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A Gumati dancer from the Top End performs in the shadow of Uluru at the convention opening ceremony.



Professor Megan Davis and Referendum Council co-chair Pat Anderson speak at a media conference.

Statement sets path to Treaty

"In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard." Sovereignty. Makarrata. Treaty. Truth-telling. A First Nations voice to Parliament enshrined in the Constitution.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart delivered a message to government: We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country.

The Statement from the Heart was the culmination of a series of First Nations dialogues regarding Constitutional change.

Many First Nations people have been skeptical about the Federal Government's agenda regarding Constitutional change, pointing to the well-funded Recognise body, set up to advocate for constitutional recognition before properly consulting with Indigenous

And the Government only agreed to the First Nations dialogues after Indigenous demands.

But after three days of discussion at Uluru last week, more than 250 delegates - a cross-section of First

Nations people – delivered the Statement from the Heart.
"When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country," the statement reads.

"We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice

enshrined in the Constitution.

"Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination.

"We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and

Not everybody was happy with the process – or the result – but there's no doubt Australia has heard the message: Minimal change isn't good enough and First Nations people deserve to determine their own future.

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- Read the Uluru Statement from the Heart in full,

"Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination." - from the Uluru Statement from the Heart

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FAMILY Bettina Marpoondin – Townsville/Palm Island



BIG mob of us live in Townsville and on Palm Island, north Queensland. We also have a lot of family connections at Aurukun community on Cape York. I live in a Townsville suburb near the fresh water section of Townsville's Ross

We like nothing better than to walk over and shop at the Woolworths Supermarket in the suburb of Douglas

We visit Palm Island to see other family members and some come over here on the

We were all very interested in the big rugby league game on April 22 between Palm Island Skipjacks and the Army Thunder team.

My brother William Marpoondin played and our Palm team Skipjacks won 26-20.

A lot of Palm people and others from there watched the game at what is the best ground in North Queensland.

The game was played for the Bill Coolburra Memorial Shield. Bill was for many years in the army and served in the Vietnam War.

The Marpoondin and Coolburra families are closely connected and members make visits between Aurukun and Palm Island for funerals, big events and family milestones.

We also have close relatives in the Bramwell and Massey families with many from four generations living at both communities and other places.

Our families are part of a dance group on Palm Island which performs at big events.

I am a proud Indigenous lady and family is an integral part of my life.

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OUR CHILDREN



PETA Cabalzar, Skye Cox and Seth Gardiner are three Tasmanian Aboriginal kids who feature in the palawa kani episode of NITV's animated children's show Little J and Big Cuz. Full story, page 29.

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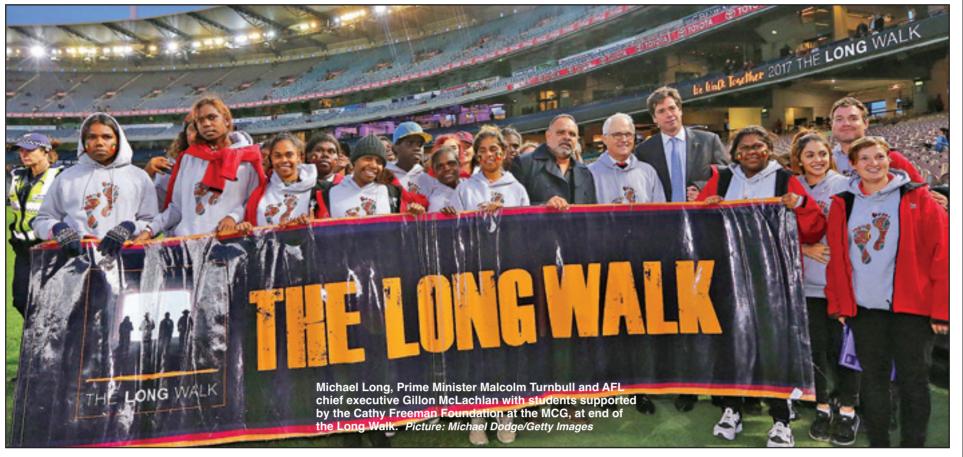
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AFTER returning home from yet another Aboriginal

funeral in 2004, former Essendon AFL champion Michael Long decided he needed to do something to bring attention to the plight of his people.

So he walked from his home in Melbourne to Parliament House in Canberra, more than

Long Walk in a big week

650km away, to meet with then Prime Minister John Howard.

And so the Long Walk was born. Long was joined on the road by Aboriginal and other supporters. Some walked in support for an hour, some for a day and some took the journey all the way to Canberra.

As the walkers passed through the Victorian countryside, local people came out to meet them, offering encouragement, support and assistance.

Today, the Long Walk is

much shorter but has become a fixture of National Reconciliation Week. Walkers march from Federation Square in Melbourne to the Melbourne Cricket Ground in the lead-up to Dreamtime at the 'G, the annual game between Richmond and

Essendon and the centrepiece of the AFL's Indigenous Round.

This year Long and fellow Aboriginal AFL legend Michael O'Loughlin, who is also a Koori Mail columnist, were joined by students from the Cathy Freeman Foundation, Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull, Opposition Leader Bill Shorten, Victorian Premier Dan Andrews and thousands more.

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Half a century since wrong finally righted



ON May 27, 1967, Australians were asked to vote in a referendum whether Aboriginal people should be counted in the census and whether the

'Race Power' of the Constitution (Section 51) should be amended to remove the words 'other than the aboriginal people in any State'.

The result was an overwhelming 'yes', with more than 90% of voters in favour and a majority in all six states, easily meeting the 'double majority' (more than half the voters in more than half the states) needed for a referendum to succeed.

It was the highest yes vote every achieved in any referendum and, at the time, was considered the start of a movement towards positive change for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Prior to the poll, most aspects of Indigenous people's lives were controlled by state governments, and their laws varied greatly. That meant where an

Indigenous Australian lived determined whether they could own property, marry and move freely, drink alcohol and control their own children.

The 1967 Referendum arose from lengthy advocacy, Reconciliation Australia co-chair Professor Tom Calma says.

"It was 10 years in the making with a lot of awareness raising," he said.

Freedom rides

In 1965 Charles Perkins led the Freedom Rides - a student tour of rural NSW - calling for an end to discrimination against Indigenous people in many country towns.

It also came off the back of the 1966 Wave Hill Walk Off, where Aboriginal land rights champion Vincent Lingiari led 200 Gurindji people off a cattle station near Kalkarindii in the remote Top End to demand wages instead of basic food

"People couldn't believe those things were happening. It was a catalyst," Prof Calma said.

The vote paved the way for the introduction of 'positive discrimination' or affirmative action and a number of important pieces of anti-discrimination and land rights laws.

It also allowed the gradual development of a new definition of Aboriginality, based on community acceptance and self-identification.

One of the government's first acts under its new power was to establish the Council for Aboriginal Affairs, which brought ministers from all states and territories together to discuss issues and recommend actions to the Commonwealth.

The groundbreaking referendum was a powerful symbol of recognition, but was the beginning of an unfinished journey to equality.

May 27, the anniversary of the Referendum, now marks the start of National Reconciliation Week, which is bookended by Mabo Day, June 3.

The theme for #NRW2017 is 'Let's Take the Next Steps'. - With AAP

Some views on the 1967 Referendum



"There is not much evidence that suggests the 1967 Referendum really changed the lived experience of most First Nations people. If anything, things have

Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Sean Gordon.

"Of course it has

changed a lot from

when my grandparents

were my age to where I am now but we're still

well behind where we

should be.



gone forward at the pace it should have?' No – Former social

"It was a high watermark in the relationship

between Aboriginal and

mainstream Australia ... (but) the powers that be used those amendments

from 1967 to oppress us

Council co-chair Pat

– Referendum

even further.

justice commissioner Tom Calma.



"It should be a call to action. Something is still missing

– Labor frontbencher Linda Burney

Mohamed.

Reconciliation

Australia chief

executive Justin



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Languages feature on 2017 poster



WIRADJURI (NSW) woman Joanne Cassady is the winner of this year's national NAIDOC

poster competition.

As the winner, Ms Cassady will have her artwork, titled Your Tribe, My Tribe, Our Nation displayed on the 2017 National NAIDOC Poster and receive a \$5000 cash prize. The poster will be distributed across the country to promote NAIDOC Week 2017, which runs from July 2-9.

The competition called for artists to submit an artwork which represented their interpretation of the 2017 national NAIDOC theme 'Our Languages Matter'.

Ms Cassady's winning artwork (pictured) lists some of the many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages and nations across Australia.

She is an advocate for



keeping language alive and believes that teaching kids their language is important.

Ms Cassady said she felt

very proud.

"I have met a goal that I wanted to achieve and my nan would also have been so proud of me," she said.

There were more than 150

entries this year, and the National NAIDOC Committee said it had a difficult time selecting just one winner.

Committee co-chairs Anne Martin and Benjamin Mitchell congratulated Ms Cassady on her winning entry and the many artists who submitted their

"The committee felt that Ms Cassady's artwork was not only eye catching but, importantly, carried an important message. really highlighting the breadth of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander languages across our country," Mr Mitchell said.

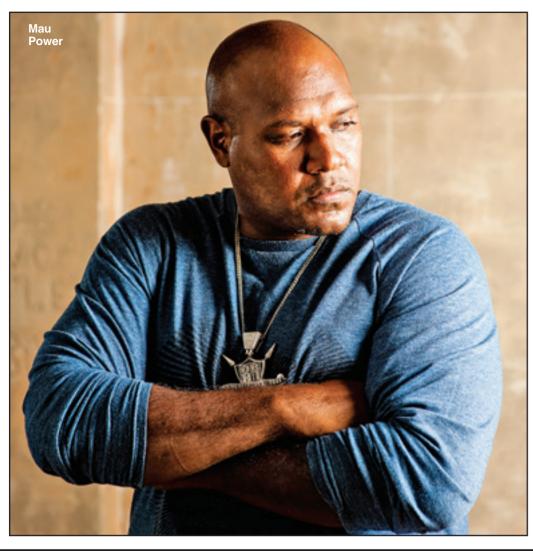
Free copies of the 2017 National NAIDOC Poster will be available through the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet's regional network and at Australia Post outlets.

To find out more about this year's winning artist or how to get your copy of the 2017 national NAIDOC poster, visit www.naidoc.org.au

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Real Power in this Mabo song



By RUDI MAXWELL



TORRES Strait
Islander rapper Mau
Power is calling for
Mabo Day, June 3, to
be made a national
holiday and has

released a song about Eddie Mabo, *Koiki*, to tell the story why.

"It would bring forward a discussion about what land rights are and what the Mabo case meant, not only to the people of the Torres Strait but to the whole of Australia," he told the Koori Mail.

"If the day the Mabo decision was handed down was made a public holiday, everyone would get an understanding of his great journey. It's not just something that happened that ended with the High Court, every person in this country has a responsibility to make sure we maintain the importance, and the actions behind the moment."

Koiki opens with the haunting sound of the bu shell (conch), handclaps and a spoken report of the 1992 Mabo ruling.

"When we blow that shell it is our sound of making sure there's a message that something important is about to happen," Mau Power, a Dhoebaw man of the Guda Malullgal nations, said.

"Certain blows are for warnings, some are to notify community that there's a message coming, some for sorry business, for gatherings, and for people travelling in war time. "At the beginning of the song the horn is blown four times to acknowledge the winds of the Torres Strait, to signify that there's a message to follow."

The vocals in *Koiki's* chorus are sampled from Gail Mabo's song of the same name, with some notable additions from Charles Passi, the son of Mr Mabo's warrior in arms, David Passi.

Backing vocals are provided by Tongan/Kamillaroi soul man Radical Son and Yorta Yorta rocker Benny Walker.

"I hope the song creates a dialogue," Mau Power said. "If we lose the message from any part of our history, we won't fully understand or appreciate the many great journeys of the people who came before us. They sacrificed for us to have the opportunities we have.

"This is me showing my respect, saying, 'We haven't forgotten the sacrifices you made, and we take responsibility to move forward, to continue the journey still to come."

The song will be on an album to be released late 2017 titled *Blue Lotus:* The Awakening.

● June 3 has long been a day for celebration in the Torres Strait and also marks the end of National Reconciliation Week. For the 25th anniversary of Mabo Day this year, widespread events are planned from Mer (Murray Island), to northern Queensland to Melbourne, where the Koorie Heritage Trust will host an event in Federation Square.

'New beginning' for Stolen Generations



WHEN Yawuru academic Mick Dodson looked around the Great Hall in Parliament House he saw familiar faces.

Some of those gathered, members of the Stolen Generations, had shared their stories with him 20 years ago for the Bringing Them Home report.

Two decades on, at a parliamentary breakfast in the lead-up to Sorry Day, May 26, attended by Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and Labor leader Bill Shorten, they are still waiting for progress.

"I'm just trying to imagine how they must feel 20 years down the track," Professor Dodson said. "Please folks, let's not fail them again."

The Healing Foundation has called for a new national policy approach to address the ongoing impacts of unresolved trauma, in its new report Bringing Them Home 20 (#BTH20), which it handed to Mr Turnbull at the breakfast.

Prof Dodson described his work on the original Bringing Them Home report as the most challenging thing of his professional life, but also rewarding. There is not an Aboriginal family untouched by the experiences of the Stolen Generations, he said.

Healing Foundation Stolen Generations Reference Committee chair Florence Onus was the fourth generation of women in her family to



Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Mark Furner, Healing Foundation's Florence Onus, Queensland Minister Leeann Enoch, and Healing Foundation board member Noleen Lopes at the #BTH20 event in Brisbane.

be stolen. Her mother was taken at the age of four.

Ms Onus was one of five children taken from her mother at the age of five.

"Today feels like a new beginning and an opportunity to address unfinished business," she said.

Mr Turnbull thanked the Healing Foundation for its new report, which shows many of the 54 original recommendations from Bringing Them Home have never been implemented.

He spoke in Ngunawal, a local Aboriginal language, and said "sorry"

to those hurt by the policy of forced removal.

"Over the years many of you here have bravely told your stories as Mick reminded us," he said. "You stepped forward to hold a mirror up to our nation."

Mr Shorten said it is time for the Parliament to discuss reparation. "This Parliament is capable of

"This Parliament is capable o having a rancour, blame-free conversation," he said.

Healing Foundation chair Steve Larkin said the Stolen Generations had not been able to heal because their needs have not been addressed in a coordinated way.

"As a result, their grief, loss and anger is being passed on to their kids and grandkids," he said.

The report was also provided to the

The report was also provided to the Queensland Government at an event to mark the 20th anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report.

#BTH20 shows that the Stolen Generations, their children and grandchildren are 50% more likely to be charged by police, 30% less likely to be in good health, and 10% less likely to have a job.

Speaking at the Brisbane event, Ms Onus said unresolved trauma was an underlying cause of many social and health issues in Indigenous communities, including high levels of substance abuse, domestic violence and the increasing number of children being taken into protection.

"I am the fourth generation of women from my family to be forcibly removed from land, culture and family," she said.

"It's had a terrible impact on my family, including attempted suicide and depression. The pain and loss still lives within me today. "It's time to create the change that

"It's time to create the change that was so desperately needed two decades ago and work together to break the cycle, for the benefit of all Australians." – With AAP

Sorry Day report and pictures, page 33

Four key priorities

#BTH20 calls for action on four key priorities:

A federally coordinated reparations scheme, including financial redress and healing services.

 A full analysis of the Stolen Generations' changing needs as they age.

A national study on the impacts of intergenerational trauma, and the best ways to address it.

Ensuring all professionals who work with Stolen Generations are trained in recognising and addressing intergenerational trauma.

First Nations delegates speak

People claim their views were silenced

By KEIRA JENKINS



SOME of the First Nations people attending the National Convention on Constitutional

Recognition at Uluru say their views were silenced.

And a group of protestors was upset that local Anangu people asked them to take down their banners.

Gomeroi woman Alice Haines claimed she was not allowed to voice her concerns throughout the national dialogue.

She wasn't part of the invited list of delegates, but paid her own way to Uluru as an 'observer' because she felt it was important for her to be at the national convention, to have her say on constitutional change.

"At this meeting, if you speak out, they tell you you're speaking out of turn," Ms Haines told the Koori Mail.

"The process has been dictated by a small group and they've done it without seeking everyone's voice.

"I didn't ask for the Constitution. We haven't been marching for recognition for all these years, we've been marching for our rights.'

Ms Haines said she wants to see self-determination for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the form of a

"Constitutional recognition would bring us under the Government's jurisdiction without enshrining our rights,"

"They've been saying that constitutional recognition is related to treaty. That's a lie.

"When (former prime minister) John Howard created the concept of the Recognise campaign he said there couldn't be a treaty if we were written into the Constitution.

"If we have constitutional recognition it would go from a conversation between one sovereign nation to another to some kind of domestic agreement.'

Serena Williams, the daughter of activist Harold 'Crow' Williams, also is vehemently opposed to any form of Constitutional recognition.

"I don't want to be part of a legally binding document," she

"If you go into a document like that, it can be changed at any time, and it's governed by the Queen.





Serena Williams and her brother Billy Tompkins.



Alice Haines

"I'm not a British citizen. I am Ngunnawal.'

The process of selecting delegates to attend the convention has also come under fire from a number of communities.

Ms Haines called the selection process "disgusting".

"You had to be invited to attend the regional dialogues so this has been handpicked from the start," she said.

"I want to ask why there has been no freedom to speak up. We have really been shut down."

Ms Haines said she had hung anti-recognition banners at morning tea on the first day of the convention.

By lunchtime on that same day she had been told to take them down by local Anangu

"We have to respect the cultural protocols, that's fine," she said.

"But our 'no' voice has been silenced. We've been threatened if we didn't take them down, security and police would be involved.



Fred Hooper speaks out after walking away from the convention.

Anger leads to walk out



A GROUP of about 20 delegates and observers walked away from the Referendum Council's National Convention on the

second day, saying their voices were being ignored and the rules adjusted to suit a predetermined agenda.

Lydia Thorpe, from Victoria, said she and the others who walked out came to the convention seeking to reach agreement.

"We as sovereign First Nations people reject constitutional recognition," she said.

"We do not recognise the occupying power or their sovereignty because it serves to disempower and take away our voice.

"There is no integrity, our mandate has been stifled, and we need to protect our and preserve sovereignty.

"We demand a sovereign treaty and an independent sovereign treaty commission and appropriate funds allocated."

Referendum Council co-chair Pat Anderson said it was only a small number of delegates who left. The rest were observers.

"There is inevitably going to be difference of opinion and robust discussion," she said.

"But there was only seven who walked out of 250 delegates. It is a small group.'

Lyall Munro said the facilitators had allowed no debate over the



Anangu woman Alison Hunt.

course of the convention. "I've been insulted here, on repeated occasions,"

"My voice has been ignored, our mandate hasn't been allowed to be

"We haven't been allowed to put forward the mandate that our people have given to us.

"We've been stood over. We will not be part of this process. There will be no compromise on our behalf."

But Anangu woman Alison Hunt said the local traditional owners supported the meeting because it would be an opportunity for people to come together as one.

"I'm very disappointed in the walk out," she said. "We have to be united with one voice. We ask you to please respect our lands and our culture."

Anangu Elders called for an apology over the walk out.



A gathering after the walkout from the convention at Uluru.

out during National Convention

Statement sets out priorities for future

By KEIRA JENKINS



THE First Nations delegation at the Referendum Council's National Convention at Uluru last week has put

out a statement that lays the groundwork for treaty and an Indigenous voice to Parliament and emphasises Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sovereignty.

More than 250 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander delegates travelled to Uluru for the conference, which followed on from a series of 12 dialogues around the country, organised by the Referendum Council.

The delegates delivered the Uluru Statement from the Heart (to read in full, go to page 20), which includes a series of guiding principles to map out the way for meaningful Constitutional change.

While there was robust debate and a show of dissent when some delegates walked out on discussions, Referendum Council co-chair Pat Anderson said the convention was about finding common ground to work with, not

"We are considered powerless and voiceless in our communities and this must stop," she said.

"We have come together to achieve change. There is lots more talking to do but we have a huge body of acquired intellect in the

"The regional dialogues set the scene. We haven't got to every Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person but we've talked to a broad cross-section of our diverse communities. Now the aim is to pull those ideas together and find a common ground so we can move forward together."

Ms Anderson said maintaining sovereignty was one of the most important things to delegates at the conference, and this is one of the guiding principles in the statement.

"We won't do anything to impede our sovereignty," she said.

"It seems as though when we think things can't get any worse for our people, they do.

"Our very survival now depends on making these decisions and having these discussions.

"What we're asking for is not extraordinary, it's actually very

The Referendum Council's

Guiding **Principles**

- sovereignty or Torres Strait Islander sovereignty.
- 2. Involves substantive, structural
- 3. Advances self-determination and the standards established under the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- 4. Recognises the status and rights of First Nations.
- 5. Tells the truth of history. 6. Does not foreclose on future
- advancement. 7. Does not waste the opportunity
- 8. Provides a mechanism for First
- Nations agreement-making. 9. Has the support of First Nations.
- 10. Does not interfere with current and future legal arrangement.

Dalassa Yorkston said the conference was the first time Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people had been able to come together to lead the discussion on constitutional

The statement calls for an Indigenous voice to Parliament to be enshrined in the Constitution.

"It is vital for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to have a say on policies that affect us," she said.

"It will have staying power if it is written into the Constitution. Parliament would hear directly from Indigenous people.

"This would achieve better results for our people."

Ms Yorkston said treaty, or agreement-making, was also included as a guiding principle in the Uluru statement.

"Treaty is a legal agreement," she said. "It will define the relationship between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the Government.

"It will outline the specific duties of each party. Having a treaty will not mean we can't have constitutional recognition, and constitutional recognition will not mean there can be no treaty."

Kimberley Land Council chief executive Nolan Hunter said it is important to remember that people have come from all over the country and have different perspectives on the issue of constitutional change

A call for the establishment of a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of 'truth-telling' about Indigenous history was also included in the statement.

Mr Hunter said it is important to gather the stories from many people with different backgrounds, but no matter what has come out of the conference, there is still work to do ahead

"People have different circumstances," he said.

"I think a lot of that is about governance and the different ways people come together.

"I'm excited. This was a good process. It has been difficult because people bring their passion and raw emotion into the room."

The delegation has elected a working group to continue the work that had been started at the convention.

The Uluru Statement was due to be handed to Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and Leader of the Opposition yesterday, June 30.

The Uluru Statement from

Anangu welcome delegation

By KEIRA JENKINS

ANANGU people from Mutitjulu welcomed the delegation of more than 250 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across the country onto their sacred homelands.

Performances from the Gumati dancers of East Arnhem Land and the Muaglgau Lak Gubau Gizu people of Thursday Island as well as a group of local Anangu men sharing their inma - stories told through song and dance - were followed by an exchange of gifts between Elders from each group.

Traditional owner Sammy Wilson was MC for the night, giving a welcome in both English and Pitjantjatjara.

Mr Wilson said the convention was a historical event.

"I am happy to share this moment with everybody here," he said. "I am proud to know that such important talks will be held on my country."

There was initial concern about what the convention would mean for Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara people. That led to Elder Murray George, from South Australia, saying he did not want the meeting to take place on his country.

However, as the convention unfolded, Mr George said he



Anangu man Sammy Wilson welcomes delegates.

welcomed the discussions that

were being had, and called for unification of Aboriginal and Torres

"Because the information and

"Now I am here I can see what

the talks were not taken to every

community many people did not

understand what was happening

here," he told the Koori Mail.

is happening. We have to talk

Strait Islander voices.

together about the change that needs to happen for the better.

"We have to be united with one voice because that is the way we can get change."

Mr George said this change has to give the power back to Indigenous people.

"At this meeting we have to come back and be one," he said. "We want the Government to

acknowledge our cultural law. The cultural law will fix all the problems. It will fix all the problems that the Government and the mining have created. But the Government has not been listening to our old people."

Mr George said the hope is that Elders who still have traditional knowledge and people who have been educated in "the white man's

system" can come together to achieve the best outcome.

"I am lucky that my language is still alive," he said.

"The white man came in and crushed our cultures and took our languages away.

"We own our own freedom, and have from the start. We need to come together and tell the Government that."



Anangu-wadi inma. Picture: Steve Hodder Bunbajee



Head ranger Ethan Hansen, Elder Fred Grant and Roy Underwood head off to their country.

Flying higher over country



FOR the Spinifex people from the Tjuntjuntjara community, flying over the Great Victoria Desert

(GVD) in a chopper and identifying sites that require special protection from fire was the beginning of a brighter social, cultural and ecological future.

While Tjilpi and Minyma Elders, rangers and key family members were flying high, 80 community members and staff travelled to Ilkurkla for a 'Back to Country' week during May, when children and Elders learned from each other.

The chopper visits, funded by the Great Victoria Desert Biodiversity Trust, facilitated the essential passing down of traditional ecological and cultural knowledge from one generation to the next, as well as the gathering of information critical for the management of threatened

Spinifex Elder Fred Grant was able to visit several of the important water sources in his country. "It was really good to go back to places with my brothers, and show my grandsons, and tell them the stories of my country," he said.

Spinifex head ranger Ethan Hansen said the highlight was going onto remote country and seeing how people used to live and listening to the stories for those

"Seeing that country with our own eyes and hearing the stories from the Elders is going to help the Spinifex Rangers do a good job with their future burning programs," he said. "It will be hard to convey to the Great Victoria Desert Biodiversity Trust board just what it has really meant to the Spinifex

The data collected in the desert during the chopper flights helped to develop an extensive set of 'burn rules', designed to protect significant ecological and cultural values within Spinifex country and help to reduce the devastation caused by large late-season

Ecological data on vegetation types, the presence of Nganamara (Malleefowl), introduced weeds, predators and feral herbivores was also collected by the Spinifex Rangers and will assist the GVD Biodiversity Trust and Spinifex Land Management.

With additional funding from the Maralinga Piling Trust and the National Landcare Program, the community made the most of the opportunity. The school children had a learning and cultural development experience through interviewing the Elders and rangers to document their experiences on





Elders and kids: The Tjuntjuntjara community go 'Back to Country'.

video, and stories were also captured through paintings.

Interviews with Elders were used as a means to document traditional land management practices, such as patch burning, prior to European influence on Spinifex lands.

Together with the 'burn rules' this information will be used by the **GVD** Biodiversity Trust and Spinifex Land Management to inform future fire management planning, through re-introduction of traditional patch burn practices to protect vegetation and threatened fauna from bad fire.

Information from two other projects funded by the Great Victoria Desert Biodiversity Trust will also feed into this process.

The first project involves the mapping of fire scars (impacts to vegetation caused by wildfires) across the GVD on the Northern Australian Fire Information (NAFI) database to fill-in missing fire scar data from 2003 back to 2000. This work, being completed by Charles Darwin University, will also benefit fire emergency services, local councils and other agencies.

The second project, in collaboration with the Department of Parks and Wildlife, will compare and contrast the patterns and impacts of traditional burn practices, identified through interviews with Spinifex Elders and interpretation of aerial photography, to the impacts of modern-day wildfires.

The earliest aerial photography of the area, sourced from 1960-61, shows the land from a time when there were still a few small Indigenous groups living a traditional lifestyle on the land.

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Family concern at death



THE family of an Aboriginal man who died in prison in September last year has told a South Australian parliamentary

inquiry that authorities have still not properly explained the circumstances surrounding his

Wayne 'Fella' Morrison, 29. died in the Royal Adelaide Hospital after an altercation with guards at Yatala Labour Prison, while he was on remand. Usually prisoners on remand are held at the Adelaide Remand Centre. It was his first time in custody.

Last week, Mr Morrison's mother Caroline Andersen and sister Latoya Rule told the SA Parliamentary Inquiry into Prisons that they believed important questions surrounding Wayne's death remained unanswered

"Would Wayne be alive today if the correct procedures (had been followed) and no overcrowding of prisons? Would he be alive today if he hadn't

been sent to Yatala?" Ms Anderson asked.

"He had no prior convictions. He'd never been arrested before. He'd never been in trouble. He'd been put in the highest security prison in South Australia. How does that happen?

"Want the truth"

"I want to know the truth of what happened to my son."

In September last year Mr Morrison was due to appear in court for a bail hearing, after having been held on remand for

six days. He never made it to court, and his family was forced to use their own networks to try and find out where he was. They found out Mr Morrison was in a critical condition in Royal Adelaide Hospital.

But Ms Andersen said the hospital denied Mr Morrison was there and they were left to wait in a car park for six hours, before Correctional Services finally confirmed what the family already knew and allowed them to see him.

Ms Andersen said he was

covered "from head to toe" in bruises.

'The tops of his feet were even swollen and bruised," she said.

"I want to know what happened to my son.

"His daughter is only seven vears old. She is going to want to know what happened to her father."

There will be a South Australian coronial inquest into Mr Morrison's death, but it is not known when it will



Yolngu rapper on *Cloud* 9 and dreaming big



MUSICIAN and dancer Baker Boy raps in Yolngu Matha language with a bit of English thrown in for his new song Cloud 9.

Yolngu man Danzal Baker, aka Baker Boy, is related to rising stars Gawurra and Yirrmal.

"My dream is about being a voice for those who haven't been heard," he said.

"For those who are struggling in both worlds to show that there is an opportunity out there.

"To help keep hope alive. "I've seen so much talent go to waste. That is why I am here to show other young people that they can use their talent and make a change towards a better world."

Even before his new sona

was officially released, Baker Boy heard the song premiered on triple j's Home & Hosed program. Then, when hip hop artist Urthboy tweeted about it, triple j Unearthed reviews started to stream in and Rage TV scheduled to screen his video clip.

Moves

Baker Boy had an Arnhem Land hit last year with his dance track Yolngu Style. Kids in schools were emulating his dance moves across remote Top End communities. Later that year Yolngu Style was nominated for a NIMA 2016 Community Clip of the Year award.

"How can we make a bridge for these two worlds -Indigenous and non-Indigenous - if both have a

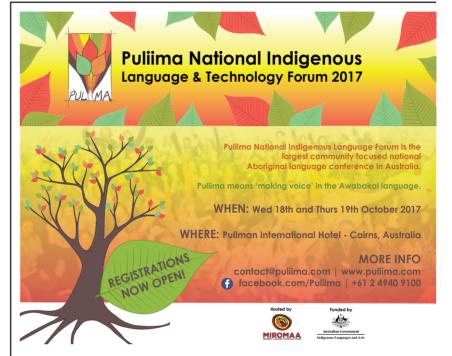
lack of communication?" Baker Boy asked.

"We need more education, love, peace, hope and respect to be one strong nation. I don't think that's too much to hope for."

Danzal Baker finished Year 12 in 2012 at Shalom Christian College, Townsville, and pursued studies in the performing arts at ACPA Brisbane.

He is a lead artist for Indigenous Hip Hop Projects, known for their work with students in remote communities.

An original member of dance sensations Djuki Mala, Baker has toured in Australia and in international dancing, and at major festivals, conferences and at grassroots level at remote. urban and regional Indigenous communities.





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Native birds singing out



ARRERNTE artist and language teacher Therese Ryder has just launched a book about the native birds that live on her country.

Called Ayeye Thipe-Akerte – Arrernte stories about birds, the illustrated book took the community Elder more than one year to finish.

Written in Arrernte and English, the book combines Ryder's watercolour paintings of birds from central Australia with their Arrernte and English names and short stories about their appearance, habits and cultural meanings.

It also comes with a companion app that allows readers to hear the sounds of the birds, their Arrernte names and the Arrernte stories.

Ryder has worked on many

language projects, and has painted since she was 12 years old.

"That's a long time ago," she says. Speaking at this year's Northern Territory Writers' Festival, in Alice Springs, Ryder told the Koori Mail she had been planning the bird book for some time.

"I learned about these birds from my Elders - about the birds we see as food, and the other birds that are not food for us," she said.

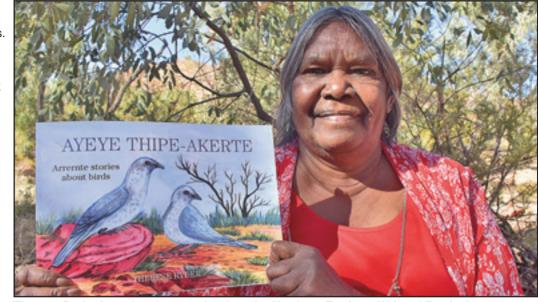
Rvder is now thinking about a second volume.

"There's a lot more birds not in

this book," she said. "We need another to tell about

Ayeye Thipe-Akerte - Arrernte stories about birds is available through Batchelor Institute Press. You can email:

orders@batchelorpress.com



Therese Ryder launches her new book at the Northern Territory Writers' Festival.

Warlpiri women pass down songs



Warlpiri women prepare for the book launch in Alice Springs.

women from central Australia were on hand this month for the launch of

a special book at the Northern Territory Writers' Festival.

They travelled from country to perform a ceremony at the launch of Yurntumu-wardingki julungaliya-kurlanu yawulyu --Warlpiri women's songs from Yuedumu.

The launch was one of several Aboriginal-related highlights at the festival, held in Alice Springs.



The cover of the new book.

Yawulyu are a genre of song passed down through generations of Warlpiri women.

The new book details 63 songs from four different series, including translations and stories. It also includes audio and film links.

The women say they have made the book so their songs and knowledge can be remembered and performed by generations of women to come.

Other Indigenous highlights at the festival included book launches, presentations and trips to country.

The Dark Emu Dinner featured leading Aboriginal author Bruce Pascoe, whose work Dark Emu has won several top awards.

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Commission reaches out

WHILE stories about youth detention have dominated public attention, the Northern Territory Royal Commission

has been working behind the scenes on the other part of its remit - inquiring into the NT welfare system.

That work, which includes talking to children, families and case workers about their experiences, underpins the public hearings being held this week in Alice Springs.

During the hearings, the commission will hear personal stories from parents, children and families who have had contact with child welfare services, together with sworn evidence from professionals, community organisations, departmental officials and subject matter

Arrernte man Nick Espie is a lawyer by trade but is working for the commission in the community engagement team located in

"As an advocate for Aboriginal people, I'm well aware of how the welfare system has affected our people," he said.

"What we're hearing from children and families is there is a lot more focus on removing children rather than supporting the family unit themselves. As a result they're losing their



The Northern Territory Royal Commission's Nick Espie and Barb Shaw meet with community members at Trucking Yard Town Camp.

connection to language and culture.

"We're hearing stories from people who have had children taken out of the family, away from a place they are loved and placed in out-of-home care; into a system that doesn't involve having someone there that loves them and cares for them."

The work of the community engagement team is one part of the wide-ranging activities undertaken by the commission to gather information.

Others include submissions, community meetings, talking to stakeholders and interviews, together with the public hearing in Alice Springs.

And while those hearings

continue, the commission is still keen to receive more personal stories of children and families about their experiences with the welfare system.

"When we're out in community, we hear all the time about how important it is that we're looking at welfare," said Barb Shaw, from the commission's community

engagement team based in Alice Springs.

"People want to tell their stories and they're really concerned about how the system has affected their own kids, other family members and the community as a whole.

If you've been in care at any time in the last 10 years in the Northern Territory, the commission wants to hear from you.

Submissions can be made up to June 16.

"Or it might be that you know someone who was in care during that time – someone from your family or from your community. We want to hear about that too," Ms Shaw said.

"Any information is important as it helps us to understand what's been happening in the past 10 years.

We need to know about the problems with welfare, and then we need to talk about how we can fix them.'

The commission also wants to hear about things that are working well.

"There are some positive stories out there, about programs that have helped kids stay with their family or in community," Ms Shaw said.

For anyone who wants to share their story with the Royal Commission, call 1800 604 604 or visit childdetentionnt. royalcommission.gov.au

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Tanya scores her gem of a job



Scams on the increase

DATING and romance scams have cost Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander people over \$800,000 during 2016 according to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)'s annual 'Targeting Scams'

ACCC deputy chair Delia Rickard said the report showed that scams

targeting Indigenous people were at the highest level ever recorded, with the ACCC receiving 1499 reports about scam activity from Indigenous people in

"Scammers were most likely to target Indigenous peoples with advance fee fraud scams," she said. "These scams come in a number of guises and scammers will try to get their victims to pay an upfront fee to receive a large payment such as from the government or a lottery provider.

"One common type of advance fee fraud scam is where a scammer pretends to be from a government department like the Tax Office or Centrelink. The scammers will claim their victims are entitled to a rebate for overpaid taxes or for a pension and get their victim to pay an up-front fee to release the money. That rebate doesn't exist and the

fake fee is going straight into a scammer's pocket."

Scammers typically contacted Indigenous people via email, phone. online and social media. Indigenous women were more likely to lose money to a scammer compared to

Dating and romance scams (\$852,182 in losses) and inheritance scams (\$320,400 in losses) cost Indigenous people the most money in 2016.

"We want to help Australians learn how to spot social media scams," Ms Rickard said.

"Indigenous people lost \$30,000 to scams that originated on social media in 2016. Dating and romance and fake online store scammers in particular use social media platforms like Facebook to con their victims."

Ms Rickard said the ACCC was conducting outreach programs in

Indigenous communities to talk about scams and other fair trading issues.

"We've also had great success setting up the 'Your Rights Mob' Facebook page to engage directly with Indigenous people about issues including scams, and also this year released additional educational material about identifying and avoiding scammers, she said. For more about scams, visit www.scamwatch.gov.au

QUEENSLAND REDISTRIBUTION COMMISSION



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The Commission's final determination report will also be available for inspection at the Commission's Brisbane office on Level 6, Forestry House, 160 Mary Street, Brisbane QLD 4000.

Chairperson, Queensland Redistribution Commission







Women from central Australia run a beanie dry-felting workshop last year.

Blow for Beanie Festival



ABORIGINAL people will continue to play a major role in this year's Alice Springs Beanie Festival, despite a

major loss of government support.

The Federal and Northern Territory governments have withdrawn funding for the festival's popular remote workshops – decisions that have more than disappointed director Jo Nixon.

"Apparently both governments will now only provide funding for new

programs, and not even existing successful ones like ours," she told the Koori Mail in the lead-up to this year's 21st festival, from June 23-26.

"We've always been funded in the past and have developed a highly successful festival and program. We're confident this will be our biggest festival yet, with more than 7000 beanies many of them by Indigenous Australians - on show.

"Rest assured we'll be working in coming months to win back that funding.'

Aboriginal women from the remote communities of Ernabella and Titjikala will still

attend this year's festival, despite the loss of funding.

And in what Ms Nixon says will be a festival highlight, the Titjikala women will be inducted into the Beanie Festival Hall of Fame. "These women really deserve this honour," she said.

"They have been great supporters of the festival and have created some beautiful beanies over the years."

This year's festival, again being held at the Araluen Centre, will include beanies from North America, Europe and Asia, as well as Australia.

For more details, go to www.beaniefest.org

10 years on Mutitjulu struggles



IT was the place used to justify the Intervention, and 10 years on residents of the remote Aboriginal community of Mutitjulu, near Uluru, say they still suffer from

abject poverty and neglect.

Mutitiulu held the opening ceremony for the National Indigenous Constitutional Convention last Tuesday, with hundreds of Aboriginal leaders hoping to shape a path to recognition.

It was here that false allegations of child sex abuse led to the Howard Government's Northern Territory 2007 Intervention, a controversial \$587 million package of income management, paternal welfare controls, justice and health measures that were enforced in more than 70 Aboriginal communities.

"The Government spent all that taxpayer money and achieved nothing," Mutitjulu resident Craig Woods said. "People's wellbeing

really hasn't changed."

Mr Woods said locals still faced low employment, substandard education and inadequate food, housing and health facilities.

Many Anangu people who live by Uluru haven't benefited enough from the hundreds of thousands of tourists who pay to visit it each year, he says.

Mr Woods wants locals to make up at least half of the nearby resort and national park's workforce.

In March, Mutitjulu signed a township lease to give traditional owners control over land use, which Mr Woods hopes will boost economic development.

He says locals have slowly regrouped following unfair reports of social dysfunction and child abuse.

"Ten years ago Anangu were betraved by the media, but they've moved forward from that," he said.

"We need to develop our community for the next generation or it won't grow." - AAP



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Freeman goes for gold



SHE made her name running fast yet Olympic champion Cathy Freeman admits she's spent a good

part of her post-retirement life running from her hard-won fame

The 44-year-old was unveiled as the sixth ambassador for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games this month, saying that she's ready to embrace her place in Australia's sporting history.

Freeman bore the weight of a nation at the Sydney Olympics in 2000, winning the 400m gold just days after she'd lit the Olympic flame at the opening ceremony then defying authorities who'd threatened her with possible loss of medals if she carried the Aboriginal flag on her victory lap.

Since retiring in 2003, the fourtime Commonwealth Games gold medallist has kept a low profile.

Freeman says it was a deliberate choice as she struggled to deal with the status her achievements had brought

Now married and a mother to daughter Ruby, she says she's ready to take on more of a public role for next year's Games.

"I'm looking forward to April. Really excited," Ms Freeman said following the announcement in Brisbane.

"A few years out of trying to run away from being this icon



person, I'm now feeling OK about it all and I'm happy to play a role in Gold Coast 2018.

Freeman is the sixth ambassador for the Games, joining fellow Olympic gold medallists Anna Meares and Sally Pearson, as well as Paralympian Kurt Fearnley, netballer Laura Geitz and swimmer Cameron McEvov

The organisation the sports star founded, the Cathy Freeman Foundation, works promoting education in remote Aboriginal communities.

Freeman says she's now also

ready to help rising athletes such as Beaudesert sprinter Riley Day, who joined her at the announcement ceremony, to

achieve their goals next year. "At the age of 44, I've got all this experience and all these stories. It'd be such a shame not to share at least," she said.

"I'm working down in Melbourne with aspiring elite athletes and I'm loving it actually."

Gold Coast Commonwealth Games Organising Committee (GOLDOC) chairman Peter Beattie said Freeman brought a global appeal to the Games

as an ambassador.

Her Sydney Olympic triumph made her a worldwide name as took a victory lap draped in the Aboriginal and Australian flags.

"Everyone in Australia and most of the world know Cathy Freeman," Mr Beattie said.

"She is an icon. She captured the hearts and minds of all Australians with that fantastic run in 2000.

"To have her on board as an ambassador is not just a coup for the Games but it shows what an important role it is." - AAP

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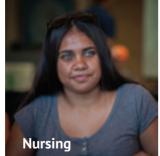
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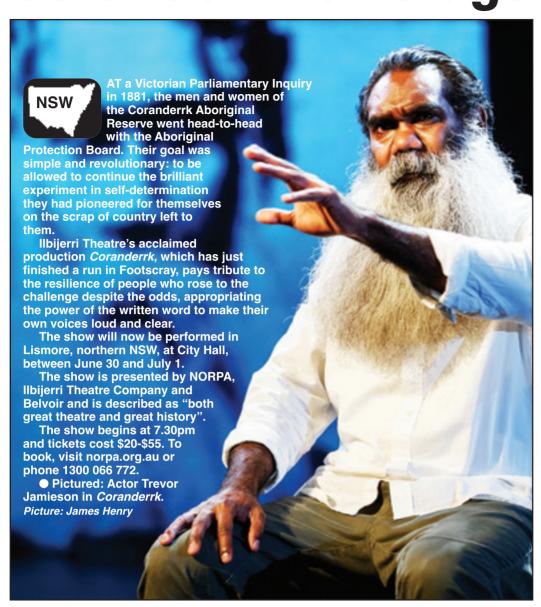




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Coranderrk on stage Award for



playwright



AS a young Aboriginal woman who is a survivor of child molestation, playwright Megan Wilding had a question in her head:

What would it be like if we told victims of paedophilia to get over what had happened to them in the past, like white Australia tells Aboriginal people to forget what has

happened to them? This question inspired the Gamilaroi woman to "dig deeper into it" and now she's set to write about it.

Ms Wilding is the winner of the Balnaves Foundation Indigenous Playwright's Award 2017 and has won a commission to write a play about an Indigenous woman who takes violent revenge against a man who sexually assaulted her as a child. She was to receive her award at Belvoir St

Theatre today, May 31, during National Reconciliation Week. Ms Wilding is a graduate of the acting program at the Western

Australian Academy of Performing Arts and will appear on stage at Belvoir, Sydney, in The Rover in July. She also coordinates Belvoir's writers group for women of colour.

"I entered the Balnaves Award because I had a story that I really wanted to write," Ms Wilding said.

"The award will give me the tools to fully invest in the process of writing. I'm so excited to jump all the way in with the support and guidance of

The Balnaves Foundation

Indigenous Playwright's Award is a \$25,000 award, comprised of a \$15,000 commission to write a new play and a \$10,000 cash prize.

Balnaves Award founder Hamish Balnaves said one of its objectives is to investigate stories of Indigenous experience.

"As white Australians we have to accept that much of this will be confronting," Mr Balnaves said. "It takes brave playwrights like

Megan to shine a light on the distressing reality of Indigenous

"Megan's play will make for uncomfortable viewing, but we must understand and acknowledge these Indigenous experiences to move closer to reconciliation.



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The Aboriginal flag features on a banner during the Labour Day march in Townsville.



Jimmy Baira and son Joseph have fun in Strand Park.

Rights focus of march

By ALF WILSON



STOLEN wages and rights of Indigenous workers to have the same pay and conditions as all Australians were discussed during the

Labour (or May) Day celebrations in Townsville. More than 10,000

people lined The Esplanade after about 1000 marchers set off from Anzac Park for Strand Park.

Indigenous men, women, and children were well represented in the march, which was followed by a family day at Strand Park.

One of the banners had the words 'Solidarity, Reconciliation Now' above the Aboriginal flag.

It was one of the biggest May

Day marches held in the north Queensland city for many years.

Patrick Neliman, of Mer descent and a member of the Maritime Union and the State Indigenous Committee of the ACTU, said Stolen Wages owed to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and maintaining penalty rates were important matters.

Former Weipa and Cloncurry

residents Jimmy and Cicely Baira took part in the march and fun day.

Mr Baira, of Palm Island and Badu Island descent, has been a long-time supporter of such events.

"We have been in Townsville since late last year and try and get to a May Day event wherever we are," he said.

"We have been to some in Weipa when we were there.

The Baira family was part of the Queensland Teachers Union group

A theme of this year's event was trying to ensure that penalty rates were not abolished.

The Queensland Council of Unions was at the forefront of lobbying the State Government to pay outstanding Stolen Wages for Indigenous people.

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Young 'MPs' have say

By LIINA FLYNN



AT only 18 years old, Nunka-Wa-Ru Pearce from Dubbo, NSW, is already dreaming of becoming

Australia's first Indigenous prime minister. Mr Pearce walked into his first National Indigenous Youth Parliament (NIYP) meeting in Canberra last week and experienced question time, debated bills and learned about the processes of being a member of Parliament.

"I expected something massive and I was getting nervous, but walking in there it was really casual and I got excited and started taking to the other young fellas there," Mr Pearce told the Koori Mail.

"It was a great experience. We had a chance to speak about issues like Aboriginal arts and culture and didgeridoo knock-off products being made overseas. We didn't have a lot of time to speak, so it was good training for being a politician.

Mr Pearce is one of 50 young Indigenous people who were given the opportunity to attend this year's National Indigenous Youth Parliament, which involves a week-long program of activities in Canberra, including meeting with the Prime Minister, Opposition Leader and other parliamentarians.



Recognise joint campaign director Mark Yettica-Paulson and National Indigenous Youth Parliament participant Nunka-Wa-Ru Pearce.

Mr Pearce is following in the footsteps of his great grandmother Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker), who was a lead campaigner in the 1967 referendum campaign to count Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Census.

One of an increasing number

of young Indigenous people committed to bringing about change in Australia, he said he now feels more connected with his father's side of the family.

"My great grandmother would be proud of me," he said. "I would like everyone be aware of the fact Aboriginal people are

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here and give my people a sense of belonging within this country."

Mr Pearce became involved in the NIYP after attending a workshop organised by Recognise, the organisation campaigning to see a referendum called on the constitutional recognition of

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Constitution and ensure there's no place in it for racial discrimination.

Recognise joint campaign director Mark Yettica-Paulson said the NIYP, organised by the Australian Electoral Commission, is designed to get exciting and engaging young people inspired to engage with the political world and give their voice to Parliament while developing their leadership skills.

This is the 50th anniversary of the 1967 referendum," Mr Yettica-Paulson said. "Fifty years ago, young people worked towards making changes in their day. Now, young people are more empowered to be leaders and move forward and change the system.

"Neville Bonner was our first parliamentarian 50 years ago and he had a vision and hope.

"Now we have numerous Indigenous parliamentarians at the federal, state and territory

"Back then we wanted to fight for citizenship rights of equality. These issues are still there, but now we have people doing amazing things at all levels.

'The recipe for making change is now more powerful than in

"This generation has the opportunity to make changes beyond our wildest dreams.'

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Girls score with Bulldogs NRL jersey



THE Bulldogs NRL team wore a jersey for the Indigenous round designed by an Aboriginal girls group from the Chifley College

Mount Druitt Campus. Akeisha, Tiana, Adeana and Tyler Kennedy and Harmony Hanslow designed the jumper.

They felt it was important that the jersey design appealed to Indigenous and other supporters alike, so made sure the design used traditional symbols and techniques to retell the history of the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs.

The design started with brainstorming the history of the club, including the Bulldogs' eight premierships, playing in the NRL for 82 years, going from the Berries to the Bulldogs in the late 1970s and the domination of the Bulldogs in the 1980s.

Akeisha, 16, said she and the other girls involved in designing the jersey were proud of what they had achieved.

"It feels good. It's great to see it going out into the public," the Barkindji girl told the Koori Mail. "I love doing Aboriginal art





Bulldogs player Tyrone Phillips shows off the jersey worn in this month's Indigenous Round and, right, jersey designers are Akeisha, Tiana, Adeana and Tyler Kennedy.

because it helps me connect with my culture. I've always wanted to do art, but I've doubted myself.

"When our art teacher picked our design I was so proud to be able to do something that she was going to show to the Bulldogs.

The jersey design included all the important parts of the Bulldogs story.

The young designers said the

Aboriginal man represents the Aboriginal men who have played in the team and the boomerangs in his hand tell the story of the Bulldogs being a strong team that is always fighting back for

The dog prints and human prints walking together side by side represents the players and supporters entering the stadium as men, then all coming together to be Bulldogs.

There are eight meeting places on the jersey. These show the Bulldogs community coming together to watch the Bulldogs win eight grand finals.

There are 82 dots that represent how many years the Canterbury-Bankstown Bulldogs have been in the NRL competition.

The type of blue that was chosen in the bottom pattern and meeting places was inspired by the blue of the Bulldogs.

The use of black, red and yellow in the design reflects the Aboriginal flag.

The green, together with white and blue, reflects the colours of the Torres Strait Islands flag.

Govt acts over coal mine ILUA



FEDERAL Attorney-General George Brandis has taken the unusual step of intervening in a Federal Court hearing

in which an Aboriginal woman is seeking to have an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) struck out.

Delia Kemppi and other members of the Wangan and Jagalingou (W&J) Traditional Owners Council are challenging an ILUA with Indian mining giant Adani, which is seeking to put a huge coal mine on their land.

The Adani ILUA is one of the agreements that, if decided now, would have to meet the Native Title Act criteria as described in the McGlade case earlier this year, where four Noongar people successfully challenged an ILUA because not every applicant had agreed to it. That Federal Court decision overturned an earlier ruling (Bygrave No 2) that held only one of the named applicants needed to sign off on an ILUA.

The Federal Government quickly ntroduced legislation to change the Act, but it is yet to pass the Senate, although Labor has indicated it will support the bill at the next sitting.

Senator Brandis asked the court to delay its decision until the new legislation has been enacted.

The Government has bent over backwards to assist Adani, with Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull assuring company founder Gautam Adani that his Government would make changes to native title law and Senator Brandis telling The Australian that the Government had been working to change native title to provide certainty to Adani.

W&J spokesperson Adrian Burragubba said the Attorney-General had made an "extraordinary and political intervention" in matters before the court.

"Intervening in our case shows Brandis is working in billionaire Adani's interests, not ensuring the proper administration of justice," he said. "Again, Brandis is making native title all about Adani's mine instead of good law reform.

"Brandis should apply himself to good law reform, and let the court do its work. Instead he's trying to influence the decisions of a judge in favour of a mining company.

"The Wangan and Jagalingou Council are seeking Federal Court orders to strike out the purported ILUA filed by Adani Mining with the National Native Title Tribunal. The ILUA would authorise 'extinguishment' of our native title and allow the mine to proceed against our strong objections and our right to say 'no'.

"Interests"

"The Government has been attempting to push through amendments to the Native Title Act to overturn the ruling in Mc and protect Adani's interests. Along with other traditional owners, we continue to demand proper consultations and the necessary time to achieve consent for amendments."

W&J Traditional Owners Council vouth spokesperson Murrawah Johnson said Adani didn't negotiate and achieve the free prior informed consent of the W&J people for the ILUA. "The meeting, which Adani and its barrackers claim achieved consent, with a 294-1 vote, is as fake as its ILUA," she said.

The issue has caused deep divides in the native title claim group, with some members in favour and others vehemently opposed.





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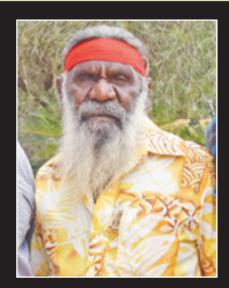
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4 Quote



"I am lucky that my language is still alive. The white man came in and crushed our cultures and took our languages away. We own our own freedom, and have from the start. We need to come together and tell the Government that."

- APY Elder Murray George

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Unquote ⁵

Statement from the Heart

This is the Uluru Statement from the Heart, made by delegates - a crosssection of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from across the country – to the National Constitutional Convention held at Uluru in Central Australia. It replaces our editorial for this edition.

e, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and coexists with the sovereignty of the Crown.

How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years?

With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood.

Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are aliened from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future.

These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country.

We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination.

We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreementmaking between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our

In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.

A Yarn With...



Jasmine Weldon

School community engagement officer Boggabilla, NSW

Favourite bush tucker? Fish.

Favourite other food? Italian.

Favourite drink? Water.

Favourite sport? Basketball.

Favourite holiday destination? Hawaii.

Favourite read?

Anything to do with Aboriginal culture.

What are you watching?

Students at Boggabilla growing up and developing into our future

What do you like in life? Being a mum and the fact I love my job.

What don't you like? The heat here in summer.

Who would you most like to

Singer Jessica Mauboy.

If you could, who would you do to help Indigenous people? What I'm doing at the moment ensuring our kids get a good education. It's vital that our kids attend school regularly.

Doctor stands tall with surgeon goal

By LIINA FLYNN

NE of Australia's few Indigenous doctors, David Murray didn't always dream of becoming an orthopaedic surgeon.

At more than 2m tall (seven feet), he wanted to play professional sport.

"I was into basketball and AFL but my career was cut short after I had a knee injury," Dr Murray told the Koori Mail.

It was the care of the orthopaedic surgeon who looked after him, and also his older brother who was a general surgeon that inspired him to follow the medical path.

So, 11 years ago, he looked into the Indigenous entry program at James Cook University in Queensland, and he's never looked back.

Now he's the recipient of a one-year \$20,000 Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainee scholarship.

It's been a long journey for the 33-year-old Darug man from the Sydney area. Six years at medical school at James Cook University, then working as a junior medical officer on the NSW Central Coast, followed by two more years as a service registrar.

Training

Now Dr Murray's using his scholarship money to finish his surgical training.

"When I started out, Abstudy was sufficient to pay my college fees," he said.

"I had no mobile phone or laptop and I had enough money to eat three meals a day. All I had to do was eat and study.

"I thought to myself I was going to make myself, my family and my people proud.

"In hindsight I should have applied for scholarships back nen too. It would have alleviated being able to afford textbooks. my burden."

Dr Murray said there are barriers at all levels of society stopping Indigenous people following their aspirations, from school to university.

His advice to anyone thinking of following a medical career is to look around for scholarship opportunities.

"It's the simple things like



accommodation and tutoring," Dr Murray said.

"Then there's the exams and prerequisite courses and professional body fees. Each is a bridge to be crossed in a challenging profession with high standards.

"We need to step toward professional diversity and equality through cultural change people.

"We have come through 200 years as an Australian nation and, as one of the few Indigenous surgeons in this country, I don't wear it as a badge of honour. I want to see more for our people at all levels, from school to university and doctor training and careers in surgery.'

Dr Murray's scholarship provided by Johnson & Johnson Medical Devices, offers support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander doctors in Australia in their pursuit of becoming surgeons

Dr Murray will use the funding from the scholarship to complete his orthopaedic surgical training and become Australia's first Aboriginal orthopaedic surgeon.

(Orthopaedics relates to treatment of illnesses and injuries that affect bones and muscles).

Dr Murray's passion now is in hand surgery and ongoing research to develop and improve patient outcomes.

"Myself and my colleagues recently published a paper on hand research and I took it to London and presented it to surgeons from all over the world," he said.

"Our paper looks at how to best prepare hands for surgery. We found that if you soak a hand in a bag with Betadine for three minutes, it will eliminate infection-causing bacteria. Now we need to implement these changes across the world."

Challenges

With so much responsibility on his shoulders as a surgeon, Dr Murray relishes the challenges and said his path is a commitment to lifelong learning.

"It's an amazing and rewarding profession to be a part of," he said.

"I work with kids to geriatrics and deal with people in trauma from motor vehicle accidents, to people with chronic pain.

"It's most fulfilling to me when

I perform a knee replacement operation on someone with osteoarthritis and they can then stand up pain free and return to their community radiating happiness.

"No matter how good you are, you never know about everything - that's why you sub-specialise. I always took on a challenge and thrive on it.

"Having Indigenous mentors made it possible for me and now I offer mentorship to others in anatomy, physiology and orthopaedics.'

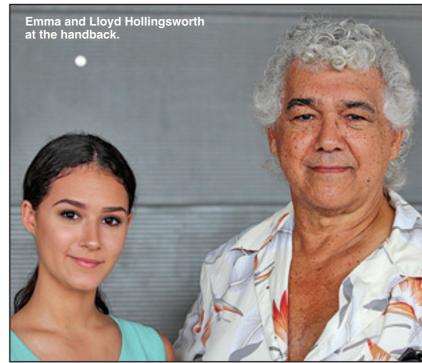
Dr Murray describes himself as a simple man from Australia who has followed his passion. Now as a senior doctor, working in Newcastle, he contributes to changing the face of Australian health practice, contributing to NSW Health roundtable discussions.

His message to anyone aspiring to become a surgeon: "It doesn't matter who you are or where you're from. Stand tall, give it your maximum effort and we can all make a difference.

"We have come through 200 years as an Australian nation and, as one of the few Indigenous surgeons in this country, I don't wear it as a badge of honour. I want to see more for our people at all levels, from school to university and doctor training and careers in surgery." - Dr David Murray



The 'boys from the bush': from left, Cameron Hudson, Rodney Accoom, Thomas Hudson, James Adams, Steve Ahmat and Robbie Nelson.



Over the moon

Spaceport land is returned to people

By CHRISTINE HOWES

IN the 1980s dodgy Country Party Queensland Premier Joh Bjelke-Petersen decided he wanted to build a spaceport on Cape York.

After considering sites near Weipa and Mapoon, the Bjelke-Petersen Government eventually settled on a remote stretch of coast in Temple Bay, 70km north of Lockhart River.

From here, Soviet rockets would launch US, European and Asian satellites into the Earth's orbit from a commercially run rocket-launching facility. A new town, airport, resorts, housing, shopping centre and port were to be built on the 160,000hectare parcel of coastal land earmarked

for the development. This land, known as Bromley, is part of the ancestral homelands of the Wuthathi, Kukuy'au and Northern Kaanju people, who were forcibly removed 80-90

years ago And - not surprisingly - the local traditional owners objected to the spaceport, saying at the time that it "infringes on traditional lands. It is not a viable enterprise that will benefit the rightful owner. It is merely an excuse to open up

August 14, 1991. Cape York to massive tourist and unAboriginal development and that the development of such a project would have a catastrophic result on the environment."

In 1991, Wuthathi Elder Gordon Pablo was reported in the Koori Mail as saying the area proposed for the spaceport had been a fighting ground where Aboriginal people had died and where their spirits remained.

"The land is more important to the Aboriginal people than anything," he said. Last week that land was handed back. It is now Aboriginal freehold.

More than 50,000 hectares of it is set to be dedicated as the Bromley Ampulin and Kungkaychi national parks.

Bromley Aboriginal Corporation chair

Johnson Chippendale said it was an outcome Elders in their community had wanted for more than 30 years.

"This is one of the best days in our life," he said. "This is what we've been waiting for, for the past 30 years. Today means a lot to us.

"It means now that we could start getting back to country, developing infrastructure and teaching our kids about our culture, our tradition, as our ancestors did once before.'

Elder Lucy Hobson said the people had stuck together.

"We worked really well together until this day. We had our frustration, but we stuck together as family and today is that day we have been wishing for, for a long time," she said.

Carol Prior, who spoke at the

oori Mai

CAPE YORK ABORIGINES SLAN

SPACE PORT PROPOSAL

The Koori Mail front page from

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handover, said that when she came into the battle she had black

"Say no more," she

"Through it all we sat down together, as one, not individuals, not as Elders, but as people working together for one goal.

"It's been a long, hard struggle to get to this point, but we're here now.

Joanne Nelson agreed. "We're staying

fighting for something, fighting for our land, for our children, our hope and and future," she said.

"It's a great and historical day for each and every one of us here in this room." Queensland Labor Aboriginal and

Minister Mark Furner said he remembered an uproar about the spaceport proposal at the time. "People were horrified that a parcel of

Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

land that is approximately the size of Brisbane and the suburbs was going to be turned into a space station," he said.

"Quite rightly, traditional owners voiced their opposition. They took to the Government and they fought and it's a fight worth having. It's a fight they won." - With Andrew Picone







Above: Kaanju Mob from Palm Island, with Carol Prior, front right, at the handover ceremony.

Left: **Descendants of** Para (Wuthathi Clan) Desmay and May Dewar with traditional owner negotiations committee member Richard McLean.

YOUR SAY



On page 24, Indigenous affairs analyst Heidi Kiekebosch-Fitt writes about the huge social cost of Indigenous women in prison.

Indigenous Round jumper a winner

I AM a proud Kabi-Kabi and Bindal man from south-east Queensland and Townsville currently studying a Masters of Teaching (secondary) at the University of Melbourne. I play football for the University Blacks in the Victorian Amateur Football Association (VAFA).

I have been playing footy for most of my life and it has taken me to places that I never knew existed. Like many, I play footy because I enjoy it in many ways. I enjoy the competitive nature of the sport. I enjoy the friendships and relationships made within your club and opposition clubs. Most importantly, I thoroughly enjoy playing footy because it levels the playing field across demographic groups.

I believe sport is a space where discrimination is less likely to occur. Having said that, it does occur, and we have seen the racial vilification of Adam Goodes, Majak Daw and Eddie Betts, but it remains an oval of hope for me.

On May 27 the AFL celebrated the Indigenous Round across the nation in all country, suburban and metropolitan football leagues. There were two further reasons to celebrate: the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum and the 125th year the Victorian Amateur Football Association has been in existence.

This is the first year that University Blacks will celebrate the Indigenous Round. I find them progressive, inclusive and active in terms of bringing Indigenous issues to the surface of the league. They work hard to celebrate Indigenous culture and provide a safe space for Indigenous education, affairs and history and will continue to

With strong leadership from the club's senior hierarchy, the University Blacks lead the competition and the wider VAFA community in acknowledging and celebrating Indigenous culture and its influence on the game we all

What does the Indigenous Round mean to me? It symbolises an arena where the public can view Indigenous culture positively and celebrate the influence Indigenous peoples, athletes and cultures have had on the game that stems from Marngrook. I feel blessed to be able to play footy when in a time not so long ago, my uncles, aunties and grandparents were not allowed to play, or chose not to play because of the discrimination and ignorant racial vilification they endured on a regular basis.

Last Saturday there was a welcome smoking ceremony to both teams by Wurundjeri Elder



Tyrone Bean in the Melbourne University Blacks Indigenous Round jersey, designed by him and Alex Kerr.

Diane Kerr. There was also traditional dancing performed by a University of Melbourne student and his family who have bloodlines to Wurundjeri country and Yorta Yorta country. The ground had both the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags painted on the grandstand side wing. And lastly, and most importantly, the University Blacks wore an Indigenous round jumper which has been designed by Alex Kerr (son of Aunty Di) and me.

Here's the story about the jumper. Replacing the traditional blue V on the chest of the jumper is a blue Bunjil, which is overlooking everything else on the jumper. The Bunjil is the totem of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nations, where Melbourne's city centre

In the centre of the jumper is the meeting ground, which represents the University of Melbourne, where the University Blacks are based. There is a thicker path, which represents the Yarra River of the Wurundjeri people which flows through the meeting place and the rest of

Wurundjeri country. There are many different paths leading towards the central meeting place, which represent every player's journey to the University Blacks. The larger dots along their path to the university represent the challenges faced and overcome.

One of the paths is from a Brolga which represents my Bindal totem from Townsville. There is a red and yellow circle in the centre of the Brolga's stomach, which represents my spirit and my family's spirit. Replacing the larger dots is the journey of my spirit into the centre of the meeting place. It represents my challenges overcome before coming to the University Blacks. The reason why my spirit stops in the centre of the meeting place is because the meeting place represents the full University Blacks players, coaches, family members and community supporting my family and myself.

Last year I needed their support. My spirit took a beating when I was racially vilified in a game. It represents the full University Blacks community looking after and guiding my friends, family and myself through that significant negative moment and for the rest of the year and for all issues that Indigenous people face and endure daily.

On the back of the jumper is the Yarra River with a crocodile swimming in it. This is modern twist as it represents an Aboriginal man from Darwin, his totem is the crocodile, who is also playing at the University Blacks.

This jumper represents an entire community coming together and standing up against the negativities surrounding Indigenous peoples and their communities daily. It represents a community coming together to stand up against the mistreatment of Indigenous peoples past, present and hopefully not so much into the future. It represents a community being the leader of social change. And lastly it represents a community that will forever be a home for future generations of Indigenous peoples.

This was the first time something this positive within the Indigenous space was held in the VAFA and hopefully it won't be the last. It was an opportunity to reflect on the journey of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, issues, affairs, education and the influence it has had on our favourite sport in Australia.

Through more education and awareness, together we can be the social change and make a positive difference for all Australians.

Tyrone Bean

In this country

I grew up in this country I love this country This is my black and white children and grandchildren's country I went to school in this country I played Australian rules football in this country In this country In the school yard You give it, you take it Don't go sobbing and crying to the teacher on yard duty On the sport field You give it, you take it Don't go sobbing and crying to the umpire.

Mark Agius

The Soul is Winning

My face of late has a

permanent frown My old legs are starting to let me down Pain it seems running through my frame The years are starting to catch me off guard Try not to let it get me down Hell I need to have a sit down I'm trying to be strong and carry on The truth is I'm getting Push myself from day to Have a fake smile upon My head aches and my legs give me hell I guess now only time My age I'm very proud of Indigenous folk Years of standing on a cement floor But hell I'm trying to give you more The sun comes up, the sun goes down I pound the beat from west to east If things get worse and I aet distressed

Raylene Campion

I guess I'll have to walk

on my hands.

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Huge cost of women in jail

MOCKING statistics revealing the high number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in prison have been highlighted in a recent Human Rights Law Centre and Change the Record report.

It outlines that since the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody released its findings in 1991, the number of Indigenous women incarcerated has increased by 248%

Part of the problem with these types of reports is that they are focused on the process of 'law reform' rather than dealing with the primary causes of Indigenous disempowerment - which are ultimately poverty and disadvantage.

Until we change the paradigm in which Indigenous people exist in our society, we are going to see the same problems persist.

The report suggests an increase in violent offending by Indigenous women is a factor in the rise in the imprisonment rate, but this is a consequence of the disempowerment, disadvantage and prejudice Indigenous women face – not the cause.

One of the reasons Indigenous women are much more likely to be incarcerated than other women is the high rate of physical and sexual violence inflicted on them. Between 70% and 90% of Indigenous women in prison are survivors of physical and sexual violence.

Addressing the cycle of poverty, dysfunction and trauma that exists in many Indigenous communities is imperative if Australia wants to put a stop to the ongoing rise in Indigenous women's incarceration.

We cannot risk being complacent about these appalling

It is not just women who experience the repercussions: 80% of these women in prison are mothers and every moment spent in custody has a devastating impact on their children, who often end up in the child-protection

For those women working at the coalface, the report's findings come as no surprise.

Sisters Inside chief executive Debbie Kilroy has been battling for years to try and address the number of Indigenous women entering custody, but according to her "no one has been interested".

The Queensland-based program - which she started with a group of women while they were in custody together - provides support to Indigenous women in prison and post-release to try and reduce the rates of imprisonment and reoffending.

She believes prisons do not help address the reason women end up in jail, and argues: "How do you rehabilitate someone living in poverty? The prison won't do that. It's rubbish to say that, because how do you rehabilitate someone



Heidi Kiekebosch-**Fitt**

out of poverty in prison? You are re-traumatising them.'

While some women are jailed for serious offences, the way the criminal justice system is set up is prejudicial towards Indigenous people, as there is an overpolicing of minor offences (such as nonpayment of fines) and a paternalist approach when it comes to dealing with Indigenous people (such as placing them in custody for their 'protection').

The report's push for reforms does not address the factors that contribute to the high incarceration rates. For instance, there is no point making changes to the Bail Act if the Government will not address the issues of homelessness. Many young Indigenous people are kept in jail on remand because there is no suitable accommodation to release

To make headway on Closing the Gaps in Indigenous outcomes, women's vital role in 'holding up half the sky' and supporting their family and communities needs to be acknowledged and fostered.

The 'Half the Sky' movement is internationally recognised and highlights how far behind we are on addressing issues of poverty and development in Australia.

We need to acknowledge and understand the integral role women play in supporting and empowering communities as primary changemakers who should be invested in. Invest in a mother and you invest in her children.

According to Ms Kilroy, changing the paradigm is about valuing Indigenous women. Many Indigenous women are "criminalised because of who they are", she says, and the way in which our society deals with victims of physical and sexual assault.

Women are told they need to take measures to prevent danger and risks to themselves, rather

than society looking at ways to prevent perpetrators from being violent.

Although the majority of Indigenous women will never come into contact with the criminal justice system, those who do often have lives marred by acute disadvantage. The cycle of disadvantage, trauma, poverty and the perpetuation of gendered and cultural discrimination converges for Indigenous women. It therefore is not surprising they become victims of this cycle.

Shocking statistics like these latest incarceration rates for Indigenous women have plagued the face of Indigenous affairs for years. The fact there is so little data available on Indigenous women and that this situation has been allowed to endure, is reflective of the position they hold in our society.

We need to engender a greater understanding of Indigenous women's lives and how destructive it is for generations of children when their mothers enter custody.

It is time real attention was paid to understanding the genesis of the statistics by addressing issues such as violence and homelessness.

Having large numbers of women in custody affects everyone.

 Heidi Kiekebosch-Fitt is a policy analyst in Indigenous affairs at the Centre for Independent Studies, and a solicitor with a background in criminal law.

Time to dream again

HE decision in Uluru to reject constitutional recognition and instead endorse a Makarrata (a Yolngu word for treaty or in my own Kamilaroi language a Yaliwunga-ngaa), together with a constitutionally enshrined Aboriginal voice in Parliament, provides Australia a rare opportunity to become a leader in a world faced with crises.

We wake up in a world unable to mend its history overspilling into racial and religious violence across the globe. Only this month 22 people were killed after an explosion at a Ariana Grande concert in Manchester, England.

In April a police officer was killed and others injured when terrorists fired on a parked car in Paris.

I ask you: What is worse, the violence of random terrorists, or the calculated institutionalised violence of those in authority against people within their own country who have never felt safe?

Only this month we had another unarmed Aboriginal death at the hands of police in Perth as 40-year-old father-of-six Chad Riley died after being tasered.

Also this same month in the United States we had yet another black life taken when 15-year-old straight-A student Jordan Edwards was shot in the head by police. Jordan was unarmed, he hadn't been drinking, and was leaving a party when police shot multiple rounds into a car filled with teens.

Two weeks ago, an African American student, Richard Collins III, was stabbed and killed on the campus of the University of

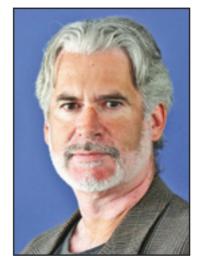
Maryland in the US in what has been called a lynching by many in the black community. That same day, Mississippi state representative Karl Oliver wrote on Facebook that people who supported the removal of Confederate memorials "should be LYNCHED".

Here in Australia, historians have estimated that in 1788 there were between one million and 1.5 million Aboriginal people living in Australia when the First Fleet arrived. Just over 100 years later, as Australia became a federation in 1901, there were fewer than 100,000 of our people left. This equates to genocide of some 95% of the entire population.

In 1968, W E H Stanner delivered the annual Boyer Lectures, which he titled 'The Great Australian Silence', where he called out those who had constructed Australia's deceitful history. He stated that such absences were deliberate and conceited.

Last week, Aboriginal Australia stood firm among all this violence, craziness and racial hatred and said as one collective: We say no to the violence, no to the hatred and no to the pains of our past. It's time we all move forward together in a process

Professor Megan Davis read out one of the great modern statements of our time, along with Paul Keating's Redfern Speech and Stan Grant's Australian Dream. It called out the haters, those on both sides who prefer we remain embroiled in division and addicted to the pain and conflict, and instead it provides a much-needed path towards



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peace, truth acknowledgment and

After many in our community feared that there would be a conservative, moderate approach, those in Uluru stood tall on the shoulders of our ancestors asserting that our Aboriginal sovereignty had never been ceded or extinguished in representing us all. The delegates delivered a united, strong Aboriginal voice that speaks for those most vulnerable, those suffering high rates of incarceration, our children in detention and our babies being

In part it said: "This is the torment of our powerlessness. We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their

To say 'Makarrata' over 'Treaty' a word from one of our own languages - empowered the moment with even more significance, as through Yolngu Professor Davis spoke with the strength of tens of thousands of years demonstrated in our survival, our land and in recognition of our kinship systems over and above the language and system of government that until now has opposed us.

In using one of our own languages, the Uluru Statement from the Heart let Government know that we will not be entering these discussions with our heads bowed

I felt a shudder and began to cry when Prof Davis said: "In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard.'

It was clear coming out of the regional meetings, social media and talking with mob back home in our communities that minimal recognition in a constitution would never provide us the legal, historical and future framework to protect our way of life and provide a future for our great-grandchildren.

The delegates in Uluru stood by this voice and have stayed strong to that vision, inspired by our people across the nation. We wanted more and we deserved more than minimalist constitutional reform and

this is what our delegates have delivered.

Australia now has the opportunity to become the role model and benchmark desperately needed in a world gone crazy with racial hatred and violence. As Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people united we have granted them this opportunity.

Just imagine a country where languages are shared and inclusive education is taught, building respect and partnership instead of defending guilt on both sides through denial.

Our children living in a country that no longer denies our 60,000plus years of culture and our way of life – our languages and history embraced in our national curriculum, along with our laws and our identity.

As a collective we must also take time to respect and acknowledge the role all our community has contributed towards this significant moment.

The momentum towards treaty throughout the different states comes from those young people and the diehards of our community who still march and lead protest across this county.

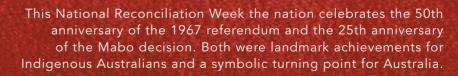
For decades we have been calling for a strong, united mob and have spoken of our potential if we could put away our differences aside and show unity.

It was on Sorry Day, May 26, 2017, that this moment arrived - it is now time we stop our divisions and once again start dreaming.

 Dr Woolombi Waters is a regular Koori Mail columnist.



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Violence funds welcomed



ABORIGINAL Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Victoria (FVPLS Victoria)

chief executive Antoinette Braybrook says recent State Budget measures recognise the disproportionate impact of family violence on Aboriginal women and their children.

"For far too long family violence has been a silent epidemic, especially for Aboriginal women," she said.

"Aboriginal women in Victoria are at least 25 times more likely to be killed or injured as

a result of family violence.

"The (State) Government has put its money where its mouth is and backed important commitments with real and concrete action."

The Budget committed \$1.9 billion over four years to its family violence package, including \$33.5 million for preventing and responding to the severity of family violence faced by Aboriginal people.

"This funding will provide much-needed support for our state's most vulnerable women," Ms Braybrook said.

"Importantly, the

comprehensive package recognises the importance of taking a holistic approach to address family violence.

"Aboriginal women face particular barriers to accessing services, so access to culturally safe and holistic services and supports is vital.

"Delighted"

"We're delighted that the Government has also recognised the importance of community development and early intervention programs in addressing the epidemic of family violence, particularly

through the support for the Koorie Women's Gathering Place and FVPLS Victoria programs such as Sisters Day Out, Dilly Bag and Young Luv.

"If we are really going to put an end to family violence we need to build the strength and resilience of Aboriginal women to reduce their vulnerability to violence."

The Royal Commission into Family Violence, which reported last year, and the Victorian Government's response, A 10-Year Plan, provide a blueprint for addressing family violence, Ms Braybrook says.

"Aboriginal victims/survivors of

family violence - predominantly women - were front and centre of the Royal Commission's report and recommendations," she said.

"Aboriginal community controlled organisations who work with victims/survivors on the frontline must be properly resourced to provide long-term supports to our women and children - from prevention and crisis through to healing and recovery.

"We need long-term, secure funding so we can focus on doing what we do best - delivering culturally safe and evaluated programs that work.'

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Sunday June 18, 12.00pm – 3.00pm at

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If you are an interested Traditional Owner, please contact NTSV's Community Liaison Officers Emily Robinson or Shona Kelly-Briggs, on 1800 791 779 (toll free) or (03) 9321 5300.



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For further information please phone 08 8226 8900 during office hours

3CR ready for inmates and annual Radiothon



BROAD-CASTING from behind bars in six of Victoria's

prisons is not something that all radio stations do, but for 3CR community radio in Melbourne, it's just a part of its service to the community.

Every year for NAIDOC Week, the community radio station runs workshops with prisoners in the lead-up to the Beyond the Bars broadcasts, where prisoners create poems, writings and contributions to the on-air shows, then help the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander presenters to create three hours of live programming.

3CR projects coordinator Juliet Fox told the Koori Mail the project was in its 16th year and has become an event all look forward to.

"We prepare them to be on radio and they (inmates) send out cheerios and messages to family, friends and loved ones," Ms Fox

"We only use first names and never talk about what the prisoners are in jail for.

"This community event shows that people are not forgotten about, even though they are incarcerated, and it has amazing outcomes.

"We now have two programmers on air who participated in the Beyond the Bars program when they were in jail and when they got out, they trained with us and now produce shows."

3CR also presents eight weekly Indigenous shows, and relies on the support of the community to stay on air. Now, the station is launching its annual Radiothon from June 5-18 and Ms Fox encourages listeners and the community to give donations, large or small, to keep the station going.

"The Radiothon is a key component of our survival,"





Kutcha Edwards on air with an inmate during a Beyond the Bars broadcast on 3CR in Melbourne.

she said. "We have 600 volunteers and a small staff of six, but it costs money to run a radio station.

"We hope to reach the target of \$220,000 to help pay for electricity, internet, phones and maintaining

the studios - all the things that help to drive the station and resource programmers.

"The community gets to listen to our great programs every day of the year and this is the one time to reach into your pockets and support us and every donation is tax deductible."

3CR was established in 1976 to provide a voice for those denied access to the mass media, particularly Indigenous people, the working class and women.

A new show on 3CR called *Blaknoise Radio*, with broadcaster and journalist Kerri Lee, explores news, arts and culture from an Aboriginal woman's perspective.

To find out more about the Radiothon and the station visit http://www.3cr.org.au

Drone reef monitoring to take off



CAPE York will soon have airborne drones monitoring the health of the country.

The Yuku Baja Muliku Rangers,

responsible for caring for the region, are pioneering the use of the drones with the assistance of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority (MPA)

The Queensland Indigenous ranger group is one of the first to receive Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) certification to use drones commercially. They have bought a drone which will soon take to the skies to survey their country, which spans 22,500 hectares around Archer Point on Cape York.

Marine park authority Indigenous Partnerships project manager and drone pilot Andrew Denzin said the drone will carry a small camera, allowing rangers to view areas they have never seen before due to inaccessible terrain, as well as offshore islands and coral reefs.

"It will also allow them to map their country in greater detail and monitor any changes over time,' he said. "Aerial photographs can identify features as small as individual mangroves and coral colonies.

The land and sea country of the Yuku Baja Muliku people includes portions of two World Heritage-listed areas: the Wet Tropics and the Great Barrier

Archer Point is a crucial stretch



Yuku Baja Muliku Rangers operations manager Mick Hale, Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority Indigenous Partnerships project manager and drone pilot Andrew Denzin, and Yuku Baja Muliku Rangers senior ranger Adam Saunders

of sea country for green turtles travelling to and from their Raine Island nesting grounds – the largest in the southern hemisphere. The waters also offer sanctuary to the threatened hawksbill turtle and dugongs.

Yuku Baja Muliku Rangers operations manager Mick Hale and his wife Larissa established the ranger team in 2007.

"Our connection to our sea country, and respect for the animals that we share these

waters with, ensures we do all we can to protect them," Mr Hale said. "Our care is unwavering."

In 2013, the Yuku Baja Muliku people developed a Traditional Use of Marine Resources Agreement (TUMRA), accredited by the Great Barrier Reef MPA and the Queensland Government, to enhance the management of their sea country, which is in the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

The following year, the Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage Protection funded the construction of the Archer Point Turtle Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre. It's a labour-intensive operation and the rangers carry most of the running expenses.

When the MPA invited the rangers to trial the use of drones as a TUMRA field management tool, they were quick to accept.

"The potential of this technology really excites us," Mr Hale said. "We foresee using drones in many aspects of our land and sea country management."

Mr Denzin, who has spent the past 12 months testing the aerial mapping capabilities of small (1.3kg) drones, was confident the rangers would jump at the idea.

He travelled to Archer Point to train three of the rangers to pilot the craft and utilise mapping applications. Two of these rangers will now undertake a CASA-accredited remote (drone) pilot's licence course.

"This is all about capacity building," Mr Denzin said.

"Drones will enhance the TUMRA program. They will literally expand the horizon of ranger groups caring for land and sea country, including the reef.'

Camping scheme Remains offers benefits



VISITORS to a range of places in the Kimberley will soon be able to camp with local custodians as part of a new tourism

initiative. The Imintji Aboriginal community, working with Tourism WA, has created the first campground under the new Camping with Custodians initiative, which recently won a major national planning award.

Camping with Custodians provides an opportunity for visitors to stay on Aboriginal lands and to engage with locals, resulting in a unique tourism experience. In turn, Aboriginal communities benefit through enterprise and employment opportunities.

Imintji, on the western end of the Gibb River Road in the Kimberley, is the first fully serviced commercial campground built and operated by a remote community under the Camping with Custodians model, featuring 20 campsites and visitor facilities.

In addition to the Imintji site, Camping with Custodians has resulted in campground infrastructure at Mimbi expected to open in June 2017. A site at Violet Valley, south of Warmun community, is also under way, along with campgrounds being



The Imintji Aboriginal community, working with Tourism WA has created the first campground under the new Camping with Custodians initiative.

developed in the Pilbara - the first at Peedamulla Station on the Great Northern Highway near Onslow.

The Camping with Custodians project won the Public Engagement and Community Planning category at the Planning Institute Australia's 2017 National Awards for

Planning Excellence.

The awards recognise outstanding planning and planners who make valuable contributions to the future of communities across Australia.

For more information on the Camping with Custodians project, visit the Tourism WA website.

returned



A REPATRIATION ceremony has been held at the Australian Embassy in Berlin to acknowledge the return of three

Indigenous ancestral remains from German institutions.

Direct descendants, community members and representatives from Aboriginal land councils attended the repatriation ceremony

The ancestral remains were returned to community members and direct descendants from Indigenous communities in far north Queensland and the Clarence River region in northern NSW.

Direct descendants received Granddad Barry, King Ng:tja of the Ngadjon-Jii community.

Vera Ketchell said her great-great grandfather had been in Berlin for 112 years.

"We felt joy and happiness at finally finding Grandad Barry after all these years of searching," she told

the Koori Mail. "We can now complete our grieving process and the men can take his remains on to country to complete their men's business.

"Just to know he's been brought home will give us some closure. It's just sad to know our ancestors who looked hard for him can't be here to see this day, but we know they will be reunited with Grandad Barry as spirits.

Representatives from the Grafton Ngerrie Local Aboriginal Land Council and Yaegl Local Aboriginal Land Council received an ancestor on behalf of the two land councils as well as a third council from the Clarence River region, the Birrigan Gargle Local Aboriginal Land

The delegation also accompanied the return of an unnamed ancestor to Australia so further provenance research can be undertaken to identify the community of origin.

The Federal Government welcomed the decisions by the Senckenberg Research Institute in Frankfurt, the Berlin Society of Anthropology, Ethnology and Prehistory and the Charite Medical University, Berlin, to facilitate the return of the ancestral remains.

To date, 51 Australian Indigenous remains have been returned from Germany through the Government's Indigenous Repatriation Program since it started in the early 1990s.

More than 1400 ancestral remains have been returned to Australia from around the world since the program's inception.

For more information visit www.arts.gov.au/repatriation

Worrying findings over image abuse



ONE in five Australians have been the victim of 'image abuse', with Indigenous and disabled people the most common targets, according to a survey. The survey of

more than 4200 people by researchers from RMIT University and Monash University found that image-based abuse was far more common and affected a wider range of people than previously thought.

Women were just as likely as men to be victims of image-based abuse, but minority groups were found to be especially vulnerable, with one in two Indigenous Australians and one in two disabled people

Young people and lesbian, gay and bisexual Australians also faced a higher risk of abuse.

Taking sexual or nude images without consent was the main form of abuse (20%), followed by the distribution of images without consent (11%) and threatening to share images (9%).

People who shared 'sexual selfies' were significantly more likely to fall victim to image abuse than those who had never

RMIT chief investigator Dr Nicola Henry said image-based abuse had emerged so quickly that laws and government policies were struggling to catch up.

"This isn't just about 'revenge porn' images are being used to control, abuse and humiliate people in ways that go well beyond the 'relationship gone sour' scenario," she said.

The RMIT researchers say improved support services are needed for people who find themselves the subject of image abuse.

They also urged social media companies and websites to take stronger action. - AAP



Miss NAIDOC Perth entrants: front, from left, Beige Dimer and Kearah Ronan; middle, Simone Narkle, Jasmine Corbett, Bree Passmore and Tiarna Eades; and at back, Julia Louden and Kavla Michael.

Miss NAIDOC Perth winners crowned



THE winner of Miss NAIDOC Perth for 2017 is Kearah Ronan, a 24-year-old Yamatji (Nhanada /

Wadjari) woman.

The six-week leadership and empowerment program for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait women in Western Australia culminated in the crowning over the weekend.

This year was the 10th anniversary of the program, with eight women between the ages of 18 and 30 competing for the crown.

The Miss NAIDOC runner-up went to Simone Narkle, a 29-year-old Noongar (Ballardong/Yued) and Wongi (Gubron) woman.

Miss Kwobardok (beautiful in Noongar) was awarded to Jasmine Corbett is a 22-yearold Noongar/Yamatji woman.

And Miss Photogenic was Tiarna Eades is a 19-year-old Wilman/Ballardong yorga.

Ms Corbett said the program is about so much more than winning a crown.

"I wanted to join to build confidence, because I don't have the best self-confidence," the 22-year-old told the Koori Mail. "I've learnt so much about public speaking. I want to be a leader in my community and break down the stereotypes around Aboriginal people."

Ms Corbett said when the eight women first came together they were nervous and shy, but now they have all gained confidence in themselves and their culture.

"Over the six weeks you can see that we've all changed,' she said. "We're all more confident. We're all so proud of our culture. We can get up in

front of each other or in front of a room full of people and tell our story.

"It's been fantastic. We're all different and we're from different places but it feels like we're sisters and we've known each other forever.

"It's only been six weeks but we've shared so much knowledge in that time."

Ms Corbett said education is the key to empowering youth and hopes to set up a platform for young people to pursue education, particularly about their culture.

"I grew up not knowing as much about my culture as I think I would have liked to," she said. "I want to set up something so kids can learn about their culture from a young age. I want young people to be able to know their culture so they can be proud of who they are.

Island's strikers are not forgotten

By ALF WILSON



THE 60th anniversary of the strike of 1957 on Palm Island will be a big event in the North Queensland Aboriginal shire, with many locals and visitors expected to

attend. Strikers Willie Thaiday, Albert Geia, Eric Lymburner, Sonny Sibley, Bill Congoo, George Watson and Gordon Tapau have all died, but their memory lives on as champions who fought for justice, better living conditions and rights for their people.

The seven men were branded as troublemakers and were removed from Palm Island on June 14, 1957.

Before that, people of Palm Island waged a silent fight for better pay and living conditions.

As a result of a series of secret meetings protesting these conditions, the seven men were singled out by authorities. They and their families were rounded up by police in the early hours of the morning, forcibly removed by gunpoint from their homes and banished from the Island.

On Palm they are known as the 'Magnificent Seven'. Concrete monuments to each are in place. In the park near the Palm Island town centre is another monument acknowledging their strike.

Members of the Congoo, Geia, Lymburner, Sibley, Tapau, Thaiday and Watson families, as a collective, are organising a three-day 60th anniversary event on Palm Island from June 13 to 15.

There will also be a question-andanswer panel in Townsville on Friday, June 9, in the Perfume Gardens.

Palm Island had been known as 'Punishment Island' for its harsh administration and strict conditions.

The strike of 1957 was a significant event because the islanders on Palm had had enough of the discriminatory treatment, after a petition to the superintendent demanding improved wages, health, housing and working conditions was ignored.

Five days into the strike, dawn



This monument in the park near Palm Island town centre acknowledges important events including the strike of 1957.

raids were made on the homes of the the men and their families were

This was the second time they had been forcibly removed.

Many Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people were on Palm Island settlement because they were taken from their own communities throughout Queensland.

Apart from the Q&A panel being organised by the Geia Family, the Congoo family is organising the tombstone unveiling of the late Bill Congoo and Rose Congoo (nee

As well, the Thaiday and Isaro families are organising a book launch and a theatre production to highlight

Palawa kani features in NITV program





Ned Lander, Theresa Sainty and Nathan Maynard attend the screening in Launceston.

Little J and Big Guz episode proves a hit

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE air was thick with pride at a special preview of Hopalong: wurakara, an episode spoken entirely in palawa kani by Tasmanian Aboriginal speakers of

NITV's Little J and Big Cuz, in Launceston. Little J and Big Cuz is the first animated TV series to feature Aboriginal children. It follows the adventures of Nanna, Big Cuz, Little J and Old Dog in their backyard, at school and through bush, saltwater and desert country.

About 100 people gathered at the Tasmanian Aboriginal Corporation (TAC) Launceston branch for the special event, including many of the cast of speakers and their families.

It is the first time palawa kani has been heard on television, outside of snippets on the news or in documentaries.

Palawa kani is the revived form of the original Tasmanian Aboriginal languages. It incorporates authentic elements of the original languages remembered by Tasmanian Aborigines from the 19th to 21st centuries and draws on an extensive body of historical and linguistic research.

Palawa kani has been taught in Tasmanian Aboriginal children's centres, youth programs and schools, and in TAC programs for well over 20 years.

In the past few years Tasmanian Aborigines have moved from keeping their revived language close to their chests to sharing it with the wider community.

The reasons are often misunderstood.

Theresa Sainty has been at the forefront of the revival for 20 years. She translated the script into palawa kani with Daisy Allan and voiced Nanna in the special episode.

"Much of stuff is misappropriated. We had to refamiliarise ourselves with our languages after about 200 years of being forced not to speak (our language) and using English by necessity. It is about us having control and showing we do have control - this is ours,"



Rosetta Thomas was the voice for Big Cuz, usually played by one of Australia's most celebrated actresses, Deborah Mailman.

"We may or may not share. It is up to us if we share, when and under what circumstances.

"The (Aboriginal) community is beginning to feel more confident that the wider community are seeing us as the experts.

Children

"Our children have the right to speak their language. They also have the right to be

Ms Sainty said there had now been a couple of generations of children learning the language, and some of the children who started 20 years ago have their own children now who are also learning.

She said that as more language is revived, there is so much more to do and talk about, and more opportunities arise where palawa kani can be used.

Three characters in the special episode were voiced by children from the TAC's pakana-ripana youth and language programs in Launceston, and others by young adults who began learning palawa kani as children.

Rosetta Thomas, who voices Big Cuz in the episode, began at primary school on truwana (Cape Barren Island) and now teaches palawa kani through TAC programs.

"It was so exciting for Peta, Skye and Seth to travel to Hobart and spend the day recording with the rest of us in the Blue Rocket studios," said Ms Thomas of the children involved in the special palawa kani episode.

"Not only was this an inspiring experience for them, but also for the many other Aboriginal children who learn palawa kani, and who will now see and hear their own language spoken on TV."

Tasmania is well represented in Little J and Big Cuz, with the direction and design by Tasmania's own Tony Thorne, animation from Tasmanian studio Blue Rocket Productions, and now with the language in one episode and emerging playwright Nathan Maynard, who wrote the acclaimed The Season, now joining the writing team for a future episode.

Mr Maynard also voiced one of the characters for Hopalong: wurakara.

"It was fantastic; the reaction of the community, they were excited," he said of the screening.

Understandably for Mr Maynard, though, ne has copped a bit of friendly ribbing played Old Dog, the wise and flea-ridden canine character.

He said the recording day at Blue Rocket was "one of the funnest days" he ever had.

"The energy that the kids bought was really great," he said.

Producer Ned Lander said other language groups were interested in being

"We're looking at gradually putting it together right across Australia," he said at the screening.

The weekly NITV series airs on Fridays at 7.30pm.

Hopalong: wurakara will be aired on NITV during NAIDOC Week, along with another five episodes featuring Aboriginal languages - Djambarrpuyngu, Pitjantjatjara, Arrernte, Walmajarri and Yawuru.

Focus on Referendum Council



Youth delegates attend the National Convention in Uluru.

Our youth delegates speak out

"We're here to

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YOUNG delegates to the Referendum Council's National Convention formed a youth

forum on the first night of the gathering at Uluru last week.

Sally Gamble, from Western Australia, said the forum was a way of debriefing and sharing knowledge between young people.

"After that we spoke to the

older people and let them know that we are there to support them," she told the Koori Mail.

"We want to do this beside them, not behind them, because in 50 years' time this could be us again.'

Ezra Jacobs-Smith said he hoped to leave the conference with more knowledge

to take back to other youth in his community in Perth.

"I want to spread what I learn to my younger cousins and family," he said.

"We need to figure out how to bring the youth along in this. It will not be easy to figure out, but we have to do it.'

Clayton Simpson, from NSW, said youth has to be a strong voice when it comes to change.

"We are the biggest demographic for our mob," he said. "We have to be involved and be listened to at the table as much as the old fellas."

But Mr Simpson said the

Elders were also a valuable resource for youth to look to.

"Lots of people here have been in this Indigenous affairs space for years," he said.

"I think we should use them as mentors so we've got someone to stand with, who has been here for years.

"I feel like a lot of the important stuff I say is not being written down. It's just the little insignificant stuff, so that's a bit disheartening.

Jesse-John Fleay said he was also glad for the support of the Elders.

"It's important that we have each other and our old ones for support," he said.

"We're here to collectively achieve something and put aside our personal arguments for the better good."

But Mr Simpson said he has doubts about the political process.

"I'm a bit skeptical of referendum," he said. "You can put in it what's best for blackfellas but at the end of the day our future is in wider society's hands.

"We know racism is alive and well in Australia. They just voted (Senator Pauline) Hanson in."

Following the convention Mr Simpson tweeted that he felt his voice had been silenced and he believed the Uluru Statement from the Heart was a "dud deal for our people".



Sammy Wilson (second from left) is with local Elders at Uluru in central Australia.



The Torres Strait Islander delegation shares a song about Baidam (the shark constellation).





- Above: Robert Stevens. Jack An-Kit, Murray George and **Matthew Coe** during the convention.
- Left: Gifts of thanks and goodwill exchanged between delegates and local Elders as part of the convention.

National Convention at Uluru



Milton Savage, Murray Savage, Ned David, Garagu Kania, Cygnet Repu and Gabriel Bani.

Delegates look Damien Williams and Daniel Oades. for way ahead

By KEIRA JENKINS



FOLLOWING a series of First Nations dialogues across the country, more than 250 people gathered at Uluru last week to discuss the possible ways

forward for Constitutional change. Arrernte woman Jody Kopp was proud

to be representing her people at the Referendum Council National Convention.

She was elected from the Ross River Dialogue in central Australia to speak on behalf of her community, and she said it was a "huge privilege".

"At the end of the day our people know who they can trust and who will stand up for them," she told the

"I know that I don't just speak for myself here. We are a loving, sharing and caring people.

"We all share the same plight. This has been a spiritual journey. It's been emotionally taxing and mentally difficult, but it is worth it to know I am the elected voice of my people."

Ms Kopp said there must be a commitment to walk forward together into the next steps towards constitutional reform because the work is not over as the conference ends

"We have a huge time ahead of us,"



Chelsea Rolfe, Karen Lea and Wyomie Robertson at the convention.

she said. "We've got a road map that everyone has agreed upon. We need to work towards that with everyone united."

Fire in belly

As for the conference, Ms Kopp said people came to Uluru with a fire in their belly for change, and being in such a spiritual place made her stronger.

"There has been a huge push forward," she said. "From this we will have our foot soldiers ready to work towards what we want to achieve.

"Just being in the presence of Uluru and the Anangu Elders makes my spirit strong.

"To be on such spiritual country is just incredible."



Natasha Nadji, Cassidy Satour and Cassidy Uluru.



Dancers from East Arnhem Land at Uluru.



Les Coe and Jenny Munro.







Ruth Gilbert and Owen Torres say 'no consent to constitutional recognition'.



Silas Savage from Thursday Island performs the shark dance

Picture: Steve Hodder Bunbajee

National Reconciliation Week



The Dreamtime Dance team with Carlton legend Syd Jackson at the Korin Gamadji Centre for Indigenous Youth Facility.



Geelong's Steven Motlop is all smiles after his team's Indigenous round win over Port Adelaide.

Thousands take the Long Walk



THOUSANDS turned out for last Saturday's annual The Long Walk to the MCG, as part of National Reconciliation Week and

the AFL's Indigenous round. The Long Walk to the MCG came as a result of AFL and Essendon great Michael Long's Long Walk from Melbourne to Canberra in 2004 to

People now gather at Federation Square in Melbourne and walk to the MCG for the AFL Dreamtime at the 'G clash between Richmond and Essendon, won narrowly this year by Richmond.

Joining Long for the walk this year were Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull, Labor leader Bill Shorten, Victorian Premier Daniel Andrews and a host of others. - With AAP

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Dancers during the pre-game entertainment for the Dreamtime at the 'G clash.



The Essendon banner for the Dreamtime at the 'G game.

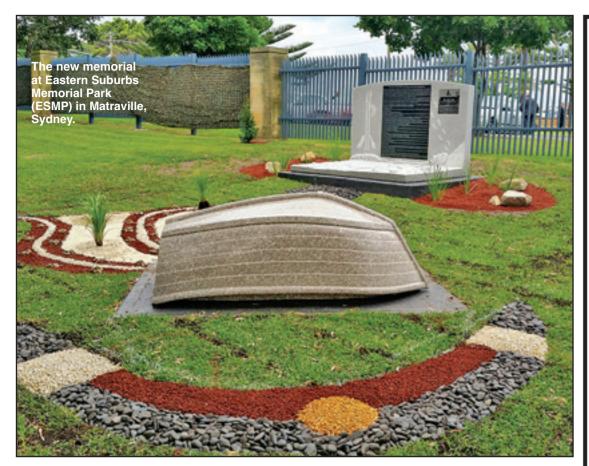




Richmond Aboriginal players Shai Bolton, Shane Edwards and Daniel Rioli are ready for their game against Essendon.

More from National Reconciliation Week in our next edition

National Sorry Day



Memorial in Matraville



A NEW memorial remembering Aboriginal children who were taken from their

parents has been opened at Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park (ESMP) in Matraville, Sydney.

The memorial, opened on National Sorry Day by former NSW Governor Dame Marie Bashir, also remembers parents who were laid to rest at ESMP before their children returned

For 73-year-old Sonny Simms, there are some early memories that will never go away. Like the muffled sound of little boys crying into their pillows in the large dormitory of the Royleston Boys' Home in Glebe, where he was taken in 1956 with his two younger brothers

"They missed their mums," Mr Simms said. "And they'd get in trouble if they kept crying. So they tried to stop the noise with their covers. As long as I live, I'll never forget that sound."

Sixty-one years later, Mr Simms' childhood Aboriginal community of La Perouse is helping to give those children and their families a voice again.

ESMP chief executive Graham Boyd said it is a tribute to the strength of the La Perouse Aboriginal community.

"This memorial allows us all to acknowledge what the Stolen Generations experienced, so that we may continue with the healing process together." he said.

Sonny Simms was just 12 years old in 1956, when welfare

officers came for him and his brothers Victor and Robert and sisters Ruth and Barbara. They were marched off the La Perouse mission, up the hill where two black cars waited to take them from their community and everything they had ever known.

"Many of the parents from La Perouse who lost their children are buried here in Eastern Suburbs Memorial Park," Mr Boyd said. "That includes Sonny and Barbara Simms' father, who was himself taken as a baby."

Not alone

The Simms are not alone. According to the 1995 National Inquiry into the Separation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from their Families, between one in three and one in 10 Aboriginal children were forcibly removed between 1910 and 1970. The children often experienced harsh treatment and many were taught that their families did not want them, or that their parents were

As the 1997 Bringing Them Home report showed, the trauma and suffering these policies caused are still being felt today.

Mr Simms now lives in Nowra and is a campaigner for members of the Stolen Generations. His sister Barbara, known as Aunty Barb Simms-Keeley, is an Elder in the La Perouse community and a driving force behind the memorial.

"Aunty Barb, within a group of lady Elders from the local community, came to meet with us 18 months ago," Mr Boyd said.

"They were very clear they wanted a memorial that focused on the Stolen Generations. The result was a meaningful collaboration between the park and the community to create something special.

The memorial, designed by Nadia Lanfranco, incorporates elements symbolic to the La Perouse Aboriginal community, including fish, shells and items relating to men's business, including the boomerang, shield, nulla nulla and spear.

Seating in the shape of a fishing boat pays homage to the community's saltwater connections and a child's footprints are etched into the memorial, growing into adult feet, signifying the journey of children leaving and returning home.

Many of the children removed from La Perouse were taken south to children's homes near Nowra, which has left a legacy of kinship between the communities. In recognition of those connections, soil will be sourced from the location of the Bomaderry Children's Home, with a view to also including soil from the Kinchela Boys' Home and the Cootamundra Girls' Home.

During the opening ceremony, families of the Stolen Generations released butterflies, which Mr Boyd said symbolise transformation and new beginnings.

"The message is one of hope and healing in the ongoing journey of our nation," he said.



Sorry Day marchers in Canberra last week.

Crowd turns out for Canberra bridge walk



Sorry Day bridge walk was led by the family of Aboriginal man Steven

Freeman, who died in custody.

Mr Freeman's mother Narelle King and other family members wearing hoodies with a picture of Steven carried the Aboriginal flag at the head of more than 1000 marchers.

Winnunga Nimmityjah Aboriginal Health Service chief executive Julie Tongs said the first Sorry Day bridge walk in Canberra, held in 1998 just one year after the tabling of the Bringing Them Home report, was joined by only about 15 people.

"Removal levels were a national disgrace then. They are even more of a disgrace today," she said.

"They are much worse now particularly in the national capital."

Ms Tongs said 25% of all ACT children aged up to 17 in out-ofhome care are Indigenous.

This year's event included a welcome to country, as well as the judging of banners created by local school children from many Canberra schools interpreting what Sorry Day means to them.



Students from the Murri School present 20 handmade flowers as a mark of

Silence observed at **Brisbane ceremony**



A MINUTE's silence was observed on the Speaker's Green of Parliament in support of the Stolen Generations on the 20th anniversary of the Bringing Them

Home report. Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Mark Furner led the observance on the eve of National Sorry Day, which marks the start of National Reconciliation Week.

"National Sorry Day 2017 marks the 20th anniversary of the Bringing Them Home report and the ongoing healing of the Stolen Generations," he said.

'National Sorry Day is a reminder of what we've achieved and what's still to be achieved.

Students from the Murri School presented 20 handmade purple paper flowers on the Speaker's Green symbolising native hibiscus and the resilience and healing of the Stolen

Link-Up (Qld) provides members of the Stolen Generation with free, professional and culturally-sensitive support. "Each year we assist many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who have been separated from their families and cultures due to forced removal, fostering, adoption or institutionalisation," chief executive Patricia Conlon said.

"Reconnecting with family, culture and the past is an emotional experience, but Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples don't need to embark on this healing journey alone."

The National Sorry Day event on the Speaker's Green was coordinated with Link-Up (Qld) and the Healing Foundation.

You'll find more reports in our next edition, out on June 14



Charmaine Saunders

Company's fashion products in leading shopping areas

AN Indigenous-owned fashion company established in 2015 now has products in stores at Australia's premier tourist

shopping precincts.

Mainie Designer Fashion Pty Ltd is the brainchild of Cairns-based husband-and-wife team Denis Keeffe and Charmaine Saunders.

Its products are a melding of Indigenous arts heritage and luxurious

silks from China. They are on shelves at major chains and boutiques in the Gold Coast, Sydney, Melbourne, Darwin, Alice Springs and Uluru.

Ms Saunders is a descendant of the **Gunggari people from the Maranoa River** region of south-western Queensland, and has family links to the Woorabinda and Cherbourg Aboriginal communities.

She left an executive level role in the Australian Public Service in 2013 to focus on the couple's vision of "creating an iconic Australian fashion label showcasing genuine Aboriginal designs".

Mr Keeffe brings extensive managerial experience to the team.

Ms Saunders says Mainie embraces fair trade ethics and is committed to investing in Indigenous-owned enterprises and supporting Aboriginal women artists to preserve their traditional cultural heritage.

More details at https://mainie.com/

Program to close education 'gaps'

By KEIRA JENKINS



ABOUT 100 schools have taken on a new approach to Indigenous

education this year. It's called Wingaru Kids, and the program has been designed by Darug woman Lesley Woodhouse and her husband Javier.

Ms Woodhouse has a background in law, and has also worked for Indigenous Affairs. Mr Woodhouse designed the interactive school maths program, called Mathletics.

Ms Woodhouse said they had been talking about gaps in curriculums surrounding Indigenous education for a number of years, but it was when they had their own children that they took the project to new heights.

"Just watching how the other kids interact with them, and how they deal with culture was interesting," she told the Koori Mail.

"Cultural education is missing from the big picture in schools. There's been plenty of programs and initiatives from Government where the aim is improving Aboriginal people.

"The problem is that society isn't open to improving itself to allow Aboriginal people to be recognised as successful in our own right.

"No matter how many Aboriginal people pop out of university or trades, there are still those people that are going to say they get all this free stuff they don't work for."

So the Woodhouses say they aim to change the views wider society has about Aboriginal people, starting with children.

"We asked teachers why they didn't teach more Aboriginal perspectives in their classes and they told us that the resources were hard to find, and they didn't want to offend anyone by



Wingaru Kids founders Javier and Lesley Woodhouse.

teaching the wrong thing," she

"So we've got about 70 lessons on the program now, and they've all got a digital, gamebased component.

"Kids love games, but they're also educating them about a wide range of issues. There's a few lessons on Australian history, even before 1788.

"There's lessons on things like Indigenous astronomy, for example. That gives teachers the opportunity, if they're doing a unit on space, to add in an

Indigenous perspective too."

Since term one this year, when schools started to implement the program, Ms Woodhouse said she had received "overwhelmingly positive feedback".

"Loving it"

"Teachers are loving it, because they've got the resources they need to teach Indigenous perspectives in every aspect of the curriculum," she said.

"Aboriginal communities are also excited to be sharing culture and have their children go to schools where culture is taught.

"There were a few people to begin with who would ask about how 'balanced' the programs were, but we never suggest that Aboriginal people are better than other people.

"It's all fact-based. We're not trying to tell children what to think. It's more teaching them how to think, so they don't just repeat the negative things mum and dad say about Aboriginal people.

"They can develop their own opinions.

Dedicated policy is a first for Laing 0'Rourke



MULTINATIONAL connstruction firm Laing O'Rourke has released its first dedicated Indigenous

procurement policy, aimed at creating opportunities and building sustainable relationships with Indigenous businesses and communities.

Laing O'Rourke head of procurement Jackie Aggett said the policy was developed to help boost the capabilities of Indigenous businesses in the construction sector.

"This policy sets a new standard for engaging with our Indigenous supply chain and delivery partners," she said.

"Target spend"

"It includes a new minimum target spend (of the total value of goods and services procured) for all projects, regardless of the client requirements, starting at 1.5% this year and stretching to 4% in the long term."

"I am proud to say Laing O'Rourke will go even further than the Government's new requirements, to ensure we are engaging with local Indigenous businesses on every project across the country.

Laing O'Rourke is also a of Supply Natio Connect 2017 event.

Supply Nation chief executive Laura Barry congratulated Laing Ó'Rourke on the launch of the policy.

"This is a very tangible demonstration of leadership from an organisation that recognises supplier diversity means changing procurement behaviours," she said.

"As we've seen from other policies, targets do change behaviours, so we're looking forward to seeing the benefits the implementation of this policy drives for Indigenous-owned businesses.'

Campaign targets native foods



farmers in central Australia are set to benefit from a new project by

the Outback Spirit Foundation.

The foundation's Juleigh Robins said a crowdfunding campaign will aim to increase opportunities for Aboriginal farmers to produce and sell native food.

"It's an exciting campaign," she said. "We're aiming to raise \$60,000 for **Aboriginal farmers growing** bush tomatoes.'

Ms Robins said the campaign will assist newly established growers to expand their crops and create the infrastructure they need to flourish as a business.

"It'll help them get moving with their crops," she said.

"They also need some infrastructure to get them going and that money will

help them get that happening as well as more plants for their crops.

"It's all about expanding their capacity."

Ms Robins said that as native foods are becoming more popular with consumers, it is important for Aboriginal people in the industry to benefit from the commercialisation.

"That's what it's all about,"

"A lot of people think central Australia is a place of no substance, but the people who live in and know the area know that's not true.

"These plants are native to the area. This is about Aboriginal people becoming leaders in the industry.

"It's exciting. Aboriginal people are growing native foods in an area that not many people understand."

For more information or to donate visit www.unidy.org/outbackspirit



Rainbow Valley Produce's Ruth Emery and Outback Spirit Foundation's Juleigh Robins.

Marketplace to make it easier



A NEW Indigenous Business Marketplace has been launched aiming to make it easier for government and corporate buyers to do business with Indigenous

suppliers. The marketplace is the result of a partnership between Supply Nation and software startup VendorPanel

VendorPanel founder and chief executive James Leathem said the online tool has three main focuses.

"First, it makes it easier for buyers to find relevant suppliers, in terms of what they need and location," he told the Koori Mail.

'Second, it makes it easier for businesses to get a quote from a supplier. Third, it makes it easier for suppliers to have their products found by buyers, especially if they're just starting out.'

The Indigenous business sector has been expanding for a number of years, with many corporations and government departments adhering to the indigenous Procurement Policy, and including supplier diversity in Reconciliation Action Plans.

Before the Indigenous Business Marketplace, Supply Nation had an Indigenous Business Directory, but Mr Leathem said the new technology is a vast improvement.

He said the directory was "just not working" for everyone.

"With the directory you could look at the businesses and see what was on offer, but it was just a directory," Mr Leathem said.

"With this we've tried to tap into the processes that are driving the increase in Indigenous business. We're tapping into different areas of opportunity, not just for large-scale projects.

"We're hoping to tap into what some of the start-ups need, because our small



projects are the lifeblood of early-stage companies, we wanted to make it easier for

Supply Nation chief executive Laura Berry said the Indigenous Business Marketplace marks a leap forward in supplier diversity and Indigenous procurement.

"It delivers significant benefits in

governance, probity, and competitive value," she said. "Indigenous businesses are around 100 times more likely to employ an Indigenous person than other businesses.

This speaks to the very real flow-on effects Indigenous suppliers have on their communities and the lifeblood of the Australian economy."

Contracts helping SA Indigenous businesses



THE number of South Australian **Aboriginal-owned** businesses reported to have won **State Government** contracts has

more than doubled since November 2016.

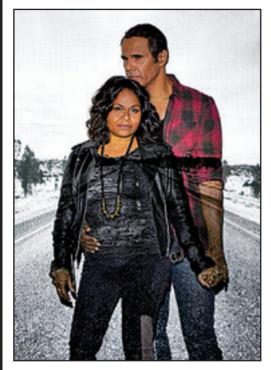
SA Minister for Small Business Martin Hamilton-Smith said engagement with Aboriginal business by the state's Office of the Industry Advocate had increased by 48% and reported contracts awarded had increased by more than 100% from November 2016 to May 2017.

The SA Government plans to introduce legislation to maintain an industry participation policy, including Aboriginal economic participation, and giving the **Industry Advocate statutory** o ensure poli followed.

Mr Hamilton-Smith said this will give Aboriginal enterprises in SA the confidence they need to fully embrace these initiatives and continue to grow and expand their businesses and create jobs.

"We are doing everything we can to make sure Aboriginal enterprises become part of the mainstream business initiatives

in the state," he said.
"In a little over 12 months the **SA Government's Aboriginal Economic Participation Initiative** has shown extremely positive results for Aboriginal enterprises based in SA."



Wasteland in Melbourne



LEADING Indigenous actors Ursula Yovich and Aaron Pedersen (pictured above) hit the stage next month in Melbourne. They star in *Heart*

is a Wasteland, a play about a love affair that unfurls over a four-day drive to Alice Springs. Yovich (Love and Information) and Aaron Pedersen (Water Rats, Mystery Road, Goldstone) portray characters in a whisky-

fuelled battle of egos and hidden scars. Heart is a Wasteland runs from June 29-July 16 at Beckett Theatre, Southbank. Details at www.footscrayarts.com/event/



Indigenous artist Graham Davis King.

Happy campers at The Joan



PENRITH performing arts centre The Joan is now home to an Indigenous camp - a ngurra. It's all part of an installation called New Ngurra, which will

be the centrepiece of a range of Indigenous programs and performances in coming weeks.

Indigenous artist Graham Davis King, architect Craig Johnston and contemporary artist Billy Gruner worked together to create New Ngurra, which now dominates the foyer at The Joan.

Long-time collaborators Davis King and Gruner began experimenting with Indigenous architectural forms by collecting timber and leaves from the Blue Mountains.

More details at www.thejoan.com.au/



Sandhill Women on huge journey



KARDAJALA Kirridarra (Sandhill Women) have announced their debut selftitled album with the release of the song Ngabaju (Grandmother's Song).

Kardajala Kirridarra got their name from their ancestor Kardajala, who lived in the sandhills behind the Malinja community in the Northern Territory, the band's singer and songwriter Eleanor Dixon said.

"She was a wild woman from the sandhills," Dixon told the Koori Mail.

"Kardajala means sandhill and Kirridarra means women, so we are the Sandhill Women. There are four ladies in

"There is me, then there is Beatrice Lewis, my aunty Janey Dixon, and my niece Kayla Jackson is our rapper."

Since coming together, Kardjala

Kirridarra has won the NT Song of the Year Award, played at the Golden Plains Festival, Wide Open Spaces and the Barunga Festival.

They were also the first all-female band to play at the Bush Bands Bash, last year.

Their new song Ngabaju, sung in Mudburra and English, tells the story of women and their importance as creators.

"Excited"

Eleanor Dixon said the band has had a "massive journey together so far", and the members are excited to be sharing new music with their communities, as well as wider audiences.

"It's been a beautiful journey that we've been on," she said. "I've been so glad to share it with my aunty and with Beatrice, who is my best friend. Our community is very proud of us.

"We're very happy to have their support as well."

Kardajala Kirridarra formed out of the Barkly Regional Council's national award-winning Barkly Desert Cultures multimedia program, aimed at using music and film to express the issues young people face in the Barkly region.

Eleanor Dixon met Melbourne-based electronic producer Beatrice Lewis through the program, and they began the Kardajala Kirridarra story.

She says they will be travelling to some of the most remote communities in the Barkly to perform concerts, showcasing their upcoming debut album.

"It's definitely a way for us to give back to our community by showing them the hard work we've done," she said.

"People will be able to actually see and hear all the work they've helped us and supported us through."





Awards on offer Entries wanted in Stanthorne at Cairns art fair



THIS year's Cairns Indigenous Art Fair (CIAF) program includes the CIAF Art Awards, which have been supported through a series of new corporate partnerships.

CIAF artistic director Janina Harding said the awards have been introduced to reflect the not-for-profit organisation's commitment to supporting the professional development of Queensland Indigenous artists.

She said the annual awards will have a special focus at this year's event and are "destined to become an essential part of CIAF's bid to develop a nationwide reputation for talent, excellence and innovation".

"Art centres will take a cue from this year's 'Family Values' theme, providing a range of perspectives that reveal the scope and nature of contemporary cultural values among Queensland First Peoples." Ms Harding said.



From left: Cairns Mayor Bob Manning, CIAF artistic director Janina Harding and Chris Marsh of award sponsor Marsh Property.

Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk said the Queensland Government welcomed the CIAF awards.

"CIAF is a wonderful celebration of Queensland's contemporary Indigenous arts and culture and I am delighted my

Government is partnering with CIAF to create The Premier's Award for Excellence to recognise the most outstanding work at the fair," she said.

The Premier's Award winner will receive \$15,000 to support the development of their art practice.

Other awards are the Cairns Regional Council Art Centre Award (\$10,000), People's Choice Award, sponsored by Fibre Optics NQ (\$5000); Emerging Artist Award, sponsored by Marsh Property, (\$5000); and the Award for Innovation, sponsored by Copyright Agency Viscopy (\$10,000)

The judges are Art Gallery of NSW deputy director Maude Page, National Gallery of Australia's Tina Baum and artist Tony Albert.

Winners will be announced at the CIAF opening night party at the Cairns Cruise Liner Terminal on July 13, with the People's Choice Award announced on July 16.

More details at www.ciaf.com.au

in Stanthorpe



THE Granite Belt Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation is calling on artists to show their work at the Stanthorpe Regional Art Gallery. The 2017 NAIDOC Show at the gallery will run for six weeks, from July 20, and artists

are being encouraged to apply. Granite Belt Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation's Maria De Vries said all Indigenous artists are welcome.

"Your work doesn't have to fit what is considered traditional Indigenous artwork," she told the Koori Mail.

"It can be any medium - sculpture, painting, whatever. Artists will have to fill in a form and send us a few pictures of their work before they submit it.'

Ms De Vries said the exhibition will be a great opportunity for artists to have their work noticed.

"It's a big space, and Stanthorpe is a very touristy town," she said.

"There is a small fee to pay - \$5 for less than three artworks and \$25 for more than three, because we have to rent the space.

"Artists can use it as a place to sell their artwork, or if they don't want to sell it they can use it as a space to just show it off.'

For more information or for an application form, contact Maria De Vries at gbatsic@outlook.com or on 0431 227 227.

New category tor awards



THE 2017 Melbourne Lord Mayor's Creative Writing Awards

feature a new category: the Life Writing Award for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander authors.

Melbourne Lord Mayor Robert Doyle said the new award is designed to recognise outstanding work that documents, discusses or highlights a uniquely

Victorian story of Australia's First People.

"This new award will provide an important platform for Victoria's Aboriginal writers to showcase their work and supports the City of Melbourne's commitment to understanding and promoting our Aboriginal cultural heritage," he said.

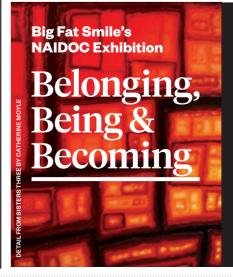
The five other categories in the biennial Lord Mayor's awards are short story, the Dorothy Porter Award for

Poets, novella, graphic short story and narrative non-fiction.

Winning entries for each category will receive a \$2000 prize, and the overall winner, which the Lord Mayor will select from a shortlist made up of the winners of each of the six categories, will receive an additional \$10,000.

Award applications close on August 31.

More details available at www.melbourne.vic.gov.au/ community/



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Katherine aims to help



WHEN Yeppoon's Katherine Stephenson was a girl she recalls talking to her elderly grandma about her

experiences of being taken from her mother, as a member of the Stolen Generations

"Grandma felt that she couldn't recognise or celebrate her Indigenous culture until she was in her 80s because earlier in life she was scared her children would also be stolen away," she said.

The young girl grew, becoming more aware of her background as a Wodi Wodi woman from Dharawal country in NSW, and was inspired to ensure future generations of Indigenous people can avoid having a feeling of shame while embracing pride in their culture.

Enthusiastic

As a nursing student of CQUniversity, Ms Stephenson became an enthusiastic volunteer for the campus-based Australian **Indigenous Mentoring** Experience (AIME), which works to ensure Indigenous students progress through high school and into university or employment at the same rate as all Australians.

And even now that she has graduated and is working at Rockhampton Base Hospital as an anaesthetic nurse. Ms Stephenson has continued to volunteer for AIME.

"As a mother of four boys I know how important it is to show young kids that you can finish high school, turning around what has been a huge drop-out rate in the past," she says.



"We need to inspire Indigenous kids to get to uni and continue to achieve.

"With my own family background with the Stolen Generation I feel compelled to speak out and encourage Indigenous people to embrace our culture and identity and to be proud.

"My grandma was scared that her own kids would be taken from her so she could not be proud about her culture, but we need to encourage pride in our next generation and avoid any feelings of shame.'

Ms Stephenson says he has continued to volunteer as mentor for AIME because she felt she had more to give.

"My 12-year-old son is now looking forward to starting with the AIME program hosted by CQUniversity in October this

year," she says.

AIME at CQUniversity is funded through the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP).

Broncos score academy support



Government has allocated \$5 million to support an additional 1000 places in the Beyond the

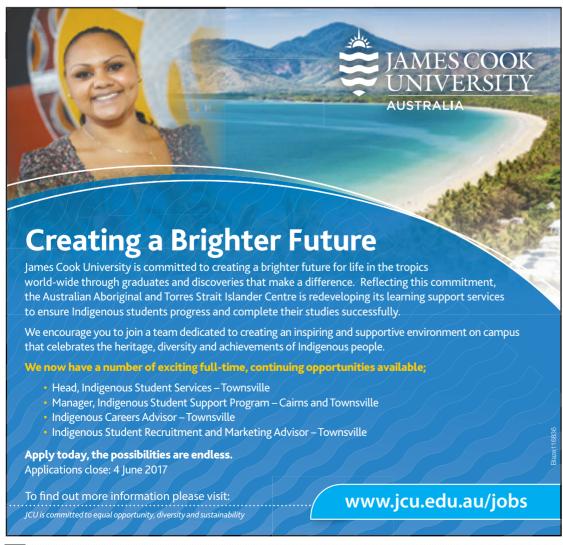
Broncos Girls Academy for Indigenous girls in northern NSW and southern and western Queensland.

Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said the funding would also provide continued support for the existing 300 places already part of the program.

The Beyond the Broncos Girls Academy is a great program that provides Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander girls with an opportunity to be mentored and encourages increased school attendance while building leadership skills and developing career pathways to further education and employment," he said.

Investing in the future of women and girls has a significant benefit not only to them as individuals but also for their family and broader community."

Broncos chief executive Paul White said the funding was "a wonderful affirmation of the Beyond the Broncos Girls Academy program. The club is very proud of the work the program is doing to empower young women both academically and in their lives, and is looking forward to partnering with the Government to expand those



NT boarding facility at Nhulunbuy



A NEW boarding centre aimed at education of Indigenous students in the north-east Arnhem Land has been

opened. Northern Territory Education Minister Eva Lawler said the \$20 million 'Dawurr' boarding facility, at Nhulunbuy High School, will provide students and their parents with the choice of schooling closer to home.

"This is an exciting time for Nhulunbuy. Dawurr gives students and their parents a choice closer to home and also creates ongoing jobs through education and operational needs," she said.

The boarding facility has one-, two- and four-student bedrooms, a

commercial kitchen and dining room, tuition rooms, a multi-purpose art and music centre, amphitheatre as well as sporting facilities and open-plan gardens.

"This facility enables boarding students to access a range of subjects and opportunities through the school, such as maritime studies and tourism that would not be available in small remote locations," Ms Lawler said.

Nhulunbuy High School principal Sabina Smith said a committee was established to provide expert advice and guidance on the centre.

"The consultation process, facilitated by the Yothu Yindi Foundation, has allowed the community and stakeholders to guide all aspects of how the facility will operate," she said.



Dodson quits AIATSIS post



has stepped down from the helm of the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and

Torres Strait Studies (AIATSIS).

The Indigenous affairs champion served for more than a quarter of a century on the organisation's council, the past 17 years as "People entrust their knowledge, culture chairperson.

"I step down confident the future of AIATSIS is in safe hands," the Yawuru man said.

50-year-old institution.

that's the way we have done business "The appointment of a new chief executive offer, Craig Ritchie, recent funding allocations and passing of amendments to the AIATSIS Act 1989 provide renewed purpose for our

It has been a privilege to serve the Australian people including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in my

role, and an honour to witness and guide the growth of AIATSIS into the world-renowned research, collecting and publishing institution it is today.

"AIATSIS is the custodian of knowledge, history and heritage of the oldest continuing culture on earth. It is intrinsic to our national identity.

"From language to dance,

and language to this place because they

know it will be looked after in an ethical

and culturally appropriate way, because

for over 50 years."

music to art, songlines to stories,

making sure that's available not

just to present generations but to

AIATSIS has a central role in

Professor Dodson paid

tribute to the staff at AIATSIS,

professionalism never ceased

saying their dedication and

future generations."

to astound him.

"People entrust their knowledge, culture and language to this place because they know it will be looked after in an ethical and culturally appropriate way, because that's the way we have done business for over 50 years," he said.

> Mr Ritchie said Prof Dodson's service to AIATSIS is unparalleled, with his vision a guiding force for the institute for almost half its existence.

> > "Not only has Prof Dodson been a longstanding champion for AIATSIS, he is also

a national icon and champion and for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," Mr Ritchie said.

"On behalf of everyone involved with AIATSIS, past and present, I say thank you Prof Dodson for your courage, your guidance and dedication.



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- problem solving and design skills used every day by engineers
- Activities that provide an insight into the global challenges that engineering can address in areas such as climate change, renewable energy, land and resource management, robotics, technology and medicine

WHEN IS IT?

VIEWS will be taking place from 1-8 July

WHAT DOES IT COST?

There is no cost to attend the Victorian Indigenous Engineering Winter School. All expenses are covered including travel to and from Melbourne, meals and accommodation

APPLICATIONS

http://www.eng.unimelb.edu.au/engage/indig enous/views

Application closing date Friday the 2nd June by 5pm.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For more information contact: VIEWS Coordinator Melbourne School of Engineering

The University of Melbourne E: eng-views@unimelb.edu.au

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Year 10 applications will be considered.

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'Ice' action urged



THE Aboriginal Health Council of Western Australia has called for better access to early intervention and prevention programs to help address increasing methamphetamine (ice) use in regional WA.

AHCWA chairperson Michelle Nelson-Cox said it "beggared belief" that there had not been any significant investment into grassroots community intervention programs despite ice use continuing to increase over the past decade.

"It is frustrating that despite several state and federal strategies highlighting the need to increase investment in community-led and culturally appropriate early intervention, prevention, treatment and support services, we are yet to see any significant amounts of funding directed to our sector and other Aboriginal community-controlled organisations," she said.

Ms Nelson-Cox said there had been a concerning shift with ice use overtaking excessive alcohol use in some communities. "Our people are crying out for help. They want communityled solutions and want to work with government departments but all they are getting is lip service."

- AHCWA chairperson Michelle Nelson-Cox



resulting in services being unprepared and lacking the appropriate programs and services to provide care to those using the illicit drug.

"There is a growing presence of illicit drugs in the regions," she said.

"While there is evidence that alcohol use is still higher than methamphetamine use, from the Aboriginal community

perspective we are certainly seeing methamphetamine use becoming just as significant as alcohol use.

"Our people are crying out for help. They want community-led solutions and want to work with government departments but all they are getting is lip service.'

Ms Nelson-Cox said there was no conclusive evidence that cashless welfare cards had made any impact in minimising

"Our Elders are gravely concerned about the impact of the cashless welfare card. There is no significant evidence to suggest that cashless welfare cards lead to any reduction in drug use in our regional communities," she said.

"What we have seen in certain towns is an increase around elder abuse, blackmarket trades of the cards for cash, reports of prostitution and a rapid rise in crime.

"Regional communities are trying to take practical approaches and strategies to deal with this problem.

"Penalising people through their Centrelink payments is not the solution. This approach will not deal with the crux of the problem. It will not empower our people and we are also yet to see investment into additional support services as was promised with its introduction."

AHCWA is the peak body for Aboriginal health in WA, with 22 Aboriginal health services currently members.

'Natural healer' in right place



JIDA Gulpilil says he has always been a 'natural healer'. and now he has

found his place in the world, as an ambulance community officer in Boort, Victoria.

The Yorta Yorta, Dja Dja Wurrung and Manbulpingu man is also training to become a paramedic, through Ambulance Victoria's Aboriginal cadet program.

"I remember growing up and I wanted to be a soldier, but even when I got into that realm of work, the Australian Defence Force (ADF) saw my healing potential," Mr Gulpilil told the Koori Mail.

"I think everyone is born with their own natural ability and purpose - I think that's one of the foundations of Aboriginal culture.

"We each play a role in our lives and my role is that I'm a healer and I've now found my place

"Confidence"

"The ADF identified my skill to look after my fellow soldiers when I was on patrol. From that grew my ability and confidence in myself to be a healer, and to find my role in the community."

Mr Gulpilil was a medic with the ADF for five years.

He said it was that time in the defence force that inspired him to pursue a career as a paramedic.

"I think my desire to be a paramedic branched from my time as an advanced combat medic in the defence force," Mr

"I think also being Aboriginal, I was inspired by the challenges my people face. A lot of the challenges are health-based. and Ambulance Victoria provides health care so I



decided I wanted to go into that area of health professional.

"It's both challenging and rewarding to be a paramedic. I'm a hands-on person so getting to do the practical is really important to me.

"I've always sought out the next challenge and compelled myself to the next level of

Now he is on his mother's

country, working with Ambulance Victoria, and studying at La Trobe University.

Mr Gulpilil said it is challenging but "incredible to be able to work and study at the same time"

"I'm 44 years old and I'm amongst all these young people in their 20s," he said.

"They're studying to be the health professionals - nurses,

dental clinicians, doctors - that paramedics work with.

"I couldn't be in a better position because Ambulance Victoria is supporting me through my study while I'm working on my mother's country.

"I'm helping people, and studying and that inspires me to work even harder."

Mr Gulpilil is excited to

become a paramedic but said his work as an ambulance community officer is also integral to the community.

"It's so important for rural communities to have people in these positions," he said.

"We are the first response team to get called to medical emergencies in rural towns. We carry out the clinical response until paramedics arrive.

Call goes out for 'FluTrackers'



INDIGENOUS people are being urged to join a special program designed to stop the spread of influenza,

Called FluTracking, the program is an online health surveillance system that helps identify flu outbreaks.

More than 30,000 Australians already participate in FluTracking, but fewer than 400 of them are

Given flu proportionally adversely affects more Indigenous people, medical authorities are aiming to for 800 Indigenous 'FluTrackers'.

They say 800 participants will help them understand how serious flu is in communities and how quickly it will spread. Those who join will receive a weekly email during the flu season (May-October) to report any symptoms. If they have symptoms, they will be asked additional questions.

It takes less than 15 seconds each week to complete the survey. On completing each week's survey, participants will be sent a link to a weekly report and interactive map showing flu-affected areas.

For more information about FluTracking, visit: www.flutracking.net

Hospital Hotline on the air



STAFF, patients and Aboriginal people have come together at Fiona Stanley Hospital in Perth to launch the Hospital Hotline initiative.

Hospital Hotline is a patient request program on Perth's Noongar Radio that aims to keep family, friends and community connected to Aboriginal patients in hospital. It is a collaboration between

South Metropolitan Health Service and Noongar Radio.

South Metropolitan Health Service director of Aboriginal health strategy Nola Naylor said formal communication linking Aboriginal patients to family and country is often limited.

"Hospital Hotline will close the communication gap and keep patients connected to their loved ones and community," she said.

"We have many Aboriginal patients

here at Fiona Stanley Hospital. For our patients coming from remote regional areas, hospital can be a daunting experience.

"This initiative will help ease some of the anxiety and cultural disconnect that our Aboriginal patients

Having recently been in hospital, Hospital Hotline host Mechelle Turvey said she had first-hand experience of the "cultural disconnect" patients experience.

"It's really important to remain high-spirited. Not being on country is a huge thing - we're away from what we know, what we love and our connections," Ms Turvey said.

The hotline program is expected to be introduced at other WA hospitals.

Requests can be sent to Noongar Radio by SMS - 0448 821 186.

Hospital Hotline airs on Noongar Radio (100.9FM) every Tuesday from 10am to 11am.



At the Hospital Hotline launch: from left, South Metropolitan Health Service's Nola Naylor, host Mechelle Turvey and Noongar Radio's Anthony Ward and Karyn Narkle.



Program targeted at breast health



SCREEN NSW has launched a new

engagement program, aiming to end the misconceptions and apprehension about screening mammograms among Aboriginal women.

BreastScreen NSW says breast cancer is the most common cancer in Aboriginal

But only about one-third of Aboriginal women in NSW participate in the BreastScreen program, which is significantly lower than the one in two women who are screened in

Aboriginal women also experience poorer survival rates from breast cancer.

Breast cancer survivor Aunty Valerie Ardler, from La Perouse in Sydney, said she went to a Breastscreen van to have her mammogram, and found out she had to have a lump removed.

"After getting the diagnosis I was really worried when they told me I had breast cancer,' she said.

"I was not worried for me. I was just so worried for my family, and my nephews and nieces. I was more worried

about them and if they lost me, I knew how they would feel and how heartbroken they would have been.

"That reaction would have turned my world upside down. I told them, 'Don't worry, I'm not going anywhere. Don't think I'm dying, because I'm not.'

Aunty Valerie encourages others to get screened early, because she said, that is what saved her life.

"The surgery went well and they removed the lump in my left breast," she said.

"Breast screen"

"Then exactly five years later I had another breast lump in the right breast.

"I had a biopsy and they cut the lump out. I got an infection in my breast. Then they found more little lumps.'

Aunty Valerie had both breasts removed and has now changed her lifestyle.

"Since my surgeries my life has been well and I have been very happy with the support of my family," she said.

"I have given away smoking and drinking. I love fishing more than ever. Fishing makes me relaxed and calm, so I did more fishing and didn't go back to the pub.

BreastScreen NSW spokesperson Nirmala Pathmanathan said there is a lack of knowledge around mammograms, which is why many women avoid being screened.

"Aboriginal women especially avoid it, I think because of a fear of entering a clinical environment, especially because there has been a history of abuse from government agencies," she told the Koori Mail.

"There's also the embarrassment and the shame factor of having to strip off to have the mammogram.

"There's little understanding exactly how important it is pick up the cancer early. A lot of women are scared of the diagnosis too, because they think if they have cancer it's a death sentence.

"But in truth, we have one of the highest survival rates from breast cancer. We really need to get that message out."

Ms Pathmanathan said the single best thing women can do for their breast health is to get them screened.

"Have a mammogram every two years. Don't just do it once," she said.

"Do it every two years after you turn 50.

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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. 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 range of sources. Details: www.groups.google.com/group/

Until July 16: Applications open for the ASSETS (Aboriginal Summer School for Excellence in Science and Technology) Program. ASSETS is part of a joint project by CSIRO and BHP Billiton Foundation which gives 105 Indigenous Year 10 students the opportunity to participate in all-expenses paid, nine-day summer school held in Townsville, Newcastle or Adelaide and on ongoing leadership and support program as they complete Years 12 and 12. Details: Ashleigh Fortington on 0472 840 155 or visit www.csiro.au/indigenous-

June 1 - July 7: Coranderrk 2017 National Tour. A co-production by Ilbijerri Theatre Company and Belvoir. Details: Full tour dates visit www.ilbijerri.com.au

NSW-ACT

Ongoing: ACE Community College Aboriginal driver training. Held at ACE Community College, 59 Magellan Street, Lismore. Details: (02) 6622 1903.

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. Women's groups stop during school holidays. Held at Rekindling The Spirit, Lismore, Monday and Wednesday, 11am-2pm. Details: (02) 6622 5534.

Until June 10: Wild Australia exhibition: A collection of pictures from the 1890s when a troupe of Aboriginal people travelled Australia to perform a 'Wild West' show. Held at Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy Street, Grafton, Tues-Sat, 10am-4pm. Entry by gold coin donation. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

Until June 10: Lake Dolly exhibition: A solo exhibition by Christian Thompson. Held at Michael Reid Gallery, Standard House, 105 Kippax Street, Surry Hills from Wed-Sat, 11am-5pm. Details: (02) 8353 3500 or visit www.michaelreid.com.au/sydney

Until June 12: Atnwengerrp Revisited exhibition. Sacred, traditional, historical and ceremonial elements are interwoven in a family show featuring Barbara Weir and family. Held at Kat Owen Gallery, 680 Darling Street, Roselle, seven days, 10am-6pm. Details: (02) 9555 5283 or visit www.kateowengallery.com

Until June 14: Community consultations on Aboriginal languages legislation. Held at venues in regional NSW

Anu to speak at film and sound archive



Christine Anu will perform at the National Film and Sound Archive. Picture: Karen Watson Photography

including Lismore, Coffs Harbour, Taree and Sydney. Details: 1800 019 998 or email conversation@aboriginalaffairs. nsw.gov.au or visit www.aboriginalaffairs. nsw.gov.au/languages/legislation

Until June 23: Keeping It Real for the Youth Space! Activities include bike/scooter repairs, set-a-goal, painting and drawing. Held at Suite 1/72 Conway Street, Lismore (back studio area) on Tue, Thur and Fri from 10am-4pm. Details: Rekindling the Spirit on (02) 6622 5534

Until July 16: Indigenous Australians at War from the Boer War to Present exhibition. Held at the National Archives of Australia, Canberra. Details: (02) 6212 3934 or visit www.naa.gov.au/visitus/exhibitions/

Until September 22: Entries open for the Grafton Regional Gallery's 2017 Clarence Valley Indigenous Art Award. Details: David Bancroft on (02) 66 0230 or 0429 104 118 or visit www.clarence.nsw.gov.au

Now Showing: *Indigenous Artworks* from the Collection exhibition. A range of artworks created by Aboriginal artists on show at the Grafton Regional Gallery, 158 Fitzroy Street, Grafton, Tues-Sat, 10am-4pm. Details: (02) 6642 3177 or visit www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au

June 1: Black & White Ball. Includes guest speakers, awards ceremony, threecourse meal and entertainment. Held at Casino RSM Club from 6pm. Cost: \$45 a person. Tickets available at

as part of National Reconciliation Week. Anu's career, which she will speak about with NFSA sound curator Thorsten Kaeding on June 2, has

RENOWNED Kalaw Kawaw Ya and

Kala Kagaw Ya entertainer Christine

Sound Archive (NFSA) for an evening

of music and conversation next month,

Anu will visit the National Film and

spanned more than two decades. She will also perform a selection of acoustic songs from her home in the Torres Strait and her version of

By KEIRA JENKINS

My Island Home. Anu said it's an "awesome feeling" to be invited to

be included in the National Film and Sound Archive. "It is an ultimate moment in my career," she told the

"It cements that I have created a legacy. To be

included in the archive is a great honour. I haven't been great at documenting my career so this is a chance to do that.

"It will be a representation of me for people in the future, so they can see that this happened.

"The original version of My Island Home, which was written by Neil Murray and Sammy Butcher from the Warumpi Band, is in the archive so it's an honour to be able to have my version, which brought the song into popular culture, in there too."

Anu's version was added to the NSFA's Sound of Australia registry last year.

Importance

During her 'In Conversation' she will speak about the importance of language and how that has shaped her life and her music.

"A large number of us live outside our language groups," Anu said.

"That makes it nearly impossible to keep it in our everyday conversations. We have to get around speaking English.

"There are only rare opportunities that we can sit and educate the young ones and speak in our

"If I can bring it into my songs and into my music, that's my way of keeping my language in my life. Our communities are what makes our world turn.'

Anu currently hosts the Friday and Saturday evening shows on ABC local radio, but said she hasn't ever "taken stock" of her extensive career.

"It wasn't until I started in the media that I realised how many people actually know me," she said.

"I interview celebrities and emerging artists alike and it still surprises me how many people know of me.

"I suppose that's because fame was never my intention, because it can actually be a bit of a

humbua.

"I don't know how to deal with it. You have this responsibility because people have an eye on you, and they want to hear what you have to say, and I've always been too busy working to notice how much I've

> Casino RSM Club on (02) 6662 1666. Details: (02) 6662 6286.

June 1: 50th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum event. Includes three-course dinner, memories from the 1967 Referendum campaign, games, live performances, DJ and more. Held at Sydney Town Hall from 7pm until late. Cost: \$50 a ticket or \$500 a table for 10 people. Tickets from Eventbrite. Details: www.kooriradio.com

June 7: Aboriginal Blind Persons gathering. A forum for Aboriginal Blind people in partnership with Blind Citizens Australia. Held at Mercure Central, 818-820 George Street, Ultimo from 9am-5pm. Assistance for travel and accommodation

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available. Details: June Riemer on 0402 037 745 or email Lisa Hindman lisah@fpdn.org.au or visit www.fpdn.org.au

June 7-18: Sydney Film Festival. The 64th Sydney Film Festival in partnership with Screen Australia's Indigenous Department continues support for First Nations storytelling from Australia and around the world. Tickets on sale now. Details: 1300 733 733 or visit off.org.au

June 7-25: Hot Brown Honey show. Held at the Sydney Opera House. Cost: \$45.90 a person. Details: (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneyoperahouse.com

June 9-10: The 7 Stages of Grieving, a play about the grief of Aboriginal people and the hope of reconciliation. Held at Riverside Theatres, Parramatta, on the Friday at 7.30pm and 2.15pm and 7.30pm on Saturday. Cost: \$28, \$37, \$42. Details: (02) 8839 3399 or visit www.riversideparramatta.com.au

June 10: 'Leading the Way' launch. Aboriginal Housing Company (AHC) will host a cultural race day to announce the initiative, which has a primary focus on education, apprenticeships and employment for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Held at Royal Randwick, Alison Road, Randwick. Details: Cathy Yao on (02) 8279 7860 or email cyao@heardagency.com

June 13-18: Djuki Mala performance. Held at the Sydney Opera House. Cost: \$39.90 a person. Details: (02) 9250 7777 or visit www.sydneyoperahouse.com

June 16: Cooks River Culture and Country event. Celebrate Aboriginal stories and associations with the Cooks River through sharing traditional and contemporary knowledge. Held at Addison Road Community Centre, Marrickville, from 9am-4pm. Free event, bookings are essential. Details: (02) 9748 9644 or visit www.culture_country.eventbrite.com.au

Northern Territory

June 9-11: Barunga Festival 2017. Celebrating its 33rd year. There's a focus on music, art, food, culture and sport. Tickets are available now via moshtix or at the gate. Details: www.moshtix.com.au/v2/event/ barunga-festival/2017/92335

Victoria

Until June 4: Nara Dreaming exhibition. Includes paintings by Aboriginal and other artists, sculpture, craftwork, woodwork and photography. Held at Bill's Shed, 1023 Calder Alternative Highway, Lockwood on Sat-Sun, 10am-4pm. Details: 0418 579 501 or visit www.naradreaming.com.au

Until July 8: Christian Thompson: Ritual Intimacy exhibition. Held at Monash University Museum of Art (MUMA), Caulfield campus, Tue-Fri, 10am-5pm; Sat, noon-5pm. Details: (03) 9905 4217 or visit www.monash.edu.au/muma

June 1: The Blak Matriarchy exhibition launch. An exhibition of new works commissioned from the Real Blak Tingz to response to the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum. Held at Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square, from 6pm-8pm. Free. Details: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.koorieheritagetrust.com

June 2: Film screening – *Mabo*. Held at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image, Federation Square, Melbourne, from 10amnoon. Free. Details: (03) 8663 2200 or visit www.acmi.net.au



Cold Justice on NITV



A NEW cold case TV series looks into the injustice many Indigenous Australians face when it comes to unsolved homicides.

It started last night (May 30) and continues over two more parts. Called Cold Justice, it is a joint production between NITV and **BuzzFeed News.**

In the first part screened last night,

and available after broadcast via www.sbs.com.au/ondemand/, host Allan Clarke investigates the 1988 death of Aboriginal teenager Mark Haines, who was found on railway tracks in Tamworth, northern NSW.

Clarke unearths new leads in the case, speaks with witnesses who have remained silent for 29 years and uncovers a murky underbelly operating in 1980s regional Australia, full of racism and violence.

His reporting of the unsolved homicide of Mark Haines has resulted in NSW police reopening their investigation of the case after 29 years.

Clarke is also a former BuzzFeed News Indigenous affairs reporter and Walkley Award nominee.

Cold Justice kicked off the special programming for NITV's Justice Month (June), which focuses on the struggle for justice in Indigenous communities across the world.

June 2: Mabo Day flag-raising event. Featuring welcome to country, smoking ceremony, catered lunch and Torres Strait Islander musical performances. Held at St Kilda Town Hall from from 11am. Details: Fred Gesha on 0439 902 621.

June 2: Mabo Day celebration. City of Port Phillip celebrates the 25th anniversary of Mabo decision, includes smoking ceremony, speeches and live music. Held at St Kilda Town Hall, (near the Portico facing Brighton Road) from 11.30am-2pm. Details: (03) 9209 6163.

June 3: Mabo Day community celebration and picnic. Commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Mabo decision, includes live music and performances and family activities. Held at River Terrace, Federation Square, between the Birrarung (Yarra River) and Federation Square from noon-3pm. Free event. Details: (03) 8662 6300 or visit www.kooriheritagetrust.com

June 3: Narana Unplugged III Festival. Rock for Reconciliation Week, featuring an array of musical performances and dancers. Held at Narana Aboriginal Cultural Centre, 410 SurfCoast Highway, Grovedale from noon-5pm. Cost: \$20 a person, under 12 free. Details: (03) 5241 5700 or email reception@nara.com.au or visit www.narana.com.au

Queensland

Until June 4: Mabo Day Celebrations South East Queensland 2017. Marks the 25th anniversary of the Mabo decision. They include Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, leaders, performers, as well as the broader community. Details:

www.mabodayseq.com.au or email events@sibw.com.au

Until June 12: Reflections: 25 years Mabo exhibition. A display of artworks by Eddie Mabo's daughter Gail. Held at James Cook University, (The Mabo Library), Townsville. Details: Helen Hooper on 0419 668 727.

Until June 25: Cultural Collective: Looking Forward, Looking Back. Selected works from the Kenny Bedford collection, curated by Brian Robinson. Held at Tanks Art Centre (Tank 4), Cairns Regional Council, 46 Collins Ave, Edge Hill, Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm and Sat-Sun, 10am-2.30pm. Free. Details: Email kennybedford@hotmail.com

Until June 16: Torres Statesmen exhibition. Featuring portraits in paint and print by Robert Tommy Pau, the 2016 Telstra Works on Paper Award winner. Held at UMI Arts, McIvor Gallery, 335 Sheridan Street, Cairns, Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm. Details: (07) 4041 6152 or visit www.umiarts.com.au

June 2: Beenleigh Reconciliation golf day. Bringing together Indigenous and other people to celebrate reconciliation through a charity golf day in the Beenleigh area. Four-person ambrose event. \$100 individuals, \$360 for team of four. Noon start. Details: (07) 3807 0901.

June 3: Mabo Day festival. Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Mabo decision, includes live entertainment, men's and women's healing circles, basket making and more.

Held at the Jazzing Barracks, Townsville, from noon. Details: Christian on 0455 900 730.

June 4: Mabo Day dinner. Celebrating the 25th anniversary of the Mabo decision, featuring keynote speakers including Bonita Mabo, Linda Burney MP, Jeff McMullen Mabo Day ambassadors including Anthony Mundine, and live entertainment. Held at Quayside Terminal, Lennon Drive, South Townsville from 6.30pm. Cost: \$75 a head, dress code semi-formal. Tickets available through townsvilletickets.com.au. Details: Christian on 0455 900 730.

Western Australia

Until September 3: 'Right Wrongs: 1967 Referendum - The WA Story's. Right Wrongs reimagines understanding of the 1967 referendum and its impact on who we are, and what we can become, through the voices and stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Held at the State Library of WA, Mon-Thur, 9am-8pm, Fri, 9am-5.30pm and Sat-Sun, 10am-5.30pm.

June 2: Walk for Reconciliation. The walk will start in Stirling Gardens, Perth, at noon and finish at Government House, before brief speeches from key figures in the Reconciliation space. Details: Cygnet Hall on (08) 9389 4090 or email admin@recwa.org.au

South Australia

June 1 and August 8: Link-Up SA Family History Workshops 2017. Workshops are designed to help wait-listed clients of Link-Up SA and other interested people to begin researching their family history. Held at Nyunkuwarrin Yunti of SA Inc., 182-190 Wakefield Street, Adelaide on June 1, 1-4pm and August 8, 10am-1pm. Details: Karen (08) 8406 1695.

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Cadetship program for nursing students



ABORIGINAL nursing students across NSW are being offered the chance to work in the criminal justice system while

expanding their career options through a NSW Health cadetship program now open for applications.

The Aboriginal Justice and Forensic Mental Health Network Cadetship Program offers Aboriginal nursing students cultural mentoring, financial support and a paid placement in one of the state's correctional centres in Sydney, the Mid North Coast, South Coast and Central Coast.

Students who complete their studies and cadetship will be offered ongoing employment opportunities in the Justice health system.

Skye Parsons, now a project officer for NSW Health's Aboriginal Nursing and Midwifery Strategy, undertook a placement on a ward at Long Bay Jail.

An 18-year-old student at the time, she said the experience "was a big eyeopener" but given the opportunity to do it again she would snap it up.

"It was very challenging, but also very rewarding," Ms Parsons said.

"One of the really tough things for me was seeing the number of Aboriginal men incarcerated and the mental health issues they struggled with as a result of their trauma.

"It gave me insight into the human face and reality of incarceration to see these men, who are there for so many different reasons, and hear their background stories which were so sad.

They gravitated towards me because I'm Aboriginal - and they opened up and felt comfortable. I believe that during the time I was there I made a difference to the prisoners' lives.

"It was very obvious in the jail setting that it makes such a difference having



Skye Parsons with NSW Health Nursing and Midwifery Office senior adviser Leona McGrath.

Aboriginal staff there."

When Ms Parsons told her father she had volunteered for a placement at the Long Bay Correctional Centre he was very concerned she would be in danger, being so young and required to work with male prisoners.

"But I always felt safe," she said.

"I never once felt I was unprotected or in a vulnerable situation. We were really well supported by staff. Guards were there all the time and we also had duress buttons."

The NSW Aboriginal Justice and Forensic Mental Health Network Cadetship Program offers:

- study allowance of \$600 each fortnight while undertaking a university nursing degree;
- a \$500 book allowance each

- up to 12 weeks of paid employment in a Justice and Forensic Mental Health Network facility;
- support from an Aboriginal mentor, cadet coordinator and additional clinical support; and
- ongoing employment on successful completion of the program and studies.

Ms Parsons went on to work as a paediatric nurse in London, and after returning to Sydney studied midwifery and worked as a midwife at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital.

She now works as a NSW Health project officer for the NSW Aboriginal Nursing and Midwifery Strategy, recruiting nursing and midwifery students into the cadetship program.

"Having Aboriginal health professionals is essential to closing the gap in health outcomes between

Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people as it makes Aboriginal people feel comfortable about seeking medical help - so it leads to a healthier population,' she said.

"There's a real need for more Aboriginal nurses in correctional centres due to the big Aboriginal

"Even undertaking a short placement can make a difference to a prisoner's life and will definitely make a difference to

Applications for the cadetship program are open until June 4.

For more information about the program and how to apply, call 1800 155 325, email aboriginalnursing@ doh.health.nsw.gov.au or see www.health.nsw.gov.au/nursing/ aboriginal-strategy/

"Having Aboriginal health professionals is essential to closing the gap in health outcomes between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people as it makes Aboriginal people feel comfortable about seeking medical help – so it leads to a healthier population." – NSW Health's Skye Parsons

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Katungul ACC&MS is currently seeking Two Full Time Social Emotional Well Being Support Officers to be part of our Bega and Narooma Teams. The Social Emotional Wellbeing Support Officers will work closely with our Mental Health and Community Service Teams alongside our Counselling Psychologist, who provides bulk-billed psychological services to Aboriginal clients under ATAPS, Mental Health Care Plans and other approved sources such as WorkCover. The position involves the provision of culturally appropriate and culturally competent referrals, education and mentoring to Aboriginal peoples within Katungul's service footprint. A close collaboration with Katungul GPs and other service providers will ensure integrated support and care to the client.

Essential Criteria:

- 1. Ability to develop professional working relationships and work effectively with families and young people with challenging behaviours
- 2. Sound knowledge of local service providers in the Far South Coast, including the ability to work in collaboration with government and non-government agencies.
- 3. Demonstrated ability to work autonomously including excellent organisational skills and capacity to prioritise competing demands
- 4. Demonstrated experience in the delivery of casework or case management services in the Welfare, Community Services, Mental Health, Social Work or related area.
- 5. A relevant qualification in one of these fields would be highly desirable. 6. Good literacy, written and verbal communication skills
- with the ability to effectively communicate with people at all levels, collect statistical data and write reports.

 7. Ability to work sensitively with Aboriginal people

A salary in the range \$55,000 to \$58,000 plus superannuation will be negotiated with the successful applicants

HOW TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION

Email your application to Kalimna Kay-Stewart or Chris Heazlewood on humanresources@katungul.org.au Please make sure you address all selection Criteria and attach a cover letter with a current resume. Applicants who do not address all Essential Criteria will not be considerd for the position. The closing date for applications is Monday 5thJune 2017. If you have any enquires or would like to request a Position Description please email Kalimna on the above email address. Note: successful applicants must have a clear Working With Children Check and Criminal Record Check, and a Current NSW Driver's License and the willingness to travel overnight, work flexible hours and across different locations within the local service area

Closing Date; COB Monday 5th June 2017.

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Extra Offender Management Service (EOMS) Case Manager

Full Time- North Strathfield

arbias is a progressive not for profit organisation that supports individuals with high complex needs including Acquired Brain Injury, Mental health and Alcohol and other drug issues; we operate across Victoria and NSW. We are looking for experienced, passionate and committed case managers to be part of a new cutting edge program in NSW.

Extra Offender Management Service (EOMS) is an innovative new service funded through Justice Services in NSW. It targets priority adult offenders and utilises evidence based interventions to assist them identify and address the factors contributing to their offending. The service operates

arbias is providing forensic specialist services through the EOMS. EOMS combines case management and service coordination focusing on criminogenic needs and the delivery of direct one on one criminogenic intervention for offenders with a range of high complex needs including but not limited to Mental health, Drug and Alcohol, acquired brain injury, and people of Aboriginal and CALD communities through the Parramatta, Burwood and Liverpool Courts.

EOMS additionally offers evidence based one on one offender management to priority offenders who are not under mandated CSNSW supervision. At the point criminal proceedings are commenced (Pre-sentence) and upon their release from custody.

OMS prioritises persistent reoffenders:

- · Who cycle through the system time and time again
- · Who are in a group with the risk of reoffending of 70% or

Ideally you will have good written and verbal communication skills, be well versed in understanding the Justice and Corrective Services systems and possess strong advocacy skills. Your previous experience combined with appropriate tertiary qualifications will be vital in securing this role.

For a position description email Marree Brosnan Executive Officer: mbrosnan@arbias.com.au

All applicants must address the Key selection criteria contained in the position description

People of diverse cultural backgrounds, including Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders, are encouraged to

Applications are to be submitted to Marree Brosnan -Executive Officer: mbrosnan@arbias.com.au

> Applications for all positions close Friday 2nd June 2017

Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service

Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Manager Full time

The Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service is looking for a lead staff member to drive organisational continuous quality improvement activities. This position will cover all aspects of the organisation's operations, but will primarily be clinically focused on achieving improved health outcomes using baseline data such as National KPI data. For this reason we are looking for someone with Registered Nurse qualifications

The position will also be responsible for:

- Clinical governance and ensuring compliance with National standards, relevant legislation and best practice/evidence based health service provision.
- Promoting continuous quality improvement across
- · Providing training and upskilling of staff in CQI.

- Extracting statistical data for the purpose of CQI activities
- recording, Implementing, monitoring evaluating CQI activities
- · Coordinating AGPAL and QIP accreditation for the Service.

- Developing, implementing and coordinating the IAMS Emergency Response Plan and Pandemic

The suitable applicant will require excellent communication skills and be able to liaise effectively with all levels of staff.

Essential Criteria:

- Registered Nurse qualification and current AHPRA registration.
- Experience working in a CQI and/or accreditation related position, preferably in an Aboriginal health setting.
- Demonstrated experience in using statistical data and extraction tools for the purpose of CQI
- 4. Sound knowledge of health standards and

- relevant legislation.
- Experience in internal auditing processes.

 Demonstrated effective communication skills.
- Demonstrated record keeping and administrative skills.
- Experience in report writing.
- Experience providing in-house training.
- 10. Demonstrated computer literacy.
- 11. Current driver's licence.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply

To apply for this position, please send your Cover Letter, Selection Criteria Statement and Resume to klawlor@illawarraams.com.au.

Applications close at 5pm on Friday 9th June

The successful applicant will be required to undergo a National Criminal Check

Applications that do not address the Selection Criteria will not be considered.



Working with the community, the NSW Office of Environment & Heritage (OEH) cares for and protects NSW's environment and heritage, which includes the natural environment, Aboriginal country, culture and heritage, and built heritage. OEH supports the community, business and government in protecting, strengthening and making the most of a healthy environment and economy in NSW.

Executive Director - Park Operations

The Executive Director leads the day-to-day operations of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service ensuring the delivery of diverse activities consistent with relevant policies, practices and statutory requirements.

In this role, you will be required to make major decisions about the management of the division including driving strategic direction, forward planning, setting priorities and guiding staff performance and development.

To be successful in this role you will have a proven track record of addressing new and emerging issues in a dynamic and complex environment. You will possess a high level of knowledge regarding environmental, heritage and related experience.

Essential requirements:

• Relevant tertiary qualifications and/or demonstrated equivalent experience.

This constitutes ongoing employment under section 43 of the Government Sector Employment Act 2013, and the role is based in Sydney.

For further information, please contact Mark Kerry at K2 on 0403 192 822.

To apply confidentially, please register your interest with a resume/CV and cover letter at: mark@k2.net.au

Executive Director - Biodiversity Conservation Trust

The Executive Director, Biodiversity Conservation Trust leads the Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) consistent with relevant NSW law, and directions from the BCT Board and the Minister for the Environment.

In this role, you will manage the operations of the Trust including financial management, funds investment strategy and commercial activities to ensure compliance with relevant Government policy and statutory requirements. You will also lead the development and implementation of a strategic, corporate and annual business plan to establish short and long term objectives and achieve financial targets set by the Government.

To be successful in this role you will have a proven track record of managing a diverse range of stakeholders in the context of effectively managing high and sometimes competing expectations.

Essential requirements:

• Relevant tertiary qualifications and/or demonstrated equivalent experience.

This constitutes ongoing employment under section 43 of the Government Sector Employment Act 2013, and the role location is negotiable.

For further information, please contact Chris Morrison at Davidson Executive & Boards on (02) 8093 0632.

To apply confidentially, please register your interest with a resume/CV and cover letter at www.jobs.davidsonwp.com and search the relevant job title.

Executive Director - Strategy and Performance

The Executive Director, Strategy and Performance provides strategic and operational support to the Chief Executive and leads diverse and complex functions that contribute to the achievement of organisational and government objectives.

In this role, you will lead the development and implementation of a strategic planning and reporting framework and the alignment of corporate reporting systems, including the identification of key performance indicators and high level targets. You will also oversee all aspects of program development, implementation and monitoring across a complex portfolio of programs and projects, and facilitate strategic decision-making by the executive across the whole portfolio.

To be successful in this role you will have a proven track record of engaging and gaining agreement from a diversity of stakeholders.

Essential requirements:

• Relevant tertiary qualifications and/or demonstrated equivalent experience.

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Our commitment to diversity: The NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) values diversity and inclusion in the workplace. We welcome and encourage applications from people of all ages and genders, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, culturally and linguistically diverse groups and those with disability.

To apply confidentially, please register your interest with a resume/CV and cover letter at the above websites.



Senior Project Lead

Koori Justice Unit

- Coordinate Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement projects
- Ongoing, full-time position, based in the Melbourne CBD
- Salary range \$90,890 \$100,429 plus superannuation

The Department of Justice and Regulation's Koori Justice Unit is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement (AJA) across the state's justice system. The AJA is the Victorian Government's primary vehicle for coordinating initiatives to address the over-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the criminal justice system.

As the Senior Project Lead, you will manage the implementation of key AJA initiatives and projects. This includes grant management and developing funding bids; supporting project advisory committees and reference groups; preparing high level reports and papers; and liaising closely with internal and external stakeholders regarding the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of AJA initiatives.

As our ideal candidate, you will have:

- \blacksquare experience in managing key projects, with a proven track record in delivering outcomes on
- excellent communication, interpersonal and stakeholder management skills
- knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Koori community, with the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with its members

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by Monday 12 June 2017.

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Join our innovative team to tackle challenges for people with disability!

Northcott is a not-for-profit disability service provider that works with customers to realise their potential.

We are seeking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to join our crew in various locations throughout NSW and ACT. You will be part of team that commits to work creatively and relentlessly with al<mark>l our custom</mark>ers, supporting and empowe<mark>ring</mark> them to be the best they can be now and in the future.

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

For a confidential discussion call Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Programs Advisor, Debbie Frail on: (02) 9890 0502

Essential pre-employment checks will be conducted





Senior Project Officer (Aboriginal Cultural Capability)



Health and Human

- Location: Dandenong and/or Traralgon
- Salary: \$90.890 \$109.969 + super

The Senior Project Officer (Aboriginal Cultural Capability), will develop a place based action plan to increase aboriginal employment in South Division in alignment with the Departmental Aboriginal Employment Strategy

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit; www.careers.vic.gov.au or contact Belinda Bywaters on 03 5177 2637.

Job Reference number: DHHS/SSD/00491031

Applications close: Sunday 11 June 2017

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health and Human Services recruitment

Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply as this position is exempt under the Special Measure Provision, Section 12 (1) of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic).

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au

Frankston Hospital

Alcohol and Other Drugs Trainee (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)

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Aboriginal Health Worker Healesville

Fixed Term until 30/6/2018 (0.6 EFT)

The Aboriginal Health Team in Healesville is looking for an Aboriginal Health Worker to work 3 days per week for the service.

Call (03) 5957 1100 for enquiries.

Job reference number 10868

For more information and to apply online visit: For more information and to apply of the visit www.easternhealth.org.au Applicants may be required to undergo a Police Records/Working with Children Check.



Careers with Queensland Health

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advanced Health Worker

Social Work Department, Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, Wide Bay Hospital and Health Service. Remuneration up to \$70,851 p.a. which may include employer contribution to superannuation (up to 12.75%) and annual leave loading (17.5%) (OO4) (One Permanent Full Time (76 hours p.f.) and One Temporary Full Time (76 hours p.f.) for up to six months with the possibility of an extension) (Applications will remain current for twelve months)

Duties / Abilities: To enhance the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the Hervey Bay and Maryborough Hospitals, providing culturally appropriate services. The focus of the role will be during hospital stays, from admission through to discharge planning, across the acute and sub-acute hospital settings. The role will observe and implement culturally appropriate prevention, promotion of self-care, education, intervention and strategies to individuals, families and community groups. Develop and strengthen collaborative health partnerships and referral pathways with Indigenous Community Control Health Services and non-government organisations to achieve positive outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients.

Enquiries: Melissa D'Or (07) 4122 8471 Job Ad Reference: H1705WB241565 Application Kit: (07) 4150 2066 or www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

Closing Date: Monday, 12 June 2017

You can apply online at www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au

A criminal history check may be conducted on the recommended person for the job. A non-smoking policy applies to Queensland Government buildings, offices and motor vehicles.





Stakeholder Engagement Officer

- Clerk Grade 7/8
- Full-time ongoing appointment
- Position number and location: 192532, Oxford Street, Darlinghurst

Total remuneration package valued to: \$110,697 pa (salary \$90,215 - 99,862 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 Aboriginal Education and Community Engagement Unit is positioned within the NSW Department of Education's Aboriginal Education and Communities Directorate. Aboriginal Education and Communities values its strong partnership with the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. and communities, in supporting NSW Public schools to deliver high level, quality teaching to maximise learning outcomes for Aboriginal students.

The work of the Aboriginal Education and Community Engagement Unit is underpinned by this objective, and provides leadership, strategic advice and direction on all matters relating to Aboriginal education across the Department. The Unit contributes to national and state policy development for Aboriginal education including language and culture programs in schools.

This role supports the building and maintenance of relationships with key stakeholders as part of Aboriginal Education and Community Engagement's engagement strategy.

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

For the application process, you must answer any pre-screening questions and any essential requirements. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the role description in your answer, so please develop your response with this in mind.

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.

This is a child-related role. If you are the successful candidate 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: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Applications Close: 14 June 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Mary Senj (02) 9244 5866.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 192532





Multiplatform Producer, Indigenous Coverage Unit

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Work with our dedicated Indigenous Affairs Reporting Team to source and shape the most compelling Indigenous stories, and help the team to find the biggest audiences on web and mobile platforms.

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Education

• Position number and location: 174271 - Queanbeyan

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Applications Close: 14 June 2017

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Ben Ballard on (02) 6200 5011.

Job Reference Number 174271

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact

Aboriginal Education and Engagement Officer

Temporary full-time appointment up to 3 years from entry on duty

online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

About the role: Providing high level support and advice to schools, educational services

Please address the selection criteria in relation to the Statement of Duties for the position in

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

In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records

Note: Under new provisions for permanent teachers taking up non-school based temporary appointments, the right of return to their substantive position has been extended to up to 3 years. The maximum continuous period of time in temporary Non School Based Teaching Service appointments at-level is for 3 years (cumulatively). Successful applicants currently employed in an SEO1 (ETS), SEO2 (ETS) or PEO (ETS), who still meet the definition of recent school based experience (where it is required in the advertisement) and apply for a position at the same level,

will be offered the new at-level position for the remaining balance of their existing period(s) of appointment (being a cumulative period in any at-level positions, inclusive of higher duties and/or

Note: Recent school based experience is either direct classroom teaching within the past three

years or school executive experience within the past three years. Direct classroom teaching or school executive experience is full time service in a school based position in a departmental preschool, infants, primary, central/community, secondary, environmental education centre

or special school for a continuous period of one (1) year. For more information please review

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the

information, visit www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check

your application. Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications

teams and key stakeholders in the implementation of strategies relating to Aboriginal

Applications close: 13 June 2017

education and engagement.

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For more details, visit abc.net.au/careers



Aboriginal Smoking Cessation Advisor (Aboriginal Health Worker) **Quit for New Life Project**

Perm F/T 38hpw at Campbelltown Hospital Salary: \$50,349 - \$74,155 pa Enquiries: Liz Millen (02) 9780 2841

This is an identified position and Aboriginal applicants must demonstrate Aboriginality in addition to addressing the selection criteria. In this role Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1997.

Stepping Up aims to assist Aboriginal job applicants by providing information about applying for roles in NSW Health organisations.

For more information, please visit: www.steppingup.health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date: 20 June 2017

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 387554

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Manager, Aboriginal Affairs Policy An exciting opportunity exists for an experienced Policy Manager to join the Aboriginal

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The Aboriginal Affairs Policy branch is responsible for leading and facilitating a whole-ofgovernment, coordinated, and focussed approach on Aboriginal affairs as well as supporting the Minister and Premier to deliver on cross-government responsibilities and engagement with Aboriginal leadership and driving the delivery of priorities in the Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Framework 2013-2018, other Victorian Government commitments, and COAG priorities to improve outcomes for Aboriginal people.

This is an opportunity to contribute to a fundamental shift in the relationship between Aboriginal Victorians and government, and to empower the Victorian Aboriginal community to achieve long-term generational change

Reporting to an Executive, the Manager, Policy will be required to manage a small team to develop and implement whole-of-government reforms as well as lead and influence Aboriginal Affairs Policy for example self-determination, treaty, social and economic policy and intergovernmental relations.

The successful candidate will have demonstrated experience in a similar position, strong people management skills, significant policy experience and be an effective leader

Experience in Aboriginal affairs is highly desirable but not essential.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply for this position.

The closing date for this position is Wednesday, 7 June 2017.

How to apply:

/ work FOR NSW

- Apply before the advertised closing date via the **careers.vic.gov.au** website: https://jobs.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs/VG-VG-1275845
- All applications should include:

 - o a cover letter which addresses the key selection criteria (within three pages)
- Please note this position is only open to applicants with relevant rights to work in Australia.



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An exciting opportunity has become available to work for Barnardos Australia, one of Australia's leading children's charities. A full time, permanent Family Support Worker is required for our Yurungai Child and Family Services based at Sydney Metro Centre, Ultimo.

Reporting to the Acting Program Manager, the Family Support Worker, Yurungai Child and Family Services will provide casework services to children 0-18 years and their families, and ensure a high standard of service is provided to families and children in need.

Yurungai Child and Family Services aims to prevent family breakdown and to keep children from entering the out of home care system.

This Family Support Worker role is an Aboriginal identified position. To perform this role it is essential that the person who holds the position be an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person. It is therefore a genuine occupational requirement under section 25 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 that applicants are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders.

The ideal candidate will also have a tertiary qualification in Social Work, Psychology or Social Welfare related discipline; demonstrated experience of working with children, young people and their family in a child protection context; knowledge of child development, parenting capacity and current child protection legislation; experience using an electronic case management tool.

Additional info Must have excellent communication, computer skills, a valid NSW driving license, a satisfactory

NSW WWCC & ability to participate in an out of hours roster.

\$69,859 - \$85,855 p.a (excluding Fringe Benefits Tax / Salary packaging and car). Please contact Tina at abrs on 02 9218 2418 to find out more about our salary packaging options.

Closing date: 9am Wednesday 07 June 2017

For a confidential discussion OR to request an application package, please call Tina Garner on 02 9218 2418 or email tina@abrs.net.au



Youth Justice Conference Convenor

- Juvenile Justice Department of Justice
- Casual Role
- Location: Dubbo, Bourke, Broken Hill
- Conference Convenors will be contracted for each conference and paid at an hourly rate of \$44.50

The Conference Convenor is a statutory appointee responsible for the preparation and facilitation of Youth Justice Conferences in local communities with offenders, victims, support people, police and others affected by the offence.

Applications Close: 19 June 2017 (11.59 pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Yvonne Giffin, Assistant Manager Juvenile Justice Community Office, (02) 6801 3012 or at Yvonne.Giffin@justice.nsw.gov.au

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005AMH



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Administration Officer

- West Division Barwon Area Geelong
- Position is Fixed term to 1/12/2017, Part time (22.8 hours per week)
- Work days Monday, Wednesday & Friday (subject to change)
- Salary Range: \$48, 489 \$62, 267 plus superannuation

The Branch Administration Unit is a dedicated team that provides a wide range of administrative, secretariat and support functions across the Barwon Area. The team covers the Local Connections Unit, Individual & Family Support and Residential Client Services. As the Barwon Area Administration Officer, VPS2, you will be involved in the day-to-day administrative support for the Local Connections and Individual & Family Support teams. The successful applicant should possess excellent computer skills, be flexible and operate well as part of a team. This position is seeking an energetic person to take on this role.

Are vou:

- A person with strong administrative skills who can prioritise work flow?
- A good communicator and enjoy working in a team environment?

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit; www.careers.vic.gov.au or contact Mr Adam Reilly on telephone (03) 5226 4897

Job Reference number: DHHS/WWD/379238

Applications close: Midnight Wednesday 7 June 2017

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au

To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health and Human Services recruitment

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au



Aboriginal Client Services Officer

- Temporary Full-Time for up to 12 months
- Clerk Grade 5/6, Forbes
- Department of Justice Corrective Services NSW
- Temporary Full-Time (12 months)
- Attractive salary package (up to \$97,086)
- Forbes

Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) delivers professional correctional services and programs to reduce the risk of re-offending and enhance public safety. It ensures offenders who are required to be held in custody are removed from the general community and placed in a safe, secure and humane environment.

The Client Services Officer provides advice and support to Community Corrections Officers, Unit Leaders and Community Corrections Managers in the case management of Aboriginal offenders in a culturally sensitive manner and ensure appropriate case plans and supervision is implemented consistent with the Service's mission of reduction of re-offending. Act as a resource for Community Corrections Managers and the Policy and Programs Unit to develop effective Service-wide culturally appropriate offender programs.

How to apply

- Apply on line at www.iworkfor.nsw.gov.au
- Answer all questions on the online application form.
- Include a covering letter maximum two (2) pages and an up-to-date resume of no more than three (3) pages which clearly details your skills, experience and capabilities as relevant to this role.
- Ensure your profile is updated with current referees. You are required to provide e-mail addresses for two nominated referees, one of which must be a current or recent supervisor within the last 12 months

Job Notes: In this position an applicant's race is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

A talent pool may be created for future ongoing and temporary vacancies which may occur over the next 12 months. All new staff will be required to attend the Integrated Induction for up to 2 weeks at the commencement of their employment.

Please list your preferred districts.

Please indicate your preferred location within the district:

North 1: (Coffs Harbour, Grafton, Kempsey, Lismore, Port Macquarie, Gunnedah, Moree, Glen Innes, Tamworth, Taree)

North 2: (Cessnock, Gosford, Lake Macquarie, Maitland, Miruma, Newcastle, Muswellbrook, Wyona)

Applications Close: Sunday 11 June 2017

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005B5J





Research & Admin Officer

- Be a part of Australia's independent national broadcaster
- Salary between \$71 \$85k p.a. (pro rata)
- Sydney CBD location (Central Station)
- Part time (22 30 hours per week)

We have a fantastic opportunity for a Research & Admin Officer to join our close-knit Editorial

You'll be providing administrative support to the Editorial Director and the wider team as well as assisting on a variety of research and editorial tasks.

You'll have a friendly and supportive environment to learn and grow in, within a vibrant, diverse and cohesive team with the opportunity to gain valuable experience.

Applications close: 14th June 2017

For more details, visit abc.net.au/careers

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NGULINGAH LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Remuneration Package includes Wage \$71,000.00, Plus Salary Sacrifice, Vehicle and Mobile phone

Full Time/Permanent

The Ngulingah Local Aboriginal Land Council (NLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career undertaking the challenging role of full-time Chief Executive Officer.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the dayto-day management of the NLALC's affairs in accordance with delegated authorities; the provision of sound and accurate advice and the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner.

The successful applicant will have demonstratable knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (ALRA) (or the ability to rapidly acquire), the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communication skills. Organisational and management experience is essential together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and selection criteria and address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. For a recruitment package contact the Contact Wesley Fernando, wesley.fernando@alc.org.au or on (02) 6659 1200.

Applications can also be marked "Confidential" and posted to:

The Ngulingah LALC CEO Recruitment Panel PO Box 1912, COFFS HARBOUR, NSW 2450

Applications close Friday 12th June 2017 Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply



Aboriginal Engagement Advisor - VIC

John Holland are looking for an experienced Aboriginal Engagement Advisor to join our People & Culture team based in Melbourne, VIC.

Reporting to the People & Culture Manager, you'll be responsible for developing, implementing and coordinating an overall strategy for Aboriginal engagement that improves outcomes of Aboriginal people and contributes to business and client requirements. Provide support and advice to the precontracts team, project delivery teams and leadership teams in all matters associated with Aboriginal engagement. Assist the VIC, SA & TAS pre-contracts team in responding to EOIs, information requested by future clients through preparation of project specific Aboriginal

To be considered for this role, it is essential that you

- demonstrate the following;
 Tertiary Degree (Bachelor level) or certificate or relevant experience within human resources, business, heritage or commerce
- Minimum of 5 years' experience within HR, community development, employment services, Aboriginal community engagement, learning and development or business
- Experience in developing, coordinating and delivering Aboriginal engagement programs or initiatives
 Knowledge of Native Title Act 1993 as well as the
- Commonwealth Indigenous Procurement Policy and how these relate to John Holland projects

At John Holland, we understand that our greatest resource is our people. We pride ourselves on being a market leader in targeting training, career development and remuneration. We provide long-term career options within an equal opportunity workplace where we recognise the importance of flexibility and a healthy work-life balance.



Aboriginal Mental Health Drug and **Alcohol Clinical Leader**

Site Negotiable Salary: \$90,827 - \$93,549 pa

Enquiries: David West 0418 414 220

Closing Date: 10 June 2017

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Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 393430

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Many Rivers Regional Housing Management Services Aboriginal Corporation

SENIOR PROPERTY OFFICER

- · Aboriginal Senior Property Officer
- Permanent full time position
- 37.5 hours per week (8.30am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday)
- \$60,000 per year + Salary Sacrifice + superannuation

 Kempsey NSW We are an Aboriginal social housing provider who works

closely with Aboriginal Communities to provide quality housing for Aboriginal people and their families. We are looking for an Aboriginal Senior Property Officer for our growing business. The Senior Property Officer will report to the Office Manager and will be responsible for the performance of a full range of tenancy management functions within a portfolio as well as providing training and mentoring to junior staff. The job will be full time, with hours to be worked between 8.30 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday.

Successful applicants must have:

- Relevant and previous property management experience
 Cert IV in Social Housing Management or higher
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- · Strong organisational skills and attention to detail.

Applying for the Role

Contact Many Rivers Regional Housing for a list of

Contacts for this job are John Clancy and Kelly Stronell Ph: (02) 65622576 or email johnc@mrrahms.com.au, kellys@mrrahms.com.au

Applications close on: 26 JUNE 2017



Aboriginal Administration Trainee

Mental Health, Moree

Enquiries: Krystina Micke (02) 6776 9805 Reference Number: 394918

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Administration Officer, Level 2

Raymond Terrace

Enquiries: Melissa Crain 0407 404 236

Reference Number: 390735

This is a targeted Aboriginal Position. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under S21 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Enrolled Nurse Aboriginal Health Community Care

Adamstown

Enquiries: Susan Williams (02) 4924 2552 Reference Number: 394670

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: 11 June 2017

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Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Numbers above.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

Curator Collections and Exhibitions Koorie Heritage Trust, Melbourne

Are you passionate about Aboriginal art and culture, and are looking for an exciting opportunity to deliver an outstanding program of exhibitions and collection displays that showcase the diversity of contemporary Victorian and South East Australian Indigenous art and culture? If you are, then we are interested in hearing from you.

Applications are now open for a new role of Curator Collections and Exhibitions at the Koorie Heritage Trust in Melbourne, within our Collections, Exhibitions and Public Programming Team. The role is an Indigenous-identified

For further information on how to apply, and for a copy of the position description including the Key Selection Criteria, please visit our website:

http://koorieheritagetrust.com.au/position available/curator-

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5.00pm, Wednesday 14 June 2017.



Deputy Director - Aboriginal Health (Health Manager Level 3)

Location: Sydney Local Health District, Camperdown Employment Status: Full-Time Salary: \$105,615 - \$120,402 pa Enquiries: George Long 0408 770 096

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti Discrimination Act 1977.

Closing Date: 16 June 2017

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go

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NSW Health Service: employer of choice

search Job Reference Number 387854

to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and



QYAC is a registered Native Title Body Corporate in relation to a Native Title **Determination Application consent** determination on 4 July 2011. QYAC is located at Dunwich, North Stradbroke Island and cares for the Land and Sea areas in the Moreton Bay Region on behalf of the Quandamooka Peoples. QYAC is seeking culturally competent consultants, experts or people with at least 5 years experience in the below areas, to assist with its activities in relation to Native Title on behalf of the Quandamooka Peoples.

Accounting / Architecture / Building / **Construction / Demolition / Waste** Removal / Plumbing / Cleaning / Economics; - Accommodation / Catering and Hospitality / Legal / Planning and Policy (Statutory Planning, Community Master Planning, Development, Housing) / Pest and Weed Management / Environmental Science / Visual Art, Craft, Public Art Works, Design / Research and Education / **Media / Communications and Information Technology / Tourism / Land Management** / Conservation / Native Title / Cultural **Heritage / Fire Management**

For online application please visit: http://Consultants.QYAC.net.au Contact Jennifer Jones with enquires: 3415 2816 / projects@qyac.net.au PO Box 235, Dunwich 4183 Applications must include Service type, Skills experience, Qualifications and Rates by: **COB 17 July 2017**.



Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker

NSW Family and Community Services aims to transform the lives of vulnerable children by recruiting and developing outstanding individuals to be leaders in child protection practice.

As an Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker you will be working with vulnerable children and young people who are at risk of abuse and neglect, their families and communities and interagency partners to be agents of change in the lives of children.

> Being an Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker is tough. It takes a special kind of person. But the rewards are huge.

We are looking for people with a strong commitment to children, families and community capacity building, people who possess a high level of resilience to become part of a team of skilled and dedicated professionals.

Do you identify as Aboriginal and have two years experience working with Aboriginal children, young people and families or communities?

If so apply now! Please visit www.iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and enter job reference no: 000041OM to join a team of dedicated and professional FACS caseworkers in your area and benefit from:

- Professional support and training
- Flexible working conditions
- Great career opportunities

Aboriginal Caseworkers must identify and be recognised as Aboriginal.

More information available www.facs.nsw.gov.au/careers/caseworker

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further Please call Recruitment on 1800 203 966 or email caseworker.screenings@facs.nsw.gov.au



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 000041OM



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AWABAKAL LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

BUSINESS SUPPORT OFFICER

Following restructure Awabakal LALC seeks to employ a Business Support Officer to work in our Islington office

Essential Selection Criteria

- · Completion of Certificate IV in Business Administration, or equivalent.
- Contemporary experience in customer service with a commitment to and ability to provide excellence.

 Demonstrated proficiency in Microsoft Office (eg Outlook, Word and Excel), and
- confidence in database development and management.
- Excellent oral and written interpersonal skills.
- · Demonstrated understanding and competence in managing the ICT requirements of a small organisation.
- Experience in financial management (invoicing, accounts management and payroll).
 Proven capacity to produce high quality reports and documents in a timely manner.

Desirable Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated knowledge of the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983.
- Understanding, development and management of a website platform.

To apply please contact CEO Rob Russell for an information package on 0407 951 430 or email ceo@awabakallalc.com.au. Applications will include a 1 page covering letter outlining your credentials, a current resume/curriculum vitae, and a statement addressing the Selection Criteria.

Closing date: 16 June 2017



INDIGENOUS ARTS OFFICER

Part-time (3 days a week) \$70,000 (pro rata)

Are you passionate about Indigenous art and would you like to help build alternative pathways for Indigenous ex-offenders through art and cultural support? If you are keen to work with The Torch on these things and help make a positive impact on people's lives then we are interested in hearing from you.

The Torch is seeking applications for an Indigenous Arts Officer to co-ordinate our In Community (Post Release) Arts program. This is a permanent part-time outreach role. Building on the Statewide Indigenous Arts in Prison program this role supports participants to establish and sustain an arts practice post release and assist community reintegration.

The Torch is seeking a highly motivated individual with strong experience working with the Aboriginal community in the community development and arts sectors

The Torch is a not-for-profit arts organisation with national aspirations that provides cultural and arts vocational support to Indigenous offenders and ex- offenders

The core business of the Torch is to address the over representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within Victoria's correctional facilities through its' State-wide Indigenous Arts in Prisons & in Community programs.

Crucial to the success of our Arts Program is the cultural support and cultural guidance provided to our participants from our Indigenous Arts Officers, which is why we are seeking applicants from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people for this role.

For a copy of the position description please contact

Tel: 03 9042 1236 or artistic@thetorch.org.au For further information on the role contact Kent Morris:

Tel: 0421 942 402.

Applications addressing the key selection criteria and your resume should be sent to :

Kent Morris, CEO, The Torch artistic@thetorch.org.au

Applications close on: Monday 26th June 2017



Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council

CHIEF EXECUTIVE **OFFICER**

Section 14D of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW)

Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council (GLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding career as the Chief Executive Officer of the Gandangara LALC.

This position holder will provide an extensive range of assistance and support to the elected Board through the day-to-day management of Gandangara LALC'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.

or extensive relevant experience. In addition, the successful applicant will need to have extensive and demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, the capacity to interpret and implement legislation and sound communications skills. Highlevel organisational and management experience, current driver's licence together with an understanding of accounting practices and principles is an essential requirement of this position. A sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues would also be required.

All applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package and must address the selection criteria for their application to be considered. To obtain a copy of the recruitment package please contact the Chairperson Wendy Morgan, by email: wmorgan@glalc.org.au or on

Applications can be forwarded to mailto: wmorgan@glalc.org.au marked confidential and posted to:

The CEO Recruitment Panel Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council P.O. Box 1038 Liverpool Business Centre NSW 1871

Applications Close 14th June 2017 Being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification for this position as described under



GPEX Aboriginal Health Educator / Liaison Officer

GPEx is the South Australian Training Organisation which delivers training to doctors selected to specialise in general practice in Australia

The role of Aboriginal Health Educator/Liasion Officer involves liaison and engagement with core stakeholders, program partners and otherPEx staff in the implementation of the ATSI

Candidates will ideally have relevant experience working in a health, education or policy

The position is full time until December 2018 and will be located in our offices at 132 Greenhill

Further information and a position description can be obtained via our website at www.gpex.com.au.

Applications to Rebecca Pit Manager People and Culture at careers@gpex.com.au

Applications close Wednesday 7 June 2017.



Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation. GLaWAC is the Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) for the Gunaikurnai people providing joint management of 10 parks and reserves within the Gippsland region of Victoria

All position descriptions available at www.gunaikurnai.org

NRM On Country Mentor

- · Casual Position \$44 per hour
- · Understanding of Gunaikurnai Cultural Heritage
- Strong mentoring capacity

· Hands on role

This position will mentor the field staff to deliver successful projects and assist the NRM Business Development Coordinator in the management of works, with a view to developing crew skills and knowledge in order to manage the On Country on ground works. This position works closely with the Indigenous community and a range of NRM agencies and training

NRM Crew Leader

- Casual Position \$27.11 \$28.45 per hour depending on experience
- Understanding of Gunaikurnai Cultural Heritage
- Strong leadership capabilities

The NRM On Country Team Leader provides day to day leadership of the NRM Crew, managing and motivating a high performing team to successfully deliver a range of onground NRM projects required by our clients. This leadership role oversees scheduling and delivery of onground NRM projects to specified quality, time and budget requirements.

GLaWAC considers that being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under s28 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic.)

For further information on this position, please contact Mardi Edwards - Human Resources Manager on (03) 5152 5100. Applications are to be marked 'Confidential' addressing the key selection criteria, including a resume and should be e-mailed to hr@glawac.com.au.

These positions close on 18th June 2017.

KOORI EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS

Aboriginal Case Manager

Grampians Region - Ballarat

- Engage with the Victorian Aboriginal (Koori) Community
- · Ongoing, full time opportunity based in Ballarat
- Salary range \$69,080 \$75,895 plus superannuation

To be successful in this role, you will have:

- · the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with members of the Victorian Koori Community
- · an understanding of the Victorian Koori Community, both socially and culturally, and the issues impacting on it
- an understanding of, or experience in, effective case management practices including proactively managing risk of complex individuals
- · an understanding of, or experience in, modelling pro-social behaviours, with the ability to motivate and influence individuals who are being case managed
- assertiveness and confidence in dealing with individuals exhibiting challenging behaviours.

For more information and to apply online, please visit correctionsjobs.vic.gov.au by Sunday, 18 June 2017.



Department of Justice and Regulation

Valuing Diversity



Legal Aid

Aboriginal Targeted Legal Support Officer

- State-wide Talent Pool
- Package up to \$72k (Clerk Grade 1/2)
- Ongoing, Temporary & Casual Talent Pool

We are looking for enthusiastic and organised team players to support the effective and efficient delivery of legal services within Legal Aid NSW. This role includes preparing correspondence, processing legal documents, liaising with stakeholders and providing basic referral information to clients.

Applications Close: Wednesday, 14 June 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Yamil Zenassi on (02) 9219 5104.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 000059J2.



Legal Aid

Professional Legal Placement (Aboriginal Identified)

- Package up to \$79K (pro-rata)
- 2 x Placements Available
- Various Locations and Legal Practice Areas
- Temporary up to 9 months

We are looking for two bright, hardworking law graduates who are about to embark on their Practical Legal Training to join our Professional Legal Placement Program working in either our Criminal, Family or Civil Law Divisions.

Applications Close: Wednesday, 7 June 2017

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If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Scott Hawkins on (02) 9219 5109.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005B1Y.



Senior Evaluator

- Clerk Grade 9/10
- Temporary Full-time appointment for a period up to: 31 December 2018
- Position number and location: 198516 Bridge Street, Sydney

The Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE), undertakes in-depth analysis of education programs and outcomes across early childhood, school, training and higher education to inform whole-of-government, evidence based decision making. Put simply, it seeks to find out what works best.

CESE's three main responsibilities are to:

- provide data analysis, information and evaluation that improve effectiveness, efficiency and accountability of education programs and strategies.
- collect essential education data and provide a one-stop shop for information needs a single access point to education data that has appropriate safeguards to protect data confidentiality and integrity.
- build capacity across the whole education sector so that everyone can make better use of data and evidence.

More information about the Centre can be found at: (www.cese.nsw.gov.au).

About the role

The role will ensure Aboriginal cultural integrity and cultural requirements are met in the delivery of evaluation projects for major Government and departmental initiatives. The Senior Evaluator (Aboriginal) will liaise with internal and external stakeholders including Aboriginal communities, and in particular the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc., to promote the importance of evaluation and build the capacity for evaluation across the education sector in NSW.

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

For the application process, you must answer any pre-screening questions and any essential requirements. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the role description in your answer, so please develop your response with this in mind.

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. Provide an example where you have led the implementation of a large evaluation or research project involving Aboriginal communities in which you managed stakeholder relationships, data collection and analysis and developed evaluation reports. (300 words)
- 2. Outline your experience in planning and developing evaluation or research frameworks that validated the authentic voice of the Aboriginal communities you engaged with. (300 words)

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

Applications Close: 28 June 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Ben Barnes on (02) 9561 8696.

iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 198516



Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to

Senior Aboriginal Community Enagement and Wellness Officer

Caber-ra Nanga Engage

- · Fantastic opportunity for an experienced Aboriginal professional with community engagement and mental health / wellness experience
- Part time (4 days per week)
- Based in Macquarie Park, servicing the Northern Sydney region (travel costs subsidised)

Caber-ra Nanga is a Gaimaragal word meaning 'peace of mind'. ENGAGE is a service component delivered as a partnership between Relationship Australia NSW and the Gaimaragal Group for the Northern Sydney Region funded by the Sydney North

We are looking for a suitably qualified and experienced **Aboriginal Community Engagement and Wellness Officer to:**

- Facilitate community based engagement opportunities
- Provide individual service coordination with the aim of supporting service engagement and referral pathways
- · Provide cultural advice, support & cultural immersion opportunities for community & service system
- · Support the facilitation of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Mental Health First Aid and 'system literacy' workshops for Aboriginal people in partnership with Gaimaragal Group
- · Provide both individual and system advocacy
- · Contribute to the current body of evidence around effective mental health services for Aboriginal people.

on how to apply, please contact the Regional Manager on 02 8874 8000 or visit the link below:

Please note this is an Aboriginal Identified Position

Relationships Australia NSW considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW) **APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON SUNDAY 11 JUNE 2017**







Crisis Support. Suicide Prevention.

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MANAGER Social Work and Aboriginal Health

- ·Are you looking for your next career challenge? •Are you a change champion?
- •Do you want to impact directly on the care a service

South West Healthcare is looking for a dynamic and enthusiastic manager to lead this multidisciplinary Social Work and Aboriginal Health teams to the next level.

This Clinical Manager position is one of leadership and management of the Social Work Team, the Aboriginal Program Unit, and the Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Staff Counselling Team.

For the full advertisement, position description and application process please visit our website under

> WARRNAMBOOL CAMPUS RYOT STREET WARRNAMBOOL 3280 www.southwesthealthcare.com.au



Producer, Speaking Out

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Equity and Diversity Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

- \$62K \$70Kp.a. (pro rata) + choice of 15.4% super
- Location Negotiable

Speaking Out is ABC Radio's weekly program focussing on Indigenous politics, news, culture and issues.

We are looking for an enthusiastic and self-motivated Producer who can bring a perspective of culturally diverse communities and contribute to stories and conversations that reflect the broader Australian diversity landscape

For details visit abc.net.au/careers

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Expression of Interest Board Member, NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (up to 3 positions)

The role of the Board is to:

- develop and advise on strategic directions and policies for the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO)
- develop and implement strategies for consultation with Aboriginal communities in NSW on housing and related issues, and
- provide advice to the Minister on Aboriginal housing and related issues, including program monitoring and development.

Expressions of Interest are now invited from Aboriginal people interested in being appointed & to the Board as a Board Member.

Applications Close: Tuesday 6 June 2017 (11.59pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Marjorie Anderson (02) 8836 0012 or Marjorie. Anderson@facs.nsw.gov.au

To apply, applicants must address the selection criteria and all applications must be made online through iworkfor.nsw.gov.au





Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer

Outstanding candidates are encouraged to apply for an Aboriginal Health Liaison Officer position now open at Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre - a place where our normal days are extraordinary; as are the people we care for.

The purpose of this role is to provide advocacy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander patients and families during treatment at Peter Mac and to build relationships and collaborate with Aboriginal organisations and the VCCC precinct partner organisations. This role will also work with people and change to implement the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employment Action Plan

Applications can be made at the www.petermac.mercury.com.au website (Reference Number 13160).

Contact: Geraldine McDonald Phone; 038559 6265 Closing Date: 7 June 2017



Become an Instructor

of the NEW 3rd Aboriginal & Torres Strait **Islander MHFA Course**

The 14-hour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mental Health First Aid (AMHFA) Course teaches members of the public (18 years and over) how to provide culturally appropriate help to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander adult who is developing a mental health problem or in a

This intensive 5-day training course accredits successful applicants to conduct the 14-hour AMHFA Course. After completion of this training, you will be able to deliver the 14-hour AMHFA Course to a variety of audiences (e.g., staff as part of orientation, ongoing in-service training, to a particular community/target group).

MHFA Instructors are not employed by MHFA Australia. Rather, you will have the autonomy to organise and conduct your own courses and set your own course fees. You will be able to take comfort in being involved with an innovative program that is well regarded by the community, and that has received recognition nationally and overseas.

This 5-day Instructor Training Course runs 9am - 5pm, Monday to Friday. The cost is \$3,620. This covers tuition, catering, the Instructor's Kit and ongoing support from the MHFA Australia

Applications now open for two upcoming 5-day Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

- 21st 25th August 2017, Sydney (hurry places filling fast!)
- · 13th 17th November 2017, Adelaide

For more information and to APPLY ONLINE visit: www.mhfa.com.au

Enquiries please call MHFA Australia on: (03) 9079 0200 or email: mhfa@mhfa.com.au

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FULL TIME POSITION

The Narromine Local Aboriginal Land Council is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in a rewarding and challenging career in the role of Chief Executive

Reporting to the Board, the CEO has responsibility for day to day management of the Council's affairs, together with the provision of sound and accurate advice, the provision of an extensive range of assistance and support to the Board, the implementation of the Board's resolutions in a timely and appropriate manner in accordance with delegated authorities, and appointment and

The CEO also has the key strategic responsibility for overseeing the preparation and implementation of the Council's community, land and business plan. Essential criteria include:

Tertiary qualifications in Business, Social Sciences or a related discipline, or extensive relevant experience.

- Demonstrated strong organisational and management experience.
- Demonstrated strong understanding of accounting practices and principles.
 Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act, and the
- capacity to interpret and implement legislation.
- Strong interpersonal, negotiation and communication skills with the ability to establish rapport with all internal and external stakeholders including external regulatory authorities and
- Sound knowledge and appreciation of Aboriginal issues.

Experience in preparing funding applications and leadership in stakeholder management will be considered favourably but is not essential.

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 please contact by email: narrominelalc@bigpond.com



Senior Drug and Alcohol Educator

Full-time, 12 month contract, based in Orange, NSW.

We are seeking an experienced Drug and Alcohol Clinician for a Senior Drug and Alcohol Educator role in the Murdi Paaki Drug and Alcohol Network (MPDAN), a workforce development strategy that aims to reduce the harm done by drugs and alcohol in Aboriginal communities.

Based at the Clinical Hub in Orange, the position is responsible for providing: clinical, group and practice supervision, training and education and capacity building services to primary health care providers such as Aboriginal Health Workers, D&A workers and other community service workers in the MPDAN region. Regular travel to the region (i.e. Bourke, Broken Hill, Walgett and Coonamble) is required.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Tertiary qualifications in health, welfare or related disciplines.
- A minimum of 5 years' experience in drug and alcohol service delivery.
 A commitment to upskilling the drug and alcohol workforce including: evaluation, research,
- ongoing program development and quality improvement.
- Experience providing education and supervision to clinical staff. · An ability to work in a multi-disciplinary, cross-agency and cross-cultural environment.
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with relevant experience and qualifications are encouraged to apply.

Enjoy an attractive remuneration package negotiable with experience, plus superannuation, salary packaging, flexible working hours, laptop, paid travel expenses and excellent professional development opportunities.

For further information on the position and selection criteria, contact RenCare Recruit on 0439 906 284, email: renee@rencare.com.au or go to www.rencare.com.au/jobs. All applications will be reviewed upon submission.

The position is full-time until 30th June 2018.



Legal Aid

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Solicitor (Aboriginal Targeted)

- Civil Law Division
- Statewide Talent Pool
- Temporary & Ongoing opportunities
- Legal Officer Grade I-III (Package up to \$118K)

We are looking for qualified solicitors with knowledge and experience in areas of law including the following: consumer, fines, mental health, human rights, employment, housing, social security or immigration and who are willing to work in locations across NSW.

Applications Close: Wednesday, 14 June 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Pip Martin on (02) 9213 5249 or Jerome McClintock (02) 4908 6171.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005B59.



Aboriginal Case Manager (HM1) TFT up to 30/06/2018

Classification: Health Managers Level 1 Location: Campbelltown

Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time

(up to 07/11/2016)

Salary: \$69,093 - \$92,943 pa

Enquiries: Darryl Gardiner 0447 159 498 Email: darryl.gardiner@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: 4 June 2017

I work **FOR**

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 394562

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



Research and Policy Analyst

- Clerk Grade 7/8
- Temporary Full-time appointment for a period up to: 31 December 2018
- Position number and location: 198699 Bridge Street, Sydney

The Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE), undertakes in-depth analysis of education programs and outcomes across early childhood, school, training and higher education to inform whole-of-government, evidence based decision making. Put simply, it seeks to find out what works best.

CESE's three main responsibilities are to:

- provide data analysis, information and evaluation that improve effectiveness, efficiency and accountability of education programs and strategies.
- collect essential education data and provide a one-stop shop for information needs a single access point to education data that has appropriate safeguards to protect data confidentiality and integrity
- build capacity across the whole education sector so that everyone can make better use of data and evidence.

More information about the Centre can be found at: (www.cese.nsw.gov.au).

The role undertakes research and analysis to support the delivery of evaluation projects for major Government and departmental initiatives. Most of these evaluation projects will be conducted internally, with the team consisting of research and evaluation analysts and data analysts. Analysis is likely to include quantitative analysis of outcome data and survey data, as well as qualitative analysis of stakeholder interviews and group discussions.

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.

For the application process, you must answer any pre-screening questions and any essential requirements. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the role description in your answer, so please develop your response with this in mind.

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

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977.

Pre-screening questions:

- 1. Outline your experience in engaging with Aboriginal stakeholders on a research or evaluation project which had implications for policy. (300 words).
- 2. Please provide an example where you worked as part of a team to deliver a research or evaluation project involving Aboriginal communities. What strategies did you employ to ensure the success of the project? Please describe the research methods used and how you communicated the findings to a diverse audience. (300 words).

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality
- Knowledge and commitment to the Department's Aboriginal education policies.

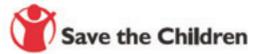
Applications Close: 28 June 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Andrew Griffiths on (02) 9561 1101.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 198699



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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce Development Advisor

In this full-time, 12-month fixed term position, based in our Brisbane office, reporting to the State Manager - QLD, you will lead and guide the cultural competence of the organisation working with State based teams across the country in developing culturally competent programming.

You will make an impact by:

- Driving successful implementation of the Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)
- Organising events for key culturally significant dates during the year both centrally and within
- · Working with People and Culture to develop an Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Workforce Development Strategy
- Providing advice and guidance on cultural competent programming
- · Lead the development of Cultural Awareness for all employees

This role requires:

- Understanding of the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees
- Experience working in programs delivering outcomes to Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander
- people
 Senior leadership skills
- Proven project management skills and change management skills
- · Drivers licence

For more information, visit www.savethechildren.org.au/about-us/careers. Apply through our

This is an identified Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander position. Only applications from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander will be considered as it is permissible to screen applicants on the grounds of heritage under section 105 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1991 QLD.



FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

Part-time (2 days a week)

\$60,000 - \$70,000 negotiable (pro rata)

Are you interested in working for an organization that builds alternative pathways for Indigenous ex-offenders through art and cultural support? If you are keen to work with The Torch on these things and help make a positive impact on people's lives then we are interested in hearing from

The Torch is seeking applications for a permanent part-time role managing the financial, governance and key administrative activities of The Torch.

The Torch is a not-for-profit arts organisation with national aspirations that provides cultural and arts vocational support to Indigenous offenders and ex offenders.

The core business of the Torch is to address the over representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within Victoria's correctional facilities through its' State-wide Indigenous Arts in Prisons & Community programs.

For a copy of the position description please contact:

Tel: 03 9042 1236 or artistic@thetorch.org.au

For further information on the role contact Kent Morris:

Applications addressing the key selection criteria and your resume should be sent to:

Kent Morris, CEO, The Torch artistic@thetorch.org.au

Applications close on: Monday 26th June 2017



Justice and Regulation

Sheriff's Aboriginal Liaison Officer

- Provide support and advice to members of the Koori community
- Ongoing, full-time position, based in Dandenong
- Salary range \$63,629 \$77,259 plus superannuation

Sheriff's Aboriginal Liaison Officers (SALOs) work autonomously to deliver sound advice between the Aboriginal community and the Sheriff's Office. SALOs establish and maintain $\,$ formal coordination arrangements between members of the Sheriff's Koori Support Network, which assists Koori community members to address their outstanding infringements.

As a SALO, your key duties will include:

- developing community awareness towards Sheriff's Officers and their duties
- providing advice, referral and practical assistance to the Koori community and individual community members about how to resolve outstanding infringement matters
- having an understanding of Aboriginal issues and the needs of Aboriginal offenders, and communicating this back to the regional office
- establishing effective communication networks between Sheriff's Officers, local Koori community members and other government and non-government agencies To be successful in this role, you will need to possess a good understanding of the Victorian

Koori community, with the ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with its members. Previous experience in case management to achieve client outcomes of cor individuals is also highly desirable.

Regular travel across the department's South East Metropolitan region will be required.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by Monday 12 June 2017.

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

For all your advertising needs email: advertising@koorimail.com or call 02 6622 2666

WATERNSW

BEGA AND BROGO REGULATED RIVERS WATER SOURCE

An application for a replacement Water Supply Works and Use approval has been received from RONALD BRUCE & LILLIAN JOY SMITH for three pumps (100X80mm Piston & 2X100mm Helical Rotor), on Brogo River at Lot 711 DP1130927 Parish Mumbulla, County Auckland for water supply for Farming and Irrigation use. Replacing existing approval 10CA101869 due to a change and increase in pumps.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 309, Nowra NSW 2541, within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A010034)

Any queries, please call (02) 4428 9140, Wayne Ryan, Water Regulation Officer.

A07168

DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (DPI) – Water MACLEAY VALLEY WATER SOURCE

An application to amend COMBINED WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL SUPPLY 30CA308730 has been received from KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL for an additional pump (191/s) on the Macleay River on Lot 2 DP 790107, Parish of Willawarrin, County of Dudley, for Town Water Supply purposes (Ref: A009823).

Objections to the granting of this approval amendment must be registered in writing to DPI Water, Locked Bag 10, Grafton NSW 2460 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of your objection. Any queries please call (02) 6641 6500, Bart Kellett, Water Regulation Officer.

WATERNSW

MID ORARA WATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORKS &USE APPROVAL has been received from RUSSELL IRA CROWE for a dam of 30 megalitres capacity and 65mm centrifugal pump, on Lots 95 & 96 DP752808, all Parish of Bagawa, County of Fitzroy for conservation of water and irrigation of Lots 26, 27, 95, 96 & 198 DP752808.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW Locked Bag 10, Grafton NSW 2460 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A009646)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email

customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

WATERNSW

SUMMER HILL CREEK WATER SOURCE

An application for a new WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from IAN ROBERT PEARCE & PRUDENCE ANN PEARCE for one 13ML bywash dam and a 50mm centrifugal pump on an unnamed watercourse on Lot 140 DP 785475, Parish of March, County of Wellington. (Ref: A010030).

Objections to the granting of the above approvals must be forwarded to WaterNSW, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. Any queries please call 1300 662 077, Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation (North).

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	70/1319	PMR QUARRIES PTY LTD	123.83HA	19km W'ly of Waroona	Lat: 32° 53' S	WAROONA SHIRE
Mining Lease	70/1320	PMR QUARRIES PTY LTD	202.32HA	18km W'ly of Waroona	Long: 115° 43' E Lat: 32° 52' S Long: 115° 43' E	WAROONA 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 renewa for 21 years

Notification day: 31 May 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 31 August 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. 30 September 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.



PROPOSAL TO GRANT PETROLEUM SPECIAL PROSPECTING AUTHORITY

SECTION 29 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (COMMONWEALTH)

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 Petroleum Special Prospecting Authority application applied for under section 105 of the Petroleum and Geotherma Energy Resources Act 1967 (WA)

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NUMBER	APPLICANT	AREA	SHIRE
STP-SPA-0078	SQUADRON ENERGY PTY LTD (ACN 615 221 559)	3304.94 km²	Broome Shire – 100%
	GOSHAWK ENERGY (CANNING BASIN) PTY. LTD. (ACN 608 440 697)		

LOCALITY

The application is located in the northern part of the Dampier Peninsula and is part of the Canning Basin. This application is composed of 41 5'x5' blocks in the 1:1 000 000 map sheet SE51 (Broome); of which 38 are full blocks and 3 are part blocks for a total area of 3304.94 km2. In places where the boundary of this application partially abuts the Indian Ocean, its coastal boundary is defined by the AMBIS (Australian Maritime Boundaries Information System) Territorial Baseline - AMB 2014) which defines the LAT (Lowest Astronomical tide). The Territorial Baseline is interpreted and defined by Geoscience Australia the Federal Government's Mapping Agency. AMB 2014 relates to the most current version of this boundary. The north-east corner of the application is located approximately 33 kilometres south-east of the locality of Lombadina and approximately 5 kilometres west of Amatangoora Point on the King Sound side. The south-west corner is situated approximately 28 kilometres north-west of Country Downs and approximately 10 kilometres south-east of Cape Baskerville on the Indian Ocean side. The application commences at the north-east point at 123°5'4.54"E, 16°44'54.99"S, thence south along meridian to a point at 123°5'4.53"E, 16°49'54.99"S, thence east along parallel to a point at 123°10'4.53"E, 16°49'54.99"S, thence south along meridian to a point at $123^{\circ}10'4.51"E, 17^{\circ}9'54.99"S, thence west along parallel to a point at 122^{\circ}20'4.58"E, 17^{\circ}9'55.02"S, thence north along meridian to a point on the Territorial and the Company of the Company$ baseline at 122°20'4.58"E, 17°02'56.49"S, thence in a north-easterly direction along the Territorial baseline to a point at 122°21'14.44"E, 16°59'55.01"S, thence east along parallel to a point at 122°30'4.57"E, 16°59'55.01"S, thence north along meridian to a point at 122°30'4.57"E, 16°54'55.01"S, thence east along parallel to a point at 122°35'4.57"E, 16°54'55.01"S, thence north along meridian to a point on the Territorial baseline at 122°35'9.58"E, 16°45'34"S, thence in an easterly direction along the Territorial baseline to a point at 122°43'34.34"E, 16°44'55"S, and finally east along parallel to the starting point of 123°5'4.54"E, 16°44'54.99"S. All coordinates are in Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 (GDA94)

Nature Of The Act: A Petroleum Special Prospecting Authority, while it remains in force, authorises the holder, subject to the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Resources Act 1967 (WA) and in accordance with the conditions to which the Special Prospecting Authority is subject, to carry on in the blocks specified in the Special Prospecting Authority petroleum exploration operations being an Airborne Gravity Gradiometer Survey, expected to be completed within 2 weeks. A Special Prospecting Authority comes into force on the day the survey commences and unless surrendered or cancelled, remains in force for such period

Notification Day: 31 May 2017

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to any of the land and/or waters that will be affected by the act. The 3 month period closes on 31 August 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. Enquires in relation to filing an application for native title determination 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. The Special Prospecting Authority may be granted unless, within a period of 4 months after the notification day 30 September 2017, a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal Level 5. Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, 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 application and flight lines), contact the Petroleum Division Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or free call 1800 628 767 (ask for extension 23813).



Notice under Section 29(3) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, CPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following exploration licences under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990*:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
EL006323	AME: G.E.M.S. (Geological, Educational and Mining Services) Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Glen Valley as shown on the attached map LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 50: H5-7, J6-8 Map 51: A7 TERM: 5 years AREA: 80km2 MUNICIPALITY: Shire of East Gippsland	EL006323 Centre MGA Co-ord 540850E592500N Z55 Centre 100k map 8324
EL006417	NAME: Steadfast Mining Services Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: Over Gordon as shown on the attached map LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 77: C2-C4, D2-D4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 115km2 MUNICIPALITY: Shire of Moorabool	EL006417 Centre MGA Co-ord 246850E 5835450N Z55 Centre 100k map 7722
EL006418	NAME: Navarre Minerals Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 5.1 km south east of Stawell. LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 56: F3-F4, G3-G4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 49km2 MUNICIPALITY: Shire of Northern Grampians	EL006418 Centre MGA Co-ord 665000E5890700N Z54 Centre 100k map 7423

Nature of the act(s): The grant of an exploration licence, which authorises the holder to explore for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, CPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following prospecting licences under section 25 of the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT APPLICATION DETAILS LOCALITY

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PL006216	NAME: Fredrick Baker LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 6.8km south west of Whroo LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 45: H4 TERM: 5 years AREA: 0.81ha MUNICIPALITY: Shire of Campaspe	PL006216 Centre MGA Co-ord 317319E 5939394N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824
PL006415	NAME: Core Prospecting Pty Ltd & Starwest Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 1.8km north east of Redcastle LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 45: E6 TERM: 5 years AREA: 5ha MUNICIPALITY: Shire of Strathbogie	PL006415 Redcastle Centre MGA Co-ord 302890E 5927406N Z55 Centre 100k map 7824

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a prospecting licence, which authorises the holder to explore and mine for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence.

The State of Victoria, through the Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, CPO Box 2392, Melbourne Vic 3001, hereby gives notice that the Minister for Resources or delegate is considering the grant of the following mining licence under section 25 of the *Mineral Resources* (Sustainable Development) Act 1990:

TENEMENT	APPLICATION DETAILS	LOCALITY
MIN006222	NAME: Cummins Minerals Pty Ltd LOCATION DESCRIPTION: 3.9km south of Lake Charm LOCATION REFERENCE: Vic Roads Country Directory Edition 3 Map 20: E4 TERM: 20 years AREA: 123.6 hectares MUNICIPALITY: Shire of Gannawarra	MIN06222 Centre MGA Co-ord 753441E 6050716N Z54 Centre 100k map 7626

Nature of the act(s): The grant of a mining licence, which authorises the holder to mine for minerals on the specified land for the term of the licence and to seek renewals for a period of up to 20 years (unless the Minister decides otherwise).

Notification Day: 31 May 2017

Native Title Parties: Under Section 30 of the Native Title Act 1993 persons have until three months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to the potential grant of the licences. The three month period closes on 31 August 2017. Enquiries about becoming a native title party may be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Melbourne Registry, telephone 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further information about the potential grant of the licences, including identification maps, may be obtained from the Earth Resources Business Centre at Level 19, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne Victoria 3000, telephone (03) 8392 7095.

O'Callaghan, Native Title Coordinator, Department of Economic Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources, telephone (03) 5336 6645.

WATERNSW

MANILLA ALLUVIAL GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a (amendment to an existing) WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **WILLIAM AND DEBORAH E PLEVEY** for One (1) additional Groundwater Work for irrigation purposes on Lot 1 DP579652, Lot 2 DP579652 and crown road within Lot 2 DP579652 Parish of Cuerindi County of Darling.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 550, Tamworth NSW 2340 or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A9979).

Any queries please call 1300 662 077, Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

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WATERNSW

LACHLAN REGULATED RIVER WATER SHARING PLAN

LACHLAN REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE THAT PART OF THE WATER SOURCE DOWNSTREAM OF LAKE CARGELLIGO WEIR

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND/OR WATER USE has been received from **AUSTRALIAN EXECUTOR TRUSTEES LTD** for a 500mm Centrifugal Pump (Capacity 580 L/Sec) on Lot 4982 DP 43243, Parish Torcobil, County Blaxland, for Irrigation purposes.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 291, Forbes NSW 2871 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A009966)

Any queries please call (02) 6850 2808 Andrew Glasson, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

A07024

WATERNSW LAKE BREWSTER TO WHEALBAH FLOOD PLAIN

An application for a FLOOD WORK APPROVAL has been received from ROSELLA SUB TC PTY LTD for existing earth works within a floodplain, along with a 6 MI storage, on 2881//764945; 23//752971; 21//752971, Parish of Florabel, County Franklin. Objections to the granting of the approval must be registered in writing to, WaterNSW, PO Box 205, Deniliquin NSW 2710 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name, address and specify the grounds of the objection. (A8696)

Any queries please call (03) 5898 3939, Jane Taylor, Water Regulation Officer.

A07043

WATERNSW

MURRUMBIDGEE REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from ROKEBY FARMING to include an above ground storage dam, 5//633109, Parish Tooyal, County Bourke.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 156, LEETON NSW 2705 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A0010038). Any queries please call (02) 6951 2510, Tracie Scarfone, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

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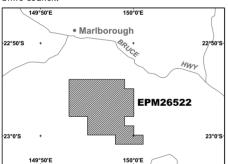


NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANTS OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

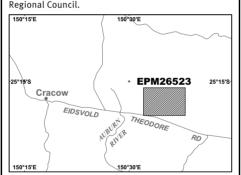
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

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 grants of the Exploration Permits for Minerals shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

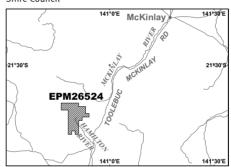
Exploration Permit 26522 sought by Total Iron Pty Ltd, ACN 167 004 104, over an area of 39 sub-blocks (123 km²), centred approximately 16 km South South East of Marlborough, in the locality of the Livingstone Shire Council.



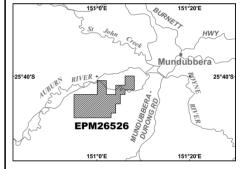
Exploration Permit 26523 sought by Eastern Exploration Pty Ltd, ACN 124 088 857, over an area of 24 sub-blocks (74 km²), centred approximately 8 km East of Cracow, in the locality of the North Burnett



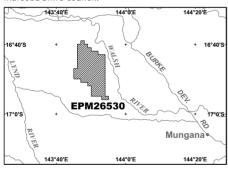
Exploration Permit 26524 sought by Mount Isa Mines Limited, ACN 009 661 447, over an area of 38 sub-blocks (121 km²), centred approximately 70 km South West of McKinlay, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council



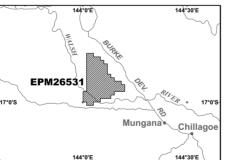
Exploration Permit 26526 sought by Archer Resources Limited, ACN 125 572 192, over an area of 62 sub-blocks (191 km²), centred approximately 34 km South West of Mundubbera, in the locality of the North Burnett Regional Council.



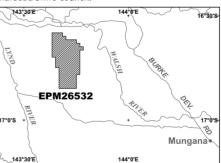
Exploration Permit 26530 sought by Newcrest Operations Limited, ACN 009 221 505, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (325 km2), centred approximately 67 km North West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 26531 sought by Newcrest Operations Limited, ACN 009 221 505, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (328 km²), centred approximately 40 km North West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



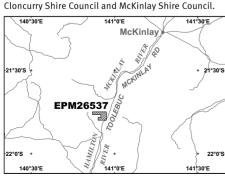
Exploration Permit 26532 sought by Newcrest Operations Limited, ACN 009 221 505, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (328 km²), centred approximately 85 km North West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



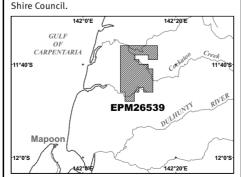
Exploration Permit 26533 sought by Newcrest Operations Limited, ACN 009 221 505, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (325 km²), centred approximately 52 km North West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.



Exploration Permit 26537 sought by Sandfire Resources NL, ACN 105 154 185, over an area of 10 sub-blocks (32 km²), centred approximately 66 km South West of McKinlay, in the localities of the



Exploration Permit 26539 sought by Rio Tinto Exploration Pty Limited, ACN 000 057 125, over an area of 69 sub-blocks (232 km²), centred approximately 43 km North East of Mapoon, in the locality of the Cook



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 on objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3008 5742.

Notification Day: 21 June 2017



WATERNSW

HUNTER TIDAL POOL WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been submitted by PAUL JAMES DEAN AND VANESSA GAI DEAN for an 80 mm centrifugal pump on Lot 62 DP 117284 for the purpose of irrigation.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to PO Box 2213 Dangar NSW 2309 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection. (A009987)

Any queries please call (02) 4904 2511 Heather Dewson, Water Regulation Officer.

WATERNSW

MACQUARIE and CUDGEGONG REGULATED RIVERS WATER SOURCE

An application for a new WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from LUKE JOSEPH CARR & MARTIN ANDREW WHITELEY for one pump (0.5 L/S) on the Macquarie River, Crown Land adjoining Lot 2 DP 853990, Parish of Geurie, County of Lincoln. (Ref: A009976).

MACQUARIE and CUDGEGONG REGULATED RIVERS WATER SOURCE

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from FYRONE PTY LTD for one additional 200mm centrifugal pump on the Macquarie River on Lots 77 or 87 DP 754303, Parish of Coolbaggie, County of Lincoln, for irrigation purposes. (Ref: A010016).

Objections to the granting of the above approvals must be forwarded to WaterNSW, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. Any queries please call 1300 662 077. Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation (North).

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory



Notification day: 14 June 2017

This is an application by a native title claim group which is asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that the group holds native title in the area described below

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 1806, Darwin, NT, 0801 on or before 13 September 2017. After 13 September 2017, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Banjo Ryan Jangala & Ors obo the Jalngarralu, Nawurlala, Parayi-Kakaru and Tjutamalin Landholding Groups and the Northern Territory of Australia (Limbunya Pastoral Lease)

Federal Court File No: NTD1/2017

Date filed: 19 January 2017

 $\textbf{Registration test status:} \ \textbf{The Native Title Registrar has } \textit{accepted} \ \textbf{this}$ application for registration.

Description: The agreement area covers about 5239 sq km north of the Buntine Hwy approx. 125 km east of the NT/WA border.

Relevant LGA: Victoria Daly Regional Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Stacey Scott on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit <u>www.nntt.gov.au.</u>

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NOTICE TO GRANT MINING TENEMENTS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines and Petroleum, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the Mining Act 1978:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
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Exploration Licence	08/2914	RICHARDSON, Brian	2BL	24km S'ly of Onslow	Lat: 21° 51' S Long: 115° 9' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2915	DYNASTY RESOURCES LIMITED	14BL	63km S'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 46' S Long: 117° 45' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2218	WESTERN COBALT PTY LTD	4BL	167km E'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 25° 37' S Long: 116° 45' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1599	REED INDUSTRIAL MINERALS PTY LTD	45BL	27km W'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 8' S Long: 121° 24' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	16/499	BLACK MOUNTAIN GOLD LIMITED	2BL	72km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 24' S Long: 120° 45' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/565	ACCELERATE RESOURCES PTY LTD	5BL	45km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 7' S Long: 122° 8' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	30/495	PIPER PRESTON PTY LTD	70BL	139km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 16' S Long: 119° 41' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	30/499	DALLA-COSTA, Melville Raymond	35BL	111km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 47' S Long: 119° 54' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1148	APP GEM MINING PTY LTD	1BL	79km E'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 33' S Long: 121° 50' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3190	ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA LIMITED	39BL	214km E'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 124° 55' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3219	LEGENDRE, Bruce Robert	70BL	116km NW'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 4' S Long: 122° 21' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	45/4461-I	CENTRAL PILBARA NORTH IRON ORE PTY LTD	34BL	105km W'ly of Nullagine 52km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 22° 5' S Long: 119° 7' E Lat: 20° 39' S Long: 118° 56' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4545 45/4865	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	4BL			EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
	45/4870	AUSTRALIA ARGENTINA PROSPECTING PARTNERS PTY LTD MAROOCHYDORE COPPER PTY LTD	70BL 19BL	154km SW'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 49' S Long: 121° 19' E	
Exploration Licence				81km S'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 25' S Long: 122° 2' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4873 45/4874	RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED RUMBLE RESOURCES LIMITED	8BL	107km SE'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 21° 2' S Long: 121° 0' E	
Exploration Licence			69BL	118km NW'ly of Telfer	Lat: 21° 16' S Long: 121° 11' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4880	HARTLIEB, George Willem	2BL	51km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 22' S Long: 119° 18' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4887 45/4888-l	GREAT SANDY PTY LTD	3BL	42km S'ly of Goldsworthy	Lat: 20° 43' S Long: 119° 30' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence		ATLAS IRON LIMITED	70BL 41BL	18km NW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 4' S Long: 119° 36' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4889-4890-I	ATLAS IRON LIMITED		20km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 19' S Long: 119° 39' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1158	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	35BL 28BL	101km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 27' S Long: 119° 20' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3555	BACOME PTY LTD		7km NW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 9' S Long: 117° 38' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3628	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	5BL	38km N'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 1' S Long: 119° 40' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1817	SANDFIRE RESOURCES NL	11BL	74km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 0' S Long: 118° 50' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1827	GREAT WESTERN EXPLORATION LIMITED	30BL	136km NE'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 25° 46' S Long: 119° 30' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3514	KALAMAZOO RESOURCES LIMITED	19BL	152km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 36' S Long: 119° 46' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3515	KALAMAZOO RESOURCES LIMITED	26BL	156km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 30' S Long: 119° 51' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3524	ATLAS IRON LIMITED	11BL	89km E'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 29' S Long: 120° 35' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2232	GALAHAD RESOURCES PTY LTD	68BL	84km NE'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 27° 54' S Long: 115° 58' E	GERALDTON CITY, MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2236	BACOME PTY LTD	1BL 63BL	75km NW'ly of Paynes Find	Lat: 28° 59' S Long: 116° 58' E Lat: 28° 29' S Long: 116° 53' E	YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence Exploration Licence	59/2243 59/2244	GALAHAD RESOURCES PTY LTD GALAHAD RESOURCES PTY LTD	9BL	26km SE'ly of Yalgoo 8km E'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 19' S Long: 116° 45' E	YALGOO SHIRE YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3489	BRINES AND MINES PTY LTD	99BL	236km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission		
Exploration Licence	69/3491		30BL	140km NW'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 25° 52' S Long: 123° 9' E Lat: 25° 30' S Long: 120° 7' E	WILUNA SHIRE MEEKATHARRA SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4947	MONTEZUMA MINING COMPANY LTD GREENWOOD RESOURCES PTY LTD	17BL	47km E'ly of Wagin	Lat: 33° 18' S Long: 117° 51' E	DUMBLEYUNG SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/4947	CYGNUS GOLD LIMITED	24BL	39km E'ly of Katanning	Lat: 33° 42' S Long: 117° 58' E	KATANNING SHIRE, KENT SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2388	BLACK DRAGON ENERGY (AUS) PTY LTD	27BL	71km S'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 49' S Long: 119° 36' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2432	SEGUE (SALT CREEK) PTY LTD	12BL	125km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 41' S Long: 119° 32' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2436	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	14BL	45km SE'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 29' S Long: 119° 41' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2448	CLIFFS ASIA PACIFIC IRON ORE PTY LTD	5BL	70km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 15' S Long: 119° 11' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2449	CLIFFS ASIA PACIFIC IRON ORE PTY LTD	1BL	65km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 15' S Long: 119° 19' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5065-I	ARGYLE CORRIDOR RESOURCES PTY LTD	198BL	137km S'ly of Kununurra	Lat: 17° 0' S Long: 128° 41' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE, WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5077	SARAG PTY LTD	17BL	28km SE'ly ofhalls Creek	Lat: 18° 27' S Long: 127° 46' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	20/2298-9	FICARRA RESOURCES PTY LTD	313.52HA	7km NW'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 22' S Long: 117° 49' E	CUE SHIRE
r rospecting Licence	20/2230-3	MARTIN, Lester John	313.32HA	7 Kill NW ly Of Ode	Lat. 27 22 3 Long. 117 49 L	COL SHIINE
Prospecting Licence	24/5180	PINNER, Raymond John	177.57HA	28km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 121° 24' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/5192	ASR RESOURCES LTD	67.58HA	35km N'Iv of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 24' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/5198	NAPPY, Paul Rov	9.97HA	42km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 24′ S Long: 121° 16′ E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2432-3	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	317.70HA	15km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 43′ S Long: 121° 36′ E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2434	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	187.97HA	22km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 42' S Long: 121° 41' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2436	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	199.84HA	23km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 43′ S Long: 121° 42′ E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4221-2	AYERS, Lawrence John	218.66HA	16km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 36' S Long: 121° 27' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4273-4	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	207.21HA	20km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 48' S Long: 121° 39' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence		LINDSAY, Michael Andrew	5.53HA	61km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 23' S Long: 121° 56' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
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Prospecting Licence	26/1960	ROBERTS, Joseph Vincent	196.06HA	40km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 6' S Long: 121° 2' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/8925-7	HOBBS, Nathan James KEELEY, Gregory John	596.67HA	34km E'ly of Leinstei	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 121° 40' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence Prospecting Licence	37/8925-7 37/8935	GREAT BOULDER RESOURCES LTD	55.17HA	49km NW'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 31' S Long: 121° 40' E	LEONORA SHIRE LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	38/4399-4400	GOLD ROAD RESOURCES LIMITED		73km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 33' S Long: 123° 27' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5574	WESTCAPE NOMINEES PTY LTD	253.61HA 31.12HA	46km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 121° 56' E	LAVERTON SHIRE LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5575-7	WESTCAPE NOMINEES PTY LTD	462.16HA	43km W'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 121° 57' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1450	CHITTLEBOROUGH, Lewis Evan	179.74HA	40km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 14' S Long: 121° 24' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Retention Licence	45/6	WODGINA LITHIUM PTY LTD	301.31HA	58km W'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 6' S Long: 119° 11' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
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Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 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.

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 31 August 2017. Any 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 31 August 2017. Any persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties. 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. 30 September 2017), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of 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 GraticularBLock = 2.8 km²

PUBLIC NOTICE OF AN AGM FOR THE BARNGARLA **DETERMINATION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION (ICN 8603)**

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The Barngarla Determination Aboriginal Corporation (BDAC) is holding its inaugural AGM, following on from resolutions passed unanimously at the Barngarla Community Meeting on 28 October 2016.

In accordance with those resolutions passed at the Barngarla Community Meeting, notification was provided to the Federal Court of Australia on 19 December 2016 nominating BDAC under section

57(2) Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) as the Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) for the Barngarla Native Title Holders

BDAC is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation and was incorporated by the Office of Register of Indigenous Corporations on 11 April 2017.

The inaugural AGM will address the following:

- · The report by Dr Deane Fergie commissioned in accordance with the unanimous resolution of the Barngarla Community Meeting on 28 October 2016
- · The nomination groups to be established for the purpose of electing the Board of the BDAC
- · Electing the Board of the BDAC
- · A code of conduct for members and directors of

The AGM will also discuss:

- · The proposed Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) negotiations with the State of South Australia
- The status of the Barngarla Compensation matters

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS MEETING?

The Barngarla Community meeting on 28 October 2016 unanimously resolved (Resolution # 1) to retain Dr Deane Fergie to address the question of who fulfilled criteria (a) and (b) below.

The test for Barngarla Native Title Holders was defined by the Federal Court of Australia in Croft on behalf of the Barngarla Native Title Claim Group v State of South Australia (No 2) [2016] FCA 724 (23 June 2016):

- (a) who are related by means of the principle of descent to the following Barngarla apical ancestors:
- (i) the siblings Percy Richards and Susie Richards;
- (ii) Maudie Blade who is the mother of Phyllis Croft:
- (iii) George Glennie and Mary Glennie:
- (iv) the siblings Bob Eyles and Harry Croft;
- (v) Jack Stuart;

- (vi) Arthur Davis (also known as King Arthur) and his sons, Andrew Davis, Jack Davis, Stanley Davis and Percy Davis; and
- (b) who have a connection with the Determination Area in accordance with the traditional laws and customs of the Barngarla People; and
- (c) who identify as a Barngarla person and who are accepted by the Barngarla People as a Barngarla person.

Dr Deane Fergie was unanimously instructed (Resolution #1) by the Barngarla Community Meeting on 28 October 2016 to produce a report in respect of criteria (a) and (b). The AGM will have to review her report, for the purposes of criteria (c). This is because criteria (c) is a matter for the Barngarla and not Dr

Dr Fergie has conducted significant research and is producing a list of persons who can attend the inaugural AGM. Each person who applied to Dr Fergie will be sent a letter (at least 21 days before the AGM) to the address provided to Dr Fergie. This letter will either advise:

- That in Dr Fergie's opinion the person can attend the inaugural AGM; or
- That in Dr Fergie's opinion the person's material is insufficient and their application will need to be addressed by BDAC after the AGM.

If you receive a letter indicating that in Dr Fergie's opinion you can attend the AGM and you want to attend the AGM, you should attend.

This process is being done in accordance with the instructions provided to Dr Fergie unanimously at the Barngarla Community Meeting on 28 October 2016 under Resolution #1. Resolution #1 was passed 82 in favour, with 0 votes against and 0 abstainers.

MEETING DETAILS

Date: 23 June & 24 June 2017 Time: 10:30 am 23 June 2017 (registration) Location: Westland Hotel Motel 100 McDouall Stuart Avenue Whyalla Norrie SA 5608

Please contact the below details to register your attendance at the meeting

Contact:

Geeta Sidhu Norman Waterhouse Lawyers gsidhu@normans.com.au (08) 8210 1249

Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland



Notification day: 14 June 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, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, Brisbane, Queensland, 4003 on or before 13 September 2017. After 13 September 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: Alex Davidson & Ors on behalf of the Kabi Kabi Undambi Area Claim and State of Queensland

Federal Court File No: QUD908/2016

Date filed: 30 November 2016

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 719 sq km and is located approximately 19 km north of Brisbane.

Relevant LGA: Moreton Bay Regional Council and Brisbane City Council

QUD32/201

of Queensland

Federal Court File No: QUD32/2017

Date filed: 23 January 2017

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has accepted this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 5483 sq km and is located approximately 17 km south of St George.

Relevant LGA: Balonne Shire Council

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501

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Exploration Licence Numbers 8213, 7134, 7968 & 7785 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th).

Description of areas that may be affected by the grant of Minister's Consent to prospect on native title land.

Exploration Licence No 8213 currently consists of an area of 18 units situated approximately 12 kms north north west of Tuena, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

Exploration Licence No 7134 currently consists of an area of 10 units situated approximately 24.5 kms south of Blayney, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below

Exploration Licence No 7968 currently consists of an area of 4 units situated approximately 28 kms south south east of Blayney, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

Exploration Licence No 7785 currently consists of an area of 4 units situated approximately 23.5 kms north north west of Tuena, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

Description of the nature of the act

Argent (Kempfield) Pty Ltd (ACN 155 759 550) is the holder of Exploration Licence No's 8213, 7134, 7968 & 7785 (Act 1992) for Group 1 and 2 minerals. The licences contain

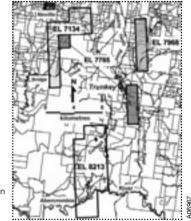
a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Resources. The licence holder has sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Minister for Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the Native Title Act 1993 (C'th) the notification day is 14 June 2017. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



How further information about the act can be obtained: Further information may be obtained from Jedda Hoffman; Titles Services, NSW Department of Planning and Environment, (02) 4931 6424.

Mount Pleasant Operation Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment

The Mount Pleasant Operation (MPO) is situated 4km north-west of Muswellbrook in the Upper Hunter Valley of New South Wales (NSW).

MACH Energy Australia Pty Limited (MACH Energy) is seeking environmental approvals under the NSW Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 and/or Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act, 1999 for potential future development associated with the approved MPO Development Consent (DA 92/97).

As part of these environmental approvals, MACH Energy will be preparing an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment(s), and therefore may seek a new Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under section 90 of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1974 to move and/or destroy Aboriginal objects (or a variation to the existing permits [AHIP #C0002053, #C0002092]). The subject area of any such application is depicted as the "Area of Interest" as shown on the plan below.

MACH Energy is required to conduct a community consultation process with relevant Aboriginal people to assist in the preparation of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment. Aboriginal persons or groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to, or who have a right or interest in, determining the cultural heritage significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places in the "Area of Interest" are invited to register an interest in a process of community consultation.

MACH Energy advises that the details of any Aboriginal person or group who registers an interest in the consultation process for the Mount Pleasant Operation will be forwarded to the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage and the Wanaruah Local Aboriginal Land Council in accordance with Section 4.1.5. of the Consultation Guidelines, unless they specify that they do not want their details released.

Please note that any opportunities for engagement during the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment process would be separate to the consultation process.

Contact details for registration are as follows. Registrations must be made by 5.00pm AEST on Friday 16 June 2017.

> MACH Energy Australia Pty Ltd C/- Julie Fletcher Email: julie.fletcher@machenergyaustralia.com.au Mobile: 1800 886 889



JT remains a Cowboy



HE'S out of the Queensland team for tonight's State of

Origin rugby league series opener at Lang Park, but there's good news for North Queensland fans - superstar Johnathan Thurston has signed with the Cowboys for another year.

Thurston confirmed at the Cowboys' mid-year dinner in Townsville that he would play on in the 2018 season after this year's representative swan-song

Thurston admitted he was

relieved to finally announce his future.

"I am very blessed and lucky to have the career that I have had," the four-times Dally M Medallist said.

"I had no intention of leaving

"Now that the deal is done, I can concentrate on my footy and helping my teammates on and off the field."

Co-captain Thurston said he would use his remaining time at the Cowboys to groom the next generation to ensure he left the club in great hands.

Rookie half Kyle Laybutt is expected to reap the most

rewards, but Thurston said he hoped to influence the entire team before his time was done

"The club has been a big part of my life so I want them to be successful," he said.

The three-time Golden Boot winner linked with the Cowboys in 2005 after three years at Canterbury where he won a premiership in his final vear before leading North Queensland to their maiden

"For my life I had to get out of Sydney to not only better develop my footy, but also myself as a person," Thurston said. - AAP

WESTERN BUNDJALUNG PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE CLAIM GROUP AUTHORISATION MEETING

Authorisation of Consent Determination

DETERMINATION?

Date and Time: Saturday 1 July 2017 - 9:00am - 12:00pm Grafton Community and Function Centre 59 Duke Street Grafton NSW 2460

WHERE IS THE PROPOSED CONSENT

The area proposed to be subject of the Consent

Determination includes land and waters within

the external boundary of the Western Bundjalung People's Native Title Determination

Application (Federal Court Proceedings

NSD2300/2011) as shown in the map below.

NTSCORP Limited, the legal representative for the Western Bundjalung People in relation to their native title determination application (Federal Court proceedings NSD2300/2011), is convening a meeting for all members of the Western Bundjalung People native title claim group in Grafton for the purposes of authorising a consent determination as part of the settlement of the Western Bundjalung People's native title determination application.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

All the descendants of the following apical ancestors:

Herbert 'Hunter' Avery (who was born in Grafton circa 1881) King Bobby (who was born circa 1840s) Queen Jinny Little (who was born in Yugilbar in 1840)

Richard 'Old Dick' Donnelly (who was born in Timbarra circa 1870) Jane 'Jenny' 'Barbin Boatshed' Brown (who was born in Baryulgil circa 1855)

Thomas 'Tom' Donnelly (who was born in Tenterfield circa 1877) Thomas Gordon (who was born in Copmanhurst in 1870) Ethel Bawden (who was born in Yugilbar in 1884) Grace Kelly also known as Grace Lardner (who was born on the

Orara River circa 1876) Mariah Little (who was born in Baryulgil circa 1855) William 'Billy' 'Charles' Charles (who was born circa 1860) Harry Joseph Mundine (who was born in Tabulam in 1868) Teresa Agnes 'Ponjam' Derry (who was born in Tabulam in

1872) Mick Bucky Robinson (who was born in Timbarra/Tenterfield circa 1859)

Kate Gaton (who was born circa 1870)

Matilda 'Tilly' Gaton (who was born in Yugilbar in 1879) Harry Walker (who was born circa 1850)

Jenny 'Ginny' Pearson (who was born circa 1860)

Alice Tindal also known as Alice Brown (who was born in Lionsville circa 1870)

William Pearson (who was born in Gordon Brook in 1872)

and persons adopted or incorporated into the families of those persons and who identify as and are accepted as Western Bundjalung People in accordance with Western Bundjalung traditional laws and customs (and the biological descendants of any such adopted or incorporated persons).

The AGENDA for the meeting is:

- 1. To provide an update on the proposed consent determination;
- To confirm the decision making process for the authorisation of the proposed consent determination; To consider and make decisions in relation to the authorisation of the proposed consent determination recognising
- Western Bundialung People's native title rights and interests:
- 4. To consider and make decisions about nominating and authorising the prescribed body corporate (PBC) to act as the trustee for Western Bundjalung People – to hold the Western Bundjalung People's native title rights and
- 5. Any other business as determined by Western Bundjalung People.

Confirming your attendance

Mileage assistance and accommodation will also be available to persons attending the meeting in accordance with NTSCORP's policies. Please note that accommodation will be provided based on completed meeting registration forms received or confirmed details by telephone.

Please confirm your attendance at this meeting by contacting NTSCORP on Freecall 1800 111 844 or (02) 9310 3188 by no later than 23 June 2017 so that all relevant arrangements can be made.

Matildas off to US



players Kayah Simon and Lydia Williams are in line to play when the Australian Matildas take on the

soccer champions of Asia, South America and the world in July at a new four-nation invitational tournament in the United States.

The 'Tournament of Nations', which was announced last Thursday, will pit Australia against World Cup holders USA, Japan and Brazil.

"To be invited to play in this tournament is really exciting as we will face off against some of the world's top teams," said coach Alen Stajcic.

"The three teams we'll play against all have good pedigree, experience, and importantly they're all in good form at the moment so it will be a great hit out for us and an excellent test of where we're at ahead of next year's Women's Asian Cup.

All matches will be played in cities along the US west coast, with the Matildas facing a first-up blockbuster against the Americans at Century Link Field in Seattle on July 27.

Australia are yet to defeat the US in 26 attempts. - AAP

PUBLIC NOTICE

NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

South Australian Native Title Services Ltd (SANTS) invites all members of the First Nations of the South East Native Title Claim Group to attend a meeting to authorise two applications for determinations of native title at the time and location below. The meeting is open to all those living Aboriginal people who claim to have native title rights and interests in the First Nations of the South East #1 application area and the First Nations of the South East #2 application area (as set out in the map below) and

Under the traditional laws and customs of the First Nations of the South East, identify as, and are recognised by other First Nations of the South East people, as members of the First Nations of the South East, because they:

are descendants, either through birth or adoption, from one of more of the following South East apical ancestors:

Kitty Russell of Kingston (aka Queen Kitty).

Ellen (#1) aka Elsie of Mount Gambier. Ellen (#2) Baker of Mount Gambier.

Pinkie (male), of Bordertown.

Annie Bryce of Mount Gambier.

Whympie (male) of Kingston. Emily of Penola and her husband John Dunn.

Queen Catharine Gibson of Kingston.

Frank Owen of Kingston

Harry Hewitt of Millicent

Mount Gambier Tom of Mount Gambier; or

from such other ancestor who is acknowledged by the First Nations of the South East as an apical ancestor.

Date: 1 & 2 July 2017

Venue: Silver Birch Comfort Inn, Cnr Morris St & Jubilee Hwy East, Mount Gambier

Time: 9:30 am

The Purpose of the meeting is to:

- Authorise the making of the native title determination applications on behalf of the proposed native title claim group over the land and waters within the areas depicted in the map below.
- Authorise the Applicant to make the proposed applications and deal with all matters arising in relation to them under the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth).
- Make decisions about directing and supervising the applicant in the performance of their duties;
- Authorising the native title rights and interests to be claimed under the Proposed Applications;

All members of the proposed native title claim group are invited to contact SANTS on free call 1800 010360 to register their attendance at the Authorisation meeting.



Limited assistance will be provided for costs associated with travel to and from the meeting. Lunch will be provided to those attending. Please note that this meeting will commence at 9:30am on Saturday 1 July 2017 and will conclude at 2:30pm on Sunday 2 July 2017, thus accommodation, where required, will only be provided for the evening of Friday 30 June 2017 and Saturday 1 July 2017. Please contact Jodie Martin on 1800 010 360 for assistance to attend or for further information about this



WESTERN BUNDJALUNG PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE CLAIM GROUP AUTHORISATION MEETING Establishment of Prescribed Body Corporate

Date and Time:

Saturday 1 July 2017 - 12:30pm - 5:00pm Grafton Community and Function Centre 59 Duke Street Grafton NSW 246

NTSCORP Limited, the legal representative for the Western Bundjalung People in relation to their native title determination application (Federal Court proceedings NSD2300/2011), is convening a meeting for all members of the Western Bundjalung People native title claim group in Grafton for the purposes of establishing the Western Bundjalung People's Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) to hold Western Bundjalung People's native title rights and interests on their behalf

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

All the descendants of the following apical ancestors:

Herbert 'Hunter' Avery (who was born in Grafton circa

King Bobby (who was born circa 1840s)

Queen Jinny Little (who was born in Yugilbar in 1840) Richard 'Old Dick' Donnelly (who was born in Timbarra

Jane 'Jenny' 'Barbin Boatshed' Brown (who was born in Baryulgil circa 1855)
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Harry Joseph Mundine (who was born in Tabulam in 1868)

Teresa Agnes 'Ponjam' Derry (who was born in Tabulam in 1872)

Mick 'Bucky' Robinson (who was born in Timbarra/Tenterfield circa 1859) Kate Gaton (who was born circa 1870)

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and persons adopted or incorporated into the families of those persons and who identify as and are accepted as Western Bundjalung People in accordance with Western Bundjalung traditional laws and customs (and the

biological descendants of any such adopted or incorporated persons).

WHERE IS THE PROPOSED CONSENT **DETERMINATION?**

The area proposed to be subject of the Consent Determination includes land and waters within the external boundary of the Western Bundjalung People's Native Title Determination Application (Federal Court Proceedings NSD2300/2011) as shown in the map



The AGENDA for the meeting is:

- 1. To provide information and discuss the role of a Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) under the Native Title Act
- 2. To confirm the decision making process for the establishment of Western Bundjalung People's PBC To establish the Western Bundjalung People's PBC under the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander)
- Act 2006 (CATSI Act) including making resolutions required to meet the pre-incorporation requirements including: a. Authorising the member(s) applying for incorporation;
- b. Approving the proposed rule book;c. Approving the replaceable rules being adopted;
- Approving some or all of the replaceable rules being changed;
- Nominating who will become directors upon registration of the Corporation; and
- f. Nominating who will become the contact person upon registration of the Corporation
 4. For the PBC members to consider and make decisions about accepting the nomination to act as the trustee for Western Bundjalung People to hold Western Bundjalung People's native title rights and interests;
- For the PBC members to consider and make decisions in relation to the authorisation of the ILUA with Western Bundjalung People, the Attorney General of NSW on behalf of the State of NSW, the Ministers administering the Crown Lands Act, the National Parks and Wildlife Act and the Fisheries Management Act and the CEOs of the Forestry Corporation NSW and the Office of Environment and Heritage;
- For the PBC members to consider and make decisions in relation to the authorisation of the ILUA with Western Bundjalung People and Grafton-Ngerrie Local Aboriginal Land Council;
 7. To consider and make decisions about authorising the PBC to act as the trustee for Western Bundjalung People
- to hold the Western Bundjalung People's Native Title rights and interests; and
- 8. Any other business as determined by Western Bundjalung People.

Confirming your attendance

Mileage assistance and accommodation will also be available to persons attending the meeting in accordance with NTSCORP's policies. Please note that accommodation will be provided based on completed meeting registration forms received or confirmed details by telephone.

Please confirm your attendance at this meeting by contacting NTSCORP on Freecall 1800 111 844 or (02) 9310 3188 by no later than 23 June 2017 so that all relevant arrangements can be made.

Ugles a force in the west



THE Ugle clan are making their presence felt in West Australian sport with sisters Courtney and Maddison and brother Kirk being chosen to

represent their state in Australian football.

Maddison, 18, played against NSW/ACT last Saturday and Queensland the next day at Sydney's Blacktown International Sports Park in the opening two rounds of the AFLW 18s National Championships.

Older sister Courtney, 20, will represent her state at under-23

Kirk Ugle, 25, who plays for West Australian Football League (WAFL) club Swan Districts, is in the state team to travel to Melbourne.

Maddison and Courtney played against each other on Friday, May 12, when the WA under-18s beat the WA under-23s.

The game was a curtain-raiser to the Australian Football League (AFL) game at Domain Stadium between the West Coast Eagles and the Western Bulldogs.

"I am so used to plaving alongside Maddison at our WAWFL club Swans Districts, so it was a different feeling going up against her in the coin toss and hand shake, then on the field," Courtney told the Koori Mail.

Maddison, a cadet for the WA police, and Courtney, a development officer at Clontarf Aboriginal College, Role Models & Leaders Australia, also play for Swan Districts.

Maddison has played state under-18 representative football since 2015 and this year is the WA captain.

In 2014, she played under-18s and under-16s.

Courtney played at state under-16 level in 2012, under-18s in 2013 and 2014 and this year is the under-23s captain.

"We are originally from Bunbury, in the south-west, but live in Perth now," Courtney Ugle said.

"Our father passed in 2007 and

our mother was murdered in 2016. We have always been really close, but the tragedy brought us even

"Football was one thing that kept us motivated. It was something to look forward to and something that took our mind off reality."

Courtney told SBS Television she found the game when she and her siblings lost their dad when she was 12 and their mother slipped into drug abuse.

"Those days were pretty horrible," she said.

"We'd go to school and back and hope that there was food in the fridge, and it was a win if there was, but when there wasn't, it was sad.'

She said she felt embarrassed and didn't ask for help, but scraped through with money she earned from a one-day traineeship.

"So that little bit of money that I was getting obviously helped a lot, but very daunting those days were," she said

Then in March 2016, they lost their mother.

She recalls the day she arrived at her mother's house.

"There were police and ambulance there. We kinda knew straight away that something was wrong. We saw mum coming out on a stretcher," Courtney told SBS's The Point program.

"We were out of our mind, didn't know what was going on, yelling and asking what was happening.

"Mum's partner was there and the first thing I said was: 'What did you do?"

Her mother was pronounced dead and her partner was charged with her murder.

Courtney's sister Madison says their mother would have wanted them to keep building their lives.

"I know she wouldn't want us to put anything on hold," Maddy told The Point.





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
52/2372	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505450	40.02HA	42km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 44' S Long: 119° 52' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
52/2372	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505451	47.78HA	42km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 44' S Long: 119° 51' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
52/2372	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505452	103.14HA	42km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 43' S Long: 119° 50' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
52/2372	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505453	62.98HA	42km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 44' S Long: 119° 52' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
52/3447	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505446	42.25HA	43km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 44' S Long: 119° 51' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
52/3447	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505447	2.58HA	43km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 44' S Long: 119° 51' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
52/3447	VENTNOR PILBARA PTY LTD	505448	5.42HA	43km S'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 44' S Long: 119° 51' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
77/2207-l	REED EXPLORATION PTY LTD	494069	407.43HA	75km E'ly of Hyden	Lat: 32° 34' S Long: 119° 39' E	KONDININ SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals

Notification day: 31 May 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 31 August 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. 30 September 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,

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.



Maddison, left, and Courtney Ugle.

Men finish sixth



Australian Men's Sevens team have finished the 2016-17

Sevens World Series in sixth place following the final leg in London.

Indigenous players John Porch (Sydney Northern Suburbs) and Dylan Pietsch (Randwick) were part of the London campaign.

Australia were defeated by United States of America in their Cup quarterfinal before beating New Zealand by a record margin in the fifth place semfinal. Australia couldn't finish it off with a win though, as they went down fighting in the fifth place final, to 2016-17 Sevens World Series champions South

Australia finished the season on 113 points with a



third-place finish in Hong Kong the highlight.

Meanwhile, Scotland were the eventual winners in London as they defeated hosts England 12-7 in a tense final at Twickenham.

Meanwhile, Mahala Murphy was a rotational omission from the Australian women's Sevens rugby union team that contested round five of the Women's Sevens

World. Leading into Canada, Australia was in second place on the Women's Sevens World series ladder, 10 points adrift of New Zealand with two rounds to go.

"We haven't performed to our standards this season and we have to own that and live with that. We're fully focused on this tournament." coach Tim Walsh said ahead of the Canada leg.

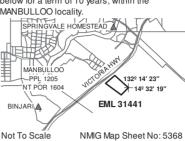
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXTRACTIVE MINERAL LEASE

MINERAL TITLES ACT SECTION 71 NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Kenneth Edward Vowles MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry and Resources and the Chief Executive, Department of Primary Industry and Resources, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN, NT 0801, hereby give notice in accordance with section 71 of the Mineral Titles Act and section 29 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following extractive mineral lease application.

The application to which this notice applies:

Extractive Mineral Lease 31441 sought by RUSCA BROS. MINING PTYLTD, ACN 150 113 358 over an area of 100 Hectares depicted below for a term of 10 years, within the MANBULLOO locality



Nature of act(s): The grant of an extractive mineral lease under the Mineral Titles Act authorises the holder to extract or remove (whether by quarrying or other means) from, on or below the natural surface of the land, extractive mineral(s) for a term not exceeding 10 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the extractive mineral lease referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industry and Resources, GPO Box 4550, Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith St, Darwin, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the Native Title Act is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the Native Title Act. Under section 30 of the Native Title Act, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne VIC 3001, or telephone (03) 9920 3000.

Objection or Submission, Section 71 of the Mineral Titles Act: The landowner(s) of land in respect of which the following application is made may lodge an objection to the grant of the application; any other persons may lodge a submission. Objections and submissions must be lodged in writing with the Department of Primary Industry and Resources at the above mentioned address or emailed to titles.info@nt.gov.au, within 30 days from the relevant Notification Date, which is set

Notification Day: 31 May 2017

Three sides undefeated

By ALF WILSON



HOME side Coen Colts, premiers Lockhart River Scorpions and Weipa Raiders remained undefeated after rounds one and two

of the Remote Area Rugby League (RARL) Cape Cluster competition.

Eight sides, two up from last year, battled it at Coen on May 13 and some entertaining football was on display.

The other teams were Aurukun Kang Kang, Kowanyama Mihnkula, Mapoon Magpies, Napranum Twals and Pormpuraaw

The games featured the best of rugby league footballers from remote Indigenous communities.

Each side played two matches and Coen 32 d Pormpuraaw 0, Weipa 16 d Napranum 14, Mapoon 20 d Kowanyama 8, Lockhart River 16 d Aurukun 12, Weipa 24 d Mapoon 10, Coen 19 d Kowanyama 0, Aurukun 22 d Pormpuraaw 0, Lockhart River 30 d Napranum 4,

The points table is: Coen 4, Weipa 4, Lockhart River 4, Aurukun 2, Mapoon 2, Napranum 0, Kowanyama 0, Pormpuraaw 0. Cairns-based Queensland Rugby League (QRL) Northern Division assistant divisional manager Robbie Moore told the Koori Mail it was a great day.

"It is fantastic that all eight communities were involved and have been supported by councils and other organisations," he said.

"Games were played in the highest spirit with no sin-bins or send-offs.

These games and rounds three and four to be held at Weipa on June 3 are selection trials for Southern Cape and Northern Cape sides to contest the Far North Queensland (FNQ) RARL Challenge in Cairns on June 17 against Torres Strait Stingers and Palm Island Barracudas.

After that, a Northern United team will be selected to meet Queensland Outback at Barlow Park, in Cairns, on July 15.

Last season in the Cape Cluster grand final Lockhart River beat Weipa Raiders 24-10.



Weipa Raiders at the Cape Cluster competition in Coen.



NOTICE OF INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT AUTHORISATION MEETING

Venue:

Date and Time: Thursday 29 June 2017 – 9:00am – 12:00pm Grafton Community and Function Centre 59 Duke Street Grafton NSW 2460

NTSCORP Limited, the native title service provider for NSW, is convening a meeting to authorise an Indigenous Land Use Agreement ("ILUA") in accordance with the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the land and waters described as Lot 409 in DP 48826 which is located approximately 16km to the north west of Grafton on the north coast of NSW. The ILUA is proposed to be between the Western Bundjalung People, the Western Bundjalung People's Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC) and the Grafton-Ngerrie Local Aboriginal Land Council.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The following people are invited to attend the meeting to authorise the proposed ILUA:

· All the descendants of the following apical ancestors:

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King Bobby (who was born circa 1840s) Queen Jinny Little (who was born in Yugilbar in 1840) Richard 'Old Dick' Donnelly (who was born in Timbarra

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Ethel Bawden (who was born in Yugilbar in 1884) Grace Kelly also known as Grace Lardner (who was born on the Orara River circa 1876)

Mariah Little (who was born in Baryulgil circa 1855) William 'Billy' 'Charles' Charles (who was born circa

Harry Joseph Mundine (who was born in Tabulam in 1868)

Teresa Agnes 'Ponjam' Derry (who was born in Tabulam in 1872)

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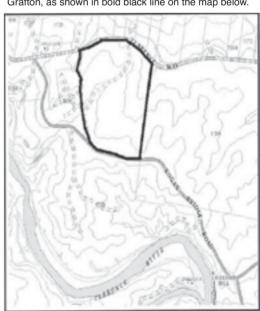
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and persons adopted or incorporated into the families of those persons and who identify as and are accepted as Western Bundjalung People in accordance with Western Bundjalung traditional laws and customs (and the biological descendants of any such adopted or incorporated persons); and

· any other Aboriginal person who asserts native title rights and interests within the areas proposed to be subject to the ILUA.

MAP OF THE ILUA AREA

The area proposed to be subject to the ILUA is Lot 409 in DP 48826. Lot 409 in DP 48826 is located approximately 16 kilometres to the north west of Grafton, as shown in bold black line on the map below.



The AGENDA for this AUTHORISATION MEETING is as follows:

- To provide an update on ILUA negotiations;
- To confirm the decision making process for the authorisation of the ILUA;
- 3. To consider and make decisions in relation to the authorisation of the ILUA; and 4. Any other business.

Confirming your attendance

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Andy's dream comes true



product of the Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team (LMRFT)

has made his debut in Super

Rugby.
When Andy Muirhead took to the field in the final minute of the Brumbies' 19-10 win over the Southern Kings at Nelson Mandela Bay Stadium the weekend before last, he officially added his name to the long list of Brumbies Super Rugby players.

Muirhead became Brumby No 195 when he jogged on to replace Henry Speight in the dying embers of the come-frombehind defeat of the South Africans, with selection for the

ACT franchise the culmination of a long journey from Queensland to the national capital.

"It would be close to calling it a dream come true," Muirhead said as the team touched down in Buenos Aires for the latest chapter of their two-week tour, a fixture against the Jaguares at the Jose Amalfitani Stadium last Saturday night.

"It's obviously something that I have been wanting to do for a long time now. To be able to have that opportunity is pretty surreal, and it probably hasn't really sunk in yet to be honest.

"The last five minutes came and I hadn't been on yet, and I didn't think I was going to get on, but Bernie (Stephen Larkham) looked after me and put me on

for a couple of seconds on the wing and I obviously hope to get a few more minutes in the coming weeks."

Muirhead made the decision to move to Canberra and try his luck with the Brumbies before Christmas and has put in a superb shift to make his chances of getting onto the field for a competitive match a reality.

"Coming down here was a big step for me," he revealed. "I have been training with the Brumbies for the past six months now and I had sort of counted myself out of the season in terms of getting some game time, and didn't expect to be on this tour.

"But I guess training hard over the last couple of months and getting into the squad is

justification for making that move."

The Brumbies turned around a 5-10 half-time deficit to claim the points against the Kings in Port Elizabeth.

A massive day of travel followed for the Brumbies with plane trips from Port Elizabeth to Johannesburg, then Sao Paolo, then Buenos Aires.

The Canberra Times reported that little-known Muirhead was supposed to be delivering kegs to pubs and clubs around Canberra, but was the shock inclusion in the Brumbies squad for their two-game tour of South Africa and Argentina.

It came six months after he moved from Brisbane to Canberra just for a chance to train with the

Coach Larkham told Muirhead to

pack his bag and offered him a temporary Super Rugby deal if he could convince his boss to give him two weeks away from lifting kegs and delivering tyres.

"This is the last thing I thought would happen this week. I had to give the boss a call and tell him I wouldn't be in for two weeks. But he's been great about it and they were stoked as well," Muirhead said.

"Larkham asked me what my work commitments were for this week ... then he said, 'Can you get two weeks off?'

"So I called the boss, and he's really good about it."

Muirhead follows other Indigenous players Moses Sorovi and Harrison Goddard, who are playing Super Rugby for the Reds and Rebels respectively.

Andy

Muirhead

Picture: **Brumbies**



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Venue:

Date and Time: Thursday 29 June 2017 – 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Friday 30 June 2017 - 9:00am - 5:00pm Grafton Community and Function Centre 59 Duke Street Grafton NSW 2460

NTSCORP Limited, the native title service provider for NSW, is convening a meeting to authorise an Indigenous Land Use Agreement ("ILUA") in accordance with the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) in relation to the land and waters bounded by Copmanhurst, the Clarence River and Washpool National Park to the south; the Rocky River, Malara State Forest and Bald Rock National Park to the west; slightly north of Drake, Tabulam and Mallanganee including Pretty Gully and the southern extremity of the Richmond Range National Park to the north and extending to the east to include Mallanganee National Park, Mount Marsh State Forest, the northern parcel of the Royal Camp State Forest and the western parts of Mount Neville Nature Reserve, Banyabba Nature Reserve and Fortis Creek National Park, on the north coast of NSW. The ILUA is proposed to be between the Western Bundjalung People, Western Bundjalung People's Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC), the Attorney General of NSW on behalf of the State of NSW, the Ministers administering the Crown Lands Act, the National Parks and Wildlife Act and the Fisheries Management Act and the CEOs of the Forestry Corporation NSW and the Office of Environment and Heritage.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

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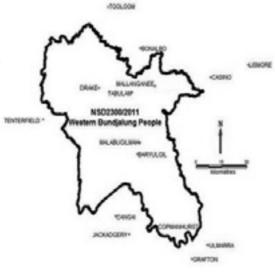
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any other Aboriginal person who asserts native title rights and interests within the areas proposed to be subject to the ILUA.

MAP OF THE ILUA AREA

The area proposed to be the subject of the ILUA is land and waters within the external boundary of the Western Bundjalung People's native title determination application (Federal Court proceedings NSD2300/2011). This area is bounded by Copmanhurst, the Clarence River and Washpool National Park to the south; the Rocky River, Malara State Forest and Bald Rock National Park to the west; slightly north of Drake, Tabulam and Mallanganee including Pretty Gully and the southern extremity of the Richmond Range National Park to the north and extending to the east to include Mallanganee National Park, Mount Marsh State Forest, the northern parcel of the Royal Camp State Forest and the western parts of Mount Neville Nature Reserve. Banyabba Nature Reserve and Fortis Creek National Park, on the north coast of NSW, as shown in bold black



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PUBLIC NOTICE

WESTERN KANGOULU PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

The Western Kangoulu People's native title determination application (QUD229/2013), filed in the Federal Court on 9 May 2013 ('the Native Title Claim'), describes the Western Kangoulu People in the following way:

A person is a **Western Kangoulu** person if and only if the other Western Kangoulu People recognise that he or she is biologically descended from a person who they recognise as a Western Kangoulu ancestor, including the following deceased persons:

- 1. Polly aka Polly Brown aka Polly McAvoy;
- 2. John 'Jack' Bradley;
- 3. Hanny of Emerald;
- 4. Nannie, mother of Nelly Roberts; and
- 5. Annie/Nanny Duggan and Ned Duggan.

This Notice invites all members of the Western Kangoulu People (biological descendants of the ancestors listed above) to attend an authorisation meeting ('the Meeting') at the time and location below:

Date of Meeting: Saturday, 10 June 2017

Bundaberg Civic Centre, 190 Bourbong Street, Venue of Meeting:

Bundaberg QLD 4670

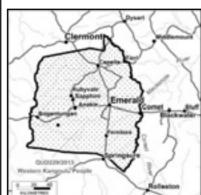
Time of Meeting: 9:00am registration (for 9:30am start)

Purpose of the Meeting

The purpose of the Meeting is for the Western Kangoulu People to:

1. Authorise an Applicant to replace the current Applicant;

2. Authorise the new Applicant to make an application under section 66B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) to replace the current Applicant.



Map of Western Kangoulu People claim area

Information Session

So that members of the Western Kangoulu People can make informed decisions at the Meeting, information and legal advice about the proposed replacement of the Applicant will be provided at an information session to be held at the beginning of the Meeting. Meeting participants will have sufficient opportunity to discuss issues relevant to the purpose of the meeting before any decisions are made. Important information and legal advice will also be provided to the Western Kangoulu People at the Information Session in relation to the Native Title Claim generally.

All members of the Western Kangoulu People are invited to contact the QSNTS Client Relations Unit on free call 1800 663 693 to register their attendance

QSNTS regrets that it is not able to assist with transport to or from the Meeting, or with accommodation costs. However, lunch and refreshments will be provided to participants.



Born-again players

By CHRIS PIKE



RUDY Riddoch and Nelson Ansey were two West Australian Football League (WAFL) players whose careers were at the crossroads at the end of 2016, but have reinvented

themselves at new clubs in 2017.

Riddoch and Ansey were teammates at Swan Districts and while they did get some league opportunities, having come right through the ranks, they could never quite cement themselves in the senior team.

Riddoch played 32 games and kicked 34 goals after making his league debut in

Ansey's debut wouldn't come until 2015 after some impressive colts and reserves football.

He went on to play 14 matches over the 2015 and 2016 seasons at Swan Districts.

Both players saw the writing on the wall at Swans and were looking for new homes in 2017 to try and breathe some fresh life into their careers to reach their true

Neither was able to get to their new clubs in time to do much of the pre-season training, so it led to delayed starts to begin with their second teams.

However, they are now settled, playing league football at their new homes and having a significant impact.

Riddoch arrived at West Perth for this season and after playing two games in the reserves, where he played well, he came in for his first league match with the Falcons. He did well for 19 possessions and a goal in the round-five win over



Nelson Ansey

reigning premiers Peel Thunder.

He had another solid showing against his old Swan Districts team the next week. including kicking the winning goal in a tight

Career-best performance

It was the next week that Riddoch really became a cult figure at his new club when he put in the best performance of his career. He was brilliant and dominant kicking six goals in a match-winning performance against Perth.

He has been solid still in the two games since and his presence in West Perth's



Rudy Riddoch

forward-line has been significant in the team's five-game winning run heading into the state game break with the WAFL representative team taking on the VFL in Melbourne.

It would be fair to argue that already in five games at West Perth, Riddoch has already had more impact than he did in 32 matches at Swan Districts.

Perhaps more importantly, for the first time he feels he has the support of his coach and that his place in the team isn't in jeopardy week after week.

Riddoch freely admits that he still has work to do to be in peak physical condition, but couldn't be happier at West Perth.

"I don't think there are any expectations on me apart from continuing to work hard and do everything right on the track," he

"It is a work in progress and it will take me the rest of this season and then a strong pre-season next year for me to lose another eight or nine kilos.

"In the past I have not been too good with the food, or rather I have been too good with it, so I have to keep working hard to stop myself eating too much and working hard on my body and my fitness."

Ansey, meanwhile, joined perennial WAFL strugglers Perth in 2017.

By the time he arrived at the Demons, he hadn't been able to do a pre-season so it took him some time to get into playing shape.

He missed the opening two rounds before playing for a month in the reserves and then making his league debut for Perth in round eight against South Fremantle at

Ansey was impressive in that first game, kicking three goals against a South Fremantle team which at that point was on top of the ladder and went on to beat the Demons by 60 points.

The 21-year-old has remained in the Perth league side in the weeks since and without question remains a big part of the team's plans into the future.

At 193cm and with his strong build and good athleticism, he has all the tools to be a strong, versatile player.

His lack of a pre-season might continue to hurt him in 2017, but without question he has the makings of a star in the years ahead.

Mills weighs options

By CHRIS PIKE



PATTY Mills' career in the **US National** Basketball Association (NBA)

continues to go from strength to strength after he played a key role in the San Antonio Spurs reaching the Western Conference finals as he now weighs up his future.

Mills' NBA career might have been in jeopardy to some degree after beginning with the Portland Trailblazers for two seasons.

The league's lockout the following season saw Mills spend time in Australia playing for the Melbourne Tigers in the NBL and then heading to China and there was no guarantee he'd be back in the

But it could not have possibly worked out better for the Australian point guard.

He landed with San Antonio for the second part of that 2010-11 season and has remained with the Spurs ever since

That has included Mills winning an NBA championship where he played a key role in the team. He has continued to play more of an important role with the Spurs in the years

As Tony Parker's career is

winding down and indeed in this year's playoffs being sidelined with a knee injury, Mills continues to be the player asked to step up by coach Gregg Popovich.

He did another terrific job in this post-season with the Spurs averaging career-high numbers of 10.3 points, 2.7 assists and 2.1 rebounds per game while shooting 40.7% from the field, 36% from three-point range and 86.4% at the free-throw line.

Fell short

Mills was a key part in the Spurs advancing past the Memphis Grizzlies and Houston Rockets before they fell short in the Western Conference finals against the Golden State Warriors.

After losing the fourth game in that series to end the Spurs' 2016-17 season, Mills was looking back positively at what the Spurs could learn from the experience – whether he is part of it from now on.

"It provided an opportunity for everyone to try and stand up, and gain the experience of what playoff basketball is like and getting some real minutes," Mills said.

"The guys who had an opportunity came in and gave it their all so when you look at the big picture, it's a learning curve for all of us. It was a great learning curve against a



Patty Mills

hell of a team. They showed us what a championship team looks like so I'm glad we got to go through it.'

Mills' contract has now expired at San Antonio and he will receive a host of lucrative offers from rival clubs that he will be weighing up this off-season.

However, his decision could depend on what helps with Spurs veterans Parker and 39-year-old Argentinian Manu Ginobili. Whether Ginobili has played his last game, Mills will always treasure the time he got to play alongside one of the all-time greats.

"I don't know why we have that close a relationship, he is so much older than me, but

we are still very close," Mills

"I have learned so much from him on the court, but more importantly, off the court. It's one of those friendships that will go on for years beyond basketball and when you do hang up your boots, those are the things you look forward to the most.

"Whatever he decides is up to him, but I feel like I haven't taken anything for granted and have appreciated every moment as his teammate.

Mills will have big decisions to make on where his future lies, but he will always be proud of the way the Spurs continued to fight against the odds this NBA season.

"Our biggest battle throughout the whole year was to stay healthy. We have a great staff who do everything to help us withstand a long NBA season, but at the end there a few guys went down," Mills said.

We try to give everyone the appropriate rest so we're all ready for crunch time and it just didn't work out this year. But we didn't make any excuses or cry when anybody went down.

"All we can do is say and be proud of is that everyone was willing to stand up, and give their all and give it a crack. That's all you can ask for, and that's what we did."

Dane Gagai to leave Knights



NEWCASTLE have confirmed backline utility Dane Gagai will leave the National Rugby League (NRL) club at the end of this season.

Gagai informed his Knights teammates before joining the Queensland State of Origin camp last Monday.

"We are obviously disappointed that Dane has decided to leave the club, but we respect

the decision he has made with his family," Knights CEO Matt Gidley said.

"We know Dane will give 100% for the team before he departs us at the end of the year.'

Gagai is expected to take up a three-year deal with South Sydney worth a reported \$2.1 million.



Dane Gagai

Gagai had a mixed outing in Sunday's loss to Penrith, carrying the ball for just 85 metres - well down on his average 115 metres - and committing two errors.

However the 26-year-old did produce a team-high five tackle busts.

"Gags obviously had some crucial errors there today and these (contract talks) do affect them," Newcastle coach Nathan Brown

Gagai joined the Knights in 2012, and has played 116 of his 122 NRL matches for Newcastle. - AAP

Tassies topple Izzy 4 Real in **SA Croweaters**

By PETER ARGENT



DIVISION two side Tasmania travelled to South Australia and defeated their hosts in a National Under-18s Championship Australian football match at Football Park, Adelaide, on Saturday, May 20.

Playing a division one opponent, the SA Croweaters, the Mariners were strong from the outset, winning this stand-alone game by 19 points, although a number of good judges at the game thought the visitors were a seven-to-eight-goal better side.

The Tasmanian side had four Indigenous talents - Tarryn Thomas, Matthew McGuinness and the Mansell cousins Tryan and

The Mariners were more than three goals up at halftime, and increased the lead to five goals at the last interval. The final score was Tasmania 14.7 (91), SA 11.6 (72).

"While our division two games were against academies and the Northern Territory, this was a traditional state verses state clash and we would have been seen as the underdogs," Tasmanian coach Lance Spaulding said.

"I'm incredibly proud of the group and way they

"We had high expectations and I'm pleased about the way the group attacked

"They played for the jumper and their state. "It was extremely satisfying coming to the

mainland and getting the job done against a highprofile state.

All four of the Indigenous talented were solid contributors.

The lissom Thomas looked mercurial at times across half forward and finished with three goals.

Small forward/defender Rhyan Mansell also was among the goal kickers, while the strongly-built Tyran Mansell gave plenty of run and rebound from defence.

McGuinness played his role as a tall defender.

North Launceston products

The Mansell lads and Thomas hail from the North Launceston Football Club.

McGuinness is the youngest of three brothers from the Lauderdale Bombers.

His oldest brother Josh, now back in Tasmania, had three years on the Brisbane Lions list.

Ben McGuinness, the middle brother, played a handful of matches this year in the under-18s alongside Matt, as an 'over-ager' until he broke two ribs and his sternum.

Matt McGuinness, Thomas and Rhyan Mansell are bottom-aged footballers and will be eligible to be drafted in 2018.

Thomas has been selected in the Allies side, which will be the fifth team in the division one AFL Under-18s Championships starting on the June long weekend.



Tasmania's Tarryn Thomas takes a big mark against South Australia.



The Tasmanian Indigenous contingent: from left, Rhyan Mansell, Tarryn Thomas, Matthew McGuinness and Tyran Mansell. Pictures: Peter Argent

two finals

Story by ALF WILSON Pictures by **DOMINIQUE PÚRDY**



TWENTY-one teams from nine Torres Strait and several Northern Peninsula Area (NPA) communities battled it out in the annual Battle of the Islands touch football carnival on Thursday Island.

Held from April 27-30 at Ken Brown Memorial Oval,

sides came from Erub, Masig, Mer, Warraber, Poruma, Badu, Thursday island, Horn island and the NPA on the mainland.

Some of the participants and their supporters travelled by outboard-motor-powered dinghies and anchored them off

the Thursday island beach near

The men's and women's grand finals were cliffhangers.

Izzy 4 Real defeated TRAWQ 11-10 in the men's decider while Storms beat Izzy 4 Real 10-9 in the women's final.

Multi-talented Ryan Shibasaki (Issy 4 Real) was the men's player of the final and his partner Betty Mareko won the women's

Players of the carnival were Ettikai David (men) and Tamara Hussey (women).

Men's rookie of the carnival was Michael Hazard and the women's was Liltisha Tamwoy.

The field was in excellent condition after recent rain.

Wally Shibasaki has been event coordinator for 13 of the 14 vears the carnival has been held and told the Koori Mail it was one



The men's finalists





There was plenty of skillful action in the men's final.

Wighton extends stay



have shown they see Jack Wighton as their long-term fullback,

extending his contract until the end of the 2020 NRL season.

The 24-year-old has been a consistent performer for the Raiders in the past two seasons after switching to fullback.

"I'm stoked. I love the club and they've shown me a lot of love," Wighton said last

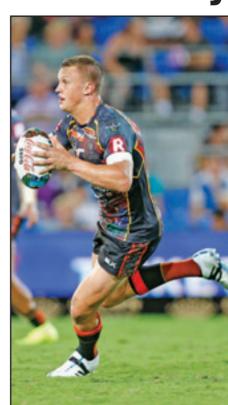
Wighton has played more than 100 games with Canberra since his 2012 debut and hasn't missed a game since 2015.

While the Raiders' lacklustre start to 2017 has been beneath many people's expectations, Wighton is upbeat about the club's future.

"I think the club's on the rise." he said.

"I'll be striving by the end of the contract to definitely be in a leadership type of role.

"I'll have a few years under my belt by then and hopefully still playing some good footy.'



Jack Wighton runs the ball for the Indigenous All Stars against the NRL All Stars in 2015 at Robina, on the Gold Coast. Picture: NRL

Will to stay true

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON **CAMPBELL**

HE lead-up to rugby league's first 2017 State of Origin has been surrounded by intrigue, drama and speculation.

It wouldn't be Origin without it. Whatever the result of this series, there is no doubt that 2017 is seeing the changing of the guard in Queensland.

With Johnathan Thurston announcing his retirement from representative football at the end of the year and ruling himself out of the first game, the team immediately takes a different

With Greg Inglis also being ruled out through injury and the likes of Sam Thaiday also edging closer to retirement, the team that has dominated for so long is starting to lose some key

At the outset, I want to join all of you in expressing my support of Greg Inglis as he continues his personal journey with mental

Positive impact

While our focus should remain on Greg and his family, it is important to acknowledge the positive impact his story can have on others.

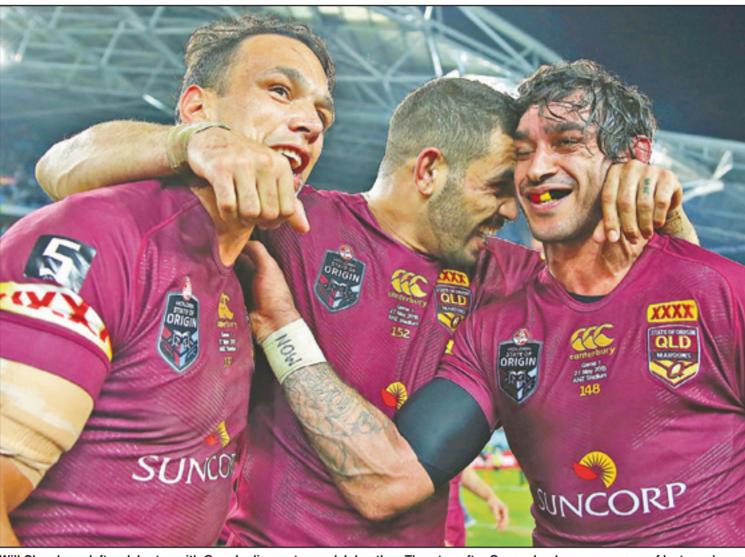
The fact that he has sought help – and that the help was there – can have a powerful impact on those who are afraid to speak up.

It was great to see AFL star Buddy Franklin who went through a similar stage reach out to Greg publicly and offer his support.

The more of our mob who understand that mental illness is like any other illness that can be treated, the better off we will be.

But back to the footy. The depth of Queensland talent is set to be tested across the series and the Maroons are definitely going to have to look to

the future. On that, we have to hope that GI recovers from his leg injury



Will Chambers, left, celebrates with Greg Inglis, centre, and Johnathan Thurston after Queensland won game one of last year's State of Origin series in Sydney. Picture: Getty

and is fit enough to play for the Kangaroos.

Otherwise we may have already seen the last time these two greats play together.

I have a sneaking suspicion that they both may want to play one more All Stars game before retiring

The great thing about footy is that these situations always provide an opportunity for others to stand up and shine.

Earlier this year I predicted that Will Chambers would be selected for the Test against the Kiwis and he once again proved his class on the representative

He now has to not only step up as a player - he has to stand up as a leader.

His personal journey off the field would suggest he is more than ready.

The Northern Territory town of Nhulunbuy doesn't sound like the type of place you would find a future NRL star, but for Will Chambers, this remote community was home.

Before his rise to stardom, Chambers spent his weekends playing in a tiny junior rugby league competition in hot and humid conditions, or watching his father run around in the senior competition with visions of one day being like Dad.

This is where it all began for Chambers, who describes his parents as the reason he played rugby league in a little town 996km from Darwin, in the northeast of the Northern Territory.

"It was a bit different. It's a long way from home now, but it was good. I had a good childhood. Home is home. Mum and Dad still live up there," Chambers said.

"When I was growing up in the Territory, my dad played and got me into league.

There was a local competition up there because it was a big mining town. As that mine slowed down so did the rugby league.

Always rugby league

"I was always rugby league. I was born in Brisbane and left here when I was two. My parents have always been into rugby league so rugby league it

"I played a bit of AFL and all that, but nothing to any high level. Just a bit of local footy but rugby league was always the one for me.'

It's obvious from the way Chambers speaks about his parents that he has the ultimate gratitude for all their sacrifices and support along the way.

The 28-vear-old said he had to keep playing rugby league when he came to Brisbane, not just for himself, but for his parents as well.

"Mum and Dad were always supportive of me when I played

rugby league, especially when I played junior footy up there," he said.

"When the mine shut down, it became really quiet and then it all folded. I know that there are a couple of little junior clubs up there now, but I came to Brisbane and made sure I kept playing league."

Now about to run out for his fifth match in Queensland colours, Chambers is glad he returned from a stint in rugby union to rugby league and achieved his dream.

"In 2009, I decided that I wanted to go and have a crack at rugby union. I was young and open to all ideas," Chambers said.

"I went over there and enjoyed it. I ended up over in Ireland playing but that was it.

"The Storm asked if I wanted to come back and I wanted to come back for this exact reason: to play Origin and have one last crack at it.

Chambers is now a senior player and his level of experience will be important across the series - particularly with Thurston pulling out of the first match.

For the first time since game three, 2004, a State of Origin match will be played without Thurston after the champion five-eighth was officially withdrawn from the team, freeing the way for Anthony

Milford to prepare for his Origin debut.

Thurston was devastated by the decision. "I am relieved that the doc

has taken it out of my hands because I was keen on playing," Thurston said.

"It's the best decision for the team and that's the way it goes," he said.

JT said this latest disappointment would not tempt him into playing again for Queensland in 2018.

"I am at peace with the decision I have made," Thurston said.

"If I don't play another Origin game, it will be devastating, but I have a lot of memories that I will cherish from being part of this team.

"Obviously I'm devastated. I love everything about the Origin campaign, the build-up, the final training run, the buzz around the city, the town and wherever you

"It's devastating not to be a part of it when that two-minute bell goes.

Some NSW legends have lamented that Thurston is not playing saying they wanted to 'beat the best'.

But in reality, the absence of JT has provided the Blues with the best chance of winning that critical first game at Lang Park.

With all due respect to JT and GI - go the Blues!

Arlparra kids embrace cricket



THE remote community of Arlparra, in central Northern

Territory, is the latest community to embrace cricket through **Northern Territory (NT)** Cricket's Remote Red **Dust Sports Voucher** Program.

Located 248 kilometres north-west of Alice Springs and with a population of about 480, Arlparra is the most central community of 16 dispersed communities in the Utopia homelands.

Working with the **Barkly Regional** Council, NT Cricket **Game Development** officer Jordan Wright has delivered cricket activities to children each afternoon, utilising the MILO in2CRICKET and MILO T20 Blast programs. "The level of raw talent in the community is extraordinary and I have enjoyed sharing my love of cricket with so many talented kids," Wright said.

"There has been a really positive turnout of boys and girls each afternoon and a lot of them have taken their softball skills straight on to the cricket pitch, with amazing hand-eye coordination and fielding skills.

"With this level of talent, I'm sure it won't be long until we will see an Arlparra team in Alice Springs for the

Surf's up at Bells Beach



THE cream of Indigenous surfing in Australia last weekend contested the Australian Indigenous Surfing

Titles at the sacred grounds of Bells Beach, on Victoria's Surf Coast

Held on the traditional land of the Wada Wurrung people, the event was in its sixth year at the world famous break.

"It's great for Victoria to again host the Indigenous titles at Bells Beach," said Surfing Victoria CEO Adam Robertson.

"The quality of surfers and vibe of the entire event is something special and it's great to be able to have a location like Bells to showcase the event in great quality surf but also on land so significant to the Indigenous people."

The event was to feature past champions such as Otis Carey (Coffs Harbour, NSW) and Russel Molony (Shelly Beach, NSW), Summer Simon (Port Kembla, NSW) along with former masters champion Robbie Page (Kempsey, NSW).

Surfing Australia CEO Andrew Stark was proud to see the event back at Bells Beach once again.

"Surfing Australia are very proud to be associated with this important event on the annual national titles calendar. It is fantastic that the event can be held at Bells Beach, one of the truly iconic Australian surf

A new addition to this year was the inclusion of junior boys and girls divisions.



Bennell in more trouble; fined \$10,000



FREMANTLE Australian Football League (AFL) coach Ross Lyon has refused to detail whether alcohol was a factor in

off-field drama, and says he hasn't banned the troubled midfielder from drinking.

The Dockers were dealt another blow on May 17 when they announced midfielder Harley Balic had been granted indefinite leave so he could deal with personal issues.

Bennell was fined \$10,000 and ordered to undergo counselling following his bizarre behaviour while watching a WAFL game on Saturday, May 13.

The 24-year-old twice interrupted the three-quarter time huddle of the match between Peel Thunder and Swan Districts to speak to his cousin Traye Bennell.

Half of the \$10,000 fine has been suspended for 12 months.

Last month, Bennell was kicked off a Gold Coast-bound flight before it departed because he was intoxicated.

Bennell's seven-year AFL career has been blighted by a series of off-field misdemeanours.

The most serious of the lot came in 2015 when he was linked to drug use after photos emerged of him with lines of white pow

The photos were taken in 2013. Lyon was asked several times on May 17 whether alcohol was a factor in Bennell's behaviour at the WAFL game, but he

deflected the question each time. "I think it's a moot point, because we've dealt with it and moved on," Lyon said.

"Clearly there was some behaviour there that we didn't view as appropriate, but that's between Harley and ourselves.

"Everyone can make their own assertions from what they saw.

"Really simply, I feel like I've answered your question.

"We've challenged the behaviour, we've sanctioned Harley, and we've mapped out a way forward. And that's all the detail you

When asked whether he had now placed

an alcohol ban on Bennell, Lyon replied: "I never ban or fine people. Never."

Lyon said it was up to Bennell to win back respect at the club.

He said it would be a terrible shame if ennell was lost to the game.

"We're all under a lot of scrutiny, but everyone's got a breaking point," Lyon said.

"Sometimes the scrutiny becomes too much. So I think we all need to respect that."

Bennell has been grounded by serious calf issues throughout his time at the Dockers.

He is yet to play a senior match for the club, but Lyon is hopeful Bennell will be able to return to WAFL duties in about five weeks.

"He'll be running every second day," Lyon

Bennell met with senior coach Lyon, CEO Steve Rosich and football manager Chris Bond to discuss his conduct at the WAFL game.

The Dockers have mapped out a plan for him to address his personal issues and return to the field.

"We have an agreed action plan as how to best assist Harley with his personal wellbeing and his return to playing football," Bond said.

"With respect to football, we have a rehabilitation and training program in place for Harley to return to playing, initially for Peel, in the next five to six weeks.

"Given Harley's previous commitment to rehabilitation and training in accordance with his program, we are confident that he will give himself the best chance to get back to playing.

The agreed off-field action plan includes Harley working with an external expert counsellor to assist in dealing with personal issues

"With regard to his off-field conduct since his injury setback, it has been made clear to Harley what expectations the club and his teammates have and the standards and behaviours that need to be maintained.

Speaking to Channel Seven, Lyon said the Dockers would continue supporting the former Sun but didn't reveal what Bennell was doing at the Peel huddle. - AAP

Call for coaches

MAGIG⁹S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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'HE Australian Football League (AFL) Indigenous Round this year has contributed to a community focus on our past and our future.

This was the 11th year the AFL has celebrated Indigenous Round and the second time the round was celebrated since being renamed after Sir Doug Nicholls.

The round is celebrated in a year when the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum takes place and when our people are working towards not only further Constitutional reform, but also further measure to empower our peoples and give them greater sovereignty over their own

Sport has always provided a platform to promote social change and the AFL has been at the forefront of promoting change. It has long been as leader in championing Indigenous inclusion.

The game does not always

get it right, but you cannot question its commitment.

It was the passion of the players that really captured the power of what the round means to so many people.

Eddie Betts spoke of unleashing the inner warrior from its specially designed guernsey.

"We've got the spear, the shield, the boomerang, the stuff that you use to go to war, to go to battle," Betts said.

"And we've got the crow behind it which represents us as a playing group."

Betts said the Indigenous Round was important to him because it used football as a platform to stamp out racism and to educate people about Indigenous culture.

"It's a great week to learn about it and I'm still learning too because there are a lot of tribes and a different story to each jersey in the AFL," he said.

Lesson for all

His approach is a lesson to us all, given his experiences earlier this season.

For others it is also about advancing opportunity within the game itself.

Four-times premiershipwinning Hawk Shaun Burgoyne wants to see more Indigenous coaches in the AFL, but says he is unlikely to follow that path in his post-career life.

Former St Kilda footballer and NT Thunder premiership coach Xavier Clarke boosted the number of Aboriginal assistant coaches in the AFL to three when he joined Richmond at the end of last year.

No Indigenous person has served as a senior coach since Barry Cable coached North Melbourne from 1981-84.

Geelong legend Polly Farmer was the only other Indigenous senior coach, guiding the Cats from 1973-75.

Burgoyne, the AFL players' Indigenous Board chairman, said



Xavier Clarke attends the 2013 Dreamtime at the 'G match. Picture: Peter Argent

boosting those figures would go some way to keeping Aboriginal players in the sport.

"I think the next step for the AFL is to get more Indigenous coaches to help the transition of players and hopefully maintain those players in the system for longer," Burgoyne said.

"If you've got 9-11% - I'm not too sure what the actual number is - that's Indigenous players, we'd like to see that translate to Indigenous coaches as well.

"It's a really good story of Clarke's persistence and pathway, obviously going

through injury setbacks as well ... we just want to see that grow over the next couple of years."

Burgoyne joined a number of other players to switch his playing number to 67 to honour of the 1967 Referendum.

"I'm very happy and proud to be wearing the number," he

Burgoyne wrote an open letter last month in his AFL players' Indigenous Board role, suggesting there was 'a lot of work to do' to beat racism after the incident where a fan abused Eddie Betts.

Port Adelaide handed the club member an indefinite ban in the aftermath.

"I've definitely noticed positive change," he said.

"The general public and general footy supporter out there are very supportive ... and know the boundary and cheer very hard and loud, and that's what all people want, especially when you're taking families with

"You want passionate supporters and there's always going to be a small per cent of people who overstep the mark ... and we'll weed those people

"For Indigenous kids, to see role models playing footy and AFL, it gives them something to aspire to.

Tiwi magic

"We talk about Cyril (and) Maurice (Rioli) and Michael Long being three Norm Smith medallists from the Tiwi Islands - it is an unbelievable feat."

Burgoyne's coach at the Hawks Alastair Clarkson praised the League's role in highlighting some of the issues Indigenous Australians faced as they prepared to play great rivals the

"We have two of the more decorated Aboriginal footballers in their respective sides, in Shaun Burgoyne and Lance Franklin, playing in this game, so that just adds a little more intrigue to it," he said.

"It's a really good cause. I heard 'Longy' (Michael Long) speak about it; the AFL being the platform for making people aware of these issues around Indigenous Australia."

That is the power of our

It is all about respect and reconciliation.

Until Next time... Keep Dreaming!

Tributes to Sir Doug Nicholls - see page 68

Eddie Betts at his best... again



ADELAIDE'S Australian Football League (AFL) demolition of Brisbane wasn't quite enough to put a smile back on coach Don Pyke's face – but the mere

mention of Eddie Betts did the trick Betts provided the undoubted highlight of

the Crows' May 20 80-point win at the Gabba, reaching into his bag of tricks to produce a freakish goal-of-the-year contender in the second term.

As only he can do, Betts conjured something amazing out of nothing.

The 30-year-old was competing for possession with Darcy Gardiner, but kept his balance under pressure and through heavy

Almost in the one swift movement, he dribbled the ball along the ground with one foot like a soccer player, scooped it up and then slammed it on to his left foot, dribbling home the goal from an acute angle.

"What can you say? He's unique," Pyke

"When he does things like that, you just shake your head.

"He's a special player and he does special things and that's great for the game, the fans, our supporters and puts a smile on my face at times as well, which is great."

Betts finished with three goals for the night and four score assists.

The rest of Adelaide's attack dined out on the hapless Lions, with Charlie Cameron kicking four goals - all of them in the third quarter.

"That's the great part of our forwards: It's not about someone kicking a bag," Pyke said. "It's about them all contributing.

"We've got an even spread there, and it doesn't function around the ball going in one direction all the time, which makes it harder to defend for oppositions."

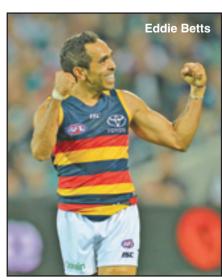
Pyke tried his best to keep the lid on after the thumping win, which came after consecutive defeats to North Melbourne and Melbourne that ended an unbeaten start to the season

Asked if the Crows were 'back', he simply said: "There's some positive signs."

"We lost a couple of games of footy, people were probably saying it was doom and gloom.

"We weren't at our best and that's the challenge in this comp, to be at or near your best as long as you can be for the majority of the season.

"But the reality is it is going to go up and down because the comp's so even." - AAP



AFL's tribute

By PETER ARGENT



RICHMOND won the 11th Dreamtime at the 'G clash against Essendon by 15 points last

Saturday night as the Australian Football League (AFL) celebrated the Indigenous Round.

Indigenous culture was very much centre stage at all AFL Round 10 matches.

A big crowd was at the Melbourne Cricket Ground to see the Tigers gain redemption for three heart-breaking losses in the past month.

In another tight encounter that had significant momentum swings, Richmond played with pride and composure.

Swapping his normal number 10 jumper and wearing the '67' guernsey for the night, Indigenous 192-game veteran Shane Edwards was outstanding, kicking two goals in front of 85,656 at the MCG.

Daniel Rioli gained a couple of touches in his role across half forward, while West Australian lad Shai Bolton enjoyed the sweet taste of victory in his second AFL game on this special occasion.

For the Bombers. Tiwi Islander Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti was dynamic in his role.

Dusty Martin - one of the early Brownlow Medal favourites this year - collected the 2017 Dreamtime at the 'G Yiooken Medal as best player on the ground for a second time.

Across the nation - from Sydney to Perth - including regional centre like Geelong and Alice Springs, the 2017 AFL Sir Doug Nicholls Indigenous Round celebrated Indigenous culture with all 18 clubs producing special jumpers.

The round opened with a thriller at Kadinia Park, Geelong, with the Cats snatching a two-point comefrom-behind victory over Port Adelaide.

Steven Motlop, with older brother Daniel among the

spectators, kicked a goal in a solid performance for the victors, while Port Adelaide's Paddy Ryder in his return season, after missing 2016 due to the Essendon supplements saga, was the dominant big man on the ground.

Sam Powell-Pepper and Brendon Ah Chee also were among the Power players on the goal-kicking list.

Shaun Burgoyne, a fourpremiership two-club champion footballer, was at his sublime best in the Hawks' shock six point win over Sydney in the Harbour City on Friday evening.

He collected 26 disposals and kicked two goals in a best on ground effort.

His former teammate, now at the Swans, Lance Franklin, was Sydney's best with a five-goal performance.

Despite the Saints loss to the Western Bulldogs at Docklands, Koby Stevens was one of their better players with 28 possessions, including 21 handballs, while second-year player Jade Gresham kicked a goal.

Form turnaround

Melbourne had a dramatic change in form during the second half of their contest with the Gold Coast at Traeger Park, Alice Springs.

Starring for the Demons was small forward Jeff Garlett, who kicked five goals in a matchwinning display.

He had 24 touches as a small forward for Melbourne that included 11 shots at goal and a return of 5.4.

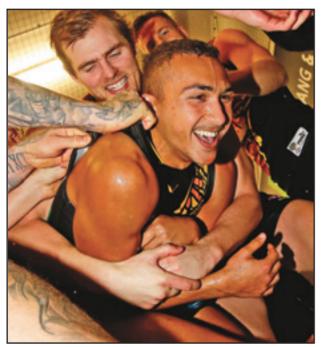
Suns' Aboriginal talent with a big heritage in the game -Brandon Matera – was equally exciting and inaccurate, kicking

In the clash between the Crows and the Dockers played at the same time as the Dreamtime fixture in Adelaide, the trio of Charlie Cameron, Wayne Milera Jnr and the mercurial Eddie Betts all had an impact.

Each kicked three goals.





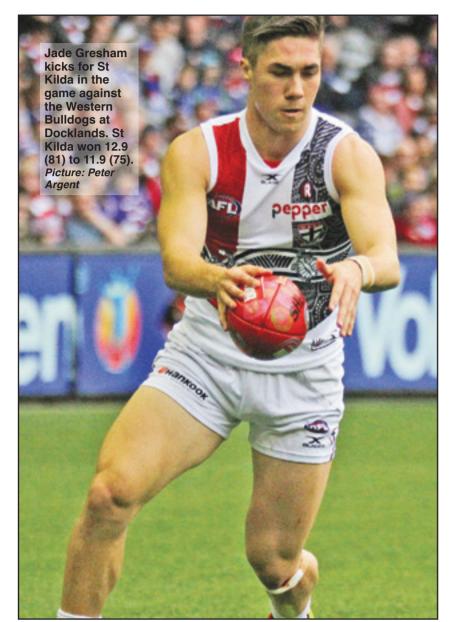


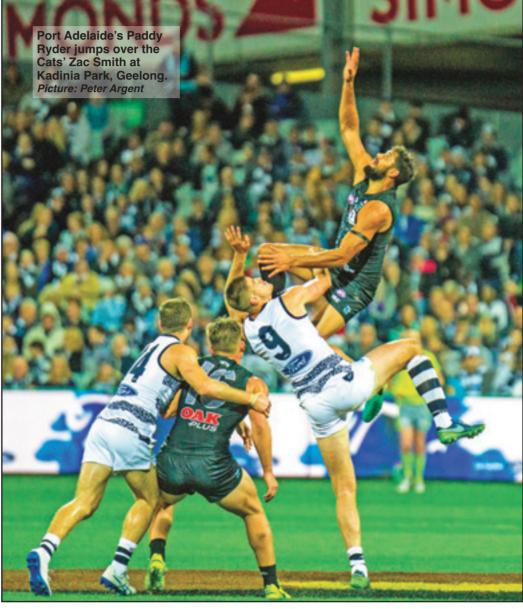
of the Tigers is congratulated by teammates after the 11.15 (81) to 10.6 (66) win over the Bombers. Picture: Getty Impey prepares to kick for The Power against Geelong at Kadinia Park, Geelong. Picture: Peter Argent RIGHT: Port Adelaide's Paddy Ryder jumps over Geelong's Zac Smith in the Sir Doug Nicholls Indigenour Round match at

Kadinia Park. Geelong. The Cats won a thriller 81-99. Picture: Peter Argent



to our culture







Charlie Cameron of the Crows celebrates a goal with Eddie Betts during the Sir Doug Nicholls Indigenous Round match against the Fremantle Dockers at the Adelaide Oval last Saturday. The Crows won 20.23 (143) to 6.7 (43). Picture: Getty



Koby Stevens and Jade Gresham lead the Saints into battle against the Western Bulldogs at Dockland. Picture: Peter Argent

Tributes to Sir Doug



THE Australian Football League (AFL) last week launched the 2017 Sir Doug

Nicholls Indigenous Round in Melbourne's Parliament Gardens outside a statue of Sir Doug and Lady Gladys Nicholls.

This was the 11th year the AFL had celebrated the Indigenous Round and the second time the round had been celebrated since being renamed after Sir Doug Nicholls.

He played football for Fitzroy before becoming a pastor and pioneer for reconciliation in Australia. He then went on to become the first Indigenous person to be knighted and hold the position of Governor of South Australia.

AFL CEO Gillon McLachlan emphasised the importance of Sir Doug Nicholls' legacy in a vear when the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Referendum takes

"Sir Doug was a pioneer of reconciliation in Australia and he found that sport, in particular Australian football, was a powerful vehicle for this message," McLachlan said.

"On May 27, 1967, a federal referendum was held which resulted in the elimination of discrimination against Aboriginal and Torres Strait peoples within the Australian Constitution.

"The referendum was a significant moment of change in our country's Indigenous affairs.

"We are proud to be the first sporting body in the Australia, and one of the first in the world, to have introduced a racial vilification policy which is now over 20 years old.

"The Indigenous Round allows us to highlight Sir Doug's legacy which continues to shine through in the Indigenous players of today, such as Eddie Betts and Cyril Rioli.

"Even more pleasing is that this year we add superstars, such as Kirby Bentley, from the AFL Women's Competition to the list of Indigenous players making their mark on our game.

"In the past 12 months, the AFL has been delighted to add Tanya Hosch to our executive in the role of general manager of inclusion and social policy, where her vast experience in public policy and advocacy in women's and Indigenous affairs has been a welcome addition to our wider business on the

issues we continue to face."

Ms Hosch said the significant outcome of the 1967 Referendum still impacted today's game and grassroots programs.

"It's pleasing to see that a number of today's elite players will be changing their playing numbers to commemorate the 1967 Referendum and the significance it still has to them and their families," the Torres Strait Islander said.

"For the first time since 2006, there will be more than 80 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander players on AFL lists. This year there are 81 male players who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander which makes up 10% of AFL lists, and 11 female players who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander in the NAB AFL Women's Competition.

Powerful vehicle

"Sport is a powerful vehicle to unite people, and we continue to invest in the AFL's Indigenous programs such as the AFL Woomeras and Flying Boomerangs that deliver educational and leadership outcomes for participants.

Each match during the Sir Doug Nicholls Indigenous Round had the Aboriginal flag painted in the centre circle, the Torres Strait Island flag painted on one of the 50m markings on each half of the field, and '67' placed on the other 50m markings

Pastor Sir Doug Nicholls was born on December 9, 1906, in

Cummeragunja, NSW. He died on June 4, 1988. in Mooroopna, Victoria.

In the VFL he played 54 games for Fitzroy (1932-1937) and twice represented Victoria.

He was third in Fitzroy's best and fairest count in 1934.

In the Victorian Football Association (VFA, now VFL), he played for Northcote between 1927 and 1931 and 1938-1939. He was a representative VFA player for two games.

He was Northcote's best and fairest player in 1929 and 1930 and played in Northcote's premiership side in 1929.

He was made a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order 1977, a Knight Bachelor 1972, was Governor of South Australia 1976-1977 and was awarded the OBE 1968 MBF in 1957



Jerkic to head overseas for next opponent



ROCKY Jerkic is set to take on Polish fighter Maciei Sulecki in Gdansk. Poland, on June 24.

The fight is subject to commission approval.

The previously undefeated Jerkic lost his last fight to Victorian Anthony Buttigieg for the vacant British Commonwealth super welterweight title in Melbourne on March 3. It was a split decision.

He had won his previous 15 professional fights - 12 of them by knockout.

The Warsaw-based Sulecki, 28, is undefeated in 24 fights - nine by knockout

He has a global ranking of nine. Jerkic, 29, has a global ranking of 67. Meanwhile, Damien Hooper's proposed fight in Melbourne on June 3 will not go ahead.

The BoxRec website shows no fights lined up for light heavyweight Queenslander Hooper who has strung together three points wins following a shock first-round knockout loss to Rob Powdrill in November, 2014.

Tasmanian-born Victorian Shaun Thomas is set to fight for the Victorian lightweight title in Melbourne on July 21.

His opponent at the Melbourne Pavilion at Flemington will be defending champion Gaige Ireland, who won the vacant title in his last fight last December.

Thomas, 35, has a 4-3-0 record. Irish-born Melbournian Ireland, 24, has a 3-1-2 record. He started his professional career with two draws, then two points wins followed by a third-round TKO defeat in Las Vegas, USA.

He won his last fight when two judges gave him the decision while the third judge declared it a draw.

Ashleigh Barty lines up in French Open





TENNIS player Ashleigh
Barty was a starter in the
women's singles at the
French Open that began at
Roland Garros Stadium,
Paris, last Sunday.

She was joined in the women's draw by fellow Australians Samantha Stosur and Daria Gavrilova.

Another Aussie – Destanee Aiava – was a chance to make the draw if she won a wildcard entry following playoffs in Paris.

The French Open is one of tennis' Grand Slams that also include the Australian and US Opens and Wimbledon.

Barty last week was warming up for the Paris tournament by playing in the Internationaux de Strasbourg, where she was just beaten in three sets by fellow-Aussie Daria Gavrilova in a quarterfinal. Tour of the sets went to tiebreakers. Gavriolva won 6-4 6-7 (3-7) 7-6 (7-5)

She and partner Casey Dellacqua also had reached the final of the women's doubles.

They won their semifinal 7-6 (7-2) 6-1 against Chinese Z Yang and Japanese S Aovama.

The 21-year-old from Springfield, near Brisbane, made a comeback to tennis in February, 2016 after a 21-month hiatus.

During that time, she played cricket for the Brisbane Heat in the Women's Big Bash League.

She burst on to the tennis scene in 2011 when she won the junior girls singles at Wimbledon. – *With AAP*

GI 'in good spirits'

Rugby league superstar battles depression



IN words that will be welcomed by the South Sydney rugby league faithful,

coach Michael Maguire says Greg Inglis has a positive outlook despite battling depression.

The Australian and Queensland ace, who is out for the National Rugby League (NRL) season with a knee injury, earlier this month checked into a rehabilitation facility to address mental health problems.

There has been an outpouring of support across the rugby league community for the superstar fullback and Maguire praised him as a role model for having the strength to reach out for help.

Maguire said he had spoken to Inglis and moved to assure everyone he remained in a good frame of mind.

"I've been in quite a lot of contact with Greg. He's in really good spirits," Maguire said.

"It's something Greg has chosen to do with himself. For a long time Greg has done a lot for so many things in the game and we've seen so many highlights from Greg.

"It's an opportunity for him to pause for a little bit and get himself set again."

The 30-year-old's future remains clouded. However, Maguire was adamant he would return to rugby league in given time

"I'd ask everyone to let it be for a while and allow Greg to go through this process and I know he will come and show us some great highlights when he comes back to football," Maguire said.

"He's working through a lot of little things."

Rivalries were quickly forgotten ahead of Melbourne's clash with South Sydney after Inglis' shock decision to seek treatment for depression, Storm coach Craig Bellamy said.

Bellamy rang Rabbitohs mentor Maguire after hearing his former Storm charge Inglis had entered rehab.

"He is a pretty special guy GI, but we know he is in good hands and the sort of guy he is he will recover from this," Bellamy said.



One of Greg Inglis' last public appearances was on the sideline at the rugby league Anzac Test between Australia and New Zealand in Canberra on May 5. *Picture: NRL*

"He is at a good club who are looking after him and he is with the right people."

Bellamy said Inglis – who enjoyed a stellar Storm stint from 2005-10 – was still considered one of Melbourne's favourite sons.

"We want to tell him everyone at the Storm is really thinking of him, have always loved him and still love him now," he said.

Inglis' former Australian and Queensland skipper Darren Lockyer joined the rugby league fraternity in throwing their support behind the NRL star.

Lockyer admitted he was surprised to learn of Inglis' plight after catching up with the Rabbitohs strike weapon while he was helping out at the recent Kangaroos' trans-Tasman Test camp in Canberra.

"He seemed to be in good

spirits but sometimes we don't know what is going on behind closed doors," Lockyer told Fox Sports TV

"I guess the focus is for Greg to get himself right.

"But things will turn; things will come good.

"I was one of the well wishers to send him texts when I heard the news.

"When he comes out in the next couple of weeks, we will all welcome him back with open arms"

Felt 'lost'

Former Queensland star Justin Hodges said he spoke with Inglis and claimed the Rabbitohs strike weapon felt 'lost'.

Meanwhile, Sydney Australian Football League (AFL) coach John Longmire said Swans star Lance Franklin's public battle had taught him elite sporting clubs were now better equipped to deal with mental health issues.

Franklin missed the 2015 AFL finals series before bouncing back to earn All-Australian honours last year.

"I've got no doubt now society is much more equipped, particularly sporting clubs, to be able to deal with those challenges," Longmire said.

South Sydney players were shocked to learn of Greg Inglis' plight, but remained confident they had not seen the last of their superstar captain.

"He'll be back," stand-in captain Sam Burgess said.

Winger Bryson Goodwin, who lost a brother just months ago to suicide, said Inglis' revelation hit hard.

"He's obviously been away a bit with his injury so, yeah, it was

a big surprise to most of us," Goodwin said.

"It's a funny thing because he looked like he was alright.

"It's probably not until you speak to someone that you really find out the details or (until) they go and find some help

themselves.

"It's a sad thing to see, but hopefully he'll come out the other side and be all good.

"We're all supporting him here at Souths."

Inglis is contracted to the Rabbitohs until the end of 2019, but the father of two's latest setback, coupled with the fact that his wife's family is in Brisbane, will inevitably prompt speculation about his future at the club.

Burgess believes Inglis will remain at Redfern and applauded the 30-year-old's decision to seek professional help. – AAP

Blues on notice

Perform or you're out - coach



THE absence of Greg Inglis and Johnathan Thurston from the Queensland line-up has given the NSW the Blues their best chance in years

in winning the opening match in the State of Origin rugby league series.

The first game is tonight at Lang Park, Brisbane, and with Queensland's two big strike weapons absent, NSW are licking their chops at the prospect of going oneup in the three-match series.

But even without Inglis and Thurston, Blues coach has the blowtorch on his squad, telling them: Perform, or I'll find someone else who can.

Daley made six changes to the team that took out last year's dead rubber in Sydney, including handing out two debuts to Nathan Peats and Jake Trbojevic.

There are four Indigenous players in the Blues line-up - Andrew Fifita, Jack Bird, Nathan Peats and Blake Ferguson.

Will Chambers, Dane Gagai and Sam Thaiday are in the Queensland squad.

Plenty of talent

Origin week had barely been a day old when the fifth-year Blues mentor warned his 20-man squad that he wasn't kidding about his rich pool of talent to pick from for the series.

"We've got plenty of depth, so the challenge for our players this year is not to feel comfortable because we have got players underneath that we haven't had in the past," Daley said.

In addition to the rookie pair, stalwarts Brett Morris, Jarryd Hayne and Mitchell Pearce all received call-ups, while returning second-rower Boyd Cordner was named captain.

The change-up meant axings for veterans Robbie Farah, James Tamou and Michael Jennings, as well as makeshift five-eighth Matt Moylan.



Johnathan Thurston

Injured winger Josh Mansour was unavailable, as was Origin retiree Paul

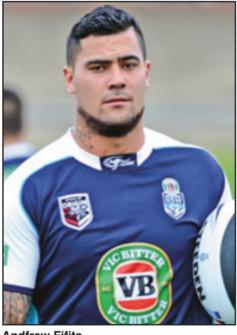
But despite the swathe of axings, Daley was also unable to find room for in-form hopefuls Paul Vaughan, Dylan Walker and Trent Merrin.

"That's what excites me. We've got a good group of players to choose from, so the ball's in their court. They know now they have to perform," Daley said.

"If they don't, we've got other people ready to go. That's the pressure that we've been looking to build internally in our squad and I think we've done that."

The newly-appointed NSWRL Hall of Fame inductee has previously been reluctant to make wholesale changes mid-series, unless forced to by injury.

However, Daley suggested that could change this year.



Andfrew Fifita

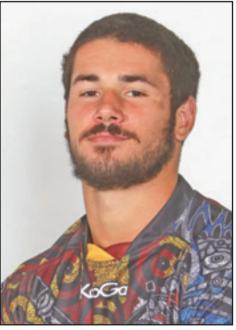
"I don't know whether we've had that group of players in the past that you could really choose and make a lot of changes," he said.

"This year I think there's a number of guys that have been unlucky to miss

"And that's what you want – you want them to be hungry as well and make sure that when their opportunity arises, they're ready to take it."

Peats' selection likely spells the end of the Origin career of long-time vicecaptain Robbie Farah, who was in a three-way battle with Peats and Peter Wallace for the No 9 jumper.

NSW team for tonight's Origin match: James Tedesco, Blake Ferguson, Josh Dugan, Jarryd Hayne, Brett Morris, James Maloney, Mitchell Pearce, Aaron Woods, Nathan Peats, Andrew Fifita,



Nathan Peats

Josh Jackson, Boyd Cordner (c), Tyson Frizell. Bench: David Klemmer, Wade Graham, Jake Trbojevic, Jack Bird.

Thurston's record run of 36 straight Origins has come to and end.

With Thurston missing, Brisbane's Anthony Milford will make his Origin debut at five-eighth.

The Maroons kept the faith with their incumbent backline, ensuring no place for Test winger Valentine Holmes.

Melbourne centre Will Chambers replaces Greg Inglis (knee).

Queensland team: Darius Boyd, Corey Oates, Will Chambers, Justin O'Neill, Dane Gagai, Anthony Milford, Cooper Cronk, Dylan Napa, Cameron Smith (capt), Nate Myles, Josh Papalii, Matt Gillett, Josh McGuire. Interchange: Michael Morgan, Sam Thaiday, Aidan Guerra, Jacob Lillyman. - With AAP

Hodgson warns rugby hierarchy



WESTERN Force veteran Matt Hodgson has revealed some of his teammates have been left

by the ongoing uncertainty surrounding the rugby union franchise's future, and says the situation is also ruining rugby in Australia

The ARU's announcement that it will axe the Force or Melbourne Rebels has caused chaos in rugby circles, with the situation now seemingly headed towards the courts as both franchises fight for their survival.

Rebels assistant coach Morgan Turinui earlier said he feared the constant speculation could be damaging to the mental health of his players.

And Hodgson holds those same fears about the Force, with the 36year-old becoming somewhat of a confidante for his teammates.

"I talk to people daily about it and it's taking its toll on the players," Hodgson said.

"The mental stability of people is beina shocked

"I think you're seeing that in not only the performance of the two teams, but also in the way they're approaching life at the moment."

With the Force and Rebels unable to re-sign players until a final decision is made, Hodgson fears there could be a mass exodus.

And he would understand if Force players started signing with rival franchises in order to secure their futures.

"It's a tough one, because I love the Force. But I also want to see individuals succeed in the sport they love playing," Hodgson said.

"It's definitely coming to the time now where that (signing elsewhere) is an option they're going to have to take, because they're going to have to take care of themselves and their

"Players don't want to leave, but they're going to have to start thinking about their future bec other markets are shutting, and we can't just wait forever for something we don't know the outcome of yet."

Hodgson will consider playing on next season if the Force survive.

"The body and the mind is still loving rugby, and the path the Force are taking is a good one," said Hodgson, who has been with the franchise since their first season in

"So if the option's there, I'll definitely think about it.

"But there's 34 other blokes I'd rather get jobs for first before mvself.

"My first goal is securing the Force in the competition." - AAP



An injured Matt Hodgson, left, is pictured in happier days with the Australian Rugby Union hierarchy chairman Cameron Clyne, centre, and CEO Bill Pulver.

Gardner off to England





Gardner has been named in the Australian 15-player squad for the 2017 International Cricket

Council (ICC) Women's World Cup in England and Wales beginning on

At 20, she is one of the youngest players in the squad.

The squad includes pace bowlers Belinda Vakarewa, 19, and Sarah Aley, 32, who are chances to make their One-Day International debuts during the tournament.

National selector Shawn Flegler predicted the tournament would be one of the tightest in recent times.

"We have chosen 15 players that we believe are capable of leading Australia to victory," he said.

Flegler said Gardner was one of the young players who had impressed and alongside Kristen Beams, Jess Jonassen and Amanda-Jade Wellington, would form a strong spin attack that provided a range of options with the

Emerging batter Gardner was named the Lord's Taverners Indigenous Player of the Year in early 2015, becoming the first

women to win this award.

Gardner headed all comers to top the runs tally at Cricket Australia's Under-18 Championships in January 2015 with 199 runs to lead NSW to the title and claim Player of the Championships.

To add to her growing list of titles, she also won Player of the Tournament at the Imparia Cup in

She subsequently travelled to Dubai with the Australian Shooting Stars to take on England Academy.

Gardner made her one-day international debut for Australia against New Zealand at Mount Maunganui, New Zealand, last March 2.

A few weeks earlier, she made her T20 debut against New Zealand at Melbourne.

She is yet to play Test cricket for Australia.

If she does so, she will become the second Indigenous Australian to play Test cricket following Faith Thomas, who played in 1958.

Thomas is now 83.

The Australian squad is finalising their preparations during a two-week camp that began in Brisbane last Monday, with the second week on the Sunshine Coast.

Australia will begin their quest for a record seventh World Cup on June 26 against the West Indies at The County Ground, Taunton.

England, New Zealand, West Indies, India, South Africa, Pakistan and Sri Lanka will join Australia in the tournament with each side to face off against the other seven nations concluding with semifinals at Bristol and Derby before the final at Lord's on 23 July.

Australia are the defending champions having won a record sixth World Cup in 2013 after defeating the West Indies by 114 runs in the final in India.

Australia's World Cup schedule: June 26, Australia v West Indies,

June 29, Australia v Sri Lanka, Bristol

July 2, Australia v New Zealand, Bristol

July 5, Australia v Pakistan, Leicester

July 9, Australia v England,

July 12, Australia v India, Bristol July 15, Australia v South Africa,

Taunton July 18, First semi-final, Bristol

July 20, Second semi-final, Derby

Nowhere to New York in six months



AFTER try-outs in 19 locations around Australia in remote, regional and city centres, Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP) head coach Adrian

Dodson-Shaw has selected the six men and six women who will form the IMP squad of 2017 to run in the New York Marathon in

Dodson-Shaw - himself an IMP graduate - was impressed by the calibre of the applicants, who demonstrated their commitment and desire to be part of the life-changing project.

He said while it was encouraging to meet so many inspiring, young Indigenous men and women, it also made the selection process even tougher.

"What struck me the most about this tour was just how many extraordinary young Indigenous people are out there who are willing to step up, not just to be part of the IMP, but because they want to change things for the better," he said.

Encouraging

"This is my first time choosing a squad. and it's been so encouraging knowing what a rich pool of talent we've got.'

This is the eighth squad to be selected under the auspices of the Indigenous Marathon Foundation (IMF) and director Rob de Castella said he was looking forward to getting to know the 12 members and watching them grow over the course of the year and beyond.

"Running a marathon is tough for anyone, but doing it in just six months from virtually no running to New York is ridiculously hard," he said.

"And we want it to be hard because it shows our runners how strong they really are and how deep they can dig when it gets

"This translates directly to other things in their lives, and they inspire, mentor and set a great example for others.

"A recent Sydney University study on Thursday Island proves just how successful this program is, with results showing improvements in diet and disease



(Karratha), Zane Sparke (Port Macquarie), Scott Cox (Broome), Tara Liddy (Alice Springs), Rob de Castella, April Barry (Geelong), Layne Brown (Warilla); front, Tim (TJ Cora) Stephens (Cairns), Roy (Billy) Tilmouth (Alice Springs), Maletta Seriat (Thursday Island), Cara Smith (Queanbeyan), Allirra Winmar (Perth).

biomarkers as well as in motivation and confidence.

'That's why it's so important for us to continue to grow across the country."

The squad will participate in a four short camps throughout 2017, the first of which was held in Canberra last week.

Each member of the squad must also complete a compulsory Cert IV in Community Recreation, Run Coaching qualification and CPR and First Aid Certificate, which they must pass in order to be eligible to run the New York City Marathon in November.

While the squad has just six months to

train for one of the world's most iconic runs, the selection process was not about choosing athletes, but focused on selecting individuals who were motivated and driven by a sense of purpose, who would use their achievements and knowledge to drive change in their communities.

"Training for the marathon is just the first step on a long journey," Dodson-Shaw said.

These 12 men and women all demonstrated something to me: a refusal to accept the status quo and a desire to make things better for Indigenous people.

"They know that this is a real and valuable opportunity for them to nurture their leadership skills, to change things for themselves, their families, and their whole

The 12 are: Luke Reidy (Perth, WA), April Barry)Geelong, Vic), Scott Cox (Broome, WA), Tara Liddy Alice (Springs, NT), Tim Stephens (Cairns, Qld), Natasha Shires (Karratha, WA), Zane Sparke (Port Macquarie, NSW) Maletta Seriat (Thursday Island, Qld), Roy Tilmouth (Alice Springs, NT), Allira Winmar (Perth, WA), Layne Brown (Shellharbour, NSW), Cara Smith (Queanbeyan, NSW)

Maletta Seriat, 26, is the younger sister of 2014 IMP graduate Elsie Seriat.

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Sydney again

Knockout to be held at Leichhardt Oval



FOR the second year running, Leichhardt Oval, Sydney, will host the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival.

It will again be hosted by the Redfern All Blacks (RAB) and will be from Friday, September 29, to Monday, October 2.

RAB board member and spokesman Dean Widders said confirmation of the venue for the 2017 Knockout had been delayed because the old Leichhardt Council had been involved in amalgamation with other councils.

The new Inner West Council is made up of the former Leichhardt, Ashfield and Marrickville councils.

The RAB's application to hold the 2017 Knockout at Leichhardt Oval was approved by the new council last Tuesday

Widders said that now that approval had been obtained, it was full steam ahead with planning.

New board

He said a new RAB board was organising the Knockout. It was made up of himself, Jo Bostock, Christine Robinson, Travis Robinson, Chief Insp Luke Frudenstein (Redfern police) and Treena Cutmore.

Former National Rugby League (NRL) star Widders said the Knockout would follow the tradition of past knockouts, but organisers were looking at ways of improving it.

He said there were a number of lessons to be learnt from last year's Knockout at Leichhardt Oval.

'There were some issues and we've addressed them," he said.

"Some of them were internal and some were external. We will cap the number of teams entering in all divisions, but it will be about the same as last year.

"We are looking at making the venues more compact, but we may have to look at other playing fields on the first day when so many teams are involved.'

Responding to a question that small country communities were finding it hard to remain competitive, Widders urged

country communities to come together.

"There's been a trend for country towns to field two or more teams in the Knockout," he said.

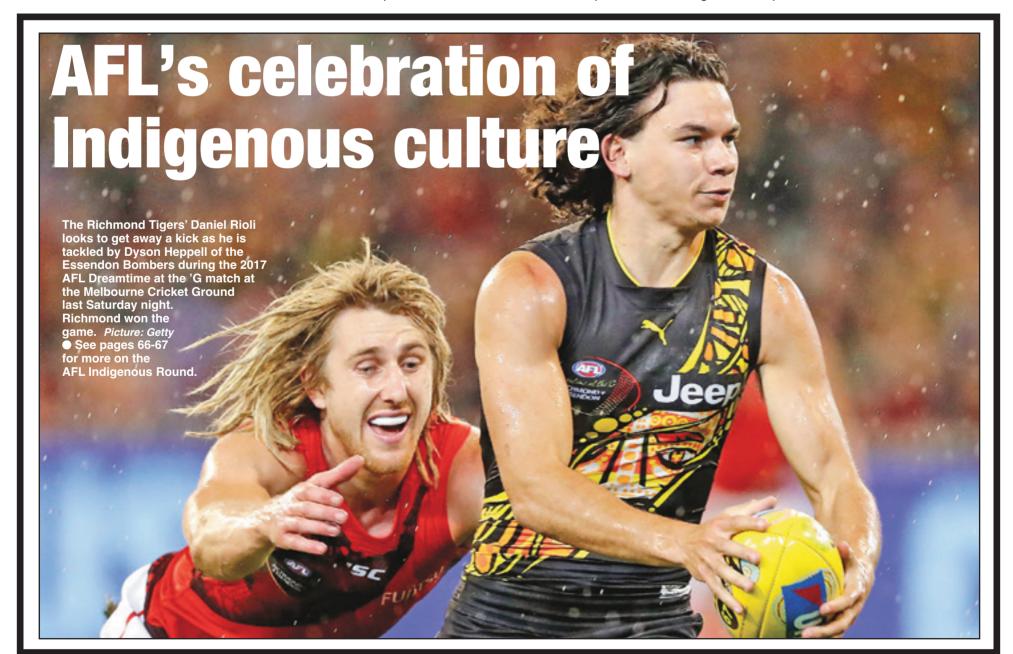
"That weakens their player base.These communities should get together. That way, they could produce a competitive team.

He said Sydney and Newcastle clubs had dominated the Knockout in recent years because they had prepared well for it.

They prepare for the Knockout all year so that when it's held, they're fit and ready," he said.

"My advice for country teams is to prepare well and train hard."

The Koori Mail again is a major sponsor of the Knockout.



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