Description: The application covers Mining Lease Applications 424, 445, and 448, about 14 km north-east and about 24 km north west of Lithgow, NSW.

Relevant LGA: City of Lithgow



Application name: Warrabinga Wiradjuri #6

Federal Court File No: NSD1786/2016

Date filed: 12 October 2016

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **accepted** this application for registration.

Description: The application covers Mining Lease Application 515, in the vicinity of Wollara, approximately 30 km east of Gulgong, NSW.

Relevant LGA: Mid-Western Regional LGA

For assistance and further information about this application, call Dianne Drake on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

Leading by example

By PETER ARGENT



RISING NSW
Indigenous cricketer Brendan Smith is having a bumper season, highlighted by his captaincy of the NSW Metro side at the national under 19 championships in Adelaide.

NSW Metro finished third at the carnival that ended just before Christmas.

Smith, the youngest of four brothers, said it was a privilege to lead his side.

“I enjoyed every bit of it,” Smith, whose Indigenous (Dunghutti) heritage comes through his father John’s side, said.

“We finished third, losing our semifinal to ACT/NSW Country.

“The end result was a little frustrating as we won all our matches leading up to the major round.

“It was a highly competitive competition and the grounds were in good condition”.

Handy bowler

A batting all-rounder, Smith is a noted strokemaker and adds a second dimension to his game, by bowling medium-pace seamers.

At the Adelaide tournament, his highest score was an unbeaten 54 against Victorian Country in round five at Price Memorial Oval, in the inner south-western suburbs, and while he under-bowled himself, Smith’s best analysis was 1-8 from four overs in a one-day win against eventual grand finalists ACT/NSW Country in round two.

Smith played his junior cricket in the Fairfield-Liverpool Association before moving to Sydney grade club Bankstown.

“I was lucky enough to make my first grade debut against Penrith last summer,” Smith said.

“I reckon I’ve now notched up five centuries.

“My highest score so far is 122 at the 2014-15 national under 17s competition against Queensland in Hobart.

“I missed out on the under 19 championships last year due to shin splits.”

Smith has played in the past two Imparja Cup (NICC) series in Alice Springs under the leadership of Jeff



● **ABOVE:** Brendan Smith of NSW bats against Victoria during the Imparja Cup in Alice Springs in February, 2015, in Alice Springs. *Picture: Darrian Traynor/Cricket Australia/Getty*

Cook, being a member of the 2016 winning side last February. He is keen to return next month.

While his dream is to become a Test cricketer, Smith has already represented his country at national level – in a pair of international one-day under 19s fixtures in England during August, 2015.

In his first game at the Leicester ground, batting alongside current Australian Test opener and fellow left-hander Matt Renshaw, in a low scoring fixture, the pair produced a match-winning unbeaten 51-run fourth-wicket stand.

Smith got the job done in fine style dispatching four boundaries in his 19 not out, from just 15 deliveries faced.

On top of his other commitments, Smith is also training with Big Bash League franchise the Sydney Thunder and on the day the *Koori Mail* spoke to him (Friday, December 30), he was preparing to play in a trial for them.

Eades stood down

ESSENDON Australian Football League (AFL) rookie Yestin Eades has been stood down indefinitely as he defends allegations in court.

A statement released by Essendon on Friday, January 13, said the 19-year-old had been involved in an alleged incident and was facing charges, but did not reveal the nature of the incident.

“The club and Yestin have agreed the suitable course of action is for him to immediately stand down from the senior football program on an indefinite basis, to allow him the appropriate time to deal with this personal

matter,” the statement said.

Court records show he is scheduled to face Broadmeadows Magistrates Court on February 9 and had yet to enter a plea.

Yestin has not yet played an AFL game for Essendon and is on the club’s rookie list.

He moved from Western Australia to Ballarat in mid-2014 to play with the North Ballarat Rebels.

In late 2015, he was called up for a senior game with the North Ballarat Roosters.

He was drafted by the Bombers with the number 64 pick in 2015, before he was delisted last year.



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	16/550	BARRA RESOURCES LIMITED	114.21HA	44km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 120° 57' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	27/496	NORTHERN STAR (KANOWNA) PTY LIMITED	11.87HA	21km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 121° 30' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/378	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	121.31HA	72km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 28' S Long: 122° 8' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/379	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	9.92HA	73km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/380	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	9.63HA	74km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 35' S Long: 122° 12' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/381	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	42.93HA	74km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/382	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	163.04HA	74km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/383	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	27.84HA	75km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 12' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/384	SHANNON RESOURCES PTY LTD	748.33HA	79km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 32' S Long: 122° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	37/1317	SULLIVAN, James Noel	44.39HA	58km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 24' S Long: 121° 5' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	37/1318	MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey NAVIGATOR MINING PTY LTD	361.58HA	26km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 48' S Long: 121° 35' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	37/1321	DANIELS, Donald Maxwell	58.15HA	40km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 35' S Long: 121° 6' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	37/1322	VICTORY GOLD PTY LTD	17.83HA	50km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 30' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	37/1323	NAVIGATOR MINING PTY LTD JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED NIKOLAENKO, Vladimir	221.89HA	28km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 121° 36' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	38/1273	CREW, Christopher CREW, Ross Frederick DIXON, Trevor John MCKNIGHT, Russell Geoffrey	5.00HA	47km N'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 11' S Long: 122° 23' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	39/1109	AVOCA RESOURCES PTY LTD HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	298.20HA	105km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 33' S Long: 122° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	39/1110	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	298.13HA	106km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 34' S Long: 122° 33' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	39/1111	WILSON, Walter Scott	69.39HA	85km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 23' S Long: 122° 21' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Mining Lease	40/339	A & C MINING INVESTMENT PTY LTD	0.43HA	36km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 12' S Long: 121° 22' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	40/340	A & C MINING INVESTMENT PTY LTD	170.73HA	34km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 11' S Long: 121° 22' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	40/343	NEX METALS EXPLORATIONS LTD	180.42HA	36km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 11' S Long: 121° 26' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Mining Lease	40/342 & 40/344	NEX METALS EXPLORATIONS LTD	1.81HA	52km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 20' S Long: 121° 29' 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: 25 January 2017

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 **25 April 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. 25 May 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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Josie's new life

By CHRIS PIKE



PLAYING netball in England and working at the universities of Worcester and Gloucester is about as removed from what Josie Janz-Dawson was doing on the court and in the West Australian community as you can get. But she wouldn't change a thing.

Janz-Dawson was part of the West Coast Fever netball team in the ANZ Championship throughout the entirety of the trans-Tasman competition.

But when that was disbanded after the 2016 season, with Australia forming the new Super Netball, she found herself without a home.

Having done such remarkable work with the Wirrpanda Foundation, especially starting up with the Deadly Sista Girlz program, Janz-Dawson was recognised last year with the Women in Sport Local Heroine Award.

A change as drastic as moving to the other side of the world wasn't exactly something she was craving, but now that it has eventuated, she couldn't be happier.

She has signed with the Severn Stars of England's Netball Super League as one of

two overseas imports as part of a new club in the competition.

Aside from the cold weather and the accents of the locals, she is already enjoying it.

"I'm based in Worcestershire, which is a great little place. I'm still trying to work out all the variations with everyone's accents," Janz-Dawson said.

"My first couple of days I really felt the cold all the way to my bones. When you are used to the Kimberley heat or Perth summers, you just can't fathom that the weather could get so cold. My first shop was for a coat, warm gloves and scarves."

Missed out on contract

The experienced and proven defender wasn't offered a contract with the Fever for the new Super Netball competition. When she wasn't offered a deal with another club either, she thought it might be time to give top-line netball a miss.

That was until Australian netball great Mo'onia Gerrard got in touch about the new club in the United Kingdom she was now coaching. From there, it became an easy call for Janz-Dawson.

"I wasn't really in the mix for West Coast Fever heading into the 2017 netball season," she said.

"I was contacted by Mo'on about what my player movements were and I decided that it would be a good move for me as I've always been pretty comfortable and this would be totally out of my comfort zone and a great experience to grow."

While the Severn Stars are a new club, Janz-Dawson is confident of them performing well, starting with their season-opening on Saturday, February 18, against the Surrey Storm.

"We've got a great mix of players, the Severn Stars is a new franchise team in the Super League so we're building the foundations of the club with passionate and committed players who want to be a part of something new and different," Janz-Dawson said.

"Mo'on and our netball director Pamela Cooke (former captain of England Roses) have amazing experience and knowledge so it is great to be able to learn from them, and everyone who is involved in our club is a part of our Stars family so I've settled in well."

While Australia and New Zealand continue to be the trendsetters in netball, Janz-Dawson has no doubt the standard of competition will be high in the Super League and she's looking forward to being a key part of her new team.

"The standard of netball is high, it's just a

different style of netball in the UK," she said.

"We'll have a great advantage in being able to put out different styles of attack and defence. Our coaches have really been focusing on doing the basics well in every training session. We have about a month before we have our first game and I'm really looking forward to the challenge."

Janz-Dawson was well settled in WA as well with her work with the Wirrpanda, which was recently recognised with the Women in Sport Local Heroine Award.

While it was difficult to leave that in the short term, she saw this move as a once-in-a-lifetime chance in terms of the netball and living and working in a new environment.

"I'm employed by the universities of Worcester and Gloucester to do netball coaching so I've got a few college and university teams to look after.

"We train most evenings and my priority is my netball training so I spend most of my downtime doing stretching and recovery," she said.

"I am over here for the full netball season, but we will see what happens. I never thought that I would ever move out of Perth, but I can already see how much I've grown in the small amount of time that I had to make adult decisions. I do miss home though and the warm weather."

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Notification day: 1 February 2017



D12016/003 Jervois Project ILUA

Northern Territory

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement covers EL25429, being an area of approximately 38 sq km, located to the east of Jervois Range approximately 13km north of the Plenty Highway.

Relevant LGA: Central Desert Regional Council

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

4.1 (a) For the purpose of section 24EB of the Native Title Act the Parties consent, subject to the provisions of this Agreement, to the following after the Commencement Date: (i) the grant of a Future Mineral Lease or Extractive Mineral Lease; and (ii) the renewal,

extension, re-grant or variation of the Exploration Licence and the Mineral Lease; and (iii) the Company and the Personnel carrying out the Mining Activities and Mining Operation on the ILUA Area.

4.3 The Parties acknowledge and agree that Subdivision P, Division 3, Part 2 of the Native Title Act is not intended to apply to the acts and activities referred to in clause 4.1.

'Exploration Licence' means the exploration licence held by the Company specified in Item 2 [being EL25429] (including any renewals or substitutions) within the ILUA Area [...].

'Extractive Mineral Lease' means any extractive mineral lease granted to or held by the Company (including any renewals or substitutions) over any part of the ILUA Area.

'Future Mineral Lease' means a mineral lease or other mineral title granted to the Company under the Mineral Titles Act over any part of the ILUA Area after the Execution Date.

'Mineral Lease' means the mineral lease or mineral leases granted to or held by the Company specified in Item 1 [being ML30182 and 30180] and any Future Mineral Lease or Extractive Mineral Lease (including any renewals or substitutions) over any part of the ILUA Area.

'Mining Activities' means all activities carried out in undertaking the Mining Operation including accessing the ILUA Area, seismic surveying, drilling, digging, geological, geophysical and other exploration activities, and the development, production, gathering, separating, pressure maintenance, dehydrating, heating, treating, processing, handling, transportation, fractionation, storage and distribution and marketing of Minerals produced or to be produced on the ILUA Area, including the design, capacity, construction, installation, operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of all Mine Facilities.

'Mining Operation' means all operations and activities, carried out by or on behalf of the Company, for the recovery, mining, extraction, production, exploration, refining, or transportation of Minerals or Extractive Minerals or production of concentrates from Minerals on the ILUA Area.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

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Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Central Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne, Victoria, 3001 by 1 May 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 Maryanne Harvey on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Shared country | shared future

Lamont still plunders runs in Tasmania

By ALF WILSON



Mersey Valley cricket competition.

After many years playing A grade in the Apple Isle, Lamont was going to retire before this season, but was talked into lining up for the Spreyton reserve grade team.

And he has been a matchwinner.

In the first game of 2017, Lamont opened the batting and scored 76 not out as his side easily chased down 140 by opponents East Ulverstone.

To top off a fine individual performance, Lamont claimed figures of 5-8 with his medium pacers.

"I have been pretty happy with my form and am seeing the ball well and been getting a bit of movement with my bowling. I come on second change normally," he told the *Koori Mail* when we visited him at Latrobe, in Tasmania.

The following week, Lamont scored 46 as his side beat Turner's Beach.

"They only scored 78 so I wasn't needed to bowl," he said.

Lamont lives at Devonport and works for his father Dr Philip Lamont as a sonographer.

"I do scans of brains and arteries and veins," he said.

Asked why he didn't line up in A grade again with such



Bernie Lamont is still among the runs at home in Tasmania.

devastating form, he was quick to reply.

"At my age, I am past the seriousness of the top grade and I just enjoy myself now," he said.

Last year Lamont was not considered for selection in the Tasmanian NICC (former Imparja Cup) team even though he is still the competition's highest run scorer. "They said I was too old," he said.

The 42-year-old Lamont had played at the Imparja Cup for a decade and is the highest aggregate run scorer with 1848 from 66 matches.

His 66 innings included three not outs, eight 50s and three centuries with a top score of 120no. His average is 29.33.

Palm Islander Lamont said his younger brother Colin had retired from cricket this season but didn't rule out him making a comeback.

Both brothers had previously played cricket in Townsville and Sydney.



Last Betts

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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THERE are certain Australian Football League (AFL) players who can not only transform a game, but can transform a club or a community.

In my recent column, I wrote about the significance of Cyril Rioli extending his contract at Hawthorn.

The Adelaide Crows have made a similar statement by signing star forward Eddie Betts to a contract extension until the end of 2020 that will almost certainly finish his career at the club.

The 30-year-old has signed a new three-year deal with the Crows after joining the club at the end of 2013 from Carlton.

And as important an influence Betts has been on the club, it is important to acknowledge the opportunities for growth the game has given him.

And it was opportunities on the field that Betts spoke of when he signed the extension.

"The club is in great shape and we have such a positive environment where everyone works really hard but also knows how to make it enjoyable as well," he said.

"Playing finals footy is what it is all about and after experiencing that the last couple of years I know this playing group is capable of much more.

"Everyone at the club has been really good to me and I love our fans too.

"They have made my family and I feel so welcome from the first day I arrived."

Betts, who has played 83 consecutive games, hasn't missed a match since joining the Crows and has topped the club's goal-kicking in each of the past three years.

The cult hero kicked a career-high 75 goals last season and was recognised with his second consecutive All Australian blazer, finished runner-up in the Crows' club champion award and top-five in

the peer-voted AFL Players' Association MVP trophy.

He also won Adelaide's coveted Phil Walsh Best Team Man Award, and claimed back-to-back Goal of the Year crowns.

Crows general manager list management and strategy Justin Reid said Betts was an elite player who had developed into an influential leader on and off the football field.

"Everyone knows that Eddie is a special talent, but he also understands and contributes to our team-first approach and culture," Reid said.

"His durability is testament to the way he trains and prepares, and he has a clear picture of where we are heading and wants to continue on the journey."

Betts has become a leader and a mentor with his off-field contribution just as important as his reputation as one of the AFL's most exciting and charismatic players.

But when he entered the system in 2004, he didn't even know how to spell exciting, let alone charismatic.

Couldn't read, write

By his own admission, when he first arrived at Carlton via the rookie draft, Betts was a 'little fat kid running around' who didn't know how to read or write.

But today, Betts likes to think he's a role model for all players and fans, not just those who are Indigenous.

"I go out to schools and I preach about education because I didn't really go to school," he said.

"I skipped a lot and then I shifted to Melbourne when I was 14 and didn't really do schooling. When I got drafted, I couldn't read and couldn't write — I could read a little bit but I didn't know how to spell. I didn't know what I was reading and signing, so I had to do literacy and numeracy classes for the first three years at Carlton. They got a private tutor.

"So when I go to schools or

out in the community, I preach that education is the most important thing."

Leaving Carlton to join the Crows was the biggest challenge of his career.

"At that time I didn't want to leave. I love the club. I'm a life member. I love the fans, I love the cheer squad — I was pretty close with them," Betts said of Carlton.

"It was hard to leave because this is my home. This is where I grew up basically, playing for Carlton.

"When I finally made the decision to move to Adelaide, I went home and cried for three hours. It was the toughest decision I've ever had to make, but also one of the best."

However Betts' decision has been a masterstroke for the player and his club.

Since crossing over to the Crows, he has kicked at least 50 goals in each season — a feat he only achieved once at the Blues.

Popular with teammates and respected by football fans and the wider community, Betts and his young family have also had a profound impact off the field at Adelaide.

Betts — with the support of wife Anna — mentors a number of young Crows, especially the Club's Indigenous players, and is involved with several charities, including the Crows Children's Foundation.

These are the players who build the fabric of a club.

I know from my time at the Swans how critical the involvement of the senior players is in building a positive team and club culture.

When a player of Betts' stature embraces that role, you know the club is heading in the right direction.

Eddie Betts is a rare talent.

The Crows are building something special and he is a key ingredient.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!



Eddie Betts is tackled during the International Rules Series match between Ireland and Australia at Croke Park Stadium, Dublin, on November 21, 2015. Picture: Getty

Thurston still a Cowboy



JOHNATHAN Thurston has quashed speculation about his future, confirming he'll

play on with North Queensland into the 2018 National Rugby League (NRL) season.

But the superstar Queensland playmaker says this year's State of Origin series will be his last, with the end-of-year World Cup also his last hurrah in Australian colours.

The Cowboys champion is off contract this year, but retirement or playing with a rival NRL club is off the table.

"At this stage, it'll be an extra year next year," the 33-year-old Thurston told Fox Sports.

"I've spoken to the club to let them know that I'm keen to go again.

"But I've also spoken to (Australian coach) Mal (Meninga), letting him know that this will be my last year of rep footy."

The halfback's comments will be music to the ears of North Queensland with a string of stars off contract at season's end, including Thurston's co-captain Matt Scott and barnstorming forward Jason Taumalolo.

Thurston said his decision was difficult amid uncertainty around the 2018 salary cap.



Johnathan Thurston

While his 13th Origin series will be his last in the Maroon, the four-times Dally M award-winner has set his sights on the 2017 World Cup as a representative swansong.

"My goal is to warrant selection in the World Cup and make sure I make that squad," he said.

"The Cowboys have been great to me on and off the field.

"If I get through this year well, I'd like to put all my focus into the Cowboys." — AAP

Sandow escapes court conviction



FORMER National Rugby League (NRL) star Chris Sandow has dodged a

conviction over a New Year's Day brawl on the condition that he become an anti-violence spokesman.

Sandow was captured on video fighting in a street in Cherbourg, Queensland, in defence of his non-blood related 'brother', who was allegedly threatened by other men the night before.

The 27-year-old was fined \$300 after pleading guilty to a public nuisance charge in the Murgon Magistrates Court on January 10.

Sandow avoided a conviction after he agreed to magistrate Andrew Hackett's unorthodox request that he become a community spokesman for conflict resolution in Cherbourg, stating he had the potential to be the next Johnathan Thurston.

"You hold a position in the community of pre-eminence," Mr Hackett said.

"I think you are a leader. Leaders lead — fighting is not leading.

"Don't just play for yourself; it's what JT (Johnathan Thurston) does."

Sandow spent the next 40

minutes hiding inside the court and declined an invitation to comment on the magistrate's gesture.

He could also be seen pretending to leave and taking photos of waiting media.

The fallen halfback then fled out a back door and then drove his black sedan past the cameras who were still waiting out front and blasting the horn.

Sandow returned to Australia last year after quitting his English Super League club Warrington because he was homesick, with Wolves chief executive Tony Smith labelling him 'a pain' following his departure.

He had previously played for Parramatta and South Sydney in the NRL. — AAP



Chris Sandow

Close second for Tjimarri

By PETER ARGENT



FOR Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera, 2016 was exhilarating and exasperating.

In the Bay Sheffield final on December 28, Sanderson-Milera was just 0.04 second from sprinting immortality.

The Bay Sheffield is South Australia's iconic foot race and last year was in its 130th year.

Sanderson-Milera ran a brave second to fellow South Australian Ryan Atkins.

Last Easter he also finished second in the nation's most famous sprint race – the Stawell Gift – to Isaac Dunmore, of Queensland. That loss was by 0.03 second.

"Two seconds in a year," Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera mused.

"That's pro running."

"I was fourth in the 2014 Bay Sheffield final, decided not to run last year and now this result."

This time, the winner Atkins ran off 7.5 metres and was favourite with bookmakers.

He held off the now Queensland-based dual-sport Indigenous talent and backmarker Sanderson-Milera.

It was a blanket finish, with a little more than a metre covering the entire field.

In the run-up to the final, Sanderson-Milera had won his heat and semifinal comfortably.

Only backmarker

His heat time was a solid 12.643 seconds and the semifinal was very similar (12.679). He was the only backmarker to make the final.

In the final, Atkins clocked 12.566 seconds, while Sanderson-Milera, wearing red, starting three metres behind and clocked 12.607 seconds. Evan Jarvis in the black bib and off 11 metres, was third in 12.715 seconds.

"Being the back marker, I had a lot of ground to cover," Sanderson-Milera said.

"This is another close one to put in the books."

"Winning is what you want, so finishing second is frustrating."

"You need to cop it on the chin and work harder."

During his nine-day break in Adelaide, Sanderson-Milera returned to his roots, running a training session with his foundation club, the Port Adelaide Aboriginal Athletics Squad.

While South Australia will always be home for the 23-year-old, he is now a Gold Coast resident at Palm Beach and a competitor for the Currumbin Surf and Vikings (athletics) clubs.

Just before returning to Adelaide, he won the third series of 'The Fastest Man on Sand' at Coolangatta where he collected first place in the open beach sprint and the open beach flags.

Just over a week ago, Sanderson-Milera ran in Brisbane at the Alana Boyd Shield, running personal bests in the 100m and 400m, qualifying him for Athletic Track Nationals in Sydney next April.

Track focus

"I will be concentrating on track running for the remainder of the season," Sanderson-Milera said.

"A goal is to make the national team for the 2018 Commonwealth Games."

"The surf life saving events and the track events are on at the same time."

"Ahead, I have the Canberra state titles and the Queensland state titles, and hopefully one Grand Prix event before the nationals."

"I'll be at Stawell at Easter as well."

"I'm aiming for a sub-21 second 200m time," Sanderson-Milera said.

"Making the final of the national 200 and 400 metres is an aim and placing in the top three would be even better."

In the middle of the 2017, Sanderson-Milera will travel to Phoenix, Arizona, for altitude training with the elite 'Altis' program, noted among the best in the world.



● ABOVE: Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera, in red, is edged out of first place by Ryan Atkins (blue) in the final of the 2016 Bay Sheffield.

Picture: David McMillan
● LEFT: Tjimarri Sanderson-Milera, right, coaches young athletes at the Port Adelaide Athletics Club.



Eddie Betts lines up a kick for the Adelaide Crows: s"Everyone at the club has been really good to me and I love our fans too. They have made my family and I feel so welcome from the first day I arrived."

Picture: Peter Argent

● Michael O'Loughlin's tribute to Eddie Betts – page 55

Betts stays with Crows



BRILLIANT forward Eddie Betts has signed a three-year Australian Football League (AFL) contract

extension with the Adelaide Crows.

Betts departed Carlton at the end of 2013 and has not missed a game in the past three seasons with Adelaide.

The new deal ensures fan-favourite Betts finishes his decorated career at the Crows.

"The club is in great shape and we have such a positive environment where everyone works really hard but also knows how to make it

enjoyable as well," Betts said. "Playing finals footy is what it is all about and after experiencing that the last couple of years, I know this playing group is capable of much more."

"Welcome"

"Everyone at the club has been really good to me and I love our fans too. They have made my family and I feel so welcome from the first day I arrived."

Betts has played 253 AFL games, including 69 at Adelaide, and kicked 479 career goals.

He has been Adelaide's leading goal kicker, while twice

earning All-Australian honours.

The 30-year-old also finished runner-up for Adelaide's club champion title last year.

Crows official Justin Reid said Betts was an elite player who had developed into an influential leader on and off the field.

"Everyone knows that Eddie is a special talent but he also understands and contributes to our team-first approach and culture," he said.

"His durability is testament to the way he trains and prepares, and he has a clear picture of where we are heading and wants to continue on the journey." – With AAP

Haynes puts knee pain behind her

By CHRIS PIKE



HAVING gone through the pain of two knee reconstructions since being the No 1 draft pick ahead of the women's exhibition matches, Tiah Haynes is excited to be preparing for the inaugural Australian Football League (AFL) women's season with the Fremantle Dockers.

Haynes was considered one of the best young female footballers back in 2014 when selected as the No 1 pick in the mini-draft ahead of the Melbourne-Western Bulldogs exhibition matches of that year.

Things couldn't have been much better at that point for the exciting midfielder whose father John played in the West Australian Football League (WAFL) with Perth.

But it didn't last.

That very same weekend, while playing with her local club the Coastal Titans, Haynes went down with a knee injury that required a reconstruction and sidelined her for the next 12 months.

She worked hard on her rehabilitation and was back playing in 2015 and in good form as well, taking part in Western

Australia's historic first state game victory over Victoria.

It wasn't quite the day she hoped for personally, though, as Haynes went down with another knee injury and again it was a second reconstruction needed.

Given it was late in the 2015 season as well, it meant that she also missed the entire 2016 campaign.

So the last official game Haynes has played was that state game win where she was injured.

But she has always been a prodigious talent and that's why Fremantle Dockers coach Michelle Cowan, who also coached Melbourne in the exhibition matches, selected her with No 36 in last October's draft ahead of this year's inaugural AFL women's competition.

The 23-year-old has now been part of full training and is looking to earn her spot in the Dockers team for the season opener against the Western Bulldogs on Saturday, February 4.

"I'm feeling pretty good," Haynes said.

"I've had two knee reconstructions in the past couple of years so getting out there at this intensity and at this elite level is pretty awesome. I'm feeling good and pretty fit, so I'm excited to get out there, that's for sure."

Haynes has also been impressed by the standard of training in terms of the skill level and fitness at the Dockers.

"Training has been pretty tough and we've all been put through our paces a fair bit, but because of that you can definitely see the fitness levels improve. It's great to see," she said.

"I'm pretty impressed with the standard of our training. There's a couple of girls I've only ever seen a couple of times before so seeing them come through is really exciting as well. It will be great once we get out there and start playing matches."

For many female footballers, the dream of taking part in a national league seems far-fetched. But now that it's reality, Haynes is as excited as anyone to be part of it and is looking forward to the support of her family, friends and colleagues.

"It's absolutely awesome. I'm actually loving the fact that we get down here all together three times a week, and the intensity that we all want to show. We want to put on a showcase of what we want to do," Haynes said.

"My friends and family are pretty excited to watch me play, especially people that I work with as well. They are all keen to get around it and see how we all go."

Tiah Haynes
Picture:
Adam
Trafford/AFL
Media



More woes for Roberts



THE National Rugby League's (NRL's) probe into allegations of misbehaviour against James

Roberts have been complicated by a Gold Coast nightclub refusing to hand over video footage.

The league's integrity unit is looking into claims the Brisbane star forcefully pulled a woman's hair at the Love Nightlife nightclub early on Sunday, January 15.

NRL investigators have reportedly spoken to the 23-year-old Roberts, his accuser and nightclub staff as part of their probe.

But the nightclub's owner said he was legally unable to provide footage to the NRL, hindering efforts to piece together Roberts' actions, News Corp Australia reported.

"Against the law"

"It's against the law under the Liquor Act until it becomes an official investigation," Love Nightlife's Tony Rigas told News Corp.

"It has to be an official investigation by the QPS (Queensland Police Service) or Liquor Licensing before I can do anything."

The alleged incident has put centre Roberts' off-field behaviour in the spotlight once again.

He was fined \$20,000 by the Broncos last year following allegations that he abused a female staff member in a drunken incident at Brisbane's Normanby Hotel when he was refused service.

Roberts checked in to a rehabilitation facility in Thailand at the end of last year's rugby



James Roberts crosses for the Titans against the Canterbury Bulldogs at Robina Stadium, on the Gold Coast, in June, 2015. Picture: AAP

league season.

It was reported that Roberts allegedly grabbed the 23-year-old woman from behind early on the night of January 15, yanking her head back, causing pain to her neck before he was removed from the premises.

The woman is reportedly reluctant to make an official complaint and Queensland police confirmed on January 17 that none had been lodged.

Broncos chief executive Paul White also said the club had also not received a complaint and was not made aware of the alleged incident until informed by

the media.

"I immediately notified the NRL integrity unit and they have subsequently commenced their inquiries," White said.

"The club supports these enquiries being conducted independently and expediently, will offer any assistance and support required and will only make further comment once the process has been completed."

Roberts made his debut at South Sydney in 2011, but was sacked the following season after what the club claimed were breaches of his playing contracts.

He was picked up by Penrith, but sacked two seasons later following a number of behavioural issues allegedly culminated in him smashing a taxi window in 2014.

Gold Coast next

He was then moved to the Gold Coast, and was fined \$3000 later that year by the club after he was arrested during a boozy night out for public nuisance and obstructing police – charges that were later dropped in court.

He enjoyed a drama-free 2015 season, before a contract

bungle at the fault of the Titans saw him shift to the Broncos, where he found more success on the field amid August's controversy off it.

The latest upheaval came just a day after Broncos teammate David Mead said Roberts had matured and was ready to return to his best this season.

Mead said the 23-year-old was back on the right track after his first full pre-season with Brisbane and was poised to reunite with Mead, his former teammate at Gold Coast, on their right edge.

Improvement

"I've noticed an improvement in him as a person," said Mead, who played outside of Roberts for two seasons at the Titans.

"He tells me he's feeling pretty happy and he's excited to play this year, so I'm excited for him."

"Obviously he's got a lot good people around him here at the Broncos and he's very well looked after."

Mead has been training on the wing with the Broncos since starting pre-season in November and said he was relishing the chance to play alongside Roberts again.

"He likes to get early ball and just do what he can," he said.

"With Jimmy, you can have three defenders and two attackers and he'll create something out of nothing. That's the type of player he is. I've scored a couple of tries off him (like that)."

"If he just gets back to playing instinctively, that's where his best football comes in."

Mead, 28, has moved NRL clubs for the first time after starting his career with the Titans in 2008. – AAP

Cricketers on show

By PETER ARGENT



THERE was a big Indigenous component at the Australian Country cricket

championships in Wollongong, south of Sydney.

All up, there were nine Indigenous players at the carnival that ran from January 3 to January 11 and was hosted by the Illawarra Cricket Association.

Veteran Imparja Cup player and former first-class cricketer Jeff Cook coached the NSW Country team.

In the men's competition, the Blues side included quick Djarli Bloomfield, from Western Creek-Molongio, in the Southern ACT region, and left-arm orthodox spinner Ben Mitchell, from the Australian Southern University team.

Mixture

This year the men's competition was a mixture of Twenty20 and 50-over matches.

Mitchell, who was also at the 2016 tournament in Mount Gambier, finished with 11 wickets, securing at least one victim in nine of the 10 games he played.

His effort against South Australia Country in the T20 fixture at Judy Masters Park was outstanding and went a long way to setting up that victory.

Opening the bowling, the spinner took 2-8 from his four overs.

He also took 2-25 in the short form victory over Western Australia and had an amazing economy rate of 3.2 runs per over across the tournament.

Bloomfield, a right arm medium-fast bowler, collected six wickets in the tournament,

with his best being 3-38 from 10 overs on debut for the Country Blues.

In second annual women's ACCC tournament, there were seven Aboriginal players from five states and territories.

Roxann Van Veen, a regular for NSW at the Imparja Cup and now the NICC carnival, was in the NSW team. The all-rounder from Western districts plays with St George Sutherland.

Jacinta Goodger Chandler, from Plenty Valley, in the Central Highlands, played for Victorian Country.

She is also a regular at the NICC, along with West Australian quick bowling pair Kavita Pepper and Samara Williams.

Pepper and Williams also toured India last year with the Indigenous Australian team.

The South Australian Outbacks had two representatives – Cara Fiebig, from the Mid North of the state, and left-arm pace bowler Febi Mansell.

For the young Northern Territory outfit, Camilla Grey, from the Gapview Works in Alice Springs, also played.

Fiebig, who played for the SA Scorpions before returning to teach in rural South Australia, was part of the catalyst to the Outbacks making the semifinal stage of the women's competition.

Van Veen only received limited opportunities with the bat, being not out in three of five trips to the crease.

For the experienced NT player Gray, her best with the bat was an unbeaten 15 against the eventual title winners East Asia Pacific.

Her best bowling effort was 1-14 from three overs against WA Country.

Goodger Chandler, known mainly as a bowler for the Victorian team that were the

beaten finalists, collected 2-16 in the win over WA Country.

Kavita Pepper, from Shark Bay, produced her best effort in the Sandgropers' win over the Northern Territory when she finished with 2-16 from four overs.

Fellow WA quick Williams also collected her best figures in that contest, finishing with a solid 1-18 from her four overs.

SA left arm quick Febi Mansell didn't get among the wickets, but bowled well in the Outbacks' first two fixtures.

Queensland Country and East Asia-Pacific are the 2017 Australian Country cricket championships title-holders, after winning their respective men's and women's matches on the final day of the tournament.

The Australian Country team and individual award winners were announced following the final day's play.

Queensland wins

Queensland Country entered their final-round game against South Australia Country on top of the men's table, with four teams still in the hunt to claim the title.

They secured a comfortable six-wicket win to seal the overall title, to go with the inaugural men's T20 title which they secured earlier in the championships.

NSW Country held on to win the men's one-day title by defeating East Asia-Pacific on the final day.

In the women's division, East Asia-Pacific won the tournament final by eight wickets over Victoria Country, securing back-to-back women's championships.

Cara Fiebig won the tournament women's bowling award, picking up 13 wickets, including a hat trick and was named in the Australian Country Women's XII.

Febi Mansell bowls with pace for South Australia.
Pictures: Peter Argent



Ben Mitchell spins for NSW against South Australia.



Samara Williams sends down a fast one for Western Australia.



Djarli Bloomfield bowls for NSW against South Australia.



Key signings

RUGBY LEAGUE



With **PRESTON CAMPBELL**

THE futures of three Indigenous rugby league stars have become clearer over the past few weeks.

Johnathan Thurston has publicly declared his future commitment to the Cowboys; Ryan James has declared his loyalty to the Titans; and Ben Barba has agreed to a new contract with the Sharks subject to National Rugby League (NRL) approval.

From the outset, I want to place on record my continued support for Benny and I trust the NRL will treat register his contract as soon as possible.

Barba has already undertaken extensive rehabilitation, but people need to understand that the team environment will be an important part of his recovery.

Barba hopefully will be available to return in round 11 of the competition when the Sharks host the Cowboys at home.

If his contract is registered, he will miss the World Club Series, the Auckland Nines and the first 10 rounds after testing positive to cocaine during the celebrations of the club's historic premiership victory.

More to offer

Barba has already paid a significant financial penalty, but still has much to offer as a player.

He needs to secure the immediate financial security of his family and the stability and structure that the game provides will be an important foundation for him returning to the field.

Meanwhile, the Gold Coast has fought off intense interest in star forward Ryan James to lock him into a long-term deal with the club.

James has extended his deal a further three seasons which will keep him on the Gold Coast until the end of 2020.

The 25-year-old attracted



● ABOVE: Ben Barba.

● RIGHT: Ryan James

● BELOW: Johnathan Thurston



serious interest from rivals Brisbane, but, as a one-club player, James' preference was always to stay.

"I'm glad we've been able to get it all sorted and over the line," James said.

"It's all come to an end point now and I get to be at the club that I love for the next four years.

"I love the Gold Coast, I love playing for the Titans, and my family love that they can come and watch the majority of my games, so that all went into this decision.

"They talk about becoming a one-club man and there is potential for it now. I'll be 29 at the end of this contract, so hopefully I can achieve that and be the person that everyone aspires to be."

As I wrote in a recent article, James is the type of player you want at a club and coach Neil Henry obviously agrees.

"Ryan is a key member of our playing squad and I'm extremely pleased that he has committed to the club for a further three years," Henry said.

"He is a member of the leadership group, a terrific trainer, an asset on the field and someone that the younger guys look up to. They are all important attributes we want in our senior players here at the Titans."

James has the potential to emulate Johnathan Thurston as leader at club level and it was pleasing to see that JT has ended speculation about his future, confirming he'll play on with North Queensland into the 2018 NRL season.

JT has also announced this year's State of Origin series will be his last, with the end-of-year World Cup also his last hurrah in Australian colours.

Thurston said his decision was difficult amid uncertainty around the 2018 salary cap.

While his 13th Origin series will be his last in the Maroon, the four-times Dally M award-winner has set his sights on the 2017 World Cup as a representative swansong.

"My goal is to warrant selection in the World Cup and make sure I make that squad," he said.

"The Cowboys have been great to me on and off the field.

"If I get through this year well, I'd like to put all my focus into the Cowboys."

JT opened up about the importance of his family and how his time at the Cowboys had also allowed him to develop personally and as a role model and leader in the community.

"The most important role I play in life is to be the best father

and husband I can be," JT said.

"I spend all my off-field time with them, including taking the girls to swimming lessons each week."

He also keeps himself grounded through his close group of friends.

"I surround myself with good people who are also positive and community minded," he said.

"I have a very close network of family and friends.

"I also have a big role within the community and work with people from all backgrounds.

"When I do get the chance to have a round of golf, my score certainly keeps me grounded."

He also provided an insight as to how he maintains a balance and provides a key message to aspiring young players.

"I believe I have been able to achieve this balance as I can quickly make mental shifts between work and home," he said.

"I have the ability to be able to switch off from the pressures of the job, and give my loved ones my full attention.

"I think this is really important."

It is the same advice he offers to all people who struggle to balance their work and life commitments.

Switch off

"Although work is very important, learn to switch off and really be present when you are with loved ones," he said.

The growth in JT as a person during his time at the Cowboys becomes clear when he speaks about being a positive role model.

"Being a positive role model is one of the most important jobs I have today," he said.

"I understand how much of a difference sportspeople can make to the lives of different people.

"However, working in the community space wasn't always something that came naturally to me at first.

"When I first moved to Townsville, my career kickstarted really quickly. I didn't quite know how to deal with the community expectations.

"Today, however, it is a different story, and I am very passionate about my culture and heritage.

"Whenever I can, I send out positive messages to Indigenous kids to stay in school and get a good education.

"I want them to finish school and become positive role models within their own communities."

As we approach the All Stars match, JT has captured all that week is about.

It is a message all the players will be sharing in their community engagement activities across the week.

See you at the game.

Coach sees bright future

By ALF WILSON



DIMINUTIVE Palm Island boxer Brayden Nallajar has all the dedication and skills to be an Australian

professional champion, according to his veteran trainer Ray Dennis, who turns 80 on March 30.

The 14-year-old Nallajar won a gold medal in the 41kg division at the Australian Amateur Boxing League titles held at Edmonton, near Cairns, in late November and Dennis is confident he will have a highly successful year in the ring.

"Brayden has won most of his 15 amateur Sunstate Amateur Boxing League bouts and has all of the skills and is very easy to train and wants to learn," Dennis said.

"He can go a long way if he continues to be dedicated and may even be a future professional star."

Dennis said the local boxers resumed training early in the New Year and he was looking to big things from female boxers Natalie David and Shirley Curley.

"We are getting lots of girls at the gym training," Dennis said.

Palm boxers will compete at as many tournaments as they can starting in February – providing they can gain sponsorship to help with the cost of travel to tournaments.

Dennis was ill for much of last year and the club was assisted greatly by Townsville trainer Greg 'Scooter' Hooper who took Palm boxers to numerous tournaments.

Hooper's son Hayden Hooper, of Aboriginal descent, is a talented professional boxer.



Brayden Nallajar looks set for a big year in the boxing ring.

NICC: It's on again



Composite picture of Ashleigh Gardner, left, and Sally Moylan.

Picture: Darrian Traynor/Cricket Australia/Getty



SALLY Moylan will return to lead the Northern Territory women's team at this year's National Indigenous Cricket Championships (NICC) in Alice Springs.

Leading the NT men's charge will be outstanding wicketkeeper Zac Chapman.

The NT squads for the February 6-13 NICC were announced on Friday.

Run in conjunction with the Imparja Cup and now in its second year, the NICC brings together Australia's most talented male and female Indigenous cricketers and forms part of Australian cricket's elite development pathway.

NT Cricket senior manager pathways and cricket Mark Sorell sees this competition as an important step for

Indigenous cricketers.

"We have an incredible depth of talent in the Northern Territory and it is invaluable for our most talented Indigenous cricketers to have the opportunity to play at a national level," he said.

"We have seen a 30% increase in cricket participation among Indigenous Territorians in the past year, with our successful Remote Community cricket carnivals and Red Dust Remote Sports Voucher programs attracting players from communities throughout the Territory.

"There are also increased numbers of Indigenous players attending our weekly Female Academy programs in Darwin and Alice Springs and our partnership with the Clontarf and Stars Foundation continues to strengthen.

"The NT male team features Zac

Chapman, our 2016 NT Strike wicketkeeper who had an outstanding South Australian Cricket Association (SACA) Redbacks League season and will be looking to again secure a spot in the national Indigenous team. He is supported by strong players from across the Territory."

Prolific runscore Adrian McAdam will be the NT men's team mentor.

"In the female squad, Sally Moylan's experience, maturity and power complement the NT's up and coming group, and we are excited to see Sally back in the NT colours," Sorell said.

"Rita Tomlins will also complement the group following an excellent performance at the Australian Country Cricket Championships (ACCC) earlier this year. Rita is a great leader and mentor for our younger players and will be a key

part of our success."

The NT women's team also includes long-time NSW player Nicole Honeysett.

NICC NT male squad: Ayden Allen, Lachlan Boal, Zac Chapman, Blair Dalton, Dylan Fuller, Andrew Glover, Dayon Johnson, Darrell Lowe, Hayden Page, Matt Paterson, Sammy Richards, Brad Spann.

Coach, Murray MacAllister; mentor, Adrian McAdam.

NICC NT female squad: Kale Birkholz, Tiara Doolan, Mica Fleming, Carmella Gray, Tahlia Holtze, Nicole Honeysett, Devena Lankin, Tara Liddy, Kelea Lovell, Sally Moylan, Geraldine Reid, Deanne Rioli, Lauren Taylor, Sheralee Taylor, Rita Tomlins.

Co-coaches, Nadia Lyons, Bronte Stray; assistant coach/manager, Chris Ponter.

Blues will be hard to beat in both divisions

NSW are looming at the ones to beat at this year's NICC carnival in Alice Springs.

The Blues men's and women's teams dominated the carnival last year and could do so again.

The squads feature a number of representative players, including NSW Breakers and Sydney Sixers all-rounder Ash Gardner, NSW Blues rookie Jonte

Pattison and Sydney Sixers BBL06 community rookie Marty Jeffrey.

Missing will be long-time player Andrew Gordon, Sam Doggett, Aaron Muir, Andrew Glover, Brett Russell and Laine Beckett.

But regulars Pattison, Jeffrey, Brendan Smith, Djali Bloomfield, Nathan Price, Damien Duroux and Ben Patterson will return.

Newcomers include Evan Pitt, Tyran Liddiard, Jayden Wooden, Zane Smith, Harrison Kelly and Austin Nugent.

The NSW women's team will feature many of the Australian Indigenous women's team that toured India last year, but missing is top-line NICC performer Samantha Gordon.

The NSW men's team: Jonte

Pattison, Nathan Price, Evan Pitt, Tyran Liddiard, Jayden Wooden, Ben Mitchell, Brendan Smith, Marty Jeffery, Djali Bloomfield, Zane Smith, Ben Patterson, Harrison Kelly, Damien Duroux, Austin Nugent.

Coach, Jeff Cook; assistant coach, Greg McLay; manager, Peter Cooley; physio, Chris Evans.

NSW women's team: Anika Learoyd, Hannah Darlington, Ashleigh Gardner, Haylee Hoffmeister, Jemma Astley, Alex Patten, Roxsanne Van-Veen, Madison Greenhalgh, Sara Darney, Riahannon Poulson, Julie Muir, Veronica Gordon.

Coach, Kerry Marshal; manager, Steve Jenkin; physio, Chris Evans.

Former Test cricketer Wiener to coach Victoria

FORMER Australian Test and one-day cricketer Julien Wiener will coach the Victorian men's team at next month's National Indigenous Cricket Championship (NICC) carnival in Alice Springs.

Wiener, 61, played six Tests and seven one-dayers for Australia between 1979 and 1980. He was a right-handed opening batsman and occasional off-spin bowler.

Victorian men's team: Alex Kerr (North Dandenong Cicket Club), Ashley Sweet (Melton), Ben Abbatangelo (Northcote), Clayton McCartney (North Dandenong), Connor Jackson (The Pines), Damon Egan (St Kilda), Daniel Mock (Woori Yallock), Josh Eaton (Essendon), Nathan Fowler (Northcote), Nick Boland (Frankston Peninsula), Patrick Jackson (The Pines), Rohan Wight (Ormond), Tom

Collett (Kingston Hawthorn), Wade King (Warrenbayne).

Coach, Julien Wiener.

Missing from the men's 2016 campaign are Bohdi Walker, Brenden Miller, Nathan Gardner and Rohan Best.

Returning will be Victorian Imparja Cup regular Ben Abbatangelo.

Victorian women's team: Jacinta Goodger-Chandler (Nepoleons-

Sebastopol Cricket Club), Ebony Cuskelly (Buchan), Fiona Hale (Mt Martha), Haylee Chandler (Ringwood), Jess Martin (Coburg), Kara Watkins (Tasmania), Kirra Cuskelly (Buchan), Marlee Wandin (Yarra Valley Stars), Merinda Hale (Mt Martha), Molly Ward (Lucknow), Simone Burrridge (Plenty Valley), Taylor Wigg (Tasmania).

Missing is women's Big Bash League (WBBL) fast bowler Natalie Plane.

“It’s nice to go out there and feel like I belong right from the get-go.”



Ashleigh Barty serves against German Mona Barthel in round three of the women’s singles on day five of the Australian Open in Melbourne last Friday.
Picture: AAP

Ash goes the bash



A DISPLAY of power hitting by Ashleigh Gardner wasn't

enough to save the Sydney Sixers in the Women’s Big Bash League (WBBL) match against the Melbourne Renegades at North Sydney Oval last Friday.

The Australian Indigenous women’s cricket captain and NSW National Indigenous Cricket Championship (NICC) star blasted 56 from 38 balls in an innings that included five sixes and two fours for a strike rate of 147.376.

An injury to Sixers captain Ellyse Perry during the match put the Sixers on the back foot, the Renegades chasing down the total of 148 in the 19th over.

Gardner showed her intentions with a lofted cover drive that sailed for six, followed by a near-identical shot in the same over to bring up another maximum.

It began to rain sixes as Gardner cashed in on a short ball and launched it over mid-wicket. After 12 overs, the Sixers were in top gear, the score sitting at 2-70.

The women in magenta then went ballistic, smacking 17 runs in the 16th over to bring up the 100 for the home side.

Having bided her time at the non-strikers end, Sara McGlashan started to take on the bowlers with some lusty blows, including a cracking six over the cover boundary.

Gardner brought up her 50 off just 36 balls before departing in the 18th over having starred in an 88-run partnership with McGlashan.

The powerful Kiwi batter continued her assault on the bowlers, hitting a six out of the ground in the final over to finish with 45 runs as the Sixers made a total of 5-148.

Gardner also starred with the ball, finishing with 2-22 off four overs.

As the match looked headed for a grandstand finish, Gardner got the breakthrough for the Sixers with Grace Harris’ wicket at the start of the 16th over.

But a quick-fire 30-run cameo from Maitlan Brown sealed the win for the visitors with eight balls to spare.

The match also featured another Indigenous player – the Renegades’ Natalie Plane. She bowled just one over in the Sixers’ innings, finishing with 0-6, and did not bat in the Renegades’ innings.

Barty is back



ASHLEIGH Barty’s Australian Open party is over, with the wildcard falling at the hands of German tennis veteran Mona Barthel in the third round in Melbourne on Friday night.

Barty put in a spirited display over two hours at a packed Rod Laver Arena, but lost 6-4 3-6 6-3 to the qualifier.

The Queenslander had the match on her racquet with a dominant second-set performance, thrashing 17 winners to six.

The match was hers to lose when she claimed an early break in the third set.

In her comeback Australian Open, nerves got the better of the 20-year-old as she gave away the ascendancy.

“I never really felt like I had control,” she said.

“I don’t know how I was able to get that second set, to be honest.

“It was a bit scrappy. I just hung in there long enough.”

Despite the result, Barty had already achieved her best result at a major tournament after her well-publicised spell away from the game to play cricket.

“If you would have asked me 12 months ago if I was going to be in the third round of the Australian Open, I would say, ‘Mate, you’re kidding,’ she said.

“It’s disappointing tonight that we couldn’t execute what we wanted but it’s still a very positive week.”

If there’s just one request from Barty, it’s an end to the references to the comeback which began 12 months ago.

“I felt like it was a comeback maybe for the first two months. When I played my first tournament, I felt like we folded straight back

into it,” she said.

“I feel like I’m sort of back where I belong and it’s been that way for many months now.”

Barty will rise around 70 places to sit around the edges of the world’s top 150 with the result.

Barthel – a former Hobart International champion – didn’t have the crowd on her side, but does have her own comeback story.

The 26-year-old was sidelined with chronic fatigue syndrome last year and has reached the last 16 of a grand slam for the first time.

The German was to play Venus Williams, who eviscerated Duan Ying-Ying 6-1 6-0 earlier on Friday, for a quarter-final berth.

A string of upsets left world No 223 Barty to square off against Barthel, whose ranking slipped to 181 after she spent four and a half months on the sidelines last year recovering from a back injury.

The German had never ventured further than the round of 32 in 24 successive major campaigns.

Fine doubles record

Barty’s previous best grand slam results have come in doubles, where she reached the title match at the Australian Open, Wimbledon and the US Open in 2013 alongside great friend Casey Dellacqua.

Dellacqua has been partnering Barty in the women’s doubles again this year at Melbourne Park, having played a key role in convincing the 20-year-old to give tennis another serious shot.

She didn’t really have to talk me into it,” said Barty.

“I think deep down I knew it was the right time anyway.

“It was nice to have Case there.

“She’s like a big sister to me and it was nice

to have her to chat through it with.”

Barty had nothing to lose in her clash with Barthel, who won their only previous encounter.

“She absolutely flogged me off the court,” admitted Barty of the 2-6 6-0 6-1 loss at the 2013 Hobart International.

Barty reached the third round after a convincing 7-5 6-1 win over American Shelby Rogers, who had earlier upset fourth seed Simona Halep.

She said while the win over Rogers was amazing, it was the way she played that she was most happy with, making only 11 unforced errors.

Up 5-1 in the second set, Barty said she still felt plenty of nerves trying to wrap up the Margaret Court Arena match.

“My heart was beating out of my chest,” said said.

“It was so nice to play well; regardless of the result, I would have been very happy.

“Now everything for me is a bonus.”

After walking away from tennis as an 18-year-old, Barty has added maturity as well as power to her game.

“I’m a lot different this time,” she said.

“I will have prepared much better and play within myself now more this time and I’m much more confident out on the court.

“It’s nice to go out there and feel like I belong right from the get-go.”

Barty opened the tournament by downing German baseliner Annika Beck.

She overcame sluggish starts in both sets to down Beck 6-4 7-5.

Barty was the aggressor throughout her clash with Beck, dominating the winners’ count 33-13, although she said that added power had little to do with her time as a cricketer. – AAP

Caitlin's busy week



RUGBY league player Caitlin Moran is in for a busy time: She's been chosen to play for the

Australian rugby league Jillsaroos against New Zealand in the Auckland Nines and the Indigenous All Stars team against the National Rugby League (NRL) Women's All Stars.

The two games are within a week of each other, with the Jillsaroos playing in New Zealand on February 4 and the All Stars game in Newcastle on February 10.

Jillsaroos coach Brad Donald has named a 16-strong Jillsaroos squad to travel to Auckland to compete at the Nines against the Ferns, including one debutant.

Indigenous Women's All Stars coach Dean Widders named his team ahead of a training camp on the Gold Coast last weekend, with eight debutants in the squad.

In the All Stars games, Moran will come up against many of her teammates from the previous week.

There will be seven debutantes in the Indigenous team – Savannah Connors (Qld), Sarah Field (Qld), Tahlia Hunter ((NSW), Samatha Leisha (Qld), Briony Livingstone (NSW), Stephanie Mooka (Qld), Tallulah Tillett (Qld) and Emily Young (Qld).

"The All Stars occasion is a highlight for these young women, their families and communities," Widders said.

"I know the team is looking forward to playing in front of a passionate Newcastle crowd and soaking up the atmosphere."

Six debutantes

Women's All Stars coach and current head coach of the Kawana Dolphins, Rob Brough named his team to take on the Indigenous Women's team, with six debutantes.

"We've picked a squad with a combination of strength and experience, along with some of the next generation of female stars," Brough said.

"It's fantastic to have such depth amongst women's rugby league and the team is building nicely ahead of their All Stars title defence against the Indigenous Women's team.

Jillsaroos coach Donald said the Kiwis beat the Jillsaroos at the Nines last year.

"The squad has been training hard to ensure that we are prepared to turn the result around in 2017," Donald said.

"This is a big year for the Jillsaroos, with a Test match and the defence of the Rugby League World Cup.

"Our journey starts on February 4 in Auckland and the team is looking forward to the challenge."

Tickets for the Nines and All Stars are on sale at www.nrl.com/tickets and fans can check the following websites for details on both tournaments.



Bo de la Cruz



Nakia Davis-Welsh Picture: nrlphotos.com

Downer Auckland Nines (February 4 and 5, Auckland): www.nrlaucklandnines.com

Harvey Norman Rugby League All Stars (February 10, Newcastle): www.nrl.com/allstars
Australian Jillsaroos: 1. Kezie Apps (NSW), 2. Chelsea Baker (Qld), 3. Annette Brander (Qld), 4. Brittany Breayley (Qld), 5. Sam Bremner (NSW), 6. Ali Briginshaw (Qld), 7. Karina Brown (Qld), 8. Allana Ferguson (NSW), 9. Kody House (Qld), 10. Amelia Kuk – debut (Qld), 11. Renae Kunst (Qld),

12. Corban McGregor (NSW), 13. Caitlin Moran (NSW), 14. Ruan Sims (NSW), 15. Maddie Studdon (NSW), 16. Simaima Taufa (NSW).
Coach: Brad Donald.
Indigenous Women's All Stars: 1. Kelsey Parkin (Qld), 2. Savannah Connors – debut (Qld), 3. Nakia Davis-Welsh (NSW), 4. Bo de la Cruz (Qld), 5. Sarah Field – debut (Qld), 6. Tahlia Hunter – debut (NSW), 7. Kandy Kennedy (NSW), 8. Samatha Leisha – debut (Qld), 9. Briony Livingstone –



Caitlin Moran



Lauren Motlop plays Australian rules football for the Northern Territory against Tasmania.

debut (NSW), 10. Stephanie Mooka – debut (Qld), 11. Caitlin Moran (NSW), 12. Lauren Motlop (NT), 13. Molly O'Connell (Qld), 14. Lavina Phillips (NSW), 15. Amber Pilley (Qld), 16. Rebecca Riley (NSW), 17. Simone Smith (NSW), 18. Tallulah Tillett – debut (Qld), 19. Rebecca Young (NSW), 20. Emily Young – debut (Qld).
Coach: Dean Widders.
NRL Women's All Stars:
1. Sam Bremner (NSW), 2. Isabelle Kelly – debut (NSW), 3. Amelia Kuk – debut (Qld),

4. TJ Green – debut (SA), 5. Karina Brown (Qld), 6. Ali Briginshaw (Qld), 7. Maddie Studdon (NSW), 8. Steph Hancock (Qld), 9. Brittany Breayley (Qld), 10. Eliana Walton (NSW), 11. Tazmin Gray (Qld), 12. Kezie Apps (NSW), 13. Renae Kunst (Qld), 14. Zehara Temara – debut (Qld), 15. Allana Ferguson (NSW), 16. Simone Karpani – debut (SA), 17. Stef Gallagher – debut (Qld), 18. Ruan Sims (NSW).
Coach: Rob Brough.

'Call me black Houdini'

Fears Mundine will be too light in rematch



IF Anthony Mundine pulls this off, people will have to start calling him the black Houdini.

That's the belief of the former rugby league star, who takes on bitter rival Danny Green in a highly anticipated boxing rematch on February 3.

The 43-year-old Mundine will likely be giving up as much as 13kg in weight to Green by the time the pair step into the ring at the Adelaide Oval.

"I never really thought it was going to happen to be honest. He went up in weight, to cruiser-weight," Mundine told reporters in Sydney on Friday.

"He fought some big men, pretty much heavyweights. Antonio Tarver is now a heavyweight, the cruiser-weight champion.

"This is some David-Goliath stuff, what's going on right here.

"If I can pull this off, you all gotta call me the black Houdini or something because this is something that's not supposed to happen. This don't come around, not even in generations."

The fight is set at a catch-weight limit of 83kg, a far cry from the 76.2kg super middleweight limit the duo faced

off in their previous meeting in 2006, which Mundine won.

Mundine was a underdog then and he was quick to seize the status again.

"The weight advantage is a massive deal. For people that don't know boxing, guys that give away half a kilo or a kilo get fined massive money. It's big just giving away one kilo," he said.

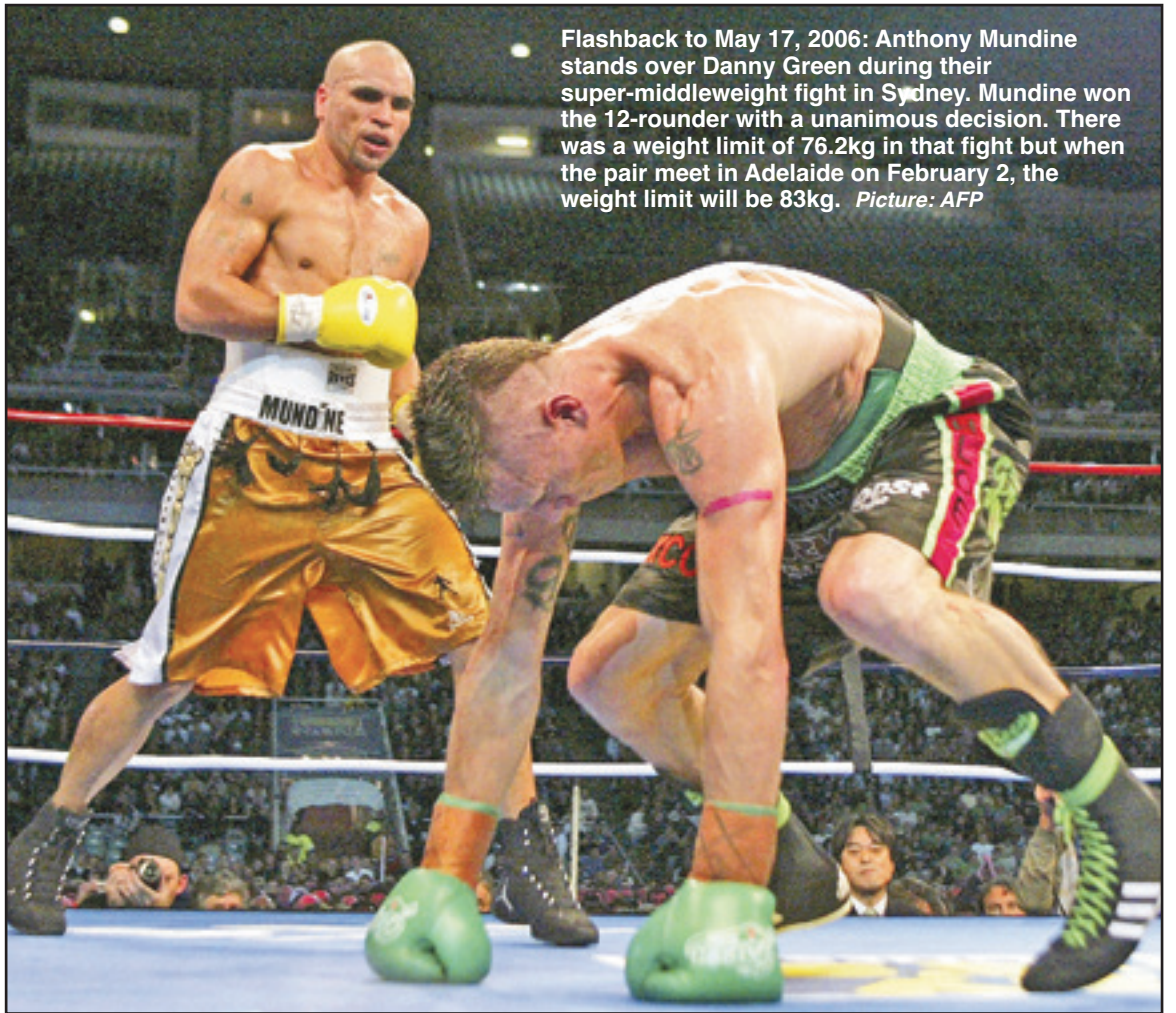
"I'm coming up four divisions. We ain't fighting at cruiser-weight, we're fighting at Danny weight, what Danny wanted to fight at. So I'm leaving him no excuse. All the pressure's on him.

"I should be 100-1 underdog, for real. Thirteen kilos, man, my last fight was 69.5 I come in at. We're fighting at 83. I won't even make 83. But I'll be a strong, fit, ready 79-80kg."

With both boxers believed to pocket \$10 million each for the re-match, Mundine advised his nemesis to be thankful just for the opportunity to exact some revenge.

"To Danny, be humble man. Be gracious. I'm giving you another pay day," he said.

"Be gracious that I made your career. Without me, you'd be nobody. You'd still be fighting in RSLs. At the end of the fight, thank me for what I done for the sport and your career." – AAP



Flashback to May 17, 2006: Anthony Mundine stands over Danny Green during their super-middleweight fight in Sydney. Mundine won the 12-rounder with a unanimous decision. There was a weight limit of 76.2kg in that fight but when the pair meet in Adelaide on February 2, the weight limit will be 83kg. Picture: AFP

New champ ready to take on world's best

● From back page

"A lot of people told me not to take the fight with Geale, said it was too early in my career, but I wouldn't have taken it if I wasn't sure that I was ready," he said.

"I got an opportunity and I took it, and this will open doors for me. I am ready to be Australia's next boxing superstar.

"I am not intimidated by anybody out there – Gennady Golovkin, Felix Sturm, Badou Jack, Chris Eubank Jr; I know that I belong on the same stage as them."

Mundine has a high opinion of Quinlan and declared him a future star.

Quinlan said he wanted to become Australia's 'people's champion'.

"I am not into the politics. I am a proud Australian and I feel like I carry all Australians with me," he declared.

After suffering his only professional defeat to Jake Carr by points in 2014, Quinlan has won three successive bouts via knockout.

Geale (31-5) has now suffered four defeats in his past six bouts including three by stoppage, but indicated after his latest loss that he was not considering retirement.



Renold Quinlan lands a right to Joseph Kwadjo during their bout on the undercard of the WBA international super-welterweight title bout between Anthony Mundine and Shane Mosley at Acer Arena, Sydney, on November 27, 2013. Quinlan won this light-heavyweight fight with a unanimous points decision over eight rounds. Picture: Getty



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The Voice of Indigenous Australia

Cara's hat trick highlight of cricket carnival

By PETER ARGENT



CARA Fiebig has etched herself in South Australian Country cricket history.

As Western Australian Country collapsed from 1-37 to be all out for 50, Fiebig ripped through the tail and ended the game with a hat trick at the Australian Country Cricket Championships (ACCC) in Wollongong.

She sent down just 11 deliveries and finished with 4-3.

"It is my second hat trick," dual sporting talent Fiebig said.

"The first one was when I was actually having a year off and I played an A-grade game for Northern Jets against my current SACA club, Kensington about five years ago."

A little more research found that Fiebig dominated that contest, making 132 not out and taking match figures of 7-2 across the Browns' two innings, including that hat trick.

The SA Outbacks women's team won their ACCC round three contest at Ziems Park, Corimal, by 67 runs after bowling WA out with five overs and one ball to spare.

Fiebig now has the first hat trick in ACCC women's cricket and also the first in SA Outbacks history – men or women.

The off-spinning all-rounder went on to win the ACCC bowling award, collecting 13 wickets during the minor round and finishing with 14 scalps at an outstanding average over 9.5 runs per victim.

Add the 109 runs she scored at an average of 21.8, it came as no surprise that she was named in the Australian Country XII announced at the end of the carnival.

Fiebig teaches in Port Pirie. Her Aboriginal heritage comes through her mother's side of the family.

She did not play any cricket this summer coming to the ACCC, but did play for Wandearah in the local men's competition in the 2015-16 summer.



Teammates congratulate Cara Fiebig after picking up one of her hat-trick wickets for South Australia at the Australian Country Cricket Championships in Wollongong. Picture: Peter Argent

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Our new champion



WHILE Daniel Geale's professional boxing career is at the crossroads, another Indigenous fighter – Renold Quinlan – is taking on the world.

Former world champion Geale suffered a shock second-round knockout loss to Quinlan in Launceston, Tasmania, last October.

Quinlan shocked the nation when he beat Geale for the vacant International Boxing Organisation (IBO) super-middleweight world title and now he wants to shock the world.

The 27-year-old will defend his IBO title for the first time when he heads to the United Kingdom early next month to take on Chris Eubank Jr.

The London fight was hastily arranged after Quinlan was originally looking for an

Australian opponent on the Anthony Mundine-Danny Green card next month before he was offered the Eubank fight.

"I always say I'm not afraid to fight anyone. This opportunity came up and so straight away I took it with both hands," the Dunghutti man said.

The fight will be on February 4 at the Lee Valley VeloPark in London.

Mundine's fight with Danny Green is also on February 4 – in Adelaide.

Eubank Jr is the son of former world champion Eubank Snr and is ranked by some as one of the best middleweights in the world.

Eubank, who has 18 knockout wins from his 24 fights, will be coming up to super-middleweight at 75kg to fight Quinlan.

For Quinlan, who sits on an 11-1 record, it will be his first professional bout overseas.

"The atmosphere's probably going to be on a whole other level but I don't think about that," he said.

"I'm just going to get into the ring and do whatever I can to win."

Quinlan said wanted even bigger fighters.

"Winning this fight will open up so many doors for me," he said. "The sky's the limit after this one."

Golovkin on the radar

Trainer Lepani Wilson said Quinlan was still aiming to fight his way up the ranks to get to Kazakh champion Gennady 'GGG' Golovkin.

"We weren't getting any responses in Australia so we thought we would go straight to the big stage," he said.

"We're still aiming to work our way up to GGG."

Quinlan grew up in Minto and Rosemeadow and attended Sarah Redfern High School.

He had an amateur career of 15 fights for 12 wins and three losses.

His father is Indigenous Australian of the Dunghutti people of the NSW Mid North Coast and his mother is Fijian.

Since turning pro in 2008, Quinlan had a lay-off for nearly two years before returning in early 2010.

He had just one fight in early 2011 and then had another two years off.

Some of his fights have been on undercards against his good friend Anthony Mundine.

After his upset win over Geale inside two rounds, Quinlan declared he would become this country's next superstar.

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