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Stars shine at Dreamtime Awards

CASEY Donovan belts out a tune at the inaugural Dreamtime Awards in Sydney. Hundreds of people turned out to see some of Indigenous Australia's very best pick up awards in a range of categories. Full coverage on pages 28-29. *Picture: Joseph Mayers*



Don Dale to go



THE Northern Territory royal commission into youth detention has handed down its final report, making more than 200 recommendations.

The inquiry recommends closing Darwin's notorious Don Dale Detention Centre, raising the age of criminal responsibility and ending long periods of isolation and restraint for child inmates.

And doctors, lawyers, Indigenous advocates and human rights experts are demanding the age of criminal responsibility

200 recommendations from NT youth justice royal commission

be raised Australia-wide so that troubled primary school kids don't face a future behind bars.

The NT Government accepted the royal commission's recommendation for an Australian-first increase in the age a child can be charged, brought to court and

imprisoned from 10 to 12.

Health, legal and Indigenous advocates are now calling on other states and territories to lift their criminal liability benchmarks to at least 14 years around the rest of the country.

About 600 Australian kids under 14 are locked up each year, nearly 70% of whom

are Indigenous, according to National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services.

"Removing children as young as 10 from their families and forcing them into the criminal justice system takes away their basic rights as children to learn, grow and thrive," co-chair Wayne Muir said.

The calls are also backed by the Australian Indigenous Doctors' Association and the Lowitja Institute.

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My FAMILY

SUSAN FANSELOW (MAYNARD) – Rocherlea (Launceston), northern Tasmania



THIS is me with my sisters Shirley Maynard and Daisy Maluga, and behind us are my daughters Jessica and Rebecca and Daisy's daughter Marcia.

The photo was taken at the Generation Cup sport event. It's a bit like a family reunion, and a real bonus to us.

Shirley always played netball and softball in the carnivals, and there's football. It's great to see the next generation coming through now.

Our parents were Ben and Stella Maynard, and the Aboriginal community in Tasmania would be a lot smaller without them. I reckon they would have about 60 grandchildren all up, and the great grandchildren are now having kids.

We grew up on Flinders Island. There were 11 of us, and I would have been the last one born on Flinders Island. My older sisters recall life over there running

about the rocks and collecting a feed of limpets and stuff.

We moved off when I was young because Dad was a cricketer in Launceston.

My brothers Darrell and Wayne played cricket too. We all played a lot of sport.

There are seven of us still alive – five girls and two boys – and these days we all live in Rocherlea, except for Darrell who skipped out down to Hobart.

We seem to all want to be on one another's doorstep. It's only a hop, step and a jump, and we want to be there.

We can have a good night's sleep knowing that if any of us needs each other we don't have to get on a airplane or cross the ocean.

We're there for one another, and that's how Mum bought us up, and Dad.

We are very close.

– As told to Jillian Mundy

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OUR CHILDREN



YOUNG painted-up Coota Koori Dance Troupe members perform on stage during the Proud and Deadly awards presentation night in Cootamundra, southern NSW. Get the full story and more pictures on page 36.

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Black Green stars

By JILLIAN MUNDY



HISTORY will be made this afternoon when Lidia Thorpe becomes the first Aboriginal woman to make a maiden speech in the Victorian Parliament.

The Gunnia/Gunditjmara Greens MP from Preston won the inner-city Melbourne seat of Northcote in a by-election this month, a seat held by Labor for the past 90 years.

A leader in the Victorian Aboriginal community for decades and armed with a "degree in life", Ms Thorpe felt it was time to step up.

"I feel that I've made such an impact within my own community," she said, "having a voice and standing up for accountability, integrity and transparency, social justice and the environment.

"I felt there was only so much I could do within my own mob and I wanted to broaden it."

Ms Thorpe joined the Greens earlier this year and within months was given the opportunity to run for pre-selection.

"The Greens are about people and country. They're my values. They've always been my values," she said.

"It's my political home and it's also brought a lot of other people into the party. Since I joined there's been an influx of other Aboriginal people.

"We can only do so much, because we are under so much pressure with our people being locked up, and our kids being taken away and our people dying. We can't do this alone. We need to join forces and



Gunnia/Gunditjmara woman Lidia Thorpe, the first Aboriginal woman to be elected to Parliament in Victoria, is with her daughter Kaiaan Somerville-Thorpe, 9.

we need healing. This country needs healing.

"All of our Greens values are about caring for people and caring for country and that's what blackfellas have done for thousands of years."

Earlier this year, Ms Thorpe held a discussion at the Greens National

Conference in Alice Springs that resulted in the National Black Greens. She's also behind an equivalent movement in Victoria.

Ms Thorpe comes from a long line of strong and dedicated women who have made significant contributions to the Aboriginal struggle for justice and the quest for a more just and equitable society.

Her great-grandmother Edna Brown started the Aboriginal Funeral Fund in the 1960s, when many Aboriginal people were buried as paupers. Her grandmother Alma Thorpe set up the state's first Aboriginal health service. Her mother Marjorie Thorpe was a co-commissioner of the National Inquiry into the removal of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children from families.

Leaving school and starting work at 14, becoming office manager of the Fitzroy Stars Gym at 16, demanding accountability and transparency within her own community, and now a mother of three, Ms Thorpe has no doubt that life experience is as valuable as any university degree heading into politics.

"I have a degree in life, life experiences, and I've had some amazing mentors like Robbie Thorpe, Bruce McGuinness and my Nan Alma (Thorpe).

"I was raised in a political family. It's all I've known: to stand up for injustices, stand up for the environment. It's been my family and my culture who have made me who I am today."

During her election campaign, critics attempted to bring down Ms Thorpe, with stories of her past relationship which resulted in bankruptcy (for the record, Ms Thorpe says things are respectful and supportive with her ex nowadays).

It backfired.

"It got me so many likes on Facebook. It got me so much more support. It demonstrated I'm a real person and I've had real life struggles and I've been able to get through those more determined and strong," she said.

Set for Dance Rites



YOUNG dancers from Mowanjum in the Kimberley region of Western Australia practise before the Dance Rites competition at the Sydney Opera House last weekend. Dance Rites was conducted as part of the free Homeground Festival of First Nations arts and music. For a full rundown and pictures, check out the next edition of the *Koori Mail*, out on December 13.



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Dark Emu the book inspires *Dark Emu* the dance show



BANGARRA
Theatre's Stephen Page was so inspired by Bruce Pascoe's non-fiction book *Dark Emu* that he

has created a dance show. In his book, Pascoe shows how First Nations people were farmers, providing evidence of crops, irrigation methods and villages, demolishing the myth that Aboriginal societies were purely hunter-gatherer.

Page said Bangarra's *Dark Emu* will explore the vital life force of flora and fauna in a series of intertwined dance stories.

"Bruce Pascoe's *Dark Emu* is such an important work in the way it illuminates how Aboriginal people interacted with the land pre-colonisation, and imagines what could have been," he said.

"I can't wait to start exploring its rich hunting ground of ideas with Bangarra's dancers."

Dark Emu will premiere in Sydney in June, before travelling to Canberra, Perth, Brisbane and

finishing in Melbourne in September.

Tickets are on sale at www.bangarra.com.au

Other Bangarra performances next year include:

- A free return to country community performance of Jasmin Sheppard's *MACQ* in south-west Sydney on February 3.

- Regional audiences will have the opportunity to see *OUR land people stories* in a tour through three states and territories. *OUR* plays in Newcastle in February, continuing to Dubbo, Toowoomba, Gold Coast, Rockhampton, Mackay and Alice Springs.

- Audiences in South Australia will experience *Bennelong* as part of the Adelaide Festival in March.

Bangarra's youth program *Rekindling*, connecting young people with culture through contemporary dance, will be run in Thursday Island, Darwin and Charleville.

- Pictured left: Bangarra's Daniel Riley, Tyrel Dulvarie, Rika Hamaguchi and Yolanda Lowatta perform in *Dark Emu*.

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Lambie out of Senate



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Labor senator Pat Dodson made an emotional plea for constitutional reform after

Jacqui Lambie was forced to quit Parliament over dual citizenship.

Then-senator Lambie, who is Indigenous, announced her resignation after the British Home Office confirmed she holds UK citizenship through her Scottish-born father.

Senator Dodson choked up as he told Parliament he was aggrieved to see an Indigenous parliamentarian forced out by the Constitution.

"We have a senator who has come from a terrible history of genocide and denial on the one side – and on the Scottish side, no doubt, has links to Braveheart and other people," he said.

"It's an absolute tragedy that our Constitution was written by all these white folks who never bothered to consider and incorporate the First Peoples in it."

Senator Dodson said the constitutional crisis was a chance to consider Indigenous recognition.

There have been calls for a referendum to change section 44 to allow people who don't



Former senator Jacqui Lambie shows emotion as Senator Pat Dodson speaks after her resignation. AAP image

actively seek dual citizenship to be eligible for Parliament.

"For so many conservatives in this part of the world, it is a case of 'if it isn't broken, don't fix it'," Senator Dodson said.

"Well, friends, we've got some issues here.

"This is a reminder that that side of Jacqui's heritage is also being denied, as well as her rights as an Australian who fought for this country."

Senators lined up to embrace Ms Lambie after her resignation speech, praising the Tasmanian firebrand's passion.

Attorney-General George Brandis spoke of "love from all sides of the chamber", while Labor's Doug Cameron thanked her for ensuring no one was ever bored. "More Lambies, less lawyers," Senator Cameron said.

After entering Parliament in 2013 representing Clive Palmer's now defunct party, Senator Lambie quit to sit as an independent the following year.

It was adaptability she learned during her time in the armed forces which allowed her to survive in Canberra, she said. – AAP



The entry to Shalom Christian College, Townsville, which is to be closed by the Uniting Church.

Anger at decision to close Shalom College



THE Uniting Church has decided to close the Shalom Christian College secondary school in Townsville and no longer take boarders, contrary to

the advice of its own commissioned report.

The Uniting Church's Rev David Baker said the decision was based on the "welfare and best interests of our students".

"We understand that this decision will be distressing for students, parents, teachers and community leaders," he said in a statement.

"We emphasise that we have a responsibility to ensure the school is a safe, supportive and productive learning environment."

However, a confidential draft report of a renewal strategy for the school by the Uniting Church, seen by the *Koori Mail*, recommends tighter oversight, better compliance systems and regular standardised complaints reporting rather than closing the boarding and high school arms.

The school has been criticised for its handling of the announcement, with an Independent Education Union spokesman saying it was "disappointing and disrespectful" that staff found out through media.

The Townsville school was part of the royal commission into child sex abuse regarding the gang rape



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— Townsville Elder Prof Gracelyn Smallwood

of a 14-year-old girl on campus in 2006.

The commission heard she was assaulted by four boys behind a classroom at the school, when the students were supposed to be in the boarding house.

The Uniting Church told the royal commission it did not receive enough government funding to keep its students safe.

Speaking to the commission last year, the child's parents said the college had not looked after their daughter's interests medically, psychologically or legally.

Former Shalom principal Christopher Shirley was questioned over his handling of the incident and told the commission he guessed there "would probably" be "five (sex assault allegations) a term, 20 a year".

Professor Gracelyn Smallwood described the decision to close the

secondary and boarding wings of Shalom College as a black day for Indigenous secondary education.

"This decision is wrong on so many levels," the Townsville Elder said.

"Victor Hugo once said that if you open a school door, you close a prison door. That is true but the reverse is also true. If you close a school door, you open a prison door, and in Townsville the Uniting Church closed a lot of school doors and opened a lot of prison doors."

Boarders

There were about 140 secondary and 110 primary students enrolled at the school this year, including 46 boarders, some from the Torres Strait islands and Cape York. Other boarders are from various parts of Queensland, Arnhem Land in the Northern Territory, and from Western

Australia. The school has a reputation for fielding talented sporting teams.

It is understood that most boarding students will be relocated in Townsville, with the northern pupils going to Weipa's Western Cape College.

In a letter to Shalom Christian College chair Bruce Cornish, Queensland Uniting Church Schools and Residential Colleges Commission chair Peter Campbell sets out a series of recommendations to address concerns regarding attendance, safety of students, supervision and approach to education at the school.

"It would seem a significant focus of the college executive and staff has been to 'police' students rather than to change their behaviour," Mr Campbell wrote.

"The commissioners noted an

abundance of policies, procedures and forms associated with this matter and observed that maybe it is a genuine commitment to thoughtfully and continually enact these and to follow up students that is lacking."

Prof Smallwood was also critical of the failure of the Uniting Church to respond to Indigenous concerns about the direction Shalom College had been taking.

"We knew the school was not working," she said, "but the Indigenous community was locked out if it was critical about what was going on. If the church had listened to us, if they had consulted the community, this disaster could have been avoided."

"The State Government must step in to clean up this mess now before the children suffer even more."

The renewal strategy sets out a series of recommendations to improve the school and establishes a timeline, regarding compliance, reporting, safety, wellbeing, resourcing and maintenance.

The report criticises the school's approach to curriculum, vision, values and educational model – but recommends a list of strategic options to improve in these areas.

Nowhere in the draft report is the idea of closure canvassed.

It is understood about 60 teachers and support staff will lose their jobs with the closure.

Bamblett scores place with Tigers

By JILLIAN MUNDY



YORTA
Yorta/Gunia
Kurnia/Warpiri
woman Natarsha
Bamblett was the

first to sign on the dotted line for the Richmond Tigers inaugural Victorian Football League Women's (VFLW) team.

The 22-year-old, originally from Shepparton, received the news moments after being named the Most Valuable Player of the first Koorie Women's Football Carnival.

Bamblett told the *Koori Mail* she has found her spark in football.

"I've fallen in love with the sport so quickly," she said. "I'm finding myself every game I play."

For most of Bamblett's life it has been netball and basketball, playing and coaching junior sides.

Her foray into football began only this year, with Victoria's Northern Football League's West Preston going all the way to the grand final.

But Bamblett is certainly no stranger to the sport.

Her uncle Les Bamblett was one of the best footballers in Victoria, playing for Footscray and Melbourne.

Her partner has trained with VFL Richmond and his father played for Richmond.

Bamblett's father and grandfather played country football, as do many of her cousins, and happily both sides



Natarsha Bamblett: "I've fallen in love with the sport so quickly," she says of Australian rules football.

of the family are Richmond supporters.

But it's her three-year-old son Jarrahy who Bamblett says is her greatest fan and supporter.

"He loves footy. He knows it's not just the boys that play footy, or his dad, it's his mum who can play too," she said.

"I'm breaking down barriers for women and mums.

"It's even better that he's a boy; he learns to respect women's roles."

Bamblett said being a young mum has taught her more than anything she could learn on her own, and made her determined to chase her dreams.

"Everything I come across is the next challenge. However little or big, I have to take it with both hands, and nothing ever comes easy," she said.

"It pays off when you put so much into yourself and other people.

"Footy gives me a sense of

accomplishment and there's always a new challenge. There's always a new task to do and I'm always up for it."

"It's an amazing feeling to be recognised for the hard work that I have put in."

Earlier this year Bamblett was named Miss NAIDOC at the Victorian awards, a testament to her leadership and dedication to her community.

She runs Indigenous dance group Individual Spirits, is an

ambassador for the David Wirrpanda Foundation and works at the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service as part of the Healthy Life Style team.

Bamblett started training for the opportunity to make the VFLW team two months ago and will continue with her own regime until official training starts in January.

She came to the attention of Richmond's recruiters at the club's VFLW Talent Day several weeks ago.

Richmond AFLW football operations manager Kate Sheahan said Bamblett will bring a wide range of skills to the program.

"Tarsh is highly competitive, she is a strong tackler and has a great work ethic," Sheahan said.

"But it is her leadership that sets her apart. She is a young community leader and that translates into her football, where she has excellent communication skills."

Sheahan said Bamblett's signing is a great credit to the Richmond Football Club and its centre for Indigenous youth, the Korin Gamadji Institute.

"As a rookie, Tarsh will be eligible to play every game in the 2018 VFLW season and we know she will be a great role model for young aspiring female footballers," she said.

Richmond is licensed to enter the AFLW in 2020.

● **Koorie Women's Football Carnival report and pictures, page 57**

Album is a winner



THE awards keep on rolling in for A.B. Original's album *Reclaim Australia*.

The hip hop duo of Briggs and Trials were last week announced as the winner of triple j's album of the year.

The win comes on top of recognition in the National Indigenous Music Awards, Music Victoria Awards and taking out this year's Australian Music Prize.

"We are just going around the country collecting these joints, so we can send them back to our mothers," Briggs told the ABC after the win.

One of the singles from *Reclaim Australia*, *January 26*, which also features Dan Sultan, made it into the top 20 of this year's triple j Hottest 100.

"Change doesn't really come from people comfortable and complacent," Trials told triple j during the countdown (which is, controversially, held on January 26 every year, although the youth radio station is considering changing the date).

"If that means that we're the guys up there being a little uncomfortable by spreading and sharing this message, then we're prepared for that."

Address

The album has been described as a state-of-the-nation address documenting some of the problems facing Australia's Indigenous peoples, including racism and deaths in custody.

As well as Sultan, the album features Thelma Plum, Archie Roach, Caiti Baker and Dr G Yunupingu – all helping to deliver the outspoken message of protest.

Triple j music director Nick Findlay said it was the solid production and "bold, uncompromising nature" of *Reclaim Australia* that made it this year's best album.

"It's hard to look past the raw, confronting and empowering energy that Briggs and Trials have mastered on *Reclaim Australia*," he said.

"Its impact has been long-standing, incredibly significant and long overdue."



Award-winners: Trials, Dan Sultan and Briggs celebrate after the announcement that A.B. Original's album *Reclaim Australia* won triple j's album of the year. **Picture:** Zak Kaczmarek

Final report of the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the NT

Commissioners pull no punches



A ROYAL commission has recommended the closure of Darwin's notorious Don Dale Detention Centre, raising the age of criminal responsibility and ending long periods of isolation and restraint for child inmates.

The final report of the \$54 million inquiry – which was sparked when footage of boys being tear gassed, wearing spithoods and shackled was aired on television last year, following reports by the *Koori Mail* and other media organisations months previously – also pushes for a major policy shift favouring rehabilitation and community-led measures over electorally popular 'tough-on-crime' solutions.

Commissioners Margaret White and Mick Gooda said their youth justice recommendations will save the NT Government nearly \$336 million over the next decade.

In contrast, if no action is taken, youth detention costs would rise to \$113 million a year, from \$37 million, by 2026-27.

"The time for tinkering around the edges and ignoring the conclusions of the myriad of inquiries that have already been conducted must come to an end," Ms White and Mr Gooda said.

"Human costs dwarf financial considerations and if no action is taken these will continue to escalate beyond the already unacceptable levels."

The commissioners advised the Gunner NT Government to instead invest in small facilities.

The Labor Government has already committed to replacing Don Dale but was awaiting advice from the



Royal commissioner Mick Gooda: "The time for tinkering around the edges and ignoring the conclusions of the myriad of inquiries that have already been conducted must come to an end."

commission before taking action.

The commission also advocates for the age when children can be charged, brought to court and imprisoned to be lifted from 10 to 12.

It wants the High Security Unit in Don Dale shut down immediately and an end to the detention of children under 14 unless they are charged with 'serious' offences.

The 15-month inquiry, which took twice as long as originally intended, also recommended an end to the use of restraints and isolation for managing detainee behaviour.

Ms White and Mr Gooda also proposed a Commission for Children and Young People be set up to oversee detention centres, and that vulnerable children be dealt with by a specialist youth court.

Community groups call for national response

COMMUNITY groups horrified by the abuses and torture brought to light through the juvenile justice royal commission are demanding state and federal governments work together to achieve nationwide change.

Almost 100 organisations have signed an open letter calling on the Prime Minister, premiers and chief ministers to commit to a national response to address the issues.

The \$54 million commission's final report contains more than 200 recommendations.

The Turnbull Government has said it will carefully consider findings directed to the Commonwealth, acknowledging many recommendations have wider implications for all jurisdictions.

"Our organisations working across the country know that the issues are not just isolated to the Northern Territory,"

Change the Record co-chair Antoinette Braybrook said. "They are happening in child protection systems and youth prisons right across the country."

The organisations point to inquiries into youth detention centres across all jurisdictions except South Australia within the past 18 months.

"Immediate measures"

"All Australian governments must take immediate measures to reform our youth justice systems and address the recommendations of the royal commission," the statement says.

"These must be developed collaboratively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities to ensure that all of Australia's children thrive."

The organisations highlight the fact Indigenous children make up more than

half the number of children in youth prisons across the country.

"We are deeply concerned at the worsening rate at which Australia is locking up Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, which is now 25 times the rate of non-Indigenous children," they say.

"In addition to removing children from their families and communities, children are being subjected to prolonged abuse including isolation, restraint chairs, spit hoods and tear gas in youth prisons."

The organisations want all Australian jurisdictions to prioritise the issue and develop national minimum benchmarks for youth justice laws, policies and practices.

They are also calling for independent oversight and monitoring of the implementation of the commission's recommendations. – AAP

Key findings of the royal commission

- Shocking and systemic failures over many years were known and ignored at the highest levels
- Children and young people subjected to regular, repeated and distressing mistreatment
- Youth detention centres not fit for accommodating – let alone rehabilitating – children and young people
- Children subjected to verbal abuse, physical control and humiliation
- Children denied basic needs such as water, food and use of toilets
- Children dared or bribed to carry out degrading and humiliating acts or commit violent acts on each other
- Youth justice officers restrained children, using force to their head and neck areas, threw them forcefully onto the ground and applied pressure or body weight to their 'window of safety' torso area
- Isolation continues to be used inappropriately and punitively, causing suffering and very likely lasting psychological damage in some cases
- NT Government failed to comply with statutory requirements that all children in out-of-home care have timely care plans
- Major shortage of available foster and kinship care placements
- Territory Families and predecessors failed to provide the support needed to some children in care to help them to avoid pathways into the youth justice system
- Office of the Children's Commissioner under-resourced.

Commissioners' recommendations

- Close the Darwin Don Dale and Alice Springs youth detention centres and immediately close its high security unit (accepted by NT Government)
- Increase age of criminal responsibility from 10 to 12 in an Australian first (accepted in principle)
- No child under 14 to be detained unless convicted of serious crime
- Reject 'tough-on-crime' approach to youth offending. It wants a paradigm shift in youth justice to increase diversion and therapeutic approaches (accepted in principle)
- New model of bail and secure detention accommodation (accepted in principle)
- Small, home-like facilities focused on therapeutic and educational services
- NT Government accepts new purpose-built facilities needed, separate to adult jails and different from prison-like centres of the past
- Prohibit force or restraint being used to maintain 'good order' in detention centres or to discipline detainees
- Prohibit use of tear gas, and continue to prohibit use of spithoods and restraint chairs
- Isolation only be permitted in certain circumstances; no extendable periods beyond 24 hours
- Look at alternatives to strip searches
- Establish new specialist police youth unit
- Establish a Children's Court
- A 10-year generational strategy for children and families; network of no fewer than 20 family support centres
- Increase involvement of Aboriginal organisations in child protection, youth justice and detention.
- Repeal current child protection and detention laws to allow all vulnerable kids to be governed under one act (accepted in principle)
- Expand the Children's Commission to include an Aboriginal co-commissioner (accepted in principle)

Life's sweet for Thornton



WARWICK Thornton's period Western film *Sweet Country* has been named Best Feature Film at the 11th Asia Pacific Screen Awards (APSA).

Thornton has now become the first director to have two films win Best Feature Film, following *Samson and Delilah* in 2009. He is also the only Australian director to have a film win in this category.

Sweet Country, set in the outback of the Northern Territory, stars Sam Neill, Bryan Brown and Hamilton Morris and was inspired by true stories told to co-producer and writer David Tranter by his grandfather.

APSA international jury member Jill Bilcock said the film is about Australia's shameful history.

"It is uniquely told through Warwick Thornton's strong

cinematic style and personal knowledge of his own culture," she said.

Sweet Country premiered at the Venice International Film Festival in September, where it won the Special Jury Prize, and then went on to win the Platform Prize at the Toronto International Film Festival, and the Audience Award at the Adelaide Film Festival.

Sweet Country will be released nationally on January 25.



APSA Academy president and veteran actor Jack Thompson with director Warwick Thornton.

Reparation scheme is urged for Stolen Gens



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander social justice commissioner June Oscar

has called for a national reparation scheme for the Stolen Generations, in addition to the existing state and territory reparations schemes.

"Next year will mark 10 years since the National Apology and members of the Stolen Generations have waited long enough," she said.

Ms Oscar said there had been some progress made in implementing the 54 recommendations from the Human Rights Commission's Bringing Them Home Report released 20 years ago, but too many of them had been ignored.

She also called for a comprehensive needs assessment of the Stolen Generations and a national study into the intergenerational trauma experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Last week, Ms Oscar launched a new interactive website with resources to help teachers and students learn about the Stolen Generations – <https://bth.humanrights.gov.au>

Human Rights Commission president Professor Rosalind Croucher said the website presents information about the report with stories from members of



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner June Oscar and Human Rights Commission president Rosalind Croucher.

the Stolen Generations.

"I hope the website will be a critical component of every classroom," she said.

"Teaching Indigenous content in schools is important, not just for

understand how our past is so intimately connected to our future."

AbSec chief executive Tim Ireland said Australians need to understand what happened to the Stolen

Generations and the long-term effects of separating Aboriginal children from their families.

"When Bringing Them Home was released, one in every five kids living in out-of-

home care was Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander," he said. "Today, across Australia, one in every three children is Indigenous."

"Not only has there been a failure to move forward, but this demonstrates the situation has gone backwards."

"It is through telling these stories that our families might begin to heal ..."

Indigenous children who need to see their culture respected and valued in the classroom, but for all children to learn the true history of this country.

"It is through telling these stories that our families might begin to heal, and that all Australians might begin to



Ursula Yovich in *Barbara and the Camp Dogs*. Picture: Daniel Boud

Yovich to rock Belvoir stage



ROCK musical *Barbara and the Camp Dogs* will bring Indigenous performer Ursula Yovich to the Belvoir Theatre stage.

The new production features original songs co-written by Yovich and Alana Valentine, with punk-inspired explosions of rage, to tender rock and soul ballads full of yearning.

The story about home and love revolves around Barbara and her sister René, who embark on a pilgrimage back home to country to see their sick mother.

Full of painful, unfinished business for Barbara, her journey is about trying to find a way to resolve the past in time to preserve love in the only family she has known.

Yovich said her lead character is inspired by her alter-ego.

"She's the side of me I wish I could tap into more often – in a controlled way of course, because

she's wild and sometimes dangerous," she said.

The character is also informed by Yovich's own journey as a performer.

"Barbara was inspired by the women I've worked with over the years," she said.

"Many of them have this wildness and a fight I just don't see in the fellas often enough."

"It's difficult being a woman on the cusp of 40. You start to become invisible. How do you navigate the later years of your career as a woman in this industry?"

Yovich has worked with local musicians to form a theatrical all-girl band which performs live on stage and features actors and musicians Elaine Crombie and Western GuGu Yelanji songman Troy Brady.

The play previews from December 2-5 and opens on December 6. For tickets, phone the box office on (02) 9699 3444 or visit www.belvoir.com.au/productions/

Big artwork, big price



A PAINTING by the late Aboriginal artist Emily Kame Kngwarreye has sold for \$2.1 million, marking a new record for the highest price achieved at auction for an Australian female artist.

Her contemporary painting, *Earth's Creation I*, was sold to art dealer Tim Olsen, who recently set up a gallery in New York.

The painting has an impressive exhibition record. It has been shown at the National Gallery Japan, National Museum of Osaka and the Venice Biennale, National Museum of Australia, Art Gallery of NSW and the National Gallery of Victoria.

Fine Art Bourse and CooeeArt Marketplace organised the online auction, which had to be postponed when a server crashed as thousands of people worldwide tried to log in to watch the sale.

"This has been an extraordinary journey," Fine Art Bourse auctioneer Tim Goodman said in a statement.

"The brokering of this stunning painting with my colleagues at Cooee has been one of the highlights of my 40-year career in the auction industry. This sale will go a long way to breathing life back into the Aboriginal art market. Aboriginal art is back."

The \$2.1 million sale result, which included a buyer's premium of 5%, smashed the record for any Australian female artist – a record set by the same painting in 2007, when it sold at auction for \$1.05 million.

The world auction record for an Aboriginal artist was set in 2007 when a Clifford Possum work sold for \$2.4 million through Sotheby's. – AAP



Tim Jennings looks at Emily Kame Kngwarreye's *Earth's Creation I* at the Venice Biennale in 2015.

No deficits for murina mob

By JILLIAN MUNDY



THE murina pathways program at University of Tasmania's Riawunna Centre for Aboriginal

education has shed its 'deficit' approach and replaced it with high expectations and outcomes, with graduating students and their community reaping the benefits.

A fortnight ago eight Launceston murina students graduated from the 26-week first-year program. All mature-age students and all returning next year, the graduates are already inspiring others to embark on higher education.

Bob Hughes is one of them. The 53-year-old sole parent of two boys, and the 'black taxi' about Launceston, who has mainly worked in Aboriginal heritage and on farms, returned to the classroom after three decades.

"Sister girl said, 'Are you coming to Riawunna?' I said, 'I can't be bothered,'" Mr Hughes said.

With a little encouragement he soon changed his mind.

"The first four days was doing my head in. At the start I couldn't get my head around starting off an essay, and I wanted to quit," he said. "Now I reckon I could do one with my eyes shut."

"I love it. It's wicked. I've achieved something, and I feel bloody excellent."

"From my first essay to my last one, you wouldn't think the first one was mine."

"I got myself a scholarship for the Bachelor of Art, in Aboriginal heritage and culture."

Mr Hughes said next year will be about more studying and less driving.

But there's one person sure to still get a lift – his 19-year-old son Legana, who only a few weeks ago enrolled in a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in



Murina pathways graduates Nola Hooper, Bob Hughes (with his sons Jkobi and Legana) and Sonia Maher.

tourism and international relations.

"I'm proud of him for doing it. He made it sound really exciting and fun," Legana said of his dad.

"I wouldn't have known about the course if it wasn't for him."

Sonia Maher, the woman who encouraged Mr Hughes, and also signed up to the program, albeit somewhat reluctantly, is now looking forward returning next year to study a fine arts degree.

"The first couple of weeks, we were going, 'This is too hard. Can't do it. It's been years since we have been at school,'" she said.

"But once I started essays, it all started coming back."

"I look back now, it's all finished and I got through it; I got high distinctions."

"Research is just great."

"It is something I should have done a long time ago, but I never

had the influence or push.

"I feel like a new person."

"It was like a little family. We all encouraged each other."

The Elder of the class of 2017, 72-year-old Nola Hooper, who studied at university about 15 years ago, initially considered herself too old to return to study.

"I thought, 'Why not?' and when I did, I thoroughly enjoyed it," she said.

Surprised

Mrs Hooper was surprised how much more there was to learn about her own people and history. She has delved into studying sovereignty and treaty of her own people and other indigenous people around the world.

"I've learned a lot, I suppose, but when you come here you learn a whole lot more," she said.

Associate lecturer Rick Maynard, who runs the program

in Launceston, described the graduating students as being "high on the power of education" and he has been inspired by their work, including research that has unearthed little-known history.

He said the 26-week program brought with it a marked change in self-belief and confidence for students, who became role models to their family.

Mr Maynard said when murina started two decades ago, it was designed by non-Aboriginal academics with a deficit approach.

"No disrespect to those people," he said. "They even had deficit naming – catch-up, enabling, bridging, and the content was college-type stuff."

"We don't want that for our fellas."

Mr Maynard said the tweaked pathway program has ramped up academic rigour with raised

expectations, curricular assessment and intended learning outcomes.

And the deficit language has been removed.

"It is what the Aboriginal community and students have demanded and they have leapt to challenge," he said.

Next year, Mr Maynard, who himself only embarked on higher education in his 30s, will research the barriers to Aboriginal people in their 20s, 30s and 40s engaging with the murina program and mainstream university in Tasmania.

"We may assume that it could be financial, or it could be family, but we need to find out what the evidence is and when we find that out we can better prepare our programs and better do business," he said.

Another further 12 students studied through the murina



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Indigenous Architecture and Design Victoria founding director Jefa Greenaway, a Wailwan/Kamilaroi man.
Picture: Peter Casamento

Melbourne hosting BLAKitecture forum



A FREE forum next month in Melbourne, BLAKitecture, will explore ideas about Indigenous architecture and design.

BLAKitecture, to be staged at MPavilion in Queen Victoria Gardens, will bring together Indigenous built-environment practitioners from across Australia.

Palawa and Plangermaireener woman Sarah Lynn Rees, who is the director of Indigenous Architecture and Design Victoria (IADV), will chair the forum.

"Everything built in Australia is built on Aboriginal land, however, there are currently only five practising Indigenous architects in Australia, and there is a long way to go before population parity with non-Indigenous people in the profession is reached," she said.

Questions

BLAKitecture will discuss a range of questions, including what is Indigenous architecture? How do we empower the profession with a sensibility to work with Indigenous communities? And how can we encourage

young Indigenous people to take up a career in the built environment?

Speakers include Indigenous architects Kevin O'Brien, Andrew Lane, Dillon Kombumerri and IADV founding director Jefa Greenaway; landscape architect and visual artist Paul Herzich; designer Linda Kennedy; and architect and commissioner of the Victorian Environmental Water Holder Rueben Berg.

BLAKitecture runs from 6-8pm on December 5, at MPavilion, St Kilda Rd, Melbourne. It is open to the public.

Mother vows to fight on



THE mother of an Aboriginal man who died just three weeks before his release from custody in NSW says she won't stop fighting until she gets justice.

Leetona Dungay believes her son, David Dungay Jnr, died at Long Bay Prison Hospital in December 2015 after being restrained when he refused to stop eating some biscuits.

The 26-year-old from Kempsey on the NSW mid-north coast was weeks away

from being released on parole.

Ms Dungay has long called for answers regarding her son's death and recently she appeared with supporters outside Glebe Coroner's Court, where an inquest date was set down for next year.

Too long

She said the process had taken too long, but she wouldn't stop until she got justice. "I'm up against the government. I'm only Aboriginal. What have I got? I've got nothing, have I?" Ms Dungay said.

"I did have something and they took it away, and that was my son, so they can give me that, justice, at least."

Corrective Services NSW has previously said Mr Dungay was receiving treatment for a medical condition when he died and his death wasn't considered suspicious.

During a directions hearing, Deputy State Coroner Derek Lee scheduled a 10-day inquest for July 2018, thanked the Dungay family for coming and acknowledged their patience had been tested. — AAP

Botswana set to benefit



TRADITIONAL owners from the Kimberley will soon be heading to Botswana in Africa to share

how they manage the savanna using fire.

The carbon-farming projects in the northern part of Western Australia are being held up as an example of world-leading practice that combines space-age technology – satellite monitoring – with the traditional knowledge of Indigenous people.

Kimberley Land Council (KLC) chief executive Nolan Hunter said that while burning is used in land management to some extent across the world, his people have taken it to a new level by incorporating the sale of carbon credits and creating jobs for Aboriginal rangers.

The technique reduces emissions by making sure there are low-intensity fires controlled by experts with traditional knowledge, which then reduces the number and extent of high-intensity fires during the dry season.

“This is about Australia recognising its own Indigenous people are leading the way globally in the Kimberley around traditional cultural ecological knowledge – that’s the most exciting part,” Mr Hunter said at the project’s launch during United Nations climate talks in Bonn, Germany.

Aside from the environmental

and economic benefits, the savanna-burning projects also give native title holders the chance to strengthen their connection to country.

“The benefits around creating jobs and training and carbon credit sales are a part of it, but the real issue for people is what’s in their hearts; what’s in their value systems around cultural connections,” Mr Hunter said.

The vegetation in Botswana is similar to that in Australia, meaning it faces the same kind of problems and threats from uncontrolled fires, senior Botswanan official Thabang Botshoma said.

“Easier”

“We hope that by utilising both systems, that is the traditional methods from both countries, we could actually come up with a very, very good fire-management system that will make it easier and cheaper for both countries in the long run,” he said.

The Australian Government is providing up to \$3.87 million for the project with Botswana.

Federal Environment Minister Josh Frydenberg said savanna management had been one of the great successes from Australia’s Emissions Reduction Fund.

“This not only produces better environmental outcomes but it also provides important income to local community members,” he said. – AAP



● Above: Project lead Sam Johnston, Australian Environment Minister Josh Frydenberg, KLC strategic business development manager Ariadne Gorring, Thabang L Botshoma from Botswana’s Ministry of Environment, Natural Resources Conservation and Tourism, and KLC chief executive Nolan Hunter, in Bonn, Germany.



● Left: A Kimberley firefighter on the job.

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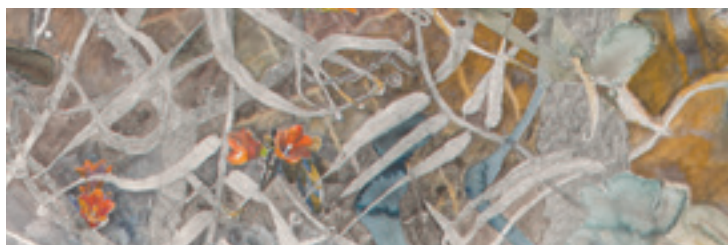
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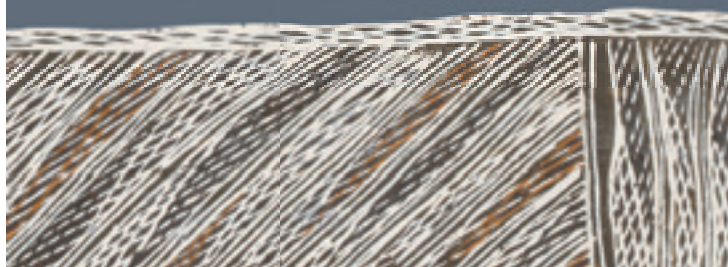
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Braeden Lake with waterfall rainbowfish caught during research and, inset, the waterfall rainbowfish.

Aboriginal rangers help to uncover rainbow fish



A NEW and rare species of fish has been uncovered in remote waterfalls of Kakadu National Park and the East Kimberley region thanks to the work of Aboriginal ranger groups and the Museum and Art Gallery of the Northern Territory.

Researchers and rangers scoured the crystal clear pools carved into sandstone above remote waterfalls.

Museum curator of fishes Dr Michael Hammer and his team were guided by the local knowledge on the remote sites from traditional owners and rangers, which proved crucial in the discovery of the waterfall rainbowfish.

More than 20 Jawoyn rangers and Wardaman

Indigenous Protected Area rangers from the Top End and Wungurr rangers of the east Kimberley struck out on foot, car or helicopter each day to sample sandstone waterfall habitats in some of the most remote locations in the north.

"One location took several days to get to and would not have been possible to access without the partnership with the rangers and their local knowledge and participation," Dr Hammer said.

"Places"

"Some rangers could remember places they'd been to years ago where they had previously spotted the fish, which helped immensely."

The new discovery will help with conservation, education and management of the unique fish species.

Before surveys could take place at the site, the team did a check for any signs of crocodiles before they could wade through the water with a net or set up a trap to capture the colourful fish.

The partnerships between museum researchers and Aboriginal ranger groups and the identification of new records will help develop training programs for rangers to independently conduct mapping and surveys, increase awareness of the significance of the fish and identify ways locals can help manage native and feral fish.

Dr Hammer presented the findings of the study and the key relationships between museum researchers and Aboriginal rangers at the 2017 Territory Natural Resource Management Conference.

FMG ponders title appeal



FORTESCUE Metals Group (FMG), the mining company founded by billionaire Andrew Forrest, is still considering

whether to appeal a native title ruling covering more than 2700sq km of Pilbara land, including where the company operates its Solomon iron ore mine.

And traditional owners in the region, the Yindjibarndi people, say they remain committed to suing FMG for operating its Solomon iron ore mine without an Indigenous land use agreement (ILUA).

When the Federal Court recognised in July that the Yindjibarndi people have exclusive rights to the land, the company said it would examine its legal options and

would likely appeal against the ruling.

Earlier this month, Justice Steven Rares travelled to the Millstream Chichester National Park to make the final determination, finalising the settlement process and triggering a 21-day period during which Fortescue can appeal.

"Implications"

"The concept of exclusive possession has potentially wide-ranging implications for new investment in resources, agriculture and tourism," Fortescue chief executive Neville Power said in an emailed statement.

"We have not made a final decision on whether we will appeal."

The claim was lodged in 2003, making it one of the

longest-running native title claims in Australia.

Yindjibarndi Aboriginal Corporation chief executive Michael Woodley said Fortescue should pay compensation to traditional owners.

"Yindjibarndi are very much dedicated to suing FMG for all of their wrongdoings by operating without an Indigenous land use agreement," he said.

At FMG's annual general meeting in Perth earlier this month, Mr Power said 2017 was a "record-breaking year for Fortescue".

"We are the lowest-cost producer of iron ore in the world," he said.

In August, Mr Forrest pocketed a \$445 million dividend cheque after FMG posted a net profit jump of more than 100%. — *With AAP*

When Kiki met Kitty

By LIINA FLYNN



WHEN Kiki's vagina comes to life as 'Kitty' and confronts the way she looks at life, it's the beginning of a funny

new ABC TV series, *Kiki and Kitty*.

Writer and co-star Nakkiah Lui told the *Koori Mail* the series is about an Aboriginal woman learning to love herself.

"Kitty is the person I wish I could be in a lot of ways," she said.

"Kiki is a good Aboriginal girl who tries to do the right thing, but hates herself. But when Kitty comes to life, she wears sequins, looks amazing and drinks martinis."

Kitty gets Kiki into trouble as she challenges Kiki to pursue what she loves.

Together they create a list of the 'bad girl' things that Kiki hasn't yet done, such as doing drugs, shoplifting and having an orgasm – and Kiki's confidence grows.

"Kitty's mission is to free Kiki from her self-limiting behaviours and to unleash her passions," Ms Lui said.

Kiki's co-star Kitty is played by Ms Lui's collaborator Elaine Crombie, and Kiki's mother is played by Christine Anu.

"It's also the story of intergenerational female friendship and the empowerment of women," Ms Lui said.



Nakkiah Lui and Elaine Crombie in scenes from *Kiki and Kitty*, which screens next month on ABC TV.



"As Aboriginal women we have been policed in regards to our appearance and femininity. So much of our sexuality is not controlled by us."

"The old narratives and stereotypes show us as being dirty and make us feel ashamed."

Ms Lui grew up in the Mount Druitt area of Sydney with her Gamilaroy mother and Torres Strait Islander father – who Ms Lui said "loves the new series".

"When I was growing up, people looked at me and thought I was white and mum said I should use that to my advantage."

"So early in my career as a writer and as a person, I saw the 'good black'. It's the idea of being as close to white as possible and divorcing yourself from your Aboriginality."

"It's a very dangerous narrative we use to oppress Aboriginal people."

Ms Lui has a background in writing for theatre and was one of the creators of the successful TV series *Black Comedy*. She said her talent for comedic writing comes from her observations of life.

So when creating the character of Kitty, it was obvious Kitty should become an even bigger black woman who befriends the young black woman living in a white world.

"Where do you go in a world of imaginary genitals?"

"There is unlimited possibility," she said.

"Writing is a way for people to have a voice, to speak up and say something and I want to include Aboriginal people to the diversity of what we see on the screen."

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Bar calls for barrister

By LIINA FLYNN



SHE'S got her robes and she's ready to practise at the bar. At 33, Wangkamadla woman Avelina Tarrago has just become one of three female Aboriginal barristers in Queensland.

"I actually wanted to be a marine biologist for a long time," Ms Tarrago told the *Koori Mail*. "But at school I enjoyed legal studies and it fitted with my passion to advocate for my people."

"As Aboriginal people we are born as advocates. We have an innate capacity for it because of history and fighting for our rights. I wanted to influence laws."

Ms Tarrago said she's grown up with the gift of the gab, so learning how to pick holes in an opponent's case in an eloquent way in order to convince a judge or jury of the strengths and weaknesses of an argument is something she loves.

"It's important to talk in an understandable way to everyone, especially if you need to address a jury," she said.

"If there's a lot of legal argument, a barrister is trained with extra skills in the art of persuasion."

"We need to convince a court why your case is the better case."

Ms Tarrago worked for some years as a federal prosecutor for

the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions and currently works in health regulation for the Office of the Health Ombudsman.

She said being an Aboriginal lawyer gives her a better understanding of the cultural nuances that need consideration when dealing with clients.

"Aboriginal incarceration rates are higher," she said. "Many lawyers don't ask the right questions because they don't understand what's going on. Aboriginal people won't complain about some things."

"Understanding"

"I had a case with a young Aboriginal man who was sexually assaulted by a health worker and he was shamed by what had happened. My cultural understanding resulted in being able to speak with him and also speak to the tribunal about incorporating cultural values into their practice."

Ms Tarrago's journey involved years of study, from a law degree to her recent six-week intensive course for the bar exam, which she said "aged her 10 years".

"You might be given an exercise at 4pm and it's due at 9am the next day. That's the hectic reality of being a barrister at the private bar, and you might have to appear tomorrow in court and argue a case," she said.

"I'm lucky I have my mum and my partner to support me – that's made such a difference, as well as the support of friends and my network of other Aboriginal lawyers."

Ms Tarrago said that one day she would like work in anti-discrimination law.

"I'm passionate about inquests and making a difference," she said.

"My heart lifted when I saw the Victorian Government pushing through for a treaty. All hope is not lost after what happened with the Uluru statement. We still have a collective voice."

Ms Tarrago is vice-president of the Queensland Indigenous Lawyers Association management committee, and in 2014 she was selected as an Indigenous fellow for the United Nations and went to Switzerland to study human rights and advocate for her community. What she learned there she brought to her role as a member of Law Council of Australia's Indigenous legal issues committee.

Her advice to Aboriginal people is to believe in yourself, no matter what anyone else says to you.

"In my life, I've been told by teachers I wasn't good enough and had friends at school who said I wasn't smart enough to be a barrister, but here I am," she said.

"I was determined not to be another sad statistic, but instead, I'm the one that blows them away."



Barrister Avelina Tarrago: "I'm passionate about inquests and making a difference."



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Tangentyere women are targeting violence



MEMBERS of Alice Springs' Tangentyere Women's Family Safety Group (TWFSG) are hoping to take

their messages about combatting family violence directly to Canberra.

And in order to finance their trip, they're holding an auction and fundraiser at Tangentyere Artists from 6pm, this Saturday, December 2.

TWFSG coordinator Shirleen Campbell said that earlier this year the group organised a march in Alice Springs, where more than 300 people joined in to draw attention to Aboriginal women,

children and families who are living with, injured by, or dying from, violence.

"We got that much support, in Alice and from all over Australia for what we are doing to combat family violence, including from local and Federal politicians," she said.

"Message"

"Women from Town Camps around Alice Springs said, 'We saw how the Prime Minister and other Members of Parliament supported the No More message taken to Canberra last year."

"Now we want them to listen and stand with us women, hear about our

solutions and our experience and recognise the important work that is being done on a community level to deal with issues of domestic and family violence."

The women are currently working on art pieces for auction and goods and services donated by local business will also be up for grabs.

They say as little as \$5 will go a long way to help getting them to Canberra.

The auction will be held at Tangentyere Artists from 6pm on Saturday, December 2.

A GoFund Me page has been set up for donations at www.gofundme.com/stand-with-us-women-against-fdv



The Tangentyere Women's Family Safety Group is raising money to go to Canberra to speak about family and domestic violence.

White Ribbon role for Vicky



ADNYAMATHANHA woman Vicky Welgraven, from the northern Flinders Ranges in South Australia, was recently appointed as a White Ribbon Advocate for the next two years.

In this role she will promote gender equality, respectful relationships and the engagement of men in order to see a nation in which every woman lives in safety, free from men's violence and abuse.

Ms Welgraven said she was honoured to be able to help reduce men's violence against women and children.

"In my role as a White Ribbon Advocate I am looking forward to working

with other White Ribbon Advocates, individuals, organisations and the wider community across South Australia," she said.

In November 2015, Ms Welgraven was inducted on to the SA Women's Honour Roll as a 'Strong Advocate and Ambassador for Aboriginal Women's Rights' and is also a member of the Premier's Council for Women.

She participated in the Adelaide White Ribbon march last Saturday.

"I believe we all have a responsibility to play and to raise awareness and foster an Australian culture that will not tolerate violence against women," she said.

"We can only achieve this if we are to come together and work together in partnership with hopes that it will lead

to significant cultural change."

Ms Welgraven's husband Stephen said she was a great role model for their daughter Kyleesha.

"I am very proud of my wife Vicky's many achievements and the work she continuously does for Aboriginal women's rights, in particular her tireless work campaigning and raising awareness of domestic violence and the impact domestic violence is having on the wider Australian community," he said.

"Both our daughter and I are very proud and lucky to have her in our lives."

Ms Welgraven has been recognised for her advocacy by SA, national and international groups.

For more information about White Ribbon, visit www.whiteribbon.org.au



Vicky Welgraven. Picture: Karen Waller

Rangers, owners target fire threat



TRADITIONAL owners and Indigenous rangers are helping central Australian firefighters prepare for a bushfire season tipped to be worse than previous years after above-average rainfall boosted fuel loads.

Northern Territory firefighters are bracing for a busy summer in the red centre after two years of heavy rains and introduced grass species increased fire potential in the Burt Plains and MacDonnell regions.

Bushfires NT has teamed up with local landowners including those in remote communities to reduce the risks.

"This includes an aerial burning program trial to complete large-scale fuel-reduction burns and completing strategic fuel-reduction burning within remote communities in partnership with community members, Aboriginal ranger groups and regional councils," senior fire control officer Joshua Fischer said. — AAP

Noongar name for theatre room



'MIDDAR', the traditional Noongar word for 'dance and performance', is the new name for the State Theatre Centre of Western Australia's Rehearsal Room 2.

Cultural consultant Dr Richard Walley said the room was renamed after talks with the Noongar community and the theatre's resident companies.

"The new name better reflects the usage of the space," he said.

"The room has been used for events and workshops as well as rehearsals and is now primarily a theatre and dance rehearsal and development space.

"It also creates an appropriate link reflective of the Aboriginal cultural significance of the area."

Victoria closer to getting a treaty



VICTORIA has taken another step towards a treaty with the first meeting of the Aboriginal Community Assembly in Melbourne this month.

Over six days, the assembly discussed the design of the Aboriginal representative body, a vital next step in the treaty process.

The assembly is made up of 33 members — 13 from metropolitan Melbourne and 20 who live in regional Victoria. It will provide recommendations to the Aboriginal Treaty Working Group on the representative body's structure, representation and governance.

The Victorian Treaty Advancement Commission will be established in early 2018 to work closely with the treaty working group and the Victorian Aboriginal community on the establishment of the final Aboriginal Representative Body.

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Cultural patterning created by Gimbbaa Artist Jenna Lee, descendant of the Larrakia (NT) people.

Students score reef reward



Students from AFL Cape York House, who all achieved a higher than 94% school attendance record, are on a trip to the Great Barrier Reef.



TEN Indigenous students from AFL Cape York House in Cairns were rewarded for their good school attendance with a trip to the Great Barrier Reef on the vessel *Passions of Paradise*. AFL Cape York House program manager Rick Hanlon said the students, from Cape York, the Gulf of Carpentaria and the Torres Strait, board at AFL Cape York House to do their secondary schooling. "As part of their term program we set a challenge between our senior block of students from

Years 10-12 and the junior block from Years 7-9 around school attendance," he said. "We encourage them by teaching them about things like the importance of going to bed early the night before a school day. "This trip is about recognising achievement and giving them an incentive to work together as a team. "Sometimes cultural issues mean the boys must go home, but we have been seeing attendance figures of more than 90% this year." Students stay at AFL Cape York House in Cairns, where they

attend partner schools and colleges and have the opportunity to be involved in out-of-school experiences, including sports, cultural pursuits and work or training. Personal development as well as academic success is a key aim of AFL Cape York House, with the intent of producing young men who will play a worthwhile role in their home communities as well as the broader community. AFL Cape York House currently has 20 students from the Torres Strait, Kowanyama, Aurukun, Wujal Wujal, Hopevale, Lockhart River and Mornington Island.

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Lawyers probe death in Tumut



LAWYERS for the family of a pregnant Indigenous woman who died after she was sent home from a regional NSW hospital and told to take paracetamol are investigating allegations of institutional racism. The 27-year-old woman was six months pregnant and suffering from a severe headache when she presented to the emergency department at the Tumut Hospital in the state's south in January 2016 and was sent home. Twelve hours later she was dead. Lawyers from the National Justice Project (NJP) said they would visit Tumut to interview local Aboriginal people about their experiences with the hospital. "The family of Ms W believes that her death was preventable and we want to know if others have complaints about their treatment at the hospital as well," NJP principal solicitor George Newhouse said in a statement. An inquest into the death of Ms W will be held in 2018. — AAP

'Blue Mud Bay' move welcomed



A DECISION by the Northern Land Council to extend the Blue Mud Bay agreement for another 12 months has been welcomed. Northern Territory Resources Minister Ken Vowles said the extension means that until the end of next year, fishers can continue to access inter-tidal waters in areas that may not yet have a 'Blue Mud Bay' access agreement. "This provides a further 12 months to develop and implement more permanent access arrangements," he said. "This extension has come about through negotiations between the NLC, NT Government, NT Seafood Council, Amateur Fishermen's Association of the NT and the NT Guided Fishing Industry Association."

Former Riverina boss convicted



THE former chief executive of Riverina Medical and Dental Aboriginal Corporation has been convicted of 24 charges of dishonestly misusing her position to gain a personal advantage. Selena Lyons was found guilty by the Wagga Wagga Local Court of dishonestly using her position to claim travel expenses that she knew she was not entitled to. The charges were brought by the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations in August 2016. Lyons will appear in the same court for sentencing on February 1. The matter was prosecuted by the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions.

Exchange program for artists



B2M performs at last year's Pulima Festival. Picture: Louise Partos, Artback NT



A NEW cultural exchange program will involve indigenous artists from Australia and Taiwan.

Arts NT director Angela Hill said the program will deepen understanding of First Nations art and cultural value.

"This exchange program will strengthen collaboration and create opportunities for indigenous cultural representatives of both nations to expand into the

international arena," she said.

Between January 2018 and December 2019 an indigenous artist from the Northern Territory and Taiwan will undertake a six-week residency in each other's country with opportunities to showcase their works.

The Australia and Taiwan Indigenous arts scene has been building relationships since 2013, with exchanges including music, dance and art exhibitions. Some of the exchanges include the 2017 November music exchange and the 2016 November tour

of NT Aboriginal band B2M, which performed at the Pulima Indigenous Arts Festival in Taiwan.

In 2016, Victorian Nunukul Yuggera dance troupe also toured Taiwan and in 2015 the Black Arm Band participated in the Taipei Arts Festival.

The exchange will be implemented by Artback NT on behalf of the Department of Tourism and Culture in Darwin and the Indigenous Peoples Cultural Development Centre in Taiwan.

Dodson to get Eureka award



SENATOR Patrick Dodson will receive the 2017 Eureka Democracy Award at a dinner in Melbourne on December 2.

The award is made annually by the national organisation Eureka's Children to an individual or group who has made a major contribution to the advancement of Australian democracy and principles of social justice.

Eureka's Children president Eric Howard said Senator Dodson was an outstanding advocate with a lifetime commitment to achieving peaceful and just change.

"I have admired and respected the remarkable leadership Senator Dodson has delivered in addressing imbalances facing Indigenous people in this land," he said.

"In his tireless work for reconciliation and recognition over many decades, Patrick has fostered dialogue and built constructive relationships between Indigenous and non-indigenous Australians, based on mutual respect and understanding.

"He demonstrates a consistent commitment to human rights and dignity and has continued to encourage a much more informed, inclusive and engaged society."



Pika Wiya Health Service Aboriginal Corporation Board of Directors

Are calling for Expression of Interest for non-members Directors (Independent Specialists)

Pika Wiya Health Service Aboriginal Corporation is seeking expression of interest from eligible persons who may wish to serve as Non-Member Director in a voluntary capacity with the Board of Directors.

The Board currently comprises of six (6) Directors who are elected by the members of the Corporation for a period not exceeding 2 years.

Pika Wiya Health Service Aboriginal Corporation is seeking Non-member Directors for 3 Specialist positions subject clause 5.9. Of the Corporations Rule Book, who have skills in Legal, Health, Finances, Information technology, Corporate Governance or accounting to become members of the Board of Directors?

Membership will be determined on skills and experiences of each application submitted. Independent Directors Membership will end at the 2019 Annual General Meeting.

A brief of the Role of the Board of Directors will be available upon request from Pika Wiya Health Service Aboriginal Corporation by contacting

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For further information please contact
Mr Kym Thomas
Chairperson
Board of Directors
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Please send your written expression of interest and a resume outlining any skills and experience to arrive no later than close of business on:

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The application process will be conducted by an independent panel. At the end of the process the panel will provide a report containing a short-list of at least three nominated candidates for each position to the Minister for Communications. The Minister will then make a recommendation to the Governor-General who has responsibility for appointing non-executive Directors to the ABC and SBS Boards.

The principles of equal opportunity and diversity will apply to this process.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Visit **www.communications.gov.au/abc-sbs-board-appointments** for further information on this process, including detailed selection criteria for the positions and application information.

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Applications close at 5.00 pm (AEDT) on Friday 15 December 2017.

Our Eastwood is among the best



AN exhibition of the year's best political cartoons is on show at the

Museum of Australian Democracy (MoAD) at Old Parliament House, Canberra – and it features the *Koori Mail's* own cartoonist Danny Eastwood.

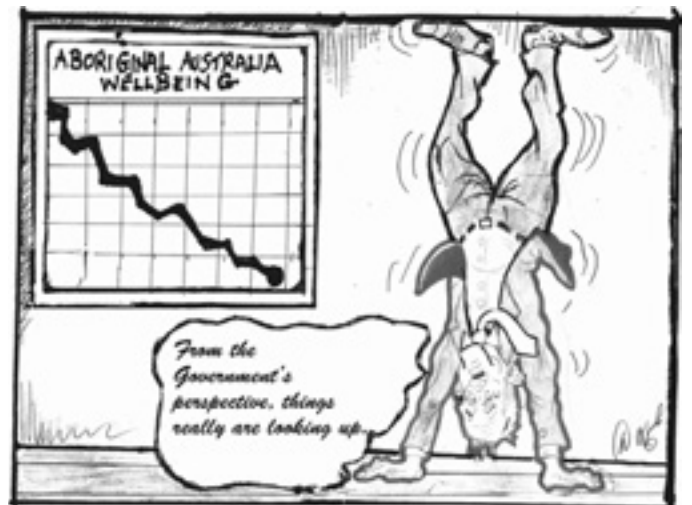
The *Behind the Lines 2017: The Three Ring Circus* exhibition celebrates the role of political cartoonists in Australia and highlights themes of freedom of the press and democracy in action.

MoAD director Daryl Karp said it was a great way to reflect on the tumultuous political year.

"From postal votes and citizenship chaos, to penalty rates and constitutional recognition, it captures the spirit of Australia's democracy in all its passion, scepticism and humour," he said.

Danny Eastwood is a member of the Ngemba language group of western NSW. His mother was a member of the Stolen Generations. He was born in Sydney and lived in the Eora tribal area until he was 13.

Eastwood retired from the fire brigade after having had a stroke at age 52 and has



One of Danny Eastwood's political cartoons.

made his living as an artist for more than two decades since, doing commercial work, including cartoons for the *Koori Mail* and jobs for companies like Coca-Cola.

Murals

He has also created multiple pieces of public art and murals that can be seen in the Sydney suburbs of Glebe, Blacktown, St Mary's and Ashfield.

Danny Eastwood has won many awards for his artwork, including NAIDOC Artist of the Year, the NAIDOC Poster Award and the NSW Parliamentary

Prize for Aboriginal Art.

He is also passionate about passing on his love for art, teaching classes in men's prisons.

Entry to the exhibition is free after museum admission.

A travelling version of the exhibition will tour over the next year to Tamworth Regional Gallery, Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery, Parramatta Riverside Theatre, Albury Library Museum, Old Treasury Building, Melbourne and Bunker Cartoon Gallery, Coffs Harbour.

For more information, visit **www.moadoph.gov.au**

Respect key to campaign



ABORIGINAL community advocates are urging parents, carers and other influential adults

to think about what young people learn from their words and actions, as part of a campaign to break the cycle of violence against women in Indigenous communities.

Kuku-Yalanji and Gumbaynggirr man Jeremy Donovan and Nyawaygi woman Lani Brennan, a family violence survivor and mother, agree the way to build respectful relationships begins with the attitudes and behaviours taught to young people.

Their message on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women was simple: Respect starts with us.

"I was raised in a community where there was a lot of alcoholism, drugs and violence that I thought was normal," Ms Brennan said.

"When I experienced



Jeremy Donovan

disrespectful behaviour, I thought this was normal too.

"It's our responsibility to show and teach our young people that these things are not normal, and teaching them when they're young is the key because it's very hard to try and change a person's thinking when they're older."

Steering young people in the right direction is not always easy, father-of-four Jeremy

Donovan says. "In fact, it can be extremely challenging, and that's because being a parent is the most important job there is. And sometimes we make mistakes," he said.

"We might say things that are harmful to our partners and children. Sometimes we say things without even realising the damage it causes."

A series of publications has been developed for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents, carers, other adults and young people as part of the 'Stop it at the Start' campaign.

"You don't have to go it alone," Mr Donovan said.

"Take a look at the resources, download them and use them to start yarning with the young people in your community about respect."

The resources are free and available at **respect.gov.au/campaign/atsi-materials**

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Trent Nelson conducts the smoking ceremony at the day of cultural discovery on Dja Dja Wurrung country.

Culture is 'discovered'



DJA Dja Wurrung Clans Aboriginal Corporation

chair Trent Nelson recently guided visitors through his ancestral country on a day of cultural discovery.

The event began with a smoking ceremony.

"Now we all smell the same," Mr Nelson said, as they finished the cleansing.

"Ben gek womin dji ka ben ga no djandak Larrak Dja Dja Wurrung goon djiit cha (I welcome you to our homeland)."

Standing beside a 500-year-old red gum, Mr Nelson described how its bark had many uses, from canoes to coolamons.

He then led the group



Trent Nelson explains the significance of a scar tree.

past earth oven mounds and trading routes, where exchanges were common.

"Walking on country is the

best learning experience for me, learning about my culture," Mr Nelson said.

The aim of the day was to

show people the natural and cultural features of the land, which is protected by a Trust for Nature conservation covenant.

It was an opportunity to bring people together, build understanding of traditional knowledge and forge connections for land management.

"As a traditional owner, it was good to see that the sites there are acknowledged and being cared for and respected by the land owners," Mr Nelson said.

"It is so important those sites are protected for our history as well to show that our culture is a living thing – it is still out there in the landscape. It has not died like some people suggest."

NT warning on child suicides



THE Northern Territory had Australia's worst rates of child suicide in the five years to 2016, and without strong government action there will be more preventable tragedies, the Children's Commissioner says.

The Children's Commissioner and Child Deaths Review and Prevention Committee's ninth annual report shows that NT kids taking their own lives was the leading cause of death between 2012 and 2016.

Children's Commissioner Colleen Gwynne labelled the rise of self-harm as concerning, saying the numbers are significant considering the Territory's small population.

The Territory recorded nearly 14 suicide child deaths per 100,000 people

compared to the national average of two per 100,000.

Ms Gwynne said the NT has a critical shortage of services for child and teenage mental health, with those seeking help often having to wait up to seven weeks to see a professional in the major centres alone.

"There just isn't enough capacity or expertise to deal with the young people who are crying out for help," she said.

"Concerned"

"Until we do something about that, I'm concerned that we're going to have more preventable deaths."

Twenty-one of the 26 suicides were Aboriginal youngsters, and 69% of the overall mortalities were in remote areas.

Ms Gwynne said her committee has always been grossly underfunded, which

prevents it from determining the underlying causes or developing prevention strategies.

"Too often we assume this is an Indigenous issue – mental health doesn't discriminate," she said.

"We're seeing a widespread rise in adolescent deaths over the past 10 years." – AAP

● Readers seeking support and information about suicide prevention can contact Lifeline 13 11 14 or Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467 or Kids Helpline (young people aged 5-25) 1800 55 1800 78

● Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support services can be found at www.naccho.org.au or www.sewbmh.org.au or www.healthinfonet.edu.edu.au

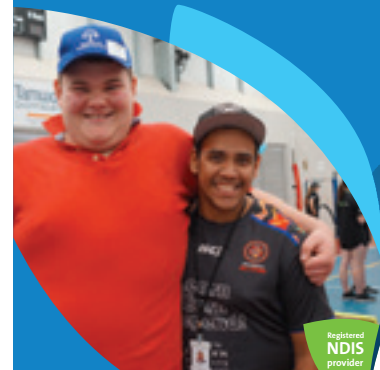
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Applicants should demonstrate in their written application that they are a person:-

- a) of Aboriginal descent;
- b) with a commitment to the furtherance of the interests of the Aboriginal community in and around the Hail Creek region near Mackay in Central Queensland; and
- c) able to demonstrate aptitude, skills and experience relevant to the tasks and responsibilities of a Trustee.

The existing Trustees will consider the merits of each application received against the above criteria and any other criteria they deem relevant prior to resolving the appointment of the incoming Trustee. The Trustees are seeking to promote inter-generational and gender balance and, although not definitive, younger people and women are encouraged to apply.

Aboriginal persons interested in applying are invited to send their applications, resume and supporting information to:-

Wiri Yuwiburra Community Benefits Trust
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Applications should be no longer than 1 page (not including resume) and must be received by no later than 5pm Thursday 21 December 2017.



Roads and Maritime Services

Aboriginal Heritage Ogilvies Hill, Golden Highway

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 a road upgrade on the Golden Highway at Ogilvies Hill, near Jerrys Plains to register to be consulted.

The proposal involves widening the Golden Highway and providing overtaking lanes at Ogilvies Hill to improve traffic flow and road safety. The proposal may result in Roads and Maritime Services:

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

To register your interest, please contact Deborah Swan, phone (02) 4908 7762 or email deborah.swan@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Friday 15 December 2017.

For general project information please contact Tom Trajcevski on (02) 4908 7661 or tom.trajcevski@rms.nsw.gov.au.

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Favourite sport?
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Favourite read?
Real-life crime.

Favourite holiday destination?
I've always wanted to go to Jamaica, and Louisiana and Alabama in the United States.

What are you watching on TV?
Seven Year Switch and *Sunrise*. I love watching the news to know what's going on around the world.

Which black or indigenous person would you most like to meet?
Some mainland Aboriginal people.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Actor Paul Walker, AFL player Eddie Betts and singer and actor Jessica Mauboy.

What do you like?
An easygoing life.

What don't you like?
Negative people.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
I've always wanted to help underprivileged children – support them, love them and just guide them.

Quote



“As Aboriginal people we are born as advocates. We have an innate capacity for it because of history and fighting for our rights. I wanted to influence laws.”

– New Queensland Aboriginal barrister
Avelina Tarrago

● See page 14

Unquote

Is government willing to listen?

THE Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory has handed down its final report, making more than 200 recommendations. Similarly to other reports in other jurisdictions, the royal commission found that kids are brutally mistreated in detention.

The inquiry recommended closing the notorious Don Dale and Alice Springs youth detention centres.

No-one will be sorry when they shut those doors.

And now it's up to the politicians, both territory and federal, to respond.

The royal commission makes recommendations about involving Aboriginal people and organisations in child protection, youth justice and detention – nothing to us, without us.

And it also advises looking at a long-term strategy to help support children and families. It's this sort of approach that needs the most support. Helping families and kids, not punishing them.

The inquiry went out to community and talked to kids in care. It went so far as to publish the words of children in out-of-home care (most of whom are Aboriginal).

Now, we find out whether government is prepared to listen.

A big congrats to Lidia Thorpe for becoming the first Aboriginal woman elected to the Victorian Parliament.

It's great to see a strong community



voice prevail. And coming from such a long line of proud fighters, no doubt Ms Thorpe will stand up strong and do her best for the Aboriginal people of Victoria.

Her grace and integrity when the campaign turned nasty should be a lesson to everyone; as former US First Lady Michelle Obama said, “When they go low, we go high.”

Great work, Ms Thorpe, both for winning your seat and for the classy way in which you did it.

And a huge thank you to all the amazing First Nations people doing their bit to combat domestic and family violence. From advocates like Vicky Welgraven (see story, page 15), Jeremy Donovan and Lani Brennan (see story, page 18) to the strong women of Tangentyere (see story, page 14), our communities are safer thanks to the work you do.

Violence is a major problem in many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities – and it's community people standing up who will see it stop.

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Hard journey hasn't stopped this fighter

Noongar lawyer Hannah McGlade talks with the *Koori Mail's* LIINA FLYNN

GROWING up in the 1970s with a Noongar rights activist mother who set up tent embassies certainly shaped the person Hannah McGlade (pictured) was to become. Not only did Ms McGlade become the first Aboriginal woman in Western Australia to graduate with a law degree, she's now been awarded the United Nations Award for Excellence in Gender Equality.

The journey she's travelled over her life has not been easy, but fighting for her community has always been at the heart of it.

"I grew up as a vulnerable child in a Palatine Institute for Kimberley kids," she told the *Koori Mail*. "There were a lot of family upheavals and I had to look after my brother and didn't finish high school."

Ms McGlade said that while in institutional care, she was sexually assaulted and there was a cover-up about what happened.

"It took a long time for me to talk about it," she said. "Now the perpetrator is up on five rape charges."

"When kids in institutions experience sexual assault at the hands of their guardians, it's a horrific experience of gender violence at a young age."

The understanding of how girls and women can be treated by men shaped her exploration into the systemic problem across society and the world of men targeting girls.

"It's a combination of racism, sexism, inequality and human rights abuse," she said. "The colonisation of Indigenous people has played a key role in creating this vulnerability and lack of genuine respect for Aboriginal people. According to the UN, one in three Indigenous women is the victim of rape."

Ms McGlade found strength from her Noongar grandmother, whose love gave her resilience, and from passing on her experience to a "higher power".

"After the assault I asked God to take it away from me and decided to not dwell on it," she said.

"A lot of our mob are beaten down in this life. It's not all easy sailing – humiliation and abuse can be disempowering and the greatest revenge is to make your life a success and a healing process."

Ms McGlade eventually went on to study communications at university, and supported herself by pouring beers in a Canberra pub.

"One day I heard ANU (Australian National University) wanted Aboriginal people to apply to study law and it hit me: We can make changes through the legal system," she said. "At the time there was no land rights recognition in law – so I changed course."

Ms McGlade moved back to Perth and graduated from Murdoch University with a law degree – the first Aboriginal woman to do so in Western Australia.

"After law school, I struggled to get work experience positions; I was not part of a white middle class," she said.

"So I asked the Aboriginal Legal Service for a job. At the time they had no Aboriginal employees. Then I asked the Native Title Tribunal for a job."

"These days, I make sure we support Aboriginal lawyers when they come out of law school."

Senior Indigenous fellow

Last year Ms McGlade was appointed senior Indigenous fellow in the office of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and went to Geneva, Switzerland, for four months.

"I learned first-hand how the UN international human rights system works," she said.

"I gave my own paper about violence against women and the endemic, systemic violence that women are living and dying with and what we should be doing to address it."

Since she returned to Australia, Ms McGlade has been helping to set up the WA Aboriginal Family Law Service and is a member of the Noongar Child Protection Council. She also works for the Mental Health Tribunal and is a member of the WA Taskforce on Gender Bias.

She's been involved with writing a shadow report about race discrimination in relation to legal systems and responses, and later plans to return to Geneva to do human rights advocacy work.

Ms McGlade believes that for human rights improvements to be made in Australia, a national strategic policy and specific action plan is needed to address violence against women.

"We need to take the blinkers off and look at it seriously," she said.

"It's been normalised and we don't know the true extent of it. Many crimes are not reported."

"We need to invest in prevention, including stopping attitudes condoning it in public communications – not just punishing perpetrators and dealing with the cost of hospitalisation and injury."

"We had a few killings in WA recently and a girl was permanently incapacitated. He got three years in jail. What's the message around that?"

"We need to look at gender equality in our communities. More men than women get on to the board and men get heads of land council jobs."

"It's gender bias that's been enculturated and we have to deal with it. As women, we need to not stop or be silent and say we are equal."

"There is hope and change in the world and women of all cultures won't abide by the old rules."



Healing as Mungo Man comes home



THOUSANDS of years have passed since the winds blew the last of the water from the Willandra Lakes in NSW's semi-arid south-west.

But, even as time slows to a gentle ebb around the footprints and fishbones preserved on the ancient shore of Lake Mungo, not everything below the long-dry surface is calm.

Aboriginal Elders are continuing a four-decade campaign to decide the fate of their oldest-known ancestors and redraw the history of Australia, after the remains of Mungo Man were returned home this month.

In 1968, archaeologist Jim Bowler pulled the shattered and charred bones of a young woman from a sand dune on the lake's edge.

The Mungo Lady, as she came to be known, had been cremated about 40,000 years ago. She was only about 18 when her family farewelled her at the then vibrant freshwater lake.

Dr Bowler unearthed more remains in 1974 – the bones of a 50-year-old man.

Scientists would eventually conclude the Mungo Man had been buried up to 42,000 years ago.

He remains the oldest known human in Australia.

Australian National University historian and National Museum Indigenous history director Ann McGrath said the discoveries changed the way historians viewed Aboriginal and human history.

Previous non-Indigenous estimates had put Aboriginal history in Australia at about 4000 years.

Paakantyi and Parintyi Elder Michael Young said the discovery was an important moment for the international community, but Australia's systemic racism means Mungo Man is "a treasure that has not been fully realised by white Australia".

Many Elders felt Mungo Man and Mungo Lady emerged to draw the eyes of the world to the undignified treatment of Aboriginal people by white Australia.

Divided

But Elders were divided when the remains of the pair, along with 104 other ancestors, were taken to Canberra for study.

"Together with assimilation and missions, the removal of remains had an impact of devaluing us as a people and ignoring us as members of the human race – but instead a curiosity for museums," Mr Young said.

As the years ticked by, an overwhelming anxiety grew to have the remains returned.

Mungo Lady was repatriated in 1992 after a sustained campaign, but the National Museum held on to Mungo Man.

It would take another 25 years for his remains, and the 104 other ancestors, to be loaded into an old black Chrysler hearse and driven from Canberra back to the lake.

As the remains entered the final kilometres of dirt road toward Lake Mungo, Dr Bowler lauded the



Mutthi Mutthi Elder David Edwards welcomes Mungo Man back to country during a smoking ceremony in Balranald, south-western NSW. Pictures: Lisa Maree Williams/Getty Images



The Tirkandi Inaburra Indigenous dancers welcome Mungo Man back to country during a ceremony on November 16, in Hay, south-western NSW.



Elders Patsy Winch, Maureen Reyland-Kelly, Mary Pappin and Coral Ellis, of the Mutthi Mutthi and Ngiyampaa peoples, look out across the Lake Mungo region following the return of the 40,000-year-old remains of Mungo Man and ancestors in Mungo National Park.

opportunity Western scientists and Aboriginal Elders had been given to work together.

"We of the Western world, the scientific rational world, have to

acknowledge the intuitive and Dreaming land," he told the crowd at the ceremony.

"The way Aboriginal people perceive the landscape is very

different from ours, but the two run in parallel. They are complementary ways of understanding the land we live in." Lance, a traditional custodian

and National Parks guide, brushed the dust from a mussel shell and cast his eyes over the grassy lake.

"Over there is where they found the footprints," he said, pointing to another strip of dunes.

Some tracks show a mother carrying a child, others a hunter's path, perfectly preserved.

But one set of tracks has just one footprint and a sharp indent in what was once mud.

"A fella with one leg," Lance says with a smile. "He's balancing with a spear."

Lance, like many others, can see the lake as Mungo Man saw it. Stories, shells, animal bones and fire pits underfoot make 40,000 years feel like yesterday.

Traditional custodian Sissy Pettit said there had been a sense of broken connection – spiritually, emotionally and physically – with her ancestors removed from the country.

"It tells us, 'You're sick. You need to bring him home. You're sick and this land won't heal until he's brought home,'" she said.

As the hearse rolled into the ceremonial ground a wind blew over the lake and Ms Pettit raised her face skyward, closed her eyes and inhaled deeply.

"Thank you..."

"It just opened up – the ground beneath me – and came up through my feet, my hips, my heart and... thank you, thank you," she said.

But, even with the ancient riverwood casket carrying the remains returned to the shore, the journey is not over.

Erosion and time have shifted the landscape significantly since the discovery – they can't just be reburied.

Mungo Lady remains in a hidden vault in the National Park which requires two keys to unlock – one from the scientists and one from the Elders.

Dr Bowler called on the NSW Government to fund a "dignified keeping place" for the remains.

Mr Young also believes a keeping space would "provide a safe and secure place for our heritage" through education.

But money and political will have been hard to find for a community so remote it can't get a phone signal and looks like the planet Mars in satellite images.

Dr Bowler and Mr Young also want the Mungo remains to kick-start a redrawing of the narrative around European colonisation.

One that properly memorialises and acknowledges the "many inhuman crimes" of the period, Mr Young said.

It could be "a starting point for decolonising", he said.

Ms Pettit, like most people at the ceremony, isn't sure what the answer is, but it was going to be an Aboriginal decision, she added firmly.

"I think there's still a bit of a ways to go," she said.

"But to have him back here where he can smell and sense his own old people – his spirit is going to be able to rest." – AAP



Letter-writer Noelene Binge Holten

This violence will never end

CHAINS, locks, handcuffs, death. Our history. I feel the pain so deep within my soul, it's a feeling of sickness I can't explain. Our children are dying in custody. The violence against our people will never stop. This country of ours has a history of massacre. Our children are being put through the same pain, passing in a place without family around. Institutionalised, shut down, no communication behind steel doors. My father was one of many who from a child suffered a sickness that ended up killing him – a slave behind closed doors. I pay homage to all our old people who stood their ground and fought for our rights. We are survivors of our land. Our energy comes from within. We are blessed the old fellows have given us the fight to go on. We march for land rights, also reconciliation, and because of freedom of speech, we still get manhandled. I, like so many of our people, believe that if words can get through, at least we, as a nation, understand and feel the support from each other. It can be different states, missions or across our country – we all know that because we are a strong and powerful people in our own way our messenger stick will always find us. Keep up the fight.

Noelene Binge Holten
Burnt Bridge, NSW

Is Jacqui Lambie wrong?

IF (former senator) Jacqui Lambie believed she was an all Australian and was wrong, then believing she was a Tasmanian Aboriginal may also be wrong.

Trudy Maluga
Launceston, Tas

Shake off shackles of oppression

I WAS just wondering how many Indigenous people, my people, have actually had a read of the Australian Constitution, pre- and post-1967 Referendum?

Reading an article in the *Weekend Australian*, October 28-29, by Noel Pearson, about the Turnbull Government's rejection of a First Nations voice to Parliament, the part that stood out most to me was "broken the hearts of all Australians of goodwill".

When will our people see the damage "Australians of goodwill" have wrought upon us already?

By going to the polls in 1967, Australian goodwill removed the only recognition ever recorded by the Australian Parliament of Aboriginal people.

And it shocks me that would-be leaders, self-appointed leaders and Indigenous parliamentarians have failed to see and understand that for the 50 years since, we, as a people, in their eyes ceased to exist and became Australian citizens by popular 'goodwill' vote.

How were we recognised?

The Constitution once stated: "The Parliament shall have the power to make laws for all citizens except the Aboriginal people of any state."

But Australian 'goodwill' changed it to: "The Parliament shall have the power to change laws for all citizens."

And what do our so-called leaders do? They lead us blindly into a pit of despair. Not just proud Australians but 'Proud First Australians'. Aargh!

Wake up you mob!

Forget about having any kind of Constitutional recognition except perhaps to lobby Parliament to address the 1967 Referendum.

And to stop including us in their laws, to allow us the courtesy of our own cultural development or re-development as laid down by the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

Once we regain our footing, restore our peoples, then let us open proper 'dialogue' with Australians.

Insisting first on a treaty in which there will be a condition to draft a bill of rights with a focus on a new Constitution whereby instead of tokenism, welfare payments – scraps from our own table – there will be proper recognition of Indigenous tribes through repatriation and reparation by means of a percentage of the Gross National Product.

Sovereignty or remain under the blanket assimilation of the 1967 Referendum?

Me, I am an initiated man. An Elder of the Gwanabri and Uarallaray clans (mother/father) and a proud Gommilleroi warrior.

And, like my parents, grandparents and some of my mob, I reject the unprecedented propaganda of the 1967 Referendum and I would most ardently urge our people to do the same – especially those people who were elected or given token positions in Parliament.

Let's face it. You can't act for our mob in there. But you can become a proper voice for our own tribes, the right way.

If you care to check Hansard, you will find that I have submitted a petition to alter the Constitution to say that all our politicians should be Australian-born citizens.

As Australians this is a right, that we all can have a voice in constitutional reform. But for us, as a people, we must have a treaty first.

Remember, this continent has only been called Australia since 1824 – 193 years ago. Indigenous people have been Australians since 1967, a mere 50 years.

Let's finally shake off these shackles of oppression and, once re-established, birth a new and better place with the Australians, on equal terms.

Mervyn Doug Morgan
Just another blackfulla in prison

POETRY

The Truth is Evident

For what is the use of a Royal Commission
When no respect is given to
the recommendations?
Therefore it is no more than a
tokenistic gesture
A political decision; designed
to take off the pressure.
Millions of dollars wasted on
what is obvious to anyone
Can we get some real action –
instead of racist oblivion?
We're talking about real
people, not actors in a movie
With a plot that reads like
something out of a horror
story!
How can those that are so out
of touch with others' reality
Be entrusted to make
decisions about the future of
this country?
The public investigation has
already been done
So obvious are the answers –
it needs no clarification from
anyone.
Because in this country some
people are given free rein
To abuse trust and power
inflicting indelible pain.
If the government was serious
about making positive change
It would have done so already
– instead, yet again
It has chosen to stall its
responsibility!

Angela Aversesch
For more of Ms Aversesch's
poems, go to
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Treat People Right

Are You Making It Easy For
Good People
To Become Hateful, By
Treating Them So Bad
Everyone Is Innocent Until
Proven Guilty
So Don't Abuse Them Or
Make Them Sad.
Have You Ever Been A Victim
When You Had Done Nothing
Wrong
Has Someone Pointed At You
A Finger
And It Went On For So Long.
Wouldn't It Make You
Defensive
To Be Rejected In That Way
The Feelings Of Being
Unwanted
Will Forever With You Stay.
If You Spoke To People Softly
And Treated Them With
Respect
Things Would Be So Different
And Goodness You Could
Expect.
But If You Choose To Be Nasty
And Bitter In Your Life
You Will Never Be Happy
Until The Day You Die.

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Cooks River in the spotlight

Aunty Ann Weldon at the Cooks River.
Picture: Asher Milgate



AN exhibition that's been on show at the Bankstown Arts Centre, western Sydney, uncovers the history of 12 Aboriginal people with a connection to the Cooks River. *The Cooks River?*,

which closes today, November 29, pairs photographic portraits and oral histories with a video compiled with abstract images and soundscapes of the Cooks River.

Gadigal Elder Allen Madden said the whole river system is "part and parcel of our culture".

"It's like John the Baptist. He went down to the river to get baptised. We've done the same thing here. We've been baptised in all these rivers and creeks," he said.

Jenny Thomsen, who also features in the exhibition, said there are places along the river that are spiritual.

"I mean the river is the river. It's our bloodline. It's the power of who we are," she said in her oral history.

The project focuses on the changes to the river, the history, the custodianship and also the issues around its name.

Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council chief executive Nathan Moran said the surviving evidence of Aboriginal culture and heritage is a great tribute to the old people.

"The Cooks River – I openly say that we'd love to get an alternative for that word today," he said.

"The river itself has an array of culture and heritage sites stretched along from its eastern foreshore that runs in and out from Botany Bay right back up to Chullora. Aligned along the river are a number of sites, particularly camp sites or midden sites. We've also got rock stencil art along the banks of the river as well."

The oral histories can be heard online on the Cooks River Alliance Website www.cooksriver.org.au

\$30m boost seen in fire management



FIRE management in remote Aboriginal communities could drive a \$30 million boost to the Northern Territory's economy. Charles Darwin University (CDU) researchers say Federal Government efforts to develop the

north are too focused on European-style agriculture and mining industries while ignoring sustainable services-based land sector options.

CDU ecological economist Dr Kamaljit Sangha says carbon farming linked to fire management, along with conservation management and nature-based tourism would deliver growth for the NT's economy and strengthen remote communities.

Bushfires are a "huge problem" in Australia's north, comprising up to 4% of the national greenhouse gas inventory, Dr Sangha said.

"But if you burn early in the dry season, you emit less greenhouse gas emissions into the atmosphere," she said.

Carbon credits

This saving can be redeemed for carbon credits, which can then be sold at auction under the Commonwealth's Emissions Reduction Fund (ERF) with the potential to reap up to \$30 million a year.

The ERF is a voluntary scheme providing incentives for farmers and land owners to adopt new practices and technology to help Australia meet its climate change reduction targets.

"The carbon economy is culturally appropriate, environmentally sustainable and economically feasible," Dr Sangha said.

CDU's Darwin Centre for Bushfire Research plans to push governments to implement a community land-management training mechanism that rewards ecological best practice.

Central Australian firefighters have warned that this summer will be worse than previous years after above-average rainfall boosted fuel loads, and they've already teamed up with traditional owners and Indigenous rangers to reduce the risks. – AAP

By LIINA FLYNN



CHRONIC disease, mental health, and drug and alcohol

counselling services for Aboriginal people in the Northern Rivers and on the north coast of NSW will receive funding to coordinate and deliver more services.

The announcement of the \$9.1 million in Federal Government funding was made by Indigenous Health Minister Ken Wyatt, who recently visited Lismore.

"The North Coast has an average Aboriginal population of 4.5%, nearly double that of other areas of Australia," he said.

"In order to identify the priority health needs and service gaps, the North Coast Primary Health Network (NCPHN) consulted with local Aboriginal communities and we know that more integrated team care coordination is needed and more flexible funding for appropriate services."

The funding will be distributed by NCPHN to nine Aboriginal Medical Services (AMS) including Bulgarr Ngaru, Jullums and Bullinah, and to Aboriginal controlled organisations such as Durri and Rekindling the Spirit, to coordinate and deliver a range



Rekindling the Spirit founder Greg Telford, Indigenous Health Minister Ken Wyatt and North Coast Primary Health Network Aboriginal health manager Susan Parker-Pavlovic.

of services and programs from Tweed Heads to the Clarence Valley.

NCPHN Aboriginal health manager Susan Parker-Pavlovic said mental health and drug and alcohol counselling were the two health services that Indigenous people found most difficult to access.

Namatjira Haven Drug and Alcohol Healing Centre received funding to extend its residential program and to provide training for mental health first-aid strategies. The Buttery also received funding to develop information and training programs and improve coordination of drug and alcohol treatment services.

Funding has been also provided for Rekindling the

Spirit and Jullums to work on a new drug and alcohol service redesign project.

Rekindling the Spirit manager Greg Telford said the services delivered by Jullums for managing people with co-occurring alcohol and drug issues and mental health conditions would be realigned to national guidelines.

"We will also ensure the service is culturally appropriate and tailored to meet the needs of each patient," he told the *Koori Mail*. "It's our opportunity to build relationships and deliver the training that's needed, and to work out the social determinants and how these issues impact on families, and then get them to address the issues."

Ms Parker-Pavlovic said

another important project to receive funding was the Healthy Kidney Project.

"A clinical nurse consultant will be engaged to increase early screening to pick up on Aboriginal people at risk of developing kidney disease," she said.

The project will be delivered by Bulgarr Ngaru Medical Corporation with Northern NSW Local Health District.

Funding was also announced for a new Headspace facility in Grafton, and for more after-hours services to reduce avoidable hospitalisations for Aboriginal people by supporting carers of high-risk groups with home care after hours.

A new Integrated Team Care and Outreach Program will be delivered by a combination of local AMSes.

"Their work will ensure community members with chronic disease in the region have access to health practitioners, specialised medical aids and assistance with transport to medical appointments," Mr Wyatt said.

"Working with individuals and Aboriginal medical services had been an important part of the planning process. Relationships are critical to success. We need innovation and fresh local approaches and to move beyond the conventional definition of health."



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Roads and Maritime Services is inviting Aboriginal people and Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and places for the Nowra Bridge project to register their interest in being consulted.

Roads and Maritime proposes to build a new bridge over the Shoalhaven River at Nowra.

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*, and/or
- Carrying out investigations in accordance with the *Code of practice for archaeological investigations in NSW 2010*, and/or
- Carrying out an environmental impact assessment under the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

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Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Wednesday 13 December 2017.

Department of Industry

Draft Crown lands Community Engagement Strategy on show

The exhibition period for the draft Crown land Community Engagement Strategy and supporting draft Community Engagement Guidance and Resources document has been extended by two weeks to Sunday 10 December 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.

Submit feedback on the draft Community Engagement Strategy:

- by email: ces.submissions@crownland.nsw.gov.au
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Western Sydney student Jai French won the TAFE-delivered Vocational Education and Training Award.



Aboriginal Learning Circle operations and compliance officer Lisa Morris won the Aboriginal Staff Award.



Trisha Ellis won the Bruce Kendall Award for Recognition of Service to TAFE NSW.

Winners shine at TAFE Gili Awards



THE annual TAFE NSW Gili awards have recognised outstanding achievements by Aboriginal staff and students at a ceremony in Sydney.

Gili (pronounced kili) is an Eora word meaning 'to shine'.

Tamworth student Trevor Doole was presented with an Encouragement Award. The TAFE NSW Certificate II Construction student, who is employed by Tufrey's Concreting and Plastering, was thrilled to claim an award.

Ourimbah student Edward Daley received the Achievement Award. The TAFE NSW Community Services student, who is employed by the Aboriginal Heritage Office, was among 18 winners from TAFE NSW across the 12 categories.

Armidale business student Jamaika Smith, an Anaiwan woman, was presented with the Trainee of the Year Award.



Staff of the Aboriginal Pathways services at TAFE NSW with the Innovation Award they won.

Wellington student Cody Hannelly was crowned Apprentice of the Year. The TAFE NSW Certificate IV Building and Construction student, who is employed by

Cavanagh Building Services in Dubbo, was shocked but thrilled with his success.

A program aimed at bolstering the literacy skills of young Indigenous children

won the community engagement. The Our Storytime program targets Aboriginal children under five and their parents, caregivers and grandparents.



Ourimbah student Edward Daley received this year's TAFE Gili Achievement Award.



Newcastle student Kenneth Wenner said he was honoured to receive an encouragement award.



Debra Hescott was named non-Aboriginal staff member of the year at the Gili Awards.

NT fracking ban urged



TRADITIONAL owners across the Northern Territory are calling for a complete 2018 fracking ban, fearing onshore gas will irreversibly harm their land, culture and identity.

Fracking (or hydraulic fracturing) is the controversial mining practice of blasting rock seams with toxic chemicals to release gas.

About 50 Aboriginal people gathered on the steps of Parliament House in Darwin last week to deliver a statement to the Gunner Government, which continues to feel federal pressure to lift its fracking moratorium.

The document states gas companies lied to traditional owners about "irreversible" damage the controversial gas extraction method would cause, claiming there'd be no impacts.

"We are concerned about the damage to our water, our country, our dreaming and our songlines," the statement said.

"We want to be able to fish and hunt,



Traditional owners from the NT are calling for the Government to continue its moratorium on the controversial mining practice of fracking. *Picture: Frack-free NT*

gather bush tucker and bush medicines now and for all generations."

Labor has refused to end its ban pending the findings of an independent inquiry, which have been delayed three months because of botched consulting in remote communities where gas companies want to develop.

Eleanor Dixon, a Mudbura woman from Marlinja, is worried about the threat of contamination of rivers and the subsequent health impact.

"The Government needs to listen to us," she said.

"We are the people who would face the

drilling rigs on country; it's our water and country you are putting at risk."

Scott McDinny, a Garawa man from Borroloola, believes now may be the last chance Aboriginal land owners have to let the Government know their stance.

"Wet season is just around the corner and if they lift the moratorium then we won't be able to get out of our communities to respond," he said.

Several hundred NT residents including farmers, health workers, tourism operators, fishermen and artists held an anti-fracking rally at Parliament the previous weekend.

The inquiry came under fire in October after consultants were accused of pushing residents from a remote Aboriginal community to exploit shale gas-extraction, saying the industry wasn't going away.

As a result, a new social impact assessment will need to be undertaken and the findings of the task force, which were originally due next month, now won't be released until March. —AAP

Labrador smelling out toads



A GOLDEN Labrador with a keen sense of smell is the latest weapon in the fight to keep Groote Eylandt cane toad free.

Specialist odour detection dog Edna uses her sharp animal instincts and heightened sense of smell to detect the distinct odour of cane toads.

Working with Anindilyakwa

Land and Sea Rangers quarantine and bio-security officer Tom Lawton, Edna plays a pivotal role in keeping the Groote Eylandt cane toad free.

"Cane toads pose a serious risk to native animals and our role is to prevent any toads from entering the island through barges and the airport," Mr Lawton said.

"Edna's sense of smell is far greater than mine and far greater than anyone could ever imagine when it comes to detecting cane toads."

Groote Eylandt, in the Gulf of Carpentaria, is free of many invasive plants and animals found on mainland Australia and,

with the help of Edna, Mr Lawton hopes to keep it that way.

"Groote is currently cane toad-free and as a result there are abundant populations of northern quolls, mertens water monitors and healthy populations of the yellow spotted monitor on the island," he said.

The yellow spotted monitor has declined on mainland Australia, and Groote Eylandt is one of the last refuges for such

threatened species.

"I had actually never seen a mertens water monitor before I came to Groote from Cairns, and now I might see five a week," Mr Lawton said.

"If the toads are undetected they could do serious damage on the island."

There have only been a handful of instances when cane toads have made their

way to Groote Eylandt over the past 10 years.

The quarantine and cane toad detection program is part of a program between the Anindilyakwa Land Council and South 32 manganese mine on Groote Eylandt.



Edna, Groote Eylandt's cane toad detection dog.



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Roads and Maritime Services

Aboriginal Heritage - Warnervale Link Road Proposal

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 Warnervale Link Road Proposal to register to be consulted.

Roads and Maritime Services is investigating the feasibility of providing a link road between Wyong and Warnervale. The Central Coast Regional Plan 2036 identifies Warnervale as a regional growth centre. The link road would service the expected traffic growth arising from housing and employment development in the area. Roads and Maritime is continuing the investigations originally commenced by Central Coast Council to consider its feasibility, develop the road corridor and commence planning for the future link.

The proposal may result in the Roads and Maritime Services:

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



To register your interest, please contact: Deborah Swan, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Officer. Telephone: (02) 4908 7762
Postal Address: Locked Bag 2030, Newcastle NSW 2300.

Registrations must be received by phone or in writing by Friday 22 December 2017.

Crowd turns out for inaugural



Jessica Mauboy was among the entertainers.



Guy Simon, Rarriwuy Hick and Meyne Wyatt.



Yvonne, Ann, Paula and Jaden Weldon, Pauline and Nathan Weldon-Brown, Nathan Moran, Linda Coe, Elaine Crombie, Luke Carrol, James Christian and Tameeka Ingram.



Jonathan Jeffrey, Medika Thorpe and Steven Satour.



Federal Member of Parliament Linda Burney gives the thumbs up as lifetime achievement winner Rachel Perkins speaks.



Muggera Dancers: from left, Brock, Darren and Michael Compton, Glen Thomas and Kobie Duncan.



Mas Bani, Clint Sheehan, Ingrid Nasslander, Jessica Bamblett, Adam Ryan and Steven James.



Wok Wright, from Local Knowledge, hits the stage in Sydney.

national Dreamtime Awards



Happy mob on the dance floor at the Dreamtime Awards.



MCs Luke Carroll and Shari Sebbens.



Garruwa performs.

Clinton Pryor is person of year

Pictures by JOSEPH MAYERS



THE inaugural national Dreamtime Awards attracted hundreds of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to the gala celebration at the Star

Event Centre in Sydney.

Actors Luke Carroll and Shari Sebbens hosted the night, which also featured a stellar line-up of Indigenous performers including Jessica Mauboy, Casey Donovan and Gawurra.

There was also a tribute to the late musician from Galiwinku Dr G Yunupingu performed by his brother Jonathan Yunupingu.

Eighteen awards were presented in the categories of sport, arts, education and community, with 'Spirit Walker' Clinton Pryor being named the Dreamtime person of the year for his journey on foot from Perth to Canberra.

Dreamtime Awards organiser Matt Rose said next year's event



Person of the year Clinton Pryor.

was already being planned.

"We couldn't have asked for much more really. It was incredible," he said.

"The Dreamtime Awards give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people a chance to celebrate and

recognise each other and our rich culture, and it builds aspirations for our future generation."

Dreamtime winners

Person of the Year: Clinton Pryor

Student: Jessa Rogers

Teacher: Nathan Towney

Education Institute: Australian Catholic University Yalbalanga Indigenous Higher Education Unit.

Community Organisation: Miromaa

Business: Something Wild

Community Person: Jeffery Amatto

Best New Sports Talent: Josh Addo-Carr

Male Sportsperson: Eddie Betts

Female Sportsperson: Ashleigh Barty

International Sportsperson: Patty Mills

Female Actor: Shari Sebbens

Male Actor: Rob Collins

Media Person: Stan Grant

Female Artist: Jessica Mauboy

Male Artist: Gawurra

Lifetime Achievement: Rachel Perkins

Elder: Uncle Bill Yidumduma Harney



Hannah Hollis with her mother Leanne.



Abie Wright from Local Knowledge.



Daniel Motlop, Mick O'Loughlin, Anthony Mundine, Shannon Motlop and James Moore.



The smoking ceremony opens the Dreamtime Awards.



Gudjala woman and artist Tania Ault (Dillinga).

Dreaming kept alive by her art



GIVING her totem wings to fly through her art keeps the Dreaming alive for Gudjala woman and artist Tania Ault. Ms Ault, also known as Dillinga (silver brolga), is now exhibiting a series of 20 paintings

dedicated to her totem, the brolga, in her first solo art exhibition *Beyond the Dreaming – Murrin Yor – a black and white perspective*.

"Dillinga, the silver brolga, flies high over her sacred territory and when she goes home to her waterhole, she dances and tells the stories of what she's seen on her journey," Ms Ault told the *Koori Mail*. "Stories of the land, people, birth, life, death and ceremony."

"We live in Charters Towers (north Queensland), an arid area, and we have to travel a long way to water, like the brolga."

"The brolga has been with me since the old people realised it was time to bless me with a totem. I'm also good at communicating and getting my message across, igniting the imagination with creativity."

Ms Ault is a self-taught artist who started painting after becoming depressed when her mother died from cancer.

"My art saved me and got me back on the road to recovery," she said.

"I have my own art studio on main street and people come and talk to me and watch me paint and it opens up a conversation about depression."

"We need it, especially in Aboriginal communities, where people inflicted with depression don't want to talk about it."

Connection

When she sits down to paint, Ms Ault says she finds a connection with spirit and her ancestors and it brings her peace.

"When I paint, the stories come to me and I can see them in my vision," she said.

Ms Ault said the idea for the exhibition came when she was speaking with a friend about mental health and it was suggested she paint in black and white, to allow people to interpret the work in their own way.

"It's also about building a bridge of understanding between white people and Aboriginal people," she said.

"I bring the brolga's stories to life in a series of bird's-eye view paintings. My art is symbolism – on canvas we can interpret the hills, mountains, water and stories about people catching fish. The paintings also incorporate language."

"We have long told stories in song and dance and on cave walls, and I hope my art will also live on and on forever like a legacy."

Ms Ault also works with James Cook University on a cultural immersion program where she talks about art and art therapy and how it helps Indigenous communities.

The art exhibition runs until December 3 at World Theatre Gallery in Charters Towers.

Blak Markets back at Barangaroo



THE Blak Markets return to Barangaroo Reserve, on Sydney Harbour, on December 3 from 10am to 4pm.

Stargazer Lawn will be transformed into an open-air market with more than 30 stalls selling Indigenous arts, crafts and produce direct from maker to customer.

For this market, three remote Aboriginal art centres will be selling artworks.

Bush tucker is an integral part of the Blak Markets experience and this market

will have live cooking demonstrations from Bundjalung man Mark Olive (aka the Black Olive), Ularai Barkandji woman Judy Orcher and National Indigenous Culinary Institute apprentices.

The Blak Markets are organised by First Hand Solutions and hosted by Barangaroo. First Hand Solutions is an Aboriginal charity providing cultural reconnection programs for urban Aboriginal young people and profits from the Blak Markets are invested into these programs.

More details at www.barangaroo.com



The Wagana dancers will be performing at Barangaroo Reserve, as part of the Blak Markets.



Ranger and Arafura Swamp Rangers Aboriginal Corporation board member Marley Djandirri Dalparri and ranger Peter Djiirir, right, are with Bush Heritage's Peter Saunders. Picture: Daniel Hartley-Allen, Bush Heritage Australia

Arafura rangers have a plan for healthy country



"THIS land is our supermarket and our university. We never take too much, just a little, and then leave some behind."

These are the words of Arafura Swamp Rangers

Aboriginal Corporation (ASRAC) chair Otto Bulmaniya Campion. He was speaking on behalf of more than 30 clans and families, across 13 language groups, who came together to create their 10-year healthy country plan.

"For our people, land, culture and country are never separate," he said.

"Bringing many partners together to protect our law and culture is really important. Our people are surviving on this land so we must protect it."

The Arafura Swamp rangers are on the way to protecting the Yolngu and Bi homelands, covering more than 1.2 million hectares in East Arnhem Land. The area includes one of the most important waterbird sites and one of the largest paperbark swamps in Australia

and the largest freshwater ecosystem in Arnhem Land.

Their healthy country plan, supported by Bush Heritage Australia, focuses on building employment and community involvement on country.

Bush Heritage Australia chief executive Gerard O'Neill said the aim of the plan is to protect biodiversity and culture in Aboriginal homelands.

"Aboriginal partnerships are a growing

"Bringing many partners together to protect our law and culture is really important. Our people are surviving on this land so we must protect it."

part of our conservation strategy," he said.

"Traditional owners are the most knowledgeable custodians when it comes to looking after their land."

Bush Heritage Australia currently has 24 active Aboriginal partnerships, accounting for 4.9 million hectares of conservation.

The healthy country plan is a way for six groups of rangers to continue to carry out cultural and ecological land management, including extensive weeding, burning, feral animal control and protection of sacred sites.

The ranger groups are: the south-east Arafura Catchment rangers associated with Donydji, Mirrngatja and Dhupawamirri homelands; the Gurruwiling rangers for the Arafura Swamp region; and the Wanga Djakamirr and Dhipirri rangers, who look after the saltwater country.

The Arafura Swamp ecosystems support seven threatened species including the northern quoll, yellow-spotted monitor and

false water rat. The area also has high numbers of saltwater crocodiles, three species of marine turtles and dugong and as many as 300,000 waterbirds at any time.

The wetlands are also home to more than 1% of the known world populations of magpie geese, egrets, black-necked storks, and brolgas.

Footy player found guilty



FREMANTLE AFL player Michael Johnson has been found guilty of assault and fined after punching a man in a late night,

drunken, kebab-shop confrontation in Perth but has avoided a criminal conviction.

The 33-year-old veteran Docker punched schoolteacher Tim Bowen in the face after Johnson's intoxicated wife Dayna stole Mr Bowen's phone when she saw him filming her husband.

CCTV footage played at Johnson's trial last month in Perth Magistrates Court showed him briefly dropping his pants to his ankles in the kebab shop in Leederville.

He and his wife were drunk after attending teammate Jonathon Griffin's wedding on the night of November 12 last year and continued partying in the Leederville entertainment area.

Mr Bowen was sitting nearby with friends in the kebab shop about 3.40am and filmed Johnson on his phone.

Dayna then approached the group and is seen yelling and apparently abusing them for more than seven minutes on the video footage before snatching Mr Bowen's phone and walking out.

He followed her, sparking the incident with Johnson, who punched Mr Bowen, knocking him to the ground before throwing the phone across the street.

Johnson had pleaded not guilty, arguing it was self-defence because a punch was thrown at him and he was protecting his wife who he saw "being pushed, harassed and assaulted".

Angry

However, there was no evidence of that on the video, which shows Mr Bowen falling to the ground and an angry Johnson wildly gesturing and waving his arms.

Magistrate Elaine Campione told the court it was a "complete overreaction to the situation".

"Clearly Mr Bowen was a much smaller man and

vulnerable ... it was a significant blow you delivered, sufficient that he was motionless and had to be assisted up," she said.

However, he was not seriously hurt.

Ms Campione accepted Johnson's lawyer Richard Utting's argument that he should not be convicted because his actions were out of character and he was a well-regarded leader among young Indigenous people, with references supporting that and pointing to his work with children.

She said if a conviction affected his ability to pass a Working with Children Check "that would be a disaster", given his work in the Indigenous community.

Johnson apologised outside court "for my behaviour, especially to the victim".

Ms Campione fined Johnson \$3500 plus \$188 in costs, \$1000 of which will go to Mr Bowen, but granted him a spent conviction allowing him to avoid a criminal record. — AAP



Joshua Simm works on one of his paintings.

How kicking ice led Joshua to help others

By LIINA FLYNN



KICKING an ice drug habit was the beginning of Bangerang man Joshua Simm's new life dedicated to helping people.

Mr Simm is now the manager of The Cottage, a residential rehabilitation centre in Shepparton, Victoria, where he has taken on the challenges of healing the disconnection that is at the heart of many people's problems, such as depression, gambling or substance addiction.

"It's easy for people to relate to me because I've been through what they've been through," Mr Simm said.

"I share my story and pass on my message of hope that there is a solution. It's horrible to be so disconnected from yourself, your family, culture and community.

"It wasn't until I went through a similar program that I realised how stuck in denial I was.

"There was no light at end of tunnel. A lot of people caught in addiction can't see any way out – it consumes them."

After 10 years of using ice, being unable to hold down a job, and then living in his mother's garage, it wasn't until his mother kicked him out that Mr Simm realised he had to do something about it.

"Mum knew what was going on and stopped enabling me," he said.

"Delusional"

"I went into a recovery centre to prove to my parents that I didn't need to go. That's how delusional I was.

"I was too scared and ashamed to share at first, but when we get clarity and start being honest, we realise we don't have all the answers and can accept help and support from other people.

"What we understand today about drugs and alcohol is that people use them as a solution for the underlying issues they have. Clients start to realise it goes back further than when they picked up their first drink or drug.

"Then it can come out, like unloading a backpack that's heavy after carrying it so long."

Now Mr Simm helps others.

"The more we can be honest and share stories, the more awareness we can create in communities," he said.

"As human beings we are incapable of being honest with ourselves.

"It takes courage to enter rehab programs, then it's one day at a time.

"If you look back, you go into depression. If you look in the future, there's anxiety. We need to be in the present."

Tools

Mr Simm said meditation was one of the tools he used to stay focused, as well as painting Aboriginal art.

"When I'm painting, I'm not thinking about anything else," he said.

"I paint how I'm feeling and it's my outlet to reconnect with my culture, spirituality and creativity."

Mr Simm's art journey started after he had an exhibition while in a rehabilitation centre.

"A St Kilda gallery owner liked it and wanted to sell it," he said.

"Then a friend of mine asked me to work in his art gallery and I said yes, as long as I get to sell my art there.

"You don't know what's around corner, but when you have an open mind and stay positive about things, one day your life will change."

When The Cottage opened last year Mr Simm offered to volunteer.

"Then an opportunity came to step up and take on responsibility as manager," he said. "It was scary but it's the best thing I've ever done."

Now, only five months into his role as manager, he also brings art therapy and creative activities like making didgeridoos to the clients.

"Every day, I'm teaching things about my culture," he said.

"I want to encourage others to take leadership roles and be empowered. To know you can follow your heart and your dreams in whatever you want to be."



Artists Robin Davis (Yuin), Tania Marlowe (Bundjalung), Benedicta Radic (Wiradjuri) and Mark Cora (Minjabil) work on a piece for *Djurra*, a new Norpa production.

Pop-up shop helping artists do business

By SHILO MONKLAND



INDIGENOUS artists in Lismore, northern NSW, are using a

pop-up shop they've named Gooyarn (Possum) and Gurrumbil (Hoop Pine Tree) as part of the local Art of Doing Business program.

Many businesses in the Lismore city centre have been unable to re-open since flooding in April, which led to the idea of using the empty shops to open a developmental art space.

The artists use Gooyarn and Gurrumbil to work on

personal and group projects for exhibitions and events. One of these events is *Djurra*, a new NORPA production based on a Bundjalung Dreamtime story of creation showing at Lismore City Hall this week.

Artists sourced local natural materials to develop sculptures of canoes, which tie into the story of the play.

Program coordinator Mark Cora said the new space was enabling local Indigenous artists to work together.

"With the knowledge from the artists we can use and share it to create pathways," he said.

Gooyarn and Gurrumbil was officially opened last week,

with a smoking ceremony and welcome to country.

Program organisers hope the space will help revitalise culture through art and eventually lead to establishing an Indigenous gallery.

"My job covers the Bundjalung area, from Tweed Heads down to Grafton, and the number of artists is immense," Mr Cora said.

"The goal is to portray the best example of all our works."

The art space, at 177 Keen St, is also hosting an exhibition as part of Artstate Lismore, which will run until December 6, when the pop-up gallery will close. The group is looking for another venue.

Diamond anniversary for happy couple



IN 1954, a more than 60-year romance began between Graham Alley and Edna Brown.

After the second date Graham proposed, but it was not until three years

later that Edna said yes.

They wed on October 28, 1957, in Clermont, Queensland, and recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

Mitakoodi/Mayi man Graham Alley was born in Charters Towers on February 13, 1936, the only child of Martha Alley. He was a stockman for much of his life in the Charters Towers/Clermont area.

Edna Alley, a Ghungalu/Wadja woman, was born in Woorabinda on February 20, 1932, to Effie Kemp and George Brown. She was a camp cook as well as completing domestic duties.

Mr and Mrs Alley celebrated their diamond anniversary in Rockhampton with their only child, Harriet Vea Vea, son-in-law Steven, and their three grandsons Jamie, Richard and Aaron.



Edna and Graham Alley pictured some years ago.

The family also remembered grandson Warren, who is deceased.

Mr and Mrs Alley shared their life story with a mob of 16 great-children and a crew of friends and extended family members.

A young Mr Alley and his

cousin/brother Edward (Eddie) Alley (deceased) were working in the Charters Towers region as stockmen when they heard stories about the good-looking Kemp/Brown girls in Clermont.

They decided to get a taxi from Charters Towers to Clermont (it cost them about three weeks' pay) to check it out. On arriving they saw Edna Brown standing on a corner with her aunt the late Elsie Sandow.

Mr Alley then said, "I'm going to marry that woman."

Three years later Graham and Edna married, settling in Charters Towers and later moved around Queensland, eventually ending up in Rockhampton, where Mr Alley worked for Boral road works until he was 76.

Five years ago they moved to Hervey Bay, where they live today.

The Alleys say they reached the milestone because of their love, respect and a real commitment to their marriage.

"They're in great health and we all strongly believe they will make 70 years and beyond," Mrs Vea Vea said.



Edna and Graham Alley with their great granddaughter Arrabella Lansdown at the party.

Camp focus on culture



COOKING kangaroo stew and damper and participating in separate women's

and men's business kept 33 Aboriginal kids busy during their last week of their holidays.

The children, aged eight to 16, revived traditional arts and engaged in their Aboriginal culture on Indigenous protected land in Glen Innes, northern NSW, as part of the inaugural Pathfinders Cultural Camp.

Pathfinders is a not-for-profit group providing out-of-home care for disadvantaged children and families in the New England, North West and Mid North Coast regions of NSW.

The organisation created the culture camp to address the loss of transmission of cultural knowledge for Aboriginal children and young people in care.

The children came from a mix of foster and residential care backgrounds. Five sets of siblings were involved.

Conversations during the 'Who's your mob?' activity, and country, language and totem talks, led to some of the children realising they had relatives at the camp they hadn't met.

A teenage girl who attended the camp said she enjoyed spending time with family members while learning more about her culture.

"I don't usually get to spend time with my extended family, but I had this week to do so during breaks and activities," she said.

"I enjoyed getting to know the Elders too, because they know my family and told stories about our culture."

All participated in the opening smoking ceremony, where they were painted with ochre and listened to stories from the Elders. They went on a bush



Camp organiser Hilton Naden and local Elder and Pathfinders board member Rosemary Curtis.



Boys take part in the cultural camp at Glen Innes.

walk and site appreciation where they examined Aboriginal artefacts and were shown how to make coolamons.

In addition to culturally based activities, the children participated in swimming, kayaking, football and telling stories around the camp fire.

Special moments

Senior manager of out-of-home care Sally McLennan said there were special moments throughout the camp that showed the power of the culturally based conversations and activities.

"The girls yarned for two hours in a women's circle with adults and Elders, and there were children who opened up and disclosed their experiences as a result of that safe space and discussion," she said.

"Some of these girls have never had that. They've never had a mum or aunt to talk to them and it was the first time they were able to explore womanhood from a beautiful, cultural perspective."

Ms McLennan said the next step is to go back to the kids for feedback on how to run the next Pathfinders Cultural Camp.



Apprentice carpenter Kobi Welch with Construction Industry Training Board mentor Rob Lucas and Nathan O'Neill, from Urban Built.

SA initiative is constructive



A CONSTRUCTION industry initiative is helping young Indigenous people in South Australia complete apprenticeships.

The Aboriginal Workforce Development Initiative (AWDI) run by the Construction Industry Training Board (CITB) is designed to provide mentoring support for young Indigenous people undertaking apprenticeships in SA.

The initiative complements an in-school Vocational Education and Training program called Doorways2Construction (D2C), also run by the CITB at high schools around SA.

Apprentice carpenter Kobi Welch, 22, is set to become the first graduating apprentice from the AWDI.

A graduate from the program at

Salisbury High School in 2012, Mr Welch went on to gain an apprenticeship with the company Unique Urban Built.

"I'm not sure what I would be doing today if I hadn't heard about the D2C program at high school – it really opened up my eyes about what I wanted to do for a job," he said.

"The AWDI has simply reinforced that decision and helped me really understand what is needed to be good at your trade and also a valuable employee."

Indigenous mentor Rob Lucas said the program provides an opportunity for apprentices like Mr Welch to progress in their career.

"Our mentor support program helps to create higher levels of engagement by identifying skills that can be developed, which, in turn, enhances confidence," he said.

Gumala's Jahna a winner



GUMALA Aboriginal Corporation executive officer Jahna Cedar was a winner at this year's Telstra Western Australian Business Women's Awards.

The Nyiyaparli woman took out the For Purpose and Social Enterprise Award.

The Telstra Business Women's Awards focus on women's achievements as business leaders and celebrate the results of inclusive leadership, such as better

organisational performance, increased competitive advantage and, at a wider level, a thriving economy.

Ms Cedar is the first female executive officer of Gumala Aboriginal Corporation, and also the first traditional owner of the land to take on the role. Gumala manages the General Gumala Foundation (GGF), a charitable trust which redistributes land compensation money from Rio Tinto's Yandicoogina iron ore mine back to traditional owners among

the Innawonga, Banyjima and Nyiyaparli people of WA's Pilbara region.

Ms Cedar says she is committed to the sustainability and longevity of the business to provide for future generations.

Her role is to guide the GGF and act as an agent of change to drive her organisation's socially orientated objectives.

Nominations for the Telstra Business Women's Awards are open year-round. Details at telstrabusinesswomensawards.com/



Jahna Cedar

Initiative will have impact



EXPRESSIONS of interest are open until

February 28 for a \$50 million initiative to

encourage impact investment in ventures that support Indigenous economic development.

Impact investments are made into companies, organisations and funds with the intention to generate a measurable, beneficial social or environmental impact alongside, or in lieu of, a financial return.

The initiative is being run by Federal agency Indigenous Business Australia (IBA).

Speaking at the launch, Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said the market for impact investment has taken off as more corporates look to make investments that yield social as well as financial dividends.

"It is fantastic to see IBA partnering with the private sector to drive new economic and employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities," he said.

"IBA is now inviting expressions of interest from Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander organisations and entities seeking to pursue investment opportunities.

"If you have an innovative new proposal you should consider this opportunity; if you are looking to invest in a project that will be profitable and support your community you should consider this opportunity; and if you've been looking to leverage your investment to take your funds further, you should consider this great opportunity."

IBA will invest up to \$50 million alongside Indigenous groups in opportunities that:

- involve equity ownership by Indigenous organisations or entities and/or the development of enterprises on Indigenous-held land;

- are commercially viable, with the potential to generate strong financial returns;

- will support Indigenous employment, supply chain and other social outcomes;

- have an overall investment value of \$4 million to \$50 million, and require a contribution from IBA of at least 25% of capital required; and

- ideally, encourage private sector co-investment.

IBA says it will consider investment across sectors, but it has a strong interest in the tourism, healthcare, energy, civil/construction and affordable housing sectors.

Chief executive Rajiv Viswanathan said that as the market for, and interest in, impact investment grows, IBA will be a catalyst for greater investment into commercial opportunities that provide financial returns – and a lot more – for Indigenous investors and community.

"Through new investments, our objective is to support communities to own and grow successful commercial ventures that generate local Indigenous employment, training, procurement and other outcomes, enhancing self-management and self-sufficiency," he said.

"IBA's investment in these new opportunities, together with its growing demand for home and business lending, is expected to result in IBA deploying more than \$300 million in capital during the 2017-18 financial year to support Indigenous home ownership, entrepreneurship and commercial investment".

Procurement policy is paying off, says Govt



THE Federal Government says Indigenous businesses are going from

strength under its Indigenous Procurement Policy (IPP).

Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion said the 2020 target of awarding 3% of all government contracts to Indigenous businesses annually has already been achieved.

"These are targets which were once thought impossible, and I'm proud that under the Coalition we

are seeing 7% of all government contracts go to First Australian businesses," the minister said while announcing the IPP second-year results.

"Australia's Indigenous business sector has long been overlooked by governments. Only four years ago Indigenous businesses were awarded just \$6.2 million in Australian Government contracts.

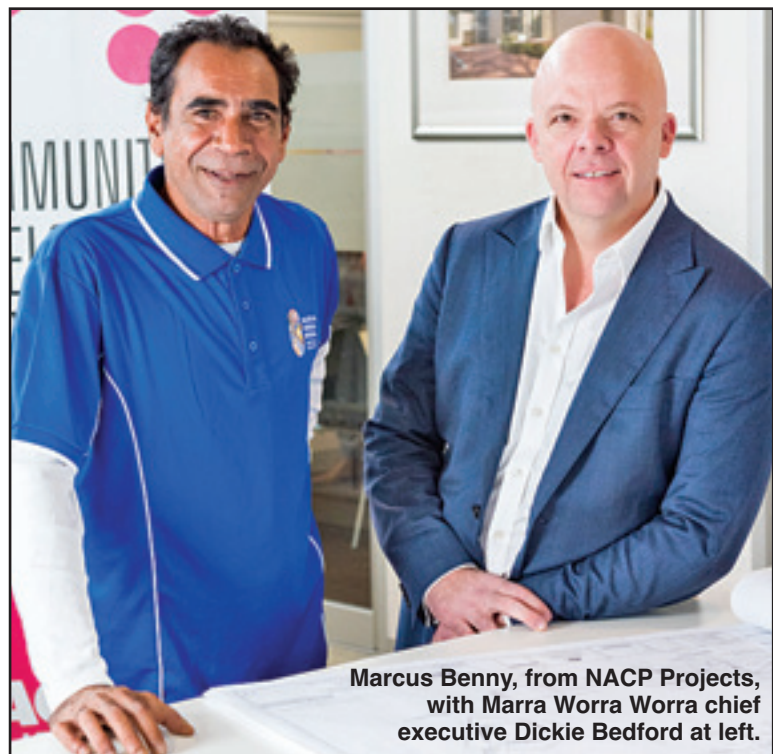
"In the two years since this program commenced, 956 Indigenous businesses have won over \$594 million in government contracts. A 95-fold increase is a

success story in anyone's book.

"The IPP has allowed the Australian Government to tap into the extraordinary capabilities of the Indigenous business sector.

"The second-year results show us that there is no such thing as a typical Indigenous business.

"Indigenous businesses have demonstrated their capability to deliver advanced technology, legal services, construction, engineering and facilities management. Contracts have been won by businesses from across the country."



Marcus Benny, from NACP Projects, with Marra Worra Worra chief executive Dickie Bedford at left.

Defence deal for NACP Projects



INDIGENOUS commercial building partnership NACP Projects has won a key national contract with the Department of Defence.

Work is expected to begin soon on an infrastructure project at Woomera in the north of South Australia.

As part of the Woomera Range Remediation Project, NACP Projects has been engaged to deliver new and upgraded infrastructure and facilities to support the range safety and control systems.

NACP Projects is a joint venture between privately owned construction company BADGE and National Aboriginal Construction Partners, made up of Indigenous entities Marra Worra Worra, which is the oldest and largest Aboriginal resource agency in WA's Kimberley region, Waanyi Aboriginal Corporation, a Queensland-based Aboriginal community-owned corporation, and Nirrumbuk Aboriginal Corporation, based in Broome, Western Australia.

NACP Projects operations manager Marcus Benny said the project win was testament to the group's growing reputation.

"NACP Projects is building a strong track record with Defence,"

he said. "We have successfully undertaken a range of projects for Defence to date. These have included the design and construction of new facilities at seven sites across Queensland, NSW and the Northern Territory to support a new fleet of fire-fighting vehicles and more recently we completed a new Battlespace testing facility in Victoria."

"The Woomera Range Remediation contract is strategically important for NACP Projects as we expand our involvement in the delivery of national Defence infrastructure that supports Australia's force capability."

NACP Projects says that as it expands, so too do employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians.

The organisation says one of its corporate social objectives is to support and develop Indigenous communities by providing opportunities to upskill and develop the local workforce. It is seeking Indigenous Australians who are interested in joining its apprenticeship program and building a career in the construction industry.

"This is an exciting opportunity for Indigenous workers to be involved in key infrastructure projects," Mr Benny said.

Thurston face of anti-smoking campaign



Johnathan Thurston



RUGBY league star and Queensland Australian of the Year Johnathan Thurston is the

face of a campaign aimed at preventing young Australians from becoming addicted to smoking.

The campaign, called 'Stop Smoking Before it Starts', was filmed with Thurston and a group of young football players in Townsville.

The goal is raising the legal age of buying tobacco from 18 to 21.

"The driving force behind me

being part of this campaign is that I have three young daughters and I want all state governments to take the initiative and raise the age of when we can buy cigarettes from 18 to 21," Thurston said.

"I'm hopeful that when my kids grow older they won't ever have to be around smoking."

The campaign is being run by the Minderoo Foundation and the Eliminate Cancer Initiative (ECI), established by philanthropists Andrew and Nicola Forrest, who have contributed an initial \$75 million injection of funding.

That capital is being used

to accelerate research breakthroughs and improve prevention, detection and treatment including access to clinical trials.

One of the biggest causes of preventable cancer is smoking. ECI's first mission is to put an end to the suffering and death it causes. It is calling on state and territory governments to stop young people from legally accessing tobacco products until they are at least 21.

"We know that 90% of adult smokers start before 21. By the time they reach 21, they are hooked," Mr Forrest said.

"We know that if we can stop

them smoking until then, they are unlikely to ever smoke."

Mr Forrest said the economic and health cost to Australian taxpayers was immoral, with a \$31.5 billion hit to the nation every year.

"When you consider that taxpayers only get back \$10 billion in taxes from big tobacco, that is a \$20 billion loss every year," he said.

"That could build 20 state-of-the-art hospitals each year."

Mr Forrest said his Minderoo Foundation was proud to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with a great Australian, such as Johnathan Thurston.

Nutrition fears for children



NEW research suggests fruit and vegetables are luxuries for young Aboriginal children in remote locations, with one in three missing out on these nutritious foods.

The new study, published in the Dietitians Association of Australia's journal *Nutrition & Dietetics*, also found one in four had sweet drinks and 20% had processed meats on the day before the survey.

Researcher Dymna Leonard and her colleagues surveyed parents and carers on the dietary habits of 227 Indigenous children aged six to 24 months from six remote communities across northern Australia.

Ms Leonard, a dietitian and public health nutritionist, said she was encouraged by some positive aspects of the diet of young Aboriginal children, such as high breastfeeding rates. She said 67% of children were reported to have been breastfed on the day before the survey, with higher rates (80%) among those aged under 12 months.

"Another positive of our findings was that nutritious choices like fruit and bush tucker were more often reported in 'pay week', which suggests that families like to get these foods when they can afford them," Ms Leonard said.

But she said her research suggests poor nutrition in Aboriginal children begins from their first solid foods. "These findings are particularly worrying because poor diet is the leading preventable cause of ill health in Australia and globally, contributing to almost 18% of deaths in Australia, with population groups such as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people more at risk," she said.

Ms Leonard said that chronic diseases, often caused by long-term poor diet, are responsible for more than two-thirds of the gap in health between Indigenous and other Australians.

"Poor diet choices such as high-sugar drinks and snacks, have also been reported in a study of the diet of non-Indigenous young children, but only a few (4%) of those non-Indigenous children had no fruit or vegetables on the day prior to the survey, compared with 33% in our study," Ms Leonard said.

She called for more support for remote Indigenous parents to be able to provide a nutritious diet for their families.

"Improving access to healthy and affordable food is essential, but there also needs to be investment in promoting a healthy diet in pregnancy, breastfeeding, nutrient-dense first foods and suitable drink choices," Ms Leonard said.



The mob involved in producing the *Whatchya Gunna Do?* immunisation music video.

Health worker praises immunisation rappers



"I'M everything I am because one person believed in me." That's Leanne

Sanders' dedication to her mentor the late Athol Boney, who helped the then teen mum with just a Year 9 education and a history of domestic violence have the confidence to complete a university degree and see that life could be better.

Ms Sanders presented at the ninth International Arts and Health Conference held recently at the Art Gallery of NSW.

"Athol taught me everything from culture to values – to look at things differently to how I grew up thinking things were," she said.

Ms Sanders said a mark of who Mr Boney was and what he stood for was in the way he signed off his emails with the quote "Being Aboriginal is a reason to succeed rather than an excuse not to".

It's that attitude and background which Ms Sanders, who gained a Bachelor of Health Science Indigenous Mental Health from Charles

Sturt University and has 12 years' experience working in Aboriginal communities, uses to make connections with teenagers as the Aboriginal immunisation health worker for Murrumbidgee and Southern NSW local health districts.

Ms Sanders is also passionate about ensuring kids and teens know they are valued and valuable, improving Aboriginal health, halting the increasing number of Aboriginal youth suicides, and closing the health gap.

Huge role

She believes music has a huge role to play.

She says the evidence can be seen in the *Whatchya Gunna Do?* immunisation music video – written and rapped by Wagga Wagga teens after a program of four workshops with professional musicians and an Aboriginal Elder – to encourage others to be vaccinated.

It was recognised with the Murrumbidgee Aboriginal Health Award, having been used by the NSW Ministry of Health in its World Immunisation Day

promotions and distributed to health and community care centres and schools in the Murrumbidgee and Southern NSW local health districts.

But Ms Sanders said that, while the recognition was wonderful, "I just do things from my heart".

And she said the collateral benefits from the video were many: giving the teens a sense of accomplishment and improving self-esteem; building understanding between Indigenous and other participants; and providing them with a new way to express themselves and release their feelings.

"Not one of these kids had ever done music before, but they became little celebrities," she said.

"They were in the newspaper, and the Elders and the community watched the video at a special launch and celebrated it with them."

"They were so proud of what they'd done. To be recognised by the whole community is wonderful, and everyone saw the shift in these kids."

Breakthrough on Pap test

THE Pap test has been replaced with a new cervical screening test, which women only have to do every five years.

Health authorities say regular testing is the best way for women to stay healthy and

strong for themselves, their family and their community.

More information on the breakthrough and testing at www.cancerscreening.gov.au/cervical, by calling 131 556, or by speaking with health workers.

Qld health achievers awarded



TOP achievers in the Indigenous community-controlled health sector have been recognised at the inaugural Queensland Aboriginal and Islander Health Council (QAIHC) Awards for Excellence.

Held in Brisbane, the awards recognised and celebrated the achievements of individuals and organisations.

QAIHC chief executive Neil Willmetts congratulated the winners and finalists and encouraged them to continue their work.

"The QAIHC Awards for Excellence are instrumental in acknowledging the significant contributions of our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled health services in improving health outcomes for our people," he said.

"I congratulate all the nominees

for the work they are undertaking to eliminate the disparities in health and wellbeing experienced by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Queensland.

"Individually and collectively we continue our journey towards making a difference in the delivery of comprehensive primary health care."

The winners were:

- Partnership Excellence Award – Cunnamulla Aboriginal Corporation for Health.

- Innovation Excellence Award – Carbal Medical Services.

- Patient Satisfaction and Service Excellence Award – The Dental Team, Wuchopperen Health Service.

- Leader of the Year Award – Aunty Gail Wason, Mulungu Aboriginal Corporation.

- Member of the Year Award – Gurriny Yealamucka Health Service Aboriginal Corporation.



Gurriny Yealamucka Health Service Aboriginal Corporation staff with their QAIHC award.

Study finds adolescents at high risk



A NEW study has found that mortality for Indigenous adolescents is more than twice

that of other adolescents, with about 60% of deaths due to intentional self-harm and road traffic injury.

The study, led by researchers from the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI) and the University of Melbourne, describes the health needs of Indigenous adolescents in Australia.

Published in medical journal *The Lancet*, it provides the first such profile of indigenous adolescent health in any country.

It reported that 80% of all deaths among Indigenous adolescents were potentially avoidable, suggesting a huge opportunity for health gain.

Communicable diseases, particularly sexually transmitted infections, were leading contributors to morbidity.

There was an excess burden of mental disorders and substance use, with almost one third of Indigenous adolescents aged 18-24 reporting high levels of psychological distress, twice the general rate, alongside emerging type 2

diabetes and heart disease – conditions more typical of adulthood.

Additionally, there were excess intentional and unintentional injuries such as road traffic accidents.

Many aspects of the health profile differed markedly from that of non-Indigenous adolescents. Rates of acute rheumatic fever, pneumococcal infection, gonorrhoea, and type 2 diabetes resulting in hospitalisation were 10 times higher and rates of assault and childbirth in those aged 15-19 were five times higher. But levels of eating disorders, skin cancers, and anaphylaxis were significantly lower.

Overweight

Risks for future ill-health were common. Despite gains made, 43 per cent of Indigenous 15-24 year olds were current tobacco smokers and about 45% had high body mass (overweight or obese).

The report said widespread disadvantage across social and cultural determinants underpinned these needs.

Experience of racism was common. Many lived in overcrowded homes of insecure tenure and with substandard facilities. Almost 30% reported economic stress and food

insecurity. One in five reported having been arrested in the preceding five years, with one in 10 males aged 20-24 incarcerated.

The study highlighted many opportunities to improve Indigenous health and wellbeing, including:

- engaging empowering youth and their communities;
- better matching health policy and action to the needs of Indigenous adolescents;
- ensuring health care is accessible, and addressing health and wellbeing through other sectors; and
- ensuring accountability of any investment.

The study can be found at www.thelancet.com/journals/lanet/article/

● Readers seeking support and information about suicide prevention can contact Lifeline 13 11 14 or Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467 or Kids Helpline (young people aged 5-25) 1800 55 1800 78

● Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support services can be found at www.naccho.org.au or www.sewmbh.org.au or www.healthinonet.edu.au



Flinders UNIVERSITY

DIRECTOR

Poche Centre for Indigenous Health and Wellbeing Flinders NT

Ref 17201 Flinders University seeks to appoint a Director of the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health and Wellbeing, Flinders NT, located in Alice Springs.

The vision of the Poche Centre is to contribute to the improved health outcomes of Aboriginal people in remote communities of the NT and Australia, through conducting high quality research, education, and training in partnership with Aboriginal communities.

The Director will be an experienced, committed and energetic leader for the Poche Centre team and have strong management, academic and research credentials. The incumbent will be responsible for the development and leadership of the Poche Centre multidisciplinary team whose key purpose is to:

- Improve the preparation of health professionals to work effectively with Indigenous people and in Indigenous communities;
- Improve the availability of culturally appropriate health knowledge opportunities for Indigenous people;
- Achieve recognition of the Poche Centre, Flinders NT as the provider of choice of cultural awareness and safety training;
- Provide leadership in the development of a culturally safe environment within Flinders NT; and
- Increase the number of Indigenous health graduates.

The incumbent will also provide strong Indigenous academic leadership for the entire Flinders NT.

"In accordance with the University's Employment Strategy for Indigenous Australian's the filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) and s57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1996 (NT). The position is therefore only open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants."

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Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website: <http://www.flinders.edu.au/employment/academic>

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Proud and deadly at Coota High



THE focus was on Indigenous achievement when Cootamundra High School hosted the local Proud and Deadly Awards this month. The awards recognise 'Coota' Indigenous students' academic, leadership, culture and sport achievements.

This year's event was entirely managed by students. MCs were Andrew Simons (Year 8) and Kiara Wilson (Year 12), music was by Year 8 students Cody Francis and Haiden McRae, and the choreographers were Shania Williams (Year 10) and Destini Warren (Year 11).

The high school's feeder schools also joined in the event.

Elders Uncle Bob Glanville and Auntie Dawn Penrith were honoured guests.

A feature was a performance by the Coota Koori Dance Troupe made up of students from E A Southee and Cootamundra public schools, as well as Coota High. They were joined on the night by painted-up pre-schoolers in costume.

Cootamundra High principal Neil Reaper praised the students for their performances and handed the Proud and Deadly baton to Bill Godman, principal of Cootamundra Public School, which will host next year's Proud and Deadlys.



● Above: Award recipients from Cootamundra High School at the Proud and Deadly night.



● Left: Painted-up Coota Koori Dance Troupe performers on stage during the awards presentation night in Cootamundra, southern NSW.

Victoria University has new strategy



VICTORIA University has launched a new Indigenous strategy. Called Bathelmun Yalingwa ('Shine Bright' in the Woiwurrung language), the university says it is a commitment to the opportunity and success of its Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and staff, and to its role as a regional leader in raising awareness and addressing challenges.

The strategy covers all aspects of university activity and consists of three key aspirations:

- Gamadji (Grow) – VU aims to increase the numbers of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, graduates, academics and professional staff, and assure their success by being an open and excellent university. It has set an enrolment target growth rate for Indigenous students of at least 50% above its growth rate for non-Indigenous student enrolments by 2020.

- Dambunmon (Share) – VU aims to increase the engagement of Aboriginal culture, knowledge, and educational approaches through its curriculum, staff training, and university activities, ensuring they are acknowledged and celebrated throughout the university and community.

- Jerrboongun (Connect) – VU aims to improve the university environment (including physical spaces) for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people by creating a welcoming, culturally aware, and rich environment that all students and staff will be inspired by and proud of.

The strategy also involves the university working with Indigenous people, particularly in Melbourne's west, to address issues that may affect their social, health and economic wellbeing.



Moondani Balluk director Karen Jackson, a Yorta Yorta woman.

Vice-chancellor Peter Dawkins said Bathelmun Yalingwa is part of the university's commitment to join cultures and countries, and support students from any background in a "university without boundaries".

"We want to position VU as an institution that is renowned for deliberate action in raising the aspirations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students and staff, and for providing an

environment that fosters Aboriginal innovation and success," he said.

The university says Bathelmun Yangwa builds on its position as 'the university of opportunity and success', and its commitment to providing equal opportunity and outcomes while uplifting the communities it serves. It is underpinned by the VU Strategic Plan 2016-20 and aligns with Universities Australia's Indigenous Strategy 2017-2020.

Action on ABSTUDY is urged



INDIGENOUS students starting or continuing study or an apprenticeship in 2018 have been urged to lodge their ABSTUDY claim now for the new school year.

Human Services Minister Alan Tudge said recent changes have simplified the ABSTUDY claim process.

"The Government is committed to supporting young Indigenous people, particularly those from remote communities, achieve better educational outcomes," he said.

"We've streamlined processes and are working smarter to grant claims faster, so students are ready to travel and start school on time.

"The earlier students claim, the sooner applications can be processed and eligible students can have payments in place before the start of the school year."

To claim ABSTUDY, students can phone the department on 1800 132 317. If students can't claim over the phone, they can fill in a paper claim form.

Language school for Sydney



PLANS are in hand for the first Indigenous Languages Summer School, which will be run from Charles Darwin University's Sydney Centre early in the new year.

Yolngu Studies lecturer Brenda Muthamuluwuy said CDU was working with the Australian National University to offer three fully accredited units from January 8.

"It will be the perfect opportunity to begin learning an Indigenous language or to develop an understanding of the linguistics that underpins Indigenous language work," Ms Muthamuluwuy said.

"Options will include an introduction to Yolngu languages and culture, a beginner's course for Gamilaraay language and an introductory linguistics unit, each of which will be offered as two-week intensives."

Ms Muthamuluwuy and fellow CDU language lecturer Yasunori Hayashi will co-present the Yolngu unit, which will give students a basic grounding in Dhuwala (one of a number of Yolngu languages), including the sounds, grammar and a basic vocabulary, as well as an introduction to various aspects of kinship, songs, art and ceremonies.

The Gamilaraay unit would allow students to develop basic speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in the language of many people from inland northern NSW and southern Queensland, she said.



Yolngu language unit presenter Brenda Muthamuluwuy.
Picture: Julianne Osborne

"The linguistics unit would focus on the scientific study of language, providing students with an understanding of sound production, parts of speech, grammatical relations in words and sentences, and meanings," Ms Muthamuluwuy said.

She described the summer school as a

"proof of concept" proposition for what she anticipated could become a one-stop shop for learning Indigenous languages.

"Institute"

"We are working with ANU and other institutions to establish an Australian

Indigenous languages institute," she said.

"In time we hope it will draw together opportunities for Indigenous language learning, using courses and staff from many tertiary institutions. This will lead to much more teaching and learning in this important area."

NPY chief honoured



THE University of South Australia has honoured Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (NPY) Women's Council

chief executive Andrea Mason.

The Aboriginal leader was one of four UniSA graduates to be recognised at the university's Alumni Awards in Adelaide this month.

Ms Mason heads a women's council that undertakes a diverse range of activities to create employment, support health and wellbeing, and tackle domestic violence and other social challenges.

She was named the 2016 Telstra Australian Business Woman of the Year and the NT finalist in the 2017



Andrea Mason

Australian of the Year Awards.

Ms Mason was selected as one of six members of Australia's new Indigenous Advisory Council and soon after appointed co-chair.

She credits her extended family and a loving upbringing with shaping her core values and determination to succeed.

away from home and community.

Chief executive Tony Usher says it's a credit to each of the young men and women who worked hard to achieve their educational goals.

"In the end, this is the students' success we're celebrating. Hostels is there to provide all the support we can so they can reach their goals," he said

Record year for Aboriginal Hostels



ABORIGINAL Hostels Ltd (AHL) says a record 14 students at its secondary education hostels

have completed Year 12 studies this year. AHL operates nine such hostels across Australia for Indigenous students who attend high school



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Applications now open. Close 19 January 2018.



Artists with their shields at the Three Rivers Festival – from left, Earl Handy, Angie Russi, Troy Firebrace and Aunty Vera Cooper – with festival director Clayton Murray Mitchell.

There's been dancing at Three Rivers



MULTICULTURAL Arts Victoria with the Three Rivers Festival and Kaiela Arts partnered to produce the inaugural Dhungalla Kaiella Garradha (Goulburn Murray Rivers Dance Ceremony) at the 2017 Three Rivers Festival this month.

The new project, held across the Victorian and NSW border towns of Echuca and Moama, celebrated traditional Yorta Yorta stories, place, spirit and ancient ceremonial practices.

There was also a sunset corroboree and concert featuring Archie Roach, Indigenous Hip Hop Projects, and Maddi Colville-Walker.

Leading up to the corroboree, six Aboriginal artists from Shepparton's Kaiela Arts and Echuca worked to create elements for the corroboree performance space including light sculptures and sand design.

Aboriginal dance groups from around Victoria also prepared traditional dances and music, and traditional dance groups from the Pacific Islander and African communities in nearby Shepparton were also on the program.

The Three Rivers Festival is an annual community event held on Yorta Yorta woka (country) involving people through touch football, music, art and Aboriginal culture. The theme for the fourth festival was 'I stand strong for health and culture'.

Trouble for PACT Centre



Ready for trouble: Colin Kinchela, Kate Beckett and Bjorn Stewart.
Picture: Hayder Al Bdairi



PACT Centre for Emerging Artists and Cope Street Collective will present a

showcase of performance, theatre and art in *PACT Salon: Bad* this Saturday, December 2.

PACT Salon: Bad is Cope Street Collective's response to stereotypes towards Indigenous children and racial propaganda. It celebrates 'the trouble-makers, the misunderstood and the ones

they thought would not survive'.

PACT Centre for Emerging Artists will be transformed into a 'fun island for the forgotten, fringe-dwellers and outcasts'. The island will include live performances, music and dance showcasing human desire, struggles and survival.

Cope Street is an arts collective named after the Redfern home of the Indigenous-run performance space Black Theatre. Co-

founder Bjorn Stewart and the other artists make theatre, film and multi-media work based around the notions of Australian identity.

PACT Salons show new works by emerging performance, visual and media artists. Salons are where performance, party and critical dialogue meet to form an interactive experience.

The event starts at 6pm. More details at www.pact.net.au/whats-on/

Residency at Campbelltown



CAMPBELLTOWN Arts Centre will host Indigenous musician Eleanor Dixon and her

friend and fellow musician Edi Donald as part of its Indigenous Artist Residency Program.

The program, which has played host to the likes of Jessie Lloyd and her Mission Songs Project, Vic Simms, Luke Peacock and Jimblah, aims to foster new Indigenous works in a supportive and creative environment.

Dixon is a Mudburra woman from the Northern Territory community of Marlinja. She has played at national festivals, won many awards and performed with some of the biggest names in the Australian music industry. She is also a member of

Indigenous outfits Kardajala, Kirridarra and Rayella.

Edi Donald, known for his work with Edi Donald and The Transients, is a transgender artist who seeks to give voice to the spectrum of gender and human identities.

The pair met in 2013 during the Barkly Divas workshops run by Music NT where Dixon was a participant and Donald a mentor. They have since co-mentored at musical workshops in remote communities in the Central Desert and Barkly regions.

The residency at Campbelltown will be the first time the two have worked directly. They have named their new project *Anya*, which

means Now in Mudburra language.

"Since we've known each other we have supported one another artistically and shared inspiration, ideas and vision," Dixon said. "At Campbelltown we hope to achieve freedom through our collaboration and to create something different and new from what either



Eleanor Dixon will undertake a residency at Campbelltown Arts Centre.

of us is currently doing."

Both will round out their residency with a performance from 7.30pm on December 9 at the centre in western Sydney. It will include works from the pair's time at the centre.

Details on (02) 4645 4100.

Sweet summer at Penrith gallery



INDIGENOUS art is the focus for the Penrith Regional Gallery and The

Lewers Bequest Summer Exhibition Suite, opening on December 2.

Comprising complementary exhibitions *Up in the Sky* and *Landing Points*, the Summer Suite will be on show at the gallery until March 4.

On the 20th anniversary of Indigenous artist and photographer Tracey Moffatt's work *Up in the Sky*, the gallery will show the series of 25 black-and-white photographs.

Moffatt produced the highly acclaimed works in 1997.

Landing Points features the works of 11 artists – Tim Johnson, Jason Wing, Alana Hunt, Caroline Garcia, Victoria Garcia, Carla Leech, Nicole Monks, Mark Shorter, Cigdem Aydemir, Joan Ross and Hayley Megan French. They use different artistic



Native to this land #6, 2017, by Nicole Monks.

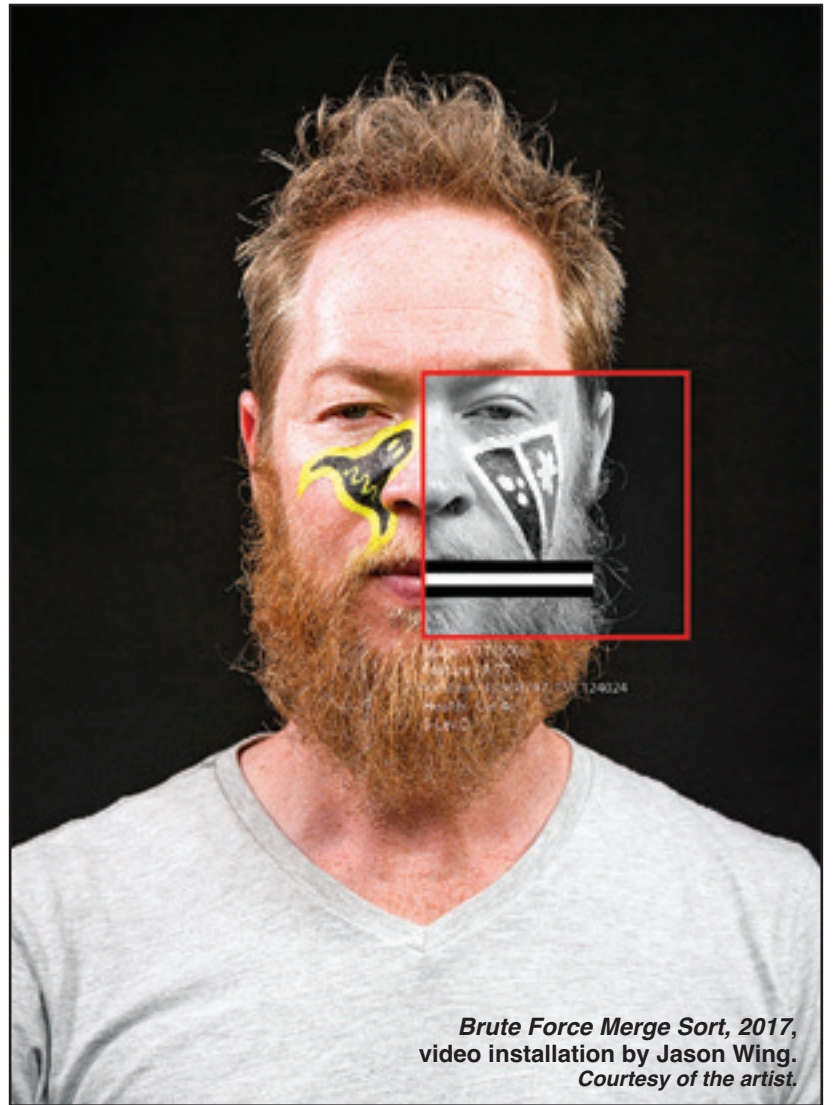
Courtesy of the artist, with Luke Butterly (collaborative photographer)

approaches, including painting, performance, photography, film and installation to look at cultural complexities in Australia.

The Summer Suite will be opened by Bundjalung man Warren Mundine, who has just released his book *Warren*

Mundine in Black+White. There will also be a performance by Nicole Monks, a trans-disciplinary artist of Yamatji Wajarri, Dutch and English heritage, whose work is included in the exhibition.

More details at www.penrithregionalgallery.org

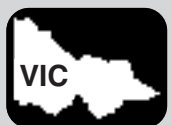


Brute Force Merge Sort, 2017, video installation by Jason Wing. Courtesy of the artist.



Archie Roach will celebrate at the Corner Hotel.

Looking to celebrate



ARCHIE Roach will celebrate 20 years since the release of

his multiple award-winning third album *Looking for Butter Boy* with a show at the Corner Hotel in Melbourne on December 5.

Produced in 1997, the album was recorded on Roach's mother's ancestral lands in south-western Victoria in an old Port Fairy bed and breakfast that was converted into a recording studio.

Sally Dasey from Tiddas will join Roach on stage at the hotel in suburban Richmond.

Singer-songwriter Alice Skye will be Roach's support at The Corner. The 22-year-old will release her debut album, *Friends with Feelings*, in February.

More details at www.cornerhotel.com



INDIGENOUS films will be part of a celebration marking *Starstruck:*

Australian Movie Portraits, an exhibition by the National Film and Sound Archive and National Portrait Gallery.

Running until March 12 at the National Portrait Gallery in Canberra, *Starstruck* explores portraits from 100 years of Australian movies.

It features famous Australian actors and films, as well as highlighting the lesser-known early years of the film industry.

Included are rare film posters, 1930s scrapbooks of aspiring actors, and original costumes from movies such as *Picnic at Hanging Rock*, *My Brilliant Career*, and *The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert*.

Films at the National Film and Sound Archive's Arc Cinema that tell Indigenous stories include:

- *Rabbit-Proof Fence* on December 6. The screening includes an introduction and Q&A with film producer David Elfick.

- *The Last Wave*, to be screened on December 13. It includes a discussion with Wiradjuri writer, teacher



Cinematographer Matt Nettheim's image of Tianna Sainsbury (Daisy), Laura Monaghan (Gracie) and Everlyn Sampi (Molly) from *Rabbit Proof Fence* (2002), features in the exhibition *Starstruck: Australian Movie Portraits* screening at the National Film and Sound Archive.

and academic Jeanine Leane.

- *The Tracker* on December 15. The screening includes a

discussion with Rolf de Heer.

- *The Sapphires* on January 7 as part of a special week

celebrating fashion and costume.

More details at www.starstruck.gov.au

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 December 15: Applications open for the inaugural Copyright Agency Fellowships for First Nations Writers. More details at www.varuna.com.au/varuna/index.php/programs/.

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

Victoria

December 5: Archie Roach will celebrate 20 years since the launch of his third album, *Looking for Butter Boy*, with a show at the Corner Hotel, Richmond. Details at www.cornerhotel.com

December 5: BLAKitecture, an open forum from 6pm looking at Indigenous architecture. Held at MPavilion, Melbourne. More details at mpavilion.org/program/blakitecture/

December 9-February 25: *Koorie Art Show* exhibition at the Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square, Melbourne. Details at www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

December 16: Koorie Heritage Trust's A Very Koorie Kismas, from 3pm at the Trust in Federation Square. Koori Klaus will attend. More details at www.koorieheritagetrust.com

February 3, 2018: Yalukut Weelam Ngargee Festival, part of the St Kilda Festival, opening day with Indigenous arts and music on display. More details at www.facebook.com/events/120062345351198/

Tasmania

December 14-15: Community Stone Tool Workshop at piyura kitira/Risdon Cove. Details from Andry Sculthorpe on (03) 6243 1761.

December 16: Official opening of the Kooparoona Niara Cultural Trail in Deloraine, Tasmania. More details through martinh@colony47.com.au

New Year's Eve: Revival of two Devil Devil Aboriginal dance performances at Gasp Light NYE 2017. Held at GASP Pavilion,



Carol Puruntatameri is from Munupi Arts, which will be at this year's AIATSIS Indigenous Arts Market.

AIATSIS gearing up for Indigenous art market



COMMUNITY art centres from across the top of Australia will be in Canberra on December 8 and 9 for the fourth AIATSIS Indigenous Art Market.

AIATSIS says this will be the largest market yet, with authentic art, crafts, fashion and jewellery from some of Australia's most remote regions on offer.

The markets will be held from noon-8pm on December 8 and 10am-3pm on December 9 at AIATSIS on Acton Peninsula, Canberra.

Exhibiting art centres are:

- Warnayaka Art, a gallery from Lajamanu in the NT. The staff and artists are mainly local Warlpiri people.

- Warlukurlangu Artists, based in Yuendumu, NT, and recognised as one of the most significant Aboriginal art centres in Australia.

- Waringarri Aboriginal Arts, from the heart of Miriwoong country at Kununurra in the Kimberley region of northern Western Australia

- Jilamara Arts Crafts, renowned for producing high quality traditional Tiwi art.

- Tiwi Designs, one of the oldest and most artistically diverse art centres in Australia and located at Nguui on the south-eastern corner of Bathurst Island.

- Munupi Arts, located along Melville Island's north-western coastline at Pirlangimpi (Garden Point) and the most recently formed art centre on the Tiwi Islands.

Wilkinson's Point, Hobart. More details at www.gasp.org.au

NSW-ACT

Ongoing: ACE Community College Aboriginal driver training. Held at ACE Community College, 59 Magellan Street, Lismore. Details: (02) 6622 1903.

Ongoing: TeleYarn, a Red Cross project that provides phone calls to Indigenous people across NSW who would benefit from a regular yarn. Details: Kerrie on 0429 151 112.

Ongoing: Lismore women's and men's healing groups. Held at Rekindling The Spirit, Lismore, Monday and Wednesday, 11am-2pm. Details: (02) 6622 5534.

Until December 9: *YiiY: A Method To Decolonise* exhibition of ceramic objects by Penny Evans at the Grafton Regional Gallery. Details at www.graftongallery.nsw.gov.au/

Until January 31: Applications open for the NSW Education Department's Aboriginal Early Childhood Education Scholarships program. Successful applicants will be offered a scholarship of up to \$20,000 to

complete a four-year bachelor-level early childhood teaching qualification. Details at <http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/what-we-offer/>

November 30-December 3: *Four Women (I do belong)* 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/

November 30: Bangarra's *Ones Country – the spine of our stories* community night at Carriageworks, Sydney, from 7.30. Details at www.bangarra.com.au/

December 1: Official opening of the Summer Exhibition Suite at Penrith Regional Gallery and The Lewers Bequest, western Sydney. More details at www.penrithregionalgallery.org or (02) 4735 1100.

December 1: 2017 World AIDS Day event being held at Griffith Aboriginal Medical Service, southern NSW. More details on (02) 6962 0000.

December 3: Blak Markets at Barangaroo Reserve, Sydney, from 10am.

From December 6: National Film and Sound Archive in Canberra will be screening Indigenous films as part of its new exhibition *Starstruck: Australian Movie Portraits*. Full details at www.nfsa.gov.au

December 6: Aboriginal HIV Awareness Week event at Bulgarr Ngaru Aboriginal Medical Corporation, Casino, northern NSW. Details at (02) 6622 1555.

December 7: Community Christmas event, hosted by Rekindling The Spirit, at Spinks Park, Lismore, from 10am. More details at www.rekindlingthespirit.org.au

December 8: Public forum 'Human Rights, where are they? – 10 years of failed NT Intervention', 5.30pm at Redfern Community Centre. Details www.stoptheintervention.org/ or Cathy on 0422 385 852.

February 10: Performance by Indigenous singer Isaiah Firebrace at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre, southern Sydney. More details at www.suthentcent.com.au

February 10: Kick off for the second Festival of Indigenous Rugby League, with a week-long celebration and games at Redfern Oval, Sydney. Details www.nrl.com

February 16-March 3: Celebrations to mark the 40th anniversary of the Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras. More details at www.mardigras.org.au.

Queensland

Ongoing: *The Albert Namatjira Story*, a new display featuring early works by the great Albert Namatjira.

Held at Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, daily from 10am-5pm. Free. Details: (07) 3840 7303 or visit www.qagoma.qld.com.au

Until January 31: Nominations open for the black&write fellowships for Indigenous writers. Full details at slq.qld.gov.au/whats-on/awards

Until March 4: *Jabu Birriny (land and sea)* exhibition focusing on the community of Yarrabah, north Queensland. Held at the State Library of Queensland, Brisbane. Details at jabubirriny.slq.qld.gov.au.

December 13: Mookai Rosie-Bi-Bayan house 30th anniversary dinner celebration at the Pullman International, Cairns. Costs apply. Details www.mookairosie.org.au/

Northern Territory

From mid-November: Free meningococcal quadrivalent (ACWY) vaccination program clinics in Alice Springs and Tennant Creek.

Details: Alice Springs on (08) 8951 6521 and Tennant Creek (08) 8962 4218.

Western Australia

From December 16: Celebrations to mark the 20th anniversary of the South West Aboriginal Medical Service. Events will be held in Bunbury, Busselton, Collie, Harvey and Manjimup. Details at www.swams.com.au/

Until January 28: *In Cahoots*, a new creative project between Indigenous and others artists at the Fremantle Arts Centre. More details at www.fac.org.au

South Australia

Until December 2: Our Mob 2017 program at Adelaide Festival Centre.

It features a range of artworks from around the state. Details at www.countryarts.org.au/programs/visual-arts/our-mob/

December 2: 'Don't Dump on SA' rally opposing any moves to establish a nuclear waste dump in the Flinders Ranges and at Kimba, South Australia.

Held from 11am at Parliament House, Adelaide. Details at www.dontdumpsonsa.net

Giant steps as Coles surpasses jobs goal

COLES has celebrated a major employment milestone, announcing that 3% of its workforce is Indigenous.

The national supermarket chain says it now has almost 3400 Indigenous employees, exceeding its target of 3000 by 2020.

Coles, which is owned by Wesfarmers, has now become one of Australia's largest corporate employers of Indigenous people.

At a celebration in the Coles supermarket at Kwinana, Western Australia, managing director John Durkan said the milestone was significant for the 103-year-old firm.

"We are a better company for it," he said.

"We think it's important to employ Indigenous people because it provides greater diversity in thinking and experiences, and expands our talent. It also means we have a team that represents the communities in which we operate."

"In 2011, we had just 65 Indigenous team members. Now that number has jumped by more than 5000% and over 170 team members are in skilled and leadership positions."

"But we won't stop here. We are committed to working with our Indigenous team members to build their careers and take up even more leadership opportunities."

Coles says its Indigenous employment program, called First Steps, has been instrumental in achieving the target.

The program won the Human Rights Commission Business Award in 2015 and has been



Graduates from the Kwinana Coles supermarket First Steps program Mary Ford and Tina Morgan are with Coles head of Indigenous affairs Topaz McAuliffe at the employment milestone celebration.

rolled out at 45 locations across Australia from Cairns in north Queensland to Bondi in NSW, Whyalla in South Australia, and Collingwood in Victoria to Kalgoorlie and Kwinana in Western Australia.

Wesfarmers chief Richard Goyder said Coles was now one

of the largest employers of Indigenous Australians in the corporate sector.

"Leading the way"

"Coles is showing it's leading the way in this very important area and setting an example for other corporates," he said.

"Employing Indigenous team members benefits Coles as a business through the diversity and talent it brings and is also the right thing to do."

"Indigenous Australians have much lower employment rates than other Australians and there is a vast health and

life-expectancy inequality between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians."

"All corporates have a role to play in addressing this disparity and I'd like to congratulate Coles for setting this goal and working so hard to reach it two years earlier than expected."

It's your guide to employment

Welcome to the *Koori Mail's* Indigenous Job Opportunities section. Each edition we publish scores of employment advertisements from around the nation. To be part of this section, simply give our advertising staff a call on (02) 66 222 666, email advertising@koorimail.com or see our website – www.koorimail.com

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Youth Justice Conference Convenor

- Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice
- Casual
- Armidale
- Conference convenors will be contracted for each conference and paid at an hourly rate of \$45.61

About the role

The conference convenor is a statutory appointee responsible for the preparation and facilitation of Youth Justice Conferences in local communities with offenders, victims, support people, police and others affected by the offence.

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Applications Close: 2 December 2017 (11.59pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity please contact Raelee Nott - Area Manager, Raelee.Nott@justice.nsw.gov.au or (02) 6770 1515

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005R1X.

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ASSOCIATE LECTURER/ LECTURER (INDIGENOUS HEALTH)

Poche Centre for Indigenous Health and Wellbeing Flinders NT

Ref 17197 A dynamic, progressive institution with a reputation for excellence in teaching and research, Flinders University seeks to appoint an Associate Lecturer/Lecturer (Indigenous Health) to join the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health and Wellbeing, Flinders NT, located in Alice Springs.

The vision of the Poche Centre is to contribute to the improved health outcomes of Aboriginal people in remote communities of the NT and Australia, through conducting high quality research, education, and training in partnership with Aboriginal communities.

The successful applicant will be fully committed to the social accountability mandate of Flinders University and the vision of the Poche Centre and work across remote locations within the NT.

The successful applicant will primarily be responsible for conducting research relevant to Indigenous Health and contributing to the teaching programs of Poche NT.

NOTE: Applicants must identify the specific level position for which they are applying: Associate Lecturer (Academic Level A) or Lecturer (Academic Level B).

- College of Medicine and Public Health, Poche Centre for Indigenous Health and Wellbeing (Flinders NT), Alice Springs
- Fixed-term, full-time until 31 December 2018
- Salary (Academic Level A): \$72,339 to \$88,102 pa full-time
- Salary (Academic Level B): \$92,746 to \$110,134 pa full-time
- Plus 17% employer superannuation
- Applications close: 11.00am, Monday 11 December 2017

In accordance with the University's Employment Strategy for Indigenous Australian's the filling of this position is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) and s57 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1996 (NT). The position is therefore only open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

Northern Territory Government legislation (the Care and Protection of Children Act 2007) now requires all individuals in child related employment or whose duties involve, or are likely to involve, contact with a child, to hold a valid 'Working with Children Clearance' (Ochre Card). This position involves child related work and is assessed as requiring a Working with Children Clearance/Ochre Card.

Full details including how to apply on-line can be found at our Jobs@Flinders website: www.flinders.edu.au/employment/academic

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MERCY HEALTH:
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Aboriginal Postnatal Engagement Officer

**Mercy Hospital for Women,
Melbourne**

- This is an Aboriginal identified position
- Permanent, Part Time 30.4 hours per week
- Flexibility and attractive employee benefits
- Professional development opportunities
- Join a supportive team in our leading Public Hospital

Opportunity for a dynamic and motivated individual to join our multi-disciplinary team. This position will provide outreach and support, and promote health and well-being for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander women and families.

We are seeking applicants with demonstrated experience, knowledge and commitment to the Victorian Aboriginal community, culture, values and women's and children health needs. High level skills in the provision of support and advocacy to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people is also a requirement.

Enquires to: Marika Jackomos, Manager Aboriginal Programs on (03) 8458 4398 or mjackomos@mercy.com.au

Alternatively contact Kyra Booth, Aboriginal Programs on (03) 8458 4651 or Kyra.Booth@mercy.com.au

For more information and to apply, please visit careers.mercy.com.au

Job Reference: MHW 197

Applications Close:
15th December 2017

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SA WATER VACANCIES

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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.



Rewarding opportunities exist with an Aboriginal Community Controlled, Child, and Family Agency for experienced and qualified individuals who have the time, passion, energy and commitment to see children in Out of Home Care achieve their best within stable and supported placements. These positions are based in our Taree and Kempsey Offices. All positions are Aboriginal Identified and Authorised under Section 14(d) of the Ant-Discrimination Act.

CASEWORK MANAGERS – Out of Home Care

Taree and Kempsey Offices. This person must be highly self motivated, able to work autonomously, have a thorough understanding of case management, and be able to manage conflict at different levels, have good networks within the community and sector, and have a thorough Understanding of the role of the Office of the Children's Guardian, the Out of Home Care Standards, and Ombudsman in relation to OOH. The ability to lead and motivate staff and carers to achieve outcomes for children in OOH through trauma informed practice.

CASEWORKERS – Foster Care Support

Kempsey Office. This person will have highly developed skills in being able to lead, mentor and support carers in caring for children and young people in our program. The successful applicant will have the skills and knowledge to inspire and motivate foster carers to try new ways of parenting children and young people through trauma informed practice. This person will be able to demonstrate innovation and lateral thinking in their problem solving and be able to communicate for success at different levels.

CASEWORKERS – Out Of Home Care

Taree and Kempsey Offices. The successful applicants will be highly self- motivated and have excellent time management skills. Attention to record keeping is essential along with strong computer skills and experience in using databases for case-management. Demonstrated ability to develop, maintain positive and supportive relationships with children, young people, carers, families and team members is also required.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST HAVE A CURRENT WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

All applicants must obtain a package and must address ALL criteria, failure to do so will result in applications being culled. Salaries will be negotiated based on skills and experience. Enquiries and job packages please contact Cheryl Holden Ph. 6552 4194 email cheryl@burrundalai.org.au. for Kempsey positions please contact Troye Barker on 6562 1913 email troye@burrundalai.org.au

Applications Close:
Friday 8th December 2017 at 4.30pm



Permanency Coordinator

- Are you Aboriginal?
- Have you been working with Aboriginal communities and families for at least 2 years?

We're expanding our Aboriginal workforce and are looking for people from across NSW to work alongside child protection practitioners to make sure vulnerable Aboriginal children grow up safe and connected to kin and Country.

You don't need a degree - what we value is your cultural knowledge and connection to Country.

Position locations: Ballina, Grafton, Lismore, Coffs Harbour, Kempsey, Port Macquarie, Wagga, Albury, Queanbeyan, Wollongong, Tamworth, Hunter, Bankstown, Strawberry Hills, Penrith, Parramatta, Blacktown, St Marys, Mt Druitt, Blue Mountains, Lithgow, Hawkesbury.

You do not need to submit a resume or formal application at this stage.

Expressions of interest close: 5pm Tuesday, 12 December 2017

I can be contacted on 0498 494 584. You are welcome to text your name and number, or voice message, requesting a return call. I can also be contacted on Marcia@marciaellaconsulting.com.au

I look forward to hearing from you.

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Program Support Officer

The National Film and Sound Archive is seeking a Program Support Officer for the Indigenous Connections team.

The role is a 6 month non-ongoing Australian Public Service Level 4 position, based in Sydney, with a salary range between \$63,155 - \$67,380.

For full details of the position and to apply, please go to <https://nfsacareers.nga.net.au/cp/>

The application deadline is 04 December 2017.

I can influence positive changes towards the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people in South Australia. My cultural knowledge and life experience will help to break down barriers and improve an understanding of the challenges facing Aboriginal people. At SA Health, my career is varied and diverse, enabling me to do truly meaningful and interesting work.

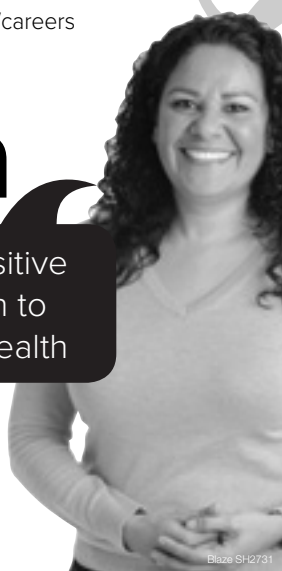
Senior Medical Practitioner Watto Purrinna

Northern Adelaide Local Health Network
Aboriginal Health
Various Locations
Job Ref: 637356

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Early Years Advisor

Department of Education
Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
SEO 2 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time (up to 3 years)
Salary package: \$146,478 pa
Base salary: \$132,141 pa
Enquiries: Tanya Neal (02) 9244 5790
Reference Number: 192512

Languages & Culture Advisor

Department of Education
Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
SEO 2 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time (up to 3 years)
Salary package: \$146,478 pa
Base salary: \$132,141 pa
Enquiries: Janice Dennis (02) 9244 5426
Reference Number: 192521

Senior Secondary Post Schooling Advisor

Department of Education
Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
SEO 2 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time (up to 3 years)
Salary package: \$146,478 pa
Base salary: \$132,141 pa
Enquiries: Kim Proctor (02) 9244 5316
Reference Number: 192516

Evidence and Effective Practice Officer

Department of Education
Oxford Street, Darlinghurst
SEO 2 (ETS)
Temporary Full-Time (up to 3 years)
Salary package: \$135,149 pa
Base salary: \$112,614 to \$121,921 pa
Enquiries: Tanya Neal (02) 9244 5790
Reference Number: 192517

Closing Dates:
13 December 2017

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Numbers above.

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FVPLS Opportunities

FVPLS Victoria is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation that provides assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander victims/survivors of family violence, and works with communities to reduce violence through education and advocacy. FVPLS Victoria is based in Melbourne and currently has regional offices in Warrnambool, Bairnsdale and Mildura.

FVPLS Victoria is experiencing a defining and exciting chapter in their history that is underpinned by significant growth in funding and a visionary strategic restructure that will ensure FVPLS Victoria is positioned to effectively and sustainably manage expanded holistic legal service delivery.

FVPLS Victoria operates a culturally safe, trauma informed, holistic and intensive client service model. Clients are assisted by lawyers and paralegal support workers to access a variety of legal, social, psychological, cultural, health and other support services to address their complex needs and issues.

To accommodate this expansion, FVPLS Victoria is seeking interest in three newly created management roles in the Legal Services delivery team.

The Legal Services Manager will strategically oversee the delivery of holistic legal and non-legal services and supports across Victoria through an open, collaborative and team oriented communication style.

Reporting to the Legal Services Manager, two Area Managers will effectively manage the delivery of holistic legal and non-legal services and supports throughout Eastern or Western Victoria through their hands-on, inclusive management style.

These opportunities require individuals who have successfully managed comparable levels of responsibility within a cross functional, multi stakeholder, evolving environment and who have the ability to work within a holistic framework. A proven ability to work or learn to work with Aboriginal organisations in culturally appropriate ways, as well as mainstream organisations, is vital.

These are designated positions established as a special measure under sections 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only female candidates are eligible to apply for these positions.

Women of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent are encouraged to apply. To learn more about these roles and for a confidential discussion, please contact Jason Hunwick at HORNER on **03 9604 2888** or email jason.hunwick@horner.com.au.



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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

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further Please call Recruitment on 1800 203 966 or email caseworker.screenings@facs.nsw.gov.au



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Casual Disability Support Workers



- Location: Barwon Area - Geelong, Colac and Colanda
Central Highlands Area - Ararat, Bacchus Marsh and Ballarat
Western Melbourne Area - Brimbank, Melton, Wyndham, Hobsons Bay, Moonee Valley, Maribyrnong
Wimmera South West Area - Hamilton, Horsham, Nhill, Portland, Stawell, St Arnaud, Warrnambool
- Employment Type: Casual
- Classification: DDSO1/1Q
- Salary range: \$43,085 to \$52,755 per annum plus superannuation

Casual positions are available across the West Division of the Department of Health and Human Services, particularly within the locations of mentioned.

These positions include shift work (sleep over, active nights and weekend shifts).

In this role you will provide support in the daily living activities for people with a disability living in a Group Home and or Specialist Disability Accommodation. You will also play an active role in facilitating the development and enhancement of independent living and other skills including the individual's participation in the community.

To be successful you will need current level 2 First Aid, CPR certificate, Working with Children Check (employee) and drivers licence.

Working for the Department of Health and Human Services is not just a job. It can be a journey of learning, self discovery, challenge and achievement.

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit: www.careers.vic.gov.au

Job Reference number:

Barwon Area - **VG/DHHS/WWD/BA/50670/**

Central Highlands Area - **VG/DHHS/WWD/CHA/50670/**

Western Melbourne Area - **VG/DHHS/WWD/WMA/50670/**

Wimmera South Western Area - **VG/DHHS/WWD/WSWA/50670/**

Applications close: **Midnight Sunday 10 December 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.

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Health Stream Coordinator – National Suicide Prevention Trial

Female, Aboriginal Identified Role

\$87,370 plus superannuation, generous salary sacrifice, and 6 weeks annual leave

Based in Darwin, Full or Part Time considered. Maximum Term to 30 December 2018.

Northern Territory PHN leads the development and coordination of an equitable, comprehensive primary health care system and an engaged health workforce driven by community needs.

NT PHN is coordinating the National Suicide Prevention Trial (NSPT) for the greater Darwin region. The NSPT has a targeted focus on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and will work in partnership with the local community to understand how a systems based approach to suicide prevention would best meet the needs of the local community.

NT PHN are currently recruiting to a NSPT - Health Stream Coordinator (Female - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Identified Position). The candidate will work with the NSPT Male Health Stream Coordinator, to play a key role in engaging and developing partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to determine local needs in relation to suicide prevention in the greater Darwin region. The community engagement work will help inform what activities are commissioned as part of the trial. The NSPT Coordinator will also be responsible for providing internal cultural input and advice to NT PHN staff in relation to the trial.

NT PHN considers that being Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under sub-s 35(1)(b)(ii) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1996 (NT)

For the role description and further information about the NT PHN, visit ntphn.org.au.

Applicants are required to provide a current CV and a cover letter to humanresources@ntphn.org.au by 10 December 2017

Contact person: Katie Lewis **Phone:** 0402 667 772.



Case Workers

Veritas House is a vibrant not-for-profit, community-based organisation with a specific focus on supporting vulnerable children, young people & their families. Veritas currently delivers services in a range of FACS-funded programs. Some of these services are growing & we are recruiting! These 3 positions are based in Bathurst & may have some cases in Orange.

Case Worker, Permanency Support (identified position)*

- Provide ongoing support to children & young people in kinship/foster care, their carers & birth family
- Support Carers in providing quality care of children & young people
- Support connections to family, culture & community
- Support culturally appropriate case work practice

Case Worker, Targeted Earlier Intervention (identified position)*

Case Worker, Targeted Earlier Intervention

- Assess vulnerable children, young people & families to identify and plan to address concerns
- Provide a range of supports to build resilience & enhance wellbeing
- Provide Case Work support & engage with community
- Build relationships with education & support providers

These 2 positions are part of FACS' Targeted Earlier Intervention (TEI) reform. Veritas House has agreed to enter into a new TEI agreement with FACS, under the new TEI program by 30 June 2018, by which time the positions may be reviewed.

All employment at Veritas House is subject to a clear Working with Children Check & satisfactory National Criminal Screening. Positions are paid under the SCHCADS Award.

To apply:

Full details of the position, including the selection criteria and information on how to apply, can be found in the Information Packages on our website: <http://veritashouse.org.au/careers-with-us/>

Applications close at 9.00 am on Monday, 11th December 2017

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are warmly encouraged to apply for all positions.

*Veritas House considers that being Aboriginal is a genuine occupational qualification under s 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW)'

KOORI EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS

Aboriginal Liaison Officer Youth Justice

- **Diverse and stimulating opportunity to implement genuine change for Koori youth within a custodial setting in a contemporary and supportive team environment**
- **Three ongoing positions based in Parkville and/or Malmesbury**
- **Salary range \$64,583 - \$74,268 plus superannuation**

The Aboriginal Liaison Officers are responsible for engaging and actively working with young people from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Aboriginal backgrounds in custody. These roles administer culturally appropriate support and programs to the young people in youth justice facilities, while also supporting their immediate families and communities.

The role requires you to have a strong appreciation of issues of cross cultural communication and Aboriginal cultural traditions and experience in engaging with Aboriginal young people from diverse backgrounds.

This is a truly rewarding position for someone passionate about working with youth in a supportive and culturally aware environment.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au or contact Paula Murray on 0458 367 019.

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.



Government of South Australia
Department for Communities
and Social Inclusion

Coordinator, Remote Programs and Services

DCSI - Housing SA

Adelaide

Vac ID: 296511

Term up to 07/12/2018

\$96,459 - \$104,707 p.a. (ASO7)

The Coordinator, Remote Programs and services is a role within Housing SA and is accountable to the Manager Strategy and Partnerships for providing strategic leadership in program development and implementation to support the delivery of Aboriginal housing in remote settings.

Frequent travel to Remote SA Aboriginal Communities and Housing SA Offices.

Please note you are not required to address the Role Description criteria. You must complete the questions from the Online Application form. For further information and how to apply for this role please visit our DCSI website.

Enquiries to Ms Jude Allen, 8207 0520

Email: jude.allen@sa.gov.au

For further information or to apply for this role please visit <http://jobs.dcsi.sa.gov.au>

Applications close 12 December 2017



Project / Operational Officer roles (APS 4), National Data Acquisition Centre

Geelong location

\$62,372 - \$70,156

Fast paced operational environment

Several permanent and temporary opportunities are available in our National Data Acquisition Centre, which manages both business and household survey contact activities, in the following streams:

- **Planning and Engagement:** Work closely with internal and external stakeholders to facilitate good project management, coordination, planning and reporting practices.
- **Operational Management:** Assist in managing day to day operations, data provider management and interviewer workforce planning.

We are seeking motivated, adaptable people who possess a flexible approach to problem solving and an ability to use their initiative.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people with disability are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications close on 6 December 2017.

For further information and to apply go to **Current Vacancies** at abs.gov.au/careers.

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ABORIGINAL PATHWAY TO THE VPS GRADS AND ABORIGINAL UNDERGRADUATE CADETSHIPS

Deadly opportunities for Aboriginal graduates!

The Victorian Public Sector Commission's Aboriginal Employment Unit runs two programs designed to connect Aboriginal university students with careers in the public sector.

The Aboriginal Pathway to the VPS GRADS provides culturally appropriate guidance and support to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants through the recruitment and selection process for the VPS GRADS, which commences in January each year.

The Aboriginal Undergraduate Cadetship Program provides support to students throughout the academic year, 12-weeks of work experience over the summer break and an ongoing job at the end.

In both programs you'll be supported by Aboriginal staff and experienced professionals during the recruitment process and your VPS Career.



Applications for both programs will open in early 2018, so register your details today and stay up to date!

For more information or to register your details, please contact the Victorian Public Sector Commission's Aboriginal Employment Unit:

(03) 9651 0837

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SENIOR EVALUATION LEAD - KOORI FAMILY VIOLENCE

Magistrates' Court of Victoria

- Melbourne CBD
- Full time, Ongoing

The Senior Evaluation Lead is a new role, responsible for leading and supporting the monitoring and evaluation of Koori family violence initiatives including:

- Designing effective monitoring and evaluation plans and frameworks.
- Developing and maintaining quantitative and qualitative information/data collections that support evaluation and performance analysis activities, and
- Building monitoring and evaluation skills and capabilities stakeholders.

This is an Indigenous identified position. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information on this position please contact **Simone Gristwood, Manager, Koori Family Violence** on (03) 9032 0943.

To submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by **6 December 2017**

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Solicitor – Civil Law Legal Officer Grade I-III

- Package up to \$121K
- Ongoing, Temporary & Talent pool opportunities in Port Macquarie (35hpw)

We are looking for solicitors with relevant experience to work in Port Macquarie to provide high quality civil law advice, minor assistance and casework services to disadvantaged clients in a range of settings including outreach.

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Applications Close: Sunday, 3 December 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact David Coorey on (02) 5525 1600.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005PCN

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Aboriginal Economic Development Brokers

18 month Fixed Term Contract – Full-time flexible work hours

Opportunities exist for five enthusiastic and passionate Aboriginal Economic Development Brokers to join the Aboriginal Affairs Policy branch within the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

The Brokers will support Aboriginal businesses and communities to access opportunities and supports that will build Aboriginal employment, economic prosperity and enterprise.

The successful candidates will work collaboratively and have a strong relationship building focus. Experience in an economic development or related role will be highly regarded.

There are four broker positions available in each of Mildura, Warrnambool, Melbourne and Traralgon.

A fifth lead Aboriginal Economic Development Broker is sought and the successful candidate could be in either Mildura, Warrnambool, Melbourne or Traralgon.

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit **www.careers.vic.gov.au**

Ref numbers: 1308805 and 1309056. Closing date for these positions is **Wednesday 6 December 2017**.

This is a designated position under section 12 of the *Equal Opportunity Act 2010*. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position.

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Aboriginal Engagement Officer (Full time or Part Time)

Mid North Coast Community Legal Centre (MNCCLC) www.mncclc.org.au is part of Advocacy Law Alliance Inc. (ALA) www.advocacylaw.org.au, which is a non-profit organisation. MNCCLC provides free legal services to people living in the local government areas of MidCoast, Port Macquarie – Hastings and Kempsey Shire. Disability Advocacy NSW (DANSW) www.da.org.au is another program which operates under ALA.

We seek an Aboriginal Engagement Officer (AEO) to work with the other staff to improve access to justice to Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders. This position is primarily responsible for further developing the relationship between members of Aboriginal communities in our catchment and the MNCCLC. This is a varied role which incorporates publicity and promotion, intake, outreach, community education and capacity building. We seek applicants who are committed to social justice and have an understanding of the social and legal needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. The hours are flexible, up to 35 hours per week: SCHADS 4.1, Package \$60,874.59

MNCCLC offers salary packaging salary packaging, pays 9.5% superannuation plus 1.35% advance payment of annual leave loading and provides other generous conditions of employment, including additional paid leave over the December/ January holiday period.

Please call (02) 6580 2111 or email info@mncclc.org.au for full job description and selection criteria. Applications which do not address the selection criteria will not be considered. Applications close at 5pm on 8 December 2017. Interviews will take place in Port Macquarie in the following weeks.



SENIOR PROJECT OFFICER - KOORI FAMILY VIOLENCE

Magistrates' Court of Victoria

- Melbourne CBD
- Full time, fixed term until Feb 2019

The Koori Family Violence Senior Project Lead is a new role, responsible for leading and assisting the development of the courts Koori FV response. The role is responsible for managing a number of projects and supporting the planning, development and implementation of a comprehensive, coordinated, and culturally sensitive court based response for Koori community members accessing the courts in relation to a Family Violence matter. This is an Indigenous identified position. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information on this position please contact **Simone Gristwood, Manager, Koori Family Violence** on (03) 9032 0943.

To submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by **6 December 2017**

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Assistant Director roles (EL 1), National Data Acquisition Centre

Geelong location

\$96,832 - \$111,936

Fast paced operational environment

Several permanent and temporary management opportunities are available in our National Data Acquisition Centre, which manages both business and household survey contact activities, in the following streams:

- **Planning and Engagement:** Lead work with internal and external stakeholders to facilitate good project management, coordination, planning and reporting practices.
- **Operational Management:** Lead day to day operations, data provider management and interviewer workforce planning.

We are also looking for someone with current qualifications and/or experience in Work Health and Safety management.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and people with disability are strongly encouraged to apply.

Applications close on 6 December 2017.

For further information and to apply go to **Current Vacancies** at **abs.gov.au/careers**.

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Aboriginal Programs Producer PORT ADELAIDE or REGIONAL SA

Are you passionate about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Arts? Do you like to support Aboriginal communities to engage with the Arts? The Aboriginal Arts/Program Producer is a unique role to support Country Arts SA's 2018 Aboriginal Program in regional South Australia.

Demonstrated skills in delivering arts program outcomes with South Australian Aboriginal communities is an essential requirement of this position.

A nine month contract at .6FTE starting early February 2018 will be negotiated with a salary commensurate with experience. For a full role description please visit countryarts.org.au and for further information please contact Sam Yates (08) 8444 0400 or samantha.yates@countryarts.org.au.

This position will only be open to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicants.

Country Arts SA considers that being Aboriginal or a Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational requirement for this position under sub-s 56(2) of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (SA).

Applicants must be available for interviews on or before Wednesday 20 December 2017 in Adelaide. Applications addressing the selection criteria with a CV are to be submitted by 5pm, Wednesday 13 December to:

Steve Saffell
Chief Executive Officer,
Country Arts SA
2 McLaren Parade
Port Adelaide SA 5015 or
email@countryarts.org.au



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Engagement Officer

**Salary Range \$74,064 to \$85,010 pa pro
rata +9.5% Super**

Part time - 22.8 hours per week

An opportunity has arisen for an enthusiastic person to assume the role of Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Community Engagement Officer in one of the fastest growing regions in Australia.

As a member of the Community Capacity team you will be part of an exciting service that supports activities to promote reconciliation and connection and build a more inclusive, engaged and self-reliant community.

This challenging role will require a highly motivated and enthusiastic team player who will play a key role in leading the Council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Portfolio.

For further information contact Tony Ball on 9747 7238
Applications Close 5.00pm Friday 8 December

For further information, the position description and how to apply please visit
meltoncity.recruitmentthub.com.au
**232 High St, Melton - 193-201 Caroline Springs
Blvd, Caroline Springs - T: (03) 9747 7200**

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Youth Justice Conference Convenor

- Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice
- Casual
- Glen Innes
- Conference convenors will be contracted for each conference and paid at an hourly rate of \$45.61

About the role

The conference convenor is a statutory appointee responsible for the preparation and facilitation of Youth Justice Conferences in local communities with offenders, victims, support people, police and others affected by the offence.

Applications Close: 2 December 2017 (11.59pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity please contact Raelee Nott – Area Manager, Raelee.Nott@justice.nsw.gov.au or (02) 6770 1515

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005R1S.

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Make an impact in NSW Connected Communities Schools

The NSW Department of Education is offering **temporary appointment for up to three years** for school counsellors to work in NSW public schools, as a new professional experience. **Connected Communities** schools are committed to driving improved outcomes for Aboriginal children and young people by working closely with their communities.

There are opportunities in these Connected Communities schools:

Coonamble High School, Coonamble Public School, Brewarrina Central School, Walgett Community College - Primary School, Walgett Community College - High School.

What is on offer?

- Opportunity to deliver counselling services to enhance student engagement, learning and development
- **Right of return for permanent staff at completion of the three years, for new employees the offer of permanent employment to a negotiated location***
- Fully flexible commencement package up to the value of \$5,000 (for example flights, professional learning, data package)
- \$10,000 annual bonus following satisfactory completion of each year of service
- Access to existing rural and remote incentives, including up to 90% rental subsidy and Relocation support.

* The successful applicant for this position will be appointed to the school on a temporary basis. At the conclusion of the term of the temporary engagement, subject to satisfying all relevant legislative provisions, the employee will be converted to a permanent employee and assigned to a work location in the Department that will be agreed by the Department and the employee.

BLZ130038

Applications Close: Wednesday 6 December 2017 (4pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Katrina Worrall, Principal Psychologist on (02) 9266 8036 or at katrina.worrall@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005RZ1

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Records Release Officer

- NSW Police Force
- Aboriginal Targeted Position
- Criminal Records Section, Forensic Evidence and Technical Services Command, Parramatta
- Clerk Grade 1/2, Temporary Full-Time up to 9 months
- *I Work for NSW* Requisition No: 00005S03

Salary Package: \$73,970. **Salary:** \$61,658 - \$67,031. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Purpose of the Role:

The Record Release Officer is responsible for providing administrative support in relation to Criminal Records Services for the NSW Police Force (NSWPF). The role includes processing of court outcomes, bail determinations, charge fingerprints, internal / external requests for criminal record information and processing National Police Checks.

Job Notes:

This role is open to **Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only**, in accordance with the NSW Police Force Aboriginal Employment Strategy and in accordance with Part 5, Clause 26 of the NSW Government Sector Employment Rules 2014.

This role is a **temporary employment/appointment** under Sections 82D, 90/91 or 95 of the Police Act 1990 up to 3 September 2018.

An essential requirement of this role is the ability to perform flex time or 24/7 shift work as required.

An information session will be held on Tuesday 5 December 2017 at Police Headquarters, 1 Charles Street, Parramatta, commencing at 5:30pm. To register your interest in attending the session, send an email to haboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

The successful applicant will also be subject to a rigorous National Police Check (criminal history) prior to commencement and will also be required to obtain and maintain a security clearance as determined by the NSW Police Force at the level appropriate to the position held and/or information/data accessed.

For further assistance in completing your application, enquiries about the Information Session or for information regarding the National Police Check and Security Clearance, **please contact Georgina Munro in the Aboriginal Employment Programs Unit on (02) 8835 6257** or via email HRAboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

BLZ130049

Applications Close: Sunday 10 December 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Fiona Hough - A/Manager, Services and Support on (02) 8835 7027.

For the targeted questions, a downloadable role description, and information package and to apply, please go to *I Work for NSW* (iworkfor.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00005S03

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Reference Librarian

APS Level 5 – Ongoing, Full time
\$65,627 - \$70,047 pa

Manager Preservation and Digitisation

Executive Level 1 – Ongoing, Full time
\$89,922 - \$98,639 pa

Registrar

APS Level 6 – Ongoing, Full time
\$72,056 - \$81,960 pa

Special Measures

These positions will be filled using the Special Measures provision, which allows for the targeted recruitment of Indigenous Australians into the Australian Public Service. The vacancy is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. The filling of this employment opportunity is intended to constitute a special measure under section 8(1) of the Racial Discrimination Act 1975.

Closing Date: 5pm Monday 11 December 2017

How to apply:

Applicants must address the selection criteria which include the ability to demonstrate knowledge and an understanding of both Indigenous cultures and the issues affecting Indigenous Australians today and an ability to communicate effectively with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Please consult the AIATSIS web site www.aiatsis.gov.au for more information including the position description and selection criteria and follow the steps for how to apply at <http://www.aiatsis.gov.au/about-us/work-us/how-apply>

These are identified positions

The Institute values a skilled and diverse workforce to meet the needs of the organisation in the promotion of knowledge and understanding of Australian Indigenous cultures, past and present. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.



ACT
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Community Services

Office of the Director General

Quality, Complaints and Regulation

Practice and Performance

Review Officer – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander review

Senior Officer Grade C

Salary Range: \$100,462 - \$108,140 (PN: 39174, several)

Details: Quality, Complaints and Regulation (QCR) branch provides quality analysis, internal complaints management, the functions of the Office of the Human Services Registrar and the Secretariat support for the ACT Children and Young People Death Review Committee and the Child and Youth Protection Quality and Improvement Committee. QCR was established to undertake oversight and statutory functions on behalf of the Director General and is independent of other divisions of the Directorate. These positions require a person who can contribute significantly to the review of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children involved in the child protection system. The successful applicants will have the opportunity to become involved in a significant program which will review and influence practice across the child protection system for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. The occupants will be responsible for supporting the Senior Clinical Leader to undertake reviews, analyse the content and provide advice and recommendations for practice and case planning. The successful applicants will require a broad understanding of the child protection and human services settings within an ACT context. The occupants will be expected to show a high degree of initiative and personal responsibility for achieving agreed outcomes. The occupants will be expected to work independently with a high degree of autonomy, exercise complex problem-solving skills and have interpersonal skills that will allow close co-operation with the human services sector, government and community organisations. The role will require a high degree of sensitivity and confidentiality, as well as a flexible approach in responding to tight deadlines.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Three years' experience in human service delivery; and current driver's licence. Desirable qualifications and experience: Relevant tertiary qualifications e.g. in Social Work, Psychology, Social Welfare, Social Science or related discipline highly desirable. Prior to commencing in this role, a current registration issued under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* is required. For further information on Working with Vulnerable People registration refer to - https://www.accesscanberra.act.gov.au/app/answers/detail/a_id/1804

Note: These are designated positions in accordance with s42, *Discrimination Act 1991* and is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander heritage is considered essential and therefore a Confirmation of Aboriginality may be requested. These are temporary positions available from 1 February 2018 until 1 September 2019.

Contact Officer: Narelle Rivers (02) 6207 5593 narelle.rivers@act.gov.au

Applications Close: 21 December 2017

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REGIONAL MANAGER ALICE SPRINGS

Are you a skilled and experienced community services manager who's looking for your next rewarding career move?

We are looking for a Regional Manager to lead our Alice Springs and APY Lands office and oversee the delivery of our programs in the region including counselling, mental health and family support services, aged care advocacy and more.

If you are passionate about building a capable workforce that can contribute to building better lives for people and advocating for clients' needs, then we want to hear from you!

We are looking for a goal-oriented candidate who can be resilient and adaptable when required. The role is located in beautiful Alice Springs and will contribute a central Australian perspective to the leadership of our organisation and the continuing success of CatholicCare NT as a whole.

In exchange, you will be rewarded with the benefits of living in an iconic and culturally rich location, a team that is driven to improving the lives of the people of Alice Springs and a workplace culture that values diversity, excellence and professional development.

For more information on the Regional Manager – Alice Springs position please visit www.catholiccarentcareers.org.au or contact gmprograms@catholiccarent.org.au.



Aboriginal Youth and Community Development Officer

7 Month Maternity Leave Contract 2 days per week
February 2018 - September 2018

Are you interested in working with the local Aboriginal community and organisations in the development of programs and services that directly support the community?

Council is seeking a dynamic and motivated team player to be part of our Social Planning Unit.

In this role you will develop and support a range of strategies, projects and programs and to create positive relationships between Council and the local Aboriginal community. You will liaise with Council and local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, working towards common goals that value culture and heritage and improve outcomes for Aboriginal people.

You will be a skilled relationship manager and have excellent communication skills, both written and oral, and enjoy working with a variety of people. You will have experience in project management and a passion for community development. Skills in grant writing is essential.

This position is subject to NSW Child Protection Legislation. As part of the interview process applicants must provide a working with children check number for verification purposes - www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under Section 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

Interviews will be held on Wednesday, 13 December 2017.

Remuneration: Min \$1,048.49 gross per fortnight + super (pro-rata)

Enquiries: Lisa Saffery (02) 6926 9320

Closing Date: Thursday, 7 December @midnight AEST

Please note: All applications must include three (3) documents; a covering letter, current resume and statement addressing the position criteria contained within the Position Description.

For more information and to apply, please visit www.wagga.nsw.gov.au/jobs

As a component of the recruitment process, police checks will be conducted.

Wagga Wagga City Council is an Equal Opportunity Employer, working to ensure Council's workforce is representative of the community we service and encourage diversity within our teams.



Youth Justice Conference Convenor

- Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice
- Casual
- Location: Moree
- Conference Convenors will be contracted for each conference and paid at an hourly rate of \$45.61

About the role

The Conference Convenor is a statutory appointee responsible for the preparation and facilitation of Youth Justice Conferences in local communities with offenders, victims, support people, police and others affected by the offence.

**Applications Close:
2 December 2017 (11.59pm)**

If you would like to discuss this opportunity please contact Raelee Nott – Area Manager, Raelee.Nott@justice.nsw.gov.au or (02) 6770 1515.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005Q9H

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There are opportunities in these Connected Communities schools:

Coonamble High School, Coonamble Public School, Brewarrina Central School, Walgett Community College - Primary School Walgett Community College - High School

What is on offer?

- Opportunity to deliver counselling services to enhance student engagement, learning and development
- **Opportunity to become an ongoing employee of the department with assignment to a negotiated location at the conclusion of the three years***
- Fully flexible commencement package up to the value of \$5,000 (for example flights, professional learning, data package)
- \$10,000 annual bonus following satisfactory completion of each year of service
- Access to existing rural and remote incentives, including up to 90% rental subsidy and Relocation support.

** The successful applicant for this position will be appointed to the school on a temporary basis. At the conclusion of the term of the temporary assignment, subject to satisfying all relevant legislative provisions, the employee will be converted to an ongoing employee and assigned to a work location in the Department that will be agreed by the Department and the employee.*

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Applications Close: Wednesday 6 December 2017 (4pm)

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Katrina Worrall, Principal Psychologist on (02) 9266 8036 or at katrina.worrall@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00005S2L

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Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer

- NSW Police Force
- Coffs/Clarence Local Area Command, Coffs Harbour
- Clerk Grade 3/4, Ongoing Full-Time
- *I Work for NSW* Requisition No: 00005QRQ

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); and
- Working with Children Check (WWCC) clearance.

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 for 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 10 December 2017

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Inspector Tony Milner - Inspector on (02) 6691 0814.

For the targeted questions, a downloadable role description, and information package and to apply, please go to *I Work for NSW* (iworkfor.nsw.gov.au) and search for Requisition Number 00005QRQ

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Indigenous Business Australia (IBA) has a portfolio comprising over \$420 million in investments across the country in a variety of sectors, including tourism, property, industrial, energy and retail businesses. IBA's Investments program makes strategic investments in commercial enterprises with a view to creating wealth, employment and other opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and groups.

IBA is currently seeking two high calibre and motivated professionals, with relevant commercial and transaction experience, to join the team as Manager and Senior Manager of Acquisitions, located in Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne or Perth.

Both positions require practical business experience and sufficient knowledge of accounting and legal requirements to effectively assess and acquire businesses. Appropriate tertiary qualifications are essential, as is the commitment to work with and in the interests of Indigenous Australians. Experience in funds management will be highly regarded and excellent communication skills are essential.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

Senior Manager - Transaction Assessment,
Structuring and Execution Services

Ref. No. 1B/08998

The Senior Manager's primary responsibility is to engage with key stakeholders, originate potential investment opportunities, oversee Managers, Associates and junior staff within the division, oversee the development of business proposals in conjunction with Indigenous, professional and capability partners, and undertake rigorous financial analysis and due diligence.

The Senior Manager has responsibility for overseeing all aspects of transactions including negotiation, documentation and settlement, with the support of the Manager.

Manager - Transaction Assessment,
Structuring and Execution Services

Ref. No. 1B/08998-1

The Manager's primary responsibility is to identify and develop business proposals in conjunction with Indigenous, professional and capability partners, and undertake rigorous financial analysis and due diligence, as well as to support the Senior Manager in settling transactions.

Enquiries and requests for information can be made to Chris Lejsek or Maryane Bogovic at Hudson Canberra on 02 6229 1555 or email directors@hudson.com quoting the relevant reference number.

Applications close Friday, 8 December 2017.



**Mackay Children
& Family Centre**

Manager

C&K Mackay Children and Family Centre are now looking for a Manager to lead the Mackay Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Family and Children Centre in Mackay QLD.

Fantastic leadership opportunity with well above award salary and benefits

For further information or to apply for this position, please visit the Career Opportunities section of the C&K website www.candk.asn.au or call **1300 345 189**.



Aboriginal Strategic Development Officer

Department: Nepean Blue Mountains LHD

Lemongrove Community Health Centre

Principal Aboriginal Health Worker

Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$84,374 - \$88,019 pa

Enquiries: Elizabeth Brown (02) 4734 3833

**Closing Dates:
21 December 2017**

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number **428128**

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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Access and
Community Support Officer



- Support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders' health and wellbeing
- Deliver, develop and connect culturally appropriate programs, activities and services
- Be part of creating a changed environment towards self-determination

Please note: Only Indigenous Australians are eligible to apply for this position as it is exempt under the Special Measure Provision, section 12(1) of the Equal Opportunity Act 2011 (Vic).

About the business & role

The Mornington Peninsula Shire is committed to strengthening and supporting communities through promoting and providing quality services, facilities, programs as well as other opportunities that foster community health and wellbeing.

This role is responsible for supporting and assisting with the implementation of initiatives relevant to the Council Plan and the Operational Plan for Social Planning and Community Development (SPCD).

Job Tasks & Responsibilities

The SPCD team is seeking an experienced Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) Access and Community Support Officer to organise, implement and deliver a culturally safe and appropriate social support program to older Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders across the region as part of Council's Home and Community Care (HACC) service.

You will lead the program in its overall development, including weekly planning and expanding the reach of the program. On program days, you will be supported by a Program Support Officer.

Narrowing the health gap, promoting a healthy lifestyle and supporting community are key objectives in this role, therefore, developing trusting relationships, ongoing consultation and networking with Aboriginal and mainstream individuals, groups and service providers are key determinants of the program's success.

Skills & Experience

You will:

- hold an Aboriginal Health Worker certificate, or community development/health promotion qualification (or similar) and/or have significant relevant experience;
- have relevant experience working within the Aged Care and/or Health sector alongside Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders
- understand the health inequalities and challenges confronting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community
- demonstrate program development experience
- a valid Employee Working with Children Check, Criminal History Check and driver's licence are mandatory requirements of this position.



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Girrawong Indigenous Preschool

Girrawong Early Language & Literacy (EL&L) Practitioner Position

This position will be at Girrawong Indigenous Preschool, Lot 1 Russell Lane, Purfleet, 2430, which offers a culturally appropriate preschool environment and learning program.

The EL&L Practitioner will engage all Girrawong children, across all ages, with the EL&L resources, strategies and integrated activities. All children at Girrawong will benefit from intense integrated EL&L stimulation across the indoor and outdoor learning environments. The EL&L Practitioner will also focus on providing additional support for identified children.

The EL&L Practitioner will either hold the Certificate IV in Early Language and Literacy or be prepared to work with ALNF team to obtain the Certificate IV in Early Language and Literacy qualification.

Additional criteria includes: • Certificate III in Children's Services or higher qualification • Current WWCC • Current First Aid Certificate • Identifies as an Indigenous Australian.

This position will be as an additional Support Worker for 20 hours per week at the Girrawong site.

For further information about this position please email: directorgirrawong@gmail.com

Applications currently open. **Commences February 2018.**



**Northern Territory Stolen Generations
Aboriginal Corporation**

Link Up Counsellor

\$70,000.00 p.a.

Our organisation is seeking to employ a qualified and motivated person to work as part of a team which assists NT Stolen Generations peoples through the Top End Link Up Programme. An initial 3 month contract will be offered with the possibility of an extension.

Contact Tyron Major on 8947 9171 or tyron@ntsgac.org for a copy of the Selection Criteria and Job Description.

Applications to be submitted by **4.00 pm on Friday 23 December 2017** to CEO, NT Stolen Generations Aboriginal Corporation, PO Box 43372 Casuarina NT 0811 or by email to: Maisie.Austin@ntsgac.org

Program Manager (Recognised Entity)

Ongoing - Fulltime

The Recognised Entity service provides representation for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders in the decision making processes of the Department of Child Safety regarding the protection and care of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. The RE provides relevant cultural and family advice on child protection needs. The RE participates and consults in the CSSC decision making processes at all stages of the Child Protection process; Intake, Investigation and Assessment, SCAN System, Case Planning, Court, Placement, Matters of Concern, the RE Service operates across the region.

The role of the Program Manager is to provide leadership in all aspects of program management and service delivery, supporting optimal care and service provision. This role also involves building and strengthening service partnerships both internally and externally.

It is expected that Program Managers operate with the highest level of integrity, accountability and professionalism in accordance with TAIHS values and Code of Conduct. While working towards ensuring the efficiency and effectiveness of program and service delivery, and support continuous improvement through encouraging innovation and best practice, in accordance with the values of TAIHS and Code of Conduct.

Special Conditions: note that this is an 'identified position' and it is a genuine requirement that the person in this position must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander cultural background. This position is exempt under Section 25, 104 and 105 of the Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act (1991).

Mandatory Requirements

- Qualification/s relevant to the field or field of discipline, with at least 3 years proven practical experience in a similar role;
- Formal tertiary or vocational qualifications in psychology, social work, health, social sciences or a related area; the minimum qualification is a Diploma in these areas;
- Demonstrated leadership ability in the provision of program services relevant to the community sector;
- Sound knowledge of child development and an understanding of developmental milestones, and demonstrated ability to provide information and advice from a child's family and community regarding protective and cultural matters that is culturally sound, accountable and accepted, including the ability to participate in statutory decision making that impacts significantly on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and their families.
- Proven managerial skills in providing strategic and operational direction relevant to service planning and team development;
- Demonstrated as possessing highly developed communication skills with the ability to liaise, consult and negotiate positive program outcomes in collaboration with clients, internal and external stakeholders;
- Proven ability in managing quality service delivery and the functional aspects of a multi-disciplinary service team; including the provision of expert advisory support to staff and clients, the allocation of resources, human resource management and the use of information systems to support service delivery
- Ability to work autonomously and display initiative, self-motivation, time management and solution focused skills.

Practical Requirements

- Hold a current Suitability 'Blue Card' for working with children and young people
- Hold a current Queensland Driver's Licence
- First Aid Certificate
- Satisfactory Police Check – no Serious/Criminal/Court Record
- Work out of normal hours of duty, including some week-ends, will be required
- Travel across the region will be required

For further information and the **required application documentation** please contact HR:

Email: recruitment@taihs.net.au

Phone: (07) 4431 1415

Applications Close: 5pm Monday, 18 December 2017.

This position is being readvertised and the closing date extended – previous applicants are not required to reapply, applications already lodged remain current.

To view all TAIHS current vacancies please go to our website www.taihs.net.au and click on the Careers tab.



Assistants in Nursing Enrolled Nursing Cadetship Program 2018 Country Health SA

Country Health SA is looking to recruit motivated and enthusiastic Assistants in Nursing to kick-start their careers in the nursing profession.

A number of positions are available at:

- > Ceduna
- > Peterborough
- > Kimba
- > Port Augusta
- > Maitland
- > Yorketown

If you are interested in undertaking this program and your preferred location is not listed, please complete an online application and write your preferred location.

As an eligible participant, you will complete the nationally recognised Diploma of Enrolled Nursing with TAFE SA whilst undertaking a supported work placement to build your nursing knowledge and skills.

Country South Australia offers a unique range of health care environments and close community contact that is unique to the country setting.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants are encouraged to apply.

For further information and to apply, visit www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers and search for Job Ref: 639048

**Applications close:
Wednesday 13 December 2017**

www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/careers
1300 882 992

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Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service
Chief Executive Officer – full time

Wollongong, New South Wales
Salary Range \$110,000 - \$120,000 + Super
Salary Packaging opportunities
Use of Company Vehicle

The Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service (IAMS) is a community controlled Aboriginal Health Service operating out of Wollongong, south of Sydney, New South Wales. The IAMS provides a range of high quality services designed to improve the wellness and health of Aboriginal people. We are currently looking for a Chief Executive Officer who is dedicated, driven and has a community focus.

The IAMS offer excellent working conditions, supportive and skilled colleagues and an organisational culture that focuses on continuous quality improvement.

Job Description

The CEO is responsible for the efficient and effective planning, budgeting, management and administration of all aspects of the organisation. The position has the day-to-day responsibility and accountability of the organisation through implementing the broad direction of the organisation's strategic plan and for the development of a responsive and innovative model of health service delivery that meets the requirements of the Aboriginal community.

The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate relevant experience in an executive position and possess the following skills and knowledge:

Essential Criteria

- Identifies as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- Applicable University Degree in Indigenous Health or Business and Administration, or equivalent experience
- Experience working in a Community Controlled Organisation
- Knowledge and experience in Aboriginal health
- Sound understanding of Aboriginal culture and community
- Strong business acumen
- Knowledge of continuous quality improvement
- Outstanding leadership and communication skills
- Community minded

The Illawarra Aboriginal Medical Service considers that being Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification under S14 of the NSW Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

For further information regarding this position, please contact Jodie Duncan, Deputy CEO on (02) 4229 9495 or by email on jduncan@illawarraams.com.au

To apply for this position, please forward your Cover Letter, detailed Selection Criteria Statement, and Resume to klawlor@illawarraams.com.au

Applications will close at 5pm on Friday 5th January 2018.

A criminal record check will be carried out on successful applicant.

Applications that do not address the Selection Criteria will not be considered.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CULTURAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003
Section 96

Shute Harbour Marina Developments Pty Ltd intends to develop a Cultural Heritage Management Plan for the Project pursuant to Part 7 the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003.

Project: Shute Harbour Marina Developments Pty Ltd will be utilising Lot 23 as the access channel for all boating entering the Shute Harbour Marina Resort. It is proposed that access channel excavation will be undertaken by cutter suction dredge with double silt curtains. It is anticipated that commencement of preparatory work on the channel will be on or after June/July 2019 and conclude November 2023.

Sponsor's name: Shute Harbour Marina Developments Pty Ltd

Contact details: Jane Delaney-John Phone **0410788270** email address info@shuteharbourmarina.com

Address for service: C/- P.O. Box 73 Glenelg SA 5045

For the purpose of this Notice the Notice Day is: 16 November 2017

The Cultural Heritage Management Plan will be conducted over the following area as per map 2 illustrated

Plan Area:

Point	Easting	Northing	Elevation (AHD)	Elevation (LAT)
A1	686056.7	7755081.6	-2.8	-0.893
A2	686215.6	7755038.6	-3.0	-1.093
A3	686307.9	7755041.2	-6.4	-4.493
A4	686377.3	7755002.1	-4.6	-2.693
A5	686417.8	7755015.4	-6.1	-4.193
A6	686449.3	7754937.9	-3.1	-1.193
A7	686378.1	7754930.8	-3.1	-1.193
A8	686218.5	7754974.2	-3.0	-1.093
A9	686058.6	7755022.1	-2.9	-0.993

Lot/Plan description: Lot 23

Shire: Whitsunday Regional Council

Parish: Conway

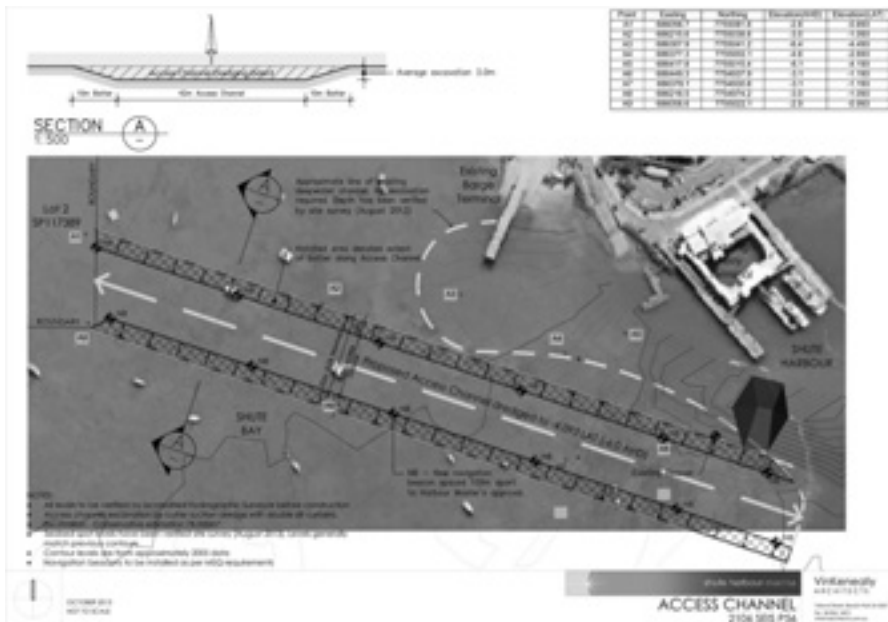
Locality: Shute Harbour & Whitsundays

Nearest Town: Shute Harbour is in sheltered port for small vessels located approximately 10 kilometres east of Airlie Beach.

Other identifiable features: The site is located in and adjoining the Whitsunday Shire - at Shute Harbour Road, Shute Harbour. It lies outside the boundary of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park (GBRMP), Dugong Protection Areas and Fish Habitat Areas (FHA). Part of the site is within the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area.

If you are, or, you have been nominated as an Aboriginal Party (as defined by Part 4 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003) to act on their behalf – and you wish to take part in developing the CHMP – **written notice must be given to Shute Harbour Marina Developments Pty Ltd by 17/12/2017** [the end of 30 days after the Notice Day]

Shute Harbour Marina Developments may elect not to endorse any Aboriginal party if Shute Harbour Marina Developments is not advised in writing within the required time.



SUPPLEMENTARY PUBLIC NOTICE OF NYAMAL PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE AUTHORISATION MEETING

This supplementary notice provides further information about the upcoming Nyamal Authorisation Meeting.

The Nyamal People have made applications to the Federal Court of Australia (WAD6028/1998 and WAD6003/2000 referred to as the **Nyamal Native Title Claims**) seeking recognition of their native title rights and interests under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

The Nyamal People are described as comprising all the descendants of the following people:

Ngurrpangu / Sally, Yirlikurani / William Ball, Jarlapangu / Billy Ball, Minparingu / Daisy McColl, Wijiringu / Joey, Ngamalykarinya / Eginbah Murphy, or Kutjikurtapa / Fred Mitchell, Pularmu / Albert, Martuwataranu / Maryanne, Minjikarli / JimmyWoodman, Pularjiyi, Putangaja, Mikarnipirti, Mayinkapirti, Walykanpangu, Kujari / Jenkins, Ngamalangu / Nellie, Kalpimarra, Yirapinya or Warnangykuranya / Tommy or are adopted by such biological descendants in accordance with the traditional laws acknowledged and the traditional customs observed by the Nyamal People.

AUTHORISATION MEETING

This Public Notice invites all members of the Nyamal People, as described above, to attend an authorisation meeting at the time and location below:

Date of meeting: Wednesday, 6 December 2017 and Thursday, 7 December 2017

Venue of meeting: Wanangkura Stadium, Hamilton Road, South Hedland WA 6722

Registration: 8:30am each day

Meeting start time: 9:30am each day

REVISED AGENDA

An additional agenda item will now be considered at the Authorisation Meeting, which is item one in the agenda below. Otherwise, the agenda remains unchanged.

The **purpose of, and agenda for, the Authorisation Meeting** is:

- 1 consider and endorse the current living Applicants in the Nyamal Native Title Claims, who are Tony Taylor, Willie Jumbo, Doris Eaton, Jean Walker, Alice Mitchell, and Kevin Allen;
- 2 consider and endorse the section 87A agreement and consent determination orders proposed for filing in the Nyamal People's Native Title Claims;
- 3 consider authorising the registration of a proposed Rule Book and Prescribed Body Corporate registration with the Office of the Registration of Indigenous Corporations;
- 4 consider and direct the Prescribed Body Corporate to enter into certain Indigenous Land Use Agreements following a determination of native title by the Court;
- 5 consider, authorise and direct the Applicants to enter into an agreement with Grant's Hill Gold Pty Ltd, Beatons Creek Gold Pty Ltd and Novo Resources Corp;
- 6 identify any changes to the Nyamal persons who are members of the Working Group that exists under the Nyamal People and FMG Glacier Valley & North Star Project Area Agreement dated 13 February 2012; and
- 7 consider any other business.

INFORMATION SESSION

An information session will be run at the beginning of the meeting before decisions are required to be made in relation to the substantive matters notified for the meeting in order to fully inform the Nyamal People about matters required for decision-making.

Travel assistance will be made available to Nyamal People subject to certain requirements. Please contact the Njamal People's Trust office on **08 9173 1500** or on admin@npt.org.au to request a copy of the travel assistance policy, or if you have any questions.

Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

All members of the Nyamal People are invited to attend this critical meeting.

WATERSNSW
LACHLAN UNREGULATED AND ALLUVIAL WATER SOURCES 2012
UPPER LACHLAN ALLUVIAL GROUNDWATER SOURCE
UPPER LACHLAN ALLUVIAL ZONE 2 MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for an AMENDED WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND/OR WATER USE APPROVAL has been received from **FRESH DAIRY THREE PTY LIMITED** for 1 x Bore replacing existing bore, increased pumping capacity (5 ml/d) on Lot 4 DP609124, Parish Glenlogan, County Bathurst and additional lands being Lot 3 DP609172, Parish Glenlogan, County Bathurst for Irrigation purposes, 155 hectares. (A011433).
Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 291, Forbes NSW 2871 or email to customer.helpdesk@watersnw.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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WATERSNSW
CLARENCE MORETON BASIN
GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **ADRIAN MOWBRAY AND ISABELLE LIBAUDE** for three Bores on Lot 4, DP 633576, Parish Coldstream, County Clarence, for irrigation purposes. Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered or in writing to WaterNSW, Locked Bag 10, Grafton NSW 2460, or by email to customer.helpdesk@watersnw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection. (A011364).
Any queries, please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.
Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

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WATERSNSW
LACHLAN FOLD BELT MDB
GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a NEW WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **NATHAN CHRISTOPHER SIMPSON** for one industrial bore located on Lot 33 DP 754310, Parish of Elong Elong, County of Lincoln, for commercial purposes at the said land portion. (A011387)
Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 or by email to customer.helpdesk@watersnw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.
Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

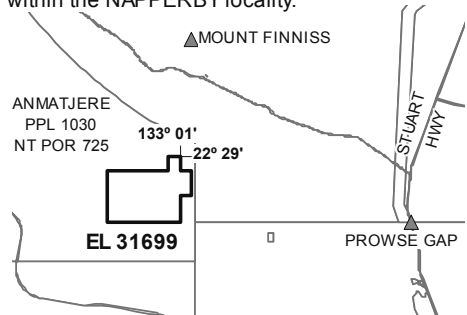
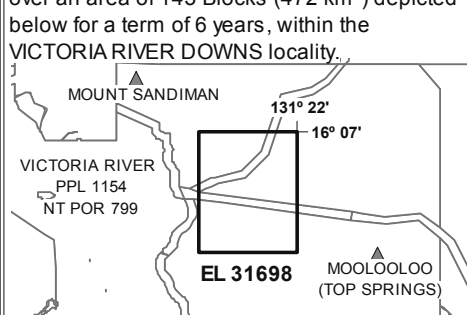
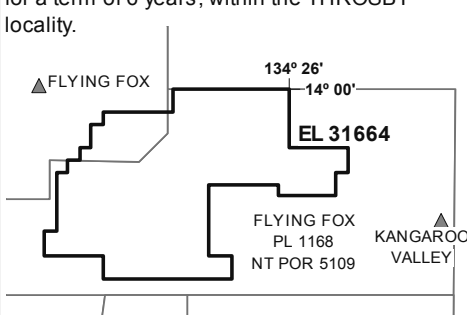
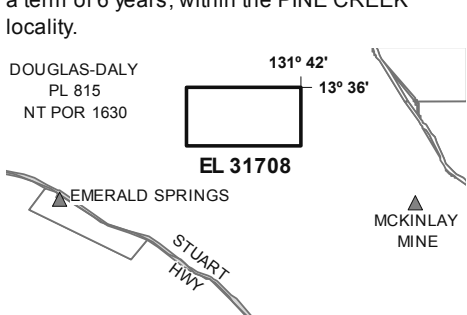
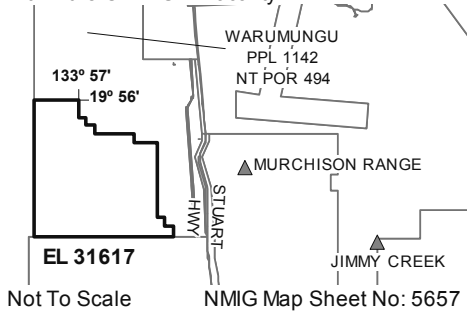
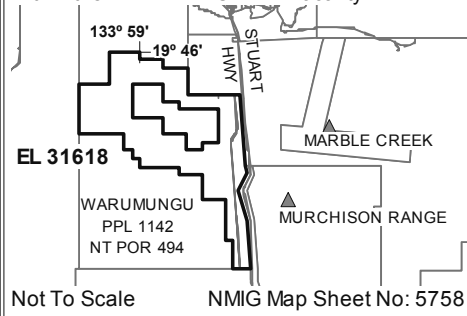
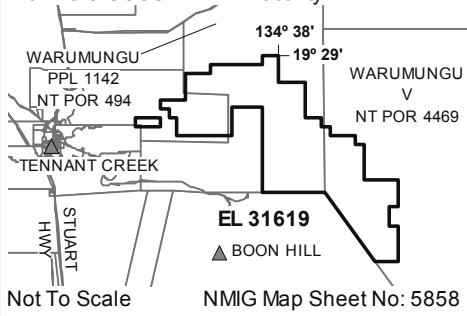
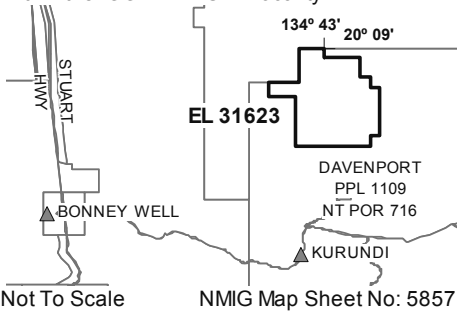
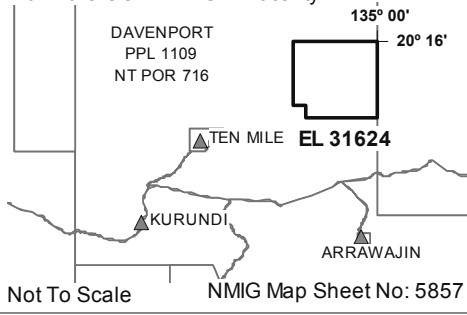
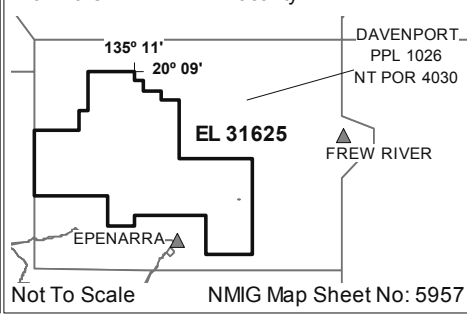
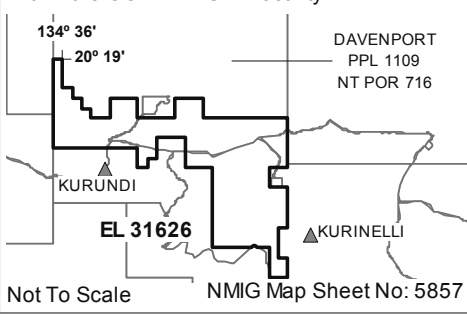
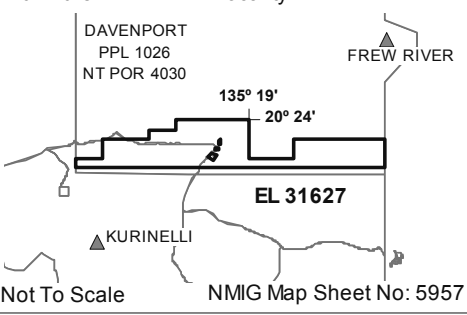
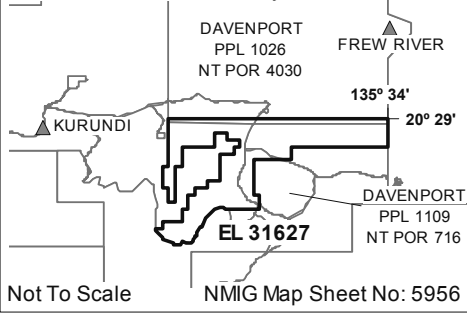
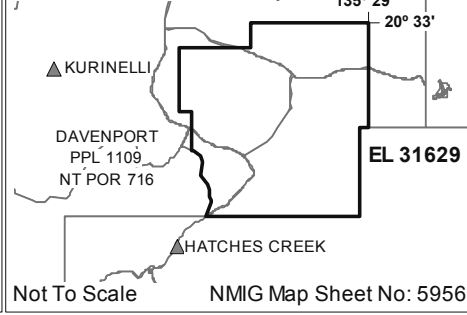
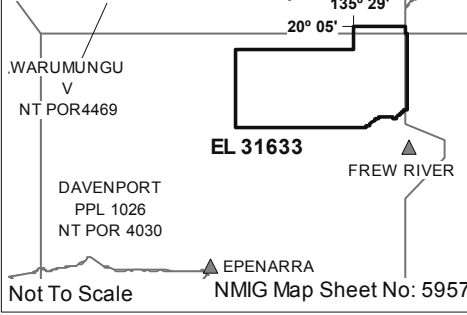
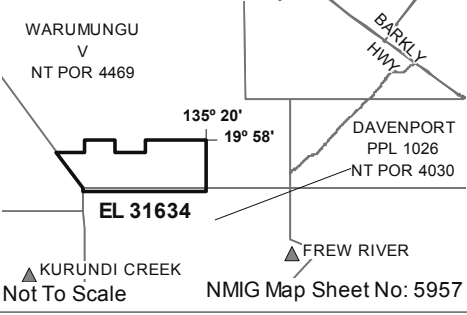
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Honourable Kenneth Edward Vowles MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry and Resources, C/- Department of Primary Industry and Resources, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 31699 sought by JOHN WILLIAM BENDER over an area of 27 Blocks (86 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NAPPERBY locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5452	Exploration Licence 31698 sought by RICHARD CHARLES BLAKE HALL and HOLDFAST EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 104 155 795 over an area of 143 Blocks (472 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VICTORIA RIVER DOWNS locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5165	Exploration Licence 31664 sought by MOROAK RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 616 553 014 over an area of 248 Blocks (825 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the THROSBY locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5769	Exploration Licence 31708 sought by ROCKWASH PTY LTD, ACN 611 356 837 over an area of 2 Blocks (7 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the PINE CREEK locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5270
Exploration Licence 31617 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 237 Blocks (712 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CHALUBA locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5657	Exploration Licence 31618 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 226 Blocks (665 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TENNANT CREEK locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5758	Exploration Licence 31619 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 244 Blocks (744 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the GOSSE RIVER locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5858	Exploration Licence 31623 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 84 Blocks (263 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OORADIDGEE locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5857
Exploration Licence 31624 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 41 Blocks (133 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OORADIDGEE locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5857	Exploration Licence 31625 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 250 Blocks (806 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the EPENARRA locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5957	Exploration Licence 31626 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 184 Blocks (592 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OORADIDGEE locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5857	Exploration Licence 31627 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 105 Blocks (338 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the EPENARRA locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5957
Exploration Licence 31628 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 250 Blocks (778 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HATCHES locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5956	Exploration Licence 31629 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 232 Blocks (686 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the HATCHES locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5956	Exploration Licence 31633 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 122 Blocks (382 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the EPENARRA locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5957	Exploration Licence 31634 sought by TREASURE CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 619 057 644 over an area of 168 Blocks (526 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the EPENARRA locality.  Not To Scale NMIG Map Sheet No: 5957

Nature of act(s): The grant of an exploration licence under the *Mineral Titles Act* authorises the holder to conduct activities in connection with exploration for minerals for a term not exceeding 6 years and to seek renewal(s). The term for which it is intended to grant the mineral exploration licences referred to in this notice commences from the date of grant. Further information about the act may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industry and Resources, GPO Box 4550 Darwin NT 0801 or Centrepoint Building 48-50 Smith Street Darwin NT 0800, telephone (08) 8999 5322.

Native Title Parties: Any person who is, or becomes a "native title party" within the meaning of the *Native Title Act* is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the *Native Title Act*. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries concerning becoming a native title party should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Melbourne VIC 3001, or telephone (03) 9920 3000.

Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the statement that the act is one which attracts the expedited procedure. Such an objection must be made to the National Native Title Tribunal within 4 months of the notification day.

Notification Day: 29 November 2017

WATER NSW CORAKI AREA WATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **MONDORO PTY LTD, DAVID SCOTT MOORE AND BRODY SCOTT MOORE** for a 80mm centrifugal pump on the Richmond River, Lot B DP927820, for irrigation use (oil seeds, fodder crops & cereals) on Lot B DP927820 (new approval – entitlement being purchased) (A010854).

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.

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WATER NSW ALSTONVILLE BASALT PLATEAU GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **STEPHEN JOHN TOLLIS AND PETANELL ANNE TOLLIS** for a replacement bore on Lot 3 DP1159846 for irrigation use on Lots 2 and 3 DP1159846 (replacing existing approval 30CA300821 – additional use area) (A011600).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 796, Murwillumbah NSW 2484 or 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 objection.

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

BLZ130057

WATERNSW UPPER MURRAY GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **KENNETH ALAN TAYLOR, JULIE ANNE TAYLOR AND A & L TAYLOR & CO PTY LIMITED** for an additional bore on Lot 42 DP 753728 for the purpose of irrigation, on Lots 253-255 DP753728, Lot 1 DP 169173 and Lot 42 DP 753728, Parish Buraja, County Hume. (A011402)

Objections to the granting of the approval(s) must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 156, LEETON NSW 2705 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 objection. Any queries, please phone 1300 662 077 or email the above. Rob Monteith, Manager Water Regulation South.

BLZ129446

WATERNSW NSW MURRAY DARLING BASIN FRACTURED ROCK GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a COMBINED APPROVAL has been received from **SHANE AND JOANNE JOLLIFFE** for a bore on Lot 109 DP 750832, for irrigation purposes on Lots 109 and 97 DP 750832 (Currawananna/Bourke).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 156 Leeton NSW 2705 or 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 objection. (A011484)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Rob Monteith, Water Regulation Manager South.

BLZ:129576

WATERNSW LACHLAN FOLD BELT MDB GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a NEW COMBINED WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **TOBIAS OWEN JONES & SUSAN ELIZABETH JONES** for one existing groundwater bore located on Lot 112 DP 1227890, Parish of Melrose, County of Roxburgh, for the purpose of irrigation on the said land portion. (A011343).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 1018, Dubbo NSW 2830 or by email to 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 please call on 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

BLZ129338

WATERNSW MOONEY MOONEY CREEK WATER SOURCE SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **SAMUEL DOMINELLO AND PHILIP DOMINELLO** for two existing dams with 1 x 80 mm pump and 1 x 50 mm on Lot 2 DP 775026 for the purpose of irrigation. (A011562)

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 2213 Dangar NSW 2309 or email to 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.

BLZ129914

WATERNSW - MURRUMBIDGEE REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **JASON AND CLAUDINE MENEGAZZO** for an additional 100mm pump on Lot 30 DP754569, for irrigation purposes (Currawananna/Bourke).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW,

PO Box 156, Leeton NSW 2705 or 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 objection. (A011574)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Rob Monteith, Water Regulation Manager South.

BLZ:129605



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
25/344	SILVER LAKE (INTEGRA) PTY LIMITED	517190	155.20HA	52km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 4' S Long: 122° 12' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
38/3095	GSM MINING COMPANY PTY LTD	517174	9.90HA	24km SE'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 44' S Long: 122° 34' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
77/2141-I	BLACK OAK MINERALS LIMITED	517279	155.65HA	96km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 58' S Long: 119° 25' E	MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE
77/2141-I	BLACK OAK MINERALS LIMITED	517280	139.87HA	96km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 58' S Long: 119° 25' E	MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 29 November 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 **28 February 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. 29 March 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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Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Notification Day: 6 December 2017



National Native Title Tribunal



QI2016/061 Wuthathi Land Transfer ILUA

State of Queensland

Description of the agreement area:

Agreement covers about 1184 sq km on the eastern side of the Cape York Peninsula, located approximately 200km North of Lockhart River, in the vicinity of Shelburne Bay including Saunders Islands National Park and Sir Charles Hardy Group National Park

Relevant LGA: Cook Shire Council

The agreement contains the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

4.1 The parties consent to the doing of the Agreed Acts to the extent that they are Future Acts.

4.2 Subject to compliance with this Agreement, if any of the Agreed Acts done prior to the Registration Date are invalid Future Acts, the parties agree to the validating of those Agreed Acts.

5 To avoid any doubt, Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of the NTA does not apply to the doing of the Agreed Acts.

“Agreed Acts” means all acts necessary to give effect to this Agreement and the IMA, including: (a) the grant of the Proposed ALA Area as Aboriginal Land to the Corporation under the ALA *[Aboriginal Land Act 1991 (Qld)]*; (b) the State and the Corporation entering into, being bound by and complying with the IMA; (c) the doing of all acts in the Proposed National Park (CYPAL) Areas that are covered by the IMA in accordance with the procedures set out in the IMA; (d) any variation of the IMA in accordance with the terms of the IMA; (e) the dedication, use and management of the Proposed National Park (CYPAL) Areas as national park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal land); (f) the Corporation granting the Easement to the State for access to the Proposed National Park (CYPAL); (g) the Corporation and the Licensee entering into and complying with the Licence; (h) the Corporation constructing and maintaining the Funded Infrastructure on the Proposed ALA Area; (i) the Corporation constructing and maintaining access tracks on the Proposed ALA Area; (j) the registration and grant of a Carbon Abatement Interest, including any interest granting the right to deal with Carbon Abatement Products, or the declaration of an Eligible Offsets Project over the Proposed ALA Area in favour of the Corporation; (k) the creation of any Management Instrument over the Proposed National Park (CYPAL) Areas subject to the terms of the IMA; (l) the future grant of any part of the Esplanade Area as Aboriginal Land to the Corporation under the ALA; and (m) Relevant Acts.

“IMA” means indigenous management agreement under the ALA and the NCA *[Nature Conservation Act 1992 (Qld)]* between the State and the Corporation on substantially the same terms as the draft agreement in Schedule 3.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:

State of Queensland acting through Department of Natural Resources and Mines

Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships

Cape York Peninsula Tenure Resolution Program

PO Box 4597

Cairns QLD 4870

Johnson Chippendale, Moira Macumboy, Richard McLean, Jean Mosby and Phillip Wallis on their own behalf and on behalf of the Wuthathi People;

Wuthathi Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC;

Michael Ross, Silva Blanco, James Creek, Jonathan Korkaktain, Reginald Williams, Wayne Butcher, Clarry Flinders, Philip Port and Hogan Shortjoe on behalf of Cape York United Number 1 Claim

c/- Cape York Land Council Aboriginal Corporation

PO Box 2496

Cairns QLD 4870

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 Cape York 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, PO Box 9973, Cairns, QLD, 4870 by 6 March 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 Maree Otto on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 13 December 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, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 on or before 12 March 2018. After 12 March 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.



National Native Title Tribunal



Application name: Nanatadjarra People

Federal Court File No: WAD348/2017

Date filed: 7 July 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 application area covers about 57143 sq km approximately 80 km South East of Laverton.

Relevant LGA: Shire Of Laverton, Shire Of Menzies and City Of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Allan Palmer on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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TWEED-BRUNSWICK COASTAL SANDS GROUNDWATER SOURCE
NORTH COAST VOLCANIC GROUNDWATER SOURCE
NEW ENGLAND FOLD BELT COAST GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **KORESOF PTY LTD** for 2 x dams and 2 x 50mm pumps on an Unnamed Watercourse within Tyagarah Creek Watersource, 2 x bores in the Tweed-Brunswick Coastal Sands Groundwater Source, 2 x bores in the North Coast Volcanic Groundwater Source and 2 x bores in the New England Fold Belt Groundwater Source, all within Lot 4 DP810118 for irrigation of 19ha (vegetables, fruit, turmeric, ginger) and farming use on Lot 4 DP810118 (new approval – entitlement being purchased) (A011605).

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.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS
AND A MINERAL DEVELOPMENT LICENCE
NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grant of Exploration Permits for Minerals and a Mineral Development Licence as shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

Exploration Permit 26678 sought by Australian Metals Corporation Pty Ltd, ACN 622 146 212, over an area of 94 sub-blocks (311 km²), centred approximately 62 km South of Coen, in the locality of the Cook Shire Council.	Exploration Permit 26680 sought by Hadley Castle Pty Ltd, ACN 009 747 764, over an area of 20 sub-blocks (67 km²), centred approximately 35 km West of Lockhart River, in the locality of the Lockhart River Aboriginal Shire Council.	Exploration Permit 26684 sought by Minotaur Operations Pty Ltd, ACN 108 925 284, over an area of 14 sub-blocks (45 km²), centred approximately 37 km North West of McKinlay, in the locality of the McKinlay Shire Council.	Mineral Development Licence 3028 sought by Foxleigh Coal Pty Ltd, ACN 125 986 549, over an area of 2898.1409 ha, centred approximately 8 km South of Middlemount, in the locality of Isaac Regional Council.
Exploration Permit 26688 sought by Gamboola Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 809, over an area of 53 sub-blocks (174 km²), centred approximately 68 km West South West of Palmerville, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.	Exploration Permit 26689 sought by Gamboola Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 809, over an area of 80 sub-blocks (263 km²), centred approximately 70 km South West of Palmerville, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.	Exploration Permit 26691 sought by AngloGold Ashanti Australia Limited, ACN 008 737 424, over an area of 61 sub-blocks (197 km²), centred approximately 32 km South West of Greenvale, in the localities of the Charters Towers Regional Council and the Etheridge Shire Council.	Exploration Permit 26698 sought by Sandfire Resources NL, ACN 105 154 185 over an area of 11 sub-blocks (35 km²), centred approximately 84 km South West of McKinlay, in the locality of the Cloncurry Shire Council.

Nature of Act(s): The grant of an Exploration Permit under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld), authorises the holder to explore for minerals specified for a term not exceeding five (5) years and to seek renewals for a term not exceeding five (5) years. It is proposed to grant Exploration Permits subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and also subject to the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 4, June 2017. Grant of a Mineral Development Licence under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) authorises the holder to do all things that were or are authorised under the Mineral Development Licence over the area of the application and carry out activities leading to the evaluation and economic development of the ore body subject to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld). It is proposed to grant the Mineral Development Licence for a term not exceeding five (5) years, with the possibility of renewal for a term not exceeding five (5) years and also subject to the Native Title Protection Conditions Version 4, June 2017, pursuant to s. 194(1) (j) of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and s. 194AAA of that Act.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a “native title party” is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits or Mineral Development Licences. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may

be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit or Mineral Development Licence to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit or Mineral Development Licence may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit or Mineral Development Licence with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit or Mineral Development Licence is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Level 4, 1 William Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3199 8082, nativetitleservices@dnrm.qld.gov.au.

Notification Day: 20 December 2017



WANGAN AND JAGALINGOU PEOPLE AUTHORISATION MEETINGS

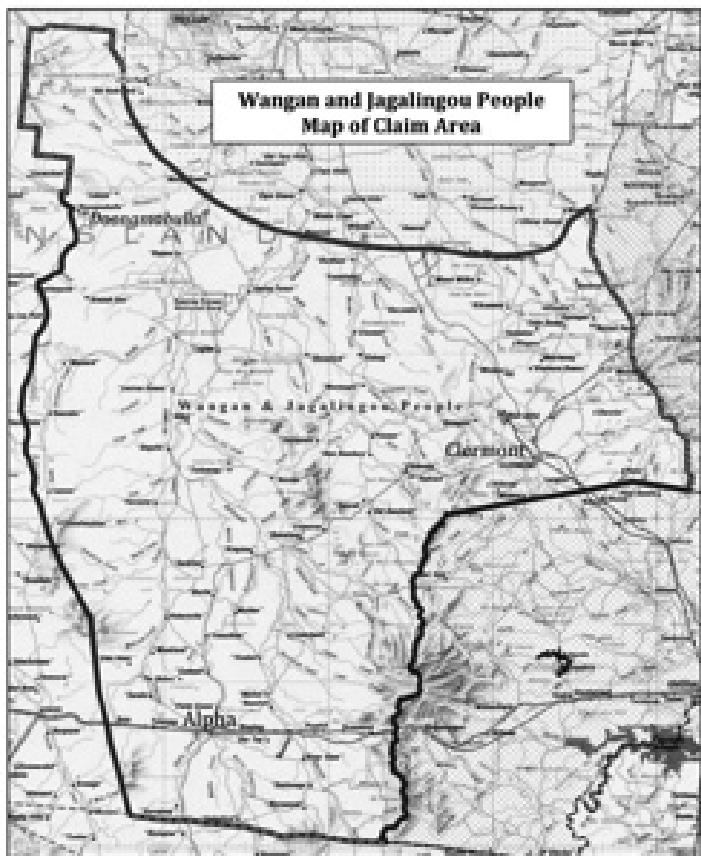
Claim group meetings have been called of the Wangan and Jagalingou People Native Title Claim Group ("the Native Title Claim group").

The Native Title Claim group is made up of families whose members identify as Wangan and Jagalingou, in accordance with traditional laws acknowledged and traditional customs observed by them. The Wangan and Jagalingou are tribal names for groups traditionally associated with the lands centred around the town of Clermont in Central Queensland.

Claimants who identify with the name Wangan and Jagalingou are descendants according to their traditional laws and customs of the following persons: Billy and Lucy (parents of Jimmy Tarpot, Mary Ann Alboro and Mary Ellen); Daisy Collins; Nellie Digaby; Dan Dunrobin (also known as Dunrobin, Christopher Dunrobin and Dan Robin); Frank Fisher (Snr) of Clermont; Annie Flourbag; Jimmy Flourbag; Katy of Clermont; Charlie McAvoy of Logan Downs; Liz McEvoy of Alpha; Maggie of Clermont (also known as Maggie Miller and Nandroo); The Mother of Jack (Girrabah) Malone and Jim (Conee) Malone; Mary of Clermont (also known as Mary Johnson) and Momitja.

There will be **two** authorisation meetings of the Native Title Claim group. Both meetings will be held on

**2 December 2017 at:
BTP Conference Centre
1 Clunies Ross Court
Eight Mile Plains, QLD**



Meeting 1 – Native Title Claim meeting

Registrations for the first meeting will begin at 9.00 am with the meeting to start at 10.00am.

At Meeting 1, the Native Title Claim group will discuss and consider the following:

1. The progress of the Wangan and Jagalingou Native Title claim (QUD85/2004) ("the Native Title Claim") before the Federal Court and the preparation and funding for a contested hearing which the Court has ordered take place as early as is reasonably possible in 2018.
2. The authorisation, terms and conditions of appointment of, and the conduct of the native claim by the Applicants and their method of making decisions.
3. Other matters related or incidental to the Native Title Claim including:
 - Legal representation for the conduct of the Native Title Claim and Future Acts.
 - The management and protection of Wangan and Jagalingou cultural heritage.
 - The operation and establishment of entities to hold and manage monies on trust for the Wangan and Jagalingou people.
 - The role of Wangan and Jagalingou families in decision making.

The Native Title Claim is at a critical juncture. Meeting 1 is open to all members of the Native Title Claim group; and they are welcome to attend whether they wish to attend the second meeting or not.

Meeting 2 – Authorisation of Adani ILUA

Registration for the second meeting will begin immediately after the conclusion of the first meeting. Registration will not start before 12.30 pm on the day.

The meeting will consider and finally determine, in accordance with section 251A of the Native Title Act, whether the Native Title Claim group authorises the Adani ILUA and agrees to the surrender of Native Title in parts of the ILUA area and to the grant of water licences for the project. The meeting will also consider whether to commission an independent expert report to assess the economic and social benefits to the Native Title Claim group under the Adani ILUA.

Only members of the Native Title Claim group will be entitled to participate in the authorisation meetings.

The meeting is convened by the following Applicants:

Linda Bobongie, Adrian Burragubba, Lester Barnard, Lyndell Turbane, Delia Kemppi and Craig Dallen.

Please express your interest in attending by contacting Karrina Nolan by phone or SMS on 0403 920 195; or email info@wanganjagalingou.com.au.

Note: Travel assistance is not available to attend these meetings.

Notice of a non-claimant application for determination of native title in the state of New South Wales



National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 13 December 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 12 March 2018. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over this area on or before **12 March 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, Level 17, Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney, NSW, 2000, on or before 12 March 2018**. After **12 March 2018**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Reakes v Attorney General of New South Wales

Federal Court File No: NSD988/2017

Non-native title interest: The applicant owns adjoining land, being Lot 1 in DP 722808

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist

Description: The claim area covers 6 Ha comprising of Lot 133 in DP750981 and Lot 7302 in DP1155501, located 0.3km south of Bendo State Forest and approx. 28km east of Tumut

Relevant LGA: Snowy Valleys Council

For assistance and further information about this application, call Dianne Drake on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Notice of a non-claimant application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland



National
Native Title
Tribunal

Notification day: 13 December 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 12 March 2018. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over this area on or before **12 March 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 12 March 2018**. After **12 March 2018**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Gilbert Dean Arnaboldi v State of Queensland

Federal Court File No: QUD586/2017

Non-native title interest: The Applicant is the Registered Lessee of Title references 17663163 and PH 2/2401; which consists of five lot on plans: Lot 26 on CP MX3; Lot 17 on CP EV19; Lot 18 on CP EV19; Lot 19 on CP EV19; & Lot 2 on CP CNA21 (Rolling term leases).

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area covers about 187 sq km north of the Capricorn Highway approximately 60 km east of Barcaldine.

Relevant LGA: Barcaldine 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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Department of Planning and Environment

Exploration Licence Number 8392 (Act 1992)

This notice is given in accordance with the requirements of Section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th).

Description of area that may be affected by the Minister's Consent to prospect on native title land. Exploration Licence No 8392 currently consists of an area of 20 units and is located approximately 36.86km west south west of Tumbarumba, in the State of NSW as shown on the diagram below.

Description of the nature of the act

Thomson Resources Ltd (ABN 138 358 728) is the holder of Exploration Licence No 8392 for Group 1 minerals. The licence contains a condition that the holder must not prospect on any land or waters on which native title exists without the prior consent of the Minister for Resources. The licence holders have sought the Minister's consent to conduct prospecting activities.

Name and postal address of person by whom the act would be done

Minister for Resources, PO Box 344, Hunter Region Mail Centre, NSW 2310.

How further information about the act can be obtained

Further information may be obtained from Titles Services, NSW Department of Planning and Environment, (02) 4931 6500.

Notification Day

For the purposes of Section 29(4) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th) the notification day is **14 December 2017**. Under Section 30 of that Act persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice.



Further information may be obtained from Department of Planning and Environment (02) 4931 6500.

Sport

Expand Indigenous league, says Daley



LAURIE Daley wants to see an Indigenous side play in the Pacific Tests or even join them in future Rugby League World Cups.

The Pacific island nations – led by Fiji, Tonga, Samoa and Papua New Guinea – have been the success stories of this year's World Cup. The Fijians and Tongans made the semifinals.

The Tonga-Samoa clash was one of the 2017 tournament highlights, while this year's Pacific Test triple-header sold out Campbelltown Stadium on the representative weekend. It will be repeated next season.

About 48% of NRL players have Pacific Islander backgrounds, while 12% also have Indigenous roots.

And Daley, who has coached the Indigenous All Stars since 2011, wants to see them joined in competition on the football field.

“There will be an opportunity one day for these Indigenous players to maybe take on the Pacific Islands in a Test of their own,” Daley said.

“I think that will be something that will be looked at down the track. That's always been spoken about; whether it happens or not, I'm not quite sure.

“This game is something the Indigenous boys love participating in. There are a number of Indigenous players in the NRL and they love to pull on the shirt.”

The World Cup means the annual Indigenous All Stars game will be replaced next year by a week-long festival, with the regular match to return in 2019.

Male and female Indigenous players – not signed by NRL clubs – will play their Maori counterparts on February 10 at Redfern Oval as part of the 2018 festival.

Daley, again coaching the First Nation Goannas, said he'd like to see an Indigenous side in future World Cups as long as it didn't take players from the Kangaroos.

“You don't want to create divisions in terms of representing Australia at the highest level and having the Indigenous team,” Daley said.

“But maybe if you have a selection of everyone all in for the Australian team, and then the people who haven't been selected, if the numbers are there to make up the Indigenous All Stars side, then why not?

“We've seen the interest that (Jason) Taumalolo and (Andrew) Fifita have created by pledging their allegiance to Tonga.” – AAP



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	08/2858-l	AQUILA STEEL PTY LTD	24BL	46km W'ly of Pannawonica	Lat: 21° 46' S Long: 115° 54' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2255	AMCI (IO) PTY LTD ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	149BL	155km N'ly of Gascoyne Junction	Lat: 23° 43' S Long: 115° 40' E	ASHBURTON SHIRE, CARNARVON SHIRE, UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2713	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	10BL	73km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 122° 1' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2714	ARUMA EXPLORATION PTY LTD	24BL	68km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 25' S Long: 122° 4' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	31/1163	SATURN METALS LIMITED	70BL	72km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 21' S Long: 121° 50' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	31/1164	SATURN METALS LIMITED	17BL	83km SE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 28' S Long: 121° 52' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1319	KAMBALA GOLD PTY LTD	9BL	49km E'ly of Leinster	Lat: 27° 52' S Long: 121° 11' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3267	SUMITOMO METAL MINING OCEANIA PTY LTD	27BL	103km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 27' S Long: 123° 48' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4959	GOLD ROAD (SOUTH YAMARNA) PTY LTD				
Exploration Licence	45/4959	CARAWINE RESOURCES LIMITED	40BL	99km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 20' S Long: 120° 51' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4975	GEOSTATS PTY LTD	4BL	34km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 24' S Long: 119° 32' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4976	HAOMA MINING NL	3BL	70km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 9' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5009	DRUMMOND EAST PTY LTD	34BL	74km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 8' S Long: 119° 26' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
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Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 29 November 2017

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (C'th), 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 **28 February 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* (C'th). Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 29 March 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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Under 18s Allies national AFL player and North Melbourne draft hopeful Tarryn Thomas, from Launceston, scores a home run in the softball a split second before Brenton Brown, from Burnie, takes the catch.



Off the boot of Danika Corcoran – one of two under 30s best players.

Youngsters prevail

By JILLIAN MUNDY



PLAYERS young and old, big and small, turned out for netball, softball and football at the annual Generation Cup in Launceston, where under

30s teams go head to head with over 30s.

The sun also turned out, a welcome relief after last year's cancellation when what was almost a months worth of rain bucketed down in two days.

The event promotes inclusion, healthy lifestyle, sportsmanship, and some friendly competition, with a range of players from retired stars to rising stars to those who only play once a year or were

having a go for the first time.

This year youth came out ahead, with a score of 10.9 (69) to 11.1 (67) in the Laurie Lowery football challenge, and 12-9 in the Amy Beeton netball challenge.

Softball was two mixed teams, rather than an under 30s versus over 30s, with Deadly Mob defeating Pakana Pride 13-12.

Netball legend Bobbie Dillon was this year's inductee into the Tasmanian Aboriginal Sports Hall of Fame.

One of Tasmania's best known and most experienced netballers, Dillon has played netball for 50 years continuously, with the exception of the season she gave birth to her son.

Her recruiting efforts have seen the

club she has played with for the past four decades – OHA (Old Hobartians Association) – have the highest number of Aboriginal players of any club in Tasmanian.

For 20 years Dillon was a well respected custodial officer at Hobart's Risdon Prison, and also recruited several former inmates into the club.

Growing up in bush in southern Tasmania, she honed her skills marking the football on the gravel road with her four brothers and two sisters before taking up women's netball with Huonville at 14, in 1965.

In the years since, she has coached seniors and juniors at club and state level, umpired women's, men's and

mixed, mentored umpires and coaches, organised state Aboriginal teams and in some seasons played in three different teams.

She has run clinics, raised funds and sat on boards... Basically, if it's got anything to do with netball, Dillon has been there, done that, and is most likely still doing it.

Amongst her hundred or so trophies, are several club best and fairests, grand final best on courts, and two OHA club service awards for her support to kids and parents.

Her hall of fame award frame reads "Bobbie is an active community member, great role model, mentor and one sharp goal shooter!"



Team captains with game perpetual trophies and best players for each team: back row, from left, Rulla Kelly-Mansell, Darlene Mansell, Tarryn Thomas, Roseanne Hughes, Phillip Thomas, Wytarna McDonald; front, Danika Corcoran and Tyane Thomas with Bobbie Dillon's Tasmanian Aboriginal Sports Hall of Fame award.



Darlene Mansell, from Mole Creek, was on fire, pictured here taking a catch in the softball. She also took out best player in the over 30s netball side.



File picture of Bobbie Dillon, who was not at the Generation Cup for her induction into the Tasmanian Aboriginal Sports Hall of Fame because of a family bereavement.



One of two under 30s best players, Tyane Thomas is hot on the heels of Rachel Gibbins.

Longbottom debuts



Maurice Longbottom
Picture: Seen Australia



AUSTRALIAN rugby sevens coach Andy Friend says World Series debutante Maurice Longbottom gives his side what every good team needs.

The newcomer will be a marked man when he runs on this Friday in Dubai's series opener, but the coach is backing the elusive speedster to handle the occasion.

The Australians go in with fine form, having won the pre-season Oktoberfest and Silicon Valley sevens crowns.

Longbottom, who last week committed to a three-year deal, was central in both campaigns to quickly become a key piece of Friend's arsenal.

It continues an incredible rise for the former South Sydney rugby league junior, plucked 12 months ago from a regional sevens tournament.

Given his penchant for long-range tries, Friend is expecting Longbottom to be double-teamed in games against Wales, Russia and Fiji – something that will only help his side.

"What he offers is a genuine threat," Friend said.

"You've got to put two on him and that gives you a numerical advantage.

"It's a point of difference, something every good team has and something we have rarely had."

Friend said Longbottom's next challenge would be to respond to sides who had been watching game tapes to try to find a way to stop him.

"The more you play, the more people try to work you out, so it's just another test," Friend said.

The lure of Commonwealth and Olympic gold has swayed Longbottom to commit to Australia's rugby sevens program until 2020.

Australia's squad was named on Friday for the World Series opener in Dubai. Longbottom and fellow Indigenous player John Porch were included.

Mahalia Murphy is in the Australian squad for the first leg of the women's rugby sevens World Series in Dubai starting tomorrow.

Australia are drawn to play Japan, England and Russia from November 30.

The Rio Olympic gold medal winners crashed back to earth last season and will hunt new No 1 New Zealand in a season that also features the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast and a World Cup in San Francisco.

Pre-season standout

Longbottom, a former South Sydney rugby league junior and Australian Oztag representative, has been a standout for the side in pre-season tournaments after he was scouted by coach Friend last year.

"The prospect of representing my country at the Commonwealth and Olympic Games was a really exciting one for me," Longbottom said.

"The environment around the team and the staff is exceptional and we're building a really good squad."

Longbottom barnstormed on to the rugby sevens scene with an amazing performance at the Munich Sevens.

The young quick-stepping speedster has continued to be a revelation for the Aussie men's sevens squad, having joined this year after being spotted by Friend at the 2016 National Sevens Championship in Adelaide where he was representing the Lloyd McDermott Rugby Development Team.

Hailing from La Perouse, in Sydney's south, Longbottom was a junior representative of the South Sydney Rabbitohs and has played Oztag for Australia and touch football at an elite level before coming to rugby sevens.

"Maurice is an exciting young player and an admirable young man," Friend said.

"It is great news for our squad that he has committed to Rugby Australia and to the team until after the Tokyo Olympic Games."



Mahalia Murphy
Picture: ARU

Wallabies' run ends at Twickenham



Australian Kurtley Beale is tackled by Courtney Lawes and Chris Robshaw, left, during the rugby Test against England at Twickenham Stadium on November 18. Picture: Getty



THE Australian Wallabies had their winning run ended in a controversial showdown with England on a

rain-soaked Twickenham Stadium in London.

England scored three tries in the final eight minutes to blow out the final scoreline to 30-6, however the game had taken a dramatic turn after a potentially match-levelling try to Marika Korobete in the 70th minute was disallowed for an obstruction.

Trailling 13-6 after a tight first half and a try to England winger Elliot Daly in the 55th minute, the Wallabies looked to have broken through when Korobete spun over the line in the clutches of English flanker Chris Robshaw and tried to muscle the ball down.

Referee Ben O'Keeffe went upstairs to the TMO to check grounding and a possible obstruction, and after several inconclusive looks at the grounding, ruled that replacement Wallabies hooker Stephen Moore had prevented Robshaw from making a clear tackle with both arms.

That ruling proved to be a major turning point as the match slid away from the Wallabies from there after England pounced to score their own five-pointer through

centre Jonathan Joseph two minutes later.

The home side added another two tries in the final two minutes to run out 24-point winners in front of a typically boisterous Twickenham crowd.

The men in gold had failed to turn a weight of possession into points in an intense first half and went into the dressing rooms 6-0 down thanks to penalty goals to Owen Farrell in the seventh and 34th minutes.

Adding to their woes, the Wallabies lost skipper Michael Hooper to the sin bin in the 34th minute and were down to 13 men when Indigenous player Kurtley Beale was ruled to have made a deliberate knock-down on a loose England pass on the stroke of halftime.

The Wallabies were to end their Spring Tour against Scotland last Saturday at Murrayfield Stadium.

The Wallabies opened their tour with a 29-21 victory over Wales at Principality Stadium in Cardiff.

It was a runaway five-pointer from Beale midway through the second half that provided the fatal blow as Wales were surging in front of a vocal home crowd.

Beale snatched the ball from the clutches of Welsh winger Staff Evans in a tackle and took off for the line, running 60 metres untouched to give the Wallabies a healthy lead as the game entered the final quarter.

Final was a thriller

Story and pictures by JILLIAN MUNDY



THE Fitzroy Stars have taken out top spot in the inaugural Koorie Womens Football Carnival with a 10-point win over the Australian Defence Force (ADF) Indigenous Pathways team at Richmond's Punt Road oval.

With the Stars goal-less for much of the final, it was anyone's game until the last few minutes, and a tense spectacle for onlookers – the majority from Victoria and keen to keep the cup on home country.

In the end, the Stars came away defeating the ADF 3.10 (28) to 3.0. (18).

More than 200 players turned out for the round-robin competition, and the sporting talent and competition on show left no-one doubting the acceleration in popularity of women's Aussie rules – especially in Aboriginal communities.

The event was an extension of the Boorimul Program launched in May to identify and nurture talented Indigenous female players into the elite Australian Football League (AFL) pathway.

Eight teams participated, all from Victoria, with the exception of the ADF team, which had players from across Australia and recruited players from the Tiwi girls' Aussie rules team for the carnival.

Heat, rain, lightning

Over the two-day event, players and organisers battled heavy rain, heat and lightning, forcing some matches to be rescheduled.

The Star's unstoppable Natarsha Bamblett was named the carnival's most valuable player. The former netballer and basketball, and 2017 Victorian Miss NAIDOC, says she has found her spark in women's football.

The 22-year-old from Shepperton said football had always been a big thing in her community, with fathers and uncles playing, and she could now see bigger things on the horizon for women's football.

"I can only see bigger and better things for us," she said.

Awards also went to the most valuable player on each team: Nerissa Narburup (Mallee Tigers), Madison Burrige (Koorie Kurburoos), Shaniah Gardner (Bunurong), Emma McNeil (Gulgurn Manja Gariwed), Shikira Henry (ADF), Natarsha Bamblett (Fitzroy Stars), Analeise Hamilton (Cummeragunja) and Lakeea Charles (Rumbalara).

The AFL ran the carnival in partnership with Victoria Aboriginal Community Services Association Ltd (VACSAL) and Korin Gamadji Institute and funding partner VicHealth.



● ABOVE: Grand final teams: the ADF Indigenous Pathways and the Fitzroy Stars.
● LEFT: From left, Chelsea Briggs, Kassey Charles, Lakeea Charles, Lily Hamilton, Lisa Thorpe and Teaira Briggs, from Rumbalara (Shepparton), said they had a deadly carnival and were looking forward to next year.



The race was on for the ball in the second semifinal between the Fitzroy Stars and Cummeragunja.



The Koorie Kurburoos' Jemayne Jonkers pushes away from the ADF Indigenous Pathways' Jenna Sing-Lippo in the first semifinal.



After running water for the Fitzroy Stars, Bradley Dick-Atkinson, Sonia Atkinson-Solomen and Thomas Higgins Jnr turned their guernseys inside out and ran water for Cummeragunja.



Most valuable players: Shaniah Gardner, Madison Burrige, Natarsha Bamblett and Shikira Henry.



Amber Alexander from the ADF Indigenous Pathways leaps out to grab the ball, but it goes through for a behind in the carnival final.



The Fitzroy Stars' Natarsha Bamblett breaks away from a tackle in the final.



The Indigenous players in the Australian International Rules team that beat Ireland in two Tests – one in Adelaide and the second in Perth: from left, Paddy Ryder, Shaun Burgoyne, Eddie Betts, Neville Jetta and Chad Wingard.
Pictures: Peter Argent



Paddy Ryder meets the fans after the Adelaide game.

Hybrid game has a future

By PETER ARGENT



FIVE elite Indigenous talents helped Australia reclaim the

McAnallen Trophy after two scintillating tests during the month of November in the International Rules match against Ireland.

Captained by Hawthorn champion and four-time AFL premiership player Shaun Burgoyne, the Aboriginal component was 2017 Port Adelaide best and fairest Patrick Ryder, teammate Chad Wingard, four-times Adelaide Crows leading goalkicker Eddie Betts and one of six later additions to the squad – Melbourne defender Neville Jetta.

Betts first played International Rules in 2010 when at Carlton; Wingard first donned the national jumper in the 2014 game in Perth, while skipper Burgoyne, now 35 and who is playing on with Hawthorn in 2018, had represented his country in the 2008 match.

Rested

Ryder, who, as planned, was rested for the second game, and Jetta debuted in this series.

The two-game series, with the victor decided on a culmination of points from both games, was exhilarating and had plenty of peaks and troughs.

The first encounter in Adelaide on Sunday, November 12, in hot and humid conditions in front of a healthy crowd of 25,502 saw the Australians create a slender half-time lead and withstand a stirring Irish fightback to hang on to win by 10 points

Wingard, who snaffled

one of the marks of the tournaments, a 'slips catch', during the opening quarter was at his mercurial best, kicking two overs (three-point goals) while Betts and Rider each finished with one over.

The final score in the first encounter was Australia 2.13.12 (63), Ireland 1.13.8 (53).

On Saturday, November 18, the second game was at Subiaco Oval, Perth.

This game featured a halftime melee with all players involved, a black card to Geelong superstar Joel Selwood and some magic at the end to see Australia steal victory 53 to 50, after being down the barrel at half-time, 13 points in arrears.

Wingard was again a potent option up forward, kicking two overs, as did Eddie Betts, while skipper Shaun Burgoyne also made it on to the goal kicking lists

The score read Australia 0.15.8 (53), Ireland 2.10.8 (50).

After what is seen as a successful tournament, with a number of long time servants of the hybrid concept considering it to be the best International Rules series yet, there are discussions about having a game on the East Coast of the United States.

New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Boston have been discussed as possible venues.

"We would love to play a game in America, that maybe (is) the next step, but will talk to the Irish," AFL CEO Gillon McLachlan said on national television.

"I know there are skeptics, but we're keen to keep it going and push it forward.

"I know the players are too... It's worth doing."



Eddie Betts battles for possession in the Adelaide game.



Neville Jetta handballs to his support.



Australian skipper Shaun Burgoyne gets away a kick in Adelaide.



Pot Adelaide AFL star Chad Wingard was a beacon in both International Rules games against Ireland.

Next crop drafted

By **PETER ARGENT**



SIX Indigenous players were selected in the main 2017 Australian Football League (AFL) draft in Sydney on Friday night. Four of them are mature-age players.

South Fremantle midfielder Tim Kelly was the first Indigenous player collected at pick 24 by the Geelong Cats, while Liam Ryan is staying in the west, being collected by the Eagles.

With consecutive picks, Port Adelaide secured Joel Garner and Dom Barry, while impressive young man Kyron Hayden was secured shortly after by North Melbourne.

To complete the night, the final selection of the evening Carlton secured the services Jarrod Garlett.

Kelly, runner-up in this year WAFL's Sandoval Medal – the competition's highest individual honour – is a mature 23-year-old from South Fremantle's Bulldogs.

He has played 93 games at WAFL level and produced his best football over the past two years and has averaged 26 possessions a game in 2017. He has a great goal sense.

"Tim is an experienced player with close to 100 senior games under his belt," Cats list manager Stephen Wells said.

"Like Sam Menegola and Tom Stewart who came into our system as more mature players, we think he will have an impact at our club."

Ryan is the excitement machine from

Subiaco who kicked 73 goals to be the WAFL's leading goalkicker after kicking 40 goals in his debut season in 2016.

Another product from Geraldton, he continues the Eagles' powerful association with the state's mid-west.

"We're absolutely thrilled with the talent we have been able to bring to the club through this draft," Eagles list manager Brady Rawlings said.

"Liam gives us another small forward option."

Initially a Greater Western Sydney Giants recruit as part of their zone recruiting, Barry was on-traded to Melbourne, where he played five games in the 2014 season.

At Glenelg in the SANFL this year, Barry was outstanding in his return to state league football.

Late pick-up

Surprisingly drifting out to the 60s, Joel Garner is composed with the ball in his hands and distributes it well on his preferred left foot.

He captained Vic Metro to the 2017 AFL Under-18 Championship, earning All-Australian honours in the process.

"He's got outstanding leadership abilities, he's tough, he's a good intercept mark and another clean user of the ball, so we're excited to see him develop in our program," Power national recruiting manager Geoff Parker said.

"Dom Barry is a mature-aged draftee who's earned a second chance at AFL level having played five games



Dom Barry, who played AFL games with Melbourne, is off to Port Adelaide.

for the Demons in 2014.

"He went to school with Jake Neade and has been living with him for much of this year.

"Dom brings genuine speed on the outside. He's a consistent ball-winner who carries the ball and delivers it long inside 50."

North Melbourne delivered more exciting midfield depth to its list at the draft, including with pick 62, Kyron Hayden, from Subiaco.

"Kyron missed last year due to injury but came back strong this year and is a really powerful inside mid," North national recruiting manager Mark Finnigan said.

"He broke the record at the Combine for the vertical jump and has real speed and power."

Jarrod Garlett, who played 17 games in two seasons for Gold Coast in 2015 and 2016 and was at South Fremantle this year, has received a second opportunity at Carlton.

Pace, toughness

Carlton manger of list management and strategy Stephen Silvagni expects Garlett will provide plenty of run and dash for the Blues, with pace, toughness and damaging skills in his bag of tricks.

"Jarrod has managed to play some great footy in the WAFL after leaving the AFL system for family reasons," Silvagni said.

"He has great skills on both sides and has elite speed, so he'll be a very valuable player."

Indigenous Draft selections:

Pick 24: Tim Kelly – (South Fremantle) Geelong Cats

Pick 26: Liam Ryan – (Subiaco) West Coast Eagles

Pick 60: Joel Garner – (Eastern Ranges) Port Adelaide

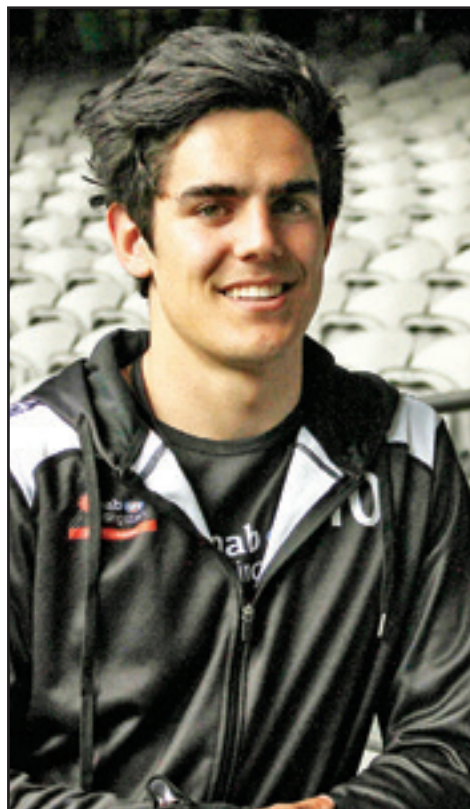
Pick 61: Dom Barry – (Glenelg) Port Adelaide

Pick 62: Kyron Hayden – (Subiaco) North Melbourne

Pick 78: Jarrod Garlett – (South Fremantle) Carlton



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Quinlan keen to resurrect his boxing career



THE *Koori Mail* reported in its November 1 edition that Renold Quinlan had been teed up to fight Russian Fedor Chudinov in the Russian city of Kemerovo on December 12, but details of that fight have been removed

from the Box-Rec website.

Quinlan's last fight was against Indonesian Alexander Bajawa in Singapore on October 20.

He stopped his opponent in the first round.

Quinlan tweeted on November 5 that he would dominate any middleweight

fighters in Australia and the world.

Eight days later he tweeted that he can't wait for 2018 "but got to stay hungry every day".

With seven knockouts from 11 wins, Quinlan is ready to resurrect his career following a February loss to Chris Eubank Jnr in England.

"You are going to see a new me in the fight game.

"Everyone is going to see a new Renold Quinlan; it's going to be a whole different change in the ring," he told News Ltd.

"Everyone is going to get a shock."

The former Sarah Redfern High School (Campbelltown)

student shocked Australia when he beat Daniel Geale by knockout in 2016.

He was aspiring by the end of 2017 to fight Gennady Golovkin, but he hit a roadblock with Eubank Jnr.

The 28-year-old said his preparation fell astray in the lead-up to the Eubank fight.

It's back to the future

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DANE Gagai has had an outstanding year. Hopefully, he will cap it off with a Rugby League World Cup title before joining the Rabbitohs to form one of the strongest Indigenous playing groups with Greg Inglis, Cody Walker, Kyle Turner and Alex Johnston already a strong force at the club.

In a week where Laurie Daley supported the inclusion of an Indigenous team in the next World Cup at the launch of next year's Indigenous Festival that will include a game against New Zealand Maoris, I could not help but reflect on how the All Stars helped Gagai advance his career.

The connection was the Welcome to Country game against the New Zealand Maoris in the 2008 World Cup.

As delighted as I am that the Goannas will be playing the Maori team as part of the festival, I cannot hide my disappointment that a Welcome to Country game was not part of this year's World Cup.

That said, the 2008 game laid the platform for the All Stars which has assisted the development of our next generation of stars, including Gagai.

Gagai has been on the record as to how playing alongside the likes of Inglis and Thurston in the All Stars gave him the confidence to play at the representative level.

His achievements have been outstanding.

He won this year's Wally Lewis Medal after his State of Origin heroics and has established himself on the Kangaroos' wing in the absence of Darius Boyd, but the best is



Dane Gagai

yet to come. The opportunity to strike up a dangerous combination next season with GI already has him excited.

"Now I get to go to a club where I get to play with Greg Inglis week in, week out. It's going to be a bit more fun playing alongside him than trying to tackle him," Gagai said.

"He's one of those athletes; he's competitive, aggressive. He had this year off and I'm sure he's going to do everything to get back out on that field and try and bring success back to the club.

"I'm just looking forward to going back there and playing alongside him."

Gagai has long idolised Inglis, and was only 15 when the Souths skipper made his Queensland Origin debut.

Humble

"The best thing about Greg, with everything he's done, he's just so humble and down-to-earth," he said.

"I looked at this guy and went 'oh my God, this is Greg Inglis, he's a freak', but getting to know him, within two seconds it feels like you are mates and you've known each other for a while.

"He just makes you feel comfortable around him and I guess he's one of those players that you can be around. He's just a top bloke, so I'm really looking forward to playing alongside him again."

Gagai will start at Redfern Oval next year, which will also be the appropriate venue for the Indigenous Festival.

Daley's call for an Indigenous side was measured and it is one I wholeheartedly support.

As Indigenous All Stars coach, Laurie says he supports the idea of an Indigenous side competing in future Rugby League World Cup tournaments provided it doesn't divide the current setup.

Daley's commitment to the continued development of opportunities is obvious with him taking charge of the First Nation Goannas as part of the February 10 triple header.

When asked whether an Australian Indigenous side could become a World Cup reality, Daley believes players could be eligible for the team if not selected for the Kangaroos.

"It's something that has been spoken about," he said.

"You don't want to create divisions in terms of representing Australia at the highest level and having the Indigenous team.

"But maybe if you have a selection of everyone all-in for the Australian team, and then the people who haven't been selected, if the numbers are there to make up the Indigenous All Stars side, then why not?"

"We've seen the interest that Jason Taumalolo and Andrew Fifita have created by pledging their allegiance to Tonga. But having said that, as Australians we are all one. We need to be mindful of that."

That is a measured approach but with Daley's standing in the game, he certainly has put the issue back on the agenda.

With the annual NRL All Stars clash on hiatus for 2018 due to the World Cup, the Goannas will take on a New Zealand Maori side coached by former Eels forward Mark Horo.

"I think it's great that we can showcase some of the future Indigenous and Maori stars in our game," Daley said.

"I was part of the process in 2014 with the Goannas side. It was a great thrill for the guys to come into camp and learn some of the values. And to top it off with a game of football was great."

Canterbury centre Brenko Lee is a graduate from the 2014 fixture, having gone from being an 18-year-old in the pre-season fixture to later debuting for the Canberra Raiders.

"And that's the great thing about it," Daley said.

"That you get to see players that you may not get to see playing at NRL level. They're all up-and-coming stars.

"A lot of the boys will come from the carnivals and the Super competitions through the under-20s system that may not have the opportunity to be picked up by an NRL club.

"As we've seen at this year's World Cup, some of the guys who weren't particularly known, have made stars of themselves."

That's why we should push for an Indigenous team in the next World Cup.

Local heroes

MAGIC'S MOMENTS



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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EVERY player's journey to the Australian Football League (AFL) has its own personal story.

For any player to achieve that dream is a special event and often helps to inspire others to follow in their footsteps.

But I believe the players who achieve that dream from a remote community are in a special category all of their own.

The success of Michael Long and the Rioli's has almost established a dynasty from the remote Tiwi Islands.

The power of achievement is not just limited to making it to the AFL level.

Hopefully, when you read this article, Francis Kinthari will be preparing to join an AFL Club.

But he is already a success story and a role model.

Left Wadeye

As a 22-year-old, he left his community of Wadeye, and took the initiative to play for St Marys in the NTFL in a bid to improve his football.

"I just decided myself to come up and play for a great club in the St Marys Football Club," Kinthari said.

It is a move that has paid dividends with the man known as "The Flash" notching up 34 goals in his first seven games.

Kinthari said he tried to model his game on AFL players like Jeff Garlett and Charlie Cameron, but that he wanted to improve his ability to play through the midfield.

He said he would "absolutely" love an opportunity to play in the AFL.

"It is my aim, but first I just want to focus on playing good football in Darwin," he said.

"You never know; my dream might come true."

Even at that stage, he had other factors motivating him which showed his deep desire to succeed.

"Education is very important to me. I'd go down to live in Melbourne and do more study down there," he said.

This is a huge statement to the kids in the community of Wadeye that has previously been the focus of negative media attention.

Role model

Kinthari already provides hope to the Wadeye people that they can clear hurdles, and it goes much deeper than football.

Kinthari is already making a positive difference, regardless of whether he is drafted.

Other Wadeye-based footballers are attempting to make the grade in Darwin, and Kinthari is also helping put wayward peers back on track through his work with the Thathangathay Foundation.

Mark Tunmuck-Smith, a youth services coordinator making constructive change in Wadeye, has seen first-hand the impact Kinthari is having.

"To get drafted would mean a lot for his family and also the community and the people who work with him and us, and he might inspire others to do the same," Tunmuck-Smith said.

"Every time we go to the shop, it's like, 'I want to be like Francis' or 'Francis, give me five' - he's a bit of a hero in town."

A local hero already making a huge contribution to his community.

Kinthari's story is but one personal story, but it is one that resonates with me.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!!!

Barty top contender



ASH Barty was hot favourite among the five contenders for Newcombe Medal - the highest award in Australian tennis.

Also in the running were bad boy Nick Kyrgios and Daria Gavrilova, John Peers and Jordan Thompson.

Peers is Barty's mixed doubles partner.

Barty started the year ranked outside the top 200 after a return to tennis in 2016 from an 18-month break. The 21-year-old rocketed up to a career-high ranking of 17 at year's end and has taken over the mantle of Australia's No 1 player.

Her highlights included her

first WTA singles title in Malaysia in March and defeating four top-10 seeds on her way to the final of the Wuhan Open in September.

Kyrgios was ineligible to win tennis' highest honour for the past two years due to suspension.

The winner was to be announced at a ceremony in Melbourne on November 27.

Kyrgios made the final of the Cincinnati Masters, beating Rafael Nadal en route, however the world No 1 got revenge with victory in the final of the China Open in October.

Ranked world No 21, Kyrgios was a key member of Australia's team that surged to the Davis Cup semifinals. - AAP

Gagai's World Cup double



WHILE the focus was deservedly on Valentine Holmes in last Friday night's Rugby League World Cup semifinal between Australia and Fiji, Australian winger Dane Gagai turned in another faultless display at Brisbane's Lang Park.

Less than a week after becoming the first Kangaroo to score five tries in a Test, Holmes broke his record with six in Australia's 54-6 rout of Fiji.

A ruthless Australia punished an ill-disciplined Bati side by running in 10 tries to advance to their 12th successive World Cup decider.

They await the winner of last Saturday's other final-four clash between England and Tonga, with the final also to be played in Brisbane this Sunday.

The South Sydney-bound Gagai bagged two tries in the Aussie romp against Fiji.

He was one of three Indigenous players in the game – Will Chambers was solid in the centres, while bench player Wade Graham spent most of the time on the sideline.

The only blemish for Kangaroos coach Mal Meninga was a 60th-minute try to Suliasi Vunivalu, who stumbled across the line to end the Kangaroos' defensive stand at 277 minutes.

Fiji looked lively early and took the lead with a sixth-minute penalty goal.

But the tournament surprise packets spurned any chance of



Dane Gagai scores one of his two tries in the World Cup semifinal against Fiji at Lang Park, Brisbane, on Friday night. Australia advanced to the World Cup final with a 54-6 win. Picture: NRLPhotos

sticking with the reigning champions by giving away numerous penalties and turning over cheap possession.

They conceded five penalties in the first half alone, and finished the night with 12 turnovers.

Veteran Billy Slater bagged a double to jump ahead of Jarryd

Hayne as the leading try scorer in World Cup history, while Gagai also crossed for two.

Australia's 10 tries were scored by just three players.

Holmes' six tries give him a remarkable 12 for the campaign – three tries short of Slater's World Cup record achieved in 12 games

over three World Cup tournaments.

Holmes was playing in just his fifth World Cup game.

Fijian coach Michael Potter said his team were always going to struggle after a poor start.

"Scoreline wasn't flattering. I thought it got away from us really

early. We were a little ill-disciplined there early on. It cost us field position," he said.

"You can't give Australia points and field position early. The game just went away from us. I thought the boys tried their hardest and that's all you can ask for."

– With AAP

Jillaroos on course for final showdown



Lavina O'Mealey has her eye on the try line. Pictures: NRLPhotos



THE Australian Jillaroos, with four Indigenous players in the squad, stormed into last weekend's Women's Rugby League World Cup semifinals with an 88-0 thrashing of Canada in their final pool game.

Allegations of biting again reared their ugly head. Jillaroos forward Renae Kunst was adamant she was bitten on the right arm by Canadian Ravens centre Janai Haupapa last Wednesday in the 18th minute, with the matter placed on report following an official on-field complaint.

The incident did little to dampen Australia's dominance with the home side piling on nine tries in both halves.

Australia were to meet the Ravens once again in the semifinal clash last Sunday following the Cook Islands' shock 22-16 upset over England.

The Canadians – with a predominant rugby union background across the park – were struggling to keep up with the Jillaroos' speed, constantly penalised for being inside the 10 metres late in the game.

Indigenous players Nakia Davis-Welsh and Caitlin Moran were rested for the final pool game, but fellow Indigenous players Rebecca Young and Lavina O'Mealey were in the team.

The defending champions made a flying start to the tournament, towelling minnows the Cook Islands 58-4 and the

highly rated England 38-0.

In the game against England, Moran all but locked down the Australian halfback spot after another starring effort.

In just her second game starting in the No 7, Moran and halves partner Ali Briginshaw combined beautifully to pilot the reigning world champions to a 38-0 defeat of the Lionesses at Endeavour Field.

The Newcastle playmaker's performance was capped by a sensational 30m solo try in which she demonstrated her powerful right step.

Australian coach Brad Donald has no shortage of options in the halves with Maddison Studdon, Lavina O'Mealey and Zahara Temara.

However he suggested Moran and Briginshaw would be his first-choice halves for the semifinals.

Moran came into the side as a centre when she debuted during last year's Anzac Test, but has evolved into the side's frontline halfback.

"We don't play a lot of football together, but coming into camp early, we did gel together and I like playing with Ali there," Moran said of her partnership with Briginshaw.

"We're starting to read off each other and get to know how we play."

The Jillaroos crossed for a remarkable 37 tries in their three pool games and scored a total of 184 points while conceding just four points, but New Zealand were just as impressive and also conceded just one try while scoring 164 points.

– With AAP



Caitlin Moran breaks through the English defence.

Maori teams for festival

Redfern Oval to host 2018 event



THE second Festival of Indigenous Rugby League will kick off the 2018 rugby league season on 10 February 10 with the National Rugby League (NRL) announcing a week-long celebration and matches at Sydney's Redfern Oval.

The 2018 festival will follow the inaugural 2014 festival, with the aim of providing an opportunity for the next generation of rugby league players outside of the NRL to showcase their skills.

Six teams will play as part of the festival, with emerging men's and women's Maori teams participating for the first time.

Cultural camp

The popular Indigenous All Stars elements will form part of the festival, including the Youth Summit and NRL Indigenous Players' Cultural Camp.

A wellbeing and employment summit will also take place, thanks to a partnership between the NRL and the Australian Government.

The popular Interstate Challenge will take place, this time involving the Newcastle Yowies (NSW) and the Dhadin Geai Warriors, from Torres Strait.

The Yowies won this year's NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout and the Geai Warriors won the Arthur Beetson Foundation Queensland Murri Carnival.

The Redfern festival also will

include a women's game between the First Nation Gems and the New Zealand Maori Ferns.

Indigenous All Stars coach Laurie Daley will take charge of the emerging Indigenous men's team – the First Nation Goannas – and said the week would be a culmination of combined Indigenous and Maori celebration.

"There are some incredibly gifted Indigenous and Maori rugby league players amongst our communities that are on the cusp of NRL and representative rugby league, and fans of our game are in for a real treat when the men's and women's teams take to the field," Daley said.

"This is more than just about the matches though, with the whole festival being a chance for our communities to come together and celebrate the inclusiveness that exists throughout rugby league."

Australian Rugby League Indigenous Council Chairperson Linda Burney welcomed the announcement of the festival and the inclusion of the Maori teams.

"I can't think of a better way to start the 2018 rugby league season than with two of the world's oldest cultures coming together to showcase the best our game has to offer, on and off the field," Ms Burney said.

The festival will have the support of the Australian Government, with Aged Care and Indigenous Health Minister Ken Wyatt announcing funding for the delivery of resilience and mental health workshops to

participating teams and Youth Summit attendees, together with the distribution of mental health resources to all game day attendees.

Tickets to the Festival of Indigenous Rugby League matches will go on sale before Christmas at www.nrl.com/tickets.

Further details will be announced online in early 2018 at www.nrl.com.



Former National Rugby League player Chris Sandow runs the ball for the Cherbourg Hornets against the Redfern All Blacks at this year's Interstate Challenge in Newcastle. Next year's Interstate Challenge will be between the Newcastle Yowies (2017 NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout winners) and the Dhadin Geai Warriors (2017 Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Carnival winners). It will be played at Redfern Oval.



Federal Aged Care and Indigenous Health Minister Ken Wyatt, left, and First Nation Goannas coach Laurie Daley attend the announcement of the week-long 2018 Festival of Indigenous Rugby League at Redfern Oval, Sydney. The NSW Rugby League announced last Friday that Daley's State of Origin coaching job had gone to Brad Fittler for the next two seasons.

Domestic cricket resumes for Gardner



ASHLEIGH Gardner has turned her attention to domestic one-day and T20 cricket following the completion of the women's Ashes cricket series between Australia and England.

Gardner featured in one-day and T20 elements of the Ashes series, but did not play in the one-off Test match at North Sydney Oval.

Australia retained the Ashes after the 2017 series was squared when England won the final two one-day matches at Canberra's Manuka Oval.

Australia still holds the Ashes, but England are still the No 1 team in the world.

The multi-format Ashes series was spilt 8-all, with Australia taking out the one-day series 2-1, England the T20I series 2-1

and the historic first-ever day-night Test points shared after the match was drawn.

The series started promisingly for Gardner who starred in Australia's opening one-day win in Brisbane.

Twenty-year-old allrounder Gardner delivered the knockout blow with a stunning 27-run cameo.

The tour then moved south to Coffs Harbour, where Gardner missed the opening game because of injury.

Australia won that game and Gardner returned for the second Coffs Harbour game.

England won that match.

Gardner was out for 3 in Australia's innings of 9-257 in reply to England's 8-282.

Gardner took 1-50 from her nine overs.

Then came the drawn Test in Sydney. At the same venue five days later, Beth

Mooney made certain the Ashes weren't going anywhere with a sensational innings of 89 not out to retain the trophy the Australians had won two years earlier in England.

Gardner, batting at No 4, scored 10 from seven balls and took 0-23 from her three overs. The final two T20 games were played at Canberra and England won both games to square the series.

In the first game on November 19, Gardner scored 8 and took 0-17 from two overs.

In the final game on November 21, she did not bat and took 0-21 from two overs.

Gardner has joined the South Australian Scorpions from the NSW Breakers for the Women's National Cricket League (WNCL), but will continue to play T20 cricket in the Women's Big Bash League (WBBL) with the Sydney Sixers.



Ashleigh Gardner

Marathon Man



BROOME man Adrian Dodson-Shaw has become the first Indigenous Australian to run in Chile's Volcano

Marathon, and was the third male to finish, clocking 6:04.03.

Dodson-Shaw is the Indigenous Marathon's Project's (IMP's) head coach and was one of four Australians to contest the Volcano Marathon in the Atacama Desert – the driest place in the world.

At altitudes exceeding 4000 metres, the Volcano Marathon is one of the toughest races on the planet.

An exhausted but exhilarated Dodson-Shaw said it had been an incredible morning.

"I was actually surprised by how well things went," he said.

Killer ascents

"Most of the runners took off at the start like a bat out of hell, but you needed to pace yourself; those ascents at the end were killers. You really feel the altitude when you're up that high. It's like someone's standing on your chest."

"It's such an amazing race, and while I may be the first Indigenous Australian to have done it, I know I won't be the last. It made me so proud to be here representing my community and mob. Running a marathon is a great way to demonstrate just how strong and resilient our people are."

Dodson-Shaw is no stranger to a challenge, having competed in the New York City Marathon in 2014 as a member of the IMP, and the North Pole Marathon in 2015.

Now based in Canberra with Rob de Castella's Indigenous Marathon Foundation (IMF), he has had to fit in long runs around the capital while preparing the 2017 IMP squad for their own life-changing marathon



IMP head coach Adrian Dodson-Shaw, centre, is with Cara Smith, of Queanbeyan, and Layne Brown, of Warilla, at the finish line of the 2017 New York Marathon earlier this month.

experience. De Castella said it was a fitting reward for Dodson-Shaw's hard work and commitment.

"What Adrian has done is remarkable," de Castella said.

"Running just his third marathon, and doing it at extreme altitude, through the desert sands and rocky hills, in one of the most remote and isolated parts of the world is incredible – and to finish first Australian and third overall – it shows his amazing strength of

purpose and an unstoppable drive to show all Australia what young Indigenous men and women can do.

"We are all so very proud of him."

Friendships

The highest desert marathon on Earth is not for the faint-hearted, attracting a small field of dedicated runners from around the world. Dodson-Shaw said the friendships forged would

be ones that he would keep forever.

"There's such a good, strong sense of support," he said.

"They're a really great bunch of people, and everywhere I've been I've had my (Aboriginal) flag and everyone's been asking questions."

Originally from Broome (altitude 19 metres), Dodson-Shaw's marathon started at 4475 metres, and descend more than 1000 metres on trails to the finish line.

Coping with the thin air at high altitude was just one of the challenges Mr Dodson-Shaw faced in what is regarded as one of the most extreme marathons on earth.

The field was limited to just 40 competitors, the event was strictly for those who liked to push themselves.

"Since I joined the Indigenous Marathon Project in 2014 I've had to learn to step outside my comfort zone," Dodson-Shaw said.

Gillespie heading back to England



Jason Gillespie
Picture: Peter Argent



JASON Gillespie is to join English country cricket club Sussex as their new head coach.

The Indigenous former Australian Test bowler has an impressive coaching record in England, having previously been in charge at Yorkshire.

"We are thrilled that Jason has agreed to join us on an initial three-year contract. He will take up his post in the New Year, in time for our pre-season preparations and tour," Sussex said on its website.

Gillespie said: "I am thrilled to be given the opportunity of taking the reins at such a proud and traditional club like Sussex."

"Having spoken with both Keith (Greenfield, Sussex's director of cricket) and Rob (Andrew, Sussex Cricket chief executive), I know that there is some excitement around the capabilities of the current playing group."

"I look forward to getting over there and playing my role in helping Sussex achieve

its on- and off-field goals for 2018 and beyond."

Andrew said: "Jason is exactly the experienced head coach we had hoped we would attract to the role."

"He has enormous experience of the English county game after his very successful spell with Yorkshire."

"We believe we have a very talented young squad and we need a bit of stability and a coach of Jason's experience to help mould a successful team over the next few years."

During a 10-year international career, Gillespie took 402 wickets in 169 appearances in all three formats in a decorated career for Australia.

He famously made an unbeaten double hundred against Bangladesh in his final Test match in 2006.

As a coach, Gillespie led Yorkshire to two successive County Championship titles in 2014 and 2015 and has been in charge of Adelaide Strikers for the past two Big Bash League seasons.

The 42-year-old replaces Mark Davis, who left the club last month.

Gillespie is expected to continue to coach in the Big Bash League with the Adelaide Strikers, whom he'll take charge of for a third season this summer.

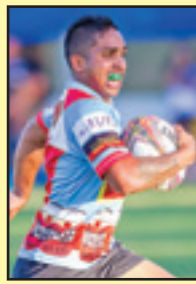
Gillespie recently took the reins of the Papua New Guinea national team on an interim basis.

He also filled in as an assistant with English team Kent earlier this year.

The former right-arm paceman was named head coach of the Australia A side for their tour of South Africa earlier this year before the trip was cancelled due to the pay dispute between Cricket Australia and the players.

Sussex finished fourth in Division Two of the four-day County Championship competition, while they missed the finals of the domestic one-day and T20 competitions.

Their squad features the likes of England limited-overs players Chris Jordan and Luke Wright.



Sevens coach excited by new addition
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Adrian Dodson-Shaw completes the 2014 New York City Marathon.

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Dodson-Shaw completes the North Pole Marathon in 2015.

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Dodson-Shaw is the third man to finish the Volcano Marathon this month in Chile's Atacama Desert – the planet's driest place. ● See page 63

Best side yet?

Coach Joel Khalu thinks so



THE Australian Indigenous Basketball All Stars has announced its selection of a 15-man squad that will defend the Trans-Tasman trophy against the New Zealand national Maori team.

The fourth annual Trans-Tasman Basketball Challenge will be held in Cairns next month.

The team, consisting of Australia's foremost Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander basketball talent, will be out to secure its third consecutive Trans-Tasman title.

Headlining the side are former National Basketball League (NBL) players Deba George and Kerry Williams (Cairns Taipans), Tyson Demos (Gold Coast Blaze and Illawarra Hawks) and Cedar brothers – Christopher and Michael (Townsville Crocodiles).

Joining the experienced NBL contingent will be current and former State League standouts from around the country, including Aaron Bin Tahal, Curt Ahwang and Jacob Pilot (Cairns Marlins), Reece Craigie (Sydney Comets), Tidjane Diop (Mackay Meteors), Verle Williams Jnr (Southwest Brisbane Pirates) and Zachariah Bourne (Gold Coast Rollers).

Rounding out the group are far

north Queensland young guns Jakobe Hunter, Joel Matysek and Marshall Ware.

"On paper, this could quite possibly be the most talented line-up we've had going into a Trans-Tasman series," All Stars coach Joel Khalu said.

"We're all aware that talent doesn't always translate into success though and we'll be making sure that we're doing all the things we need to, preparation-wise, to put ourselves in a position to be successful."

"After defending our 2015 title in New Zealand last year, the goal is to make sure we can keep the silverware, especially playing the 2017 series with home-court advantage in Australia."

"That's certainly not going to be easy. The New Zealand Maori side are always athletic, strong, well coached and play extremely hard."

"We'll have to be 100% ready or we could quite easily find ourselves at the end of a three-game series whitewash."

The Trans-Tasman Basketball Clash consists of a three-game series that will be played over consecutive nights at host venue, Cairns Basketball.

In conjunction with the men, a women's series between the two representative sides will also be played for the very first time.



Curt Ahwang, right, pictured earlier this year at the World Indigenous Basketball Championships in Canada, will be an integral part of the Australian Indigenous All Stars Trans-Tasman title defence aspirations.

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