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Descendants of Albert Namatjira – Kathy Inkamla, Vanessa Inkamla, Reinhold Inkamla and Mervyn Rubuntja – together with Rex Battarbee's daughter Gayle Quarmby and producer of the documentary *Namatjira Project* Sophia Marinos celebrate the return of the great artist's copyright.
Picture: Jillian Mundy

Justice at last

Copyright finally back with Namatjira family



ALBERT Namatjira's family and clan have finally won back the rights to the art great's work, after having been denied them for more than 30 years.

It was in 1957 that a desperate Namatjira, already famous for his

watercolour works, sold part of the copyright to his friend John Brackenreg, of Legend Press. Namatjira died aged 57 in 1959 and his will gave the rest of the copyright to his wife Robina and his family.

However, the administration of his will was handed to the Northern Territory Public Trustee, which sold the full

copyright to Legend Press for just \$8500 in 1983. In what was a great travesty, the family was never consulted.

Legend Press put restrictions on the use of Namatjira's paintings and images and the royalties to his family dried up.

The campaign to regain the copyright for the artist's family began eight years

ago, headed by arts company Big hART. And now, thanks to some vital help from millionaire philanthropist Dick Smith, the family is back in control of what it should have never lost.

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My FAMILY

Margaret Walford – Armidale, NSW



I AM a Gumbayngirr/Dunghutti/Hanuwin woman and I come from a large family myself.

Now that I have a family of my own, it's very important to support and love each other.

My children help me with everything; I would be lost without them.

We have meals and go and enjoy each other's company whatever we are doing.

Being such a close family, we stay connected through respect, culture and religion.

We share it with people of the community as well.

It is wonderful.

I grew up witnessing children being taken away, so it is vital to stick together.

I truly believe it takes a community to raise a child.

My children and grandchildren spoil me and always have made sure I stay healthy and happy.

I love them all deeply.

● Pictured above: Margaret Walford at right with family members Preston Kelly, Hezekiah Bird, Deborah Moran, Warren Ahoy, Kiera Walford, Noah Foote, Alynyah Moran, Ronan Strong, Morris Kelly and Emily Kim.

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OUR CHILDREN



Shenae Yarran, with her mum Shantelle Cox, tries out some colouring at the annual Moorditj Moort, Moorditj Culunga (Strong Family, Strong Children) celebration in Perth. See our coverage on pages 28-29. Picture: Tash Gillespie

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Divaz will be screen queens



PRODUCTION is under way for *Black Divaz*, an NITV documentary celebrating

Australia's Indigenous LGBTQI+ community.

The one-hour documentary follows the inaugural Miss First Nation pageant, where six Indigenous drag queens from around Australia battle it out over five days for the crown.

With challenges, talent quests and lip sync battles – all done in the balmy heat of Darwin – the competition is fierce.

Taking viewers behind the scenes, *Black Divaz* will focus on the personal stories of three of the contestants, travelling to their home towns to reveal the challenges, heartbreaks and triumphs that have made them who they are and brought them to the stage.

The documentary, funded by Screen Australia's Indigenous Department and Create NSW, is directed by Adrian Russell Wills.

"*Black Divaz* gives our mob a whole new kind of role model, only instead of running for Olympic gold, singing in a music video, or acting on the big or small screen, these role models



Black Divaz strut their stuff in Darwin for the inaugural Miss First Nation pageant. Picture: Joseph Mayers

perform in heels, glitter and huge wigs," Mr Wills said.

"My reason for making this film is because I feel that in our communities we still haven't really had the conversation

about homophobia and acceptance of our LGBTQI+ family members.

"Too many of our youth still take their lives due to the shame and fear of rejection because of

who they really are.

"In our film our extraordinary characters give us their stories, their humour, their sisterhood and their hearts, all in a beautiful truth. This story could not have

come at a better time, with the message: It's okay to dress up!"

Black Divaz will screen on NITV in 2018. The series was filmed in Melbourne, Sydney, Kempsey and Darwin.

Disgust and concern over fracking inquiry

By LIINA FLYNN



MUDBURRA/Garawa custodian Eleanor Dixon believes no-one is listening to Aboriginal people's voices at a Northern Territory inquiry into

the controversial mining practice of hydraulic fracturing (fracking), where toxic chemicals are blasted into rock seams to fracture rock and release gas.

Ms Dixon told the *Koori Mail* a consultant supposed to be running a community social impact meeting for the inquiry told residents that fracking was inevitable and the community needed to prepare for it and to consider asking for benefits such as community housing.

In September last year the NT Government declared a temporary moratorium on fracking.

In December it set up an inquiry to investigate the environmental, social and economic risks and impacts of fracking, chaired by Justice Rachel Pepper.

The inquiry has been holding a series of meetings in remote areas, but some traditional owners are worried about the behaviour of the consulting group employed to conduct social impact assessments.

Ms Dixon said the social impact consultations so far had been "disgusting".

She attended a community consultation meeting in Elliott in

August and said it felt like an "unfair conversation".

"We didn't get to chance to talk and say what we wanted to say," she said.

"We wanted to talk about the risks and concerns of gas mining, but the consultant did most of the talking and pushed us to think about ways for us to use it for our benefit.

"Our number-one priority was about risks to land, environment and people, and that hasn't been heard throughout conversation."

Recorded

Ms Dixon said she recorded a 36-minute conversation in Elliott with the lead consultant from Cross Cultural Consulting (CCC), Jason Elsegood, because she didn't trust that the consultants would accurately report community concerns.

"I submitted the recording to the judge in charge of the inquiry after the Elliott meeting and she said she'd listen to it and get back to me about it," she said.

"When she didn't get back to me, we gave the recording to the ABC and they reported on it.

"I feel like no-one is listening to us, not even the inquiry panel."

The inquiry panel finally responded on October 7, after the ABC report was broadcast. In the response, Justice Pepper reported "profound dismay and concern" over the comments made by CCC and rejected the comments saying

the "opinions and comments expressed by that person in no way reflect the views of the Inquiry".

Originally, the Inquiry engaged consulting company Coffey to run the community consultations. Coffey subcontracted the social impact assessment work to CCC.

The inquiry reported it had requested that Coffey review the work of CCC – which could delay the completion of the social impact assessment report – but said "the inquiry is nevertheless progressing the draft final report for release in early November, with the final report to be completed by the end of 2017".

Territory Frack-Free Alliance spokesperson Lauren Mellor said she had spoken to CCC before its consultants went into the remote communities to see if they had a set list of questions for residents.

"They said they didn't have any," Ms Mellor said. "Without a clearly defined consultation model, there's no way they can measure opinions and be held accountable for a fair consultation process."

Ms Mellor said the whole process was rushed.

"The consultants had 10 days to cover a lot of remote communities and didn't even have time to organise permits to enter some," she said.

"A number of other communities including Borroloola, Ngukurr and Mataranka have also made records and complaints."

Some of the complaints included that consultants had not explained gasfield development scenarios, including the number of gas wells planned, or possible social risks from increased industrial and mining activity on remote communities.

Ms Mellor also said the *Ngukurr News* had reported Coffey consultants "gave no warning before they came, used the majority of the consultation to provide personal opinions and failed to ask respondents their attitudes to fracking".

"The Territory Frack-Free Alliance is now calling for the inquiry to restore trust and integrity to the process and cancel Coffey's contract, re-tender the work and re-design the consultation process," she said.

Questions

In answer to questions sent by the *Koori Mail*, NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner's office said "an open and transparent approach is needed into the genuine environmental concerns held by many Territorians".

"At the end of that inquiry we will either ban fracking in the Northern Territory or allow it in highly regulated circumstances in tightly prescribed areas.

"We will put the Territory first and make the best decision for the Territory – and we will not put at risk existing fishing, farming, tourism and cattle jobs for the

possibility of jobs from fracking."

Ms Dixon has recently been arranging rallies and strategy meetings of a coalition of Aboriginal groups.

"I knew I had to call together the different language groups for a rally in Elliott and to talk about the risk of contaminating the underground water system and the songlines that connect us all," she said.

The community of Elliott is situated within the Beetaloo sub-basin – an area spanning about one-third of the NT – which has been widely targeted for gasfield development by Australia's largest gas companies including Origin Energy and Santos.

People from communities in the area are concerned that fracking will deplete the semi-arid region's underground water supplies and spread chemical contaminants during wet season floods.

At the Elliott rally, Ms Dixon called for the NT Government to put a permanent ban on fracking gasfields despite pressure from the Federal Government to abandon its fracking moratorium and inquiry.

"There are plans for thousands of fracked gas wells to be drilled across our homelands, and through our underground water," she said.

"This would risk everything we value here in one shortsighted and greedy move by the fracking companies."

Mauboy in line for ARIA awards



JESSICA Mauboy has been nominated for six ARIA

awards, making it seven years in a row that she's been up for Australia's top music prizes.

Mauboy, whose nominations include best female artist, made ARIA chart history with her latest release, becoming the first Indigenous woman to debut and achieve three consecutive weeks at number one.

Reaching platinum status, the album *The Secret Daughter* also became Mauboy's first individual number-one album on the ARIA chart.

A.B. Original's album *Reclaim Australia* has also earned the hip hop duo six ARIA award nominations. The duo, made up of Briggs and Trials, won the 12th Australian Music Prize this year and the album's lead single *January 26*, featuring Dan Sultan, reached #16 on triple j's Hottest 100.

Dan Sultan is in the running for three awards (Best Male Artist,



Jessica Mauboy has been nominated for six ARIA awards this year.

Independent Release and Rock Album).

Archie Roach and Busby Marou have both

been nominated for Best Blues and Roots Album.

Queensland duo Busby Marou (Thomas

Busby and Torres Strait Islander man Jeremy Marou) released their third album this year,

Postcards from the Shell House. It was their first album to go to number one and it's also their

first to garner an ARIA nomination. Winners will be named on November 28.

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People choose Jack's portrait



THE first thing Anh Do ever heard about Jack Charles was that he was an "esteemed actor, former heroin addict and jailbird, member of the Stolen Generation, gay man and latter-day Indigenous activist".

The painter, comedian and author would later capture Uncle Jack in paint, in a session for ABC TV's *Anh's Brush with Fame*.

The result has gone on to capture the public's heart, announced as this year's Archibald Prize People's Choice winner at the NSW Art Gallery.

"Jack's a special human being. To be through everything he has been through and to become a well-loved, well-respected mentor, I find him inspirational," Do said.

Do first painted Charles in a Sydney studio for his ABC program, a work that would become the basis of his Archibald award-winning portrait.

He's paid tribute to Charles' tumultuous story in each brushstroke, with insects in the paint a nod to the time his subject spent as a homeless man and a hologram of a unicorn and its mother a symbol of his loss.

"Jack is a member of the Stolen Generation, taken away from his mum at a very young age and Jack shared with me the fact that he spent a lot of his life searching for his mother, or the love of a mother, and how it was an impossible void to fill," Do said.

"Hence I stuck the image of a unicorn and its mother in the painting – a unicorn being a creature impossible to find."

Despite sharing the sad parts of his life story as he was painted, Uncle Jack said the experience in Do's "sexy little Sydney studio" had been "a hoot".

"I count him as one of the best extractors of information, from his engaging smile, wit, genuine interest and listening to the dribs and drabs of my



Anh Do's award-winning portrait of Aboriginal actor Jack Charles.

story, my reason for living," he said in a statement.

"I'm extremely chuffed to be counted as one of Anh Do's mates."

Do will receive a \$3500 cash prize for the win, but said what mattered most was whether Charles liked the finished product.

"I was happy with the painting when I finished and then I showed Jack, and, more importantly, he was happy, and now that people like it as well – icing on the cake," he said. – AAP

Bakala dreams of MJD cure

By RUDI MAXWELL



ANINDIL-YAKWA man Steve Bakala Wurramara is fighting for his people and his life. Bakala is one of a growing number of Aboriginal people on Groote Eylandt in the Northern Territory who has been diagnosed with the hereditary neuro-degenerative condition Machado Joseph Disease (MJD).

When he was 15, Bakala was diagnosed with MJD, but before that he'd seen the effects it had on his mother.

At that time they didn't know what it was.

"I couldn't ask her about it because she didn't know," he said.

Filmmakers Nik Lachajczak and Alison Page (ZakPage) have recently released a docudrama *Bakala*, with the backing of the MJD Foundation and the Anindilyakwa Land Council.

The film tells the story of Bakala's unwavering search for a cure in the traditional medicines of Groote Eylandt, despite his body deteriorating.

"I had a dream that some of the ancestors told me there a cure hidden somewhere," Bakala said.

The film also tells the story of the disease's genesis, due to an ancestor breaking sacred tribal law and bringing down a curse.

MJD is an inherited condition that initially causes muscular weakness and

progresses over time to a total lack of voluntary control and significant permanent physical disability.

Bakala has already lost one sister to the disease.

The MJD Foundation is a charity that provides essential support for Aboriginal Australians and their families living with MJD.

The foundation is also supporting Bakala's search for a treatment by funding a research project in Sydney that is using zebra fish to test for potential treatments for the disease.

"The dream I had is real and the cure could be out there," he said.

"There will be a cure somewhere, I know myself.

"I've tried animal cure, spider poison, king brown snake, then plants and other things.

"I'm not going to give up looking for a cure.

"I know I will find it."

The film *Bakala* recently screened at the Darwin Film Festival.

It is also available for community screenings in most states and territories.

Filmmaker Alison Page is hoping to attract an international audience.

"We believe that the philanthropists in the US will really love this story if they hear about it," she said. "They've got a culture of giving."

Every dollar donated to the MJD Foundation goes directly to research.

To donate or for more information, see www.bakalathefilm.com



Steve Bakala Wurramara on a recent trip to Sydney.



Behind the scenes shooting *Bakala*, the film.

Goldfields residents tell of welfare fears

By RUDI MAXWELL



ABORIGINAL people in the Goldfields region of Western Australia have used a visit by senators to voice their opposition to being the next site

for the Turnbull Government's cashless welfare card scheme.

The Government is forging ahead with the controversial income management scheme, despite its own commissioned research showing that more people in the earlier trial sites find the card made their lives worse, not better.

Last week a Senate committee held a hearing into the cashless welfare card – based on the idea of billionaire miner Andrew Forrest – in Kalgoorlie.

Northern Territory Labor senator Malarndirri McCarthy said there were gaps in the consultation.

"Everyone who has come before us has heard about the card but it certainly sounds to me there hasn't been the consultation we're told there has been," she said.

"That's especially concerning to me, when people are going to be forced on a situation they're clearly not wanting to be on."

Representatives from the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Aboriginal Residents' Group (KBARG) said the prospect of the card was already causing division and problems in the community.

KBARG member Mandy Clinch said when she had recently visited family in Ceduna, South Australia – one of the first trial sites for the card – she had been forced to use the card.

"I was only there a little while but they made me go on it," she said.

"I got on it, stayed there for a while then came back to Kalgoorlie, tried to use my card and I couldn't

use it. Tried to take my kids to swimming places and it got rejected. Tried to find places around here but none would take it.

"All your money's gone on to that card. How are you going to feed your kids?"

"If you don't have a car, you have to walk around Kalgoorlie with a tribe of kids in the heat, walking shop to shop trying to find one who will accept that card.

"How do you feel for that mother and children walking in the heat?"

Anxious

Ms Clinch said eventually she managed to get Centrelink to take her off the card, but she was anxious about the Goldfields trial.

"We don't have big shops that open on Sundays. IGAs don't take the card," she said.

"Only small delis take it and you look how expensive it is to buy a meal from those small shops for

your family out of that card. It is so frustrating, when you got a mob of kids and no car."

The Aboriginal Health Council of WA (AHCWA) called for a voluntary opt-in scheme of the card.

AHCWA chair Michelle Nelson-Cox said the council was vehemently opposed to the Bill and the Federal Government's "one-size-fits-all approach" to address complex social issues.

"AHCWA and our member services remain gravely concerned at the continued endorsement of the cashless debit card as the best solution to respond to the harms of alcohol, gambling and drug abuse," she said.

"This proposal is a blanket, one-size-fits-all approach that punishes the majority because of the actions of a few.

"The Government must support local solutions to inherently complex social issues, rather than

impose an autocratic system that disempowers people and communities."

Ms Nelson-Cox said there was no evidence to support a wider roll-out of the cashless debit card and there was no clear plan to increase community programs and support services.

"AHCWA is keen to work with governments to develop solutions to address the harms related to alcohol, gambling and other drugs in communities, but we do not believe the cashless debit card is the answer," she said.

"There has been no conclusive quantitative data to support its introduction and there is an overwhelming lack of community support and involvement in it.

"What needs to be considered is a welfare system that is equitable, sustainable, innovative and responsive to the unique and complex needs of Australians."

RAW talent opens door for Enoch



ALL My Friends Are Racist, a narrative comedic web series concept by 21-year-old Enoch

Mailangi, from Waterloo, has been chosen to be pitched to the ABC through the RAW Indigenous filmmakers project.

Mr Mailangi's concept was chosen from a shortlist of three.

The other two finalists, Cindy Hill, of the Wadja people from Woorabinda, and Caden Pearson, of the Bagarmugu people from Hopevale, will now assist Mr Mailangi in the writers' room.

Scriptwriter Greg Waters worked with the chosen applicants before they pitched their creations to a panel of film professionals, including actor and writer Leah Purcell, actor and filmmaker Wayne Blair, ABC's head of the Indigenous unit Kelrick Martin and Australian Film, Television and Radio School (AFTRS) head of the Indigenous unit Kyas Sherriff.

"I'm really honoured to have been selected by the RAW executives and mentors," Mr Mailangi said. "Having zero experience in filmmaking, it's a daunting industry to try to break into. RAW offers a way to help me into the industry, supported by incredible role models like Leah and Wayne."

RAW is supported by Artology, an award-winning organisation focused on championing youth



Talented mob: from left, Liliana Munoz, Kyas Sherriff, Leah Purcell, Cindy Hill, Caden Pearson, Enoch Mailangi and Kelrick Martin.

creativity, with ABC Indigenous, and run with the Indigenous unit at AFTRS.

"RAW is about nurturing the talents of young Indigenous filmmakers by giving them real industry experience, while also

bringing Indigenous content made by talented storytellers to an international audience," Mr Blair said.

All My Friends Are Racist follows four young people in Sydney who navigate mainly

white spaces while dealing with all the drama of self-obsession, self-entitlement and self-sabotage, in millennial self-deprecating style.

"We loved the pitch because it's a raw exploration of what it's

like to be millennial, Indigenous and living with all of the quirks of being a millennial – like sexual awakenings, fears of the imminent future, career disaster choices, family reunion and separation," Ms Purcell said.

Concern over Grieve case

By **NATALIE CROMB**



ZAK Grieve is languishing in prison on a life sentence for a murder he was not present for and did not participate in.

That's because of the Northern Territory's mandatory sentencing laws.

The 25-year-old does so in the knowledge that without executive intervention, he has no avenue of appeal.

The facts of his case are that he was asked by a friend to participate in a plot to kill a man who was physically abusive to that friend's mother.

Being a 19-year-old naive kid at the time, he initially went along with what his friend wanted in the belief that the stepfather (murder victim) was a bad person. But when the time came to actually go through with the crime, Grieve went home.

He did not participate, nor was he present, when the murder took place but, under the mandatory sentencing laws, he received a longer non-parole sentence than the two murderers.

The Zak Grieve case is a powerful illustration of the unfairness of mandatory sentencing.

Speaking to the *Koori Mail*, Grieve's brother Terence said he is grateful there

is more attention on his brother's case, but that this is much larger than one case.

"It is about an unjust criminal law system, based on political bureaucracy that stifles our prison systems without any transparent or legitimate viable solutions for those with the most vulnerabilities – our Indigenous people," he said.

Criminal Lawyers Association NT president Russell Goldflam agrees with Terence.

"Mandatory sentencing forces judges to impose unfair sentences," he said.

"All offences should be determined and sentenced pursuant to judicial discretion in line with normal practices.

"Harsh and unfair"

"The NT's murder sentencing regime is not only harsh and unfair, it is ruinously expensive and contributes substantially to this jurisdiction's crisis of hyper-incarceration."

NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner has indicated that mandatory sentencing laws are under review.

Although he has confirmed his department is looking into the Zak Grieve case – which the NT Justice Department views as an anomaly – it does highlight the need for a review of mandatory sentencing.

Mandatory sentencing laws are discriminatory in effect against Indigenous people and they breach several provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, and in some circumstances can result in harsher treatment for juveniles than adults who commit the same crime.

In her recent report, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Victoria Tauli-Corpuz called on Australia to "abolish paperless arrest and mandatory sentencing laws and review fine default legislation, as their application is discriminatory in practice".

The Federal Government has constitutional power to override mandatory sentencing laws but has explicitly chosen not to do so, in breach of its obligations under the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Mandatory sentencing also places greater pressure on a prison system that is already plagued with issues of violence against inmates, inadequate healthcare and failure to render assistance in line with best practice.

While the Chief Minister has not ruled out a mercy plea for Grieve, he has not indicated any timeline. Nor has he said whether the review of the mandatory sentencing laws will be internal or independent.

Guardianship major issue for Victorians



A STUDY has shown that Aboriginal Elders and people with disability in Victoria are twice as likely to be under guardianship

compared with the general community.

The Office of the Public Advocate (OPA) also found that Aboriginal clients' ages are younger than the usual 65, with 50% under the age of 50 needing its services.

OPA is working with the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service on the 'Your life, your choice' project to help clients make their own decisions about the care needed.

Victoria's Public Advocate Colleen Pearce said the study showed the importance of tailoring guardianship services to the Koori community.

"This report is just the beginning," she said.

"We are looking forward to building on the data we have to help inform service delivery for Koori clients of OPA's guardianship program."

OPA encourages this service as a last resort for people who are unable to find care of their own, such as family.

"The aim is to not only improve service delivery to Koori clients, but to provide culturally appropriate information and support to maximise the opportunities for Koori people with disability to make decisions for themselves," Ms Pearce said.

Over the past two years, OPA says it has improved collection of data to assist the Aboriginal community and is embracing the need to build relationships with Koori individuals and organisations.

Corey Bobongie, Kendal Woodhams and Rita Gibuma from the Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts star in *The Trojan Women: A Love Story*.



Women in charge in new ACPA production



THE Aboriginal Centre for Performing Arts (ACPA) is set for its new production *The Trojan Women: A*

Love Story, which explores love, sex, power and violence, and asks the audience to imagine a world where women are in charge.

Set in the aftermath of the Trojan war, its main characters are unlike each other, which ACPA says makes for a great spectacle.

The play, based on the classic Greek text by Euripides, is set in the ruined city of Troy, reimagined as a contemporary war zone.

ACPA chief executive Dimitri Kopanakis said the talents of their students shine. "ACPA is proud of these young, talented Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as they are the next generation of storytellers," he said.

Trojan Women, directed by Brisbane's Steven Mitchell Wright, is advised for mature audiences only.

The shows are at the Judith Wright Centre for Performing Arts in Fortitude Valley on October 27 and 28.

They start at 7.30pm, with tickets \$15/\$10.

NSWALC urges balance in language legislation



NSW has become the first state in the country to introduce legislation to Parliament to acknowledge the unique value and importance of language to First Peoples.

But, the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) has called for amendments to the bill for Aboriginal languages, stressing the need to balance government powers, community ownership and self-determination.

Premier Gladys Berejiklian said she was proud the NSW Government had introduced the landmark bill, in the presence of Aboriginal Elders and community representatives, which recognises the significance of NSW's first languages and aims to protect and

revive them for future generations.

"Today is an historic day," she said. "This legislation will acknowledge the importance of Aboriginal languages for years to come."

NSWALC chair Roy Ah-See said the bill was a historic opportunity to address the wrongs of past government practices and that NSWALC attended its tabling with great anticipation.

But Cr Ah-See said a better balance between government, Aboriginal language owners and communities was needed before the bill became law.

Cr Ah-See acknowledged the symbolic gesture of the NSW Parliament's Legislative Council, where for the first time had Aboriginal community members



Widjabul Elder Aunty Irene Harrington speaks in her northern NSW traditional language to members of the NSW Upper House.

speaking in their various languages.

But, he said, any legislation relating to Aboriginal languages must have Aboriginal community control at its heart.

"The NSW Aboriginal Land Council is concerned that the legislation could seek to impose ministerial

controls or intervention in relation to Aboriginal languages," Cr Ah-See said.

"For many years, our communities have worked tirelessly to retain, teach and promote Aboriginal languages.

"Government can never own or control our

languages and its role must be to work in partnership with Aboriginal interests. Aboriginal community control of Aboriginal languages is essential."

NSW Aboriginal Affairs Minister Sarah Mitchell said the Government had worked with language experts and Aboriginal communities, including at 32 meetings and workshops around NSW, to develop the bill.

"It was crucial to get a diverse range of opinions and input from all over the state to ensure the legislation was as sturdy as possible," she said.

"The bill was introduced in the Upper House today in the presence of Aboriginal Elders and community representatives with a moving message stick ceremony – symbolic of Aboriginal people's

custodianship of language."

The legislation includes the establishment of an independent trust made up of Aboriginal community leaders, who will oversee the development a strategic plan to protect and strengthen Aboriginal languages through programs, partnerships and funding.

Cr Ah-See said the NSWALC respected the views of Aboriginal language organisations and experts and that any legislation must involve the full and proper consultation with the owners of languages.

"The NSW Aboriginal Land Council will continue to advocate for the Aboriginal languages legislation that represents the best interests of Aboriginal peoples in NSW," he said.

Copyright returned to Namatjira family

By JILLIAN MUNDY



AFTER six decades of profiting handsomely from Albert Namatjira's art, and an eight-year campaign waged against them, a short phone call from millionaire Dick

Smith has convinced Legend Press to return control of the famous Western Aranda artist's work to the Namatjira family.

A deal was signed on Friday morning to reinstate copyright to the Namatjira family, through the Namatjira Legacy Trust.

Namatjira's granddaughter Gloria Pannka expressed her community's delight in the announcement. "We're happy we finally got it back. The whole family is really happy and proud," she said.

Entrepreneur Dick Smith, a childhood friend of the Brackenreg family who owns Legend Press, said his involvement was one of the best things he has done in his life.

Legend Press is based in Sydney's affluent North Shore.

Namatjira's descendants live in the community of Ntaria (Hermannsburg), 130km west of Alice Springs.

"I'm just delighted to be involved. I've been very worried over the last decade seeing articles about what was going on with the Namatjira copyright," Mr Smith said.

"I'm very happy I was able to get involved and help to gain a satisfying result."

Mr Smith also donated \$250,000 to the Trust, which was set up to protect and preserve the interests of the Namatjira family and to benefit the Ntaria family.

He told *The Australian* he also donated money towards Legend Press's foundation.

Albert Namatjira was one of the country's most famous and prolific watercolour artists. Prints of his work were commonplace in households across the country and were featured on biscuits tins and tea towels throughout the 1970s and 1980s.

Namatjira was considered a man caught between cultures – paraded as a great Australian, while treated with contempt.

He was the first Indigenous person to be made a citizen by the Australian Government and was the founder of Australia's Indigenous art movement, his works giving many their first glimpses into the heart of the country.

He was widely celebrated, exhibited globally, and introduced to Queen Elizabeth.

But in 1957 he was jailed for something he did not do, and he died two years later.

When he passed away, Legend Press owner, art dealer John Brackenreg, had the



Rex Battarbee's daughter Gayle Quarmby from Reedy Creek (SA) and Albert Namatjira's granddaughter Gloria Pannka from Hamilton Downs Outstation at Ntaria (Hermannsburg).

rights to reproduce Namatjira's work, with a deal to pay a 12% royalty to his family.

When Namatjira's wife passed away in 1974 his estate was passed over to the Northern Territory Public Trustee.

At the 1983 conclusion of the agreement with Legend Press, the Public Trustee – totally failing to appreciate the value and significance of Namatjira's work and without consulting his family – sold the copyright to Legend Press for \$8500.

Earlier this year a retired NT Public Trustee John Flynn, who dealt with the estate, admitted mistakes had been made and the deal did not reflect the discussions he had with Legend Press. Over the years Legend Press has held tight what they earned from the sale of the reproductions.

The copyright return will also bring an end to Legend Press stifling Namatjira's legacy and exposure through restricting the use of his works in documentaries and publications about him. He will again become visible to younger generations of Australians.

In 2009, the legendary artist's family

joined with arts for social change organisation Big hART to fight for justice.

A potential negligence case was initially marred by loopholes and missing paperwork.

The organisation produced and toured the *Namatjira* theatre production starring Trevor Jamieson, and this year launched a feature-length documentary *Namatjira Project*.

The documentary follows the journey of Namatjira's family, who continue to paint in his iconic style, as they move between their home in Ntaria and the high-life in Britain to create and tour the theatre production.

Documentary

The documentary features historic footage of the Namatjira story, including his eulogy, historic photographs, interviews with descendants of his close friend and artistic mentor Rex Battarbee, a trip to London to visit the 'old lady' or 'big girl' (aka the Queen) and footage of the *Namatjira* play on tour, on stage and behind the scenes.

The documentary is a story of the Namatjira family, Australian history and race

relations spanning more than a century, and the Namatjira family's bid to reclaim copyright.

When news of the return of copyright broke, many of Albert Namatjira's descendants were in Adelaide for the Tarnanthi Arts Festival, where their artwork is exhibited, and to speak on a panel discussion at the SA premier of *Namatjira Project*.

The panellists held a press conference before the discussion, and Albert Namatjira's nephew Mervyn Rubuntja spoke on behalf of the family.

"The newspaper was shown to me this morning and I am very proud. It's good," he said. Mr Rubuntja also spoke of the colour in the landscapes his uncle painted and how his paintings depicted the Western Aranda country when it covered in native species before the invasive buffel grass arrived.

"(The family) have been thinking about this copyright. They have been thinking all those years. Nothing been done. Now it's good. No worries now, copyright back," he said, as he amplified his approval with two thumbs up.

Big hART's Sophia Marinos said that with the breadth of support the campaign was building momentum and the legal campaign was mounting with the pro-bono work of law firm Arnold Bloch Leibler.

But when Dick Smith came out of the woodwork, progress came rapidly.

However, the campaign is not over.

Under Australian law, copyright lasts for 70 years after the maker's death, meaning the family's rights to earn royalties from and control Namatjira's work expires in 2029.

Ms Marinos said the family and Big hART will continue campaigning for the copyright to be granted in perpetuity, because of the injustice that has been done over the years.

The only known precedent for perpetual copyright is in Britain, where the law was amended in 1988 for the copyright of J M Barrie's *Peter Pan*, which he gifted to the Great Ormond Street Hospital in 1920.

If white lawmakers come to the party, Albert Namatjira's legacy could have an impact as profound as *Peter Pan*'s, and continue to support his family like he did in his life and aspired to do after his death.

A Namatjira Project art auction to raise funds for the Namatjira Legacy Trust and its work to support the future of the Hermannsburg art movement (and originally planned to also raise funds for the copyright campaign) will be held at the Art Gallery of South Australia at 2.30pm on October 22.

States, territories fail to act on custody hotline



MOST state and territory governments have failed to implement a hotline designed to prevent

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander deaths in custody, despite federal funding being offered one year ago.

The Custody Notification Service has been credited with saving Indigenous lives in NSW where it has been in operation for almost 20 years, while it also runs in the ACT.

In October last year Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion offered cash to support a national rollout of the scheme, but

none of the other states and territories have adopted it.

The investment is contingent on the jurisdictions mandating the use of the CNS and agreeing to pick up the tab after an introductory three-year period.

The CNS is a 24-hour legal advice and mental health phone line for Aboriginal prisoners – one of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody recommendations released 26 years ago.

Only NSW has a legal requirement to notify the Aboriginal Legal Service as soon as an Indigenous person is detained.

It has been praised for

stabilising volatile situations, reducing the potential for self-harm and improving transparency.

Western Australia has begun negotiations to introduce the service after the State Government copped criticism over the controversial death in custody of 22-year-old Aboriginal woman Ms Dhu in 2014.

Writing on the petition website, Ms Dhu's mother Della Roe said her daughter "should be with us today".

"Her loss haunts me each day and it will remain, but it will give me at least an ounce of peace to see the CNS implemented," she said.



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CLC delegates want active role



DELEGATES from the Northern Territory's Central Land Council (CLC) have demanded an active role in designing any Aboriginal body to advise the Australian Parliament.

In a recent meeting at Brumby Plains, more than 70 elected CLC delegates endorsed the historic Uluru Statement and discussed the "double-edged sword" that is the race power of the Australian Constitution.

Delegates said the power has delivered them land rights, but also the failed NT Intervention.

They released the Brumby Plains Statement, saying they need to be part of designing the "voice to Parliament" ahead of a referendum on constitutional reform, in order to ensure it represents remote community residents and acts as a powerful voice against racially discriminatory laws.

"We, the members of the Central Land Council, are sovereign people drawing our strength and laws from country," the statement says. "We sing for country, we dance for country and our laws and systems of governance are still strong."

"The Australian Constitution must recognise us as First Nations of Australia. Nothing will be lost; instead Australia will

gain 65,000 years of culture and history.

"We endorse the Uluru Statement, which calls for constitutional protection for a voice to Parliament, supports treaty making and truth telling.

"We have long called for Aboriginal self-determination and Aboriginal self-government, and greater control over our own communities. Local treaty negotiations should be protected by a national treaty framework.

"In the NT we have benefited from the Commonwealth 'race power' through the enactment of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act*.

"Harm our people"

"We have also experienced the worst of the 'race power' with the imposition of the racist NT Intervention. The Australian Parliament should not pass racially discriminatory laws that harm our people.

"We want to be part of designing the voice to Parliament to ensure it represents people from the bush, and to ensure it is powerful.

"This work should be progressed before we go ahead with a referendum.

"A successful referendum requires the support of non-Indigenous people, and we invite all Australians to join us on this journey to achieve constitutional reform."



Vince Forrester speaks at the Central Land Council meeting.



Participants at the recent meeting of the CLC at Brumby Plains.

Statement backed



FOUR major Aboriginal organisations from the Kimberley, in Western Australia's north, have joined to endorse and support the Uluru Statement.

The Kimberley Land Council (KLC), Kimberley Aboriginal Law and Cultural Centre (KALACC), Kimberley Language Resource Centre (KLRC) and Aarnja called on the Federal Government and Opposition to support a First Nations voice to Parliament, as recommended at the Uluru Constitutional Conference.

The peak bodies also made a series of calls to the new WA Government regarding respecting culture, language, native title and

proper engagement with Aboriginal people.

"Our ancestors walked this land for thousands upon thousands of years. They had laws, languages and cultures that survive until this day," the statement said.

"Fifty years ago Australia voted yes to change the Constitution and 25 years ago the Mabo decision was handed down recognising our rights to the land. Today, the Federal Court recognises Kimberley Aboriginal people as the traditional land owners of 80% of this region.

"But in 2017, Aboriginal people are yet again on the wrong side of social indicators as proven by this year's Closing the Gap report. We still have one of the worst suicide

rates in the country and the world, and we are still failing to carve out a positive future for our children.

"Despite continued acknowledgement of the importance of our cultural practices, actions speak louder than words. Government support for our continued cultural practices represents only 0.75% of the total Aboriginal budget.

"Connection"

"Languages are the core of our land and cultures. We are still waiting for a government to publicly acknowledge our human right to speak our languages and to work with us on appropriate ways of reclaiming, reviving and maintaining languages to ensure our continued connection to land

and practising of culture.

"The Federal and previous WA state Liberal and National Government said they wanted to work with us through Empowered Communities to deliver outcomes for our people on the ground. Instead they decided to prioritise matters for Aboriginal people according to Mr Andrew Forrest's Creating Parity report. Once again doing things to Aboriginal people rather than with them."

KLC chief executive Nolan Hunter told the *Koori Mail* that the previous Liberal WA Government had been aggressive and negative in its dealing with Aboriginal people, including threatening to shut down remote communities.

Mr Hunter said the Kimberley organisations were hoping the relationship with the new Labor Government might be more equal and respectful.

"We're hoping we can work with government. It's not about being critical," he said. "The most recent Close the Gap report shows that there are still many problems in our communities."

"The idea was that our groups came together because we're facing the same issues. Youth suicide is not only the highest in Australia but globally as well – and nothing changes."

"We've seen no serious commitment to this issue and we're appealing to the new Government to work with us on these things."



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Pallbearers carry Dr Evelyn Scott's coffin to the hearse after the funeral service, with her son Sam Backo closest to camera.

Evelyn Scott farewelled

By ALF WILSON



MORE than 1000 people paid their respects to the late Aboriginal activist Dr Evelyn Scott at her state funeral in

Townsville on October 6. Mourners including family, Indigenous leaders and others gathered at the Townsville Stadium for the service.

Born in 1935 in Ingham, Dr Scott's career started in north Queensland where she lobbied for legal, housing and medical services and Indigenous women's rights.

She died peacefully in her sleep last month aged 81.

Queensland Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk, MP Leanne Enoch (the first Indigenous woman to serve as a minister in the Queensland Parliament), and Senator Pat Dodson were among the mourners.

Dr Scott is survived by four daughters, a son and seven grandchildren.

Her son Sam Backo, former Brisbane Broncos and Queensland State of Origin rugby league forward, gave a Bible reading during the funeral and paid tribute to his mother.

"I love my mum," he said. "My mum was a fighter. She fought for all people — black, white, all people. She taught her children a very important lesson: 'There's only one race and that's the human race.'"

Senator Dodson delivered a eulogy acknowledging Dr Scott's leading role in the 1967 referendum to count Indigenous Australians in the Census.

"I want to thank her family for giving this nation the opportunity to benefit from her grace, her experience and her wisdom," he said.

"She has left our nation a richer, a fairer, a more equal place because of her commitment and her dedication."

Former NAIDOC person of the year Professor Gracelyn Smallwood gave an emotional speech.

Mayors from Indigenous shire councils were there including Alf Lacey (Palm Island), Vonda Malone (Torres Shire) and Ross Andrews (Yarrabah).

Following the singing of *Amazing Grace*, Uncle Alfred Smallwood led a smoking ceremony.

Dr Scott was an Indigenous leader and advocate and Warrgamay and South Sea Islander woman.

She was the first general-secretary for the Federal Council

service to the community through leadership in the area of reconciliation, as an advocate to the empowerment of Indigenous women, and as an instrumental figure in the establishment of legal, housing, employment and medical services for Indigenous communities. The same year Dr Scott received a Queensland Greats Award.

Dr Scott received three honorary doctorates: in 2000 from the Australian Catholic University for work in reconciliation and advancement of women; in 2001 JCU recognised her outstanding service to the Queensland community and human wellbeing; and Griffith University recognised her as an outstanding Australian in 2003 for her

distinguished service to community.

Dr Scott was also an environmentalist and passionate advocate for the Great Barrier Reef.

She helped ensure a voice for traditional owners in marine park management for the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority from 1996 to 2007.

Ms Palaszczuk lamented former governments' opposition to delivering equality.

"Too often, the

government of the day was focused on the management of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, with no objective or ambition to achieve equality of opportunity for all, least of all the First Australians," the premier said.

"As Evelyn said, 'In true reconciliation, through the remembering, the grieving and the healing, we can come to terms with our conscience and become as one in the dreaming of this land.'"

"Dr Scott, thanks to you, today we reach out our hands and we dare to share your dream."



Renarta Prior pays her respects.

for the Advancement of Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders.

Dr Scott also chaired the Cairns and District Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation for Women, and the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation (between 1997 and 2000).

Dr Scott was awarded the Queen's Jubilee Medal in 1997 for her contribution to the advancement of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and a Centenary Medal in 2001 for service to reconciliation.

In 2003 she became an Officer in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AO) for

New rangers on the way

By JILLIAN MUNDY



WITH the employment of six new Aboriginal trainee rangers, more than 10% of the Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Service (PWS) ranger workforce is now Aboriginal.

The trainees, Roy Thomas, Steele Mansell, Jamie Langdon, Linton Burgess, Dayne Langdon and Luke Mabb, were welcomed on board at Coningham Recreation Area, south of Hobart.

The coastal reserve was the perfect place for the welcome.

The PWS said it has the management issues and complexity that a large national park might encounter but on an urban fringe – high-level recreational use, active local conservation engagement with local groups, threatened flora and fauna and invasive species, all with public and fire safety management a priority.

It also covers more than 50 registered Aboriginal sites, including a cave once used by Aboriginal people, which is the closest crossing point to Bruny Island where Aboriginal women are documented swimming the 1.75km stretch of water.

In coming months the new recruits will be involved in the development of a bush tucker trail and protection of the cave.

Coming into the job, trainee ranger Linton Burgess was most



These Aboriginal rangers and new trainee rangers represent 10% of all Tasmanian Parks and Wildlife Services rangers. From left: Roy Thomas, Shannon Mansell, Tony Burgess, Steele Mansell, Cindy Pitchford, Jamie Langdon, Linton Burgess, Dayne Langdon, Luke Mabb and Jesse Williams.

attracted to interpretation and tourism on country.

"That doesn't even feel like work," he said.

"I can just be me."

Mr Burgess said he is looking forward to learning a variety of things and having a go at all that is on offer. "I see it as an opportunity to bring country and our people back to a good balance and it increases my appreciation for my ancestors and the way they lived and managed country."

Cindy Pitchford, who was among the Aboriginal rangers

welcoming the new trainees, is one of two PWS rangers on Flinders Island, in the Bass Strait, which has a population of almost 1000.

A former jillaroo who has spent most of her life on the island, Ms Pitchford said she loves the variety of work as a ranger and the respect she receives from her community.

One day she could be sitting at a desk processing crop protection permits, the next out fighting fires or rescuing a dolphin.

"My practical skills are the same as when I was farming, but my academic and communication skills

have gone through the roof," she said.

"Don't get me wrong, I love farming. I guess with this job you feel like you've got some sort of importance and responsibility within the community.

"The support I've had from the community on Flinders Island has been unreal, especially with decisions I've had to make."

Those decisions include booking people she has known her whole life for things such as wood hooking in reserves or fisheries, and shooting or boating offences.

Ms Pitchford has been with the PWS for almost a decade, and has no plans of ever changing career.

The PWS said the employment of Aboriginal rangers is an opportunity to work with the Aboriginal community and to share knowledge fundamental to joint management of reserves.

While there are no formal joint management arrangements at the moment, Jason Jacobi, who heads up the PWS, is talking with Aboriginal people to find projects and activities where they can get involved, from burning to dual naming, and to seek ways to share knowledge on how to manage and protect cultural values.

"Joint management means different things to different Aboriginal people, and our first priority is finding meaningful ways Aboriginal people can reconnect to country," Mr Jacobi said.

The trainees are embarking on a four-year program to gain Certificate III and IV in Conservation and Land Management, and Certificate II in Public Safety (firefighting operations).

"It would be great to think that in the future we may have Aboriginal people in a variety of positions across the service," Mr Jacobi said.

The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet provides funding for five of the new trainee ranger salaries and a contribution to operational costs through the Working on Country Agreement. The Tasmanian Government funds two of the positions.



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

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

Further details on the nominated place can be viewed at: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritageapp/NominationsOfStateHeritageRegister.aspx>
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Centennial Parklands

Call for Nominations for Centennial Parklands - Community Consultative Committee

Centennial Parklands is required under legislation to operate a Community Consultative Committee.

The Committee's role is to represent the community by providing advice on visitor services policy and prospective new services, as well as assisting in the development and evaluation of service standards.

Applicants for this committee must be able to demonstrate:

- A strong commitment to Centennial Parklands;
- An ability to communicate with a variety of community groups and individuals that have an interest in Centennial Parklands; and
- A commitment to Centennial Parklands' diversity of values and stakeholder views.

Nominations are sought from suitable candidates to fill one vacancy on the Committee. Indigenous people with a recognised affinity with Centennial Parklands are encouraged to apply.

For more information on the Community Consultative Committee and to obtain an application form or contact the Trust:
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Closing date for receipt of applications is 8 November 2017

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At the Lowitja Institute visit to Walgett: from left, Joe Boughton-Dent, Romlie Mokak, Lucy Nunez, Jack Beetson, Pat Anderson, Ali Drummond, Brendon Douglas and Peter Buckskin.

Institute directors visit Walgett medical service



THE history of the resilience and activism by Aboriginal people of Walgett is on the walls of the Walgett Aboriginal Medical Service (WAMS).

It's a gallery of photographs, correspondence, newspaper clippings and testimonials marking prominent events in the life of Aboriginal people in the north-western NSW town.

When the Lowitja Institute board of directors recently visited the WAMS, they saw the central role played by WAMS in the health, educational and economic life of the town and surrounding areas, and the challenges of resources and gaining professional skills. Directors also heard about how critical it is to have strong male role models, and met a number of male staff who are leading positive change in their families and community.

The visit was part of the quarterly

Lowitja Institute board meeting, which also included dinner with the Dharriwaa Elders Group.

WAMS is a not-for-profit organisation, relying on government funding as well as support from individuals, community groups, corporations, trusts and foundations. WAMS was recently accredited by White Ribbon Australia.

Special focus

Lowitja Institute chair Pat Anderson said a special focus of the visit to Walgett was experiencing the Literacy for Life Foundation classroom in action, "as literacy is a key social determinant of health".

The foundation is an Aboriginal-led initiative aiming to lift adult literacy in Indigenous communities. An estimated 40% of Indigenous adults have minimal English literacy, a figure that increases to 70% in remote areas.

Lowitja Institute chief executive

Romlie Mokak said adult literacy is the invisible factor in Indigenous empowerment.

"This campaign is much more than literacy – it is about establishing the very strongest futures for our children and grandchildren," he said.

"Health, literacy and empowerment go hand-in-hand."

The Literacy for Life Foundation uses an evidence-based campaign approach that has been implemented in 30 countries. So far more than 120 students have graduated in Australia.

Executive director Jack Beetson said having the Lowitja Institute board support the work of Literacy for Life was vital to getting it established.

"The connection between lifting adult literacy and improving health is a clear reason why we need funding to expand to reach more Aboriginal communities," he said.

● **Aboriginal ownership of research is key – Romlie Mokak, page 24**

LNP candidate posts blackface



THERE are calls for the Liberal National Party to dump a Queensland candidate who posted a photo of herself with a man in blackface on social media, but the party is refusing to back down.

LNP candidate for Redcliffe Kerri-Anne Dooley posted the photo of her with a man dressed as late Aboriginal singer Dr Yunupingu over the weekend.

Innovation and Small Business Minister Leanne Enoch said the LNP should immediately dump Ms Dooley, who has since deleted the post, for the culturally insensitive act.

"For a candidate, in the 21st century, hoping to represent the people of Queensland, who endorses that kind of behaviour, but on top of that reference a deceased individual, someone who is highly respected, is just appalling," Ms Enoch said.

"They should be disendorsing this candidate for this kind of behaviour."



Queensland LNP candidate Kerri-Anne Dooley's Instagram post, which has now been deleted.

Ms Enoch became Queensland's first female Indigenous MP when she won the southern Brisbane seat of

Algeria in Labor's shock 2015 election victory.

Ms Dooley earlier tried to explain her actions by saying she attended an Australian-themed house warming party where guests went dressed as prominent identities.

"One person was a fan of the band Yothu Yindi and singer, the late Dr Yunupingu. I posted a photo of us together on my Instagram feed," she said in a statement.

"On reflection it was a mistake to post this photo and, unprompted, I deleted it. I apologise for any offence that this may have caused."

LNP president Gary Spence issued a statement stating Ms Dooley would remain a candidate.

"Kerri-Anne has been a tireless worker for her community and will make an excellent local member if elected," he said.

"She has apologised for making a mistake and for causing any possible offence." – AAP

New centre covers Barkly



TROYSTON Corbett, an agriculture student at Tennant Creek High School, grew up hearing stories about his grandfather and how he used to break in horses while working with animals on cattle stations.

"I'm following in his footsteps and he's the person that I'll always look up to," Troyston said.

"I got into studying agriculture as it seems like a good course for me to do. I like working with horses and cattle and going to different stations and I want to get a job using the skills I'm learning right now.

"It would make my family proud if I worked on a station as most of them have worked on stations; my older brother, my old man, my grandfather."

Troyston is one of many students who is benefitting from the Pastoral Futures program, designed to provide ways into the agricultural industry.

The program, which works with the Central Land Council, Northern Land Council, Indigenous Land Corporation, Northern Territory Cattlemen's Association and the Department of Primary Industry and Resources, will focus on a new education centre in Tennant Creek. The Juno Centre is for young people in remote and regional areas, offering alternative education, integrating art, sport,



Tennant Creek High School students Troyston Corbett and Kerrin Butterworth. Picture: Candice Belbin

music, health and learning on country as well as Vocational Education and Training programs.

NT Education Minister Eva Lawler said a range of programs will be at Juno, providing students with greater support.

"The programs and support offered there will enable students in the Barkly region to transition

back into their schools to continue with their learning, or progress into further training or to a job," she said.

Operational

Juno will be fully operational from next year, delivering programs for Years 7 to 12 students.



Tennant Creek High School hospitality and agriculture students. Picture: NT Department of Education

Ms Lawler said the Government's Healthy Life Creative Life program will also operate at the centre. The program works with students who are at risk of leaving school and their communities.

"I have seen first-hand how alternative education programs can change the direction of a

young person's future for the better, which has a positive flow-on effect throughout our community," the minister said.

A Healthy Life Creative Life program is also planned for the Katherine region and complements the range of education options for students across the NT.

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Festival draws crowd

By BRITTA LYSTER



HUNDREDS of people converged on the NSW Central Coast to celebrate the successes and achievements of the Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Land Council as part of the Bidhal Cultural Festival.

Held at Mount Penang Parklands near Gosford, Bidhal – meaning ‘rejoice’ in the local Darkinjung language – featured a range of local arts, dance, cultural workshops and guests.

Darkinjung LALC chief executive Sean Gordon said with about 12,000 Indigenous people in the region, events like Bidhal help engage the local Indigenous community and also provide a platform to create awareness in the wider community about the land council and its role.

Bidhal came about as a result of the destruction several years ago of a site of local Aboriginal significance at Booker Bay.

After low numbers last year due to bad weather, Mr Gordon said it was very exciting to see hundreds of people enjoying the many stalls and interactive dance, painting and arts workshops. He was especially delighted at the appearance of musician Archie Roach.

“I guess the underlying factor in all of this is that from a negative impact on a site we have now



Archie Roach performs at Darkinjung’s Bidhal Cultural Festival finale and people add leaves to the smoking ceremony.



established this wonderful cultural event,” Mr Gordon said.

“The Bidhal Cultural Day not only seeks to support our local community but for the first time we had a major corporate sponsor, Perpetual, come on board, which will go a long way to sustaining this festival.”

Darkinjung chairperson Tina West said the festival was a way for the land council to give back to the community.

“It is Darkinjung’s responsibility, as custodians of the land, to care for and maintain Aboriginal cultural values for future generations,” she said.

“We have had a great deal of success in this area over the last year and the Bidhal Cultural Day will give us the chance to celebrate this with our community.

“2017 has brought with it some of our most noteworthy achievements and we have been able to resolve many ongoing

cases including winning our battle with Calga Sand Quarry and protecting sacred lands at Kariong, Bambara Road and Booker Bay.”

Mr Gordon acknowledged the work of outgoing senior cultural heritage officer Sharon Hodgetts, who was instrumental to the success of the event.

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Director, Woolyungah Indigenous Centre

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Reference: 171031

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UOW considers that being of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent is a genuine occupational qualification or requirement for this position under relevant anti-discrimination legislation.

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Due between 1 July and 31 December

*All corporations must lodge their 2016–17 reports with the Registrar according to their registered size and income.

Lodge your reports at online.oric.gov.au

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NEED HELP?

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Rangers Aaron Green and Travis Maloney carry sawfish pups to safety and, right, traditional owner Rita Purack with rangers Travis Maloney and Amos Shields.

Rangers save sawfish



SAVING 39 largemouth sawfish pups as their nursery dried out on the edge of floodplains took Malak Malak Indigenous rangers five days of trudging barefoot in mud. The rangers discovered the sawfish trapped in a small waterhole in a channel off Tyumalagun (shark swamp) about an hour's drive from Naiyu community near the Daly River, 220km south-west of Darwin.

Charles Darwin University researchers Dr Peter Kyne and Brittany Finucci joined the rangers on the rescue mission, catching 38 juveniles by hand and releasing them into the Daly River. "The core area where the sawfish were found was a muddy hole with water only 10cm to 20cm deep," Dr Kyne said. "In total we caught 39 pups in the waterhole, but one died in transit. We also found 16 that had already died in another area." Dr Kyne said the rescue was a

significant boost for what is a critically endangered species, which is thought to be extinct in almost 30 countries, with northern Australia and Papua New Guinea the last major population strongholds in the world. **Safe relocation** Dr Kyne said Malak Malak Rangers patrolled for trapped sawfish as water levels receded at the end of each dry season, with a purpose-built fish tank on the back of a ute to assist with safe relocation to the river.

The rescued fish, all aged just under 12 months and measuring between 1.1m and 1.2m, were tagged for monitoring, and tissue samples were taken for studies. The rescue was part of a national threatened species management project concentrating on large rivers and estuaries of the Top End. The project is supported through the National Environmental Science Program's Marine Biodiversity Hub, with research undertaken in the Daly River region since 2012.

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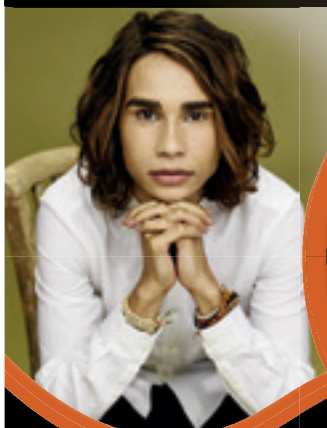
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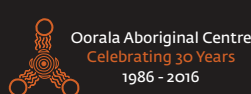
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USQ researchers worked with the Surat Aboriginal Corporation (SAC) to develop the South-West Indigenous Cultural Trail. Reviewing the trail maps are, from left, Dr Jane Palmer USQ, Angelia Walsh (SAC), and USQ's Dr Celmar Pocock and Associate Professor Lara Lamb.

Trail saves memories



ANGELIA Walsh,
from the Surat
Aboriginal
Corporation
(SAC), has joyful
childhood
memories of

growing up on a camp at the
edge of town. But, at times,
these memories are tinged with
fearful moments of hiding from
the police who took Aboriginal
children from their families.

These stories are critical
moments in Australia's
Aboriginal history.

Ms Walsh teamed up with
the University of Southern
Queensland (USQ) to preserve
her memories, but also to help
other Aboriginal people in
south-west Queensland to do
the same.

USQ researchers, including
specialists in cultural heritage,
oral history, anthropology and
ethnography, and psychology,
were commissioned by SAC to
support the project The
Indigenous Cultural Trail and
assisted with a story-gathering
process across the towns.

Ms Walsh worked with
Aboriginal people in six
communities to develop the
idea.

"We wanted to record and
share culture and history before
older generations passed on,
and before more sites of
significance were destroyed,"
she said.

"The trail has been a way to
reinstate an Aboriginal past that
remains all but invisible in many
places, and it will also create
employment opportunities for
Aboriginal people in these
areas and help the struggling
economies of these towns."

USQ's Dr Jane Palmer said
the project is enabling Elders,
youth and others to re-connect
with their heritage and share it.

"Policy-makers would also
benefit from a greater
understanding of the
connections between



The South West Queensland Indigenous Cultural Trail.



Surat Aboriginal Corporation's Angelia Walsh worked with USQ researchers and Aboriginal people in six communities to develop the trail.

engagement with cultural
heritage and wellbeing,
which could lead to more
culturally appropriate ways of
measuring social and emotional
wellbeing for Indigenous
people," she said.

Efforts resulted in a website
and brochure that tell the
stories of Aboriginal people in

each community. Launched last
month in St George, Surat,
Roma, Mitchell, Charleville and
Cunnamulla, the trail is now
open to visitors and those
wanting to learn more about the
Aboriginal history and culture of
each community.

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Communities work to create bunyip



BUNYIPS are back. But some people say they never went away.

A new art project by Baluk Arts has been working with Aboriginal community groups to create large-scale soft bunyip sculptures and share stories about the mythical creature.

Across the south-east Melbourne region, the Too-Roo-Dun (bunyip) Project is working with six Aboriginal communities

which will each create a sculpture for a group exhibition next year.

By yarning and sharing stories, each group has reinvigorated and explored the significance that the bunyip holds in Indigenous cultures.

Participating community groups include Healesville Indigenous Community Services Association (HICSA), Mullum Mullum Indigenous Gathering Place, Willum Warrain, Casey Aboriginal Gathering Place, and Ngwala

Willambong Ltd's Galliamble and Winja Ulupna Recovery Centre.

Baluk Arts is a non-profit Victorian Aboriginal arts organisation based in Mornington owned by Aboriginal artists from Frankston, the Mornington Peninsula and greater Melbourne.

Baluk artists are from diverse backgrounds around Australia and their artworks reflect themes of identity in a contemporary cultural context. Baluk is a Boonwurrung word meaning group of people.



HICSA members work on their too-roo-dun (bunyip). From left, Cheryl Newsome, Kim Oakes, Delilah Knight, Leanne Henderson and Jean Cuthbertson. Picture: Lisa Waup

Jail employment services move



THE Federal Government is seeking expressions of interest from organisations to provide in-prison employment services to Indigenous people.

The move comes with the establishment of the Time to Work Employment Service, a response to recommendations made in the Prison to Work report released by the Council of Australian Governments in 2016.

Statistics show that Indigenous people are 13 times more likely to be incarcerated than other Australians, and the Government says employment plays a critical role in breaking this cycle. The Government says Time to Work Employment Service will better prepare Indigenous prisoners to find jobs, reintegrate into the community and minimise the likelihood of re-offending.

For more details, see employment.gov.au/purchasing, email espurchasing@employment.gov.au or call 1300 733 514.

Cherbourg water work under way



WORK has started on a new \$15 million wastewater treatment plant to improve the health and liveability of one of Queensland's largest Aboriginal communities.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships Minister Mark Furner said the new infrastructure will ensure the Cherbourg community, in Queensland's Burnett region, will have a low-maintenance and long-lasting wastewater solution.

The new wastewater treatment plant is expected to be completed by May 2018.

Rainforest grants applications open



THE Wet Tropics Management Authority and Terrain Natural Resource Management have opened a second round of Rainforest Aboriginal Grants of up to \$15,000.

The grants of between \$5000 and \$15,000 aim to assist traditional owner groups in managing cultural and natural values on country.

Project officer Alicia Haines said the grants will help Indigenous groups prepare cultural and natural resource management projects for implementation.

"The Rainforest Aboriginal Grants are an excellent opportunity for Traditional Owner groups to kick-start a range of projects on their traditional land and sea estates in the Wet Tropics," she said. "We received submissions for a range of projects during the first round of funding in March and similarly expect strong interest for round two."

Expressions of interest are open until November 3 and may be accessed and submitted at terrain.org.au

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Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

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

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

Wentworth and Reform Gold Mines, Lucknow

Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by 7 November 2017.

Enquiries to Natalie Blake on (02) 9873 8576 or Natalie.blake@environment.nsw.gov.au.

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

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

Heritage Council of New South Wales
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Aboriginal Heritage

M12 Motorway Development

Roads and Maritime Services invites Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups, who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the M12 Motorway, and for geotechnical investigations, to register to be consulted.

Roads and Maritime proposes the development and construction of a new east-west motorway between the M7 Motorway at Cecil Park, and The Northern Road at Luddenham, NSW.

The proposal may result in Roads and Maritime:

- applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*
- carrying out investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010*
- carrying out an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by 3 November, 2017.

To register your interest, please contact:

Lee Davison, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer

• Telephone: 1800 703 457 (toll free)

• Email: m12.concept@rms.nsw.gov.au

• Mail: M12 Project Team, Roads and Maritime Services, PO Box 973, Parramatta CBD, NSW 2124



Rebekka Rogers and Jacob McAdam feature in the new film about Rheumatic Heart Disease.

New film answers young women's RHD questions



"I CHOSE to help create this film because I wanted to help young women living with Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD) and

make sure they can access information about contraception, pregnancy and planning for a baby."

So says Jaru and Kira woman Kenya McAdam.

Six years ago Ms McAdam, then 15, needed surgery following her diagnosis of RHD.

Now at 21 she has written and directed a short film, *Sharing a Heartbeat*, showcasing lives of Aboriginal couples with RHD.

Associate Professor Suzanne

Belton, a medical anthropologist and midwife, produced the film with Ms McAdam.

"The film points out the needs of a young woman with RHD to help care for herself, her heart and her baby," Assoc Prof Belton said.

"Reassures"

"It reassures young women with RHD they can have a normal healthy pregnancy; they just need to take extra care of themselves.

"There were no resources about fertility and pregnancy.

"As most young women with RHD would like to be mums one day, this was an important information gap that needed to be addressed."

RHD is twice as common in women, and tends to affect women during their child-bearing years.

In normal pregnancies the heart's workload is increased by 30% to 50%.

"The film answered my unanswered questions, and I think it will help young women living with RHD understand more about approaching pregnancy," Ms McAdam said.

She has also worked with RHD Australia to raise awareness about what is a preventable disease. Young Indigenous people are up to 122 times more likely to contract it than other youngsters, with ages five to 14 the highest risk.

In the NT alone, Indigenous people make up 98% of RHD cases.

Victims may have been incinerated



FOR almost 100 years, the people of the Kutjungka region in Western Australia's Kimberley have passed on stories of massacres of their ancestors at Sturt Creek.

Now Flinders University researchers working on a project by the Kimberley Land Council have found scientific evidence that indicates bodies of Aboriginal victims were frequently incinerated following the massacres.

Archaeologists have found two sites containing thousands of bone fragments.

Dr Pamela Smith, from Flinders University's Department of Archaeology,

said a world first X-ray diffraction (XRD) analysis of bone fragments has been used to interpret a massacre site, confirming the fragments had been subjected to high temperatures.

"The oral testimonies (from local Aboriginal people) were that people were shot and burnt," she said.

"Hot fires"

"The XRD analysis provided the key evidence, because those bone fragments had been subjected to intensely hot fires over a very long time."

Examinations of bone samples found three fragments may have been human, and two may have been from a skull.

It was concluded that the bone fragments were human in origin, but that the evidence was not conclusive.

The method used to undertake the project brought together three systems of knowledge: the oral testimonies of the descent group originating from the sole survivor of the massacre; historical research; and scientific research.

The results of the investigation are outlined in the paper 'Scientific evidence for the identification of an Aboriginal massacre at the Sturt Creek sites on the Kimberley frontier of north-western Australia', published in *Forensic Science International*.

Funding helps communities manage



Aunt Isobel Williams and Aunt Hilda Kyle show their creations at a basket-weaving workshop in Tingha, northern NSW, funded through NTLLS.



NORTHERN Tablelands Local Land Services (NTLLS) has provided funds for a mix of culture and natural resource management projects in northern NSW that combine traditional and current management practices on Aboriginal-owned land and cultural sites.

Didgeridoo making and kids learning on country are some of the activities that received funding through the 2017-18 Aboriginal Community Grants scheme.

NTLLS Aboriginal communities officer Harry White said Aboriginal communities have taken a great interest in their land and are keen to learn best management practices.

"Combining that with traditional ecological knowledge and engaging our youth back on to country to increase their employment prospects, we are on the right track for improved land management," he said.

Some of the projects to receive funding include Guyra-based Banbai Enterprise Development Aboriginal Corporation, which was funded for projects with a focus on youth in cultural and management practices.

Banbai manager Tanya Elone said

sharing culture on country with the next generation is important to its programs.

"We make sure the young people are aware of their culture and have a sense of pride," she said.

"Learning from experience and traditions to better manage our land, and sharing stories with our community will ensure our next generation can take this knowledge, use it, share it and evolve it."

Anaiwan Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) in Tingha received funding for a didgeridoo-making and -playing workshop for the community.

Important

Council chief executive Greg Livermore said many men recognised playing a didgeridoo as an important part of a traditional lifestyle.

"There is much local demand for didge players and dancers during NAIDOC Week and other regional cultural events," he said.

"By running these workshops we can help to fill the didge player part of this need in the community."

The Aboriginal Community Grants Program is jointly funded through Northern Tablelands Local Land Services and the National Landcare program.

NT fears loss of GST cash



THE Northern Territory Government has slammed proposed changes to the GST distribution system as a "cynical cash grab" from Canberra that would permanently reduce the standard of critical services and infrastructure for Territorians and widen the gap of Aboriginal disadvantage.

Treasurer Nicole Manison says if the Productivity Commission's draft recommendations were adopted, significantly more GST funding would be stripped from the Territory.

She vowed to fight for a better deal for the NT.

"What the report is actually saying is Australia could boost economic efficiency if the Australian

Government didn't have to bother about treating all Australians equally," Ms Manison said.

"The poor jurisdictions would get poorer, and the richer states would get richer."

In response to criticisms of Labor's funding prioritising urban areas over the bush, Ms Manison said about 50% of NT Government expenditure goes to Indigenous Territorians, who represent about 30% of the population.

The commission found the

present system means states and territories have a disincentive to make the most of the resources and minerals they have.

The Coalition is putting increasing pressure on the Gunner Government to end its fracking moratorium, but Ms Manison reiterated it would remain pending the findings of an independent inquiry due at the end of the year.

She labelled it "outrageous" that her federal counterpart Scott Morrison suggested states should be

penalised through GST if they ban the gas extraction method.

Labor will provide a written submission to the Productivity Commission, as will the Country Liberal Party.

Opposition Leader Gary Higgins also urged the Productivity

Commission to conduct hearings in the NT, claiming the north is being ignored. "At the same time, they are able to hold two public hearings in WA," he said.

Mr Higgins said while there are scenarios where the NT actually gains out of GST reform, there are still "devastating potential consequences" if GST moves to a per capita basis.

"The Territory has the most to lose out of any change to the current GST distribution," he said. —AAP

"The Territory has the most to lose out of any change to the current GST distribution."



Office of Environment and Heritage

A new legal framework for Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW

The NSW Government is proposing a new legal framework for conserving and managing Aboriginal Cultural Heritage. We want to hear what you think to help make sure we get it right.

Come along to an info session to hear about what we're proposing and ask some questions. Then later this year, head to a workshop to give us your feedback on the proposed framework.

Location	Info Session	Workshop	Venue
Albury	16 October	28 November	Albury Entertainment Centre
Ballina	23 October	4 December	Ballina Surf Club
Bathurst	25 October	6 November	Rydges Mount Panorama Bathurst
Bega	4 October	21 November	Bega Valley Civic Centre
Bourke	9 October	31 October	Bourke Bowling Club
Broken Hill	26 September	8 November	Musicians Club
Coffs Harbour	22 September	24 November	Coffs Harbour CEX
Dubbo	11 October	2 November	Taronga Western Plains Zoo
Gosford	18 October	29 November	The Erina Centre
Griffith	20 October	1 December	Quest Apartments
Muswellbrook	26 October	6 December	Muswellbrook RSL Club
Narrabri	27 October	11 December	Narrabri Bowling Club
Newcastle	18 September	13 November	Newcastle City Hall
Nowra	5 October	22 November	Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre
Penrith	17 October	3 November	Mercure Hotel Penrith
Port Macquarie	20 September	14 November	Port Macquarie Panthers Club
Queanbeyan	13 October	7 December	Jerrabomberra Community Centre
Sydney	6 October	13 December	SMC Conference and Function Centre
Wentworth	28 September	10 November	Wentworth Shire Community Centre

We'll have food and refreshments at all of the sessions. If you want to know more about the new framework, the times of the sessions and how to register your attendance:

- Go to our website: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/aboriginal-cultural-heritage-consultation
- Or call Jackie Puckeridge from Marcia Ella Consulting on 0481 959 813

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DANNY EASTWOOD'S VIEW



A Yarn With...



Kristy Toomey

Kamilaroi woman from Nowra, NSW

Favourite bush tucker?
Porcupine (echidna).

Favourite other food?
Chicken and capsicum.

Favourite drink?
Hot Milo.

Favourite music?
A bit of everything. I like the new stuff, but nothing beats old country music.

Favourite sporting teams?
Canberra Raiders, the Queensland Maroons and the Newcastle Yowies – all rugby league.

What are you reading?
Local newspapers and the *Koori Mail* (mostly sports sections).

What do you like?
I like to see people happy and succeeding as well as respecting others. If you want respect you must give it, young and old.

What don't you like?
Negative people. I don't like when people put others down because they're trying to make a name for themselves. If you've got a nasty opinion, keep it to yourself.

Which three people would you invite for a night around the campfire?
My sister-in-law Donna, who passed away nearly 12 months ago, my Nanna, who has been passed for a while, and my parents. Basically family.

If you could, what would you do to better the situation for our mob?
Just be there for them, to be supportive and encourage them to do better. Pick their heads up and let them know there's someone to talk to. A little bit of support is better than none.

Quote



"I let my work do the talking."

– Noongar artist Peter Farmer

● See page 22

Unquote

Justice at last for Namatjiras

THE story of the Namatjira family's fight for justice has finally seen a long overdue result.

And this is something to celebrate – a win at last for the family of probably Australia's best known Aboriginal artist.

And also a win for the public, because while Legend Press tightly controlled the use of Albert Namatjira's works, many people missed out on seeing them.

But...

It should never have taken decades of advocacy to right such an obvious moral wrong.

Imagine if it had been the family of one of Australia's most famous white artists, like Arthur Boyd or Brett Whiteley. The copyright to their works could and would never have been sold without family permission. Because that sort of paternal approach simply doesn't happen to anyone in this country except to Indigenous people.

But the fight for the Namatjira family isn't over. Having missed out on years of royalties, thanks to the NT Public Trustee having sold off copyright for the ridiculously low sum of \$8500 without even a conversation, the family is now seeking to have the rights extended in perpetuity.

Surely – after such a long battle – that would finally serve the famous artist's legacy justice.



OUR SAY

A big heartfelt apology from the *Koori Mail* for last edition's mistakes regarding the Koori Rugby League Knockout. We know, of course, what a big event it is and how important to the community and our readers.

We have reprinted in this edition the pages where the photos dropped off – hopefully with all the mistakes corrected. We're sorry.

And how good is it to see Indigenous artists kicking goals in so many different fields?

This edition is jam-packed with stories of Indigenous musicians from Archie Roach to Jessica Mauboy being recognised for their work (page 4).

Plus visual artists at the incredible Tarnanthi Festival in Adelaide (pages 32-34) or exhibiting in major sculpture, community and other exhibitions.

Indigenous artists tell stories in an unmatched way.

And it's good that finally the story of one of our most famous artists, Albert Namatjira, has a fairer ending.

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Representatives from groups who pulled together the Kings Run purchase: from left, Lisa Coulson (TAC), Wes Young from the Graeme Wood Foundation, Bob Brown, Clyde Mansell from the Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania, John Maher (ILC), Stuart Barry (TLC), wildlife biologist Nick Mooney and Jane Hutchinson (TLC).

Tas land returned

By JILLIAN MUNDY



A COASTAL property known as Kings Run, on Tasmania's north-west coast, was returned to the Aboriginal community last week through philanthropic donations and an Indigenous Land Corporation grant.

More than 100 people attended a ceremony where the title to the 338 hectares of land was signed over to the Aboriginal Land Council of Tasmania.

Middens, seal hides, stone tools and other heritage on the property are a reminder of the tens of thousands of years Aboriginal people lived there.

The property borders the Arthur Pieman Conservation Area, where the closure of three off-road-vehicle tracks through Aboriginal heritage has sparked bitter divisions, resulting in a recent Federal Court case.

Kings Run is also a habitat for threatened species, including the Tasmanian devil, orange-bellied parrot, and Tasmanian wedge-tailed eagles.

In the 1800s, free settlers the King family began wintering and calving cattle on the coastal plains and fragile dunes. Four generations later the family remains in the cattle business.

In the 1990s, seeing the degradation of the dunes from his cattle, the late Geoff King moved them inland from Kings Run, turning his focus to land rehabilitation, conservation and eco-tourism, running successful wildlife tours focusing on Tasmanian devils and placing conservation covenants on his share of the property – an unpopular move with many locals.

Opposing views

His brother Perry, who was at last week's ceremony, still grazes cattle on his adjoining property for three months of the year and has no hesitation in admitting he and his brother had opposing views on land use and management.

"We were on the Arthur Pieman management committee and it was interesting. It used to worry our mother when she was alive," he said.

Geoff died suddenly in 2013 and his wife Margo offered the property to the Tasmanian Aboriginal community and the Tasmanian Land Conservancy to buy, and waited for funds to be raised.



Children lend a hand preparing the smoking ceremony for the handover.



Aboriginal people Peter Williams, Michelle Purdy, Colleen Mundy, Lynne Spotswood, Billy Paton-Clarke and Cody Summers at the handover.

"I think it coming back into Aboriginal hands is consistent with what he would have done, but because he died suddenly there was nothing in place, and Margo made a decision in the end to sell it and she didn't want to sell it to developers," Perry said.

"I think Geoff would be happy with it. Apart from him not being here of course, it's the best outcome I can see."

Nick Mooney, a wildlife biologist and

close friend and colleague of Geoff's, was also at the ceremony. They struck up a friendship when Mr Mooney was in the area investigating a Tasmanian tiger sighting 30 years ago.

He described Geoff as the most curious man in the world, who had an absolute genuine respect for the land and the thousands of years of occupation of Aboriginal people. He did not see it as merely a way to turn a dollar.

"A lot of the locals would want this cleared. He got shit for taking the stock off... that's letting the team down," Mr Mooney said.

"He spent a lot of time here, trying to keep people off the coastal track where it cut through his place because of the damage (vehicles) were doing to the middens and dunes.

"There was a lot of conflict there. It took a long time for some of the locals to get the message that they were trespassing by using the track."

Mr Mooney said some locals begrudgingly admitted it worked.

"He was a fantastic caretaker, until it got back to the Aboriginals," he said.

"That's why this is a happy ending. There has only been two land owners: Aboriginals for tens of thousands of years, and his family for a couple of years."

The Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre will manage the property, which along with the support of the Bob Brown Foundation and Tasmanian Land Conservancy secured a \$325,000 donation from Wotif founder Graeme Wood and a \$680,000 ILC grant, as well as donations from Barbara Lowe and Debbie Hiller, who had heard about it at a Save the taykana/Tarkine event.

Meaningful outcomes

ALCT chairperson Clyde Mansell said the partnership is an example of how like-minded bodies can achieve meaningful outcomes that redress the dispossession of land of the Tasmanian Aboriginal community.

He also paid tribute to Geoff King.

While it is only early days, there is talk of running an Aboriginal tourism venture on Kings Run and getting Geoff's devil tours running again.

"I reckon Geoff King would be very happy that this magnificent (property), which he did so much to protect and have others enjoy, is now back in the hands of the Tasmanian Aboriginal community," former Greens leader Bob Brown said.

He also acknowledged "the murder, the heartache, the disgusting events that occurred just two centuries ago" to dispossess the original owners with "bloody force".

"This is a small step in recovering for all of us Australians some of the loss we have in our own hearts for that invasion, and destruction and bloodshed that went on," Mr Brown said.

Artist Peter Farmer's connections pay off



Gningala Yarran-Mark, Samantha Harris and Peter Farmer in Perth. Picture: Steve Wise



Peter Farmer and Prince Charles.

Models grace Perth runway

By LIINA FLYNN



WHEN Noongar artist Peter Farmer brought model Samantha Harris to the Telstra Perth Fashion Festival, the local Aboriginal models were starstruck.

For the first time at the fashion show, a runway dedicated to Aboriginal designs and models was included and Mr Farmer said it was "a big thing".

"It was even bigger to get Sam Harris there," he said. "The local girls didn't believe it at first."

Mr Farmer, a prominent figure in the Australian art scene for 21 years, said he "knows a lot of people". So it wasn't hard for him to gain sponsorship to bring Ms Harris — one of Australia's most celebrated models — to Perth.

Mr Farmer, who worked with designer Kylie Graham to put on the show this year with only five weeks' notice, said the response was amazing.

"We had 600 people attend and there was no sitting room," he said.

For Chirriger (meaning splendid blue fairy wren, a Noongar totem) — the first collaboration between designer Sandra Rives of Red Opium and Mr Farmer — their clothing designs featured plants and animals from their local culture. Mr Farmer said the fabric was printed last year, when the pair also put on a fashion show in Malaysia.

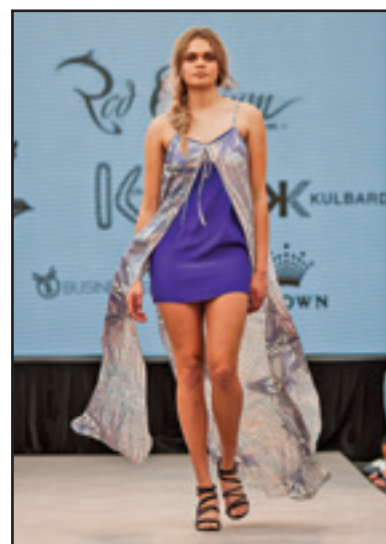
"I was determined to find Aboriginal models for the Perth Aboriginal showcase," he said.

"Last year, the only Aboriginal model in a Perth agency was Hannah Collard. So we put out a call on social media and 68 young Aboriginal people came from across the state responded. Nine even came from Kalgoorlie.

"Kylie's cousin Hannah Collard came and mentored the girls in how to be models and we managed to get 29 of them through a casting call, where different designers check for models with a certain look and style and they choose the ones they like."



Peter Farmer's design on Jimmy Choo shoes.



Hannah Collard models the Chirriger collection at the Perth Fashion Show. Picture: Steve Wise

Mr Farmer said he has been invited back to the fashion show next year, which means more exposure for Aboriginal designers and models.

"We need to lead the way and open more doors for Indigenous designers, artists and models," he said. "If we can get together, we can have one big showcase of our culture with art and clothes."

Mr Farmer said being a designer is something he has always wanted to do and that's why he studied fine art at Curtin University, majoring in

textiles. Now, after so long working in the art business, he has met some pretty famous people.

"A friend of mine knew (American shoe designer) Professor Jimmy Choo and introduced me to him," Mr Farmer said.

"I took him some of my art and designs and he liked them and wanted me to design a pair of Indigenous couture shoes.

"I didn't think I'd meet anyone famous, but I'm proud of what I've achieved.

"I let my work do the talking.

"If anyone is just starting out, they just have to keep at it, keep producing, keep pushing themselves and just roll with it."

Mr Farmer also met Prince Charles when the National Museum of Australia chose the work of five Indigenous artists to display. His wooden surfboard with glass designs was selected.

Mr Farmer is proud to have designed the West Coast Eagles Indigenous AFL jumper, and in Western Australia he has created the most public art by an Aboriginal artist.

He also mentors young Aboriginal artists in Perth and helps them find public art commissions.

According to his wife Miranda, "He now needs to conquer the rest of the country."

Next year, Mr Farmer will be going to London Fashion Week.



Aboriginal model Samantha Harris treads the runway at the Telstra Perth Fashion Show. Picture: Steve Wise



On page 25, Amnesty International's Tammy Solonec says there's an ugly truth behind some pretty words.

Bangarra says yes to equality



BANGARRA Dance Theatre was founded on values of kinship, cultural integrity and respect. These values are embedded within our artists, our board, and our executive and administrative team.

Collectively, we must make it known that as a company we fully support the marriage equality vote and are urging our incredible audiences to vote yes to same-sex marriage.

To stay silent on this issue would be a great disservice to the legacy of the many LGBTQI artists, collaborators and staff who have made such an extraordinary contribution to Bangarra over 28 years.

It would also contravene the spirit of reconciliation and togetherness that is the foundation of this inclusive and diverse company.

The motion to support marriage equality is unanimously endorsed by the entire Bangarra board and staff. Love is love.

Bangarra chair Michael McDaniel, artistic director Stephen Page and executive director Philippe Magid.

● Pictured: Rikki Mason and Waangenga Blanco from Bangarra Dance Theatre. Picture: Tiffany Parker

Autism support New party aims to address issues

AUTISM Aboriginal Way is a grassroots group that connects through Facebook.

Our members are parents and carers of Aboriginal kids and young people with autism as well as Aboriginal adults identifying as autistic.

You can't do anything Aboriginal way unless you do it family style and we are very proud of the grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and siblings travelling with us on our journey. We have members from all over Australia and are feeling the benefit of connecting.

Autism Aboriginal Way is a safe and

unique space where our culture, community, identity and spiritual beliefs can be part of the yarn.

We believe that autism is a valuable set of strengths that would have been highly valued traditionally and has much to teach us even in the current world.

We know autism is just another way of being too deadly and we want everyone else to know it too.

Our group was created on February 16 this year and already we have more than 500 members and the strength of many tribes. We welcome other First Nations parents and all Aboriginal

families with special needs.

One of the amazing things that has come out of our journey already is another Facebook group called Indigenous People With Autism. This is an initiative of a young member of the Ngarrindjeri tribe, Kyle Rigney.

As Aboriginal people we have in common with autistic adults that we have struggled to have our voices recognised as the expert voice in our own business, so we are very proud that this group exists.

Jen Stanford
Autism Aboriginal Way

I AM a 26-year-old Aboriginal man from the Dughutti nation (northern NSW).

As an Aboriginal man, I feel our opinions have been ignored in areas that directly affect us the most, so I have set up a political party to address the issues and push the needed programs in our communities, such as high Indigenous incarceration, reconciliation, programs for engagement and prisons.

I am writing to the *Koori Mail* in the hope that readers will be interested in the story of our party. We believe our people can feel strongly connected to the issues that we are addressing.

James Gibbs
Ethics Party Australia

Keeping Your Say short and sweet

A BIG thanks to all of our readers for sending letters, poems and other feedback; we love hearing from you.

You can help us by keeping your letters to 400 words or less and poems generally no more than 25 medium-length lines. This will increase your chances of being published.

Even if sent via email, all letters and

poems must be accompanied by the author's full name, home town/city and state/territory, and a contact number so we can verify content. After that, we're happy to withhold names and addresses upon request.

We will publish 'Looking For' letters as long as they do not breach the privacy of individuals mentioned.

And we're happy to consider photos alongside letters – as long as they're of a high enough resolution and standard, and as long as copyright requirements are met. We accept no responsibility for returning original photos, so please send copies instead.

– EDITOR

Just what hope is there?

WE all hear from government and the powers that be all these wonderful promises for education. All the ways to help children. All the plans and strategies to give support to people in need.

What hope do any of them have when there are not only no facilities for education, for children, for the disadvantaged, but anyone who can do something about it doesn't care?

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Getting health research right

In the recent report on her visit to Australia, UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Victoria Tauli-Corpuz made a strong call for self-determination of Australia's First Peoples and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led policy, programs and research.

Ms Tauli-Corpuz specifically recommended that the Australian Government "provide sustained long-term support for Indigenous-led health research".

We at the Lowitja Institute, call on the Federal Government to accept Ms Tauli-Corpuz's recommendation and continue the important work of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations in the health and health research space.

She noted that "Aboriginal-led health research capacity has been established and should be

drawn upon to inform policies. Strengthened financial and political support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led expertise ... is crucial in order to close the gap in relation to key health inequalities faced by Indigenous peoples".

It is promising that Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull has articulated the Government's commitment to "building a new way of working together with Indigenous leaders and their communities to create local solutions – putting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people at the centre of decision making in their regions".

We welcome that commitment but also know that a fundamental shift needs to occur in the way health policy is developed and implemented in order to redress that disconnect between investment and result.



Romlie Mokak

In order to achieve significant, measurable, positive change in the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples we need to

expand the idea of value built into that investment. Expand it from the quantum – so many dollars to achieve so many results – to a concept that places Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander knowledges, leadership, institutions and solutions at the centre of policymaking. A concept that resets the power balance between those making the decisions and those for whom the policy is intended.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people know that our cultures and long-held knowledges are protective of our health and that our wellbeing is located in those values, beliefs and knowledges. Also, that our obligations go far beyond a point-in-time funding agreement with government; they run far and deep to our ancestors and to our futures.

As the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Plan 2013-2023 states, "health policies and programs (must be) clearly evidence-based and informed by robust health research and data systems".

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health leadership in this country – such as the National Health Leadership Forum – has the capacity to produce that evidence base and drive changes to ensure that the Australian health system is free of racism, and yields effective, positive results for Australia's First Peoples.

● *Romlie Mokak is chief executive of The Lowitja Institute, Australia's national institute for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health research. He is a Djugun man from Western Australia.*

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people know that our cultures and long-held knowledges are protective of our health and that our wellbeing is located in those values, beliefs and knowledges."

A world lacking truth

IWENT to the rally in Sydney for Tane Chatfield, who recently died in custody, to also pay respect to others who have suffered the same tragic fate.

The divide between Aboriginal and other people was truly confronting.

We gathered in a small circle surrounded by those in the city hub leaving work and getting ready for a night celebrating their privilege in bars, coffee shops and restaurants.

It all became too surreal as the names of those who had died were read out one by one.

In our solemn mourning within the circle you would occasionally catch the eyes of those outside of the group, non-Aboriginal people just wanting a drink, to catch up and enjoy a meal after work, many of whom were upset with our being there, the hatred and confusion visible in their eyes.

Anyone who doubts racism exists in Australia only has to spend a couple of minutes on social media.

Only last week Aboriginal supermodel Samantha Harris opened up regarding the vile attacks she receives, saying: "The amount of hurtful & racist comments I receive is unbelievable..."

I was in Sydney attending the Koori Rugby League Knockout and everywhere is evidence of this class and racial divide, where even parking becomes an income test.

Inside the ground, over and over again you would hear through the loudspeaker about cars being towed away, tow trucks and parking attendants highly visible as you walked to the ground. It's almost as if

everyone outside our community is profiting from our demise.

This coincides with the lack of affordability in housing forcing extended families to live in overcrowded shoeboxes while hipsters enjoy their privilege, coming and going and parking where they please.

When we are struggling just to survive why then also do we have to face the unrelenting hatred and tirades of racism on social media and in public places where we gather? It's almost as if many non-Aboriginal Australians are angry we survived.

It has nothing to do with truth, intelligence or integrity, as demonstrated recently when former prime minister Tony Abbott addressed a group of ultra-conservatives in London. Abbott demonstrated a sense of entitlement when he gave praise in maintaining close friendships with former prime minister John Howard and Catholic cardinal George Pell.

Do not forget that it was John Howard who manufactured the NT Intervention, built on false testimony revealed on *Lateline*, when a senior staff member of Indigenous Affairs Minister Mal Brough claimed to be a child worker and made false accusations of paedophilia rings in Aboriginal communities.

Meanwhile George Pell, Australia's highest-ranking Catholic, recently returned to Australia after fleeing to the Vatican in Rome after being summonsed to face multiple sex offence charges, allegedly protecting a paedophile ring in the Catholic Church.

In claiming such a close relationship with two such men, Abbott obviously dismissed any



Woolombi Waters

idea of criticism or recent history.

As Aboriginal people who live with such scrutiny all our lives, not even able to afford parking close to the grounds to watch our own football tournament, could you even begin to imagine such privilege?

Despite all this power, what was even more evident than his unacknowledged privilege in Abbott's address was his white fragility – and lack of acknowledgment of our history, and the brutal truth behind our colonial past.

"To a greater or lesser extent, in most Western countries, we can't keep our borders secure, we can't keep our industries intact, and we can't preserve a moral order once taken for granted," he said. "Eventually, something will crystallise out of this age of disruption, but in the

meantime we could be entering a period of national and even civilizational decline."

The ignorance and lack of understanding behind such statements is frustrating.

No mention of the lack of education and understanding towards our people, our history and the truth of our struggle.

As Tony Abbott was addressing the crowd in London, the Dove line of beauty products was being forced to apologise after the brand was accused of racism over an advertisement where a black woman after applying a beauty lotion took off her shirt to reveal that she had become white. (See story, page 26.)

The only way such an advertisement could have made it through review prior to broadcast was that its message was intentional. It's a marketing strategy that uses social media and other technologies to increase brand awareness, often through controversial imagery.

Last year, Qiaobi's laundry detergent used the same strategy where an Asian woman shoves a detergent pod into the wash with a black man who emerges from the washing machine as a light-skinned Asian man.

Dove has used the strategy before. In 2011 the business caused controversy with an ad showing three women standing side by side, each with lighter skin. It had an African-American woman standing in front of the 'before' sign and a white woman standing in front of the 'after' sign, with the ad reading 'Visibly more beautiful skin'.

And earlier this year Pepsi

apologised for borrowing imagery from the Black Lives Matter movement, using images re-enacting rallies where the ad's final scene shows a police officer accepting a can of Pepsi from a white woman, setting off raucous approval from the protesters and an appreciative grin from the officer.

In torrid criticism after the ad was posted, commentators on social media accused Pepsi of appropriating imagery from serious protests to sell its product, while minimising the danger protesters encounter and the frustration they feel. Which takes me back to the confronting emotions I felt at the rally in Sydney.

The bottom line is while people like Tony Abbott can wield so much power and influence and advertising companies use our pain and trauma intentionally to sell their products via popular media, the divide between right and wrong, black and white, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal, will continue.

Not only are we trapped in a world of racism, it's a world lacking in any moral sensitivity or truth.

Those who continue to prosper, whether it be in politics, industry, business or advertising, continue to sell their soul to keep the status quo.

It becomes more and more obvious every day that not only are we trying to save ourselves in such a climate – it appears as Aboriginal people are also trying to save what little humanity is left in the world we live.

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

The way we're heading is just bananas

AUSTRALIA is a vast country. I've lived, worked and travelled in regional and remote Australia all my life. Its size is almost impossible to fathom. But, in many ways, we're a tiny country. Nearly half of all Australians live in three cities – Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. Include Perth and you have 55% of the population. Compare this to the United States where the four largest metropolitan areas – New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and Dallas – are home to just 15% of its population.

Two-thirds of Australians live in just eight places. In the US two-thirds of the population are spread across 100 US cities and towns.

Australia's concentrated population affects our economic strength. It's a key reason why housing is so expensive in Sydney and Melbourne.

Job creation in Australia is also concentrated, with half of all jobs growth within a 2km radius of Melbourne's and Sydney's CBDs.

It's all very well to tell young Australians who can't afford a house to move to regional Australia. But not everyone can find work there.

Australia is on the doorstep of the fastest growing, most highly populated region in the world – Asia. And we're on the side of the continent that is furthest away from it.

I believe Australia's future depends on building our regions. It's essential to our engagement with Asia. It's vital to building an economically strong nation where home ownership and job opportunities are readily accessible and people have real choices where to live, study and work.

But regional development will be stopped in its tracks by the green-left agenda, which is fundamentally founded on the idea Australia shouldn't be touched beyond its current level of development. The acronym for this is BANANA – build absolutely nothing anywhere near anything.

This agenda is tying Australia in knots. Regulations are impossibly complex. Every rule, every protection, every requirement is another hook for cashed-up green groups to attack economic development through the courts. And if that doesn't work they attack via crippling public campaigns.

The Indian Government saw this movement for what it is a few years ago when it banned Greenpeace from receiving foreign donations and froze its bank accounts because it was prejudicially and unlawfully affecting India's economic interests. A report by India's Intelligence Bureau found foreign-funded NGOs were "negatively impacting economic development" in India and Greenpeace was "a threat to national economic security".

The report listed seven areas that have been stalled due to NGO

campaigns, including nuclear power, uranium mines, coal-fired power plants, farm biotechnology, mega-industrial projects, hydroelectric plants and extractive industries, with India's technology sector a future target. It estimated this could have a negative impact on India's GDP growth of as much as 2-3% a year.

We see the same influence of foreign-funded activism in Australia, frequently using Aboriginal groups as a front for an anti-development agenda. This includes green opposition to recent changes to native title laws to facilitate traditional owners approving land use agreements. The anti-development agenda means Aboriginal people living on traditional lands won't have an economic future; they'll either continue to live in poverty or they'll

have to leave their lands and move to the cities and towns.

The centre right and left of politics are too cowardly to counter this. They want it both ways. Privately they understand our economy needs industry and development. Publicly they pander to an urban electorate who think electricity comes from power points, meat comes from the supermarket and Australia can be anti-development and prosperous at the same time. We can't.

Then there's the corporate sector, which supposedly supports economic development and

commerce but whose corporate social responsibility and corporate affairs teams are stacked with green-left sympathisers who think development is bad. To improve corporate brand, they create an image of businesses who don't do any business. They tell their executives they must do this to stay on pace with competitors. Their competitors, in turn, have corporate social responsibility and corporate affairs teams telling them the same thing. It's corporate group think.

So AGL, which makes the vast majority of its profits from coal power, runs ads demonising coal. AGL isn't the only company to let the fox into the hen house. The internal rot has set in and will be hard to eradicate.

The green-left movement is committing economic vandalism, aided by their appeasers within politics and business who should know better. We've already seen it bring Australia's electricity system to its knees. Many other industries will follow suit if governments and the corporate sector don't wake up and show some courage to say publicly what they know very well privately.

● *This is an edited extract of Bundjalung man Nyunggai Warren Mundine's speech to the Pastoralist and Graziers Association WA's annual convention on September 27.*



Nyunggai Warren Mundine

An ugly truth behind the pretty words

THE images of Aboriginal young people in Darwin's Don Dale Detention Centre, teargassed, strapped into restraint chairs, hooded and handcuffed are seared into our consciousness.

When we showed this footage last month at the United Nations in Geneva, human rights experts in the room were horrified to see such brutal force by children's prison staff against children in Australia.

Amnesty partnered with the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Services (NATSILS) to bring the UN's attention to Australia's abuse of children, at the 36th session of the UN Human Rights Council. The session marked the 10th anniversary of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which Australia has signed.

The event also included the delivery of the report of the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples on the situation in Australia, following her visit earlier this year.

Karly Warner, a Palawa woman and NATSILS executive officer, and I were the only Aboriginal people who attended the meeting.

Special Rapporteur Victoria Tauli-Corpuz criticised Australia for the fact that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children are 25 times more likely to be locked up than other children. She said the routine detention of 10- and 11-year-olds was the most distressing part of her visit.

Locking up such young children violates recommendations of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child, which says the absolute minimum age of criminal responsibility should be 12. They are, after all, just kids.

The Special Rapporteur was scathing in her assessment of Australia, calling the overrepresentation of Indigenous people in prison a "tsunami".

Her report urged the Australian Government to adopt national justice targets in the Closing the Gap strategy and, through COAG, a national plan of action to address the incarceration crisis of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples "as a matter of national priority".

The Special Rapporteur's report also criticised the Federal Government for passing the buck on Indigenous incarceration to state and territory governments. Ms Tauli-Corpuz was very clear that the Federal Government, not the states and territories, is responsible for these

Rights Matter

A column from Amnesty International Australia

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human rights abuses under international law.

Australia's response to all this criticism was disappointing and weak.

Australia will almost certainly win its bid for a three-year term on the Human Rights Council, when the election occurs this month.

You might think that a country vying to win a seat on the Human Rights Council would want to show genuine commitment to changing its appalling Indigenous human rights record.

Indeed, the Australian Government had invested substantial funds at both the Human Rights Council and the UN General Assembly to pretend it was a global leader in Indigenous human rights, including by featuring Indigenous art exhibitions and dances.

Overhaul

This should have been the moment for Australia to take responsibility and announce its commitment to a national plan to overhaul the youth 'injustice' system.

But Australia's representatives at the meeting totally missed this opportunity, and instead glossed over the real human rights concerns raised by the Special Rapporteur.

The NATSILS and Amnesty sought to set this record straight by telling the truth about the situation for our people.

The truth is, Australia is woefully inadequate in implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

The Australian Government's claims, that it respects the declaration and is moving towards implementing it, ring hollow. For example, Australia's bid for a Human Rights Council seat contains only two pledges about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

The first is, 'Australia will work towards a referendum to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the Australian Constitution as Australia's First Peoples'.

The other pledge is, 'Australia will continue to give practical effect to the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples Outcome Document'.

Neither of these are on track. Constitutional recognition was rejected at the Uluru meeting of the Referendum Council this year and the Recognise campaign has been abandoned.

Australia has not even started consultation for a plan to implement the declaration, which was one of the key recommendations of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples.

Contrast this with countries such as Bolivia, Spain and Guatemala, which are making real progress on national action plans, and more, to implement the declaration.

While Australian representatives were failing our people at the UN Human Rights Council session in Geneva, over at the UN General Assembly meeting in New York, Australia was still claiming its commitment to the declaration.

If Australia genuinely wants to be a global human rights leader, it cannot just paint a glossy picture of its Indigenous rights record in order to win a Human Rights Council seat. Our people demand genuine commitment to improving our rights, especially for our kids who are locked up at such high rates.

The horrific abuses that shocked people at the Human Rights Council meeting are happening not only in the NT, but all over Australia. The eyes of the world are on Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's Government in the lead up to the Human Rights Council election. This is the time he must commit to a national overhaul of the youth 'injustice' system, for his Government's pretty words on Indigenous rights to mean anything at all.

● *Tammy Solonec is Indigenous rights manager at Amnesty International Australia.*

Backlash over Dove ad

By BRITTA LYSTER



A SENIOR Wakka Wakka/Ngugi woman from Queensland has joined an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander campaign against the manufacturers of Dove personal care products after a racist ad caused a global stir. The campaign advertising Dove body wash depicts a black woman taking off her shirt to reveal a white woman.

The ad caused an international backlash against the Dove body wash product and its manufacturer Unilever, which withdrew the ad amidst widespread controversy.

It is not the first time that Dove and its parent company Unilever has been embroiled in such controversy.

In 2011 a Dove bodywash ad also sparked criticism after promising a woman's skin would result in 'becoming fairer' if she used the product.

Professor Tracey Bunda says the campaign blatantly



Professor Tracey Bunda reinforced outdated ideas in 2017 that 'white is right' and says it is a clear reflection of the fact that the world has not come to terms with either its

race or gender issues.

"Aboriginal women are going to look at this Dove advertisement and see that a black woman takes off her T-shirt and then turns into a white woman," she said.

"They are going to feel outrage because there is a subtle message that suggests the product Dove can change you from black into white and so it buys into all those stereotypes that exist within this country that being black and particularly a black woman is not good enough."



A scene from the Dove advertisement.

Office of Environment & Heritage

Heritage Council of NSW

NSW Heritage Grants - 2018-19 Funding Round

Funding in this round is available under three competitive grant streams:

Aboriginal Heritage

Funding Available: up to \$70,000 (ex GST) per project

To conserve, promote or otherwise benefit an item of Aboriginal cultural heritage listed on the State Heritage Register or gazetted as an Aboriginal Place under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 (that is not state or federal government owned & managed).

Community Heritage Projects

Funding Available: \$25,000 to \$50,000 (ex GST)

To deliver engaging projects that support the promotion, protection and celebration of NSW heritage within the community.

Local Government Heritage Planning Studies

Funding Available: variable up to \$40,000 (ex GST)

For councils to prepare heritage reports, including LGA-wide Aboriginal heritage studies, landscape management plans and others.

Funding Round Closes 29 November 2017

For more information:

visit www.environment.nsw.gov.au/Heritage/funding

Contact: Heritage Grants Team on (02) 9873 8577 or heritage.grants@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Office of Education

Entry to Government Selective High Schools for Year 7 entry in 2019

Parents or carers of Year 5 students will need to apply online from 10 October until 13 November 2017 if they want their children to be considered for placement in Year 7 at a selective high school in 2019.

Application information is available on the internet at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc>.

Parents without internet access or who cannot use a computer can apply at a public library. Parents with a disability that prevents them from using a computer can contact the High Performing Students Unit for assistance.

All students wanting to go to a selective high school for Year 7 in 2019 will have to take the Selective High School Placement Test on the morning of Thursday 15 March 2018.

There are 17 fully selective high schools, 24 partially selective high schools, 4 selective agricultural high schools and one virtual secondary school, Aurora College, offering selective placement in Year 7 in NSW. Duval High School will combine with Armidale High School for Year 7 entry in 2019.

Boarder places are available at Farrer Memorial Agricultural High School (boys only), Hurlstone Agricultural High School (co-educational) and Yanco Agricultural High School (co-educational). Hurlstone Agricultural High School is in a period of transition and will take boarder applications from families living in rural and remote areas only.

Parents can apply for up to three selective high schools. Placement in Aurora College is restricted to students intending to enrol in a government high school in a rural or remote area.

A complete list of selective high schools is available at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7/what-are-selective-high-schools>.

Enquiries about application procedures should be directed to the High Performing Students Unit, email: ssu@det.nsw.edu.au or telephone: 1300 880 367.

Enquiries relating to individual school matters should be directed to the schools concerned.



Lachie Marks leads the emu dance during the Spring Into Nature field day in the Wimmera.

Springing into nature at Wimmera field day



A VISIT to scar trees and wetlands was part of a guided tour of cultural sites at a recent Spring Into

Nature field day in Victoria's Wimmera region. Wotjobaluk men Robbie Fry and Lachie Marks, from Barengi Gadjin Land Council, welcomed visitors to the annual conservation event at the Bank Australia Conservation Reserve in Minimay, west of Horsham.

Children from Goroke P-12 College and Frances Primary School, along with Bank Australia staff, were guided around the 927ha property to learn more about environmental conservation and cultural heritage.

Mr Marks taught the children traditional dances and he and Mr Fry ran a boomerang painting session.

Trust for Nature south-west area manager Adam Blake said it was an enriching experience for all participants.

"You could tell by the grins on their faces that those students were rapt with what they learnt," he said.

Trust for Nature and Greening



Boomerang painting is popular.

Australia are helping with a 10-year strategy at the Bank Australia Conservation Reserve, focusing on wildlife conservation, climate change resilience and community engagement.

The Barengi Gadjin Land Council represents the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagalk traditional owners of the Wimmera and Southern Mallee in Victoria.

Charles Darwin University
psychology lecturer Dr
Carmen Cubillo.
Picture: Julianne Osborne



Song, dance key to new research



A CHARLES Darwin University academic has used traditional song and dance to connect troubled Northern Territory children to their parents as part of a behaviour therapy program.

Research by Larrakia woman Dr Carmen Cubillo contributed to the pre-school program 'Let's Start Exploring Together', run in Darwin and on the Tiwi Islands.

Dr Cubillo said Australia lacked research on the differences between Indigenous and Western parenting styles.

"There are few protocols for adapting mainstream parenting programs or the assessment of a program's success for Indigenous families," she said.

"We consulted local families to understand the environmental and cultural conditions in which they operate and we

used video to monitor improvement in parenting and parent-child attachment during our work on the Tiwi Islands.

"Research has suggested that early intervention programs can increase school retention and employment, and decrease costs of welfare and crime."

Dr Cubillo said many parents involved

"Research has suggested that early intervention programs can increase school retention and employment, and decrease costs of welfare and crime."

in Let's Start had lost the "like" for their child because of behavioural problems.

"Activities were designed for them to have fun together, whether making playdough or collecting objects from the yard for a collage," she said.

"The therapeutic space allowed parents

to develop skills that empowered them to manage emotions."

Dr Cubillo said that increased behaviour control in parents increased attachment and reduced child behaviour problems for Indigenous and other families, which showed a need for early intervention tailored to cultural nuances.

"For example, care might look like parallel play in Indigenous parents, whispering quietly or telling good stories about their children, as opposed to outward displays of affection and praise common in non-Indigenous parents," she said.

Dr Cubillo is a clinical psychology and play therapy lecturer at CDU and received her doctorate for a thesis titled 'Understanding Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal parenting in the Let's Start Exploring Together pre-school program's.



Newcastle-based artist Cherie Johnson's *Wrapture 2014* is part of *Transmission*.

Transmission is locked in at Newcastle



THE old Newcastle Police Station – now the Lock Up gallery – will open its doors to a new exhibition exploring the ways contemporary Indigenous artists are responding to the resurgence in traditional practices.

The exhibition *Transmission* looks at how Aboriginal people find their place in the contemporary cultural context, and the passing on, sharing and renewing of culture.

Artists from around Australia will bring kelp sculptural vessels, possum skin works, traditional burning on Akubra hats, printmaking, video works and more to the heritage building space from October 21 until December 3.

Public programs, events and performances are scheduled to expand on the ideas raised in the exhibition.

A free *Transmission* symposium will be held on October 21 to explore ways contemporary Indigenous artists are influenced by cultural practices, knowledge and connections, and the issues that arise for them.

Featuring Aboriginal artists, writers, arts professionals, cultural knowledge holders and academics, the symposium aims to create a space for dialogue and understanding. Speakers include Gaimaragal Group director Susan Moylan-Coombs and artist Tex Scuthorpe.

A collaborative youth dance performance event *New Translations* will also be held on November 3-5, created by Catapult Dance's Flipside Project.

For information visit www.thelockup.org.au/

Ranger program funds on offer



ABORIGINAL organisations in Western Australia have been invited to apply for funding through the State Government's Aboriginal Ranger program.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Ben Wyatt said \$4 million was available as part of the ranger program to create jobs, provide training and deliver community development initiatives.

Environment Minister Stephen Dawson said the ranger program helps create economic and social resilience in remote and regional Aboriginal communities.

"It will generate more for our Indigenous youth, providing the opportunity to develop a career in land and sea management and create long-term cultural, conservation and tourism opportunities," he said.

Expressions of interest close on October 31. For more information or to apply, visit www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/parks/



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Moorditj Moort, Moorditj



Leonie Wilkes is close to Pamela the snake.



Nigel Wilkes and members of the Mungart Yongah Dance Group attend the 'strong family, strong children' celebration.



Mason and Sam Nicholson with son Bennett.



Fred Penny performs his original songs.



Hot Likwid on stage.



Lachlan likes Cherokee the Dingo from Red's Roving Australian Wildlife Displays.



Jody Hansen and Jen Keem, from Quitline, speak with locals.



Elders Irene and Albert McNamara presented the welcome to country.

Culunga celebration in WA



Alyssa, Maciesha and Keenan Hill enjoy the music at the celebration in Seville Grove.



Jason Reynolds, from Richmond Wellbeing, serves Mason Nicholson.

Strong family, strong children

By TASH GILLESPIE



MORE than 400 people attended the annual Moorditj Moort, Moorditj Culunga (Strong Family, Strong Children) celebration at the Bob Blackburn Oval in the Perth suburb of Seville Grove during Mental Health Week.

Now in its fourth year, the community event is coordinated by Richmond Wellbeing in conjunction with the Champion Centre, City of Armadale, and local Elders and community.

Richmond Wellbeing provides support to people with mental health challenges.

Moorditj Moort, Moorditj Culunga encourages service providers and people to come together to support emotional and social wellbeing, build connections and share knowledge. It's also about



Elders Mort and Vivienne Hansen enjoying the day.

spending time together, celebrating culture and having a good time while finding out what is available in the community.

Following the welcome to

country by Elders Albert and Irene McNamara, Nigel Wilkes and the Mungart Yongah Dance Group entertained the audience with traditional dance.

People had the opportunity to meet service providers, watch live performances from Hot Likwid, Fred Penny and the Struggling Kings Band. There was also plenty for the children, including a bouncing castle, face painting, arts and crafts, a fire engine and an interactive wildlife animal display.

Hamburgers and a sausage sizzle were supplied by the WA Lions Drug Education Foundation.

Richmond Wellbeing's Jose Ciciliamma has been a part of the event for the past four years.

"It's good for the community. It bridges the gap between the community and the local organisations," he said.

"The entire event is guided by the Noongar Elders and has a real community feel in a safe space.

"It's only going to get bigger and better."



One of the Mungart Yongah Dance Group performers.



Millie and Fred Penny with their daughter Jamie-Lee.



June Mader, Pamela Logue and Tiffany Comley from HIPPY Armadale.

Oldie sculpture by the sea



A SCULPTURE of a Noongar returned soldier's face will look out over the sea at

Bondi in Sydney this month.

It's one of the large woven sculptures by Noongar artist Janine McAullay Bott, who was invited to contribute to this year's *Sculpture by the Sea* exhibition in Bondi.

"It's called *Oldie*," Ms McAullay Bott told the *Koori Mail*.

"That's what we called my grandfather. He was a man from the bush around south-west Katanning in Western Australia who fought in World War II.

"He was wounded in Syria and when he came home, he was shell shocked and never wanted to leave the bush again."

Ms McAullay Bott said the sculpture took five months to make and the face was woven from sticks and palm fronds and "looks like he just appeared from the bush".

"The bush was a quiet place for him to heal," she said.

"The kangaroo was his totem and he kept one in the chicken pen and it thought it was a rooster."

The memory of that inspired Ms McAullay Bott to make another artwork *The egg and I*.

"My weaves are born of my memories of bush land, totems, ancestors and my mother's people," she said.

"I use weaving as a stage. It's my way of giving back to the old people. I love and miss them all and want to let people know they existed and



Janine McAullay Bott with her artwork *My Brother's Keeper*.

fought for their country."

Ms McAullay Bott has been weaving for more than 25 years and said it was when she came home in 1998 after living in Hawaii that she really started to focus on her craft.

"Weaving comes naturally to me – from my head to my heart through my hands. I have a

thought and I'm able to turn it into weaving," she said.

"I consider it a gift to have Mum's stories.

"Mum has passed away but I was her carer and she would talk about the bush.

"Mum's totem was the frilled-neck lizard and I made a huge sculpture of one that travelled

around Australia and now belongs to the Sydney Museum.

"I was at Mum's grave feeling a bit sad once and a kookaburra started to laugh at me and I smiled, so I wove a kookaburra called Mozart, the musician of the bush"

Ms McAullay Bott said she spends a lot of time gathering

materials for her sculptures.

"When people walk through the bush they look – I gather and weave," she said.

"On green waste days I look in the bins for what people cut out of their gardens. I use a lot of palm fronds.

Ms McAullay Bott's made a life-sized dugong and wants to bring attention to endangered species like the corroboree frog.

She won the 2009 Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Award for her sculpture of a little bilby.

"I made it for my great grandmother Emily Coin, the tanner," she said.

"She used to make rugs from animal skins and bilbies got caught inadvertently. The judges said they kept being drawn back to my bilby."

Ms McAullay Bott was also invited to exhibit in Cottesloe's *Sculpture by the Sea* in Perth earlier this year, and won the Packer Foundation prize.

The Bondi *Sculpture by the Sea* exhibition this year also features work from Tasmanian-based Aboriginal artist Dr Julie Gough.

During the free, public outdoor exhibition at Bondi, about 2km of the Sydney coastline is transformed into a sculpture park featuring the works of more than 100 Australian and international artists.

The annual event runs from October 19 to November 5.

For information, visit www.sculpturebythesea.com

Project sparks award success



THE fire spirit is back in Wadawurrung country.

Wiy-n-murrup Yangarramela, a traditional fire burning project on the country around Geelong, has won the Victorian Indigenous Land Management Award.

The project name means 'fire spirit comes back' in the Wadawurrung language.

Corangamite Catchment Management Authority (CCMA) Indigenous natural resource facilitator Angela Jeffery said the success of the project is due to the traditional owners working with the CCMA, Wathaurong Aboriginal Cooperative (WAC), community and government.

Ms Jeffery described fire practice as a means of fulfilling cultural obligations to manage country, as well as a way of maintaining wellbeing through traditions associated with the cleansing and healing of country through fire.

"My job is very rewarding as it's such a connecting experience for people to get together on a burn," she said.

"We share. We learn from each other and we honour Mother Earth.

"In the future conducting traditional burns could be a good employment opportunity for Aboriginal people – and, of course, a way for them to continue to meet traditional obligations to manage country."

Participants in the program have access to formal training in fire, flora and fauna identification, biodiversity monitoring techniques, experiential delivery of traditional burning practices and knowledge exchange between participants.

Wadawurrung Elder Byron Powell said the project was breaking new ground.

"So many groups are coming together to manage this land and heal country together," he said.



CCMA's Angela Jeffery is with Uncle Rod Mason, a fire Elder who mentored during the Wiy-n-murrup Yangarramela project.

Govt orders upgrade for Broome jail



A \$2.7 MILLION upgrade to the rundown Broome Regional Prison in Western Australia will include bolstered security measures,

larger recreation spaces, beds, a prisoner reception area and new women's cells.

The prison, which opened in 1945, manages male and female prisoners of all security levels from across the Kimberley region, including a high percentage of Indigenous inmates.

WA Corrective Services Minister Fran Logan said the state's oldest prison had been left in an "unacceptable state" for too long and work was required. "Broome prison desperately needs these upgrades to bring it up to code, and to offer staff and prisoners safety and security," he said.

Mr Logan said up to 70% of the budgeted funds would be spent on local contractors, but there was no start date yet for the works.

"The Government is committed to reducing the levels of unacceptable Indigenous incarceration across the Kimberley region, but it will take time," he said. – AAP

Indigenous Digital Excellence Awards



Wayne Denning, from Carbon Media, won the Learning and Education Award.



Representatives from the NPY Women's Council hold their national Indigenous Digital Excellence Award for Wellbeing.



Young Innovator of the Year Brooke Ottley with her award.

Innovators shine



A CUSTOMISABLE language dictionary app translating Pitjantjatjara, Ngaanyatjarra and English languages has won the Wellbeing Award at the national Indigenous Digital Excellence (IDX) Awards.

The award was presented to the NPY Women's Council at the gala awards night event in Redfern, where seven Indigenous innovators and entrepreneurs were recognised for their innovative work.

The inaugural IDX Awards gave recognition to how the world's oldest living culture is innovating with digital technology and offered \$100,000 worth of prizes and grants, and ongoing professional development and networking opportunities.

The Learning and Education Award went to Wayne Denning for the STEM.I.A.M program, designed to promote the study of science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and youth around Australia.

The Culture and Country Award went to Victor Steffenson for 'Living Knowledge Place', an education site that showcases "our culture, our country, and our aspirations for the future of our



National Centre of Indigenous Excellence chair Alison Page: "IDX is all around us and these awards are all about shining a light on the intersection of digital technology and the world's oldest living culture."

environment and our wellbeing".

The Pathways and Employment Award was won by Luke Briscoe, the founder of INDIGI LAB, a leader in Indigenous STEM and sustainable science that creates projects for social and environmental change through digital culture and Indigenous sciences.

The Entrepreneurship Award went to Dean Foley, the founder of Australia's first Indigenous Start Up Weekend and Bayaramal (black swan), Australia's first

Indigenous-run accelerator for Indigenous businesses.

The Digital Elder of the Year Award was won by Ernest Gondarra, a digital champion in his community working on ALPA's Plastic Fantastic program, and skills in design and 3D printing and to create culturally significant objects for the Gatiirrk Cultural Festival.

The Young Innovator of the Year was Brooke Ottley, a graphic designer who after almost 10 years in her field and a study

tour in New York has become Darwin's most popular Airbnb host, hosting more than 380 travellers in her own home.

The IDX Awards are part of the IDX initiative, a partnership between the National Centre of Indigenous Excellence (NCIE) and Telstra Foundation, which focuses on building digital skills, entrepreneurship and opportunities for Indigenous people and communities.

NCIE chair Alison Page said fostering the next generation of Indigenous digital entrepreneurs and building the IDX movement across Australia is what IDX is all about.

"IDX is all around us and these awards are all about shining a light on the intersection of digital technology and the world's oldest living culture," she said.

"We also want the Australian community, and those in government and the corporate sector, to recognise the huge benefits of investing in and increasing Indigenous participation in the digital economy."

During the awards ceremony, a national competition for a digital app that addresses the priority area of education was also announced. Entries will close in February.

For more information, visit www.idxawards.org.au



Luke Briscoe with the IDX Pathways and Employment Award.



Ernest Gondarra was named the Digital Elder of the Year.



Dean Foley is the winner of the IDX Entrepreneurship Award.



Victor Steffenson with the Culture and Country Award.

Tarnanthi Art Festival in Adelaide



Electric Fields perform at the festival opening.



The crowd at the opening night was welcomed in three languages – by Alison Milyika Carroll, from Ernabella, in Pitjantjatjara, by Kathy Inkamala, from Alice Springs, in Aranda and by Ishmael Marika, from Yirrkala, in Yolngu Matha.



Journalist Stan Grant speaks at the Tarnanthi opening.



Kane Logan, from Adelaide, Jayden Neal, Ruby Lee, Alexis Payne and Samuel Payne, all siblings from Alice Springs, and Yarra Monks, from Redfern in NSW, at the opening night.



Mokuy spirit sculptures by Nawurapu Wunungmurra, from north-east Arnhem Land in the Top End. Picture: Saul Steed



● Above: Artists and arts worker from Redfern in Sydney Chico Monks, Sharni Jones, Nicole Monks, Dean Cross and Bridgette Martin attend the opening.



● Left: Western Desert artists Winston Green, Simon Butler, from Wingelina, and Patrick Green with their friend Tomzarni Dann, from Broome, at the opening night.

Tarnanthi Art Festival in Adelaide



Kurna Elder Uncle Fred Aguis leads a welcome and cleansing smoking ceremony.



Iltja Ntjarra (Many Hands) Artists from Alice Springs Reinhold, Kathy and Vanessa Inkamla and Mervyn Rubuntja, the great grandchildren of the late Albert Namatjira stand among their works on display in Adelaide.

Kurna land venue for huge event

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE 2017 Tarnanthi Festival of Contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art kicked off on Kurna

country in Adelaide last week. Tarnanthi – pronounced ‘tarn-nan-dee’ and meaning ‘to come forth and appear’ – features the work of more than 1000 Indigenous artists from across the country at 24 city-wide exhibitions and events.

Highlights included the twilight festival launch, an art fair weekend just gone (see coverage next page) and a major exhibition at the Art Gallery of South Australia, *Tarnanthi at the Gallery*, which runs until January 28 next year.

It is hard to find words that do the exhibition justice; it is massive, so big the extensively researched and beautifully produced catalogue is more than 250 pages and weighs almost 2kg – and it is in paperback form.

Tarnanthi at the Gallery showcases the overwhelming talent, dedication, diversity and generosity of Indigenous artists from across Australia.

Artistic director Nici Cumpston said the festival’s role is to give a voice to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists’ way of

thinking and being in this world.

The exhibition includes painting, photography, performance art, sculpture, installation, moving image and design, by independent artists and collectives from across the country, from cities and regional towns, as well as artists living and working in communities and art centres.

There are works from Erub Arts in the Torres Strait, with its installation depicting an underwater wonderland made

on the seven art centres in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands in central Australia and includes two massive paintings, measuring 15 square metres each, one by 23 Anangu men and the other by 24 Anangu women.

Anangu artist Yaritji Young, from Amata, says, “The role of the artist is the same in cities as it is in the bush – it’s a respected position.

“Artists out here are known for being brave and adventurous. We push new ideas while still protecting and keeping our Tjukurpa (Dreaming stories) strong for our children and grandchildren. This is important for them to see.”

The exhibition features more than 50 new commissions including a series of bark paintings by Nonggirnga Marawili, from Yirrkala in Arnhem Land, and a series of photographs of

Tjukurpa directly on to country, by Tjungu Palya artists including Marita Baker, Angkaliya Eadie Curtis, Beryl Jimmy, Keith Stevens and Bernard Tjalkuri.

Tarnanthi exhibitions, auctions, school holiday and education programs, talks and workshops continue through the coming months. Further information at tarnanthi.com.au

The festival has the financial backing of mining giant BHP and the South Australian Government.



About 2000 people gather at the Art Gallery of SA for the Tarnanthi opening ceremony.

from salvaged fishing nets; to the far south where Tasmanian photographer Ricky Maynard presents the poignantly titled *Saddened Were the Hearts of Many Men*.

There is Reko Rennie’s video work featuring a camouflage overpainted gold 1973 Rolls-Royce driven by the artist through Kamilaroi country in NSW, with an accompanying score by Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds.

This year’s festival has a focus



Uncle Fred Agius gives a special welcome to guest of honour journalist Stan Grant and South Australian Premier Jay Weatherill.



Exhibiting fibre artist Shirley Macnamara and Tarnanthi artistic director Nici Cumpston. Picture: Ben Searcy

Tarnanthi Art Festival in Adelaide



Natalie Austin, Cindy Watson and her granddaughter Sherrie Jones, from Arts Ceduna (SA), at their stall for their first Tarnanthi Arts Fair.



Raelene Kerinauia and Kathleen Puruntatameri, from Milikapiti in the Tiwi Islands, represent Jilamara Arts and Crafts.



Jadah Pleiter, Shobhan Stephan, Tallara Gray and Bev Meldrum, from Baluk Art in Mornington (Victoria), are selling everything from handcrafted jewellery and lamps to baskets and tea towels.



Jason Mangunbatjiwuy Marrkula and Audery Marrday, from Gapuwiyak Culture and Arts (Arnhem Land), hold a contemporary baby basket.



Independent artists from Tasmania Anita Wells and Netty Shaw sell traditional and contemporary kelp work.

Art fair popular

By JILLIAN MUNDY



SPIRIT sculptures from north-east Arnhem Land and carved boab nuts from the Kimberley through to kelp water carriers from Tasmania and massive paintings from desert communities were on offer at the Tarnanthi Art Fair in Adelaide last weekend.

Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, which hosted the event, was a hub of activity, with thousands of visitors buying works priced from \$15 to \$5000 directly from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists.

It was also an opportunity for visitors to learn about Aboriginal culture and art.

For many Aboriginal communities,

art is their primary source of income.

The colourful two-and-a-half-day event featured 36 arts centres from across Australia, bringing together more than 200 urban, regional and remote artists.

Tarnanthi Art Fair project manager Cara Kirkwood said art fairs are a “stunning insight into the diversity of First People’s visual culture”.

“Globally, Indigenous art is frequently at risk of unscrupulous dealers, so art fairs like the Tarnanthi Art Fair provide the public an opportunity to ensure purchases have correct provenance,” she said.

“It’s a delight and joy to see people engage with the artists at the Tarnanthi Art Fair.”

It was the second Tarnanthi Art Fair, a highlight of the biennial festival and set to remain a permanent festival fixture.

New invoice finance product from IBA



INDIGENOUS Business Australian (IBA) has introduced a new invoice finance product designed to

allow Indigenous-owned businesses to take advantage of new contract or sales opportunities that may otherwise be out of reach.

Acting chief executive Wally Tallis said it was a "fantastic

addition" to IBA's suite of products that will provide certainty to buyers and strengthen the competitiveness of Indigenous businesses.

"It's not uncommon for businesses to lack the capital to be able to grow, however invoice finance will provide Indigenous businesses with cash flow based on the value of credit sales or major contracts to allow them to grow," he said.

Aligned to the business's cash flow cycle, contract or sales activity, invoice finance is designed to provide the necessary working capital to enable the business to finance the usual costs of delivery, such as wages, inventory, raw materials and transport costs.

The product provides a range of benefits and features that includes reliable cash flow, online access, cash injection and

financial confidence to make decisions about strategic development, such as business planning, securing competitive trade terms, fulfilling substantial orders and pitching for new business opportunities.

IBA says the facility is provided at competitive rates compared with an overdraft or similar facilities in the market, and without the need for property security.

One such business benefitting

from the product is Street Feast, a family-owned-and-operated mobile business that sells fast food at markets, festivals and other events around Melbourne and nearby regional areas.

Operators Dale and Jennifer Vocale said the invoice finance product provided them with cash flow to help minimise the impact bad weather can have on their business.

More details at www.iba.gov.au

Firms get funds to Accelerate



EIGHT Indigenous Queensland firms will receive funding through State Government's Accelerate Indigenous Small Business Grants Program.

Small Business Minister Leeane Enoch said the businesses will share in more than \$154,000, with funds being used to engage mentors, business coaches or advisory panels.

The Accelerate Indigenous Small Business Grants Program offers grant funding of up to \$20,000 for high-growth Indigenous small businesses to establish an advisory board or access high-level business support and advice that will assist their business expand and employ more staff.

The eight Accelerate Indigenous Small Business Grant recipients are:

- Australian BlackCard (Cannon Hill, Brisbane);
- CRC Electrical (Miles);
- Kelly's Aqua Jetting (Innisfail);
- Marawah Law (Cairns);
- PromoGear (Woolloongabba);
- Red Dirt Haulage (South Isis);
- Snap Underwood (Underwood, Brisbane); and

- Sports Turf Services (Guanaba).

Cairns business Marawah Law director and owner Leah Cameron said she was excited to receive approval of the grant application.

The Supply Nation-certified legal practice specialises in commercial, property, native title, family and civil litigation law.

"This funding means we'll be able to engage an Indigenous business coach and mentor to improve our strategic direction, business processes, and also increase the skills and knowledge of our entire team, which will enable us to help more Indigenous people," Ms Cameron said.

"The grant will provide us with the platform to increase Indigenous employment opportunities and better assist Indigenous communities in our regional area and across the country."

A second round of Accelerate Indigenous Small Business Grants will open later in the year. For more information on the program, visit www.business.qld.gov.au/starting-business/



Indigenous employee Luke McKellar receives working-at-heights training on the Dubbo pilot project.

Kenjarhy powers through project



ABORIGINAL-owned business Kenjarhy Solar has

been instrumental in the installation of solar power systems at 151 Aboriginal Housing homes in Dubbo.

The Orange-based company was the successful tenderer for the Aboriginal Housing Office pilot project.

Kenjarhy Solar worked with the AHO and Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise

Corporation (MPREC) during the design stage, and managed the planning and organisation of the installation.

The company followed up by installing and commissioning the systems, designed to help Aboriginal residents reduce their energy use.

MPREC also conducted an energy saving workshop for AHO tenants following installation.

During the installation process, Kenjarhy Solar

worked closely with Commonwealth-funded Job Active providers to identify local Indigenous workers who were then employed for the duration of the project.

Kenjarhy Solar said it ran a detailed and formulated mentoring program to assist staff through the training and to transition to employment in what is a heavily regulated industry.

Those employees also received skills and licences while on the job and have now found permanent work.

Darwin will host economic forum



ONE of the largest Indigenous economic development events in Australia will be held in the Northern Territory later this month.

The eighth Indigenous Economic Development Forum, from October 23-24, has the theme 'The North is our Economic Story'. It will be held at the Darwin Convention Centre.

The forum brings together a range of delegates to discuss key strategies, policies and initiatives to support Indigenous economic development. It aims to provide a platform for discussions between

Indigenous businesses and other stakeholders.

The forum will also focus on providing practical opportunities for Indigenous businesses to establish connections with other organisations that can lead to strategic partnerships and commercial joint ventures.

It will include an Indigenous business trade fair, giving Indigenous businesses owners the opportunity to showcase their products and capabilities.

More than 300 people are expected to attend.

More details are available at business.nt.gov.au/business/



In Dubbo, from left, MPREC consultant Max Ryan, Indigenous employees Keith Darrigo, Hector Hill and Luke McKellar, and Kenjarhy Solar's Brad Draper.

Deadly women take title



AN all-female team from Nowra has been named this year's

winners of a statewide weight loss and healthy lifestyle program.

Dead or Deadly was named winner of the Julie Young Challenge after collectively losing over 77kg – more than the weight of the average woman.

It was part of the NSW Aboriginal Knockout Health Challenge, a program for Aboriginal communities run by NSW Health in partnership with the NSW Rugby League.

Each year it consists of two 10-week competitions – the George Rose Challenge and the Julie Young Challenge.

Dead or Deadly was named winner at the 2017 NSW Rugby League Knockout official draw at West Ashfield. Each member of the winning team lost an average of 3.87kg.

Dead or Deadly also took out the overall Challenge Shield prize bringing together the first place winners of both competitions.



The successful Dead or Deadly team from Nowra, southern NSW.

Dead or Deadly spokesperson Willow Firth said the initiative has significantly changed the lives of her 20 teammates.

"We had been exercising up to five times a week doing boxing, resistance and circuit training and also made simple dietary changes," she said.

"We've learnt that exercise and eating well can make so many other positive changes to your life –

whether that's improving mental health, feeling more positive and happier as well as increasing motivation, self-esteem and energy.

"It wasn't about going on a diet, but making simple permanent changes to eating behaviours. Fad diets don't work so we set up long-term healthy eating plans for participants and their kids.

"During this journey there has been an increasing feeling of interconnected-

ness. It's all about team work and supporting each other and making that pathway into a healthy life accessible, easy and fun."

In second place was Breathe Easy Queanbeyan Clear Waters, with team members averaging a 3.17kg weight loss during the challenge.

The Tweed Goorie Go Getters – who shed an average of 2.7kg – took third place.

New plan for Victoria



THE Victorian Government has unveiled a plan it says will revolutionise how Victoria's health and human services work with Aboriginal communities.

Health Minister Jill Hennessy and Families Minister Jenny Mikakos launched the Korin Korin Balit-Djak Aboriginal Health, Wellbeing and Safety Plan, which covers the next 10 years. They say it puts Aboriginal self-determination front and centre in all of Victoria's health and human services.

That means Aboriginal communities will lead the development and delivery of policies and services to Aboriginal Victorians, while the Government plays a supportive role, they said.

The ministers said there would be a \$7.1 million package for infrastructure improvements such as minor capital works, new equipment and technology.

Five key areas of focus in the Korin Korin Balit-Djak are:

- Aboriginal community leadership;
- prioritising Aboriginal culture and community;
- system reform across the health and human services sector;
- safe, secure and strong families and individuals; and
- physically, socially and emotionally healthy Aboriginal communities.

"Aboriginal people know what works best for Aboriginal people," Ms Hennessy said.

"We knew we needed to do things differently, and our new plan is a game-changer for service delivery in Victoria.

"Now our health services will ensure care and treatments are culturally safe and responsive to the needs of Aboriginal people."

Aboriginal Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs Workers

Various locations: 4x Part-Time paid positions available Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury, Lithgow, Penrith.

The Poche Centre for Indigenous Health along with Nepean Blue Mountains PHN are providing four part-time paid positions for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people living in the Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury, Lithgow & Penrith areas who are interested in working in Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs.

The workers will be hosted in local culturally safe services in the Nepean Blue Mountains region and they will be supported by clinicians via telesupervision and face-to-face methods.

If you are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and either:

- a) hold a TAFE certificate IV in Mental Health and/or Alcohol and Other Drugs;

OR

- b) are willing to undertake the study for one, please contact the Poche Centre below.

Applications close 5pm (EST) Wednesday 8th November 2017

For further information please contact the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health (Sydney)

call. 02 9114 1117 email. poche.admin@sydney.edu.au

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Video aims to save lives



A NEW breast awareness video designed for Indigenous women to share on social

media aims to increase early detection of breast cancer and improve survival.

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among women in Australia, including among Indigenous females, yet Indigenous women are 16% less likely to survive than other women.

Cancer Australia chief executive Helen Zorbas said the video, *Lots to live for*, had been produced to put knowledge about the importance of breast awareness and early detection of breast cancer in the hands of Indigenous women and communities.

"Finding breast cancer early, while it is still confined to the breast, significantly increases the chances of survival," she said.

"Early detection of breast cancer through breast awareness and increasing participation in mammographic screening are important ways to improve survival outcomes and address the disparity in breast



Marngrook Footy Show presenter Leila Gurruwiwi appears in *Lots to live for*.

cancer survival between Indigenous and non-Indigenous women."

Professor Jacinta Elston, chair of the Cancer Australia Leadership Group on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cancer Control, supported the video's message and encouraged women to share it on social media.

"Studies have shown that social media has been used effectively in getting health messages out into our community," Prof Elston, who is an Aboriginal woman

from Townsville, said.

"Sharing Cancer Australia's *Lots to live for* video on social media will start a conversation between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people about breast cancer and how early detection can save lives.

"If you are an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women, it is vitally important you know the normal look and feel of your breasts, the symptoms to look out for and the importance of seeing your doctor if you find a change.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women aged between 50 and 74 are also encouraged to have a free breast screen every two years. Mammographic screening is the best early detection test for reducing deaths from breast cancer."

The *Lots to live for* video, which features NITV's *Marngrook Footy Show* presenter Leila Gurruwiwi, is designed to be easily accessible and shareable on social media platforms widely used by Indigenous people.

Visit www.canceraustralia.gov.au/atsi for more information.

How stroke-hit Robert fought back



WHEN Robert Jacobs woke up in hospital after suffering a stroke, he couldn't move his body, but could faintly hear the

doctor asking, "If you can hear me, please blink."

All Mr Jacobs could move was his eyes. Every part of his body was paralysed.

Suffering a stroke at just 45 years old was a turning point in Mr Jacobs' life. He had to learn how to walk again, how to hold a cup, how to be himself again after such a dramatic change.

"You know I was a hard-head growing up," the Wakka Wakka man from Cherbourg, south-east Queensland, said.

"I've always had high blood pressure and when my doctor warned me at a young age I could suffer a heart attack or stroke, I didn't listen.

"I've had two strokes and a heart attack and now due to my kidney disease I will be on dialysis for the rest of my life."

Now 58, Mr Jacobs has fond memories of playing top grade football, boxing, swimming and running the 800 metres at school with ease.

"I was just like everyone else,



Clinical nurse Brett Cooper and registered nurse Neetu Thakkar at the Renal Department at RBWH with patient Robert Jacobs who suffered a life-changing stroke at age 45.

fit and healthy. But I found myself trapped in my community, drinking and smoking with mates," he said.

"I only have myself to blame.

If I took my blood pressure medication and listened to the doctor all those years ago, I wouldn't be where I am today."

Mr Jacobs has been receiving

treatment at Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital (RBWH) for more than a year, visiting the dialysis unit three days a week for five hours each time to

manage his kidney disease.

As a result, his condition has dramatically improved.

Mr Jacobs went from monthly visits with the doctor to now only seeing him every six months. He has learned how to walk again and is attending the gym twice a week as part of the Institute for Urban Indigenous Health 'Work it Out' program.

"I went from being able to just take a few steps to the wall, now to being able to walk to my gym classes," he said.

"I've progressed from my scooter, to walker and now a walking stick. I've improved a lot. I've also quit drinking and smoking since my stroke. Many of my old friends still continue to drink and smoke after a stroke, and I tell them to look at me."

Mr Jacobs said RBWH staff and Indigenous liaison services had helped with his recovery.

"Visiting RBWH has become a routine for me and we are all like family," he said.

"The nursing staff are good here. We have a good laugh and joke each time. I go visit the Indigenous hospital liaison officers and have a yarn. They are familiar and I enjoy seeing them."

Campaign to stop spread of outbreak



NORTHERN Territory health authorities have mounted a large-scale immunisation campaign in an attempt to prevent

an unprecedented central Australian meningococcal outbreak from spreading to the Top End.

There have been 18 confirmed cases of the deadly disease so far this year, mainly in Aboriginal children from central Australian, Barkly and Katherine communities.

There were only three cases in 2016, according to the NT Centre for Disease Control.

Most cases are children aged under 10 infected with the serogroup W, a strain that has risen rapidly with at least 10 cases detected in September alone.

"It's unprecedented, and nationally this serogroup has emerged as a real problem,"

What is meningococcal

It's a rare, life-threatening illness caused by bacterial infection of the blood and/or the membranes that line the spinal cord and brain and occasionally infect other sites, such as large joints.

What are the symptoms?

Fever, a stiff neck, severe headache, confusion, difficulty

looking at bright lights, vomiting, sore muscles or joints, drowsiness or a rash on the skin.

How is it treated?

With antibiotics, but the infection can progress very quickly, so seeking medical attention urgently is vital to survival.

CDC acting director Charles Douglas said.

The Government is offering free vaccinations to Aboriginal people aged between 12 months and 19 years in affected regions and remote communities.

Dr Douglas says the measures may not contain the outbreak, and there are plans to roll out the vaccination

program to all one-year-old kids Territory-wide by early 2018.

He said Indigenous people were more susceptible to the W strain due to the high mobility of Red Centre communities and the overcrowded conditions in which they live.

"It's a very hard germ to catch – you've got to be in close contact with someone for quite a long time," he said. – AAP

Aboriginal Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs Trainee Scholarships

The Poche Centre for Indigenous Health is offering scholarships for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury, Lithgow and Penrith areas who are interested in gaining qualifications in the areas of Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs.

Each scholarship (Cert IV in Mental Health) (Specialising in Alcohol and Other Drugs) will provide:

- 1:1 mentor for study and work placement support (online & face to face)
- Course fees
- Laptop computer
- Telephone & video support
- Career & education planning
- Travel, accommodation & meals (where necessary)

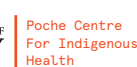
Applicants will be considered for further study if they already hold a Certificate IV in Mental Health.

Applications close 5pm (EST) Wednesday 22nd November 2017

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call. 02 9114 1117 email. poche.admin@sydney.edu.au

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New gallery opens in Glen Innes



Yuin artist Lloyd Gawura Hornsby with Gamilaraay artist Deb Taylor.



ABORIGINAL artist Lloyd Gawura Hornsby has opened his new gallery in Glen Innes, northern NSW.

Hornsby's purpose-built gallery on the

New England Highway will feature his own works along with a range of others.

Named 'Gawura Gallery', it was opened this month by NSW Minister for Tourism Adam Marshall.

To mark the opening, an exhibition of Hornsby's works titled *Destiny* will run at the gallery until December 10. Also on display at the gallery are clay works by Gamilaraay woman Deb Taylor.



Jarron Andy models items from the new Mainie men's collection.

New Mainie fashion line is for men



ABORIGINAL-owned fair-trade brand Mainie Australia has introduced its first collection of silk neck ties, bow ties and pocket squares for men in a range of five authentic Indigenous artworks. The range follows on from Mainie's range of 'wearable women's art' including scarves and sarongs.

Mainie founding director and designer Charmaine Saunders said the men's range came in time for Australia's racing season.

"With our brand established and featured in retail outlets in Cairns and throughout Australia, the timing is now right to add a men's collection," she said.

Mainie designs cover earthy neutral and reef-inspired colour palettes in five artworks – two from NAIDOC Artist of the Year Elverina Johnson, from Yarrabah (Seahorses and Mangrove Life), and three from Queensland artist Justin Butler (Snake Tracks, Protective Shield and Falling Leaves).

Royalties from each sale are returned to the Warlpiri artists of the Tanami Desert in Central Australia and Durringhi Arts in Yarrabah, north Queensland.

See the range at <https://mainie.com/>



The Mainie pocket squares collection.

Detained girls give insights



THE Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory has marked the International Day of the Girl by releasing a series of artworks by girls from Darwin's Don Dale Detention Centre.

The six paintings and accompanying personal statements give an insight into the lives of girls in detention. They express their feelings about detention, separation from family and kin and hopes about returning home.

"Failings"

"The royal commission's terms of reference require it to inquire into failings in the child protection and youth detention systems of the NT as well as the treatment of children and young people detained at youth detention facilities in the NT," commission official secretary Kirsty Windeyer said.

"It has been critical to hear from those most affected by the issues – the children who have experienced the



Standing: Not afraid to show my colours. Proud to be Indigenous, one of the artworks by girls in Don Dale Detention Centre.

detention and child protection systems.

"On the International Day of the Girl it is appropriate to release these stories, told through art, of girls in

the detention system.

"These paintings are just one of the many ways children and young people have shared with the commission their experiences and stories,

helping it form a clear understanding of the issues affecting them."

The paintings can be seen at www.childdetentionnt.royalcommission.gov.au

Scots have Aboriginal theme



TEAM Scotland is working with Aboriginal artist Leeton Lee to develop its design theme for the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

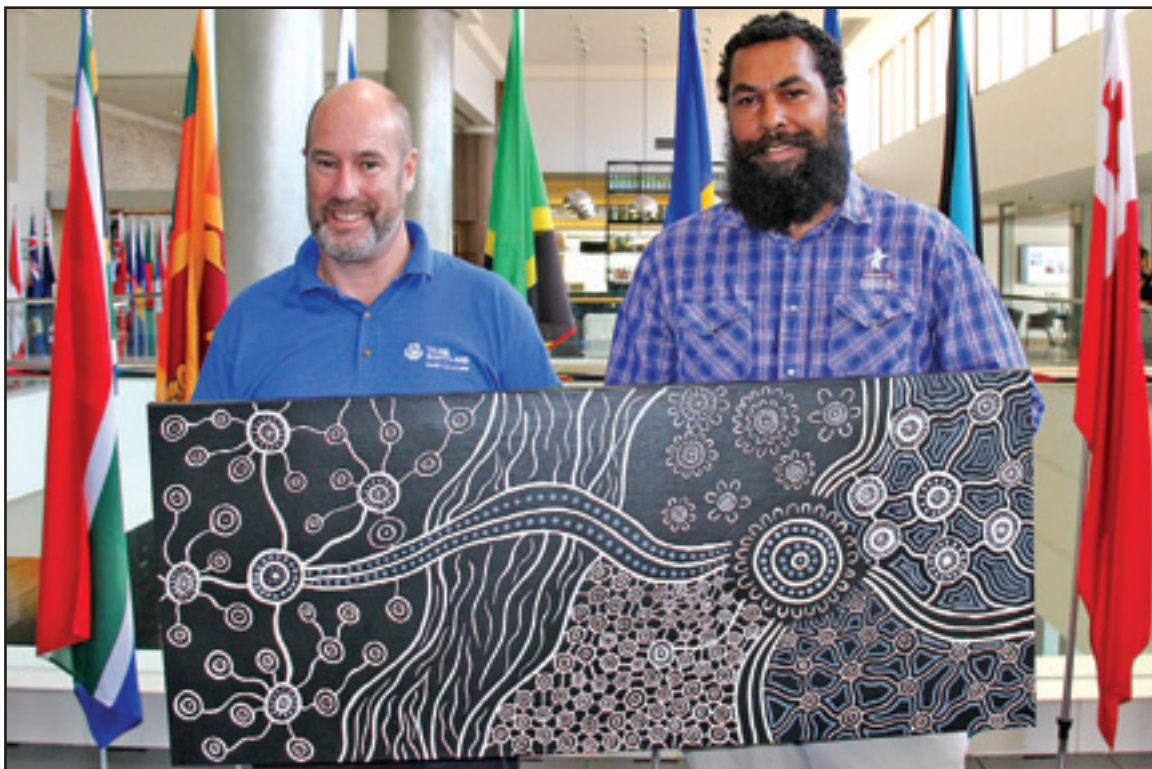
The Scottish team says the move is acknowledgement and a mark of respect for the First Nations peoples of Australia and specifically the Yugambah people of south-east Queensland.

Team chef de mission Jon Doig welcomed the collaboration.

"When we prepare for each games we like to connect with the host country's culture in the true spirit of the 'Friendly Games' and express this in the imagery and branding used within our team area of the village and for our team hospitality venue, Scotland House," he said.

"We have been working with Leeton over recent months to develop a meaningful piece of original artwork, which our design agency Brand Oath can then adapt for use across a range of promotional materials.

"We are thrilled with what he has produced and how it tells the story of our journey to Gold Coast. We are looking forward to coming back with our athletes and seeing how it beautifully



Scotland chef de mission Jon Doig with artist Leeton Lee and his Commonwealth Games artwork.

illustrates the connection between our two countries and our enthusiasm for participating in these games."

Leeton Lee said he was pleased to tell Team Scotland's journey through art.

"I was also happy to know that part of the reason for the use of Aboriginal art was as an acknowledgement to the First Nations peoples here in Australia," he said.

"I love sharing my culture and

art with people any chance I get."

More than 6600 athletes and team officials from 70 nations and territories will converge on the Gold Coast in April for the 11 days of Commonwealth Games competition.

Art show deadline extended



THE Koorie Art Show's top

prize has doubled in value and the entry deadline has been extended by two weeks.

All Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artists who are residents of Victoria now have until October 23 to enter the show, run by the Melbourne-based Koorie Heritage Trust.

The show includes the Creative Victoria Award for Excellence in Any Media (\$10,000), RMIT University Award (\$3000), Koorie Heritage Trust Encouragement Award (\$500) and Koorie Heritage Trust Moogji Club People's Choice Award (\$500).

To enter or for more details, email zenzi.clark@koorieheritagetrust.com

History written



THE history of the Clarence Valley Aboriginal people since European arrival has been

written as part of the Grafton Regional Gallery's new major publication *Photographs Are Never Still*.

A catalogue on the John William Lindt Collection, the history is one of the results of the search for the identity of the Aboriginal people in the Lindt photographs which began when the images were donated to the gallery in 2004.

Photographs Are Never Still details information about the gallery's Lindt photographs, taken in 1873.

The 240-page catalogue is the culmination of major research projects overseen by the Lindt Research Group and supported by The Gallery Foundation, University of New England and Clarence Valley Council.

The search for identity has led to five of the Aboriginal people in the photographs being formally identified and has demonstrated that more can be found.

The book provides a detailed social and cultural history of Aboriginal people in the Clarence Valley from the arrival of Europeans until 1939, when the Aborigines Protection Board folded.



JW Lindt Orara Williams 1873. Image courtesy Grafton Regional Gallery

Photographs Are Never Still was researched and written by historians Dr Kate Gahan and Ken Orchard, with support from the Lindt Research Group, mainly Elders Irene Daley, Robyn Bancroft, Deborah Taylor and Rosie Vesper.

The publication will be officially launched at the Grafton Regional Gallery on November 2, at the Big Day of Culture. Entry is by gold coin. For bookings to attend the launch, contact the Grafton Regional Gallery on (02) 6642 3177.



2017 Dreamtime Awards

The National Dreamtime Awards is an opportunity for First Nation people from across our country to come together and recognise our excellence in the categories of Sport, Arts, Academics and Community.

Dreamtime Awards & Gala Dinner

Friday 17th November, 2017
The Star, Event Centre, Sydney NSW

Vote now!

Nominations are open to the public and can be submitted by visiting
WWW.DREAMTIMEAWARDS.COM.AU

Leaders awarded Curtin Medals



TWO Aboriginal leaders in their fields have been named as the 2017 John Curtin Medallists.

The John Curtin Medal is awarded annually by Perth-based Curtin University to recognise individuals or organisations displaying the attributes associated with World War II prime minister John Curtin – vision, leadership and a commitment to community service. This year marks the 20th anniversary of the medal.

Senior Noongar man Jim Morrison and Wilman/Goreng Noongar woman Angela Ryder were this year's recipients.

Mr Morrison has worked for Aboriginal rights for more than four decades. He has strived to bring issues of social injustice, mental health, education, homelessness, incarceration, suicide and inequality experienced by Aboriginal people to public attention.

He has held leadership roles in government and Aboriginal organisations, including serving three consecutive terms as Aboriginal chair of the National Stolen Generations Alliance and as founding chair of the Yokai Aboriginal Employment Forum through Reconciliation WA.

Ms Ryder, a member of the Stolen Generations, has established initiatives and



Curtin University vice-chancellor Professor Deborah Terry and chancellor Colin Beckett with Curtin Medal recipients Jim Morrison and Angela Ryder in Perth.

programs to build independence in Aboriginal people and empower Aboriginal women.

She has long been involved in running NAIDOC celebrations in Perth and Gosnells and also

works to implement the National Empowerment Project. Curtin University vice-

chancellor Deborah Terry said both were worthy recipients of the medal.

CDU set for expansion



CHARLES Darwin University will expand its range of higher education courses in Indigenous studies next year.

School of Indigenous Knowledges and Public Policy head Dr Curtis Roman said the four new courses would expand social, human and economic opportunities for Indigenous people.

"These courses include two at diploma level and two at graduate certificate level, but all four will equip graduates with expert skills and knowledge to either work more effectively with Indigenous people or to be more productive in Indigenous research," he said.

The new courses will be open to all students. They are:

- Diploma of Indigenous Employment, a short course for people wanting to work in human resource management or



Dr Curtis Roman

to improve the career prospects for those who already do.

- Graduate Certificate in Indigenous Engagement (for people already working with Indigenous people) which emphasises productive and respectful ways to work with Indigenous people.

- Diploma of Indigenous Research, designed only for students who identify as Indigenous, to develop knowledge and skills in Western research processes. Indigenous people working as health workers, education workers, liaison officers, field officers, and in conservation and land management roles are ideal for this course and it will allow them to transition into the research area.

- Graduate Certificate in Indigenous Research Methodologies, which introduces students to issues in Indigenous research, to prepare for work in research in the NT or with Indigenous people.

From 2018 the School of Indigenous Knowledges and Public Policy will offer 18 courses in its undergraduate, postgraduate and research programs.

More information at www.cdu.edu.au

Sultan to play at Indigenous Gala



ARIA award-winner Dan Sultan will rock the stage to raise money and awareness for education at the Bond University

Indigenous Gala on November 3.

The event, started in 2010, has raised more than \$1.35 million towards Indigenous scholarships.

Bond University pro vice-chancellor Catherine O'Sullivan said this year's gala was proving popular.

"Along with performing his music, Dan Sultan will be sharing his inspiring journey and discussing what being an Indigenous Australian means to him," she said.

"Those who attend will also have the opportunity to make a difference to the lives of young Indigenous students by bidding on unique art items, while enjoying a gourmet meal and beverages."

As part of the celebrations, Bond is bringing together community leaders for a think tank on improving Indigenous access to higher education.

Ms O'Sullivan said the discussion would help build on strategies to support the best and brightest from rural and remote Indigenous communities to achieve a university degree.



Rocker Dan Sultan will perform at Bond University's Indigenous Gala on the Gold Coast.

"Those involved, who cross the spectrum of regional government, schools and communities, will travel from as far as the Torres Strait and Lockhart River to join the discussion and share their experiences and insights on how the current support systems can be improved," she said.

Gala tickets are \$230 a person or \$2300 for a table of 10, with event sponsorship available for \$4700. More details at www.bond.edu.au

Uniforms popular at Lajamanu



STUDENTS at Lajamanu School in the Northern Territory will complete the school year in new school uniforms that feature the four Warlpiri skin group colours, Dreaming stories and animal totem designs.

The idea for the new uniforms came from Aboriginal school staff, who then worked with Elders to ensure designs were culturally appropriate.

The designs are part of the Dreaming stories of each of the groups and all have incorporated the animal totem for that group.

The uniforms are in the skin group colours, which are also the school's house colours. The yellow design has an eagle, green the goanna, blue has an emu and the red group has a kangaroo.

NT Education Minister Eva Lawler said the new uniforms were a great example of schools and community working together.

Lajamanu School principal Juliette Coco said the process was "a real community effort".

"The new shirts look fantastic. The kids love them and they feel really proud," she said.

"They love wearing anything in their skin group colours and learn from a very early age about their skin group and the kinship system.

"The students can explain the



Lajamanu School students showing and wearing their new school uniforms featuring skin group colours.

relationships of their skin group and the relationships between the different groups as well as how they relate to each other."

Lajamanu students Shontelle and Kamus say they love their new uniforms and the stories they tell.

"Our shirts are in our skin group's colours which is really good. I'm Napaljarri which is yellow and we have our Dreaming story on our shirts and

mine is an eagle," Shontelle, 12, said.

Kamus, 14, said: "We recently got our new school shirts and I really like them.

"I wear green, which represents my skin group and my name is Japanangka.

"On the shirt I have my skin group's Dreaming story of the goanna.

"We look very good and we are proud of wearing them."

He's student of the year



A YEAR ago, Ethan Atkinson came close to giving up on school and education.

That's all changed for the Gold Coast teen, who has taken out the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year at the 2017 Queensland Training Awards.

It's been a big year for Ethan, who was also a finalist for the Queensland South East Region School-based Training and Apprenticeship Awards.

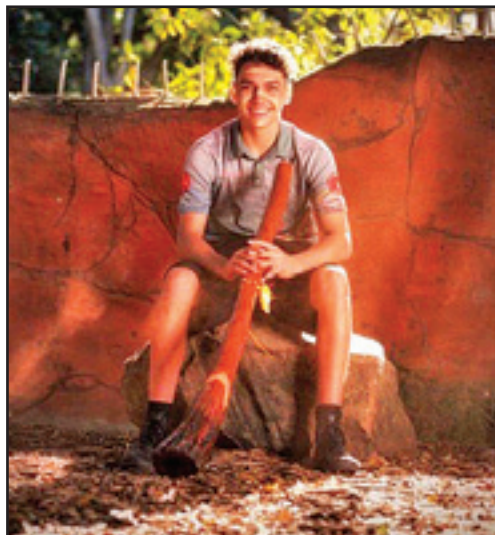
In both these awards he was the youngest nominee.

Ethan has just completed the Certificate III in Tourism, which he undertook through a school-based traineeship at Corroboree at Dreamworld Australia while still attending school at Upper Coomera State College.

During his traineeship Ethan was as an Indigenous interpretation officer, working on weekends and in school holidays.

He has become the first trainee to be placed in Corroboree after seeking a work experience role there and being offered to continue with a traineeship.

Ethan is proud that his success is paving the way for more Indigenous students to gain placements.



Queensland Indigenous student of the year Ethan Atkinson.



Ciana Cummings, from Murgon, and Samara Gibson, from Dalby, enjoy the Gumbi Gumbi Gardens during USQ's Indigenous Connections event in Toowoomba.

Students get connected at USQ event



MORE than 150 Indigenous high school students visited the University of Southern Queensland in Toowoomba for its latest Indigenous Connections day.

The event aims to inspire and excite students about the possibilities of university study.

Students from schools across western Queensland heard a motivational presentation from Indigenous doctor Derek Chong.

"I might be the first Indigenous psychiatrist in Queensland but that was laid down by my Elders before me," he told a packed auditorium.

"The hardships, the blood, the tears; what they went through enabled me to get an education. It enabled me to know it is possible.

"That is what I want you to take out of this. If I can do it, you can do it. And you can."

Indigenous Connections is designed as an opportunity for

high school students to interact with USQ students and staff, and show that the university is a place where they are supported and able to succeed.

The event included sessions on USQ study opportunities, pathways and hands-on cultural activities as well as stories from current students and Indigenous Elders.

For friends Ciana Cummings (Murgon State High School) and Samara Gibson (Dalby State High School), Indigenous Connections was their first time visiting the university campus.

"I have enjoyed walking around and learning about the university," Ciana said.

For Samara, it also opened up a world of different study options and careers requiring a university education.

"I am interested in going down a medical path and I have learnt about different courses," she said.

For more information about the program visit: www.usq.edu.au/indigenous-connections

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.

Until February 25: *Songlines: Tracking the Seven Sisters* exhibition at the National Museum of Australia. It showcases sections of five Indigenous Western and Central Desert songlines, utilising some 100 paintings and photographs, objects, song, dance and multimedia. More details at www.nma.gov.au

October 31-November 2: NACCHO annual general members meeting in Canberra. Details at naccho.org.au

Victoria

Until October 29: *Resolution: New Indigenous Photomedia* exhibition. Held at Shepparton Art Museum daily from 10am-4pm. Details: (03) 5832 9861 or visit www.sheppartonartmuseum.com.au/

November 19: Yothu Yindi and the Treaty Project Melbourne Show at the Croxton Band Room, with other events to follow. Full details at www.facebook.com/YothuYindiTreatyProject/

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. Held at Rekindling The Spirit, Lismore, Monday and Wednesday, 11am-2pm. Details: (02) 6622 5534.

Until October 22: *Boomalli Biennale* exhibition. Includes a diverse range of traditional and contemporary works from Aboriginal artists across NSW. Held at Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-op, 55-59 Flood Street, Leichhardt, Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm. Details: (02) 9560 2541 or visit www.boomalli.com.au

October 20: Entries close for the 26th annual Mil-Pra AECG Exhibition and Art Prize, held in western Sydney. More details at <http://www.casulapowerhouse.com/whats-on/>



Djakapurra Munyarryun, Elma Kris and Kaine Sultan-Babij are ready to tell stories.
Picture: Edward Mulvihill

Bangarra on track



BANGARRA Dance Theatre is back in Sydney next month with a triple bill of homegrown stories.

Ones Country – the spine of our stories opens at Carriageworks on November 24, continuing until December 2.

Co-presented by Carriageworks, the program brings together the choreographic talents of Bangarra dancers Elma Kris and Nicola Sabatino (*Whistler*), Kaine Sultan-Babij (*Place*) and Bangarra Foundation member and Yolngu songman Djakapurra Munyarryun (*Yalu*).

This will be Bangarra's second time at Carriageworks, after a season of *Ochres* there in 2015.

Artistic director Stephen Page said there were many stories to be unearthed from within Bangarra.

"It's incredible to see original, authentic Australian stories coming from the dancers; their stories, their heritage, their land inspire the stories we tell," he said.

"To see Djakapurra working in our studios again and passing on his knowledge to the next generation, it's a beautiful continuation of our songline and

shows how strong our connection to culture is."

Carriageworks director Lisa Havilah welcomed Bangarra back to the venue.

"Bangarra's relationships with Indigenous communities are the heart of their practice," she said. "Their repertoire is created on country, and stories gathered from community Elders.

"Located on Gadigal land, Carriageworks' Indigenous history and place is central to our artistic program and we are proud to welcome back our friends and partner with Bangarra."

Details at www.bangarra.com.au

October 30: Open Day celebration at the University of New England's Oorala Aboriginal Centre.

The event marks 30 years of educational programs in support of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students at the centre. Full details at www.une.edu.au/

October 31: NAACHO annual general meeting in Canberra. Details at naccho.org.au

November 2: Sydney Peace Prize presentation to the Black Lives Matter Global Network. Held at Sydney Town Hall. Costs to attend apply. More details at www.sydneypeacefoundation.org.au/

November 3: Official opening at 6pm of the *Boomalli Ten* exhibition at Boomalli Aboriginal Artists Co-op, 55-59 Flood Street, Leichhardt. It features works by Boomalli's 10 founding members. More details at www.boomalli.com.au

November 4: Trivia night fundraiser for Pink Bits, a Last Man Stands T20 cricket team from Casino, to play at the Australian championships. Held at St Mark's Hall, Barker Street, Casino from 7pm. Details on (02) 6667 1231.

November 4: Fundraising event for a bronze statue of early Indigenous rights campaigner William Ferguson. Held at The Australia House, Elizabeth Street, Sydney, from 6pm. Guest speakers are MP Linda Burney and long-time Aboriginal leader Sol Bellear. Tickets \$100. Details: (02) 6284 8229.

November 9: Opening of free exhibition *Gapu-Monuk Saltwater* at the Australian National Maritime Museum. It uses the historic collection of Yirrkala Bark Paintings of sea country to show how Yolngu people of north-east Arnhem Land fought for and won their case for sea rights. More information at www.anmm.gov.au/saltwater or call (02) 9298 3777.

November 24-December 2: *Ones Country*, a triple bill of stories from Bangarra Dance Theatre, at Carriageworks, Sydney. More details at www.bangarra.com.au

November 30-December 3: *Four Women (I do belong)* exhibition at the Lismore Regional Gallery, northern NSW. Curated by Djon Mundine, the exhibition is inspired by the 1966 Nina Simone song *Four Women*, which speaks of the perception of Black women and their inherent pain and strength. Details at www.artstate.com.au/artstate-arts-program/

Until November 15: JUTE Theatre Company's *Proppa Solid*, by Steven Oliver, in Cairns. Details: Peta Cooke on (07) 4050 9444 or email peta@jute.com.au

November 3: Bond University Indigenous Gala on the Gold Coast. Special guest is Dan Sultan. More details at www.bond.edu.au

November 5: Yugambah War Memorial Service at Jebbribilum Bora Ground from 8-9am. The service honours the contribution of Indigenous service personnel. More details on (07) 3807 6155.

Queensland

Ongoing: *The Albert Namatjira Story*, a new display featuring early works by watercolour artist Albert Namatjira. Held at Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, daily from 10am-5pm. Free. Details: (07) 3840 7303 or visit www.qagoma.qld.com.au

Western Australia

Until October 29: *Continuing Culture* exhibition at Artitja Fine Art gallery, South Fremantle. It features works by 37 artists from nine remote art centre communities across Australia. More details at www.artitja.com.au



Rangers to benefit



THE Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) has received \$1.68 million towards establishing a new environmental compliance unit to be rolled out over the next few years in the Torres Strait. It will mean more training and jobs in the region.

The unit will work with rangers and the community on compliance with the rules for preservation of natural resources in the Torres Strait, including fisheries and the broader environment.

The funding is part of a national strategy to support Indigenous rangers build their technical skills and capacity to take on opportunities offered in compliance and land and sea management work.

TSRA chairperson Pedro Stephen said the commitment aligns with the TSRA Board's vision in protecting the Torres Strait environment.

"The funding will support a dedicated compliance unit to provide skills training



Torres Strait ranger Stephen Foster monitors coral. Picture: Tristan Simpson

to rangers and accredited compliance and leadership in the region," he said.

"Working in partnership with other government agencies and Torres Strait communities, the unit will provide ongoing

support for better management of the region's natural resources, including fisheries.

"The unit will also provide career pathways for trained rangers."

Mr Stephen said the TSRA currently does not perform any formal compliance role in the region's natural resource management.

"This new unit means that we can now move towards playing a more formal role in improving compliance with the management arrangements in place for our region's resources," he said.

"This new team will also support compliance with voluntary, culturally based agreements, such as dugong and turtle management plans."

Mr Stephen said he supported initiatives that allow Torres Strait rangers to gain practical, hands-on training.

"Our rangers play a critical role in our region, and to strengthen their role in land and sea management is an important step forward," he said.

"They already do great work in our communities and this funding will open up new opportunities for work and to promote the role of Indigenous rangers in the management of land and sea country."

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Join our team



National Touring Selector Manager

Country Arts SA is seeking a Manager for the National Touring Selector (NTS). The NTS is a networking tool for the performing arts industry. The site brings together performing arts creators and presenters across Australia to generate engagement with audiences and communities through tours and performing arts seasons.

The successful candidate will enhance and diversify the interactions between producers and presenters through this unique digital platform.

Demonstrated skills in building strong and consultative relationships, platform management and improvement and meeting targets and deadlines are essential.

This 0.5 FTE position is for a fixed term contract of two years. As a guide the salary range is between \$75,000 to \$93,000 per annum based on a 1.0 FTE rate depending on skills and experience and will be paid pro rata for the hours worked. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Ideally the position will be based in Country Arts SA's Port Adelaide offices but it may be located anywhere in Australia which has access to reliable high speed internet and mobile phone reception.

For a detailed position description and selection criteria please visit www.countryarts.org.au or contact Country Arts SA on (08) 8444 0400 or email@countryarts.org.au

Country Arts SA will consider combining this role into a full time position for any applicant that also meets the requirements of the role of 2018 Producer.

Applications must be submitted by 5pm, **Friday 20 October** to:

Mr Anthony Peluso, A/Chief Executive Officer, Country Arts SA
2 McLaren Parade, Port Adelaide SA 5015
or email@countryarts.org.au



Senior Project Officer, Aboriginal Employment



The Senior Project Officer, Aboriginal Employment, will develop a placed based action plan to increase Aboriginal employment in North Division in alignment with the Departmental Aboriginal Employment Strategy. They will also influence the development of the North Division Aboriginal Cultural Capability Framework in partnership with key stakeholders.

Are you

- An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person with skills and experience building workforce capacity?
- Passionate about improving outcomes for Aboriginal people & communities?
- Action-oriented, keen on getting the job done?
- Flexible, open to new ideas and different ways of doing things?

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit: www.careers.vic.gov.au

Contact for further information: **Mette Jorgensen Ph: 9412 5409**

Job Reference number: **DHHS/NND/516924**

Applications close: **Wednesday, 1st November 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 process.

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au

The department is committed to the safety of its clients. The department takes a zero tolerance approach to abuse, including child abuse and abuse of people with disability. Departmental employees are required to comply with all legal requirements including the Child Safe Standards to keep children safe from harm and abuse.



We at Curiyo are looking for people who strive for excellence to join our team.

We are an Indigenous professional services firm based in Canberra and working across Australia. We have several positions available, if you are looking for a new position in a dynamic and high quality business we would love to hear from you. We are looking for self-motivated, experienced and dedicated people to be a part of our team where we provide a culturally safe, fast paced working environment. We are committed to building capability through our two-way learning philosophy and providing high level leadership.

The roles we have available include:

Principal Consultant – Canberra based
Aboriginal Consultants – Aboriginal Family Group Conference Facilitator & Aboriginal Carer Assessor (Several casual positions across Canberra and NSW)

Office Administration - Canberra based
Audio Typist/Document Quality (Casual position)

We strongly encourage Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to apply.

Please contact Belinda Kendall on Belinda.Kendall@curijo.com.au or 02 62854802 for further details or visit our website www.curijo.com.au

Closing date: COB Friday 24th November



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

(Re-advertised position)

SNAICC – National Voice for our Children, the national non-government peak body for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, is looking for a new Chief Executive Officer to play a key role in building the future for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

The successful candidate will be a skilled and persuasive communicator; a strong and strategic leader; a flexible and innovative thinker; an experienced and capable manager; and able to connect to our communities with clarity and commitment.

This position provides the opportunity to drive development and implementation of SNAICC's strategic plan to achieve our vision for an Australian society in which our communities are empowered to determine their own future; where the rights of our children, young people and families are protected; our cultural identity and achievements are valued; and children and families have access to culturally appropriate services.

This is an Indigenous Identified role only open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Interested applicants are invited to contact Peter Lewis at 03 9489 8099 to discuss the role.

Applications are required by **31 October** and can be submitted by email to the Chairperson Sharron Williams at sharron.williams@afss.com.au



We're hiring for NDIS – Outstanding opportunity to take a key role in the implementation of the National Disability Insurance Scheme

The Brotherhood of St Laurence drives change that promotes a compassionate and fair society where everyone has a sense of belonging. The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), administering the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) roll-out is partnering with the Brotherhood of St Laurence to deliver services in North East Melbourne Area, Hume Moreland Area and Bayside Peninsula Area.

The ECEI approach supports children aged 0-6 years who have a developmental delay or disability and their families/carers. The ECEI approach supports families to help children develop the skills they need to take part in daily activities and achieve the best possible outcomes throughout their life. The ECEI team is a team of experienced early intervention specialists who are responsible for delivering the range of ECEI functions including assessment, planning and interventions in line with the NDIA guidelines and Early Childhood Intervention Australia (ECIA) best practice.

Senior Manager ECEI

- Lead a team using the early childhood early intervention approach
- Ongoing positions available in Hume Moreland, North East Melbourne Area and Bayside Peninsula
- \$100,000 - \$110,000 per annum plus superannuation
- Allowance in lieu of a vehicle
- Attractive salary packaging options available

The Senior Manager ECEI is responsible for the implementation and management of the NDIS ECEI approach in their contracted area of responsibility. This position is responsible for ensuring that:

- monitoring, reporting and ensuring contractual and organizational KPIs (including client satisfaction) processes are implemented and continuously improved so that services are delivered to the required quality standard; and
- the workforce is built and developed as a focused and highly effective team.

The Senior Manager ECEI will lead a team of specialists who will assess children, provide short team interventions and develop plans for those eligible for the NDIS. This position is also responsible for building stakeholder and partner relationships within the region, to ensure that a high quality and consistent service is provided to children and their families.

Senior ECEI Coordinator

- Lead a team using the early childhood early intervention approach
- Ongoing positions available in Hume Moreland, North East Melbourne Area and Bayside Peninsula
- \$80,000 - \$85,000 per annum plus superannuation
- Allowance in lieu of a vehicle
- Attractive salary packaging options available

The Senior ECEI Coordinator is responsible for the delivery and implementation of the NDIS ECEI approach in their contracted area. This position will lead a small specialist team as well as deliver family centered information, assessment, planning and support services in line with the NDIS ECEI approach.

The Senior ECEI Coordinator will be a specialist in allied health or early childhood education with expertise and experience in leadership, early childhood development and disability. This role will mentor others in providing services in line with best practice guidelines.

This is an outstanding opportunity at the centre of some of the biggest changes in the disability sector in Australia's history. People with a lived experience of disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Apply for these positions via the SACS website at:
<https://jobboard.sacsconsult.com.au/recruit/Portal.na>

For further information or a confidential discussion call 03 8622 8500 and one of the friendly SACS members will be happy to help.

ECEI Coordinator

- Be part of the early childhood early intervention approach
- Ongoing positions available in Hume Moreland and Bayside Peninsula area
- \$70,000 - \$75,000 per annum plus superannuation
- Allowance in lieu of a vehicle
- Attractive salary packaging options available

The ECEI Coordinator is responsible for the delivery of the NDIS ECEI approach in the North East Melbourne, Hume Moreland or Bayside Peninsula area. This position will form part of a small team of specialists delivering office, phone and community based family centered information, assessment, planning and support services in line with the NDIS ECEI approach.

ECEI Coordinators will be specialists in allied health or early childhood educators with expertise and experience in early childhood development and disability.

Intake and Linkages Coordinator

- Be part of the early childhood early intervention approach
- Ongoing positions available in Hume Moreland and Bayside Peninsula area
- \$55,000 - \$65,000 per annum plus superannuation
- Attractive salary packaging options available

The Intake and Linkages Coordinator will form part of a early intervention team delivering office, phone and community based family centred information and support services in line with the NDIS ECEI approach.

The Intake and Linkages Coordinator will assist families of children aged 0-6 years, who have developmental concerns to connect with supports and peer networks that facilitate living an ordinary life. This includes:

- being the first point of contact for families within the ECEI team
- gathering initial child and family information
- providing linkages to universal services in a family's local community
- providing basic entry screening
- scheduling appointments for further ECEI assessment supports
- data entry and reporting to meet NDIA requirements.



Associate Head of Campus

Mount Isa Flexible Learning Centre has an exciting new opportunity available. The successful applicant will be responsible for the development and maintenance of the wellbeing and social inclusion responses for the school including school retention and engagement.

Apply for this Job Now – Employment Opportunities at www.youthplus.edu.au

Commencement January 2018 or sooner by negotiation

Applications Close Friday 3 November 2017.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people encouraged to apply.

Our organization support the rights of children and young people and is committed to a safe and supportive environment directed at ensuring their safety and wellbeing.

Mount Isa Flexible Learning Centre is a school in the Edmund Rice Tradition.

Taree Indigenous Development and Employment (TIDE) Ltd INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICE (ICSS) 2 Positions:



Coordinator/Support Worker - Taree (24-34 hours p.w): position includes management, coordination and promotion of ICSS in Greater Taree and Port Macquarie/Wauchope. The position also includes client intake and Case Management in collaboration with other community service providers.

Support Worker - Port Macquarie/Wauchope (15-24 hours p.w): responsible for comprehensive client intake and Case Management support in partnership with relevant other Indigenous and mainstream community services.

Successful applicants must have an understanding of issues facing Aboriginal people and their communities, excellent literacy and communication skills (including computer literacy), relevant experience and/or qualifications. A current drivers licence and own vehicle are essential to the position.

The ICSS is a government funded program focused on the safety and wellbeing of Indigenous communities.

Aboriginal people are strongly encouraged to apply.

To apply, please contact Eva on mob: 0400548851 or email: enelson@tide.org.au for Employment Package including selection criteria.

Applications close 5pm, Wednesday 25 October 2017.



We're hiring for NDIS – Outstanding opportunity to take a key role in the implementation of the National Disability Insurance Scheme

The Brotherhood of St Laurence drives change that promotes a compassionate and fair society where everyone has a sense of belonging. The National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA), administering the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) roll-out is partnering with the Brotherhood of St Laurence to deliver services in North East Melbourne Area, Hume Moreland Area and Bayside Peninsula Area.

Key management roles in delivering disability services in your local community

Area Manager LAC

- Lead a team empowering people with disability
- Ongoing position based across North East Melbourne Area (NEMA) & Hume Moreland (HMA)
- \$115,000 - \$125,000 per annum plus superannuation
- Allowance in lieu of a vehicle
- Attractive salary packaging options available

The Area manager is responsible for the oversight and delivery of NDIS Local Area Coordination services in a contracted area. This position is responsible for ensuring that:

- contractual and organizational KPIs are met (including client satisfaction)
- high levels of customer service are provided and resolving any issues that arise
- processes are implemented and continuously improved so that services are delivered to the required quality standard; and
- building and leading a team of highly effective senior managers and coordinators to deliver services to participants.

The Area Manager is also responsible for overseeing the development and strengthening of community, business and disability sector relationships and will contribute to the development of the Brotherhood's understanding of and approach to ensuring that people with disability are included at all levels in the Australian society.

LAC is pivotal in the NDIS which provides planning coordination and capacity building support for people with disability to maximise their choice and control over the services they receive. This also supports people with disability to access mainstream services and to increase our community's capacity to be accessible to people with disability.

Senior Local Area Coordinator

- Help empower people with disability
- Ongoing positions available in Hume Moreland and Bayside Peninsula
- \$79,170 - \$83,230 per annum plus superannuation
- Allowance in lieu of a vehicle
- Attractive salary packaging options available

Senior Local Area Coordinators work to assist people with disability to advocate, plan, organise and access the support and services needed to live an ordinary life. This includes assessing each person's eligibility for NDIS and (where eligible) helping to establish an NDIS plan with reasonable and necessary supports. Senior Local Area Coordinators also build community capacity and assist people with disability to access mainstream services regardless of NDIS eligibility.

As team leaders and expert advisors, Senior LACs act as subject matter experts in one or more areas of disability. Senior LACs mentor the LACs on best practice and developments to deliver high quality service.

Local Area Coordinator

- Help empower people with disability
- Ongoing positions available in Hume Moreland and Bayside Peninsula
- \$65,975 - \$73,080 per annum plus superannuation
- Attractive salary packaging options available

Local Area Coordinators assist people with disability to advocate, plan, organise and access the support and services needed to live an ordinary life. This includes assessing each person's eligibility for the NDIS and (where eligible) helping to establish a NDIS plan with reasonable and necessary

Senior Manager LAC

- Lead a team empowering people with disability
- Ongoing positions available located in Banyule/Nilumbik, Whittlesea, Hume Moreland and Bayside Peninsula
- \$103,000 - \$113,500 per annum plus superannuation
- Allowance in lieu of a vehicle
- Attractive salary packaging options available

The Senior Manager LAC oversees the delivery of NDIS Local Area Coordination services in one or more local government areas. This position will support the Area Manager in ensuring contractual and organizational KPIs are met (including client satisfaction), processes are implemented and continuously improved so that services are delivered to the required quality standard and that the LAC workforce is built and developed as a focused and highly effective team.

The Senior Manager LAC contributes to strengthening community, business and disability sector relationships and will contribute to the development of the Brotherhood's understanding of and approach to ensuring that people with disability are including at all levels in an Australian society.

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Linkage Coordinator

- Help empower people with disability
- Ongoing positions available, located in Hume, Moreland and Bayside Peninsula
- \$56,840 - \$62,930 per annum plus superannuation
- Attractive salary packaging options available

Linkage Coordinators assist people with disability to connect with supports and peer networks that facilitate living an ordinary life. This includes pre-planning support and implementation of NDIS plans to receive reasonable and necessary supports. Linkage Coordinators build community capacity and assist people with disability to access mainstream services regardless of NDIS eligibility.

Linkage Coordinators work in communities to strengthen the capacity of people with disability, their families and/or carers to develop their network connections and build their leadership skills and resources. Key Activities will include: development, delivery and facilitation of workshops, development and maintenance of peer support groups and networks, individual and community capacity building training and resource development.

Linkage Coordinators will also showcase good practice and build relationships with community, mainstream services and stakeholders working with people with disability. This position will assist in identifying where new local resources are required or where existing resources could be better distributed through facilitated networks and feedback.



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INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGNER (LEARNING DESIGNER)

- VPSG4 range \$79,955 – \$90,716 p.a. + super + leave loading
- One (1) x full time ongoing position available
- Working within the Centre of Family Violence, People Development Command at Victoria Police Academy View Mount Road Glen Waverley*

Work in a team to support the goals of the Centre of Family Violence (CFV). With external academic governance, the key objective of the CFV is to improve family violence education at all levels across Victoria Police by designing, developing and delivering relevant training, and building the capability and requisite skills of staff, including frontline police and those working in specialist roles.

The Instructional Designer (Learning Designer) will contribute to the design and development of learning materials including face-to-face, online and blended learning programs and other learning resources.

If you have demonstrated experience in translating learning briefs and key learning objectives into effective and engaging learning products that meet the needs of the target audience as well as organisational requirements and standards we encourage you to submit your application.

This is an Aboriginal Designated Position, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010*. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

If you would like to discuss the role further, please contact Sofia on (03) 9566 3884 or via email PDC-CENTRE-FOR-FAMILY-VIOLENCE---GENERAL-MGR@police.vic.gov.au

For further details including how to apply for this role please visit:

<https://jobs.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs/VG-20033415B>

Closing date for applications is midnight, Sunday 12 November 2017.

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Senior Aboriginal Advisor

Web Search No: PC005117

Location: Perth CBD

Level/Salary: Level 6, \$98,966 to \$109,590 p.a. PSGOGA

The Senior Aboriginal Advisor is a member of an Aboriginal Advisory team that has a critical role to provide expert advice and support to staff undertaking the Office's functions, to ensure that they continue to be undertaken and promoted with appropriate sensitivity and in a culturally appropriate way.

It is an important role that:

- Provides advice, assistance and support for staff undertaking the functions of the Ombudsman regarding the impact on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
- Raises awareness of, and accessibility to, the Ombudsman's roles and services to Aboriginal communities and supports cross cultural communication between Ombudsman staff and Aboriginal people.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position under Section 50(d) of the *Equal Opportunity Act 1984*.

Visit: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: (08) 9220 7509 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Job Related Information: Please contact Alison Gibson on Ph: (08) 9220 7547.

Closing Date: Monday 30 October 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

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Join our team



2018 Producer

Are you passionate about delivering great arts and cultural experiences with regional communities? Then you could be our new 2018 Producer.

2018 marks Country Arts SA's 25th year with a program of unique regional South Australian experiences and deep engagement with communities.

This role will deliver the performing arts program with other staff across the organisation and be responsible for projects that showcase artists connected to regional South Australia, including a commemorative publication.

Demonstrated skills in building strong and consultative relationships, experience in delivering arts and cultural outcomes, and knowledge of the publishing sector are essential.

This 0.5 FTE position is for a fixed term contract until December 2018. As a guide the salary range is between \$75,000 to \$84,000 per annum based on a 1.0 FTE rate depending on skills and experience and will be paid pro rata for the hours worked. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For a detailed position description and selection criteria please visit www.countryarts.org.au or contact Country Arts SA on (08) 8444 0400 or email adcorp@countryarts.org.au

Country Arts SA will consider combining this role into a full time position for any applicant that also meets the requirements of the role of National Touring Selector Manager.

Applications must be submitted by 5pm, **Friday 20 October** to:

Mr Anthony Peluso, A/Chief Executive Officer, Country Arts SA
2 McLaren Parade, Port Adelaide SA 5015
or email adcorp@countryarts.org.au



Ombudsman
Western Australia

Aboriginal Enquiry and Investigating Officer

Web Search No: PC005086

Location: Perth CBD

Level/Salary: Level 4, \$76,542 to \$80,797 p.a. PSGOGA

The Aboriginal Enquiry and Investigating Officer is part of the Complaint Resolution team that is responsible for taking enquiries and assessing complaints received from members of the public about the decision making and practices of public authorities. The position also investigates complaints that may be able to be resolved quickly and verbal complaints to the Energy and Water Ombudsman. It is an important role that:

- Receives, assesses and responds to enquiries.
- Investigates complaints about actions of service providers/agencies within the Ombudsman's jurisdiction that may be able to be resolved quickly and verbal complaints to the Energy and Water Ombudsman.
- As a member of a team, undertakes community and agency liaison and participates in projects that raise awareness of, and accessibility to, the Ombudsman's roles and services to Aboriginal communities and supports cross cultural communication between Ombudsman staff and Aboriginal people.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational requirement of this position under Section 50(d) of the *Equal Opportunity Act 1984*.

Visit: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information or Ph: (08) 9220 7509 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Job Related Information: Please contact Christina Anthony on Ph: (08) 9220 7466.

Closing Date: Monday 30 October 2017 at 5:00pm (WST)

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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 all our customers, supporting and empowering 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

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
Programs Advisor, Debbie Frail on:
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Housing

Housing & Property Services Officer Pool

Web Search No: HOU6317

Level/Salary: Level 3 \$67,896 - \$73,717pa PSGOGA + Super

As a Housing & Property Services Officer you will manage, control and monitor a designated number of Housing Service Delivery tenancies and properties to ensure tenants are supported, payment of rent is sustained and properties are cared for and maintained.

To Access Detailed Information: Visit jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. HOU6317 or Ph: Venessa Toreresi on 08 9093 5202 to be mailed an information pack.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Candice Evans on 08 9168 9352.

Special Notice: Out-of-town travel to remote or off-road areas by light aircraft may be required

Location: Halls Creek

Closing Date: Sunday, 29 October 2017 at 9.00pm.



Join a workforce that values diversity

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An exciting opportunity is available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to join the NSW public sector under the Aboriginal Employment and Development Program.

We are looking for enthusiastic, well organised, committed individuals with strong communication skills who are keen to develop their skills and knowledge while serving the people of NSW.

As part of the program you will undertake a Diploma of Leadership and Management qualification whilst having the opportunity to develop on-the-job skills.

For more information please visit our webpage www.psc.nsw.gov.au/AEDP and join us at one of our telephone information sessions on:

- Thursday 19th October - 12-1pm
- Thursday 26th October - 5-6pm

To join the session please call Toll Free: 1800 420 147 and enter the pin 81020271 #

Applications will be
accepted online until
**11:59pm Sunday 29
October 2017.**

Contact the Aboriginal Workforce
Development Team via
aedp@psc.nsw.gov.au or **02 6339 5924.**

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Partnership and Engagement Officer

Wyndham Aboriginal Community Centre and
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Temporary Part Time (3 days per week)

Duration: ASAP - 31 March 2018

\$84,234 pa (pro rata) plus superannuation

Enquiries: Eilis Hughes, Coordinator Community
Infrastructure on (03) 9734 5400

Applications close: Sunday 22 October 2017

For the full advertisement and a copy of the Position
Description, please visit our website.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au



Government of
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Department of Communities

Housing

Customer Service Officer Pool

Web Search No: HOU6217

Level/Salary: Level 2, \$59,172 - \$64,256 pa PSGOGA + Super

As a Customer Service Officer you will work as part of a team to deliver a first class customer service which aims to ensure that all Western Australians have access to affordable and secure housing.

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For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Candice Evans on 08 9168 9352.

This recruitment process may be used to fill similar vacancies across all Department of Communities divisions.

Location: Halls Creek

Closing Date: Sunday, 29 October 2017 at 9.00pm.



Formed from the amalgamation of Ashfield, Leichhardt and Marrickville Councils, Inner West Council is now among Sydney's larger local government agencies looking after a vibrant community of 185,000 people living in some of the inner city's most vibrant, creative, liveable and diverse suburbs. As we continue to deliver quality, innovative and inclusive programs and services, we would love it if you can join in our journey towards becoming the best council for our community.

COORDINATOR, EASTERN REGION LOCAL GOVERNMENT ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER FORUM

- Temporary up to 2 years
- 10 - 15 hours per week with increased hours around major events
- \$30.22 p/hr + super

We are currently seeking an energetic and organised individual to work with six Councils and Aboriginal people across the region. The forum is advancing reconciliation, community and cultural development, advocacy, engagement and education. The Coordinator will produce the annual Pauline McLeod Awards for Reconciliation, working with communities and schools. The Coordinator will also be the secretariat for the bimonthly Forum meetings and deliver agreed projects.

Requirements include:

- Aboriginality - this position is designated as a specific Aboriginal position under section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977
- Higher School Certificate qualification or similar.
- Administrative experience with demonstrated attention to detail and accuracy.
- Strong communication skills and the ability to engage with diverse people.
- Strong organisational skills, including meetings and event organisation.
- Skills in the planning and delivery of community development projects and programs.
- Ability to work in a team capacity as well as work independently.
- Demonstrated initiative and problem solving skills.
- High level of computer skills with MS Word and Outlook.
- An understanding of EEO, WH&S and sustainability principles and their application in the workplace.
- To demonstrate an awareness and maintain a high standard of quality customer service to which Inner West Council is committed; providing accurate information in a prompt and courteous manner.

How to Apply: Applications must be submitted through our online application process by visiting our website www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/council/jobs

Specific Enquiries: Joe Banno, A/Team Leader, Community Planning and Development on (02) 9392 5216

Closing Date: Sunday 29 October 2017



SNAICC Senior Research Project Coordinator

(Identified position)

Full time, 12 month position.

Flexibly based with preference for SNAICC office in North Fitzroy, Melbourne

Salary range \$84,000 to \$88,000 plus super and salary packaging

Are you passionate about improving outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and love research?

SNAICC, the national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peak body for children is seeking an experienced and tertiary qualified senior researcher/project manager to manage an exciting and innovative research project to develop a draft Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander defined outcomes and reporting framework for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people in partnership with the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY).

The SNAICC Senior Research Project Coordinator will undertake research and consultation and provide high-level evidence informed policy analysis relating to the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

The Coordinator will draw on consultation and research-based evidence to develop high quality Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community informed frameworks for child safety, health and wellbeing outcomes.

This challenging role will involve

- designing a culturally-informed outcomes framework based on the needs, rights and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- working on the cutting edge of cross-cultural research
- extensive engagement with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders, peak organisations, and community representatives,
- facilitating the input of an expert original and Torres Strait Islander reference group

This opportunity is ideal for an exceptional individual with demonstrated experience in policy and research, an in depth understanding of issues impacting upon Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families, and strong commitment to the rights, needs and aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and families.

Visit our website www.snaicc.org.au/about/employment/ for the position description and how to apply. Initial inquiries to katherine.hinton@snaicc.org.au

Applications close: Sunday 5 November 2017.

This is an Indigenous Identified role only open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth), and s12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic).

Finance & Administration Officer

Liverpool, NSW

- * **Exciting role within a vital organisation!**
- * **Fantastic opportunity to kick-start your Finance career!**
- * **\$45,000 - \$55,000 + super & salary sacrificing!**



Gandagara Local Aboriginal Land Council now has an opportunity for a **Finance & Administration Officer** to join their team on a full-time basis. This role is responsible for **providing high-quality administrative and financial support for the Council and its associated entities**. This is an amazing opportunity to join a tight-knit and long-serving team who are driven to make a real difference in the lives of the local Aboriginal community. In addition, you will **enjoy an attractive remuneration package circa \$45,000 - \$55,000** (negotiable with skills and experience) **plus super and salary sacrificing options**.



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Careers In Child Protection

CHILD AND YOUTH WORKER (POOL)

DEPARTMENT FOR CHILD PROTECTION

ADELAIDE METRO & REGIONAL LOCATIONS
(Mt Gambier & Whyalla)

ONGOING, TEMPORARY/TERM AND CASUAL ROLES

VAC NO: 2017-22702

\$59,181 - \$63,368 p.a. (OPS3)

As a Child and Youth Worker within DCP, you will be accountable to the Supervisor / Senior Child and Youth Worker for developing the social and living skills of children and young people in residential care to facilitate their effective transition into the community and reunification or reconnection with their families.

There are multiple roles available; ongoing, temporary/term and casual in various metro locations (north, south and central).

Information sessions will be held on 17 October 2017 at 7pm, 18 October 2017 at 2pm & 6.30pm and 19 October 2017 at 10am & 2pm. Please refer to website below for details and role description.

People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are encouraged to apply.

For further information about the role and to submit your application please visit: www.childprotection.sa.gov.au/work-with-us

Enquiries to: Human Resources, (08) 8226 2959, email DCPRecruitment@sa.gov.au

Applications for this process close 11pm 24 October 2017

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Government of South Australia
Department for Child Protection



ALS

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited

People Employment & Workforce Manager

(Identified Position)

For over 45 years, Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited (ALS) has been providing professional and culturally appropriate legal services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men, women and children in NSW and ACT. Presently, we are an established Aboriginal controlled community organisation with 24 offices and 185 staff working in urban, regional and remote NSW and ACT, towards improving justice outcomes for Aboriginal people in and outside the courtroom.

The ALS is now seeking to recruit for the position of People Employment & Workforce Manager to provide these services across the organisation, with a focus on customer service to a decentralised workforce that fosters culture, adaptive and innovative workforce practices, recognises excellence and allows people to reach their full potential.

The Manager is responsible for resolving people employment & workplace matters supporting long-term workforce planning and people development and capacity building. The Manager also works collaboratively to provide all key people employment & workplace related services. This is a hands-on role, with responsibility for delivering the full-range of People Employment & Workforce functions including: employment, recruitment, employee lifecycle, salaries and remuneration policies, "on-boarding" and induction, workforce conditions of employment.

High quality candidates will have a comprehensive knowledge of contemporary people employment, human resource and workplace management and industrial relations practices combined with relevant tertiary qualifications in People Employment & Workplace and Human Resources related discipline and/or extensive experience. They will also need to possess in-depth knowledge and proven capacity to consult on Industrial Relations and Enterprise Bargaining (EB) matters including EB development, interpretation and negotiation.

An attractive remuneration, benefits and salary packaging options will be offered.

All enquiries about the position and applications to Felix Orcullo (Acting Chief Operating Officer) on 0409 775 220 or felix.orcullo@alsnswact.org.au. Information about ALS is available on www.alsnswact.org.au.

Application closing date midnight - 27th October 2017

This role is an Aboriginal identified position as authorised by s14d of the Antidiscrimination Act 1977.

Lecturer/Senior Lecturer – Medical Education in Indigenous Health

Melbourne Medical School, Department of Medical Education

Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply as this position is exempt under the Special Measure Provision, Section 12 (1) of the Equal Opportunity Act 2011 (Vic).

This is a unique opportunity for an experienced Indigenous Health educator to lead the further development and delivery of Melbourne Medical School's Indigenous Health curriculum within the Melbourne Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree. This is an exciting role for a person with a strong record in Indigenous Health teaching and curriculum development, and experience in healthcare. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

The Lecturer or Senior Lecturer - Medical Education in Indigenous Health will have the specific task of working with the Department of Medical Education (DME) in the Melbourne Medical School (MMS) to further develop and implement the School's Indigenous health curriculum in the Melbourne Doctor of Medicine (MD). In this position, you will liaise with academic and professional staff in the DME and associated clinical schools of the Melbourne Medical School, and other key stakeholders in the area of Indigenous health to promote and facilitate the implementation of an effective, coordinated and integrated program of Indigenous health in the MD. You will also form a close network with staff of the School of Population and Global Health and other Schools and Centres in the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences. The Faculty and the Melbourne Medical School are committed to actively implementing the Reconciliation Action Plan and this position would be expected to contribute to these aims. http://murupbarak.unimelb.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/2066837/RAP-FINAL.pdf

This is a part-time (0.5 FTE - negotiable) continuing position offering 17% superannuation plus many other University benefits.

Salary: \$98,775-\$117,290 (Level B) or \$120,993-\$139,510 (Level C) p.a. (pro-rata) plus 17% superannuation

Job No: 0031819

For position information and to apply online go to <http://about.unimelb.edu.au/careers>, and under the relevant option ('Current Staff' or 'Prospective Staff') search by the job title or number.

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Family & Community Services

Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker

NSW Family and Community Services aims to transform the lives of vulnerable children by recruiting and developing outstanding individuals to be leaders in child protection practice.

As an Aboriginal Child Protection Caseworker you will be working with vulnerable children and young people who are at risk of abuse and neglect, 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

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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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BOURKE SHIRE COUNCIL

SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER

BOURKE ABORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT PROSPERITY STRATEGY
POSITION NUMBER: 17/09:01

Bourke Aboriginal Employment Prosperity Strategy is aimed at maximising local employment opportunities within Bourke Shire and is supported by the New South Wales State Government.

We are looking for a person with the skills and experience to further develop and implement the Aboriginal Employment Prosperity Strategy to capitalize on the employment opportunities with the Shire which will be enhanced by the opening of a large abattoir complex in early 2018

This newly created role will coordinate the delivery of a wide range of employment and stakeholder engagement services within the Shire area and surrounding district.

The successful candidate will have a proven record in managing employment services and community engagement; have outstanding and relevant management experience; will be a team player and possess outstanding interpersonal skills.

The successful applicant will be rewarded by joining a dynamic team and vibrant community and will experience a friendly and relaxed outback lifestyle.

The position is Grade 7 with Council's Salary Structure with a salary range of \$95,934.00- to \$115,121.00 pa. plus compulsory superannuation. A Motor vehicle will be provided for official use and may be available for private use in accordance with Council's Motor Vehicle Policy.

Funding for the position is for a period of two (2) years and a two (2) year contract is offered

An information package for this position can be obtained by contacting Leanne Davis, Human Resource Officer on 02 6830 8000 and by e-mailing ldavis@bourke.nsw.gov.au or by visiting Council's website at www.bourke.nsw.gov.au.

The General Manager will be available to discuss the position and provide additional information if required.

Applicants must address all the selection criteria as detailed in the position description.

Applications addressed to the General Manager, marked "Confidential" will be received by Council up to 4:00 pm Monday 11th November 2017 and can be emailed to ldavis@bourke.nsw.gov.au

This is an identified Aboriginal position in accordance with the provisions of Section 14a of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent; have demonstrated knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal cultures; demonstrated experience in engaging and advising on Aboriginal matters and have demonstrated success in establishing links with Aboriginal communities.

Ross Earl
GENERAL MANAGER

PO Box 21
BOURKE NSW 2840



Policy Officer

An exciting opportunity exists for a talented and passionate individual to join the Human Services Branch as a Policy Officer.

The core duties of the roles include providing high quality policy advice and analysis to the Premier, the Secretary, DPC executives and other senior officers across a range of issues within the Branch.

The role requires a proactive self-starter with good understanding of government processes and an ability to work in a complex, sensitive and fast paced environment.

The successful candidate will demonstrate strong policy, analytical and communication skills coupled with an ability to influence stakeholders and work effectively in a team environment. Experience in social policy is an advantage, but not essential.

The closing date for this position is **midnight Tuesday 24 October 2017.**

This position is only open to applicants with relevant rights to work in Australia.

Application Process:

Apply before the advertised closing date via <https://jobs.careers.vic.gov.au/jobs/VG-1301044>

Please ensure you follow the application process as outlined in the Position Description

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A growing and dynamic health service committed to the world's best practice, respect for Aboriginal cultures and a passion to make a difference to the wellbeing of Aboriginal people

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

***Total Salary \$110,896**

Full Time / Fixed Term / 1 position

The Clinical Psychologist is responsible for the provision of high quality mental health and social and emotional wellbeing services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. These services may include clinical evidence based counselling, brief psychological interventions, case management, trauma informed practice and coordination of care/aftercare.

Applications Close: 13 November 2017

We offer:

- Attractive salary with salary packaging benefits
- Six weeks annual leave
- Flexible hours
- Training and development

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply

This is a re-advertised position, previous applicants need not re-apply

*Total salary includes leave loading, and superannuation

Danila Dilba Health Service is an Aboriginal community controlled organisation that provides comprehensive, high-quality primary health care and community services to Biluru (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) people in Yilli Rreung (greater Darwin) region.

Apply online @ daniladilba.org.au



Legal Secretary /Administration Officers

**Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Identified positions
Parramatta**

- \$45,000-\$52,000 + 10% superannuation.
- Charity status means less personal tax.
- 4 weeks annual leave + leave loading.
- Paid Christmas closure.
- Work with your MOB. Work for your MOB.
- Near Westfield & Parramatta Railway.
- Modern office. Walk to park.

Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited is seeking enthusiastic and motivated Aboriginal Legal Secretaries /Administration Officers to be part of Care and Protection/Family Law Practice .

Responsibilities include dictaphone typing of reports, reception, photocopying, preparing and filing of documents, and general clerical duties. We are seeking applicants with previous administration and/or legal experience, excellent computer skills, be able to cope with high volume workload and exceptional communication skills.

The application information can be found at www.alsnswact.org.au/getinvolved/jobs or call/email Ms Brittany Tilden at 88363444 brittany.tilden@alsnswact.org.au

Applications for this position close on midnight 27 October 2017.

This is an Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander identified position which is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorized under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.



SA WATER VACANCIES

For more information and to apply for vacancies with SA Water, please visit www.sawater.com.au and follow the 'careers' link.

Diversity is a key to our success - We welcome applications from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people from diverse backgrounds and those seeking flexible work options.



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program National Manager (Indigenous Identified)

- An excellent opportunity to join one of Australia's leading international not for profits
- Permanent, 35 hours per week
- Melbourne based
- Flexible and supportive workplace

The Role

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program plays a central role in planning, managing and delivering programs and developing strong partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Having worked for more than 30 years to support self-determination, Oxfam Australia is seeking a committed leader to lead the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' Program's team in strategy development, program funding, awareness raising and to develop and maintain relationships with a wide range of internal and external stakeholders.

We can offer you

A base salary of \$107,720 plus superannuation and access to generous NFP tax concessions (specifically, a salary packaging scheme offering up to \$18,450 of your salary tax free)

How to apply

Please follow this link <https://www.oxfam.org.au/jobs/job/aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-peoples-program-national-manager/> to Oxfam Australia vacancies webpage.

This is an Indigenous Identified role only open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth), and s 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic).



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Intelligence Assessment Analyst

- APS Level 4
- \$65,133 - \$71,109 (plus super)
- Russell, ACT

The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a 'special measure' under section 8(1) of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975*. This employment opportunity is only available to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to support Defence achievement of the Council of Australian Governments' target for 3 percent representation by 2018. As per the eligibility requirements outlined in this information pack, proof of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage is required from all applicants.

If you are looking for a career where your work has a profound impact on upholding our nation's security, you have come to the right place. The Defence Intelligence Organisation (DIO) provides intelligence advice to the Australian Defence Organisation and broader Government to assist in dealing with threats to Australia and its national interests. DIO identifies and assesses foreign military, political, social and cultural developments that affect the planning and conduct of Australian Defence Force operations. Issues potentially impacting upon Australian Defence capability developments, or influencing Australian efforts to promote regional or international stability, are also identified and assessed.

This opportunity is for Entry Level employment with DIO. You do not require previous work experience, but do need to demonstrate through previous study or employment that you have the ability to research, analyse and write clearly. Our work is exciting. DIO believes that our people are our most valuable resource, and will invest in your training and development to ensure your time with us is deeply rewarding, both personally and professionally. To achieve our mission to produce the best possible intelligence, we bring together smart, focused people from a variety of backgrounds to create a highly effective and cohesive workforce. If you are successful, DIO will train you in all source intelligence assessment and you will build your career within Defence and the Australian Intelligence Community.

For further information, please visit our website at: <http://www.defence.gov.au/dio/index.html>

Eligibility: To be employed in a Defence Intelligence Agency, you will be required to undertake a Psychological Assessment and a Positive Vetting security clearance; you must be an Australian citizen and be able to account for your personal background for the last 0 years, or from 16 years of age, whichever is greater. As it may take 18 months for a Positive Vetting clearance to be granted, applicants seeking employment within the next 18 months are encouraged to apply.

Application Closing Date: 27 October 2017

For further information please review the job information pack, reference **SPI/02684/17** on www.defence.gov.au/apscareers

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Enrolled Nurse

Wallsend

Enquires: Scott Gregory (02) 4924 6320

Reference ID: 421530

Closing date: 29 October 2017

Community Mental Health Professional

Narrabri

Enquires: Krystina Micke (02) 6776 9805

Reference ID: 421800

Closing date: 29 October 2017

These are targeted Aboriginal Positions. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under S21 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Dental Assistant - Grade 1 (Identified)

Newcastle

Enquiries: Rochelle Haynes (02) 4016 4831

Reference ID: 421414

Closing date: 29 October 2017

Project Officer (Identified)

Wallsend, Tamworth

Enquiries: Karen Gillham (02) 4924 6241

Reference ID: 421638

Closing date: 05 November 2017

Aboriginal Mental Health Clinician

Newcastle

Enquiries: Todd Heard (02) 4964 7110

Reference ID: 421063

Closing date: 29 October 2017

These are identified Aboriginal Positions. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number As Above

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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SENIOR OFFICER, Narragunnawali CANBERRA

WHO WE ARE

Reconciliation Australia is an independent, national, not-for-profit organisation, promoting and facilitating reconciliation by building relationships, respect and trust between the wider Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Our vision is for a just, equitable and reconciled Australia.

THE OPPORTUNITY

As a Senior Officer, *Narragunnawali*, you will support the activities of the *Narragunnawali: Reconciliation in Schools and Early Learning* program.

The Senior Officer is responsible for the ongoing development and implementation of Narragunnawali: Reconciliation in Schools and Early Learning program. This is achieved through the administration of the online platform and the sourcing and development of early learning, primary and secondary-specific professional learning and curriculum resources. The successful candidate will leverage their understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture to cultivate relationships with stakeholders and develop and evaluate curriculum for early learning, primary and/or secondary school settings.

The position is full-time and fixed-term up to 30 June 2020.

Reconciliation Australia is committed to improving employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and strongly encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants.

To access the selection pack including the job description, please visit Reconciliation Australia's website at www.reconciliation.org.au or contact Reconciliation Australia's HR Advisor on (02) 6273 9200.

Applications should include a CV and address the selection criteria for the position.

Applications close: 5pm, Monday 23 October 2017.

Please send applications to:

HR Advisor
Reconciliation Australia
Old Parliament House,
King George Terrace, Parkes ACT 2600

Jobs@Reconciliation.org.au



Director Aboriginal Strategy and Culture

Department: Justice Health & Forensic Mental
Health Network

Classification: Health Manager Level 5

Location: Malabar

Employment Status: Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$142,897 - \$160,221

Enquiries: Janelle Buncombe (02) 9700 3002

janelle.buncombe@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:
Monday 6 November 2017**

**Applications must be lodged electronically.
Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au
and search Job Reference Number 421893**

NSW Health Service: employer of choice



NSW Police Force Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

- Tweed / Byron Local Area Command, Tweed Heads
- Clerk Grade 3/4 Temporary Full-Time
- Salary Package: \$83,288. Salary: \$68,929 - \$75,476. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Purpose of the Role:

The Aboriginal Community Liaison Office (ACLO) is responsible for providing advice and support to commands in the management of local Aboriginal issues.

They assist in establishing and maintaining close personal rapport with Elders, Leaders and the members of the Aboriginal community by developing network contacts to strengthen cooperation and communication and to assist community members in their dealing with local policing issues and their contact with other statutory bodies.

Job Notes:

Essential requirements for this role:

- Aboriginality and a sound knowledge of Aboriginal heritage and culture
- Current Drivers Licence (clear driving record for 6 months)
- Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance

This position is a Temporary employment/appointment under Section 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 up to 6 months.

The preferred candidate:

- will be required to sign a Prohibited Employment Declaration, in accordance with the NSW Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998;
- is responsible for applying their own WWCC (an employer cannot apply on behalf of a worker) ; and
- will be subject to a National Police Check (criminal record check), NSW Police Force Security Clearance check, probity and prior employment checks.

Applications Close: Sunday 29 October 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Kate Stewart - Local Area Manager on (02) 5536 0945

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005MJ6



Make a difference in remote communities

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AMRRIC (Animal Management in Rural and Remote Indigenous Communities) is an established, national not-for-profit DGR status Incorporated Association based in Darwin. It is Australia's only independent organisation currently working within the One Health framework to improve the health and wellbeing of companion animals and people in remote Indigenous communities. AMRRIC is recognised as leading in its field. As an organisation with established and robust policies and practices, it is prime for the right leader to take it forward with sustainable financial growth and impact.

We are seeking an experienced, dedicated individual with a passion for making a difference in remote Indigenous communities and the skills to lead a committed team, provide strategic direction, increase financial stability and sustainably generate growth to consolidate and expand AMRRIC's diverse programs in: animal health and welfare, policy, community engagement, education and training, business development and academic research.

The CEO is accountable to a skills-based Board and is supported by a national Indigenous Advisory Group. The CEO plays a high profile, proactive role in maintaining and building relationships with the association's members, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, all levels of government, industry partners, funding bodies, and service providers.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander candidates are strongly encouraged to apply.

This is a full time, permanent position based in Darwin, with remote and interstate travel required.

An information package outlining the selection criteria and key responsibilities for the position can be obtained by contacting AMRRIC President, Dr Peter Stephenson on 0418 487 920 or email peter.stephensonBM@amrric.org. **Applications close Friday 3rd November 2017.** Website: www.amrric.org

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- Interviewing and assessing potential carers for suitability and ongoing care of youth within their care.

Successful candidates will have:

- Experience in casework with at risk youth, within OOHC (either Residential or Foster settings) or similar child protection/community outreach setting.
- Qualification in social work, community services, psychology or related field.
- Experience working within frameworks of government Out Of Home Care.
- Understanding of child protection issues, risk factors and the effect of trauma on childhood development.
- Valid Driver's License (Access to a car desired, but not mandatory)

Get in touch with Maxwell Tapper at MARS Recruitment Sydney for a discussion about the position.

E: maxwell.tapper@marsrecruitment.com.au

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Researcher

The Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI) is an independent, non-partisan think tank that produces expert and timely advice for Australia's strategic and defence leaders. The International Cyber Policy Centre (ICPC) is emerging as one of the largest and fastest growing teams within ASPI, it focuses on the increasing importance of cyber-related issues for broader strategic policy.

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Applications should be submitted by email to Fiona Torline (fionatorline@aspi.org.au) by no later than **3 November 2017** and should include the following:

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Applications marked "Confidential" can be posted to:

The Contact Officer

PO Box 1912, Coffs Harbour, NSW 2450
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Applications close: Friday, 10th November 2017



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DEPARTMENT FOR CHILD PROTECTION

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VAC NO: 2017-22702

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People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent are encouraged to apply.

For further information about the role and to submit your application please visit: www.childprotection.sa.gov.au/work-with-us

Enquiries to: Human Resources, (08) 8226 2959,
email DCPRecruitment@sa.gov.au

Applications for this process close 11pm 24 October 2017



Government of South Australia
Department for Child Protection



Request for Tender for the Time to Work Employment Service 2018–2021

The Department of Employment is seeking tenders from organisations to deliver a new in-prison employment service.

The Time to Work Employment Service aims to help sentenced adult Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander prisoners find employment on release. Services will commence during the first half of 2018.

The successful respondents will demonstrate an understanding of the issues facing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander prisoners on their release to enable them to deliver culturally appropriate pre-employment services.

The Department of Employment will hold webinars on 18 and 19 October 2017. Register your interest at the Information Sessions Online Booking Form (ivvy.com/event/TWES).

For more information, visit employment.gov.au/purchasing, email espurchasing@employment.gov.au, or call 1300 733 514.

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DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY – CROWN LANDS & WATER DIVISION (formerly DPI Water) BULBODNEY GRAHWAY CREEK WATER SOURCE – BULBODNEY GRAHWAY MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application under Section 92 of the Water Management Act 2000 to AMEND WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL 80CA719491 has been received from **BOGAN SHIRE COUNCIL** for the installation two 300mm submersible pumps, with a combined capacity of 463L/s on Lot 7013 DP 1020839 and an off river storage on Lot 7304 DP 1154757; all in the Parish of Nyngan, County of Oxley.

Objections to the granting of this amended approval must be registered in writing to Dept. of Industry - Crown Lands and Water Division, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection.

Please direct any enquiries to Rachel Daly (02) 6841 7429, (f) 6884 0096, email: rachel.daly@dpi.nsw.gov.au

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DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY – CROWN LANDS & WATER DIVISION (formerly DPI Water) HUNTER REGULATED RIVER ALLUVIAL WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **MACH ENERGY AUSTRALIA PTY LTD** for a bore on Lot 22 DP 554140 for construction purposes.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to Dept. of Industry - Crown Lands & Water Division, PO Box 2213, Dangar NSW 2309, within 28 days of this publication. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection. Any queries should be directed to (02) 4904 2512, Estelle Avery, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

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WATERSNSW HAWKESBURY AND LOWER NEPEAN RIVERS WATER SOURCE UPPER HAWKESBURY RIVER(CATTAI CREEK TO COLO RIVER) MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **WEICHU XIAN AND XIU XING HUANG** for one pump and one new bywash dam on Lot 399 DP751665, Parish of Wilberforce, County of Cook for irrigation.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or Customer.Helpdesk@watersnsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. Any queries should be directed to 1300 662 077 or the above email. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

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NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 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
27/545	BLACK EAGLE (WA) PTY LTD	512363	127.93HA	37km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 121° 38' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
45/4174	HAOMA MINING NL	512863	12.74HA	72km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4174	HAOMA MINING NL	512864	111.40HA	72km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4174	HAOMA MINING NL	512865	27.83HA	72km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4174	HAOMA MINING NL	512866	17.46HA	72km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4175	HAOMA MINING NL	512862	2.06HA	66km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 11' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4178	HAOMA MINING NL	512867	1.69HA	73km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 29' S Long: 119° 7' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4178	HAOMA MINING NL	512868	1.82HA	73km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 29' S Long: 119° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4477	HAOMA MINING NL	512859	73.52HA	63km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 9' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4477	HAOMA MINING NL	512860	107.04HA	63km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
45/4477	HAOMA MINING NL	512861	5.58HA	63km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 8' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 18 October 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 **18 January 2018**. 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. 18 February 2018**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Department of Industry

Draft Crown lands Community Engagement Strategy on show

A draft Crown land Community Engagement Strategy and supporting draft Community Engagement Guidance and Resources document will be on public exhibition from 16 October to 26 November 2017.

The *Crown Land Management Act 2016* requires the creation of a Community Engagement Strategy for Crown land. The strategy provides a framework for engagement on decisions that have the potential to impact community use and enjoyment of Crown land.

The draft Community Engagement Strategy defines when engagement is required and the types of engagement that can occur for a variety of dealings and activities associated with Crown land.

The draft Guidance and Resources document has been developed to support the strategy, and contains engagement assessment template documents, resources and a detailed glossary of the Crown land engagement activities covered by the strategy.

Have your say

Copies of both the draft Community Engagement Strategy and draft Guidance and Resources Document can be found on the Department of Industry, Crown Lands & Water website www.crownland.nsw.gov.au/engagement and the NSW Government Have Your Say website www.nsw.gov.au/improving-nsw/have-your-say.

If you would like further information about the strategy and its implementation, join us at one of the community drop-in sessions being held in various locations around the state.

Dubbo - Tuesday 31 October 3-6pm
Dubbo Regional Theatre and Convention Centre
Oxley Room
155 Darling Street
Dubbo NSW 2830

Ballina - Wednesday 1 November 3-6pm
Ballina Surf Club
Gawandi Room
65 Lighthouse Parade
East Ballina NSW 2478

Wagga Wagga - Thursday 2 November 3-6pm
Charles Sturt University
Gulballanna Room C
Boorooma Street
Wagga Wagga NSW 2678

Newcastle - Monday 6 November 3-6pm
Newcastle City Hall
Mulubinba Room
290 King Street
Newcastle NSW 2300

Sydney - Thursday 9 November 3-6pm
Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts
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Submit feedback on the draft Community Engagement Strategy:

- by email: ces.submissions@crownland.nsw.gov.au
- online: submission form
- by mail: Community Engagement Strategy Submissions
PO Box 2185
Dangar NSW 2309
- in person: hand in a submission form at one of the community drop-in sessions to be held during the exhibition period.

Submissions must be received by Sunday 26 November 2017.

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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements Notification day: 25 October 2017



National Native Title Tribunal



DI2017/002 Red Gum Store ILUA

Northern Territory

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement area covers two sections about 6 sq km (in total) approx. 14km and 24km south east of Kurrajong within NT Portion 3120 MacDonald Downs.

Relevant LGA: Central Desert Region

The agreement contains the following statements:

4. Agreed Actions

- (a) The Parties agree to the excision of the Red Gum Store area from MacDonald Downs and to the grant of a fee simple title over the area to Chalmers;
- (b) Thylungra agrees to surrender the Corporation Land from MacDonald Downs;
- (c) As soon as practicable, following the surrender of the Corporation Land from MacDonald Downs, the Territory agrees to grant a fee simple title over the Corporation Land to the Corporation. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties intend that the grant of Corporation Land under this clause is regarded as a grant of an estate in fee simple from the Crown for the purposes of Schedule 2, item 12 of the Stamp Duty Act (NT);

(d) The Native Title Group consents to and hereby surrenders all existing native title rights and interests in the Red Gum Store area and the Corporation Land to the Territory.

(e) The Native Title Group agrees and acknowledges that this surrender of native title effects a complete extinguishment of native title rights and interests in the Red Gum Store area and the Corporation Land.

5. Future Acts

(a) The Parties consent to the doing of the Agreed Actions, whether or not any of the Agreed Actions are Future Acts.

6. Effect on Native Title

(a) Pursuant to clause 4(d) of this Agreement any native title rights and interests that may be capable of recognition in the Red Gum Store area and the Corporation Land area are surrendered to the Territory and are wholly extinguished.

7. Right to Negotiate

(a) Subdivision P (Right to Negotiate), Part 2 of Division 3 of the NTA is not intended to apply to any Future Act described in clause 5.

MacDonald Downs means Perpetual Pastoral Lease (PPL) 1161 on Northern Territory Portion (NTP) 3120 in the Sandover region of the Northern Territory known as MacDonald Downs Station.

Corporation Land means an area of approximately 378.5 hectares (proposed NT Portion 7496A) as described and depicted in Schedule 3.

Red Gum Store area means an area of approximately 1.7 square kilometres surrounding and including the Red Gum Store (proposed NT Portion 7455A) as described and depicted in Schedule 2.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

Central Land Council
27 Stuart Highway
Alice Springs NT 0870

Northern Territory of Australia
c/- Solicitor for the Northern Territory
GPO Box 1722
Darwin NT 0801

Malcolm McLeod Chalmers & Camarca Pty Ltd
as Trustee for the Chalmers Family Trust
Thylungra Cattle Co Pty Ltd as Trustee for the Thylungra Trust
c/- Gardiner & Associates
PO Box 571
Alice Springs NT 0871

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

This application for registration of an indigenous land use agreement (ILUA) has been certified by the Central Land Council, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Cairns, QLD, 4870 by 25 January 2018**. Generally, procedural fairness will require that the material you provide is given to certain other persons or organisations for comment. It may also be taken into account in the registration of other ILUAs and claimant applications and thus be provided to relevant persons or organisations for comment.

Details of the terms of the agreement are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Rachelle Singleton on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of a non-claimant application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

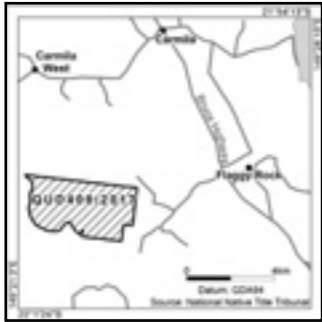
Notification day: 1 November 2017

This application is a ‘non-claimant’ application, an application made by persons to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application as described in the notice below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in this area may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 31 January 2018. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over this area on or before **31 January 2018**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court’s determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to this non-claimant application must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003, on or before 31 January 2018**. After **31 January 2018**, the Federal Court’s permission to become a party is required.



Applicant’s name: Sophie Marie Pate v State of Queensland
Federal Court File No: QUD408/2017
Non-native title interest: The Applicant seeks to convert the land subject to the application (Lot 51 on SP252761) from Pastoral Holding (Rolling term lease) to freehold tenure.
Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area consists of a 906 ha land parcel located approximately 5 km west of Flaggy Rock, being Lot 51 on SP252761.
Relevant LGA: Isaac Regional Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Tracey Jefferies on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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BARWON-DARLING UNREGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **DOUGLAS LEIGH MARSHALL & MEGAN JENNIFER MARSHALL** for two 660mm axial flow pumps located on Lot 6317 DP 769205, Parish of Bundabarrina, County of Finch, for irrigation purposes.

Objections to the granting of the above approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 717, Dubbo NSW 2830 or email 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 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

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WATERNSW

HAWKESBURY AND LOWER NEPEAN RIVERS WATER SOURCE

UPPER HAWKESBURY RIVER (GROSE RIVER TO SOUTH CREEK) MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **DIGHT HOLDINGS PTY LTD** for one pump (existing) and 8 new pumps on the Hawkesbury River on Lot B/157405, Parish of Ham Common, County of Cumberland for irrigation. This application is to split the existing works and use approval into 9 approvals and to include Lot 2 DP 578886 and Lot Y DP 419316 as lands to benefit for irrigation purposes. Amending 10CA104464 .

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. Any queries should be directed to 1300 662 077 or the above email. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

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An application for a new WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND/OR WATER USE APPROVAL has been received from **SIMON ANDREW SMITH AND KATE LINDSAY SMITH** for 1 x 150 mm Centrifugal Pump on Goobang Creek, pumping capacity (60 l/s) on Lot 12 DP1053434, Parish Wologong, County Cunningham and for irrigation lands being Lot 12 DP1053434, Parish Wologong, County Cunningham (10 ha) for Irrigation purposes.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to Water NSW, PO Box 291, Forbes NSW 2871 or email 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 or email the above.

Rob Monteith, Manager Water Regulation South.

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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, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area*	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Exploration Licence	08/2923	ENERGIA MINERALS LIMITED	176BL	125km E'ly of Coral Bay	Lat: 22° 50' S Long: 114° 56' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	08/2929	SQUADRON RESOURCES PTY LTD	148BL	57km SE'ly of Exmouth	Lat: 22° 19' S Long: 114° 29' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, EXMOUTH SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2244	MANGANESE PLUS PTY LTD	10BL	129km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 48' S Long: 116° 36' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2246-7	TERRAIN MINERALS LTD	47BL	121km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 115° 31' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1512	AVOCA MINING PTY LTD	2BL	30km S'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 45' S Long: 121° 41' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	15/1569	GOLDEN EAGLE MINING LTD	6BL	28km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 5' S Long: 120° 54' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	26/192	MILFORD RESOURCES PTY LTD	4BL	24km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 53' S Long: 121° 40' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2708	JINDALEE RESOURCES LIMITED	18BL	137km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 122° 50' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2709	HAMELIN RESOURCES PTY LTD	33BL	147km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 26' S Long: 122° 57' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/1024	COBALT PROSPECTING PTY LTD	55BL	72km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 39' S Long: 120° 38' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1161	NEXUS MINERALS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	3BL	134km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 49' S Long: 122° 38' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	36/899	ALTIA RESOURCES PTY LTD	31BL	36km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 10' S Long: 120° 55' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1329	MECS COMMODITIES PTY LTD	45BL	58km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 6' S Long: 121° 14' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1330	KIRBY, Paul	1BL	63km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 16' S Long: 121° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3262	GOLD ROAD (NORTH YAMARNA) PTY LTD	1BL	79km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 26' S Long: 123° 24' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	39/2048	HAMELIN RESOURCES PTY LTD	57BL	162km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 34' S Long: 123° 39' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4949	LADYMAN, Geoffrey Ross	1BL	35km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 37' S Long: 118° 32' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/4965	REILLY, Stephen James	1BL	34km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 24' S Long: 119° 32' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
		DANGAARD, Stephen Wayne				
Exploration Licence	45/4971	DRUMMOND EAST PTY LTD	55BL	27km NW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 20° 57' S Long: 119° 37' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1125	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	1BL	73km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 4' S Long: 120° 47' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1159	SPITFIRE AUSTRALIA (SWW) PTY LTD	18BL	104km E'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 9' S Long: 121° 4' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1166	GREATLAND PTY LTD	30BL	36km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 57' S Long: 119° 46' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3372	FMG PILBARA PTY LTD	31BL	76km E'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 23° 13' S Long: 118° 25' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3707	KML NO 2 PTY LTD	70BL	52km NE'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 23' S Long: 116° 45' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, KARRATHA CITY
Exploration Licence	51/1839	ATKINSON, Mark Wadham	36BL	53km SW'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 54' S Long: 118° 5' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3517	RIO TINTO EXPLORATION PTY LIMITED	8BL	23km W'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 24' S Long: 119° 31' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	52/3561	CONSTRUCTION RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (WA) PTY LTD	1BL	17km SE'ly of Newman	Lat: 23° 26' S Long: 119° 52' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	59/2273	MINJAR GOLD PTY LTD	9BL	70km S'ly of Yalgoo	Lat: 28° 56' S Long: 116° 56' E	PERENJORI SHIRE, YALGOO SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5012	STRATEGIC SANDS PTY LTD	6BL	11km SW'ly of Busselton	Lat: 33° 43' S Long: 115° 15' E	BUSSELTON CITY
Exploration Licence	77/2474	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	64BL	67km SW'ly of Southern Cross	Lat: 31° 47' S Long: 119° 3' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5127	ANGLO AUSTRALIAN RESOURCES NL	57BL	18km SW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 18' S Long: 127° 31' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5128	HALLS CREEK MINING PTY LTD	14BL	55km NE'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 17° 48' S Long: 127° 56' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	16/3072	COEN, Andrew Roy	72.49HA	54km NW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 120° 54' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
		VULETA, Adrian				
Prospecting Licence	20/2318	FINLAY, Diane Kaye	199.66HA	48km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 0' S Long: 117° 46' E	CUE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	24/4964	PHOTIOS, Michael John	150.17HA	68km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 17' S Long: 120° 54' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
		HALLIGAN, Robert William				
Prospecting Licence	24/4965	PHOTIOS, Michael John	141.64HA	70km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 120° 55' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
		HALLIGAN, Robert William				
Prospecting Licence	24/5209	SHEHAN, Richard Thomas	79.49HA	67km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 17' S Long: 120° 56' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	24/5216	WOOLLETT, Bradley John	141.54HA	41km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 23' S Long: 121° 20' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
		TION, Nardyn Andre				
Prospecting Licence	24/5217	WOOLLETT, Bradley John	22.53HA	37km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 121° 20' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
		TION, Nardyn Andre				
Prospecting Licence	25/2464	CLARK, Gregory Thomas	194.29HA	24km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 121° 42' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4288	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	116.83HA	23km SE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 50' S Long: 121° 40' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	29/2422-3	COOKE, Jessica May	225.24HA	13km SE'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 46' S Long: 121° 6' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9016-7	CGM (WA) PTY LTD	394.36HA	34km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 40' S Long: 121° 35' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9066-8	MUSKETT, Raymond	595.30HA	38km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 54' S Long: 121° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE
		WOODTHORPE, Kevin				
Prospecting Licence	37/9069	MUSKETT, Raymond	199.51HA	38km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 57' S Long: 121° 42' E	LEONORA SHIRE
		WOODTHORPE, Kevin				
Prospecting Licence	39/5844	NARNOO MINING PTY LTD	25.33HA	180km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 52' S Long: 123° 35' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5846	HAWTHORN RESOURCES LIMITED	61.33HA	107km S'ly of Laverton	Lat: 29° 34' S Long: 122° 32' E	MENZIES SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 18 October 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 **18 January 2018**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 18 February 2018**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

* - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²
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Gardner re-signs with Sixers



ASHLEIGH Gardner may have moved to Adelaide for the Women's National Cricket League (WNCL)

season, but she will remain with the Sydney Sixers in the Women's Big Bash League (WBBL) competition.

The Sixers announced on Friday that they had secured Gardner,

captain Ellyse Perry and Alyssa Healy.

Sydney Sixers general manager Dominic Remond said the three signatures were key to setting the strong platform for the team.

The WBBL starts on December 9 at North Sydney Oval with the Sixers taking on the Melbourne Stars under lights in prime time on Channel Ten.

Krakouer calls time on AFL career



VETERAN Nathan Krakouer has announced his retirement from the Australian Football League (AFL).

Port Adelaide list manager Jason Cripps thanked the 29-year-old for his contribution during two separate stints at Alberton.

Krakouer played 40 AFL games across four seasons before leaving to join the inaugural Gold Coast Suns squad.

After a break from elite football, he returned to Alberton to play with the Port Adelaide Magpies in the SANFL competition in 2014. His

form earned him selection by the Power at pick 16 in the 2015 Rookie Draft.

Krakouer played a total of 82 AFL games, including 69 with Port Adelaide.



Nathan Krakouer

WATERNSW KULNURA MANGROVE MOUNTAIN GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **BRENDAN MAXWELL FRIPP** for a bore on Lot 1 DP 1225028 for the purpose of commercial use.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 2213, Dangar NSW 2309 or email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection. Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

A011167

WATERNSW BLACK CREEK WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **DAVID JOHN BARNES AND KIM LYNETTE BARNES** for an 80 mm centrifugal pump on Lot 1 DP 194737 for the purpose of irrigation.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 2213, Dangar NSW 2309 or email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection. (A11130)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

A011130

WATER NSW BANGALOW AREA WATER SOURCE

An application for an AMENDMENT OF AN EXISTING WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **TRUE NORTH INVESTMENTS PTY LTD** for an increase in pump size to a 125mm centrifugal pump on Bandongrove Creek, Lot 30 DP755695 (30CA321507 - no increase in use area or allocation).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 796, Murwillumbah NSW 2484 or email 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 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

A011164

WATERNSW UPPER NEPEAN AND UPSTREAM WARRAGAMBA WATER SOURCE MULWAREE RIVER MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **GOULBURN HARNESS RACING CLUB INCORPORATED** for one pump on Lot 7049 DP 1005051, Parish of Goulburn, County of Argyle for irrigation.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or Customer.Helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. Any queries should be directed to 1300 662 077 or the above email. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

A011229

WATERNSW BILEDOWN RIVER MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **MICHAEL EDWARD STONE AND DESLEIGH ANNE STONE** as follows: In the Bielsdown River Management Zone – Zone 2, on Rocky Creek, for a pump on Lot 1, DP1219303, Parish Bligh, County Fitzroy, for irrigation. Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to: WaterNSW Locked Bag 10, Grafton NSW 2460 or by Email to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au, within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection.

Any queries please phone 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

A011175

WATERNSW NSW MURRAY REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WATER USE APPROVAL has been received from **TIMOTHY WILLIAM VANDENBERG & MELISSA LEE VANDENBERG** for irrigation on part Lot 6715 DP 822027, Parish Mallee Cliffs, County Taila.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 156, LEETON NSW 2705 or email 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 or email the above. Rob Monteith, Water Regulation Manager South.

(A011151)

WATERNSW HUNTER REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **AARON BRETT GARTHWAITE** for 80 mm centrifugal pump on Lot 22 DP 1044468 for the purpose of irrigation.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW PO Box 2213, Dangar NSW 2309 or email customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection.

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

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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, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following tenement applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Tenement Type	No.	Applicant	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
Mining Lease	16/547	EVOLUTION MINING (PHOENIX) PTY LTD	300.02HA	41km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 121° 5' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Mining Lease	24/974	ROCKLAND PTY LTD (ATF LB TRUST)	57.80HA	47km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 121° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	39/1120	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	978.88HA	26km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 45' S Long: 122° 10' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	57/638	WEST AUSTRALIAN PROSPECTORS PTY LTD	19.97HA	6km W'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 59' S Long: 119° 14' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Mining Lease	70/1337	WASTE STREAM MANAGEMENT PTY LTD	5.16HA	31km S'ly of Perth	Lat: 32° 13' S Long: 115° 47' E	KWINANA TOWN

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 18 October 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 **18 January 2018**. 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. 18 February 2018**), 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, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Notice of non-claimant applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 1 November 2017



National Native Title Tribunal

These applications are 'non-claimant' applications, being applications made by persons to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicants have a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application(s) as described in the notices below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in any of these areas may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 31 January 2018. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before **31 January 2018**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to any of these non-claimant applications must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE QLD 4003, on or before 31 January 2018**. After **31 January 2018**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Lance Frank, Bradley Thomas & Emma Elizabeth O'Shea
Federal Court File No: QUD350/2017

Non-native title interest: Registered owners of all land covered by the application seeking to change the tenure from Occupation Licence to Term Lease (Grazing).

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area covers Lot 262 on OL33, Lot 424 on OL49 and Lot 328 on OL37, approx. 365 sq km and is located southwest of Almaden.

Relevant LGA: Mareeba Shire Council



Applicant's name: James William Malcolm and Janelle Lynette O'Shea
Federal Court File No: QUD351/2017

Non-native title interest: Registered owners of all land covered by the application seeking to change the tenure from Occupation Licence to Term Lease (Grazing).

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area covers Lot 285 on OL34, Lot 415 on OL46, Lot 44 on OL29, Lot 3795 on SP139718 and Lot 4698 on PH801, approx. 302 sq km and is located northeast and southwest of Almaden.

Relevant LGA: Mareeba Shire Council

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Rachelle Singleton on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Squad named for International Rules tests



EDDIE Betts, Shaun Borgoyne, Paddy Ryder and Chad Wingard are in the Australian squad for the two-test International Rules series to be played next month.

Australia will host Ireland at the Adelaide Oval on Sunday, November 12, (4pm AEDT) and then at Subiaco on Saturday, November 18 (7.45pm AEDT).

The squad is: Gary Ablett (Gold Coast Suns), Eddie Betts (Adelaide Crows), Travis Boak (Port Adelaide), Shaun Burgoyne (Hawthorn), Patrick Dangerfield (Geelong Cats), Nathan Fyfe (Fremantle), Brendon Goddard

(Essendon), Toby Greene (GWS Giants), Michael Hibberd (Melbourne), Rory Laird (Adelaide Crows), Zac Merrett (Essendon), Scott Pendlebury (Collingwood), Paddy Ryder (Port Adelaide), Joel Selwood (Geelong Cats), Rory Sloane (Adelaide Crows), Chad Wingard (Port Adelaide), Dayne Zorko (Brisbane Lions).

The captain and leadership group will be named when the squad comes together in the lead-up to the first Test, while the selectors have the capacity to add further selections closer to the matches, once they can assess other players' availability from their leave periods.

Ireland holds the Cormac McAnallen Trophy after its victory in the one-off Test at Croke Park in Dublin in 2015.

Australian coach Chris Scott said the selection panel had sought to combine those players that had previously represented Australia, and understood the requirements of the game, alongside those debutants who had produced outstanding seasons in 2017 as All Australian players and dominated the AFL competition.

"Selection in the Australian side is about recognising the great players in our competition, and those players who are emerging as stars who will dominate the seasons to come," he said.

"As selectors, we needed to balance the team with players who have represented Australia before, and understand the game and how it is played against Ireland, and also look to the next generation of elite players who deserve the opportunity to represent us on an international stage.

"All Australian selection at some point in a player's career was a pre-requisite for consideration, as we also believe that the best players want to learn from each other and provide an environment where they can be better again when they return to their clubs."

The squad will gather in Adelaide in the week before the first Test.

Final was one-sided

By ALF WILSON



ERUB United, consisting of mostly players of Torres Strait descent, dominated the Gordonvale Indigenous Rugby League Carnival, beating Northern Cyclones 44-12 in a one sided final.

Five teams battled it out at the carnival at Jones Park, Cairns, on October 7-8.

The other teams were Northern Cyclones, Kuranda Eagles, Hope Vale's Mala Yubbas and Kowanyama Minh-Kular.

Erub United won all four of their qualifying matches on day one.

Their only loss during

the carnival was when they went down 26-16 to Northern Cyclones in a qualifying final.

But players took advantage of the double chance to later take out honours.

"Our best players were PJ Pitt, Morris Hodges, Tibau Stephen, Bradley Stephen (captain), Ian Oui, Aaron Daniel and Eddie Daniel," coach Elia Ware said.

"Bradley suffered two bad ankle injuries in the first game on day one but didn't come off or stay off in any of the games and soldiered on to lead his team to victory. This is the very first time Darnley Island has won any men's rugby league carnival, so history was made."



The victorious Erub United team.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory

Notification day: 1 November 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 31 January 2018. After 31 January 2018, 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: Nathan River Pastoral Lease

Federal Court File No: NTD43/2017

Date filed: 1 August 2017

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **not accepted** this application for registration.

Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The agreement area covers about 3704 sq km approx. 80km south east of Ngukurr.

Relevant LGA: Roper Gulf Region.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Rachelle Singleton on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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National Native Title Tribunal



The Kuranda Eagles at the Gordonvale carnival.



Mala Yubbas, from Hopevale, at Gordonvale.

Cameron switch in doubt



ADELAIDE'S Australian Football League (AFL) stand-off with Brisbane over speedster Charlie Cameron took another twist on Friday with Steve

Motlop's decision to join Port Adelaide.

The Crows and Gold Coast had also keenly sought the signature of Motlop, the Geelong restricted free agent, but he went with Port, who lodged paperwork on Friday afternoon with the league.

The Cats had three days to decide if they would match the Power's offer, but that is considered unlikely.

Motlop's decision could affect Cameron's desired move to the Lions, who have unsuccessfully offered pick No 19 to Adelaide.

The Crows have pushed the line that he will be required to see out the final year of

his contract next season, but this had been widely regarded as a negotiating tactic.

If Motlop had chosen to join Don Pyke's team, Cameron would have likely found his way to Brisbane.

But with Motlop set to ply his trade for their cross-town rivals, Adelaide might be forced to knock back Cameron's request to be closer to family in Brisbane.

Cameron's manager Colin Young has done his best to crowbar his client out of West Lakes. Young has stated Cameron will never sign a new deal after his contract runs out at the end of next season and won't be happy if he is retained.

"I try not to get caught up in the emotion of it too much ... we have a really good relationship with Col and Charlie," Crows list manager Justin Reid told AFL Trade Radio on Friday.

"I know Charlie, if he was at our football club next year which we expect, then he'll come with the right attitude and we know we'll put our arms around him and he'll play good football."

Cameron is one of several players whose futures will not be decided until the second week of the trade period.

Impey for Hawthorn

Port Adelaide traded Jarman Impey to Hawthorn for a second-round pick and a further swap of later selections.

Impey has agreed to a three-year deal. In exchange for Impey, Port Adelaide will receive pick 33, 61 and Hawthorn's future fourth round selection.

Hawthorn also secured pick 67 as part of the deal.

"We are really pleased a deal could be reached with Port Adelaide and look

forward to welcoming Jarman to the Hawks," Hawthorn recruiting and list manager Graham Wright said.

"His outstanding speed and endurance will be a really valuable asset and his ability to play at both ends of the ground is a great advantage.

"Jarman is a competitive character who goes hard at the footy, which makes him an exciting acquisition and a terrific addition to our list.

"At only 22 years of age, Jarman has plenty of football ahead of him and we can't wait to see what he can produce in the brown and gold."

Recruited from the Murray Bushrangers, Impey was drafted with pick 21 in the 2013 National Draft.

Making his debut in 2014, he has since gone on to play 75 games over the last four seasons with Port Adelaide. —AAP

Rugby league players of yesteryear to turn out at Gosford



Gorden Tallis



THERE will be a generous sprinkling of Indigenous players when the inaugural Legends of League match is played at Central Coast Stadium, Gosford, on Saturday, November 18.

The Central Coast region was chosen for its passionate Rugby League fan base, its proximity to Sydney and for being the gateway to the Hunter region, which has a

massive rugby league following.

The retro rugby league nines festival will feature nine games.

Teams taking part will be Brisbane, Manly, Newcastle, Parramatta, Canterbury and the Barbarians, comprising 90 rugby league legends competing for more than \$100,000 in prizemoney.

Turning out for the Brisbane Broncos will be captain Wendell Sailor, Gorden Tallis, Tom Learoyd-Lahris, while Cliff Lyons will be in

the Manly line-up led by Steve Menzies.

Owen Craigie will be in the Newcastle team, while Dean Widders and Dennis Moran will play for Parramatta.

Rod Silva will play for Canterbury.

Amos Roberts will be in Matt King's Barbarians side.

Tickets can be purchased via Ticketek by using this link: www.ticketek.com.au/legends-ofleague



Amos Roberts

Focus on fun at Oakey league day



PLAYERS from yesteryear came out of retirement to participate in a rugby league day of fun on October 7 at Oakey, 150km west of Brisbane.

There were games for primary and secondary school children and women and men.

Even two Masters teams lined up – the Ipswich Rock Wallabies and the St George Beer Bellies.

Our St George correspondent reported that the Ipswich Rock Wallabies

won the match 20-16... with a little bit of help from the referee.

The Beer Bellies have been turning up to Masters matches for 10 years.

The highlight of the day was the Legends of League game between the All-Australian Legends and the Oakey Bears All Stars.

Two of the players involved were Oakey products Craig Teevan and Robbie O'Davis.

They returned to Oakey, along with names like Petero Civoniceva, Chris Walker and Scott Prince for the

Legends of League game.

The Legends of League teams:

All Australian: Kerry Boustead, Nathan Blacklock, Ashley Harrison, Stu Kelly, John Hopoate, Cliff Lyons, Scott Prince, Bryan Niebling, Noel Goldthorpe, Petero Civoniceva, Brad Myers, Kevin Campion, Chris Walker, Scott Hill, Mark Tookey, Danny Moore, Craig Wilson, Peter Gill, Chris Buckley, Francis Nona, David Vink, Lee Faulkner, Steve Lacey, Floyd Leedie, Nathan Friend.

Oakey Bears: Robbie O'Davis, Robbie Clevin, Warren Green, Brendon

McDonald, Brett McDonald, Troy Sharpe, Michael Mckellar, Craig Teevan, Kerry Kennedy, Ray Herring, Justin McCormack, Gary Waters, Mick Smith, Aaron Cherry, Rohan Teevan, Shane Turl, Darryl Williamson, Peter Darr, Wayne Vohland, Craig McDonald, Shane Byers, Tom Clevin, Daryl Docherty, Chooky, Fowler, Brendon Dolan, Bob Costello, Brian Hobbs, Paul Chesiolka, Damien Berg, Anthony Alexander, Darren McGrath, Hawkie O'Davis, Geoff Batzloff, Shane Lucht, Paul Newton, Troy Burke.

The St George Beer Bellies and the Ipswich Rock Wallabies after their game.



Former NRL player Nathan Friend is with Alkira Turnbull, from St George, at the Oakey carnival. Friend played with the All-Australian Legends of League.



Ryder wins Cahill Medal

By PETER ARGENT



PORT Adelaide's All-Australian ruckman Paddy Ryder has crowned his return to the

Australian Football League (AFL) after a season off with his first club best and fairest award.

The 29-year-old was awarded the John Cahill Medal as the Power's best and fairest player for the 2017 campaign.

Ryder's career-best total of 831 hit-outs was the second in the league this season, but it was the quality of his ruckwork and his marking around the ground that really stood out.

He collected votes in 21 of the 22 games in this return season, after the dramas of 2016.

"It's unbelievable. I'm so honoured," an emotive Ryder said.

"To think about the challenges of 2016, to have this honour is really special.

"I couldn't have done this without my teammates and coaches. They're such a great group to be part of and no award can be won in footy without the help of your teammates.

"My wife Jess and all the support of my family over the past few years has been so important and they deserve so much thanks for what they've done.

"I want to thank our fans for their support.

"It's been great to be back playing this year and I can't wait to get out again next year."

Chad Wingard, the 2013 Jack Cahill Medallist, finished eighth in the 2017 Power best and fairest.

First-year sensation from Western Australia – Sam Powell-Pepper – won the Gavin Wanganeen Award as the best player under 21 years old.

Speedy midfielder Bradley Hill claimed the 2017 Doig Medal in his first season at the Fremantle Dockers before more than 900 people in a black tie function on October 7 at Crown Perth's Grand Ballroom.

Recruited from the Hawks in the 2016 off-season, Hill, a triple premiership player, is the first Fremantle player since another Indigenous talent Troy Cook in 2000 to win the award in his first season at the club.

Dockers small forward Michael Walters was fifth, with first-year defender Joel Hamling, after a premiership with the Bulldogs in 2016, was sixth, while veteran Michael Johnson was seventh.

Brad's older sibling Stephen was ninth in the 2017 Fremantle best and fairest awards, after coming second in the Doig Medal last year.

At the 2017 Bob Skilton Medal count in front of more than 900 guests at The Star Events Centre, Sydney, Lance 'Buddy' Franklin was equal second in the count, behind dual winner Luke Parker and alongside Jake Lloyd.

Franklin, who turns 31 in January, has previously won Hawthorn's top honour in 2008 and the 2017 season was the fourth time he'd been the Swans' leading goal kicker.

At Hawthorns' Peter Crimmins



2017 Port Adelaide Magpies SANFL and Port Power AFL best and fairest winners, Brendon Ah Chee, left, and Patrick Ryder.

Medal awards evening, also on October 7, veteran Shaun Burgoyne finished in the top 10 again.

Zac Williams was a highly creditable sixth in the Kevin Sheedy Medal as the Greater Western Sydney Giants 2017 club champion.

St Kilda's best and fairest award is named after the late club great Trevor Barker. Seen as a future leader at the Saints, Jade Gresham, who played mainly in the difficult role as a small forward, finished ninth in this count.

Along with winning the Crows' leading goal-kicker award and Crows Children's Foundation Community Leadership Award, Eddie Betts finished 10th in the Malcolm Blight Medal count (Adelaide best and fairest) on October 6.

At the John Nicholls Medal, Carlton's best and fairest award, on September 23, after his amazing transformation into a key defender, Liam Jones finished ninth.

Classy midfielder from remote WA Sam Petrevski-Seton was named the Carlton's best first year player.

Tiwi Islander Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti, along with best defensive player award at the Bombers, finished seventh in Essendon's best and fairest voting for the 2017 Crichton Medal.

At the Gold Coast awards, shining light Jack Martin finished third overall.

Running defender Jarrod Harbrow was seventh, and, in his



Patrick Ryder jumps over Fremantle's Aaron Sandilands in a ruck contest. Picture: Peter Argent

first year as co-captain at the Suns, Steven May finished ninth.

At the Keith 'Bluey' Truscott Medal at Crown Palladium on

October 9, unheralded defender Neville Jetta finished with his first top five result, collecting the Dick Taylor Memorial Trophy.

Small forward, Jeff Garlett, who had a couple of real breakout games, finished eighth in the Dees' top honour.

Rethink on Island of Origin dates

By ALF WILSON



ORGANISERS of the Island of Origin series are looking at running the 2018 event early in the year after this year's carnival on

Badu Island attracted only four teams and clashed with the Remote Area Rugby League (RARL) Far North Queensland (FNQ) Challenge in Cairns.

The latest carnival was held on June 17-18 at Badu's Joe Mairu Memorial Oval and one of the teams forfeited several matches, leaving just three sides.

By comparison, the FNQ Challenge on June 17 at Cairns' Stan Williams Park had the cream of Indigenous footballers and was contested by winners NPA, Torres Stingers, Palm Island Barracudas, Northern Cape and Southern Cape.

Having two carnivals at the same time stretched referee resources considering Cairns junior and senior rugby league fixtures were also on.

Four referees headed to Badu for the Island of Origin.

At the FNQ Challenge, the five sides played each other once and even QRL Northern Division manager Scott Nosworthy was recruited

as a touch judge.

The Island of Origin series was originally scheduled for June 23-24, but was changed to the week before, setting up the date clash with the FNQ Challenge.

"We are considering having the Origin in February or March before football competitions start," Origin's Jermaine Reuben told the *Koori Mail*.

There is no doubt that more teams would have participated in the Origin if the date had been different.

It is understood that eight quality Badu footballers who would normally line up at Origin were in Cairns for the FNQ Challenge.

The Island of Origin was modelled on the State of Origin series between NSW and Queensland and usually is held in June.

It has been mostly held on Badu Island in recent years although Thursday Island has been a venue.

Thursday Island sides generally don't enter teams if the carnival is on Badu.

Once the most popular rugby league carnival in the Torres Strait, it has well and truly been overtaken by the Zenadth Kes, which is held in October at Thursday Island's Ken Brown Memorial Oval.



Men's action from a previous Origin on Badu between Saguci (white jumpers) and Badu United.



Beach volleyballer Taliqua Clancy at Bondi Beach, Sydney, models the Australian Olympic team opening ceremony uniform for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. Picture: AAP

New partner for Clancy



TALIQUA Clancy has a new beach volleyball partner and they have made a

great start as a new combination.

Clancy had a long partnership with Louise Bawden and it was expected the pair would team up again.

But beach volleyball officials say that thinking may get a shake-up with Clancy and new partner Mariafe Artacho del Solar proving a dynamic duo.

Clancy and Artacho del Solar

last week were one of three Aussie teams flying the Aussie flag at the FIVB 3 Star event in China, the Qinzhou Open.

Fresh off their highly impressive first up gold medal win in Japan a week earlier, Clancy and Artacho del Solar were again devastating with their aggressive combination proving unstoppable in China.

The Spaniards Elsa/Soria had no answer in the first set, succumbing 21-13.

The second set was a different story and the Aussie girls had to call on all the fighting spirit to dig themselves out of a

big hole to eventually prevail 22-20 and a straight sets 2-0 victory.

Just an hour later, it was Clancy's Rio Olympic partner Bawden, now with Jess Ngauamo, who wanted a strong showing after the disappointment last week in Japan, when the tournament ended at the hands of their fellow Aussies.

Bawden and Ngauamo won their opening Chinese game 2-0.

Continued success of both teams will make Commonwealth Games selections over the coming months interesting.



Pioneer Natives at a previous carnival.

Carnival carries suicide message

By ALF WILSON



SUICIDE prevention will be the message players from Mapoon, Napranum and Weipa have when they line up for the Pioneer Natives at the Dan Ropeyarn Memorial Rugby League Carnival.

Also known as the NPA Cup and in memory of the late Dan Ropeyarn, it will be held at Bamaga's Yusia Ginou Oval from October 26-28 with \$25,000 as the juicy prize.

Mapoon resident Eli Tabuai will be one of the star players and family

members are on the organising committee.

In addition to Eli, his two younger brothers, Kareem and John, are also travelling from Mapoon to play.

The shock of losing a family member to suicide rocked the family and this has sparked the movement to make a difference and promote education and prevention for suicide.

Robert Yorkston is the coach of last year's winning team Injinoo Crocs and is confident they can defend their title.

"There have been 12 teams nominated already and I am confident Injinoo Crocs can do very well again," Yorkston said.

New national rugby league competition



South Sydney National Rugby League star Cody Walker is an ambassador for the National Indigenous Rugby League Championships.



TEAMS from Mackay to Victoria will line up on Saturday and Sunday at Wollongong at the inaugural National Indigenous Rugby League Championships.

Spokesman Matt Rose said he was delighted with the response so far and was hoping to have 32 teams in the men's division, eight in the women's divisions as well as under-10s, under-12s, under-14s and under-16s.

If the tournament is fully subscribed, it will offer \$100,000 in prizemoney, but the final prize pool won't be known until nominations close.

Rose was confident the \$25,000 women's prize pool would be reached because he had already received seven nominations in a division that will be capped at eight.

The carnival will be held at the Collegians Sports Centre and Sid Parrish Oval, in the Wollongong suburb of Figtree.

Rose said the National Indigenous Rugby League Championships should not be seen as a threat to the long-established NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout or the Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Carnival in Queensland.

Pinnacle event

"The NSW Knockout is rightly the pinnacle event," he said.

"All we want to do is provide an opportunity to play in one more knockout before the year is over and to play on a national stage against teams we don't always play against in our respective knockouts; it grows the game on a national scale."

He was delighted that a Victorian team – mostly made up of players in the north of the state – had entered.

Rose said the plan was to move the tournament around Australia each year.

He said a Torres Strait Island side wanted to enter next year's tournament even though no decision had been made on a venue.

He said some communities would be fielding combined teams and that there would be a sprinkling of National Rugby League (NRL) and NSW Cup and Queensland Cup players.

Rose said the organisation behind the Wollongong carnival was the Barwon Aboriginal Corporation. He is a director of the corporation.

He said the Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service Quit B Fit program was the major sponsor of the Wollongong event.

Dragonflies spread their wings



THE Northern Territory netball team has taken part in the inaugural Marie Little OAM Shield. The Dragonflies are Netball Northern Territory's (Netball NT's) representative team for females with

an intellectual disability, competing for the first time in the Marie Little Shield.

The shield is the national netball championships for women with an intellectual disability and in 2017

was held in Perth for the first time.

● ABOVE: The NT Dragonflies team after being presented with their uniforms for the Marie Little OAM Shield.

Turkey next for Mitchell

Firing Jawai struck down

By CHRIS PIKE



LEILANI Mitchell continues to get better with age with the Australian basketball star coming off her best

Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) season with the Phoenix Mercury ahead of playing in Turkey for the first time.

The 32-year-old point guard entered the WNBA season with Phoenix on the back of a standout performance in Australia's Women's National Basketball League (WNBL) with the Sydney Uni Flames, helping them to the championship.

That came on the back of her being a key player for the Australian Opals at the Rio Olympic Games, so she returned to Phoenix full of confidence and delivered the best season of her WNBA career in a team that reached the Western Conference finals.

She had a tremendous regular season where she averaged 8.0 points, 3.6 assists and 2.9 rebounds a game highlighted by a 19-point effort where she hit four three-pointers in an important win against the Dallas Wings.

But then in the playoffs, it was time for Mitchell to go to another level in a Mercury team that included fellow Australians Cayla George and Stephanie Talbot, along with superstar Diana Taurasi.

It began with a do-or-die elimination final against the Seattle Storm where Mitchell delivered 17 points, including the match-winning three-pointer to see Phoenix advance to another cut-throat clash with the Connecticut Sun, where she produced another 12 points and five assists.

That set the stage for a Western Conference finals battle with the Los Angeles Sparks.

While Mitchell's Mercury team lost all three games, she had 19 points and four assists in game one, 15 points and six rebounds in game two and 12 points and five assists in game three.

Mitchell might have fallen just short of contending for the WNBA championship with the Mercury, but she had a brilliant season, showing she is a game winner.

It brought to an end her ninth season in the WNBA, having previously played with the New York Liberty and the Washington Mystics in a career that has spanned 307



Leilani Mitchell
Picture: Peter Argent

games and she is signed to return to the Phoenix Mercury in 2018.

Mitchell was proud of her season and with the way she played the WNBA with the same confidence that has seen her star in Australia and Europe previously.

"In the past, I sort of got caught up in being the point guard and making sure everyone's involved and then when I go overseas, I'm more of a scorer and a threat offensively," Mitchell said.

"But Sandy (Brondello, coach) has really given me the confidence to bring my game. In your first couple of years in the WNBA, everyone's bigger, faster and stronger so it can be a bit overwhelming. You just rely on that experience and hope to share it with the younger girls."

Mitchell has elected not to return to Australia's WNBL for the 2017-18 season, having played with the Sydney Uni Flames, Adelaide Lightning and Dandenong Rangers over the past three seasons.

Instead, she has joined Turkish club Hatay where she will be playing for the first time following stints in France and Croatia earlier in her career after playing college basketball at the universities of Idaho and Utah.

By CHRIS PIKE



AUSTRALIAN basketball giant Nate Jawai put in a power of work in the off-season to start

the National Basketball League (NBL) season on fire before being struck down with a foot injury.

Jawai had put together a strong pre-season with the Taipans coming into the 2017-18 NBL season and that appeared to be paying off with the way he began in the opener in Cairns against the Illawarra Hawks.

The 209cm, 140kg giant appeared ready to take over the contest in the first half with his ball-handling and power to get the basket only matched by a quickness that has eluded him at different points of his career.

He had 12 points and four rebounds up until just before half-time and his team ended up winning, but it was when he threw down a powerful one-handed dunk that he landed awkwardly on his foot and the damage was done.

Torn ligament

The result was that the 31-year-old partially tore a ligament in his foot and subsequent scans revealed the worst possible news: He would require surgery and be sidelined for up to three months.

It was a devastating blow for Jawai, who was on track and in shape to have a significant impact for the Taipans this season.

It is Jawai's third season back with Cairns having originally started his NBL career there before becoming the first Indigenous Australian player to make it to the US National Basketball Association (NBA).

Having spent time with mixed success in Europe following that, the big man returned to the NBL with the Perth Wildcats, winning the 2014-15 championship before returning to Cairns for the 2015-16 campaign.

Injury has played a part in both his two seasons back in Cairns, but when he was healthy



Nathan Jawai with the Perth Wildcats in 2016.

Picture: Andrew Linturn

last year, he was a significant factor in helping the Taipans finish the regular season in second position in the standings before coming up short against the Wildcats in the semifinals.

Taipans coach Aaron Fearne has played a big part throughout Jawai's career. He initially was an assistant coach for his rookie season in Cairns before joining Jawai in the United States to get him ready for the NBA.

He has now again coached him the past two seasons and while disappointed to be without him early in the season with import Michael Carrera also out injured for the Taipans, Fearne

couldn't have been happier with Cairns' start to 2017-18 with wins over Illawarra and the New Zealand Breakers.

"To win the first two games of the season with Michael Carrera out who is going to be a big part of our group and then Nate got hurt in the first half of the first game, was a great effort," Fearne said.

"Nate's a big problem for teams and he's going to be very, very important for us. To be down essentially two starters and come out and perform like that makes it exciting because obviously we can still get a lot better when those guys are back."

Shooting Stars executive hits the road in regional WA



NETBALL'S Shooting Stars executive officer Fran Haintz has completed a tour of regional Western Australia, travelling to all six sites over 10 weeks.

Haintz spent time in the Mid West region before travelling to the Kimberley sites in Halls Creek and Derby, and finished by visiting Carnarvon.

After attending steering committee meetings and speaking with various

stakeholders across the communities, Haintz said she was impressed with the way the program was running across the state.

Fundamental

"To see the program running so successfully is a wonderful indication of the passion our staff have for Shooting Stars, and also their relationships with our students," Haintz said.

"Our values of pride, respect and success are at the cornerstone of

everything we do, and that is fundamental to the program's aim."

The Shooting Stars program is now fully staffed with a team of 16, with 60% of employees identifying as Indigenous.

Of the 300 participants, 60% are maintaining an average school attendance rate of more than 80%.

"To see the program affecting genuine change in these communities is something we pride ourselves on," Haintz said.

"Our goal is to keep our participants in

school for longer, so to see them engaging with their education is certainly a positive."

Shooting Stars aims to use netball as the vehicle to encourage greater engagement and attendance at school of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander girls living in WA's remote communities and regional towns.

The program engages close to 300 students across six delivery sites – Halls Creek, Derby, Carnarvon, Meekatharra, Wiluna and Mullewa.

Chambers' horror is erased

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

THERE used to be a saying that you had to lose a grand final to win a grand final.

Although I have never agreed with that view, Melbourne Storm's emphatic win over the Cowboys in the premiership decider certainly put a different spin on that idea – for both teams.

In the case of the Melbourne Storm, and in particular, star centre Will Chambers, it was a case of what a difference a year makes.

Storm certainly had the experience last year to win a grand final.

Although they publicly won't admit it as a team, there is little doubt that the loss at some level must have provided them with additional motivation for success this year.

Even if the team did not want to admit it, Will Chambers certainly could not forget a missed opportunity to snatch victory for the Storm.

His performance in the win

against the Cowboys confirmed him as the form centre in the game.

And the plaudits from his teammates and his coach have also seen him become one of the key leaders and public faces of the Storm.

In my opinion, he had an outstanding game and won a number of key moments in the match.

On the Cowboys' side, injured captain Johnathan Thurston virtually started next season's campaign while the team was still on the field.

He addressed his fallen teammates in a huddle moments after the grand final loss to Melbourne to deliver a blunt message about using the pain of the loss as a launching pad to bring the NRL premiership back to North Queensland next year.

Thurston fell one short of the premiership in 2005 when the Cowboys lost their maiden grand final to the Wests Tigers, and the star playmaker had to wait a decade until he could right the wrong by kicking the winning golden-point field goal against Brisbane in 2015 to deliver North Queensland a first title.

Rare opportunities

He knows that these opportunities are rare.

His message at full-time was powerful, and resonated strongly throughout the Cowboys' playing squad.

JT will return to an already formidable-looking line-up next year, alongside co-captain Matt Scott and Jordan McLean, who joins from the Storm.

He'll also reunite with Michael Morgan, who had a breakout season in Thurston's absence, steering the Cowboys into the grand final from eighth spot.

At this stage it will be JT's last year.

He will certainly be hoping that his teammates believe that you have to lose a grand final to win a grand final.



Cowboys coach Paul Green, Gavin Cooper of the Cowboys and Johnathan Thurston talk after the Cowboys' grand final loss to Melbourne Storm at Stadium Australia, Sydney, on October 1. Picture: Getty

Daniel continues the Rioli dynasty

DESPITE his confident nature, you would not have blamed Daniel Rioli if he felt the weight on the world on his shoulders as he went into the Australian Football League (AFL) grand final against the raging favourites – the Adelaide Crows.

As confident as he is, Daniel is also a humble young man well aware of the legacy of his family name.

Although his captain carried young Daniel on his shoulders due to a nasty ankle injury suffered late in the game, it was great to once again see a Rioli chaired around the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) after a grand final victory.

The small forward delivered trademark pressure in Richmond's 48-point win over Adelaide, laying five tackles.

"Winning my first ever premiership at age 20, it does make it less painful. Knowing you've got a medal around your neck helps," Rioli said.

"Definitely still enjoyed the celebrations. I've got my family over and I was with them for most of the night.

"I can't wait to get back home, catch up with all the family and show them my medal. I'm sure they'll be proud.

"I've got no idea how severe the injury is."

The 20-year-old's family history in finals is incredible –

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

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Cyril Rioli, Maurice Rioli and Michael Long have all won Norm Smith medals.

"There's a bit of pressure there, but obviously Cyril played in five grand finals and won four," Daniel said.

"It's kind of hard to think back about that, but when you're out there ... nothing really changes."

As a way of dealing with that pressure, Daniel regularly sought the company of Dean

and Cyril, his family and footballing elders throughout Richmond's finals run.

Daniel calls both men uncle and they met at Cyril's place, where Dean and his brother Sabbo are staying.

Football was often on the TV but rarely part of the conversation.

Dean added to the family's reputation and one could easily see him in many finals game in the future.

He was clearly among Richmond's best in their preliminary-final triumph, booting four goals, and is set for a bright future.

Proud community

The Riolis and Michael Long all come from Pirlangimpi, a former mission on the west coast of Melville Island.

There's now a total of eight AFL grand finals, six premierships and three Norm Smiths from a community with a population of about 370 people.

That's a special community.

But now Daniel has established his own individual brand.

His coach and mentor Damien Hardwick summed it up in a few words.

"He's a special player," Hardwick said.

The dynasty continues.

Until Next time... Keep Dreaming!



Injured Tiger Daniel Rioli leaves the field injured during the 2017 AFL grand final match against the Adelaide Crows at Melbourne Cricket Ground on September 30. Picture: Getty



Cairns-born Northern Territorian Calista Boyd has made rapid progress in women's Australian football. Pictures: Peter Argent



Ruth Wallace has just completed an amazing season in South Australian women's football and is set to step on to the national stage.

Can't wait for 2018

By PETER ARGENT



TWO Indigenous players – Ruth Wallace and Calista Boyd – are raring to go during the second season of new Australian Football League (AFL) women's competition.

They took their first steps at the inaugural AFL Women's Draft at Docklands Stadium, Melbourne, on October 3-4.

Boyd is a teenage midfield with lightning speed from the Top End, while Adelaide woman Wallace is a creative, athletic utility/forward in the prime of her career.

Born in Cairns, Queensland, diminutive 157cm Boyd has only been playing Australian football for just three years as a midfielder or small forward.

She was a part of the Allies side (a combination of SA, NT and Tasmanian players at the national under 18s championships) under inaugural AFLW premierships coach Bec Goddard and is of Torres Strait Islander descent.

Boyd, since moving to Darwin, has played Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) women's football with the Wanderers Eagles Football Club at Premier League and Under-18 levels.

"I suppose my assets are my ball handling and speed," Boyd told the *Koori Mail*.

"My football hero is Sally Riley from the Adelaide Crows.

"She was actually my Year 11 teacher.

"There are six of us in my family – three boys and three girls.

"My older siblings, Gemma and Royden played touch footy as did my twin sister, Charlotte.

"Young brother Caleb is a rugby league player and the baby Lothamo, he's a soccer player.

"Sport has been a big part of the family.

"My dad Dominic played rugby and mum Jillian was a representative basketballer and sprinter.

"I really enjoyed being coached by Bec Goddard as she brought out the best in me."

Boyd, along with endeavouring to grab a career in the AFL women's game, also works as a painter and in the hospitality industry.

Diverse

Wallace, 24, from the Norwood Football Club, has enjoyed a diverse and dynamic sporting career.

This included a significant tenure with the Adelaide United

Soccer Club, playing women's A-League, and running the New York Marathon with the Robert de Castella Indigenous Marathon Project (IMP).

She also played Gaelic football and this year had outstanding seasons at SAWFL level and in the inaugural SANFL women's competition with Norwood.

Wallace was one of the key performances in the Redlegs' premiership victory over the Roosters earlier this year.

And when Adelaide University Blacks had a comprehensive grand final victory over Salisbury, Wallace receive best on ground honours.

"I hope I'm perceived as a team orientated player," she said

"My other assets include a solid skillset, and I believe I have good goal sense.

"My Indigenous heritage

comes through my grandad – who is a Wuthathi man from Cape York – Pedro Wallace (Wallis) and his wife, my gran Ruth Hennings, who is from Mornington Island.

"When I was young, I did a lot of things – kneeboarding, netball and was very sporty.

"My mum Gill and dad Warwick have also been great support.

"I went to Willunga High School and regard myself as a beach/country girl, living in the Aldinga Beach/Moana area and spending a lot of time at Victor Harbour."

One of the players Wallace looks up to is fellow Blacks player (in the SAWFL) and North Adelaide first women's captain Jess Edwards. Her desire for success and her work ethic is something Wallace aspires to emulate.

Geelong to host 2018 Kevin Coombs Cup



GEELONG is to host the 2018 basketball Under-18 Australian Championships and the Kevin Coombs Cup next April.

Kevin Coombs was the first Australian Aboriginal Paralympic competitor and competed in five Paralympics, including the first Games in 1960.

The Kevin Coombs Cup is a national junior wheelchair event played in conjunction with the Under-18 Australian Championships.

In Geelong, more than 100 games will be played across eight days with every state and territory represented through the three competitions.

Many of Australia's stars,

including Patty Mills, have been discovered at the Under-18s.

For that reason, the Under-18s holds great significance in the Australian basketball pathway while the Kevin Coombs Cup is the only national competition for wheelchair basketballers that enables players to represent their state.

Pool stage matches of the Melbourne Commonwealth Games were staged at Geelong.

Next year will see the Under-18s men's tournament return to Geelong for the first time since 1977.

It will be the first time the Under-18 women and Kevin Coombs Cup will be held in Geelong with the three tournaments having been run concurrently since 2010.

Wikipedia says Kevin Coombs

became a paraplegic at the age of 12 when he was accidentally shot in the back while out shooting rabbits.

He spent time at the Royal Austin Rehabilitation Hospital in Melbourne where he was introduced to sport as part of his rehabilitation program.

One of the sports in which he competed was wheelchair basketball. He competed in the first Australian championships in 1960 and was then selected to compete at the 1960 Summer Paralympics.

Coombs worked for the Victorian Department of Human Services until 2000. During his career with the Health Services, he established the Koori Hospital Liaison Officer program, was the coordinator of the Koori Drug and Alcohol Program, and was also manager of the Koori Health Unit.



● LEFT: Kevin Coombs at the 1960 Rome Paralympics opening ceremony.
● ABOVE: Kevin Coombs today.

Gardner in Test squad



ASHLEIGH Gardner will battle it out with four other players for one of the final bowling spots in Australia's women's Ashes cricket series against England.

Gardner is on the cusp of joining Faith Thomas as Australia's only Indigenous women's Test players.

Thomas played one Test for Australia against England in 1958.

Gardner has represented Australia in international one-day and T20 games, but not Test cricket. This season's Ashes series involves just one Test match and a series of one-dayers and T20s.

Gardner has been named in the Australian Test and one-day squads.

Selectors have named almost identical squads for the three one-dayers and one-off Test match, which the world's top-ranked batter Meg Lanning will miss due to a shoulder injury.

Australia's batters are hitting the summer in form.

Six Test rookies were named in the 15-player squad for the November 9-12 match at North Sydney Oval, but as few as two are likely to play with the majority being bowlers.

Tahlia McGrath, Lauren Cheatle, Gardner, Belinda Vakarewa and Amanda-Jade Wellington will each battle for one of

the final bowling spots, with the Test squad to be reduced to 13 following a three-day tour match next month.

Vakarewa is the only player not also named to play in the one-dayers, while selectors are yet to pick the T20 squad.

The series is played in a points format, with ODIs and T20 matches each worth two, and the stand-alone Test worth four.

Australian women: Rachael Haynes (c), Alex Blackwell (vc), Kristen Beams, Nicole Bolton, Lauren Cheatle, Ashleigh Gardner, Alyssa Healy, Jess Jonassen, Tahlia McGrath, Beth Mooney, Ellyse Perry, Megan Schutt, Elyse Villani, Belinda Vakarewa (Test only), Amanda-Jade Wellington.

One-Day Internationals:

October 22 – Allan Border Field, Brisbane

October 26 – Coffs International Stadium, Coffs Harbour

October 29 – Coffs International Stadium, Coffs Harbour

Day-Night Test:

November 9-12 – North Sydney Oval, North Sydney

T20 Internationals:

November 17 – North Sydney Oval, North Sydney

November 19 – Manuka Oval, Canberra

November 21 – Manuka Oval, Canberra.



Ashleigh Gardner, in her new South Australian Scorpions colours, bats against Tasmania in the Women's National Cricket League (WNCL). Picture: Peter Argent

Peris late call-up for Hockeyroos squad



BROOKE Peris was one of three changes in the Australian women's Hockeyroos team playing in the Oceania Cup in Sydney last weekend.
Laura Barden (quad),

Edwina Bone (knee) and Jordyn Holzberger (hamstring) were ruled out, replaced in the 18-member team by Kristina Bates, Gabrielle Nance and Northern Territorian Brooke Peris.

Australia played New Zealand and Papua New

Guinea in the biennial tournament, with the final played last Sunday.

Against PNG last Thursday, the Hockeyroos won 23-0, with Peris scoring a goal.

Ten of the Hockeyroos scored goals, led by first-time captain Emily Smith, who

netted five times.

Every two years since 1999, Australia and New Zealand have come together to fight it out for the Oceania Cup. Australia was defending the men's and the women's 2015 titles.

The 2017 winners will receive automatic

qualification for the 2018 World Cup – the Women's World Cup to be held in London in July 2018 and the Men's World Cup in India in November-December 2018.

The Oceania Cup is open for participation to all countries in the Oceania region.

Chambers, Gagai, Graham in World Cup squad



DANE Gagai, Will Chambers and Wade Graham are in the Australian rugby league team to contest the upcoming 2017 Rugby League World Cup.

Penrith winger Josh Mansour was called into the Australian squad following the withdrawal of Darius Boyd.

Boyd withdrew with a hamstring injury.

The squad is: 1 Reagan Campbell-Gillard (Penrith), 2 Will Chambers (Melbourne), 3. Boyd Cordner (vice-captain – Sydney Roosters), 4 Cooper Cronk (Melbourne), 5 Josh Dugan (St George-Illawarra), 6 Tyson Frizell (St George-Illawarra), 7 Dane Gagai (Newcastle), 8 Matt Gillett (Brisbane) 9 Wade Graham (Cronulla), 10 Valentine Holmes (Cronulla), 11 Ben Hunt (Brisbane), 12 Felise Kaufusi (Melbourne), 13 David Klemmer

(Canterbury), 14 Josh McGuire (Brisbane), 15 James Maloney (Cronulla), 16 Josh Mansour (Penrith), 17 Jordan McLean (Melbourne), 18 Michael Morgan (North Queensland) 19 Cameron Munster (Melbourne), 20 Billy Slater (Melbourne), 21 Cameron Smith (captain – Melbourne), 22 Jake Trbojevic (Manly), 23 Tom Trbojevic (Manly), 24 Aaron Woods (Wests Tigers).

Penrith forward Reagan Campbell-Gillard was also a late call-up following the withdrawal today of Andrew Fifita.

Fifita informed Kangaroos coach Mal Meninga of his desire to represent Tonga at the World Cup.

“Andrew called me and said he was passionate about playing for Tonga and I respect and support that decision,” Meninga said.

“It is obviously a significant boost for Tonga as well as the World Cup – and international rugby league in general.

“At the same time, it is also a great opportunity for someone like Reagan, who has been outstanding for the Panthers.

“I’m extremely excited about seeing Reagan in a Kangaroos jersey.”

Seven members of the premiership-winning Melbourne Storm outfit have been selected in the squad, which will open its World Cup campaign against England on October 27.

Gagai and Graham will be making their World Cup debuts.

“This squad has the right mix of youth and experience, as well as an overall balance across the positions for a World Cup campaign,” coach Meninga said.



Wade Graham

Fifita's allegiance to Tonga for World Cup



INDIGENOUS All Star Andrew Fifita has received Mal Meninga's blessing to turn his back on

Australia and instead play for Tonga at the rugby league World Cup.

The 28-year-old has joined New Zealand star Jason Taumalolo in making the shock defection, while several other Kiwi-eligible players have been picked for Tonga.

Cronulla prop Fifita was named in the Kangaroos squad this week before informing coach Meninga of his decision to quit the team.

In snubbing short-priced favourites Australia, Fifita has turned down a potential \$50,000 pay cheque for winning the World Cup, with Tonga players expected to take home just \$3000 for their participation.

Fifita has a Tongan father and Aboriginal mother.

“Andrew called me and said he was passionate about playing for Tonga and I respect and support that decision,” Meninga said in a statement.

“It is obviously a significant boost for Tonga as well as the World Cup – and international rugby league in general.”

Penrith forward Reagan Campbell-Gillard was called into the Kangaroos squad to replace Fifita.

NSW forward Fifita has played seven times for Australia and also represented the Indigenous All Stars.

He only returned to the national team set-up in May this year, playing his first game since the 2013 World Cup after being banned from last year's Four Nations for his on-field support of one-punch killer Kieran Loveridge.

Powerhouse forward Taumalolo announced his defection to Tonga despite playing his past 10 Tests for the Kiwis.



Andrew Fifita pushes forward for the Australian Prime Minister's XIII against the Papua New Guinea PM's XIII in Port Moresby last month.

Tui Lolohea, Solomon Kata, Manu Ma'u and David Fusitu'a were among the players in the frame for New Zealand selection named in Tonga's squad.

The shock inclusions of Taumalolo and Fifita make Tonga a genuine threat for the World Cup, according to tournament favourites Australia and New Zealand.

New Zealand took the high road when they described Taumalolo's defection as a boon for international football, leading Kiwis coach David Kidwell to declare Tonga a real contender. “I think everyone's mindset is

that they're going to be thinking they're genuine contenders for the World Cup – we definitely think (they) are, major contenders,” Kidwell said.

Kangaroos'Indigenous rookie Wade Graham said he also considered Tonga a serious challenge.

Should Tonga finish top of group B, which includes New Zealand, Samoa and Scotland, they could meet Australia in the final in Brisbane.

“They're definitely a great team. (Taumalolo and Fifita) certainly add to any team they play in,” Graham said.

Graham insisted it was only a matter of time before emerging nations would be challenging the tier-one nations on the world stage.

Australian rugby league captain Cameron Smith took a swipe at Fifita's change of allegiance, but admitted he would welcome the Tongan forward back in the green and gold next season if he was selected.

The champion hooker was clearly miffed by Fifita's change of hear.

But Smith acknowledged that as it stood, there wasn't much he could do about it.

“World Cup year is almost like a year off where you can pick where you want to play if you have any type of heritage in some nation,” Smith said.

“I was a little bit shocked to be honest, both with Jason's decision and Andrew's, but at the end of the day it's up to the individual and if they're happy to represent the countries that they decide to play for then I'm happy for them.”

Smith was gruff when asked if he'd welcome Fifita back into the side once the World Cup was run and won.

“If he's playing well enough, then why not,” Smith said.

Nakia Davis-Welsh



Four chosen for league World Cup



FOUR Indigenous players are in the Australian Jilloos squad of 24 that will

defend the Women's Rugby League World Cup starting in Sydney on November 16.

They are Caitlin Moran and Rebecca Young (North Newcastle) and Redfern All Blacks Nakia Davis-Welsh and Lavina O'Mealey.

All five will be making their World Cup debuts in a squad that includes 16 World Cup debutants.

Coach Brad Donald said that every Jilloos team member had contributed to elevating the team to its highest professional point and he was confident in the abilities of the squad selected for the World Cup.

"Every member of the Jilloos has had the opportunity to press for selection across training camps and matches this year and there is no doubt that as an extended team, we are closer than we have ever been and committed to our goal of retaining the World Cup," Donald said.

"With the tournament being staged in our home country, we will be drawing on local support and our intention is to complete the year with a World Cup win."

The Jilloos' opening match will be against the Cook Islands at Endeavour Field, in



Rebecca Young

Sydney's south. The Women's Rugby League World Cup is being played for the first time concurrently with the Men's World Cup.

Both finals will be played on the same stage as a double-header in Brisbane on December 2.

Tickets to the Women's Rugby League World Cup tournament are available from www.rlwc2017.com, with prices starting from \$10 for triple-header pool games.

Those 15 years or under and concession holders can gain

entry for free to women's pool matches. Tickets to the double-header final in Brisbane can be purchased from the Rugby League World Cup website, with the cost of a ticket covering the men's and women's matches.

Women's Rugby League World Cup, details, including the draw: www.rlwc2017.com.

Jilloos squad: Kezie Apps (Helensburgh NSW), Chelsea Baker (Wallabies, Gladstone Qld), Heather Ballinger (Wests Panthers Qld), Annette Brander (Beerwah Bulldogs Qld), Brittany Breasley (Brothers, Ipswich Qld), Sam Bremner (Helensburgh NSW), Ali Briginshaw (Brothers, Ipswich Qld), Karina Brown (Easts Tigers Qld), Nakia Davis-Welsh (Redfern All Blacks NSW), Vanessa Foliaki (Easts Tigers NSW), Steph Hancock (Easts Tigers Qld), Isabelle Kelly (North Newcastle NSW), Renae Kunst (Wests Panthers Qld), Corban McGregor (Cronulla-Caringbah NSW), Caitlin Moran (North Newcastle NSW), Lavina O'Mealey (Redfern All Blacks NSW), Talesha Quinn (Cronulla-Caringbah NSW), Ruan Sims (Cronulla-Caringbah NSW), Maddie Studdon (Redfern All Blacks NSW), Zahara Temara (Burleigh Bears Qld), Simaima Taufa (Mounties NSW), Elianna Walton (Greenacre NSW), Meg Ward (Northern Territory), Rebecca Young (North Newcastle NSW).



Tarni Stepto
Picture:
Sam Donkin

Two in Aussie tour of Japan



TWO Indigenous players are in the Aussie Spirit softball team that will travel to Japan this month for a

series of games against high-quality opposition.

They are NSW players Tarni Stepto and Montana Kearnes.

With several regular Aussie Spirit players unavailable, the tour is an opportunity for some new faces to show what they can do against international competition and gain experience in Japanese conditions ahead of next year's World Championship.

Missing will be two other Indigenous players – veteran Aussie Spirit captain Stacey Porter and pitcher Vanessa Stokes.

The team is a mixture of Aussie Spirit players, Identified Pathway athletes and players who competed in the recent Junior World Championship.

Head coach Fabian Barlow said the tour to the southern Japanese city of Kochi was an ideal way for the Spirit to add to their depth of talent.

"Several Aussie Spirit players were unavailable, which has created great opportunities for other athletes to pit their skills against terrific competition," Barlow said.

"We were always looking at introducing new players for this tour to build depth in all positions. This continues our plan for 2017, which was to play as many quality games as we can and build depth in all positions within our program."

The Aussie Spirit will play 10 exhibition games from October 27-31 against Sonoda University, professional league team Iyo Bank and club team Hirabayashi.

They will also have full access to the Kochi Prefectural Government-owned Haruno Sports Park located in Kochi City, which is run by the Japanese men's head coach



Montana Kearnes
Picture: Sam Donkin

Tomoaki Okamoto. This includes softball diamonds, indoor training facility, gym and recovery centre.

The Kochi Prefectural Government invited the Australian team to their town and is contributing to the visit to help inspire their local youth to take up sports, softball especially.

Coach Barlow said it had been a great few months for the Aussie Spirit, but they still had some work to do to match it with the world's best.

He has seen his team perform well in tournaments in the USA, Canada and Japan in the Northern Hemisphere summer.

Barlow returned from the Japan Cup full of praise for his team but mindful that they still had a lot of work to do.

At the Japan Cup in Takasaki, the Aussie Spirit lost in extra innings to the USA, lost 3-0 to Japan but twice beat Canada.

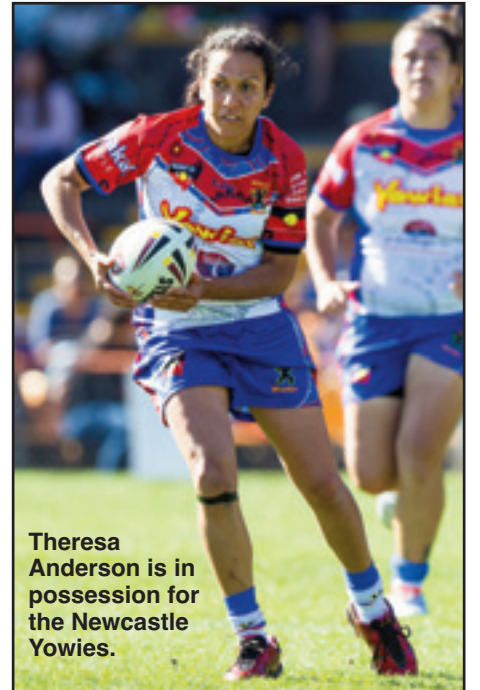
"Beating Canada twice in a row was very pleasing," Barlow said.

"We gave the USA a good run and we were competitive against Japan, so there were plenty of positives."

Koori Knockout action



Women's runners-up Dunghutti. They almost snatched the title away from Redfern All Blacks.



Theresa Anderson is in possession for the Newcastle Yowies.



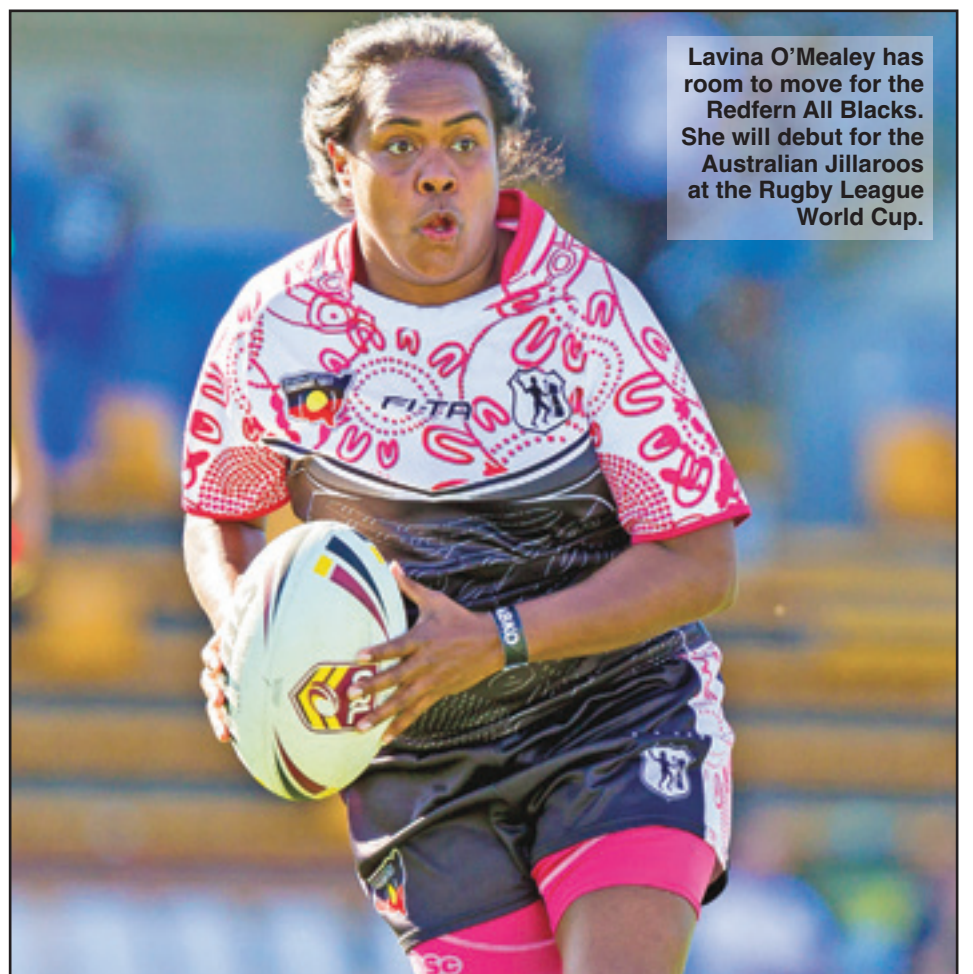
Former Australian Rugby Sevens player Taleena Simon in action for the Redfern All Blacks.



Redfern's Chloe Caldwell is surrounded by Newcastle Yowies defenders.



Redfern All Blacks and Newcastle Yowies players embrace after their semifinal.



Lavina O'Mealey has room to move for the Redfern All Blacks. She will debut for the Australian Jillaroos at the Rugby League World Cup.

Knockout heading



THE NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival is heading back to the Hunter Valley after the Newcastle Yowies reclaimed the men's title in Sydney on Monday.

The Yowies, who have been in Knockout finals three times in the past decade, were too strong for Griffith Three Ways United, who were making their first appearance in a Knockout final.

The Yowies won 22-8 after leading 10-0 at half-time.

Three Ways needed to score first in the second half to give themselves a chance of winning.

They did that, but Newcastle's experience told and the Yowies pressed ahead.

The Redfern All Blacks won their fourth successive women's final.

It was a tight affair and Dunghutti almost stole a win before Redfern scored a try just a couple of minutes before fulltime to win 12-8.

Caught by computer glitch

THE gremlins were at work when we were rushing to prepare our last edition, and some pictures disappeared because of technical reasons.

Here are the two Knockout pages as we intended.



Cabbage Tree Island's Theo Hippi wins the high ball against Newcastle Yowies.



Trent Rose, from WAC (Walgett Aboriginal Connection).



Redfern All Blacks versus Combined Countries.



This Redfern All Blacks player had three Newcastle Yowie defenders to deal with in a women's game.



Terrie Ann Cain for Newcastle Yowies.



The Redfern All Blacks won the women's final for the fourth successive year. They scraped home 12-8 against Dunghutti.

back to the Hunter



Gundungurra Goannas, in the red, take on the South West Metro Waratahs.



South West Metro Waratahs player Tyran Pettit-Young goes over for a try.



A Narwan Eels player looks for space.



Walgett Aboriginal Connection tangles with Waterloo Storm.



A Newcastle Yowies player dives on the loose ball while playing against Cabbage Tree Island.

Mundine turns back clock

SPECULATION has heightened that Anthony Mundine could return to elite-level rugby league after the champion boxer turned out for Nanima at the NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout carnival at Leichhardt Oval.

It was a far cry from Mundine's time at the Dragons and the Broncos before he switched to boxing.

At 42 years of age, Mundine could become one of the NRL's oldest players.

His plan was to play for St George Illawarra at the Auckland Nines, but the tournament got scrapped, so he turned to the Koori Knockout instead.

It was Mundine's first rugby league hit-out in 17 years, but he said, after his side won their first game, that he loved it.

"I'm pretty happy," he told News Ltd.

"It was pretty crazy.

"The biggest thing for me was being back in a team environment. The spirit's great.

"You're not on your own like in boxing. I felt good and I didn't make an error."



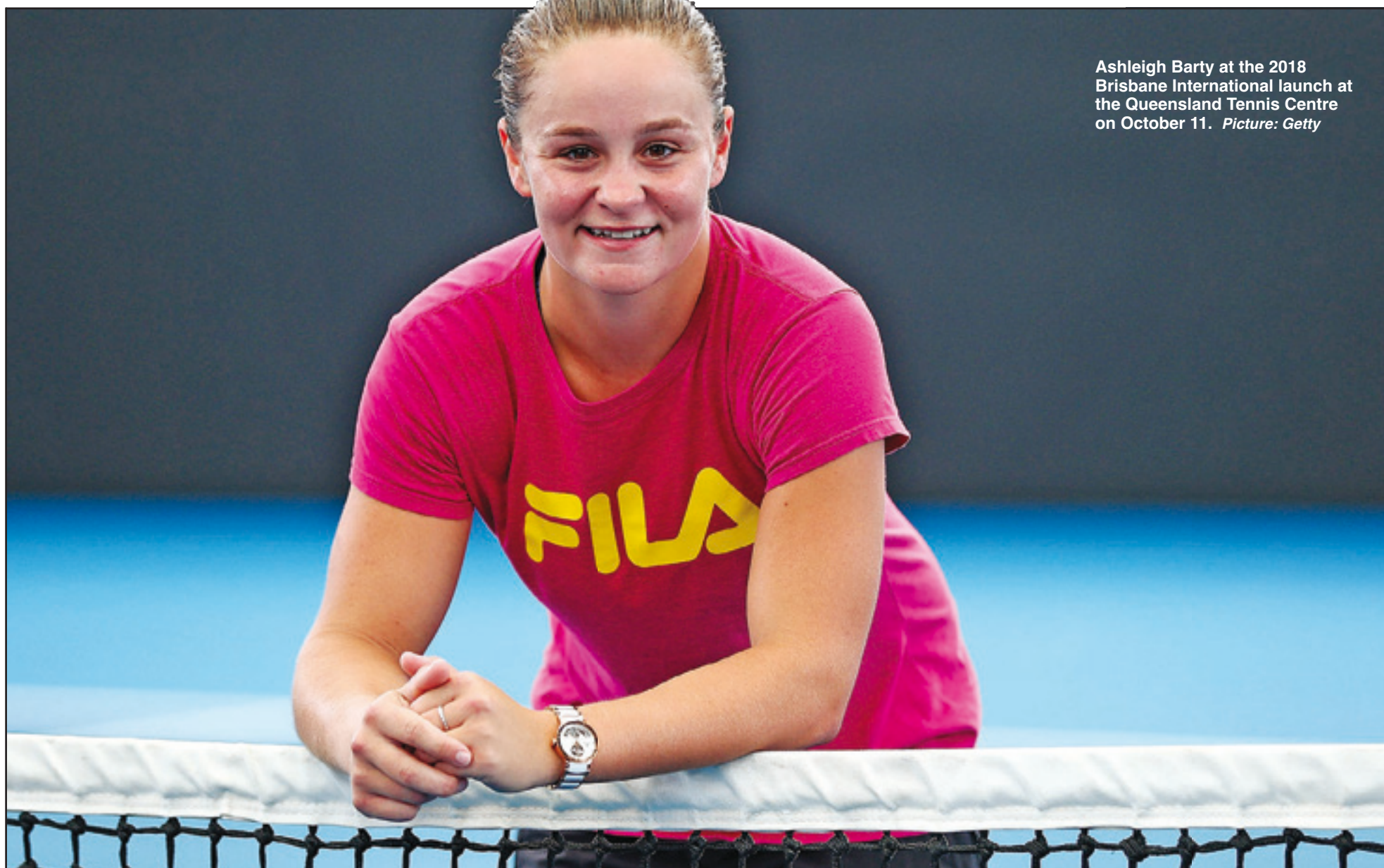
Griffith Three Ways United forward Reggie Saunders stands over a Mungindi Grasshoppers player.



**Gardner on
course for
Test cap**
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Ashleigh Barty at the 2018 Brisbane International launch at the Queensland Tennis Centre on October 11. Picture: Getty

From 271 to 23 inside one year



ASH Barty is way ahead of her schedule as she soars up the rankings in women's tennis.

Her end-of-year goal was to be in the top 100.

Having started the year with a world ranking of 271, a top-100 ranking seemed challenging enough.

But she has had an unbelievable rise and the top 100 bar was lifted to top 50.

With five wins over top-10 players and consistency throughout the year, she has risen to 23.

That will give her one of 32 singles

seeds for next year's Australian Open – the first of the year's Grand Slam events.

In the lead-up event to the Australian Open, the Brisbane International from December 31-January 7, she probably will miss out on one of the eight seeds in the women's singles.

Back in Brisbane

Barty was last week back in Brisbane after bowing out early at the China Open. She was beaten 6-4 6-2 by world No 3 Elina Svitolina, of The Ukraine, in the round of 32.

"We are on the cusp of the top 20 so I

guess that's the next one," Barty told News Ltd after confirming her Brisbane entry during a break in training at the Queensland Tennis Centre.

"For me, Brisbane will always be a stop on my calendar. It's my backyard and I really love playing on this court."

Barty is waiting to hear if she will receive a wildcard into the WTA's Zhuhai year-end tournament from October 30 contested by the highest ranked players not involved in the eight-woman WTA Championships in Singapore played in the previous week. If not, she has played her last singles match for the year.

In the meantime, she and doubles partner Casey Dellacqua will line up at the Singapore event as one of the eight best performed combinations of the year.

"It would be pretty special to play in Zhuhai, but Casey and I want to do well in Singapore," Barty told News Ltd.

In the China Open, Barty succumbed to the hard-hitting Svitolina.

Her defeat temporarily halted the 21-year-old's push to usurp Daria Gavrilova as Australian No 1 after a career-best run to the final of the Wuhan Open a week earlier. – With AAP

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