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Arakwal welcome crowds to BluesFest



Arakwal dancer Jangala (Peter Birch Marshall) performed a smoking ceremony and danced at the BluesFest Byron Bay Arakwal welcome to country and opening ceremony. ● See pages 28-30 for more on BluesFest and the Boomerang Festival, which celebrates First Nations culture. Picture: Jillian Mundy

Our mob behind bars



FIRST Nations people are 12.5 times more likely than other Australians to be imprisoned, according to a new report by the Australian Law Reform Commission.

And the report, *Pathways to Justice*, has recommended substantive changes to the

justice system in order to address the massive over-representation of Indigenous people in prison.

It also recommends more concentration on programs to help Indigenous women and greater understanding of domestic violence.

"The number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents – particularly women

– in prison has a direct effect on the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out-of-home care, which is a recognised pathway to youth detention and adult offending," the report said.

Pathways to Justice calls for governments to implement justice reinvestment, where money that would have

been spent on keeping people in prison is instead diverted to community-based programs.

The report also calls for an end to prison sentences for unpaid fines and mandatory sentencing.

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My FAMILY

Warren Couzens – Berry, SA



THIS photo with my family was taken at the Johnny Mullagh cricket championship recently. It's very good for a country town such as Harrow to have such a significant event and acknowledge the Aboriginal people that participated in those matches years ago.

I recall my father Stan talking about our links with the all-Aboriginal cricket team (the first to tour England). We are directly descended from Johnny Couzens, who played in the First XI. His brother Mosquito also played.

As our son Ashley became more involved on the ancestral and cultural side of things, I became the oldest living Couzens family member in this group, still carrying the name.

My father was born on Framlingham Mission and I was born in Warrnambool. We were a family of seven and the most important thing to him was to support his family and ensure he provided. He worked as a carpenter on bridge construction. I am retired now and my hobby is to make things out of timber pallets and mud kitchens for kids. Ashley carves coolamons.

It is important as a family to ensure we all love and support each other; it's a very strong

bond and I think that has been instilled down by my father.

My wife Raelene and I also have two daughters, Tina and Kristie. We're a sporting family – football and tennis predominately. I played country footy in Victoria and South Australia, won a few best and fairest, and this year will be my 40th as an Aussie Rules umpire. The Riverland Football League awarded me life membership last year. For years I coached kids in tennis as a volunteer. Nowadays Raelene and I play bowls on the same team. Our grandson Wesley has played state cricket for his age group and my brother Gary Couzens plays cricket.

Our granddaughter Ebony has just finished a traineeship with SA Police and has just made an application to be a police officer. I'm very proud of the kids and Raelene and I will have been married 49 years this June.

My Dad passed away in his 50th year of marriage; Mum passed away soon after.

I always say to Raelene: "I hope I go before you, because I don't think I'll cope." She has been the greatest support I have had in my life – there is no one word I can use to describe her. – As told to Jillian Mundy.

● Pictured above: Grandson Wes Frankel-Couzens, Ashley's stepdaughter Tayla Smith, Warren Couzens, Ashley's partner Trudi Cook, wife Raelene Couzens and son Ashley Couzens.

Share your family with our readers

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

OUR CHILDREN



Members of the VIP choir that performed at the Nanga Mai Awards, which celebrate people who have made outstanding contributions to Aboriginal education. More pictures page 34.

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Tiddas to tour with Archie Roach



DANCING With My Spirit – the new album from Archie Roach – has inspired the reformation of

Australian trio Tiddas. Together, Tiddas and Roach will tour the country in a series of one-off shows during May and June.

Tiddas won the hearts of listeners in the 1990s with their harmonies and songs. Now the trio – Amy Saunders, Lou Bennett and Sally Dastey – are back on stage to support the unearthing of Roach's new album, recorded over two decades ago by producer Jen Anderson.

Circumstances at the time saw the demo shelved and virtually forgotten, until now.

Feature tracks on *Dancing With My Spirit* include the title track, *A Child Was Born Here* and *Dancing Shoes*.

Harmonies

Tiddas have also brought their bold vocal harmonies to the mix.

Australian singer-songwriter Archie Roach emerged in the early 1990s with his ARIA-winning debut album, *Charcoal Lane*. It was centred around the song *Took the Children Away*, a ballad about his experience as one of the Stolen Generations. It went on to receive a Human Rights Achievement Award – the first time that such an honour had been given to a songwriter.



Archie Roach with Tiddas Lou Bennett, Amy Saunders and Sally Dastey.

Tiddas' Amy Saunders, Lou Bennett and Sally Dastey released their debut EP *Inside My Kitchen* in 1992 and received two ARIA nominations for their debut album, *Sing About Life*.

Tiddas toured with Sweet Honey In The Rock and Midnight

Oil but broke up in May 2000. The band was later awarded a Deadly Award for 'outstanding contribution to Aboriginal music'.

"It's with a song in my heart and a spring in my step that the Tiddas will be regrouping for

performances with Archie Roach and band to launch the album *Dancing With My Spirit*," Lou Bennett said.

"This album was one of the most rewarding to record and I'm so glad that it is now, 20 years down the track and a few extra

grey hairs later, that this beautiful recording produced by the extremely talented Jen Anderson will be released for public pleasure and for our joy to sing and perform together again."

For details on tour dates, visit www.archieroach.com/tour

Too many in jail

By RUDI MAXWELL



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander women are 21.2 times more likely than other women to be in prison, according to a new national report.

And domestic violence and a lack of appropriate help is adding to the problem – and contributing to the growing number of Indigenous children in out-of-home care.

First Nations and legal organisations have labelled the Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC) report *Pathways to Justice* as a blueprint for addressing the massive over-representation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in prison.

The report found that in 2016, Indigenous people were 12.5 times more likely to be in prison than other people.

Damian Griffis, co-chair of Change the Record – an organisation that advocates reducing Indigenous over-imprisonment – said the report offered governments a once-in-a-generation opportunity.

"The evidence is in. The Law Reform Commission provides a clear roadmap for change," he said.

"The Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody found that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were being over-imprisoned because the justice system is unfair and discriminatory.

"Twenty-seven years later, the ALRC has found that the over-imprisonment rate is getting worse.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander

Behind bars

- Indigenous people make up 27% of prisoners in Australia.
- Indigenous people make up 2.5% of the total Australian population.
- Indigenous women are the fastest-growing cohort of those imprisoned, accounting for 34% of women imprisoned in Australia.
- Indigenous people are the most incarcerated people in the world by percentage of population (2346 per 100,000).

– Australian Bureau of Statistics

people are more likely to be sentenced to prison than non-Indigenous people convicted of an offence.

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families and communities continue to be torn apart by increasing numbers of men, women and children being sent to prison."

The report makes 35 recommendations including: implementing justice reinvestment, ending mandatory sentencing, setting justice targets, a national inquiry into child protection, greater police accountability and cultural awareness, no prison sentences for unpaid fines, and working with Indigenous organisations on parole, alcohol, community-based sentences and bail options.

It also recommends a greater emphasis on programs to help Indigenous women

and a better understanding of the issues surrounding domestic violence.

"The number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents – particularly women – in prison has a direct effect on the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out-of-home care, which is a recognised pathway to youth detention and adult offending," the report said.

Wiri barrister Tony McAvooy, who worked on the recent Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory, said it was about time all states and territories started to take seriously the over-representation of Indigenous people in prison.

Reviews needed

"In advance of the recommended national inquiry into child protection, at the very least each state and territory should review the recommendations of the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory handed down on 17 November, 2017, to determine what recommendations are relevant to their own jurisdiction and what steps can be taken immediately to improve their systems," Mr McAvooy told the *Koori Mail*.

Western Australian Labor Senator Pat Dodson, who worked on the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody, said the findings of the report had to be a wake-up call.

"It's making mothers who are often subject to domestic violence become the victims of incarceration," Senator Dodson

told ABC radio. "This is a real indictment upon us. This is a wake-up call for the nation and the governments of the nation to start to do something that's required."

Senator Dodson said state and territory governments were not listening to solutions coming from Indigenous communities and backed the call for justice reinvestment.

"The communities are almost in despair by the lack of action from all governments," he said.

"You have to find cultural imperatives that will work, rather than just the punitive systems that we've been constantly meting out to the First Nations people.

"It's about not asking for more money, but using the money that's already allocated in the system to go to other purposes that are preventative and restorative of people's activities.

"That's what justice reinvestment is about."

Cheryl Axleby, co-chair of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Service and chief executive of the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement in South Australia, said all governments should repeal laws imposing mandatory or presumptive terms of imprisonment.

"With the flick of a pen every jurisdiction in Australia could abolish mandatory sentencing and drastically reduce the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are forced into prison every day," she said.

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull said addressing Indigenous over-incarceration was a big issue for Australian governments.

Walley -Stack comes back

A man with short dark hair and a light beard, wearing a black leather jacket over a black t-shirt with the word "STRONG" in white, stands against a brick wall. He is holding a shotgun vertically in front of him with both hands. The lighting is dramatic, casting a shadow of him onto the wall behind him. The overall tone is gritty and cinematic.

"I can't wait to perform at the Commonwealth Games," Mr Walley-Stack said. "Here comes Western Australia."

Mr Walley-Stack is the presenter of 100.9FM Noongar Radio's Indigenous Beats and is the chair of Noongar Media Enterprise. He is known for blending traditional elements such as didgeridoo, boomerangs and tapping sticks with guitars, drums and cellos

Mr Walley-Stack is an author, NITV television presenter, producer of the recent Birak (Australia Day events for the City of Perth) and host of the recent Perth Sorry Day event,

His radio program Indigenous Beats can be heard on Wednesdays at 6pm and Saturdays at 5pm on 100.9FM Noongar Radio Perth and nationally on NIRS (National Indigenous Radio Service).

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"And he has a strong history of involvement in his community as a current board director for the Queensland Theatre company, chair of the QUT Indigenous Education and Employment Consultative Committee, and former board director of National Indigenous Television Ltd (NITV)."

“He is not just representing Queensland’s Indigenous community in the best possible way; he is also representing QUT as one of our most outstanding alumni and is an inspiration to all of our law students,” Professor McNamara said.

Concerns for children



A TEENAGER has been charged with the sexual assault of a four-year-old boy in a remote Northern Territory community.

Following reports of the alleged assault, Aboriginal health organisations have called on governments to re-double efforts to implement the recommendations of the Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory in partnership with NT Aboriginal leaders.

Aboriginal Medical Services Alliance NT (AMSANT) chairperson Donna Ah Chee said urgent investment was needed into the Barkly region for family support services and programs.

"This requires a real and urgent commitment to the funds that are required for early childhood programs, family support services, multidisciplinary assessment clinics, a new out-of-home care system and other key initiatives," she said. "We have to ask, what family support services, if any, exist in remote communities like Ali Curung?"

The report came after a 24-year-old man was charged with sexually assaulting a two-year-old girl at Tennant Creek last month.

That incident prompted an internal review of Territory Families and strict restrictions on the sale of alcohol in the town.

The review found authorities did not have systems in place to adequately assess the safety of

children at risk.

Barb Shaw, general manager of the Anyinginyi Local Health Network, said the two assaults had contributed to a sense of hopelessness in the region.

"I get a feeling that there is an absolute sense of hopelessness in Tennant Creek and the region," she told ABC radio.

She said the issue of overcrowding in homes was leading to an explosion of dysfunctional behaviour.

"One of the things we have always pushed for and are now at the point of pleading for is for the construction of new housing in Tennant Creek," she said.

National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (NACCHO) chair John Singer said

he was deeply concerned that some Indigenous children were being sexually interfered with.

"The sexual abuse of any Aboriginal or non-Aboriginal children has got to stop," he said.

"It is not acceptable and in no way can our communities, the Australian community at large or governments at all levels, condone this continuing.

"I welcome a thorough investigation by the Northern Territory Child Abuse Taskforce and Children's Commissioner into this grave allegation."

Ms Ah Chee said sexual offences were "abhorrent" and needed to be addressed with the full force of the law.

"However, AMSANT is very concerned at the level of

misinformation that has been yet again used to sensationalise the issue," she said.

"Why was this story leaked to the media before anything has been substantiated and to what end?"

Mr Singer said the NT Government needed to re-examine at number of liquor licences granted in the Territory.

"People must come before profits – the grog is killing our people and our children are exposed to the results of that every day," he said.

He said the sheer number of liquor outlets at roadhouses on highways and in the close towns was undermining efforts to restrict the sale of alcohol in places such as Ali Curung.



Seed members Reece Romagnoli-Townsend, Tash Matthews and Zac Romagnoli-Townsend. Pictures: Jillian Mundy and Seed



Anti-fracking protestors rally in Melbourne.



A loud and clear message in Darwin.



The community at Elliot are against fracking.

Seed calls for NT fracking ban

By JILLIAN MUNDY



ABORIGINAL young people are concerned that the risks of fracking aren't being taken seriously enough following the release of a report into the controversial mining technique in the Northern Territory.

Fracking (or hydraulic fracturing) is where toxic chemicals are blasted into a rock seam to release gas.

The NT currently has a moratorium on fracking.

Garawa woman Nicole Hutton, campaigns director with Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network, said the final

report of the NT Fracking Inquiry showed that the risks involved with shale gas fracking are too great to experiment on Aboriginal communities and no further fracking exploration can even be considered until we know the true extent of the risks to water, climate and culture.

"Communities across the NT are terrified at the prospect of the fracking industry destroying water, land and community health, and this report has done nothing to quell those fears," she said.

"The Gunner Government has a choice to make – side with greedy gas companies who see nothing but a quick buck, or stand up for the future of the NT by keeping the gas in the ground and

protecting Aboriginal communities from fracking.

"We are calling for a permanent ban on fracking in the NT to protect communities from the dangers of shale gas fracking.

"The Inquiry found that all of the known prospective onshore shale gas areas, including the Beetaloo Sub-basin, are on areas that are either Aboriginal land under the *Land Rights Act* or where Native Title exists.

"It is Aboriginal land that will be fracked; the government must not ignore how strong the opposition to fracking is in Aboriginal communities."

Simultaneous rallies were held around the country in the lead-up to the final

report from the independent inquiry.

The Hobart rally attracted about 80 people.

Seed Tasmania coordinator Zac Romagnoli-Townsend said the first and worst affected by climate change are the most disadvantaged, so in Australia it is Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"The people that cause climate change are the people with the most money who avoid the impacts, because they can afford to," he said.

"What is so-called sacrificial land is usually land Aboriginal people inhabit."

Speakers called on individuals to ring the office of NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner to voice their opinion.

Kaurna win is a first in Native Title fight



KAURNA people of South Australia have become the first Indigenous people in the country to be formally recognised as the traditional owners of parts of an Australian capital city.

Last month, Federal Court Judge Debra Mortimer finalised the group's Native Title claim over areas of Adelaide, 18 years after it was first lodged, following an agreement between Elders and the SA Government.

Kaurna Elder Katrina Karlapina Power called it a magnificent day for the state.

"It has been a long time coming, you know, since first contact. It is really fantastic," she said.

The final agreement recognises 12 Kaurna Elders as the descendants of the Aboriginal people who owned the land when Adelaide was colonised in 1836. However, the Native Title claim does not give the Elders ownership of the 4000 square kilometres of land now.

As part of the settlement, the state will provide a sum in trust for the benefit of all Kaurna people, and funds for the repatriation of ancestral bones now housed in SA museums.

Ms Power said many people who had carried the baton on land rights were unable to savour the win as the cases took so long to resolve.

"We die young so many of our older people are not here to see this, but it is really important.

"This is an investment in our children's inheritances both black and white."

Ms Power said she hoped the decision would help give momentum to other Native Title decisions with consequences for other capital cities.

"You only need one to do it and the rest of them will follow," she said.

The courtroom in Adelaide was overflowing for the decision.

New Deputy Premier Vickie Chapman and former Weatherill government minister for Aboriginal affairs Kyam Maher were in court to hear the decision.

"It's the first time this has occurred in relation to a capital city claim and shows the close relationship between the state and the Kaurna people," Ms Chapman said.

Ms Chapman said Native Title claims were undoubtedly a difficult, complex and emotional issue for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"The determining is a positive step towards reconciliation and a commitment to bettering our state and helping to facilitate Aboriginal participation and economic development," Ms Chapman said.

The Kaurna made the application in 2000 for the Native Title claim for 10,500 square kilometres stretching from Yankalilla in the state's mid-south to the Clare Valley in the state's mid-north.

The agreement will be formalised when an Indigenous Land Use Agreement is registered with the court this month. – AAP



Marching girls at Cherbourg, 1960, unknown photographer, John Oxley Library, SLQ. From left: Iris Hegarty, Lexis Blair, Carmel Kina, Faye Chambers, Lillian Burke, Lynette Bird, Cassandra Duncan, Gloria Williams, Beryl Purcell, Joan West, Lesley Gyemore and Lois Williams.

Marching girls are sporting greats



ELDER Aunty Lesley Williams' memories tell the story of the Cherbourg Marching Girls in a new showcase of Cherbourg sporting greats at the State Library of Queensland (SLQ).

Behind the historic images in the exhibition lies a story of grit and determination surrounding the national phenomenon of competitive marching in the 1960s.

The concept of a marching band appealed to young Cherbourg women during a time when organised sport for girls and women was limited and opportunities to leave the settlement were rare and tightly controlled.

A reproduction of the costume from the era has been commissioned for the showcase.

The *Our Sporting Greats* showcase of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sporting heroes shines a light on the

lives, dreams and achievements of local sporting heroes.

The showcase celebrates their contribution to sport and to the community with images, memorabilia and digital stories.

Some of the greats include president of the Brisbane Natives Rugby League team Uncle Charlie King, international bodybuilding gold medallist and Deadly Choices ambassador Rhonda Purcell, two-time Olympian and basketballer Danny Morseu

and Cherbourg man, Queensland track and field champion and Paralympics torchbearer, Willie Prince.

Admired for their talents and determination to succeed, these sporting greats are also considered champions for their enduring efforts as community advocates.

Our Sporting Greats runs until September 2 on level one at the State Library of Queensland.

• For information, visit www.sportinggreats.slq.qld.gov.au

Tangentyere women take voice to Canberra



THE Tangentyere Women's Family Safety Group from Alice Springs made an

important trek to Canberra to discuss combating family violence with federal politicians.

Northern Territory Labor Senator Malarndirri McCarthy said the women delivered a powerful message to everyone they spoke to during their few days at Parliament House.

"Their message was clear – listen to us, stand with us, support us," she said.

"In July last year they marched in the streets of Alice Springs and it was the biggest march they've had there with 300 people joining them."

Last week the women gathered outside Parliament House for a Sorry ceremony, placing flowers in the grass to honour loved ones who died as a result of family violence.

Senator McCarthy said she was honoured to work with such courageous women.

"I've encouraged them on this journey," she said.

"They knew if they didn't make it to Canberra they would forever be seen as a silent minority.

"They felt like their voices were not being heard so they organised that rally. At that point they chanted in the streets 'enough is enough'."

"Since that time they've trained 165 women in the 18 town camps around Alice Springs and created culturally appropriate resources around domestic violence.

"They are not silent.

"As Aboriginal women we know the issues and we talk about them with each other.

"This was an important step in letting wider Australia know what the issues are."



Emily Wurramara

Island life inspires Wurramara



GROWING up on Groote Eylandt in the Gulf of Carpentaria with boats and water gave Emily

Wurramara, 22, the spark she needed to follow her dreams as a musician.

"I'm nature-inspired and in my songwriting I sing about the stars, moon and sea so that my

words and music can be healing for people," she told the *Koori Mail*.

Ms Wurramara has just returned from a trip to Europe, where she signed up with Mushroom Music Publishing and she is now working on her first full-length debut album, *Milyakburra*, to be released later this year.

The singer-songwriter and

new mother will be performing at the upcoming WOW (Women of the World) Festival during the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

"Bickerton Island or Milyakburra is where I spent most of my childhood going back and forth from Groote on a little dinghy boat with my grandparents," she said.

"There's such a small amount

of people who speak Anindilyakwa – it's important to preserve it for the next generation," she said.

Ms Wurramara will be taking part in the festival's welcome ceremony concert Debe Neur – Women of Strength and Beauty – as well as the Songs That Made Me event, where she will collaborate in a cultural celebration of First Nations

women from across the Commonwealth.

She will be collaborating in musical ensembles with performers like ShoShona Kish from Canada and Fiji's 'queen of pop' Laia Lualala Vulakoro.

The WOW Festival runs from April 6-8 at the Brisbane Powerhouse.

For more information, visit www.wowaustralia.com.au

Vic Treaty doubts



TRADITIONAL owners sat alongside Victoria's political leaders as

Australia's first Aboriginal treaty laws were introduced to state parliament.

The *Advancing the Treaty Process with Aboriginal Victorians Bill 2018* is the first of its kind in Australia, with Victoria following in the footsteps of New Zealand and Canada in seeking a treaty between the government and first people.

"We all know that at the Commonwealth level, the Statement of the Heart – the Uluru Statement – that was rejected," Treaty Advancement Commissioner Jill Gallagher said outside parliament last week.

"We can be leaders in this, not only in this country, but in the world."

Treaty working group chair Mick Harding, a Taungurung man, and Ms Gallagher, a Gunditjmara woman, spoke about the Bill in the

lower house on Wednesday.

Mr Harding praised the proposal as "beautiful" and sang to the Bill in language, to resounding applause.

"Our ancestors are why we're here... our children are why we're here," Mr Harding said.

Ms Gallagher said it was a step to "right the wrongs".

"Let there be no mistake, there were crimes against humanity committed on our people in this country," she said. "We have been the keeper of these lands and waters since time began.

"Treaties are an opportunity to recast the relationship between Aboriginal Victorians, non-Aboriginal Victorians and government... this Bill is a monumental step in righting the wrongs of the past."

The Bill will establish a representative body made up of 30 traditional owners by mid-2019, who will design a negotiations framework and create a fund to support groups who seek treaties with the state.

But the Greens, along with



Victorian Treaty Advancement Commissioner Jill Gallagher, a Gunditjmara woman. Picture: AAP

some Aboriginal Victorians, are unhappy with the government's approach, saying that it needs to be clan-based.

Northcote Greens MP Lidia Thorpe, a Gannai-Gunditjmara woman, said the body slated to negotiate treaty is not inclusive enough and government must speak to clan representatives.

Elders Alma Thorpe, Lidia's grandmother, and Beryl Booth at times were visibly upset in the gallery as the Bill was discussed.

Ms Thorpe acknowledged her clan Elders, who she said felt "the pain of being left out of this process from the beginning" and noted the absence of members of the Wurundjeri clan in the state

parliament gallery.

"To date, all of their clan Elders have not participated in this process," she said.

Ms Thorpe is calling for the establishment of an Elders Council, and for a clan Elders Council treaty gathering to be held in coming months.

"We applaud the government for committing to this process, but if it's not clan-based, it's not fair or just," she wrote on Twitter.

Victorian Traditional Owners Land Justice Group member Gary Murray is also advocating for clan-based treaties.

"The Victorian Government must consult with and negotiate with the Elders, who are the law in our culture," he said.

Victorian Aboriginal Affairs Minister Natalie Hutchins said the government was "really walking the walk" towards achieving self-determination for Aboriginal Victorians.

Opposition Leader Matthew Guy said the coalition in the past has opposed a treaty. – AAP

First Nations media Converge on Brisbane



MORE than 100 representatives from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander media organisations got together in Brisbane last month for the national First Nations media conference, Converge.

Indigenous Remote Communications Association (IRCA) hosted the event along with the Brisbane Indigenous Media Association (BIMA).

IRCA chairperson Dot West said the theme for the conference, Dandiiri Beerwah Dahgu, Inta Naree Yanmana Ngani, translates from Yuggera language to 'meeting together, moving in one direction'.

"We came together to develop a shared vision for the future direction for our industry,

and worked out tangible steps to get there," she said.

"We demonstrated how we can achieve unity despite our diversity. Our national body has great power to speak strongly for our needs and aspirations, and advocate on behalf of the First Nations media sector."

Converge saw the launch of the national Our Media campaign to increase national awareness, gain support and lobby the government to work effectively with the First Nations media industry to produce a policy that takes into account the many changes in technologies, platforms and community needs that have occurred over the last two decades.

• Full report and more pictures, pages 26-27



Indigenous media representatives assemble in Brisbane for Converge.

Family Group Meetings April 2018



Yorta Yorta Nation Aboriginal Corporation and First Nations Legal & Research Services (formerly Native Title Services Victoria) will be holding meetings with each of the 16 Yorta Yorta family groups. The meetings will provide information about the process of negotiating a Traditional Owner Settlement with the State of Victoria under the Traditional Owner Settlement Act, and we invite families and individuals to inform that process.

Please contact reception@yynac.com.au or telephone (03) 5832 0222 to register your intention to attend this meeting or for further information about the meeting, including assistance to attend the meeting.



Govt playing 'argy bargy' on housing

By CHRISTINE HOWES



THE decision by Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's government to cease the National Partnership Agreement on

Remote Indigenous Housing (NPARIH) was the focus of a meeting between Queensland mayors, local government leaders and housing experts in Cairns last month.

The meeting was attended by mayors and representatives from Palm Island, Torres Strait Island Regional Council, Wujal Wujal, Napranum, Yarrabah, Pormpuraaw, Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council, Hopevale, Woorabinda, Mapoon, Kowanyama, Torres Shire and Cook Shire, and hosted by Cairns Regional Council.

They have vowed to increase pressure to stop the government from walking away from the issue.

A joint statement from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mayors said anything less than the existing program, due to finish at the end of June, would reverse gains made in Closing the Gap targets in health, justice, education and community wellbeing.

"The meeting also resolved to push to end the exclusion of the communities of Yarrabah, Cherbourg and Torres Shire from national Indigenous housing program funding," the statement said.

Wujal Wujal mayor Desmond Tayley said the meeting served as a follow-up to a similar



Delegates to a Queensland meeting about remote housing funding.

meeting in Canberra last month.

"The state government were committing beyond June 30 but the federal government is playing the 'argy bargy'," he said.

"They want the federal government to negotiate with them, but they haven't done it.

"The federal government hasn't shifted; that funding will finish at the end of June and that's it, then it's a state government responsibility."

Palm Island mayor Alf Lacey also used the words 'argy bargy'.

"I think it's really important that we don't want to buy into the argy bargy between state and federal," he said.

"We're only interested in seeing houses being delivered on the ground for our people.

"Another round of investment from state and federal governments is really important for our community when we look at the numbers of housing needed in our community.

"There is a lot of to-ing and fro-ing and a lot of politics in

between, but at the end of the day, our role on the ground, and particularly in local government, who deliver all of these services, is about ensuring that our people are getting the same access like any other Australians and that's what this is about."

Yarrabah mayor Ross Andrews said they didn't want to compete with other communities.

"We want to encourage the government to continue funding housing stock for all our communities," he said.

"All the social determinants are affected by this issue."

Federal Shadow Human Services Minister Linda Burney called on the federal government to restore the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing.

"If we want to see positive progress in Closing the Gap targets, in health and education outcomes, one of the fundamental issues we need to address is ensuring access to safe and adequate housing," she said.



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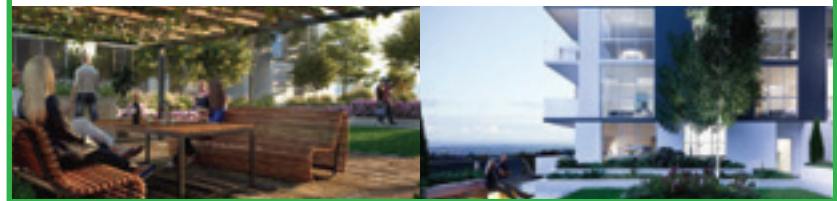
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Time to heed the warnings



GUDIRR *Gudirr* is a one-woman show by Dalisa Pigram named after the warning call of the Guwayi bird. When a warning is heard there are two possible outcomes – act upon it or miss it. To miss the call of the Guwayi bird is to drown.

Gudirr Gudirr is a metaphor for the challenges facing Ms Pigram's Kimberley community, including

the industrialisation of ancestral lands, loss of language and the major gaps between Indigenous and non-Indigenous wellbeing.

Ms Pigram fuses her Indigenous Australian and Malay heritage, bringing traditional and contemporary dance mixed with Silat (Malaysian martial arts), spoken word and projected text.

Her show is described as 'creating a path from a broken past to fragile present, and

towards an undetermined future'. Using movement and acrobatics, Ms Pigram utilises a suspended fishing net as a silent partner and juxtaposes moments of joy with a monologue both spoken and projected on screen.

Sydney Opera House head of First Nations programming Rhoda Roberts said Ms Pigram interrogates her identity as an Aboriginal Australian of diverse cultural heritage.

"This serves as universal commentary on where we are as a larger society," she said.

"*Gudirr Gudirr* confronts uncomfortable truths and authors history through a new lens in a thought-provoking and brilliant way."

Ms Pigram conceived and co-choreographed *Gudirr Gudirr* in a collaboration with Belgian choreographer Koen Augustijnen. The set and video design was

created by Aboriginal artist Vernon Ah Kee.

The world premiere of *Gudirr Gudirr* at Arts House Melbourne for Dance Massive received considerable critical acclaim, before touring nationally and internationally to Canada, New Caledonia, Scotland, Netherlands, Spain, Germany and the UK.

Ms Pigram will perform her show in the Sydney Opera House's Studio in June.

Elijah's killer is released



THE release of a Western Australian man who struck down and killed Aboriginal teenager Elijah Doughty has opened old wounds, the boy's family said.

The man has been granted parole after serving 19 months behind bars.

His release follows a march by about 200 people last month to remember the boy. The 14-year-old was driving a motorcycle near Kalgoorlie in August 2016 when the man, who cannot be named, ran him down and hit him with his ute.

The father-of-six stood trial for manslaughter, but was convicted of the lesser offence of dangerous driving causing death, and was sentenced to three years in jail.

The Prisoners Review Board recently determined the man's release 'would not present an unacceptable risk to the safety of the community'.

He is moving interstate to start a new life.

Elijah's grandfather Albert Doughty said there had been no justice for the boy.

"It's opened up old wounds," he said.

"He'll be walking around free as a bird and Elijah is dead. I feel gutted."

The board took into consideration the fact the man has no prior criminal record, is considered a low risk of re-offending and the 'salutary effect' of his imprisonment.

"The conditions of parole will further reduce the risk to the safety of the community," the board said.

The man must not have any contact with Elijah's family and cannot enter the Kalgoorlie area, including Boulder. He must also attend programs and counselling, seek employment and not change address without approval from a community corrections officer.

But racial tensions appear to be continuing on social media. Mr Doughty said he had seen some racist Facebook posts.

"These aren't kids, they're grown people. These are

educated people. That's what makes me sick," he said.

Elijah's family wants to sue the man who struck down and killed the teenager but their lawyer says a court suppression on his identity is hindering them.

Lawyer Stewart Levitt wrote a letter to Western Australian Attorney General John Quigley calling for him to join in an application for the release of records from the trial and sentencing.

Mr Levitt said the family wanted to commence civil action against the man for damages, and might also lodge an Australian Human Rights Commission complaint against WA Police and the WA Director of Public Prosecutions.

The claim could include an apology and financial compensation.

"Hopefully, such a complaint would lead to a root and branch overhaul of police, prosecutorial and administrative processes and procedures affecting Indigenous victims," Mr Levitt said.

"Indigenous victims of a crime, in which their child and grandchild was killed, are being denied access to essential information concerning the dispensation of criminal justice."

Mr Levitt said his clients were not seeking the man's personal or family details.

A spokeswoman for Mr Quigley said a "non-party" must apply for the suppression order to be varied to obtain a copy of the transcript.

"The court has not received any application from a non-party to vary the suppression order," she said.

Mr Levitt said he always intended to lodge the application but wanted to make a point about open justice.

"Aboriginal people are being treated poorly," he said.

"I just wanted to test the Attorney General and I wanted to see if he passed the test."

"He failed the test and I'm not surprised." – AAP



Some of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people recognised in the Indigenous STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematicss) Awards. Back, from left, Jessica Storrar, Camila Zuniga-Greve and Misty Jenkins. Front, from left, Kayla Pattel, Dean Foley and Shailyn Isaac. Full report, page 22

"Kamilaroi man Dean Foley was the winner of the Early Career Professional Award. He is the founder of Barayamal, a 100% Indigenous owned and managed charity that assists Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entrepreneurs through coding programs for young people, mentoring and workshops."

Bundjalung farming

By RUDI MAXWELL



BUNDJALUNG Tribal Society (BTS) is aiming to prove that from little things big things grow.

The Lismore-based Aboriginal organisation recently held a community planting day at Namabunda Farm in their property just outside of Alstonville, northern NSW.

BTS has partnered with not-for-profits Ethos Global, Hungry Earth Ecology and Growing Roots Garden to turn the former lychee plantation into a successional agro-forestry system.

This type of agro-forestry system mimics natural ecological processes, so a mix of food-producing plants are grown together.

Namabunda Farm will contain a mix of native foods, other fruits and vegetables, and medicinal plants.

BTS chairperson Tracey King said, as well as a sustainable business, the plan was to provide education, employment and training opportunities.

"The focus of the Namabunda Farm Project will be to maximise the ecological, cultural and economic values for the benefit of Aboriginal people and the wider community," she said.

"BTS looks towards recruiting community members to kickstart the training and employment program at the farm.

"When people tell me I can't do that, I always stop and think, 'How can we do this?' That's when the fun begins because my brain goes into overdrive."

The planting day also received support from the local Aboriginal land council, with Ngulingah Nimbin Rocks Rangers donating their time and about 400 plants.

Ngulingah Nimbin Rocks Rangers Nursery supervisor Karan-Rae West said the replanted



Shedeisha and Katana King and BTS office manager Melissa Bolt hard at work planting. *Picture: Jermaine Bradshaw*

area already looked fantastic.

"It's a really great project for us to be able to support," she said. "The boys have been busy collecting seed from our Nimbin and Lismore properties and propagating it in our hothouse."

BTS office manager Melissa Bolt said the

board of directors was excited about the development of Namabunda Farm.

"To join the BTS team at this time is both exciting and exhausting. I look forward to starting the initial plan to develop key aspects of the project," she said.

• In a previous story, *Moving from flood to*

the future, page 19, March 7, *Koori Mail*, it was incorrectly stated that BTS had partnered with the NSW Aboriginal Land Council to teach about the history of native title. The *Koori Mail* apologises for the mistake. BTS is one of the owners of the *Koori Mail* and Tracey King is a *Koori Mail* board member.



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Greg Lehman and Mary Massini on the site of the proposed Truth and Reconciliation Art Park.



Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre chief executive Heather Sculthorpe.

Dark history unveiled

By JILLIAN MUNDY



A DERELICT rail yard on Hobart's waterfront is set to become a ground-breaking Truth and Reconciliation Art Park, highlighting Tasmania's dark and often denied history.

The first in a series of public 'conversations' has been held to progress the idea for the 9.3-hectare site, known as Macquarie Point. The idea was hatched by the Museum of Old and New Art (MONA).

University of Tasmania Aboriginal research fellow and speaker Greg Lehman is a contributor to the vision, and discussed the role of art in bettering people's understanding of frontier history and the Black War.

He presented a routinely denied history lesson, supported by historic quotes, colonial art and historic photographs, to a sombre and at times visibly uncomfortable audience of about 120 people.

"This is a history no one really has wanted to talk about," Mr Lehman said.

But he believes people are finally ready.

"It's bad enough that, like most other parts of Australia, frontier

conflict involved numerous massacres; what today would be called crimes against humanity," Mr Lehman said.

"What makes things worse in Tasmania is that here on this island a 'final solution' was conceived. Unlike other colonies it occurred to the colonial administration that it might be possible to remove Aboriginal people completely.

"In other parts of the world it has been called ethnic cleansing."

The vision for Macquarie Point includes the Truth and Reconciliation Art Park as the centrepiece, an Aboriginal Heritage Centre, a Centre for Living Culture, a huge jetty-like structure built into the Derwent River, fire and light installations, an Antarctic and Science precinct and potentially an 'Eden Hobart', an offshoot of the Cornwall (UK) Eden Project – an ecosystem-themed visitor centre housed in futuristic dome-shaped structures.

Macquarie Point Development Authority head Mary Massini described it as "not your usual development project".

Previously there were discussions to move the city's public hospital to Macquarie Point or ship woodchips from the site.

When the authority was set up in 2012, a plan for commercial,

retail and residential development was being considered – an idea Mr Lehman describes as being met with a 'collective yawn'.

It was back to the drawing board – and the authority invited MONA's input.

Mr Lehman and Ms Massini both believe the vision would not have gotten a look in if not for the 'MONA factor', referring to the success of the privately-owned MONA, in suburban Hobart, which opened in 2011 and is well known for pushing boundaries, and is attributed with kicking off a tourist boom in the state.

"People in Tasmania now believe you can do original things with culture and art; you don't have to do things that everyone else does," Mr Lehman said.

"I had been talking with MONA for five or six years that there is no acknowledgement of the Black War and frontier conflict in Australia.

"Wherever I go I'm always trying to get people to wake up to all this stuff.

"I'd been saying to MONA, you want something that is difficult and no one wants to talk about, and everyone's scared of – dangerous ideas.

"How about being part of the conversation that there was genocide on this island?"

MONA's vision was outside the state government's brief. When it was unveiled on the front page of Hobart's daily newspaper *The Mercury* in December 2016, people started talking.

Hobart's mayor at the time, Sue Hickey, said she didn't want it to be "a guilt-ridden place" and that she "didn't kill any Aborigines, nor would she".

Some were outraged by her comments, but Mr Lehman welcomed them.

"She's given voice to what a lot of people would be too afraid to say. Now that she's said it, that conversation can happen," he said.

Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre chief executive Heather Sculthorpe said her comments were a reminder of why a truth and reconciliation approach to Tasmania's history was so necessary.

"This park will also contribute to the changing the date issue," she said.

"People can see what they are really celebrating. The story is there to be told, the issue is how to get engagement from the Aboriginal community.

"People want to have their say directly rather than it being filtered through some other group. Institutions can't deal properly

with the community as a whole and they won't get backing from the community unless they get them talking directly."

Further public 'conversations' about ideas relating to the Truth and Reconciliation Art Park are being scheduled and expressions of interest will soon be sought for an Aboriginal partnership group, which Ms Massini said will sit alongside the Macquarie Point Development Authority.

Realisation of the entire vision is expected to take 30 years and currently there is \$50 million in backing from the federal government.

They are currently seeking private investments.

Ms Massini said stage one, a 15,000 square metre interim Truth and Reconciliation Art Park, would be established within the next 12 months, to get people using the site, which had been closed to the public since 1850.

She hopes the Aboriginal community will host events there.

A public 'conversation' with Ruth Langford speaking on the topic of 'What is Country?' will be held on April 18 and another with Reconciliation Tasmania co-chairs Fiona Hughes and Bill Lawson on June 20 and palawa Elder Rodney Dillon in July.

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The town can't call for help



Lockhart River mayor Wayne Butcher with the town's satellite dish.



WHEN a single lightning strike hit the only 3G mobile phone tower within a 100km radius, more than 800

residents of Lockhart River were left without any reasonable phone coverage.

Wayne Butcher, the mayor of the north-eastern Cape York community, said the situation had been badly managed by Telstra.

"The town is still in an unsafe situation," he said.

"The telecommunications giant had offered a new 4G tower to the town, and construction was due to start in July and finish in December."

Mr Butcher said a small and temporary satellite dish was brought into the community by sea after four weeks, but the limited-capacity service has reduced voice and text coverage to a small radius, which amounts to less than half of the shire's area.

"This is far too slow; we need a solution right now," he said.

"We can't work up here without technology. We can't run a township with technology that is sometimes up, sometimes down, sometimes we have a phone service, sometimes we don't,

sometimes we have internet, which is slow at best, but then again sometimes we don't."

Mr Butcher called on Telstra to speed up their processes and to stop charging people in the community for their phones.

"If we were a country town somewhere near a city, maybe the response would've been swifter," he said.

"But we're being left out of the whole picture here."

He said during this bad weather time of year, it was even more important for people to be able to stay in touch.

'Emergency'

"Over this weekend our lack of coverage during what might have been an emergency was our biggest concern," he said.

"You wouldn't want to be in a leaking boat across the bay where you used to be able to get coverage to call for help. Apparently for most of the rest of this year there will be none coming."

"We have to patrol our river crossings ourselves because of no coverage, since we found – purely by chance – two cars and eight people stranded between here and Bamaga a week or two back."

He said outside of emergencies, everything from

culture to the way they do business was affected.

"We've been trying to organise a dance group to get down for the opening of the Commonwealth Games in a situation where communicating with the outside world is hit and miss," he said.

"We've had sorry business which has been affected too."

"Even organising within the town is difficult with our ever-changing signal. This weekend alone we've had more than 500mm of rain so it's no good saying, 'You can just go to everyone's house and tell them.' It's not that simple."

"It's also the time of year when, as a Council, we should be getting our pre-budget submissions in, but most of those have to go up online."

"This could affect our whole financial year at a time when we need sure facts and urgent connections."

He said it needed to be dealt with right now.

"A proper 4G service isn't going to be in place until December, and they say once the new tower is up we'll get back to normal," he said.

"That's a long time away and it's ridiculous to think this is how we will be for the rest of the year; ridiculous and dangerous."



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Flick takes culture to France

By KEIRA JENKINS



GAMILAROI man Joe Flick first travelled to the French town of

Villers-Bretonneux in the lead up to Remembrance Day 2013.

He remembered the name of the town from stories told by his grandfather, Michael Flick, who was one of the many Indigenous soldiers who served in World War I.

"We decided to have a Remembrance Day ceremony and we had an Australian flag, a Koori flag and we borrowed a French flag," Mr Flick told the *Koori Mail*.

"After that we went to the museum. We could see the Koori flag on display there so we went to check it out.

"They had an Aboriginal flag, a photo and about four lines of text about Aboriginal soldiers. There wasn't much there.

"I asked the museum if they'd like more information and things to put on display and they were excited about that."

Mr Flick returned to France another three times, coinciding with Remembrance Day each



Joe Flick spreading soil from Gingi Mission, Walgett, on the grave of Thomas Dodd.

visit, donating more to the museum and speaking to local school children about the role of Indigenous soldiers in WWI.

This year, he will be travelling to Villers-Bretonneux for ANZAC Day for the first time, with the help of NSW Aboriginal Land Council and Western Plains Automotive in Dubbo.

His visit will coincide with the 100th anniversary of the town's biggest battle.

Mr Flick has been invited to attend the opening of the Sir John Monash Centre,

which will commemorate the role of Australian soldiers in France during WWI. He will also attend the ANZAC Day dawn service as a guest of the Australian Veterans Affairs Minister.

Mr Flick hopes to gift the new centre a few resources, including the recently published history *Serving Our Country*, which tells the stories of Aboriginal servicemen.

Mr Flick will also be visiting the graves of Aboriginal soldiers Sylvester Sullivan from

Trangie, NSW, Thomas Dodd from Walgett, NSW, William Allan Irwin from Burra Be Dee, NSW, and William Rawlings and Harry Thorpe from Lake Tyres, Victoria.

"It'll be the first time I'm there on ANZAC Day," he said.

"I'm really excited about that. I get quite emotional when I speak about Aboriginal soldiers; when I'm asked to say a few words at a ceremony or I'm speaking to the school kids.

"When I speak to the



Joe Flick and Viller-Bretonneux mayor Patrick Simon.

kids I'll leave some books from Magabala Publishers so I'm leaving a bit of Aboriginal culture and history on the other side of the world.

"I'm trying to get recognition for our Aboriginal soldiers. It's a journey for everyone to try and make things right.

"I talk to the kids about

what happened when the Aboriginal soldiers came home and also about Aboriginal culture in general."

Mr Flick has given the museum a number of gifts including didgeridoos and replicas of his grandfather's medals. This year he hopes to take a carved emu egg to give to the new centre.



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Carroll supports stronger future



WIRADJURI actor and TV presenter Luke Carroll is

leading a new push to support Aboriginal community-controlled organisations, saying they're the best vehicle to close the gap.

Mr Carroll is the face of the Stronger Future campaign, asking the NSW public to throw their support behind organisations operated by and for the Aboriginal community.

"We spend money on

programs meant to support Aboriginal people and close the gap, but most of that money isn't going to Aboriginal organisations," Mr Carroll said.

"Aboriginal community-controlled organisations are the only ones able to drive change with the backing and trust of the Aboriginal community.

"We know they care because they're the ones delivering solutions for their own people. These organisations are built on self-determination,



transparency and accountability to Aboriginal people."

The campaign is led by AbSec (Aboriginal Child, Family and Community

Care State Secretariat) and an Aboriginal community-controlled organisation itself.

"While Aboriginal culture remains vibrant and positive, our people have dealt with a lot of negative things over the years," AbSec chief executive and Bundjalung man Tim Ireland said.

"Even now, authorities are 10 times more likely to remove Aboriginal kids from their homes than non-Indigenous children. That's one of the issues we work to

resolve at AbSec, and one of the reasons we need investment in Aboriginal organisations who can work alongside our families.

"There's a lot of back and forth about closing the gap, but what we want is to have Aboriginal communities designing and delivering the solutions to the challenges we face, with self-determination, transparency and accountability to Aboriginal people."

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Garma's truth to settle differences



TRUTH-TELLING (Yuwalk Lakaraṇa) will be at the centre of discussions at the Garma Key Forum in north-east Arnhem Land this year.

Gumatj leader and Yothu Yindi Foundation (YYF) chair Dr Galarrwuy

Yunupingu said the process of Makarrata – the settling of differences – could not be achieved without each party first giving an honest account of their grievances.

"Truth-telling is at the heart of the process and essential to obtaining a lasting settlement and a united future," Dr Yunupingu said.

"Last year, I cautioned that finding the peace between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people would not be easy, and so it has proved, but we remain committed to a lasting settlement that will heal the divisions of the past and bring the nation together."

YYF chief executive Denise Bowden said the forum was ideal for informed debate on the way forward.

"It's important that time is taken to get the right outcome for the right reason," she said.

"We've made progress in the past two decades, but the hard work still lies in front of us. We will continue to ask the difficult questions and tackle the challenges."

Garma runs from August 3-6 at the ceremonial grounds at Gulkula, near the township of Gove in north-east Arnhem Land. Tickets close on April 27. For more information, visit www.garma.com.au

More rangers for the land and sea



THE Aboriginal Ranger Program in Western Australia is now underway with 13 Aboriginal organisations being awarded funding for projects undertaking land and sea management.

The organisations have been awarded a share in \$8.5 million of funding as part of round one of the \$20 million five-year ranger program. The projects will create about 85 new jobs and 80 training opportunities for Aboriginal rangers.

WA Environment Minister Stephen Dawson said the program was providing significant new jobs, including 47 female Aboriginal ranger positions.

Funding recipients were located in the central desert, Goldfields and south coast, south-west, mid-west and Pilbara regions. In the Kimberley region, Nyamba Buru Yawuru Ltd received funding for three female rangers in the Yawuru Women's Ranger Project, protecting cultural and ecological values of monsoon vine thickets in the Minyirr Buru Conservation Park.

"The 13 recipient groups will employ rangers to undertake land and sea management including conservation, cultural, tourism and education activities across a range of tenures," he said.

Aboriginal Affairs Minister Ben Wyatt said the social, cultural and economic benefits from employment under this program should not be underestimated.

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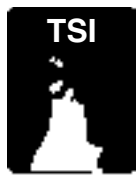


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Reality becomes virtual



COME on a journey to meet the residents of Poruma, a tiny island in the Torres Strait that is slowly being eroded and swallowed by the sea.

The Torres Strait Islands story is told in the documentary *Every King Tide*, one of the virtual reality (VR) immersive experiences that can be seen in the SBS VR app.

Every King Tide explores the Poruma community, who are at risk of losing their homes and livelihoods, as well as their

connection to history, country and culture.

Despite the challenges faced by the 200 people who call Poruma home, *Every King Tide*, produced by Bunya Productions (*Sweet Country*), gives audiences a first-person perspective of this community's spirit, faith and passion for the island they call home.

SBS's Digital Creative Labs have also released another documentary as part of its VR collection.

A Thin Black Line, directed by Douglas Watkin, follows the story of Watkin's mother Patima,

who as a young girl was forced to evacuate during the 1942 Darwin bombings.

With direction from Oscar Raby and illustrated by Aboriginal artist Vernon Ah Kee, the story paints a picture of Patima's family life and experiences during Australia's worst air attack of World War II.

The two new projects complete the Untold Australia VR series, joining *Inside Manus*, which gives Australians an insight into life on Manus Island through the personal experiences of three asylum seekers detained on the island.



Phillemon Mosby is one of the residents of Poruma, in the Torres Strait, who features in the SBS documentary *Every King Tide*. Picture: James Bretell



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LOCATION	DATE	VENUE	TIME
La Perouse	Monday 16th April	La Perouse Local Aboriginal Land Council 1 Elaroo Avenue La Perouse NSW 2036	10am - 1pm
Campbelltown	Tuesday 17th April	Tharawal Aboriginal Corporation 187 Riverside Drive, Airds NSW 2560	10am - 1pm
Redfern	Wednesday 18th April	National Centre of Indigenous Excellence, 166-180 George St Redfern NSW 2016	9am - 12pm
Cranbrook	Friday 20th April	Learn to Ride Circuit Jordan Springs, 68 Greenwood Pkwy Jordan Springs NSW 2747	9am - 12pm
Doonside	Tuesday 24th April	NgalluWal ACFC 259 Kildare Road Doonside NSW 2767	9am - 12pm
Mt Druitt	Thursday 26th April	Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation 252 Luxford Road Emerton	9am - 12pm



Mental health under scrutiny



MENTAL health services in the bush will be examined during a Senate inquiry which will look at high suicide rates in rural and regional Australia.

The inquiry will look at why Australians living in remote and rural areas are accessing mental health services at a lower rate than in major cities and the higher rate of suicide in country areas.

It will also investigate attitudes towards mental health services, the challenges of services delivery in regional areas, and how technology can improve services.

"Australians struggling with mental ill-health already have the odds stacked against them with insufficient mental health services," Greens senator Rachel Siewert said.

"This is only exacerbated in the bush, with regional and remote Australians, particularly our first peoples and our farmers, struggling with high rates of mental ill-health and suicide."

Readers seeking support and information about suicide prevention can contact Lifeline on 13 11 14, the Suicide Call Back Service on 1300 659 467 or Kids Helpline (young people aged 5-25) on 1800 55 1800 78. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander support services can be found at www.naccho.org.au, www.sewbmh.org.au or www.healthinfor.net.ecu.edu.au

ACCO funding supports kids



A CONSORTIUM of four Noongar Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCOs) have been awarded a new \$20 million government contract to help keep Aboriginal children out of care in Western Australia.

The Wungening Aboriginal Corporation will be the lead agency of the new Aboriginal In-home Support Service, with Ebenezer Home, Moorditj Koort and Coolabaroo Community Services also providing specialist services.

The focus will be providing early intervention for Aboriginal families and providing support to divert them away from the care system

The Aboriginal in-home support services will include guiding and mentoring parents on managing day-to-day tasks in the home; meeting the child's needs and keeping the family safe together; developing routines so parents regularly get their children to school; addressing alcohol and drug issues; the impacts of intergenerational trauma and homelessness; and improving the family's connection with their community and culture.

It will be established in four locations – Mirrabooka/Joondalup, Cannington/Armadale, Perth/Midland and Fremantle/Rockingham.

Apology preserved



Mudgee mayor Des Kennedy, Tracey Hooker, Mary Hooker, Andrew Gee and Rachel Carr.



ON the day of Prime Minister Kevin Rudd's Apology to the Stolen Generations, February 13, 2008, Bundjalung

Elder Mary Hooker began collecting newspaper clippings about the event.

And now, Aunt Mary, a Stolen Generations member herself, has collated the material into a book.

The *Apology Day Book* also contains comments, both positive and negative, from Indigenous and non-Indigenous people from Australia and international visitors

from countries including Canada, England and Africa over the past decade.

The original copy of the *Apology Day Book* will be displayed at the National Library in Canberra and was accepted on behalf of the library by Nationals MP Andrew Gee.

Last month, Ability Links in Mudgee, NSW, arranged a visit by Mr Gee to receive the original book together with mayor Des Kennedy and Mudgee librarian Rachel Carr, who received a copy of the book for display in the library.

Aunt Mary's granddaughter Tracey Hooker, who attends Mudgee Public School, delivered the Acknowledgement of Country before the presentation.

Aunt Mary Hooker thanked Barbara Simms, Koori Radio and an anonymous Koori Radio listener who helped her financially, enabling her to travel to Canberra.

Aunt Mary, who is legally blind, is a passionate advocate for Aboriginal health and the Stolen Generations.

She is a third generation Stolen Generations survivor.



Department of Industry

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Rebecca Kaddy of Mer descent checks out the exhibition.



Gab Titui Cultural Centre exhibitions and public programs manager Leitha Assan with artist Gail Mabo.

TSI culture unmasked

By ALF WILSON



TWELVE striking Torres Strait Islander masks and related cultural materials enchanted guests at the opening of the *Evolution* exhibition at Townsville’s Museum of Tropical Queensland.

They celebrated the rich and continuing tradition of mask making in Zenadth Kes (Torres Strait) and the masks will be on display until September 2.

The travelling masks exhibition was developed by the Gab Titui Cultural Centre on Thursday Island, in partnership with the National Museum of Australia, and explores the longstanding importance of ceremonial masks in Torres Strait culture and how they influence contemporary artforms.

Special guests included Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) chair Napau Pedro Stephen, TSRA Culture Art and Heritage Program Portfolio member Cygnet Repu, Gab Titui Cultural Centre exhibitions and public programs manager Leitha Assan and Queensland Museum Torres Strait Islander and Pacific Indigenous Studies, Cultures and Histories curator Imelda Miller.

Guests were welcomed to

county by Jenny Wyles of the Bindal people and Virginia Wyles representing the Wulgurukaba mob.

Lead curator Leitha Assan, one of the first participants in the Encounters Indigenous Cultural Workers Scholarships in 2016, said these remarkable works were created by contemporary Torres Strait artists Andrew Passi, Eddi Nona, Vincent Babia, Kapua Gutchen Senior, Yessie Mosby, Alick Tipoti, Milton Savage and Seriat Young.

“The exhibition takes you on a journey from time immemorial when masks were used in ceremonial rituals involving art, theatre and dance by our ancestors, and we show how these historic artefacts have inspired new works that are constantly developing and changing,” Ms Assan said.

Mr Mosby used different traditional materials for his two masks.

“One is the Waru Kraal (turtle shell mask) and the other a Naga Mawa (wooden mask),” he said.

Mr Stephen gave a moving speech which was applauded by the large audience.

Acting chief executive of the Queensland Museum Network Dr Jim Thompson said Queensland Museum’s development officers had worked closely with Gab Titui staff on the exhibition design

for several years.

“The *Evolution* exhibition is the result of a significant ongoing relationship between the museum and Gab Titui,” he said.

“With the Townsville region having one of the highest populations of Torres Strait Islanders outside of the Torres Strait, this exhibition is as important to the local community as it is to visitors to North Queensland wanting to learn more about the Indigenous culture.”

Queensland Arts Minister Leeanne Enoch said the exhibition featured masks of extraordinary beauty that were testament to the ongoing significance of Torres Strait Islander art, custom and history.

“These ceremonial masks, created by contemporary artists from different island groups, provide an insight into the vibrant cultures of the Torres Strait,” she said.

“I applaud Queensland Museum on this collaboration.”

National Museum of Australia director Dr Mathew Trinca said he was thrilled the museum could be part of the exhibition tour, which will continue until 2019.

“This is a great opportunity to showcase objects exploring cultural practices in the Torres Strait,” Dr Trinca said.



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Applications for the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) Program open at 10:00 am AEDT Monday 26 March 2018 for medical doctors who wish to pursue a future career in general practice and/or rural and remote medicine in Australia. Applicants can apply for a number of training places in training regions across Australia. Further information and training locations can be found on the AGPT website at agpt.com.au.

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Water carries knowledge

By LIINA FLYNN



MOVING beyond bush foods, the community of Mundjaway wants to bottle and sell one of the most precious resources we have – clean, drinkable water.

It's not just about making money, but about generating employment, opportunity and – most importantly – education for the East Arnhem Land community.

Yolngu man and Mundjaway senior cultural advisor Wakka Mununggurr has grown up in the Arnhem Land homelands and hopes to see the bottled water product 'Knowledge Water' come to life. He said the community has launched a crowdfunding campaign to help raise money to build a water bottling facility on their land.

"Business is very important in the homelands," he told the *Koori Mail*.

"If we can make money, rather than depending on government benefits all the time, we can help our young people get education and employ workers."

Mr Mununggurr's grandfather was the founder of the Mandjaway homelands community. His grandfather and father were both passionate about education and brought bilingual education into the community and started teaching kids their own culture.

With a growing population of



Banul Garawirtja at Mundjaway in front of the nursery and chicken coop he made with his family.

young people, being able to build a school and employ teachers is just the start of making a better life for community residents.

"My grandfather was the leader of my clan," Mr Mununggurr said.

"He knew what was going to happen in the future for new generations when he followed the homeland movement and went back to the tribal lands, to their home. It's a much safer place than in the mainstream.

"We are very close to nature here. It's home. The homeland is

not about a camping place or hunting sport – it's a place where our heart is."

The Northern Territory homelands movement began in the early 1970s when small Aboriginal groups left mission-run communities and moved back to their traditional land to escape the dysfunction in larger settlements and reconnect with their culture and customs. The remoteness of these homeland settlements often means they have little support and/or infrastructure to support the

community living there.

Mr Mununggurr said he has seen many changes in the homelands since he was young. Now they have an airport and a road, but many people still can't afford to build a house or keep a school running and employ a teacher.

"We don't get money from the government to do this – we need to make money and build our own," he said.

He wants to see the young people on the community get

educated and become teachers or nurses and start their own businesses and stay living and working on the homelands community.

Teacher and agricultural scientist Rod Baker has been working with the Mundjaway community for 10 years and said the spring water on the community has already been tested and is pure and perfect for bottling.

"We've been working on the Knowledge Water project for four years and now we need money to build a shed for the bottling process," Mr Baker said.

"We have an architect designing the building and a project manager employed with food and beverage plant experience to take the design to the next level.

"We also need crowdfunding for clearing the fence and employing people. We also need to get the car back on the road. It's hard when everybody is on welfare and it's a 170km drive to the shops. It can be difficult, but it's a safe place for kids to grow up."

Selling the Knowledge Water brand of bottled water should be easy according to 60-year-old Mr Mununggurr.

"Our water is great," he said.

"It keeps you young. Everything we eat and touch here makes us young. In cities and towns, the junk food makes us old and sick."

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Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?

My aunts from Baryulgil.

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Oprah Winfrey.

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I'd give us equality. True equality.

Quote



Culture is alive on the east coast of Australia, culture is alive across all of Australia.

– **Widjabul woman Rhoda Roberts, director of the Boomerang Festival**

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Unquote

Get serious on incarceration

FIRST Nations women are more than 21 times more likely than other Australian women to be in prison.

And Indigenous women are the fastest-growing group of prisoners, in a landscape where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are already the most incarcerated people in the world.

For too long, governments have ignored the cries from Indigenous communities and families to listen and to help.

The Australian Law Reform Commission report *Pathways to Justice* provides 35 recommendations to address the tragic – and often preventable – numbers of Indigenous people in prison.

Many of these are actions that Indigenous legal and social justice advocates have been calling for over decades.

An important aspect of the report is that it calls for Indigenous input at every level – again, something that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and people have been demanding for years.

And one of the most important points the report makes is about stopping the cycle of imprisonment.

“The number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander parents – particularly women – in prison has a direct effect on the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out-of-home care, which is a recognised pathway to youth detention and adult offending,” the report said.

Surely, it's about time all governments



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in Australia listened to expert advice and started putting resources into keeping Indigenous people out of prison.

The few justice reinvestment trials we've seen – where money that would have been spent imprisoning people is instead invested in community programs helping to keep people out of jail – have been successful.

Pathways to Justice also recommends no more prison sentences for unpaid fines, an end to mandatory sentencing and greater police accountability.

The tragic story of Yamatji woman Ms Dhu illustrates everything that *Pathways to Justice* is saying. A young Aboriginal woman called the police because she was the victim of domestic violence. Instead of helping her, police arrested her for unpaid fines. While she was in the Port Hedland lock-up, screaming in pain, police assumed she was faking. So instead of receiving the medical treatment she needed, Ms Dhu died.

Implementing the recommendations in *Pathways to Justice* will not only address the increasing numbers of Indigenous people in prison.

It will also save black lives.

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



Arakwal custodian Delta Kaye at the Byron Bay lighthouse on her ancestors' land and (below) at the seat carved with 13 eggs for the 13 children of her grandparents.

Delta honours country

By LIINA FLYNN



BLUE sky, trees and a quiet creek by the ocean. Arakwal custodian Delta Kaye loves

being in her special place – ironbark campsite at Tallow Creek in Byron Bay. It's the place her grandmother Linda Bray gave birth and raised 13 children and the place she now lives, following in their footsteps.

"Standing on country, belonging – it's a good feeling," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"I work for country and it's easy to share my love of it with other people."

Ms Kaye works as an education officer for the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) and regularly takes groups of people on the award-winning Dolphin Dreaming tours around Australia's most easterly point at Walgun or 'shoulder' – otherwise known as Cape Byron.

She takes groups of students and adults along the ancient paths walked by her ancestors, from The Pass along Wategos beach and up to where the lighthouse stands, sharing Dolphin Dreaming stories of the rich Aboriginal culture of the area.

"My Elders worked with an archaeologist and found the midden at The Pass contained 76% pippi shells, as well as ceremonial ochre and inland animal species. This midden is a link to our past; it provides evidence of our occupation and Dreaming stories," she said.

"This evidence shows that Bundjalung clans from inland would have travelled here and stopped before going up to the ceremonial site.

"People think blackfellas slap on ochre and just dance, but we

use it for complex reasons in hunting, ceremonies and in cooking food.

"It's also a good medicine to settle the tummy if you are sick."

On her travels along the ancient route, Ms Kaye identifies native animals and plants, and their uses for visitors, and the importance of walking softly on country.

"Imagine Bundjalung people walking up the hill to a large ceremonial ring," she said.

"At the top, directly underneath where the most powerful lighthouse in Australia now stands, the ring would have had raised sides so people could sit around it and was hard packed from thousands of years of dancing.

"Connected by a long pathway was a smaller ring where women and children were not allowed; only the chosen initiates and the senior men for men's business."

Turtles return

The view from on top of the hill looks down on Tallow Beach and Tallow Creek, where Ms Kaye lives.

"Since the Elders have created Arakwal National Park, we are seeing the turtle tracks come back," she said.

"And when we removed the goats from the lighthouse, the native plants came back and the wallabies too.

"We have to adapt to change, but also keep our old ways that our Elders have taught us."

Despite the changes that have happened to the area over the years, Ms Kaye is determined to stay positive and keep educating people about how to look after country.

"We need to protect what we have left," she said.

"A long time ago my people



didn't have a say, but now we get to have a say and work on our Elders' homelands."

The Dolphin Dreaming tours were started by Ms Kaye's older sister, Yvonne Stewart.

"She's my idol," Ms Kaye said.

"Yvonne was the spokesperson for the Arakwal Elders when they lodged our Native Title in 1994, and eventually she got so busy she handed Dolphin Dreaming over to me and I grabbed it and ran.

"The Dolphin Dreaming program is my passion, my culture, my life."

Ms Kaye has always been inspired by her Elders and these days, she not only follows in their footsteps but is making those paths bigger and wider by inspiring a new generation to live and work with respect for country and Aboriginal culture.

"My dream is to bring Bundjalung people together," she said.

"It's the Elders' vision to have a cultural centre in Byron Bay, where we can showcase our culture and provide employment for our people."

While Native Title has not yet been determined, three

Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) were negotiated successfully between 2001 and 2007.

"The 2001 ILUA gazetted Arakwal National Park – the first of its kind and a landmark agreement across Australia," she said.

"It's important we can work here and have a say on country. It changes how Aboriginal people are. There's a stronger feeling of belonging and self-identity.

"My job gives me a chance to be a mentor for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal kids.

"We work in partnership with community groups including the local police to give Aboriginal kids role models. I want to support and strengthen their identity so they know they have a positive future."

Connection

Her connection with country is what brought her back to Byron Bay after living in Melbourne for 20 years – the place she met her husband, had children, worked in the childcare industry and got active and inspired to fight for Indigenous people.

Now, back on country, she's

been a member of numerous local committees and was awarded the Byron Shire Citizen of the Year in 2016.

"I followed Bundjalung tradition and brought my husband back to live with me here," she said

"My grandparents were married in the tribal way. They each had a piece of silk worm thread tied around the knuckle of their wedding finger (the same finger as we use today) until the end of the finger fell off.

"They lived at Tallow Creek. It was a safe place for our people and it gave them everything they needed.

"Mum said Granddad dragged in tin for the roof and they had a dirt floor; they lived healthy and happy.

"When Nan died, welfare came in and took the kids to Cabbage Tree Island community, but my Mum said 'Cabbo's not for me' and moved back to Tallow Creek with Dad. I grew up eating bush tucker, fish and pippies."

Ms Kaye's mother died in 2009, and she planted a native corkwood tree at Tallow Creek in memory of her.

"We've done lots of replanting at the creek," she said.

"When the sand mining was here, it changed the flow of the creek – we had no say in things then. Now, we want to look after this place, educate the community and keep it special."

There's now a seat made from wood next to Tallow Creek and on it is carved a snake, a dolphin and 13 eggs.

"One egg for each of the children of my grandmother," Ms Kaye said.

"It's important that we remember them so our young people can tell stories to their kids."



Tertiary/Undergraduate Student Award – Shailyn Isaac (University of Western Australia).



Secondary Student Award – Jessica Storrar (Gungahlin College, Canberra).



Secondary Student Award – Kayla Pattel (Tullawong State High School, Caboolture).

Awards shine light on STEM entrepreneurs



A REMOTE WA school, an entrepreneur and a cancer researcher are the big winners of the second Indigenous STEM Awards.

The awards recognise the achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, teachers and scientists, with a view to inspiring more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student participation in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) studies and careers.

The awards are funded by the BHP Billiton Foundation and delivered by CSIRO, and were presented at a recent ceremony in Wiluna, Western Australia.

Gunditjmarra woman and cancer researcher Dr Misty Jenkins won the STEM Professional Career Achievement Award. As well as being the first Indigenous

Australian to attend Oxford and Cambridge Universities as a postdoctoral fellow, Dr Jenkins has worked with Nobel Laureates and is a passionate advocate for building the STEM literacy of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students.

“It is important to have role models because you can’t be what you can’t see,” she said.

“By being visible, you are showing students that STEM is a viable career and that you can discover things that have never been discovered before. I see a lack of Indigenous voices at the table across the industry and I want to see more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people involved.

“It is essential to have an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural lens applied to Western science, just like it is important to have others with diverse backgrounds and genders in senior positions in our workplaces. This breadth

and depth of diversity is what is going to drive innovation.”

Kamilaroi man Dean Foley was the winner of the Early Career Professional Award. He is the founder of Barayamal, a 100% Indigenous owned and managed charity that assists Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander entrepreneurs through coding programs for young people, mentoring and workshops.

Dr Misty Jenkins and Dean Foley will both receive \$20,000 to support their work as Indigenous STEM education ambassadors in 2018.

Wiluna Remote Community School won the School Award for their work engaging with the Martu rangers and the Wiluna community to use traditional knowledge to teach science to students. The school will receive \$10,000 towards progressing inquiry-based learning within the school and incorporating local Indigenous

knowledge that can be linked to the curriculum.

CSIRO Indigenous STEM Education project director Therese Postma said it was important to celebrate the achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in STEM as well as teachers and schools working in this space.

“All of our award winners inspire Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students,” she said.

“Wiluna Remote Community School is an outstanding example of an entire community coming together to teach students two-way science in an Indigenous context.

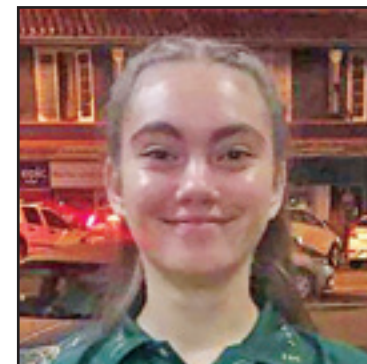
“Educators Fifi Harris (STEM Champion Award) and Camila Zuniga-Greve (Teacher Award) demonstrate on a daily basis how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students can be effectively engaged in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.”



Student Science Award – Boyden George (Leonora District High School).



Student Maths Award – Russell Sands (Innisfail State College).



Student Maths Award – Angela Barely (Innisfail State College).



Teacher Award – Camila Zuniga-Greve (Heatley State School, Townsville).



Early Career Professional Award – Dean Foley (Barayamal, Brisbane).



Champion Award – Fifi Harris (Leonora District High School, Leonora).



“It is essential to have an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural lens applied to Western science, just like it is important to have others with diverse backgrounds and genders in senior positions in our workplaces. This breadth and depth of diversity is what is going to drive innovation.” – Dr Misty Jenkins, winner of the STEM Professional Career Achievement Award.



Children shuffled without thought

WHERE is the compassion towards the children in the foster care systems of Australia disappearing to?

They are raised more like they are in the game of pass the parcel as they are shuffled around from one home to another, school after school, without any thought for their emotional wellbeing.

Their education is floundering, they don't like to follow rules or regulations, while a system caters for the ability of the parent having contact rather than what's in the best interest of the child.

We have come full circle and the times where government bodies have ignored the outcry

from the children are gone. The youth are monitored in today's world more than any other time in previous years.

The safeguard and wellbeing of our nation's adolescents is more significant now than it ever was. It's time to start afresh, by finding successful statistics in

the past decade of children placed in boarding colleges and their achievements.

We need to re-evaluate the current trend of placing children into the foster-care home system and concentrate on what really benefits the child.

Guardians need to redefine the safe haven

as an educational facility that is a multi-skilled institution that provides for the needs of the individual and siblings. Where the focus that is created is based on the safety of a growing adult in the community in which they reside. This-- is essential.

Jane Nutley
Miles, Qld

Education fails our students

YES, there is a crime wave in my home town of Townsville and Aboriginal children are the victims.

The question that needs to be asked: Why are children home alone without hope?

Could it be that the school system is failing our kids in a catastrophic way?

The Education Department is sitting on appalling retention and completion data and claiming big successes. They use fudged data that no one challenges.

If the children were all at school dutifully completing Year 12, then why is there a problem?

Someone is not telling the whole story.

In simple terms, every year approximately 5000 Aboriginal children are born in Queensland yet only 2000 complete high school. Simple arithmetic shows that's 40%.

Of those completing Year 12, only 70% get a meaningful qualification. That's less than one-third completing school with a qualification.

Many of our children are then entering the job market that is plagued by false hope and frustration.

So is it any wonder that Queensland Aboriginal children and their families are giving up?

At the same time, the Education Department will tell you everything is rosy. But we all know that for middle-class white children, it is.

Yet for our mob, that is not the case. And the Palaszczuk Government should stop pretending that all is well.

Let's look at the government's systems.

If you go missing during the term, you might get lucky and someone will chase you up.

If you fail to enrol in January, there is little or no follow-up.

However there is another trick where the schools follow you up for the first two weeks until they get their money for the year, then all of a sudden you are less than welcome.

Schools and other agencies need far more boots on the



Emelda Davis

ground asking hard questions of themselves and their communities.

Now to the curriculum. NAPLAN has failed our children and our schools. It is without doubt the elephant in the room.

Queensland's education curriculum is narrow and boring and offers no hope of work.

The Education Department protests they are interested in our children, yet they are pushed out of our schools. Pushed out by uncaring systems that do not follow up.

What I believe is required is a

whole-of-community drive to put hope back on the table, to provide a glimmer of hope for our most marginalised.

Let's start with the current Years 10, 11 and 12. Can the business community promise them all jobs as they complete Year 12?

We have eight months to organise it. Let's draw a line in the sand and make it happen.

We need hope. The students need hope and parents and guardians need hope.

Let's hold our schools to account for retention from birth to a job.

What is the plan to get to 5000 Indigenous children qualified and employed? When will it be achieved?

The Prime Minister says a big company tax cut will cause a trickle down to workers of prosperity. Can a chunk of that money trickle our way to give our Aboriginal children hope?

(Waskam) Emelda Davis
Townsville, Qld

POETRY

Stamped By The Vampire

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The Indigenous Should Be Right
Smack, Bang In The Middle
Of All The Australian Affairs
They Should Be Happy, Light
In Heart
And Living Without A Care
Like Royalty They Should Be Treated
As The Landlords Of Where We Live
So Why Is It, That You've Held Back From Them
And Still Have Nothing To Give

The Government Has Taken
From Our People
And Then So Easily Apply A Tax
But Even When They Cough Things Up
They Always Take It Back
This Wealthy Country In Which We Live
Has Turned Into A Vamp
Sucking The Blood Of It's Victims
As It Takes Away Their Lamps

Abi DRabi

The Warrior's Stance

As the lines are drawn in the sand, the warrior takes his place along with his clan. The bull in the paddock sharpens his horns, for the rampage he will cause. And the leopard lying flat on his stomach, his heart racing from the sounds of the warriors, beating their spears against their shields, and to the roar of their ancient drills. Leaning forward, getting ready to charge, against the foreign crown. Running this way and that, confusing the enemy till they fall flat. The warriors quickly tie up and subdue, this evil creature that once ruled. Carrying it and throwing it down, into the ice cold hole in the ground. The clans of the land, all jump and shout and dance about. For the evil ruler has been removed. Now let's watch as the earth is renewed. The animals come back in their thousands, the ground is covered with new vegetation and flowers. The rivers and billabongs are full once more packed with fish of every kind, just waiting to be gorged. The clans of the land, who now sit and fill the night air, with new songlines of a land once Lost, but now is repaired...

Denise Bloomfield

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The invisible people

WHENEVER there's a national discussion on the social dysfunction plaguing some Indigenous families and communities, it's only a matter of time before someone says remote Indigenous communities should be closed. Recently it was former Coalition Indigenous affairs minister Mal Brough.

The idea Indigenous disadvantage stems from people living in small, remote communities and moving them to larger towns would solve the problems is appealing in its simplicity. It's also wrong.

We know that moving people to larger towns doesn't solve Indigenous disadvantage. Because it's been tried before.

Kicked off land

After the 1967 Referendum, Indigenous people gained equal pay through changes to laws and industrial decisions over about a decade. For some regional industries like the pastoral industry, this meant a huge jump in expenses. Instead of getting a pay increase, most Indigenous people in those industries lost their jobs and were kicked off their lands. The pastoralists lost a cheap source of labour and weren't willing or able to pay them full wages.

At the same time, Indigenous people gained rights to government benefits they previously weren't entitled to. Many were moved off their traditional lands to the fringes of cities and towns, where they received housing and became full-time welfare recipients.

There was no attempt to manage the transition to equal pay to keep them in work. Governments simply figured the

welfare system would cushion the blow. It actually swallowed them up. Now, generations later, many of those people, their children and grandchildren are locked in a cycle of welfare dependency.

The social dysfunction we see playing out in the sexual abuse epidemic impacting Indigenous children didn't stem from geography. It's grown from generations of chronic welfare dependence and the social ills that too often go with it, including alcohol/substance abuse.

Some of the most disadvantaged and socially dysfunctional communities are in the larger towns and cities. Sometimes Indigenous families actually move to more remote communities to get away from violence and drug and alcohol abuse in larger towns. Go look at some of the town camps on the edges of the Northern Territory's major urban areas for example. Even in the suburbs of major Australian cities. The recent tragic case of a two-year-old being raped happened in Tennant Creek. No talks about 'closing Tennant Creek'.

NT Labor MLA Scott McConnell's statements in the wake of that appalling incident were far more insightful. He said



Nyunggai Warren Mundine

these kinds of incidents would continue until real economic opportunities were available for people in the bush.

"This is happening because people are moving to urban towns because we are not actually delivering services where they live," he said.

"I would argue that some of these people are actually, using the international term, internally displaced people. They can't live where they want to live so they're like refugees in their own country and they are moving to urban centres."

Australian politicians have a split personality when it comes to remote Australia. On the one hand we hear more people must move north to enable

development. But then we hear it's too hard to service remote areas, there aren't jobs and communities should be closed. How can there be a shortage of labour but also a shortage of jobs? Because Indigenous people are invisible when people think of those opportunities. This needs to change.

Listening to the 'close communities' mantra, you'd think these small communities are serviced like urban centres. They aren't. Most services are provided by non-locals on a fly-in fly-out

basis with skeleton staff in the community. Most homeland communities have no public housing or schools and few services.

Brough was dismissive of real economies growing in remote communities. I don't agree. Every Australian city began as a tiny, remote community with 'no jobs'. In the 18th Century you'd be hard pressed to find a more remote community on the planet than the colony in Sydney Cove.

People can't see what they can't see. There's work in remote Indigenous communities like everywhere else.

But most jobs are done by non-locals or not at all.

Starting point

A starting point for economic participation is getting locals trained to do those jobs and setting up small businesses to perform government service contracts. Capability building takes time, but it's very achievable. Fortescue Metals Group has shown us how it can be done on their remote mine sites, recently marking \$2 billion in contracts to Indigenous-owned businesses.

Ultimately, the problem for remote Indigenous communities isn't remoteness. It's lack of economic participation by the people who live in them. Social breakdown is inevitable when families don't participate in the real economy for generations, whether their community has 300 or three million people.

● *Nyunggai Warren Mundine is chairman and managing director of Nyungga Black Group and author of Warren Mundine – In Black and White.*

White privilege and racism

CHANNEL Seven morning show *Sunrise* once again demonstrated its complete disregard for our people with an all-white panel discussing comments by Federal Children's Minister David Gillespie.

In an interview with the ABC, Mr Gillespie labelled the increasing numbers of children in care a "crisis" and said one option might be an increase in "open adoption", where children are able to have ongoing contact with their biological parents.

"We need to shake this reluctance about the fear of being accused of creating a Stolen Generation or another forgotten generation," he said.

Someone needs to educate the Minister that in the 10 years since Kevin Rudd apologised to the Stolen Generations, we have seen an increase in our children taken into state care from less than 3000 kids in 2008 to now well over 17,000 of our children removed. That's a 400% increase.

The segment was widely condemned not just for being racist, but also in presenting untruths about the removal of our kids. This negative reaction prompted *Sunrise* host Samantha Armytage to turn to Twitter, not to offer an apology, but to attempt to justify the segment, saying "watch the video before commenting".

Armytage has a history of ignorance. In 2015, when

interviewing twin sisters from mixed race parents where one sister was darker than the other, Armytage introduced the girls saying: "Maria has taken after her half-Jamaican mum with dark skin and brown eyes and curly, dark hair but Lucy got her dad's fair skin."

Armytage then smiled and nodded at her before saying, "Good on her, along with straight red hair and blue eyes." Even co-host Kachie looked a little bemused by the comment.

The inappropriate and offensive remarks prompted a petition to have Armytage apologise.

The type of racist dialogue we are witnessing in Australian media is not only limited to *Sunrise* and it cannot be allowed to continue and has to be called out for what it is: white privilege and racism.

Only recently I wrote about Peta Credlin, a *SkyNews* commentator, who was at it again last week, making wrongful claims that white nurses would be forced to "apologise to Indigenous clients for being white".

The story was not true. The idea was invented and then pushed on such media programs. Then there is repeat offender Andrew Bolt and many others, some of the highest-rating television shows and newspaper columns in Australia.

How is this allowed to happen over and over?

The answer is white privilege.



Woolombi Waters

In Samantha Armytage's case, it highlights just how removed many white Australians are from our own Aboriginal history.

It is this gap in empathy and understanding that could perhaps offer an explanation for her ignorance when dealing with issues of race and history. I want to make clear that I am not targeting Samantha Armytage personally, but demonstrating that her ideas are the ideal example of Australia's white privilege, which denies one race over the celebration of the other.

George Armytage arrived in Australia in 1815. By 1817 he was granted huge areas of land in Tasmania. He served in the local police force during the early 1820s, the period known as the Black War, where genocide was acknowledged and practised in Tasmania.

After generating massive wealth from the occupation of these Aboriginal lands, George Armytage moved to Victoria.

There, Aboriginal lands were cleared for pastoral leases, which contributed towards a two decade period of brutal massacres across Victoria that almost wiped out the local Wathaurong people.

Samantha Armytage has never hidden the wealth gained from her family's occupation. She has appeared in a number of print media stories celebrating their collective wealth under such headings as 'Home! *Sunrise* star Samantha Armytage visits Melbourne's famous National Trust-listed Como House which was once owned by her well-to-do ancestors'.

The story says: "The property was bought by her ancestor Charles Armytage in 1864 and was sold by two of his 10 children, Constance and Leila, in 1959 to the National Trust, who have preserved it since."

In 2013, Armytage said in a *Better Homes And Gardens* segment that the main home was

off-limits, but the rest off the expansive acreage was her family's playground for the first 25 years of her life.

What for our people are horrific stories of genocide and brutality, which contributes undeniably to transgenerational trauma, is celebrated by Samantha Armytage and many white Australians as family history that was once owned by her well-to-do ancestors and her family's 'playground for the first 25 years' of her life.

Such writing not only celebrates her family's accumulation of wealth, but continues the systematic, orchestrated and intentional erasing of Aboriginal history. Through this lens, Australia was to be celebrated as the birth of the new nation, pioneered by great white European explorers where invasion was made legitimate by the complete denial of the cruel brutality of colonisation and settlement, all but erasing the pre-history and prior ownership of our mob.

But in an Australian media landscape where Pauline Hanson has former Prime Minister Tony Abbott launching her new book *In Her Own Words* – where she appears on the cover unveiling herself from a burqa and compares herself to Nelson Mandela – there remains little hope that things are going to change anytime soon.

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



Troy Freeburn (Casino High School officer), Uncle Mook Harrington (Solid Mob campaigner) and Nathan Hindmarsh (ex AFL player).



Casino High School students with Nathan Hindmarsh, Troy Freeburn (Bulgarr Ngaru AMS) and Uncle Mook Harrington (Solid Mob).

Hindmarsh curbs addiction

By LIINA FLYNN



WHEN former rugby league player Nathan Hindmarsh came to visit Casino High School recently, he told Year 11 and 12 students about his past problems with gambling addiction. "I've spent \$400,000 on the pokies," he said.

"If you want to punt or gamble, be careful. Know how much is enough and talk to someone before it's too late."

Mr Hindmarsh was on a road trip to schools in NSW, along with Solid Mob's Uncle Mook Harrington, as well as local gambling help services. They talked about addiction, gambling and health to make young people aware of what to do if they find themselves in a similar situation.

Mr Hindmarsh, a former Parramatta Eels captain, said his gambling addiction started early in

his football career, when he won \$30 the first time he put money in a poker machine.

"It's the early wins that can hook you in," he said.

"It seemed so easy. I took my winnings back to see if I could win more. In 15 minutes, it was gone. So I went to the ATM and took out more and lost that too. I felt disgusted with myself."

After that, he would go to the club regularly with his footy mates and spend money on gambling.

"At the time I didn't earn very much money, so I would borrow money from the boys – they knew I was good for paying it back later," he said.

"When I started earning more money as a professional footballer, I would spend up to \$3000 a day at the club and I was drinking too, and that didn't help. I pissed up all my money."

Mr Hindmarsh said his addiction was fuelled by having lots of spare time on his hands,

and access to money.

"The pokies' sounds, lights and colours are addictive too," he said.

"I'd sit in front of a machine and my shoulders would drop and I'd start to relax."

"It's not about the money in the end, it's about escape and isolation. I hadn't lost everything, like some people, but the way I felt after I gambled made me feel sick in the guts. I'd be bored sitting at the machines, waiting to hit the jackpot."

It was with the support of his wife, and having extra responsibilities as a new dad, that he finally decided to stop gambling and found professional help from a gambling help service.

"I thought it would be a quick fix, but I kept gambling," he said.

It took him years to finally curb his addiction, and now he's an advocate for helping people to avoid the same problems.

"Now when I go to a club, I don't have the same excitement

when I see the machines," he said.

"My foot is not tapping and I'm not listening for the sound of the machines, and I can walk out of a pub feeling good about myself for not gambling."

His message to everyone is don't be afraid to put your hand up and ask for help, whether it's gambling, tobacco or drugs – and be aware of the warning signs that something is becoming a problem.

The same message comes from Uncle Mook Harrington, who is a passionate anti-smoking campaigner. He said school students about to turn 18 will soon be able to go into licensed venues where there could be smoking in gambling areas.

"One smoke becomes a pack a day and it's hard to stop," he said. "And these days, you don't need to be 18 to get access to areas in clubs with pokies."

Mr Harrington said most young people have phones and some have gambling apps on them. His

advice if you want to stop gambling is to "give your phone to someone else, ask for help and look out for each other".

Northern Rivers Gambling Services (NRGS) manager Emma Ryan said people with addiction issues can choose to exclude themselves from a venue and the venue staff will refuse them entry. Anyone seeking advice can visit www.buttery.org.au

Troy Freeburn from Bulgarr Ngaru Aboriginal Medical Service in Casino said gambling addiction can become a problem in areas where people don't have much money and feel hopeless with a lack of opportunity.

"Addictions and health are tied together," he said. "That's why it's important we forge partnerships with other organisations. We are the link into Aboriginal communities and it's important we work toward better funding models from the top down with a coordinated approach."



Office of Environment & Heritage



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Applications sought for Appointment to NPWS Regional Advisory Committees across NSW

Regional advisory committees are appointed by the NSW Minister for the Environment under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* to provide advice to the Chief Executive and the National Parks and Wildlife Council on policies, plans and activities for the administrative region for which they are constituted. These advisory committees provide valuable insight into the management of the state's national parks and are an important conduit between the community and the NPWS.

Applications are sought from community members, with a strategic interest in caring for and protecting our environment and heritage, for appointment for terms of up to four years, to one of the following eight committees across NSW:

- Blue Mountains
- Greater Sydney
- Hunter Central Coast
- North Coast
- Northern Inland
- South Coast
- Southern Ranges
- West

Committees will include at least 2 aboriginal persons and other persons who have one or more of the following qualifications – experience and expertise in local government, conservation, Aboriginal cultural heritage, science (conservation biology, wildlife management or related disciplines), rural and regional issues, agriculture, ecotourism or ecologically sustainable visitor or tourist use, environmental education and non-Aboriginal cultural heritage conservation.

Committees meet four times a year and members attend field inspections to parks and reserves. This is a voluntary position. Travel and approved committee-associated expenses will be reimbursed.

Applications close Tuesday, 1 May 2018.

A Regional Advisory Committee Application Form and further information can be obtained from www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NPWS/AdvisoryCommittees.htm. Enquiries to rac@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Public Notice

Call for nominations – Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Panel

The City of Sydney's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Advisory Panel has provided advice on matters of importance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities since 2008.

The panel provides oversight for the City's Reconciliation Action Plan and Eora Journey projects, reviews cultural protocols, and advises on policies and programs. Panel members are paid a fee for each meeting they attend.

The panel is made up of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, community and cultural leaders, industry professionals, academics, young people and students.

As the current panel members' terms are due to expire soon, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who live, work or study in the City of Sydney are invited to put forward nominations for themselves or others for a three-year role on the panel.

Nominations close at 5pm Friday 11 May 2018.

For details on the panel and nomination forms, see cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/the-city-advisory-panel

You can also contact David Beaumont, Aboriginal Community Engagement Coordinator, on 02 9265 9333 or email dbeaumont@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

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Media conference in Qld



WHEN dozens of First Nations media organisations met up in Brisbane last month, there were numerous discussions about the pressure to push against misrepresentation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the mainstream media.

Indigenous Remote Communications Association (IRCA) and Brisbane Indigenous Media Association (BIMA) hosted the national First Nations media conference, Converge, which attracted representatives from across the country.

The theme for the conference 'Dandiiri Beerwah Dahgu, Inta Naree Yanmana Ngani' translates from Yuggera language to 'meeting together, moving in one direction'.

The dynamic panel discussions covered topics such as the changing employment and skills needs within the convergent industry, promoting the value

and importance of First Nations media, the impact and opportunities of digital disruption, new ways of creating and sharing content, growing news and current affairs capacity, and how to engage mainstream media in allowing the people with agency to speak on issues affecting them.

IRCA chair Dot West said the second day of the conference focused on developing policy positions and key directions forward.

"We tread a fine line between community and government, urban and remote, and it's important all those voices are heard," she said. "Social and financial capital are very important for us to have agency to be heard on a large scale. It's our responsibility to make sure there is an industry here in respect of those who have been and those who are coming up."

Delegates decided on the name First Nations Media Australia for the new national peak body.

A discussion panel at Converge, the First Nations Media National Conference in Brisbane.



The conference broke into smaller discussion groups.



Stephanie Stone and Jennifer Nixon from IRCA.



Koori Radio's program manager Gavin Ivey.



Co-founder and director of Gilimbba Creative Agency, David Williams.



Conference MC and host of Koori Radio's Black Chat, Lola Forester.

looks to break barriers



Station manager of 3KND Radio in Melbourne Gerry Lyons, Valerie Martin, Elizabeth Katakarinja and Simon Fisher from Pintubi Anmatjere Warlpiri (PAW) Media.



Danny Teece-Johnson, left, and Travis Cardona from NITV.



Tangiora Hinaki, from Ngaarda Media in Roebourne, and Gerry Lyons from Melbourne's 3KND Radio.



Wayne Bynder and IRCA chair Dot West.



Daisy O'Byrne from NG Media and Elizabeth Katakarinja from Pintubi Anmatjere Warlpiri (PAW) Media.



Phillipa McDermott and James Saunders from the ABC.



Romina Fujii from Torres Strait Islander Media Association and Gemma Merritt from Radio MAMA.



Josephine Samson and Tangiora Hinaki from Ngaarda Media in Roebourne.



Pauline Clague, senior research fellow at the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and research and artistic director of the Winda Film Festival, discusses increasing employment and career pathways in the media sector.

Indigenous music

Narasirato, a bamboo orchestra from the Solomon Islands, put on an electrifyingly energetic performance to a pumped-up and appreciative audience.



The vibrant and rhythmic Sorong Samarai's Yoshua and Sam Roem from West Papua.



Aloysius Ma'asinorao from Narasirato.



Ras Ronnie from the Strides.



Violinist, dancer, singer, composer and multilingualist Eric Avery was supported by his father Graham King on didge.



WOWS at BluesFest

By JILLIAN MUNDY



INDIGENOUS musicians and dancers from near and far brought culture, song and dance to Bundjalung country in northern NSW for the Boomerang Festival, a part of BluesFest Byron Bay, over the Easter long weekend.

Boomerang director Rhoda Roberts, a Widjabul woman, said the showcase was an opportunity for young Indigenous people to meet and perform with their heroes and inspirational people.

"Our young people are seeing how their heroes are able to exchange and have those big global relationships, so they

know the world wants to hear and see them even if they don't want to hear and see them in their own backyard," she told the *Koori Mail*.

"They are seeing heroes that are confident and empowered.

"Our people who make their living out of being professional artists and cultural keepers get the opportunity to showcase to a very broad audience, who often have not had an Indigenous experience, including the promoters, managers and other festival directors who attend."

The line-up included home grown talent Yorta Yorta singer-songwriter Benny Walker and traditional/contemporary Yolngu musician Yirmal Marika.

One of the many highlights was the

multi-talented Eric Avery, who mesmerised audiences with classical violin and song in Ngiyapaa, Yuin, Gumbangirr and Bundjalung, supported by his father Graham King on didge.

The Strides, Sorong Samarai and Narasirato not only brought an international Indigenous flavour to the stage but world-class reggae, pumping traditional beats, stunning traditional costumes and political exchange from brothers and sisters across the seas.

Roberts said the international South Sea acts were keeping connections and songlines alive that had endured generations.

Some of Australia's top Aboriginal dance troupes – Jannawi, Balun Ngahriga,

Minyungbul, Move it Mob Style and Muggerah – performed, and held energetic and inclusive workshops.

A program of workshops included daily weaving workshops with local Bundjalung mob and 'Te Kopere O Raehina' Māori traditional healing workshops.

Roberts said a lot of visitors presume, in error, they needed to visit central Australia for an Indigenous experience.

"Culture is alive on the east coast of Australia, culture is alive across all of Australia."

Roberts pointed out that Bundjalung culture was alive and well across the Northern Rivers region of NSW, and the Bundjalung nation had never lost its language.



The local Arakwal Dancers opening BluesFest.



Lillian Currie, Alinta Brown, Agnes Zena, Tania Marlowe and Val Saunder, who all live on Bundjalung country, enjoying one of the weaving workshops at the Boomerang Festival.



Raphaela Abraham with son Zephyr from Byron Bay moving it mob style.



The amazing Jannawi dancers delighted the crowd at Boomerang.



Minyungbul woman Rachael Cavanagh with daughter Mirringnga from Balun Ngahriga River Dancers (Bundjalung) during one of Boomerang's dance workshops.



Reggae/hip hop masters The Strides before their gig – GZeus from Fiji, Ras Roni from Barbados and Blacker C from Sierra Leone.



Kyralee Murphy-Edwards and Destiny Murphy with their mum Naomi Murphy, who travelled from Traralgon (Gippsland, Vic) for the BluesFest Byron Bay.

Boomerang shines at BluesFest



Yaegl/Widjabal man Gilbert Laurie with his artwork in the Boomerang exhibition.



Alice Togo, Bundjalung/South Sea Islander from Tweed, NSW, and Lolo Laga, Wiradjuri/Samoan from Murwillumbah, NSW, making baskets from Bangalow palm at a Boomerang Festival weaving workshop.



Boomerang Festival director Rhoda Roberts.



Move it Mob Style fans with the main man for the workshop at Boomerang, Minjunbal man Darren Compton, back on home country.



Te Kopere O Raehina Māori traditional healing workshops were held each day at the Boomerang Festival, which included karakia (prayer), waiata (singing), mirimiri (gentle massage), romiromi (deep tissue) and rakau (stick games). Seated is Rochelle Bullock holding a photograph of her late grandmother Olive Bullock, part of five generations of healers. Standing behind Rochelle is senior Nyangbul law women Jungurnabang (Lois Cook) whom the group was honouring as custodian of the land.



Weavers Roslyn and Matthew Fernando from Ballina (NSW).

Ashburton grows the Pilbara



Thomas Cox, Natalie Perry, Shane Donation and Dana Panui with her two sons, who won the cubby house built by participants in Ashburton's CDP Work for the Dole Strong Men Program.



THE Pilbara region in Western Australia has seen the innovative work of Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation expand over the past 18 years.

Now, Ashburton has over 1800 participants in its programs and its mission is to create environments that benefit Aboriginal people through the creation of culturally appropriate employment and enterprise opportunities as well as education and training services.

Ashburton chief executive Janet Brown has been evolving the organisation from one which relied on government grants for its funding to a fee-for-service based model, built around the belief that government is a client and the whole organisation is an enterprise that should be delivering benefits – financial and social – back into the community.

To build on their founding purpose of increasing employment and training, Ashburton has created enterprises such as the Onslow Tyres and Mechanical Service, Ashoil (a biodiesel manufacturing plant) and the 225,000-hectare Peedamulla Station (a sustainable cattle station where Ashburton conducts its pastoral training).

In 2011, Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation took on its first cattle station.

"I went to our bank manager at the time

asking for some money for cattle," Ms Brown said.

"They told me 'There's no money in cattle' but we proved them wrong. We have quite a good history of innovation as a corporation."

Each of Ashburton's enterprises are connected, creating economically and environmentally sound ecosystems centred on developing regional Indigenous communities.

In future, the corporation will focus on creating sustainable environmental practices with an emphasis on regenerating traditional waterways and irrigated agriculture.

"Everything we do is 100% Indigenous-owned," Ms Brown said.

"This also means working with traditional owners to restore stability to pastoral areas, flora and fauna, river systems and aquifers, and then finding solutions to work with the land whilst still delivering our enterprise solutions."

A challenge for Ashburton has been retaining staff who are committed to living in regional areas. Their model has been to build employees' skills, which also builds their confidence and independence.

"Many of our participants and our employees have said to us, 'I never thought I could do this.'"

"That is what is so special about what we do – people who had never been given the opportunity have now thrived."

Traffic management makes new pathways



A NEW Aboriginal-owned traffic management company wants to provide career opportunities for potentially hundreds of Aboriginal people in Western Australia.

IQ Traffic will provide safe and tailored traffic management services to clients in the mid-west, the south-west and the Goldfields.

The new traffic start-up will provide opportunities for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people to be trained for career opportunities in the traffic management industry.

The company is the result of a partnership between WA Aboriginal consultancy company IPS and traffic management company

Quality Traffic Management. "There is a real need for more Aboriginal businesses in WA, and for those businesses to provide greater career and training opportunities," IQ Traffic managing director Katina Law said.

"Particularly in the regions, we want to see opportunities in a culturally safe work environment."

IQ Traffic has adopted a four pillar approach to providing opportunities through Aboriginal ownership, employment, supplier engagement and career pathways.

The company is actively engaging with state and local government agencies and corporate clients to unearth and drive opportunities.

"There is a social return on investment – for every dollar paid to an Aboriginal

business, more than \$4 of economic and social value is created," Ms Law said.

"If you speak to any successful person or business, you are likely to find that somewhere along the way, someone took a chance on them, removed a barrier, took a leap of faith."

IQ Traffic will be taking conscious steps to provide opportunities, which will then have a flow-on effect to families, businesses and communities.

"Our aim is to be the biggest regionally based traffic business in WA," Ms Law said.

IQ Traffic will provide clients with the opportunity to meet their supplier diversity requirements, a key plank of the WA Government's new Aboriginal Procurement Policy.



Indigenous entrepreneur James Fewre.

New entrepreneurship brings lasting change



"If we want to see real and lasting changes in our communities, it will start with Indigenous entrepreneurship."

This is the philosophy of Indigenous entrepreneur James Fewre, who has created FEWRE – a "socially responsible" luxury watch brand.

As an Aboriginal man, Mr Fewre feels a strong obligation to give back to Australia's Indigenous community and help Close the Gap.

Mr Fewre said he will donate 5% of FEWRE profits to Indigenous charities and plans to increase this contribution to 10% as soon as the enterprise experiences positive growth.

The man behind this new watch brand began his career as a student of mechanical engineering and entrepreneurship at the Queensland University of Technology (QUT).

"The motivation behind the launch of the FEWRE brand is to offer luxury products of uncompromising quality and value at a down-to-earth price," Mr Fewre said.

"At the same time, I'd like to reduce

disadvantage among Aboriginal people."

FEWRE has also released the limited edition Melburnian 1910 automatic watch on Kickstarter.

"For the first time, buyers will be able to see the cost components of a luxury watch, including the retail markup, before making their purchase decision," Mr Fewre said.

"In the past, consumers purchased a luxury watch without being aware of the staggering markup factored into its price. I want to create a brand that you can trust and that means giving the consumer all the information they need to make an informed purchase decision, including the profit margin."

Mr Fewre has launched a crowdfunding campaign via Kickstarter to raise initial funding to launch his business. Kickstarter is where 'backers' can support a business idea by pre-ordering their products or services. This, in turn, provides the funding needed to launch the new business venture. Anyone who helps Mr Fewre launch his venture will also receive \$250 off the future retail price.

For more information, visit <https://fewrewatch.com>



Chelisa Eades and Brittany Linforth are ready for IQ Traffic.

Weaving evokes spirits



Artist Abe Muriata. Photo: Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre.



GIRRAMAY traditional owner Abe Muriata is an artist and a weaver.

He has been at the forefront of a campaign to remove fake Aboriginal art made by non-Indigenous people from retail outlets across Australia and will be giving a free public talk at the Cairns Art Gallery on April 7 at 2pm.

"I make Jawun, the bicornual basket," he said.

"My work is a culmination of 10 years' learning and it has essentially been a relearning of a nearly lost craft."

Mr Muriata is one of the far north Queensland artists with works on show at Cairns Art Gallery as part of the national travelling exhibition *Manggan – gather, gathers, gathering*.

His art style works with ancestral tools such as Bagu (body) and Jiman (sticks), which were traditionally used to make fire, but now have been transformed into an

artform by the Girringun artists.

Made from clay, timber and string, and painted with ochres, these artworks evoke the spirit of the old people. They are displayed with collection objects and historic photographs from the South Australian Museum.

Together, they provide a unique opportunity to engage with the Aboriginal rainforest art traditions and culture from the Girringun region of far north Queensland.

"One of my Jawun is included in this show," Mr Muriata said.

"Beside the really beautiful Jawun, which has been loaned from the South Australian Museum, my Jawun pales in comparison.

"Honed by thousands of years of craftsmanship, the old basket embodies the perfection of skill at the hand of the maker, who learned their knowledge as a kind of apprenticeship."

The exhibition is presented in

partnership between Girringun Aboriginal Art Centre and the South Australian Museum and is being toured by Museums and Galleries Queensland.

Girringun Aboriginal Arts Centre manager Dr Valerie Keenan said traditional culture is pivotal to the creativity of artists in the Girringun region.

"This exhibition shows an evolution of objects created for use, such as tools, to objects with a more aesthetic purpose," she said.

"Displayed side by side, the new and the old, the objects create a dialogue of contrast and of change."

Featured artists include Abe Muriata, Daniel Beeron, George Beeron Snr, Maureen Beeron, Theresa Beeron, Nancy Cowan, Nephi Denham, Sandra Escott, Tonya Grant, Judith Henry, Clarence Kinjun, Doris Kinjun, Alison Murray, Debra Murray, Emily Murray, John Murray, Ninney Murray, Sally Murray and Eileen Tep.

Australians join Big Dance with the rest of the world



IF you love dance, you'll love Big Dance 2018.

It's a celebration spreading the love of dance across the nation – getting people of all ages and abilities dancing in time with thousands of others across the globe.

NAISDA Dance College has teamed up with Ausdance NSW to bring Big Dance to Australia. Established in 2006 in London, Big Dance encourages people to learn the official routine and perform it on International Dance Day, April 29.

The routine was choreographed by NAISDA's Frances Rings and Craig Bary, who both want to convey the strong connection to the land that all Australians share.

"We are lucky to live in an incredible country that still emits ancient energy and incredible living culture," Ms Rings said.

"The choreography represents our bloodlines, our culture and everyone coming together as we acknowledge the red earth as our spiritual centre.

"Big Dance will connect everyone through movement and bring people



Kassidy Waters, one of the dance teachers for Big Dance.

together to share their stories and experiences with pride and from any dance form."

Wanaruah woman Kassidy Waters is one of the dance teachers helping with Big Dance.

Ms Waters performed with Jannawi Dance Clan at the Rainbow Serpent Festival this year and will be performing at the Treaty of Waitangi Festival in New Zealand with Wagana Aboriginal Dancers.

She is a graduate of NAISDA Dance College.

The five-minute Big Dance routine is available as an online tutorial.

You can gather friends and family and learn the Big Dance online or at one of the free Ausdance workshops running in Sydney or Melbourne.

Participants can learn one of three sequences – red, black or white.

The colours symbolise Indigenous people, non-Indigenous people and the spiritual heart of Australia (bloodline and lineage) which is seen as the connection between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people.

To get involved with Big Dance, visit www.bigdance.org.au



A model wears Saretta Fielding's designs.

Silk wins the Easter show



A SILK kimono and head scarf with a corroboree artwork design

has won first place in the wearable art section of the Sydney Royal Easter Show fashion parade.

It's the work of Wonaruah woman Saretta Fielding, who has won international awards, including the Ray-Ban sunglasses design award.

Ms Fielding's artworks are connected to country in style and design using a sand-based medium. The textured pieces reflect the sandstone engraved artworks created by her ancestors in Wonaruah country in the Hunter Valley.

Her art features traditional symbolism with contemporary design, textured backdrops and colour blends, and each fabric design originates from

a fine artwork, capturing story and traditional engraved techniques.

"I'm also excited to take out two first-place wins at our Newcastle Regional Show," Ms Fielding said.

"As an Aboriginal artist, it's an opportunity for me to promote my art and our stories and culture through my fine art and fashion range."

Ms Fielding's win at the Newcastle Show was for her artwork *Bantimira – Message Stick* and for the best exhibit win for her work *Baraban – Biraban*, celebrating the life of the renowned Lake Macquarie Aboriginal leader.

Ms Fielding will be launching a new silk kimono range in September featuring six artwork designs and is hoping to have them modelled at a Sydney event.

Arts program calls to more Koori creatives



APPLICATIONS are open for a new Creative Koori fund for Aboriginal arts and culture projects.

The Creative Koori Aboriginal Strategic Program from Create NSW will offer individuals and organisations up to \$75,000 towards projects and employment that support a vibrant Aboriginal arts and cultural sector in NSW.

The program will support initiatives that increase employment opportunities for Aboriginal people at all stages of their artistic practice. It will also build the capacity and

sustainability of NSW Aboriginal arts and cultural organisations and activities, and increase the professional and skills development opportunities for Aboriginal artists and arts and cultural workers across the state.

Create NSW acting chief executive Grainne Brunsdon said finding new opportunities to allow Aboriginal arts and culture to thrive is a key priority for the NSW Government and Creative Koori is a targeted initiative that will help in shaping a more diverse cultural landscape across the state.

"Whether it's the incorporation of

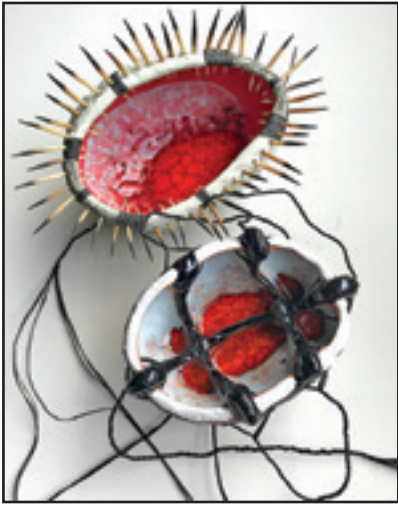
Aboriginal culture as part of a festival, performance or exhibition, or the direct employment and engagement of Aboriginal people in key creative roles, we're keen to hear about proposals that can support either one of these factors, or a mixture of both," he said.

"Funding priority will be given to teams including Aboriginal people and Aboriginal-led organisations."

Applications close on April 16. For application information, visit www.create.nsw.gov.au/funding-and-support/types-of-funding/creative-koori-aboriginal-strategic-program



Camping Grounds by Jackie Wirramanda.



Waterhole Spirits by Penny Evans.



Ceramic artist Yhonnie Scarce with some of her works. Photo: Jesse Graham

Artists fired up to win



IT'S a prize worth winning. One of seven artists with work in the 2018 *Indigenous Ceramic Award* will win the \$20,000 acquisitive prize – but the winner won't find out until August.

The exhibition of ceramic work is on display at Shepparton Art Museum (SAM) and celebrates ceramics by Indigenous artists and art collectives.

The biennial award showcases new developments in the field of ceramics and contributes to

SAM's holdings of Indigenous ceramic art. It also provides cultural exchange opportunities for Indigenous artists from regional Victoria and around Australia. The 2018 shortlisted artists are Dean Cross (Worimi, ACT), Jackie Wirramanda (Wergaia, Vic), Jan

Goongaja Griffiths (Miriwoong/Ngarinyman-Waringarri Aboriginal Arts, WA), Janet Fieldhouse (Torres Strait Islands, Qld), Jock Puautjimi (Tiwi-Tiwi Design Aboriginal Corporation, NT), Penny Evans (Gamilaraay/Gomeroi, NSW) and

Yhonnie Scarce (Kokatha/Nukunu, SA). A series of public programs and knowledge exchanges will accompany the exhibition and will develop skills. The exhibition opens on August 25 and runs until November 11.



Dancers at the annual NAIDOC in the City event held in Hyde Park, Sydney.

Sydney seeks more art for the streets



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander artists and designers are invited to share their ideas for new street banners and signs celebrating the world's oldest living cultures.

The City of Sydney is seeking proposals for an original artwork design that celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and cultures on Gadigal country.

The artwork will be used on street banners across the city centre and NAIDOC Week promotional materials.

Lord Mayor Clover Moore said the winning design would help promote Sydney's rich cultural history and inspire a sense of pride and connection to place.

"We are proud to recognise and celebrate the world's longest living cultures and pay tribute to the first inhabitants and custodians of the region, the Gadigal people," she said.

"We're inviting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists and designers to share their vision for how Gadigal country can be

recognised and celebrated throughout our great city."

Applicants are required to submit an outline of their proposal and approach for creating an original artwork, along with a copy of their portfolio. Expressions of interest do not need to include a complete artwork.

If successful, the artist or designer will be engaged to develop a final artwork that will:

- recognise the traditional custodians of the place we now call Sydney;
- highlight the unique identity and story of Sydney and its rich cultural history; and
- incorporate local Aboriginal language and the Gadigal phrase *bujari gamarruwa*, meaning 'good day'.

The winning design will feature in the City of Sydney's NAIDOC Week materials, including signs for the NAIDOC in the City event in July.

Expressions of interest close at 5pm on Sunday, April 8.

For more information, visit cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au/acknowledging-gadigal-country

Colonialism questioned



FALSE Claims of Colonial Thieves is a new poetry book that calls into question what we think

we know about country, colonisation, land and identity.

Written by Australian poets Charmaine Papertalk Green and John Kinsella, each poem in the book is part of a conversation which weaves two differing lives and experiences together.

The book is published through Magabala Books and was recently launched at Perth Festival Writers Week.

Ms Papertalk Green has been speaking at writers' festivals in Hobart and Newcastle before heading to Geraldton in May for the Big Sky Readers and Writers Festival.

Ms Papertalk Green is a poet, writer and visual artist, as well as being a WA Centre for Rural Health research associate.

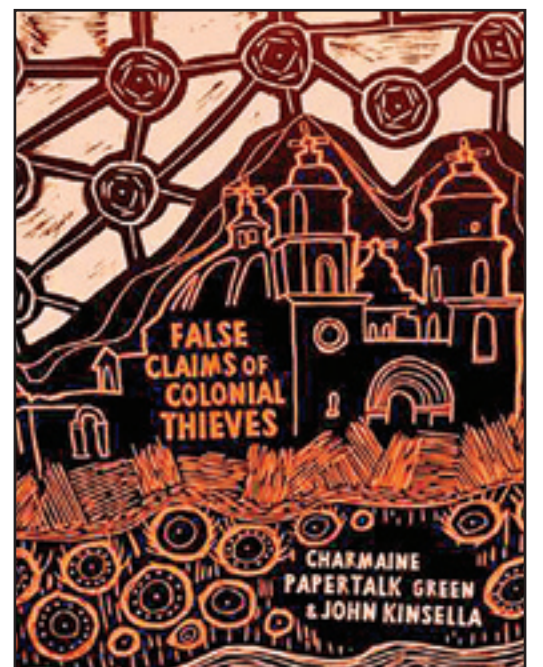
Her mother is of the Wajarri and Amangu people and her father of the Badimaya people.

Poet John Kinsella is a former Geraldton resident.

Pictured right: The newly published book *False Claims of Colonial Thieves*.



Author Charmaine Papertalk Green. Photo: Mia Jeffrey



A fellow who experiments



GAMILAROI man Travis de Vries has been announced as this year's NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellow. The Fellowship enables a professional Aboriginal artist to undertake a self-directed program of professional development.

Mr de Vries will use the funding provided by the Fellowship to research Gamilaroi language and lore by taking part in a residency at the Australian Museum this year. He will use his findings to inform a major new body of work for an exhibition debuting in 2019 at the Muswellbrook Regional Arts Centre.

Create NSW chief executive Michael Brealey said Mr de Vries "carefully researches and experiments".

"Travis is able to interpret Aboriginal culture, bringing it to life with a standout graphic style that appeals to both Western and contemporary Indigenous audiences," he said.

The scholarship is part of stage two of the Aboriginal Arts and Cultural Strategy for NSW 2015-2018, which focuses on artists, visibility, community and jobs. Create NSW is focused on developing career pathways and opportunities, and strengthening the multi-disciplinary Aboriginal arts and cultural sector in NSW.

Mr de Vries joins past recipients of the Fellowship such as theatre producer and curator Andrea James and author and arts leader Cathy Craigie.

Create NSW has advised that the program will be continuing into 2019, and information about the next round of applications will be on the Create NSW website soon.



NSW Aboriginal Arts Fellow Travis de Vries.



Winners of the Nanga Mai Awards, who have all made outstanding contributions to Aboriginal education.

Schools dream of Nanga Mai Awards



Winner of the Academic Excellence Award, Dylan Barnes.



AN early education worker who went back to school at the age of 64 has

received a prestigious award for her work in lifting Aboriginal student achievement.

Doonside Public School Aboriginal education officer Gloria Harrison received the Nanga Mai Award for outstanding contribution to Aboriginal achievement by an Aboriginal staff member.

Ms Harrison has been an early childhood educator for 37 years, with 16 of those at Wingarra Aboriginal Preschool in the grounds of Doonside Public School.

She is strongly committed to assisting Aboriginal students from low socio-economic backgrounds to reach educational and social benchmarks and has played a key role in bringing Aboriginal perspectives into the school's everyday program.

At the age of 64 she took up

study to gain her Certificate III in Early Childhood Education.

Ms Harrison was among 17 students and nine dedicated teachers and community leaders who were recognised at the award ceremony.

Bourke Local Aboriginal Education Consultative Group member Maxine Mackay won the outstanding contribution to educational achievement by an Aboriginal community member for her work with Bourke High School.

Ms Mackay has been involved in the Bourke education community for more than 20 years, increasing cultural sensitivity among teaching staff.

She played a key role in the development of culturally sensitive transition pathways from early childhood to secondary school for children aged between three and 18 years.

NSW Department of Education secretary Mark Scott, said the Nanga Mai awards are one of the

most significant events in the department's calendar.

"Nanga Mai is an Eora word which means 'to dream' and at these awards we celebrate and acknowledge students, staff and community members who have made tremendous contributions to Aboriginal education," Mr Scott said.

"I am particularly pleased to see the diversity in the contributions being made to Aboriginal education, from performing arts and mentoring through to sports and languages.

"This diversity recognises that all our students are different and take a unique pathway through school, and it is the department's job to make that pathway as engaging and supportive as possible."

The award ceremony featured student performances from the Aboriginal Vocal Identification Program, Adamstown Public School Aboriginal Dance Group and the Gili Dancers.



One of the Adamstown dancers performing at the awards.

When the spark comes, make a fire



SOMETIMES, the fire of motivation to study comes from someone else.

For 29-year-old cameraman and emergency responder Michael Hamilton, it was his younger brother Daniel who sparked the flame.

"I'd been out of school for 10 years working as a cameraman, then in the fire brigade and as an emergency response trainer," Mr Hamilton said.

"I always wanted to go to film school. As a kid, I worked on the cameras at the turf club on a Saturday and when I left school, I got a filming job with one of the big production houses in Darwin. I worked there fulltime for three years and still do some freelance jobs for them.

"So I've got a lot of practical experience and on-the-job training but I'd never had the opportunity to learn the basics; to get that more rounded perspective of all the different aspects of the film and television industry."

But then his younger brother Daniel received a scholarship to study International Relations and Law at Bond University.

"I came down from Darwin to visit him and he took me through



Cameraman Michael Hamilton studies at Bond University.

the film labs and studios. I also had a couple of mates who'd come to Bond and they spoke pretty highly of it – and then my girlfriend enrolled here in her Masters of Clinical Psychology.

"I realised it was now or never. If I didn't take time out now to get a formal qualification, I probably wouldn't do it at all."

Michael received an

Indigenous scholarship and is now nearing the end of his Bachelor of Film and Television degree. He admits that it was challenging to return to full-time study after 10 years away from the books, but he found a solid network of support on campus through the Nyombil Centre.

"When you come to uni, everyone just expects you to

know about all the online stuff, submitting assignments and that sort of thing," he said.

"The Nyombil Centre has been really good in terms of helping me work all that out. There's always someone here you can ask."

When he's not studying or playing for the Bond AFL team, Mr Hamilton is at the centre working on assignments, firing up the

barbecue or visiting the Tweed Indigenous community.

"Growing up in the Northern Territory, my parents ran a student hostel for Aboriginal kids in Katherine before we moved to Darwin where, again, there's a large Indigenous community, so culture has always been part of my life," he said.

"But it's great to learn more about different Indigenous communities, like the Tweed guys and the other students from all over Australia that I've gotten to know through the Nyombil Centre."

Mr Hamilton has taken a semester off to work in South Africa on the Channel Ten show *I'm a Celebrity... Get Me Out of Here!* He'll return to Bond for his final semester in September.

After that, he plans to go back to Darwin to get work.

"Ultimately, it's all about contacts," he said.

"It's one of those industries where you make friends with people and friends employ friends. If you're good at your job, people will want you."

"Hopefully, my success will inspire another budding filmmaker to follow in my footsteps and enjoy the incredible opportunities that a Bond University Indigenous scholarship offers."



Barbara Martin, Fiona Gibson and Yamurna (Nancy) Oldfield at the book launch.
Photo: Lisa Hatzimihail

We always stay



ENCOURAGING aspiring Aboriginal teachers to follow in their footsteps, Aboriginal teachers from Central Australia have documented their education journeys in a new book *We Always Stay*.

The teachers – all women – have worked in their community schools for more than 30 years and wrote the book with the help of Lisa Hall from the Batchelor Institute. The book aims to raise awareness of the achievements of Aboriginal teachers and the barriers they face, and encourage aspiring teachers to follow in their footsteps.

Nyirripi community teacher Fiona Gibson said teaching in a small community five hours north west of Alice Springs has been an amazing experience.

"I hope people can hear my story and how people helped me, all the community people, how my family helped me," Ms Gibson said.

"Then community people can see it for

themselves and start thinking 'We might ask to study' because our community needs more Yapa [Aboriginal] teachers."

Linda Anderson, from Papunya, said it's important to have Anangu [Aboriginal] teachers in the classrooms "because they know the culture from the inside".

Ms Anderson's career shows how, with the right support, bilingual and bi-cultural local teachers can make a contribution to their communities and their non-Aboriginal colleagues, who rarely stay long in the bush.

Yuendumu teacher Barbara Martin said: "Kardiya [non-Aboriginal] teachers are just visitors. We are the ones who will always be here, teaching our kids."

Ms Martin and three of her co-authors are members of the Central Land Council's Warlpiri Education and Training Trust (WETT), a community development program which funded the book from gold mining royalties. *We Always Stay* is available from www.batchelorpress.com



NYIRRIPI community has welcomed the official reopening of its Early Childhood Centre with a community celebration that focused on children's health and wellbeing. The centre opening comes shortly after Yuelamu Early Childhood Centre was also reopened.

Both Milpa and Vegie Man were on hand for the celebrations and to emphasise the importance of healthy lifestyles.

The reopening of both childcare services followed successful financial negotiations between the Central Desert Regional Council and the Australian Government Department of Education and Training.

In December 2016, the Northern Territory Government handed the services back to the Commonwealth due to uncertain financial viability.

Central Desert Regional Council president Adrian Dixon said the communities have been waiting for a long time for the reopening.

"This is good news for Nyirripi and Yuelamu communities," he said.

"We're really happy that the council has been able work with the

Commonwealth to get the childcare centres back open. Families now have somewhere to take the little kids to get them ready for school and the staff are back working and looking forward to childcare training."

Central Desert Regional Council chief executive Diane Hood said the council's early childhood programs offer a safe place for families to access parenting support and to socialise and learn about happy and healthy lifestyles.

"Parents who are working or studying have peace of mind that their children are preparing for their first years of school in a safe environment," she said.

"We are proud to be once again be providing vital support services to Yuelamu and Nyirripi families."

Remote area childcare services have been the focus of specific attention by the NT Government to ensure they remain financially viable.

To be eligible to receive the Commonwealth's childcare subsidy and improve the service's financial viability, Central Desert Regional Council is introducing national quality standards and working with the Commonwealth to continuously improve the services on offer.

Jason's dying wish



Jason Bartlett, who died of diabetes-related illnesses last year, recorded a video aimed at improving the lives of Aboriginal people.



A HAUNTING video message recorded by a man dying from diabetes-related illnesses is being made available to diabetes educators – along with two new education programs – to improve the health of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Minister for Aged Care and Minister for Indigenous Health Ken Wyatt said approximately 1.2 million Australians have been diagnosed with diabetes and Indigenous people are four times more likely to die from the condition than other Australians.

Mr Wyatt recently joined the Australian Diabetes Educators Association (ADEA) to launch the new materials.

The online e-learning tools

and core competency framework are available through the ADEA and the government.

Minister Wyatt said he hoped the video, recorded by 36-year-old Jason Bartlett before he died last year, would have a positive impact on people at risk of diabetes.

"Jason was my cousin, a successful musician and a much-loved father of two," Mr Wyatt said.

"I thank the ADEA because it was his dying wish that his message be seen by as many people as possible, especially young Indigenous people, to warn them to look after themselves and to heed the advice of health professionals."

It is estimated at least 11% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 15 years

and over have diabetes – almost triple the prevalence rate compared with non-Indigenous Australians.

The self-directed aged care e-learning modules have been developed for educators, nurses and aged care workers who teach self-management skills to people with diabetes, their families and carers, healthcare teams and community members.

The national core competencies for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander diabetes health workers and practitioners is a framework to develop and enhance diabetes management skills. This adds to ADEA's existing core competencies for credentialed diabetes educators.

Minister Wyatt commended the organisations involved in the

development of the two education programs – the ADEA, Indigenous Allied Health Australia and the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers Association.

"It is through such collaboration – between governments, health organisations, professionals and patients – that people suffering from diseases and disorders are better diagnosed and supported to maintain the highest quality of life possible," the Minister said.

Information about the implementation of the Australian National Diabetes Strategy is available online.

Passing On Wisdom: Jason's Diabetes Story is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RcbQmLeDTs>



Health worker Mellissa Malley, Katie Chouffot and mum Nadine Chouffot with Deborah Schneider who recently had her breast screen.

Breast health starts with a check up and support



INDIGENOUS health worker Mellissa Malley knows the importance of good breast health and each year encourages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women to have a breast screen.

Working from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Health Service in Northgate, Mellissa arranges regular appointments for her Indigenous clients and as a group they attend their nearest BreastScreen Queensland service at Chermiside.

"It is easier for the client if I pick them up and take them to Chermiside; and it provides them with a great incentive to go," Ms Malley said.

"It is so important for all women to have a regular breast screen every two years but sometimes time and other life events can take over and we forget.

"It is my job to keep our ladies informed about important health issues such as breast screening."

Northgate clinic client Deborah Schneider said she was thankful Mellissa had made the appointment for her.

"I knew I was overdue and I am glad I did it," Deborah said.

"We can overcome how we feel when it is time to have our breast screen and we should

not feel shamed or embarrassed.

"The staff at BreastScreen are great and understand that some ladies can get a little anxious. I want to be around to watch my grandchildren grow up and having a regular breast screen is just one thing I need to do to keep healthy."

BreastScreen Queensland's Brisbane Northside Service medical director Dr Jane Brazier said women aged 50 to 74 are especially encouraged to make an appointment for their breast screen, however, all women from the age of 40 are eligible for a free breast screen.

A GP referral is not required.

"Family comes first for most women, so finding time to look after their health can be quite hard. Making an appointment to have a free breast screen is easy to do and so important for all eligible women," she said.

Women are also reminded to be 'breast aware' by getting to know the normal look and feel of their breasts. Dr Brazier said women should have a talk to their doctor or health worker if they notice any changes.

BreastScreen Queensland services are located at North Lakes, Chermiside, Kippa-Ring, Keperra, Indooroopilly and Brisbane City. Appointments can be made by phoning 13 20 50 or online at breastscreen.qld.gov.au

Darling Downs Hospital stages community expo



AT a mini health expo held recently at

Goondawindi Hospital, Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service (DDHHS) chief executive Dr Peter Gillies said the service was committed to improving Indigenous health outcomes.

"It's been 10 years since the COAG Closing the Gap initiatives began and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health remains a priority of the Darling Downs Hospital and Health Service," Dr Gillies said.

"There are more than 14,000 people who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander in our HHS area, and we are

continually investing in projects and services that make a real difference to the communities we serve.

"To do this we are working in collaboration with our partner organisations and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities to identify and then close the gaps in our service provision through implementing innovative programs and initiatives.

"While we are very proud of the work we have done up to this point, we recognise that there is still much to do."

Director of Nursing Lorraine McMurtrie said Indigenous health equality was a major focus at Goondawindi Hospital.

"We provide healthcare services to significant Indigenous populations in the local area," she said.

"One of our key initiatives is the implementation of a cross-border model, partnering with New South Wales-based Hunter-New England Health (HNEH), to provide healthcare support to the Toomelah community.

"We work in conjunction with a community health nurse from HNEH, where one of our midwives and an advanced Indigenous health worker provide a monthly service with a particular emphasis on antenatal care and parenting programs to give newborns the best possible start."



Jamie Harris, Amanda Lang, Glynis, Anne-Marie and Shaz enjoying the mini health expo at Goondawindi Hospital.

Footy benefits remote areas



AN Australian Rules football competition in Central

Australia's bush communities could improve people's health.

This revelation came on the eve of the 2018 AFL season, when Charles Darwin University Indigenous social researcher Professor Barry Judd put forward the idea at the Australian Club in Melbourne.

"I spoke about the wellbeing benefits of playing football in Indigenous communities such as Papunya, and the need for an on-country football league with support from the AFL industry to operate out there," Prof Judd said.

"These communities are safe places for young men to play football. There, they know how to behave socially according to traditional law, and Elders engage with younger men and put



Pitjantjatjara man Professor Barry Judd.

them on a right path in life through football."

Professor Judd, a descendant of the Pitjantjatjara people and a scholar on Aboriginal participation in Australian sport, has observed the social impact of Australian Rules on Indigenous Australia and how

participation in organised sport affects identity and everyday life in communities.

He said a number of social issues could be linked to football's existing structure in Central Australia, which funnels many games into Alice Springs.

"Young men come to

Alice Springs to play or watch football and don't leave. This can lead to overcrowding in town camps, people running out of money for food, and law and order issues that contribute to the high number of Indigenous men who end up in jail.

"We could minimise

risk by reducing the number of trips these young fellas make to Alice to play football in a way that is similar to how the game is structured in Top End communities and Arnhem Land."

Professor Judd said that the 'bush league' might comprise six or eight teams from communities west and north west of Alice Springs, which competed in a home and away format, followed by a short finals series.

"We have the expertise to study and analyse such a football competition and to track changes in wellbeing, but what's needed is a supporter who's prepared to invest in on-country football over a number of years," he said.

"Football has a positive impact in the lives of young Aboriginal men by keeping them fit and on the right path, but it could do much more if we restructure football in Central Australia."

Free flu vaccine



FLU vaccines for all over-65s, pregnant women, Indigenous people over 15, all children under five and people with chronic disease will be freely

available in Queensland. The government-funded vaccine will be distributed in April.

The Queensland Government hopes the program, along with a change to this year's flu vaccine and new detection technology, will help stop the spread of the virus.

Queensland's chief health officer Dr Jeannette Young said it's important all children over six months be vaccinated this season and at the right time.

"For most people, the vaccine has its highest degree of coverage for four to five months, and it takes around 10 days to two weeks to develop immunity," she said.

"So given our flu season starts around June and peaks in August, we recommend people get vaccinated towards the end of April through to mid-May."

Dr Young said much of last year's flu problems was due to a less effective vaccine, which did not cover the main strain circulating in the community.

"The most important thing is if you're sick with the flu, stay home," she said.

New women's health book to save lives



A NEW publication from Cancer Australia will help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers reduce the impact of gynaecological cancers in their communities by providing women with information

and support.

Gynaecological Cancers: a Handbook for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners promotes risk reduction, cervical cancer screening, awareness of symptoms, early detection and appropriate and timely referral and treatment.

Gynaecological cancers include cervical, endometrial (uterine) and ovarian cancers.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women have a different pattern of gynaecological cancer incidence and mortality compared to non-Indigenous women.

Cancer Australia CEO Dr Helen Zorbas said that Indigenous health workers play a vital role in the healthcare of Indigenous communities and are critical to achieving better cancer outcomes.

"*Gynaecological Cancers: a Handbook for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Workers and Health Practitioners* has been

developed with input from key Indigenous health organisations and experts," Dr Zorbas said.

"The Handbook guides health workers in addressing misconceptions about gynaecological cancers, suggests ways to encourage women to reduce their risk, including undertaking cervical

cancer screening and HPV vaccination, and provides methods for managing embarrassing or sensitive topics.

"It contains chapters explaining cervical, endometrial and ovarian cancers, providing support for women through a cancer diagnosis and treatment, and suggesting ways to manage instances where a woman's

cancer returns or spreads.

"It also emphasises the importance of ensuring women understand the medical advice they're given and explaining medical jargon, and how health workers can use diagrams, pictures and written information for the woman and her family to take away. All of these are steps towards improving gynaecological cancer outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women."

The book is available on the Cancer Australia website.

Key facts about women's health

Compared to other women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women are:

- 2.5 times more likely to be diagnosed with cervical cancer (2013).
- 3.8 times more likely to die from cervical cancer (2015).
- 1.8 times more likely to be diagnosed with endometrial (uterine) cancer (2013).
- 2.2 times more likely to die from endometrial cancer (2015).

Scholarships Available

For Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Midwifery students and Midwives (15 available)

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indigenousmidwives.org.au/scholarships-awards/

OR contact the

Poche Centre for Indigenous Health (University of Sydney)

on **(02) 9114 1117**

email **amy.traeager@sydney.edu.au**

Applications close 5pm (EST) Sunday April 22

The Rhodanthe Lipsett Indigenous Midwifery Charitable Fund Scholarship program is proudly supported by the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health Sydney.

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.

May 6-June 23: Archie Roach and Tiddas National Tour starting in Melbourne. Costs apply. Full details at www.archieroach.com/tour

May 13: Baker Boy national headline tour starting in Perth. Costs apply. Full details at www.facebook.com/dabakerboy

June 5-7: 2018 National Native Title Conference in Broome, Western Australia. Full details at www.aiatsis.gov.au

June 28-29: The National Conference on Indigenous Incarceration at Mantra at Salt Beach, far northern NSW. An optional workshop on healing centres as alternatives to prisons will be held in Grafton, northern NSW, on June 30. More details at www.facebook.com/pages/Close-the-PrisonGap/1575863035964148

August 11: National Indigenous Music Awards in Darwin. Entries now open. Closing date is June 8. More details and nominations at www.indigenousmusic.com.au

Victoria

Now open: Nominations for the Victorian Aboriginal Honour Role, which recognises the achievements of Aboriginal Victorians who have made a profound contribution to their community and the state. Nominations close on July 7. Full details at dpc.vic.gov.au/vahr

Until July 15: *Bush Mechanics: The Exhibition* at Bunjilaka Aboriginal Cultural Centre at Melbourne Museum. Costs apply. Full details at www.museumsvictoria.com.au/bunjilaka/

Until May 13: New exhibitions *Baga-k gaabi bruna biik* (Symbols in Sand) and *Benim: Cloaked Histories* on display at the Koorie Heritage Trust at Federation Square in Melbourne. Full details at www.koorieheritagetrust.com.au

Until September 2: *Colony: Frontier Wars* exhibition at the National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne. Full details at www.ngv.vic.gov.au

April 6-10: School holiday program creative kids workshops at Koorie Heritage Trust, Melbourne. Costs apply. Full details at koorieheritagetrust.com.au

April 7: Melbourne Didgeridoo and Cultural Festival at Finns Reserve at Wombats Bend, Templestowe. Free celebration of Aboriginal culture. Details at www.didgefestival.com.au

NSW-ACT

Ongoing: ACE Community College Aboriginal driver training. Held at ACE Community College, 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.

April 5: Consultation Workshop for the Prospect Hill Plan of Management at Cumberland Council in Merrylands. Details (02) 8757 9791

April 8: Blak Markets at Bare Island Fort in La Perouse, Sydney. Event will feature artists, craft and performances. More details at blakmarkets.com

April 11-May 13: *Black Fellas Dreaming* exhibition at Boomalli in Leichhardt, Sydney. Full details at www.boomalli.com.au

April 17: Aboriginal Affairs seminar at the Australian National University in Canberra. More details at www.aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au

May 5: Sydney Writers' Festival at Carriageworks in Eveleigh, Sydney, 3pm-4pm. Costs apply. Full details at swf.org.au

May 14-18: Walan Mayinygu Indigenous entrepreneurship pop-up innovation hub at Lismore City Hall. Details at www.innovate.csu.edu.au

June 27-30: One-woman show *Gudirr Gudirr* by dance theatre company Marrugeku at the Sydney Opera House, Sydney. Costs apply. Details www.sydneypoperahouse.com

Queensland

Ongoing: *The Albert Namatjira Story*, a new display featuring early works by 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 April 16: UMI Arts *You and Me* members exhibition in Cairns, showcasing works from 12 artists. Details at www.umiarts.com.au

Until April 21: Exhibition of works by Kamilaroi artist Archie Moore at Griffith University Art Museum. Details at www.griffith.edu.au

Until September 2: *Our Sporting Greats* exhibition of top Indigenous sporting talents at State Library of Queensland, Brisbane. More details at www.slq.qld.gov.au

April 4-15: UMI Arts Festival 2018 in Cairns. An art and cultural program that will showcase art, stories and cultures including an art exhibition, artist talks, storytelling and markets. Details at www.umiarts.com.au

April 7: Artist talk with exhibiting artist Abe Muriata and Giringun Aboriginal Art Centre artists at Cairns

Art Gallery. More details at www.cairnsartgallery.com.au

May 16-17: Bindi Wadyabay, Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Languages Forum at held at the Dreamtime Cultural Centre, Rockhampton. Details www.qilac.org.au

June 13-15: Indigenous men's and women's Wellbeing Conferences at the Pullman International, Cairns. Costs apply. Details on this and other Indigenous-related conferences at www.icsconferences.org

July 12: NAIDOC Family and Cultural Celebrations at Ipswich. Events begin 10am at Briggs Road Sports Club, Flinders View. More details from Ipswich City Council (07) 3810 6655.

July 13-15: Cairns Indigenous Art Fair. Details at www.ciaf.com.au

Northern Territory

Until April 8: *Clay Stories: Contemporary Indigenous Ceramics from Remote Australia* exhibition at the Arleen Centre, Alice Springs. A significant survey exhibition of contemporary ceramics by established and emerging Indigenous artists from remote parts of Australia. Details at www.claystories.com.au/touring-venues.html

April 26-29: Tjungu Indigenous Cultural Festival at Ayers Rock Resort. Culture, music, dance, film, markets, fashion, food, sport and much more. Full details at www.ayersrockresort.com.au/events

May 21-June 9: Inaugural Northern Territory Travelling Film Festival. Screenings, workshops and more at venues across the Territory. Details at nttravellingfilmfestival.com

Western Australia

Until August 13: *WA Now – Julie Dowling – Babanyu (Friends for life)* exhibition at the Art Gallery of WA in Perth. Featuring works by the First Nation Badimaya artist. Details at www.artgallery.wa.gov.au

Every Monday in school terms: Reconciliation through music local WA community choir rehearsals. The Madjitiil Moorna choir sings for better understanding and to promote Indigenous culture by practising and performing all over the state. Details at www.madjitiilmoorna.org.au

May 26: National Sorry Day indoor netball tournament at Seamer Indoor Sports Centre, Perth. Details at ms_djc@icloud.com

South Australia

May 1-3: Inaugural Indigenous Women in Business conference, hosted by Indigenous Business Australia. To be held at the Stamford Grand Hotel, Glenelg, Adelaide. Full details at www.strongwomenstrongbusiness.com

December 5-7: The National Child Protection Summit at Pullman Hotel in Adelaide. Event will discuss challenges and practice solutions for the child protection system. More details at kwy.org.au



Ngarrindjeri man Roland Carter is at the centre of the new play *Mewei 3027*.

Friendship emerges from war



DURING WWII, Ngarrindjeri Digger Roland Carter from the Raukkan community in Coorong, South Australia, made a lifelong friendship with Jewish German ethnologist Leonhard Adam.

Their cross-cultural wartime story has been turned into a new theatre work *Mewei 3027*.

Roland Carter (Service No. 3027) became the first Ngarrindjeri man to join the Australian Imperial Forces during World War II. While interned in Germany, he met Jewish German ethnologist Leonhard Adam, employed by the German government to collect information on the culture and customs of the ethnic prisoners.

During meetings between the two, Roland gave Leonhard insight into the customs, history, language and daily life of the Ngarrindjeri people in Australia. From these meetings, their friendship developed.

Forced to flee his German homeland, Leonhard eventually found himself in an Australian internment camp and a new life in Melbourne. The two friends were never to meet again, but through Leonhard's sister-in-law, who travelled to Raukkan in 1947, they reconnected and continued to correspond by mail.

It is through these letters, consultations with family, and workshops with the Raukkan community, that Ngarrindjeri Wathaurong playwright Glenn Shea developed the original work *Mewei 3027* (*Mewei* is the Ngarrindjeri word for Soul).

Mewei 3027 is the second stage of Country Arts SA's broader three-year Aboriginal Diggers Project. The first stage, a short film *Coming Home*, premiered in 2017, and the final stage, scheduled for 2019, will be a visual arts program focusing on Aboriginal servicemen and women in the Vietnam War. The project has been made possible through Country Arts SA and the State Theatre Company of South Australia.

There will be two free readings of the play on April 22 and 25. You can register to attend at www.countryarts.org.au/events/mewei-3027

Organisers are seeking donations to turn the play into a full production in 2019. To donate, visit <https://www.countryarts.org.au/aboriginaldiggers>.

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Recruit Isabelle O'Loughlin-Kickett and family.



Recruits take first steps



THE stories of several new recruits taking their first steps towards their dream jobs as part of the Australian Defence Force (ADF) Indigenous Development Program were launched recently by Minister for Defence Personnel Darren Chester.

The YouTube video tells the story of three new recruits – Isabelle, Malik and Samowa.

Mr Chester said the Navy and Army Indigenous Development Programs (NIDP and AIDP) are important initiatives that enable new recruits to develop skills, knowledge and confidence to pursue a career in the ADF.

"These new recruits will be put through their paces having a unique experience into what a career in the ADF has to offer," Mr Chester said.

"They will receive high-quality training and education with their

weekly routine including technical and further education (TAFE) studies in literacy and numeracy, physical fitness, military training and cultural studies."

Mr Chester said the program's focus is to encourage and support young men and women to reach their potential.

"These new recruits are a great example of the drive and ambition the ADF is looking for. They are also fantastic role models for their communities, who

make a significant contribution to our country's defence force capability," Mr Chester said.

"The ADF's Indigenous development programs have seen more than 270 Indigenous men and women sharpen their skills and broaden their life experiences and I hope many more will take up the challenge and see what a career in the defence force has to offer."

Graduates will obtain a minimum of a TAFE Certificate II

in Foundation Skills. They will have the option of continuing with ADF careers or returning to civilian life with new skills.

The ADF is committed to increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment as part of the wider Closing the Gap strategy. For information, visit www.defencejobs.gov.au/indigeno-us/overview

Isabelle, Malik and Samowa's story can be seen at <https://youtu.be/YDQmsSwcyG8>

More Indigenous women are managers



CENSUS data from 2016 reveals that more Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women than men are employed as managers or professionals.

Almost one-quarter (24% or 21,211) of

employed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander females aged 15 years and over were managers or professionals (such as teachers, doctors, journalists, authors, engineers, and lawyers) in 2016. This was higher than employed Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander males aged 15 years

and over (17% or 15,976 people).

When it comes to Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM), more men than women were engaged in education in these fields.

There were 4260 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander females aged 15 years and over

that completed non-school qualifications in a STEM field of study in 2016, compared with 25,431 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander males aged 15 years and over.

STEM includes the fields of natural and physical sciences, information technology, engineering and related

technologies, and agriculture, environment and related studies.

This accounted for 4% of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander females that completed a non-school qualification.

The most common occupations for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander females with non-school

qualifications in a STEM field of study were professionals (18%), labourers (17%) or technicians and trade workers (16%).

The most common industries for these women were public administration and safety (14%) and healthcare and social assistance (12%).

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Reports To: Adult (SEW) Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Aboriginal Health Worker. The primary function of this role is to provide high quality services, including assessments, examination, treatment and case management, along with contributing to the development of models of holistic health incorporating continuity of care within a clinical team environment.

This position is not available to persons not of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent. (Permitted under the Victorian Equal Opportunity Act 2010 s12 "A person may take a special measure for the purpose of promoting or realizing substantive equality for members of a group with a particular attribute")

Psychologist – Children and Adolescent

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Reports To: Koori Kids and Adolescent Social and Emotional Wellbeing (SEW) Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Psychologist – Children and Adolescent. The role of Psychologist is to provide assessment, diagnosis, case formulation and therapeutic treatment for referred children and adolescents experiencing mental health and/or social and emotional wellbeing difficulties that range from mild to moderate and severe impairment in functioning.

Youth Worker – Koori Kids

Preston Melbourne)

Part-time

Reports To: Koori Kids and Adolescent (SEW) Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Youth Worker – Koori Kids. The Youth Worker role is to work as an effective interdisciplinary team member providing best practice youth work services and interventions within the scope of VAHS integrated services. The Youth Worker will focus on engagement with local high school and primary schools in order to support children and adolescents experiencing mental health and/or SEWB difficulties, and improve their educational and wellbeing outcomes.

Psychiatrist – Child and Adolescent

Preston (Melbourne)

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Reports To: Koorie Kids Program Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Psychiatrist – Child and Adolescent. The role of Psychiatrist ensures the provision of high quality Psychiatric Services to youth and their families within Koori Kids by directly providing comprehensive mental health assessments, acute assessment and home or community based assessment and treatment consistent with best practice models of care with a focus on reducing the duration of untreated psychosis for youth.

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Reports To: Senior Medical Officer

VAHS is seeking the services of an energetic, motivated and driven General Practitioner to form part of the VAHS Family Counselling Services multi-disciplinary team. The role of General Practitioner is primarily to provide general clinical services and specialist mental health services to the Aboriginal Community and also train and educate staff and students and assist in devising and delivering health programs within a Primary Health Care context.

Social and Emotional Wellbeing – Outreach Worker

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Full-time

Reports To: Adult (SEW) Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Social and Wellbeing Outreach Worker. The SEW Outreach Worker role is to provide referral and support services for Aboriginal people (youth and adult) experiencing alcohol, drug, mental health, SEWB related problems and also provide information provision and to facilitate harm minimization concepts. The Outreach Worker will actively facilitate opportunities for increased community engagement and networking (both Aboriginal community and mainstream service providers) in the Northern and Western catchment to support greater service access to health and wellbeing services by the Aboriginal community.

Social Worker – Children and Adolescent

Preston Melbourne)

Part-time

Reports To: Koori Kids and Adolescent (SEW) Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Social Worker – Children and Adolescent. The Social Worker role provides a range of services that include central intake, case management, assessment, counselling, education, referral and liaison with client, family members and staff

Case Management Worker

Preston and Fitzroy(Melbourne)

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Reports To: Clinical Co-ordinator

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Senior Psychologist

Preston (Melbourne)

Full-time

Reports To: Adult (SEW) Team Leader

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Senior Psychologist. The role of Senior Psychologist is to identify, assess, treat and provide counselling to referred clients experiencing social problems, emotional problems, psychological problems and or disruptions to their psychological and emotional well being.

Psychologist

Fitzroy (Melbourne)

Full-time

Reports To: Clinical Psychologist

VAHS is seeking interest from suitably qualified applicants for the position of Psychologist. The role of Psychologist is to provide assessment, diagnosis, case formulation and therapeutic treatment for referred clients experiencing mental health and/or social and emotional wellbeing difficulties that range from mild to moderate and severe impairment in functioning.

How to Apply

Applications can be submitted to:
Employment @vahs.org.au before 13th April 2018.

Request for position description can be made via employment @vahs.org.au.

Full Job Vacancy Notice for each position can be viewed via www.vahs.org.au/employment page



Aboriginal Liaison Officer

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For information on the position and to obtain a recruitment package please contact the contact officer Rowan Lisson on (02) 6659 1213 or rowan.lisson@alc.org.au to obtain further information.

Applications marked "Confidential" and posted to:

The Contact Officer

PO Box 1912, Coffs Harbour, NSW 2450
or e-mailed to above address.

Applications close: Friday, 20th April 2018



Administration Support Officer Native Title Operations

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Applying for the Role

Applications must be lodged electronically on www.iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and the targeted questions must be addressed. A more detailed version of the ad is available when you use the job reference number '495091' on the above mentioned website. Applications submitted via email will not be accepted.

The NSW Department of Industry is an inclusive workplace which promotes diversity and encourages flexible working arrangements.

Applications Close: 15 April 2018

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Virginia Newell on (02) 4925 4130.

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Seeking Independent Advisory Trustee for Native Title Direct Benefits Trust (DBT)

The Banjima people are a Pilbara-based Traditional Owner Group. The Banjima Direct Benefits Trust has been established to guide the use of royalty monies for the benefit of the Banjima people.

The Traditional Owner Advisors to the Trust are seeking to appoint an Independent Advisor for a three-year term to work alongside them as they:

- Shape the Trust distribution policies
- Assess applications to the Trust for assistance
- Make decisions regarding the accumulation, investment and distribution of Trust fund and
- Collaborate with other entities to develop strategies that improve the wellbeing of the Banjima community

Candidates will require the following attributes:

- Business acumen
- Social impact mindset
- Experience of, and insight into, the issues and opportunities facing Indigenous people
- Sound understanding of governance and compliance frameworks
- Demonstrated cross-cultural communication ability
- A track record of providing well informed, independent advice
- Knowledge transfer, mentoring and/or coaching skills
- The capacity to attend meetings at six-weekly intervals and travel to the Pilbara several times a year

This position will receive a remuneration competitive with market rates.

The Forum for Directors of Indigenous Organisations (FDIO) is facilitating the recruitment process. If you are interested in this position, please submit your expression of interest by email to FDIO Executive Officer, Tahnee Davies c/- tahnee.davies@fdio.com.au to receive a candidate information package including advice regarding the application process. Please note, **applications close on Friday 13 April**. No late applications will be considered.



Government of South Australia
Department for Communities and Social Inclusion

Tenancy Practitioner Country

**DCSI - Housing SA
Umuwa (APY Lands)**

Vac No: 307451

Term up to 28/06/2019

\$69,135 - \$72,262 p.a. (OPS4)

This position offers an exciting opportunity to be involved in a new project set on the APY Lands. The area is situated in the Central Desert surrounded by mountain ranges, and offers a unique experience. You will work within a small team to provide housing and support services at a household level, and developing networks to provide high quality services and deliver outcomes. We are seeking to recruit a candidate to provide services that make a difference to community and family.

Special Conditions: Successful applicant will be required to satisfactorily complete a Background Screening and National Criminal History Record Check (NCHRC) prior to being employed and every three years. The incumbent in the role is a Mandated Notifier of child abuse under the Children's Protection Act 1993. Must hold a current Australian issued Driver's licence (equivalent to minimum class 'C' – South Australian), which must be maintained. Incumbents must be willing and able to drive all government vehicles within their licence classification during the course of their duties. The incumbent may be assigned to any other area to perform work of a similar nature appropriate to the classification on a temporary or continuing basis. Frequent out of hours work, intrastate and interstate travel necessitating overnight absences will be required and driving a four-wheel drive in rough and remote terrain is required. The role is based at Umuwa in the APY Lands.

Essential Qualifications: Certificate III in Community Services or equivalent

Additional Notes: The South Australian public sector promotes diversity and flexible ways of working including part-time. 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 www.dcsi.sa.gov.au/careers

**Enquiries to Ms Sarah Morris,
(08) 8413 8165 or 0436 666 826
Email: sarah.morris2@sa.gov.au**

Applications close: 17 April 2018

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**WOLLONGONG
CITY COUNCIL**

CASUAL YOUTH WORKER – WOLLONGONG YOUTH SERVICES

Salary: From \$41.52 per hour inclusive of 25% casual loading plus super

Recruitment No: 18048

Enquiries: Nikkita Gardner on [02] 4227 7221

Closing Date: 12pm Monday 23 April 2018

How to apply: Visit www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au for job description and selection criteria, which must be addressed.



**Government of
Western Australia
Department of Justice**

Senior Aboriginal Liaison Off

Court and Tribunal Services

Web Search No: 007741

Level/Salary: Lvl 4, PSGO CSA GA, \$77,452 - \$81,797 pa

Assists the Court, the Judiciary, Clerk of Court and the Department with effective service delivery to Aboriginal persons. Explains to Aboriginal people their rights, obligations, court procedures and protocols in language that they can understand. Acts as a positive influence within the Aboriginal community by undertaking a community education role on social justice issues to assist and support Aboriginal people in accessing and attending courts.

To Access Detailed Information: jobs.wa.gov.au and key in the Web Search No. to access detailed information.

For Specific Inquiries: Please contact Regina Hill on (08) 9425 2771.

Special Notice: To apply you must be of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander (ATSI) descent.

Location: Perth CBD

Closing Date: Tuesday, 17 April 2018 at 4.30pm.



Chief Executive Officer

- Visionary leader
- Adelaide based

Tandanya, The National Aboriginal Cultural Institute, is Australia's oldest Aboriginal owned and managed multi-arts centre. Situated on Kaurna land, Tandanya looks to celebrate 30 years of success in 2019. This is an exciting time to take the lead of this reinvigorated organisation.

Tandanya is a vibrant place for all to experience contemporary and traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural expressions through the visual and performing arts as well as other immersive cultural experiences. Reporting to the Board, the CEO is responsible for developing and nurturing the local, national and international networks that will enable Tandanya to create and showcase culturally significant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander programs and art.

Key to your success in this role will be your network, capacity to grow and support strategic partnerships and stakeholder management. Your proven ability to navigate and capitalise on financial arrangements and manage governance issues is also of vital importance.

Your excellent interpersonal skills will see you thrive as the "face" of the organisation and will ensure you continue to inspire the team that will support you. You will establish systems and programs that will gain general community, local and nationwide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander collaborations to support Tandanya's objectives. As an experienced leader in multifaceted organisations you will have the capacity to formulate, articulate and implement a vision and translate it into reality.

Tandanya plays a vital role in honouring and respecting the traditional owners and custodians of Australia. Take the lead!

Brief telephone enquiries may be made to Allison Ashby on 0414 731 313 or Sharon Magro on 0408 518 192.

Applications in Word format should include a covering letter and resume and should be submitted through our website www.ashbymagro.com.au. Applications should be received prior to COB 20 April 2018.



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Student Services Manager

- **One of Australia's leading research & teaching universities**
- **Vibrant campus life with a strong sense of community & inclusion**
- **Enjoy a career that makes a difference by collaborating & learning from the best**

At UNSW, we pride ourselves on being a workplace where the best people come to do their best work.

The Nura Gili Indigenous Programs Unit is an integral part of our Indigenous program @ UNSW. Our aim is to provide world class academic, cultural & personal pastoral care to our Indigenous students. Working together with the University teaching programs and research activities under the portfolio of the Pro Vice-Chancellor Indigenous, we will increase the participation and success of Indigenous students and enhance the understanding and respect for Indigenous peoples' knowledge and culture.

About the role

- \$119K to \$126K plus (17% superannuation and leave loading)
- Continuing role
- Full-time (35 hours per week)

As a Student Services Manager you will lead outreach and support services for Indigenous students from recruitment through to completion. You will be integral to upholding the culture of Nura Gili and our provision of a safe and welcoming place for Indigenous students and staff, through the support and development of the Student Services team and business processes. Working with various stakeholders you will oversee annual marketing and communications strategies, and together with the Student Service team ensure operational and strategic initiatives are implemented. Overall you will represent Nura Gili and increase the profile of Indigenous programs @ UNSW.

About the successful applicant

- Well-developed leadership and team management skills with the ability to motivate and mentor staff and students
- Experience in implementing strategy and improving processes and systems
- A respectful communicator with relevant experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Relevant degree, or equivalent competency gained through any other combination of education, training and/or experience

UNSW considers that being Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification under s 14 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 (NSW).

You should systematically address the selection criteria listed within the position description in your application. Please apply online.

Contact:

Associate Professor Reuben Bolt, Director, Nura Gili Indigenous Programs Unit

E: r.bolt@unsw.edu.au

T: (61 2) 9385 3795

Applications close: Wednesday, 18th April 2018

Find out more about working at UNSW at your Faculty/Division web address

UNSW is an equal opportunity employer committed to diversity



Tranby National Indigenous Adult Education and Training is a not for profit, Indigenous organisation committed to advancing educational opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people nationwide.

We are currently seeking 2 new contract positions:

1. General Manager – 12 month, full time contract
2. Academic Director – 6 month, part-time (2 days) contract

General Manager

Reporting directly to the CEO, the General Manager is responsible for designing, integrating, implementing and managing all operational areas to drive continuous improvement to enable the smooth and effective functioning of Tranby in achieving its Strategic Plan and RTO requirements.

Key responsibilities of the role:

- Lead all internal operations of the team including the Leadership team and provide for all staff a strong day-to-day leadership presence
- Continue to grow and develop the academic output and quality for Tranby students.
- Increase student attendance, engagement and retention in collaboration with the Leadership team
- Source new viable business opportunities and relationships
- Participate in long-term strategic planning and help develop the operating strategy
- Student Management System and RTO operational requirements

The successful candidate will possess the following key attributes and qualifications:

- 5+ year's experience working at a similar level and demonstrated experience in a leadership role
- Evidence of the ability to consistently make good decisions through a combination of analysis, wisdom, experience, and judgment
- Demonstrated ability in relationship building, influencing and stakeholder management

Academic Director

Reporting to the General Manager, the Academic Director is responsible for the educational operations of Tranby playing a critical role in designing, reviewing and implementing our educational systems, policies and procedures.

The role works closely with the Lecturers and support staff to provide quality education and enhance the learning experience for students. The Academic Director provides the leadership and direction required to ensure that all students at Tranby receive a positive learning experience.

Key responsibilities of the role include:

- Continue to grow and develop the academic output and quality for Tranby students.
- Working in closely with the Lecturers and staff to provide leadership, support activities and innovations to improve the teaching and learning at the College.
- Collaborate with the management team and staff to develop academic planning consistent with the vision and strategy.
- Overall accountability for course content so students have an interactive and authentic learning experience.

The successful candidate will possess the following key attributes and qualifications:

- 5+ years of RTO experience working in a similar role
- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment (or equivalent)
- Demonstrated ability in relationship building, influencing and stakeholder management

What you need to do now

If you feel that you possess the skills and experience to be successful in one of these exciting roles, we invite you to submit your application, including a cover letter to tranbyrecruitment@gmail.com. Please include the role you are applying for in the subject line. In your covering letter please address the following 3 questions;

1. Why do you want to be part of the Tranby family?
2. What experience have you had working with the Indigenous community?
3. What can you bring to the role?

Tranby has a strong commitment to employing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people into these roles. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are therefore strongly encouraged to apply.

Salary is commensurate with experience

Applications close: Friday 27th April 2018



GP SYNERGY
advancing medical training

Education Coordination Administration Officer

Unique opportunity to join the leading provider of vocational general practice education and training in ACT/NSW

- Various office locations
- Competitive salary with salary packaging benefits available
- Full time position and ASAP start

The Education Coordination Administration Officer is an administrative support role to the Education Coordination team. The role involves organising clinical teaching visits for registrars and providing administrative support across a range of tasks.

Working with key staff, the Education Coordination Administration Officer will:

- work with the education team to support relevant processes in providing administrative support
- coordinate issue and receipt of the agreement for clinical teaching visits form
- manage clinical teaching visits within key dates and timelines inherent in the management of the education and training program
- monitor, track and update relevant data and records in relation to clinical teaching visits
- monitor and track the extended skills applications process.

The successful candidate must have good administration and interpersonal skills and take pride in presentation, quality and efficiency of work. A professional attitude, good communication and customer service skills will be essential. As will be the ability to work independently.

GP Synergy has designated this position as a targeted position for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Exemption is claimed under Section 126 of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977, NSW, granted by the Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW. Only Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

Applications close 15th April 2018. Visit our website for further information including the selection criteria, how to apply and other opportunities.

<http://gpsynergy.com.au/about-us/employment-opportunities/>

Creative Production Assistant (Videographer and Graphic Designer)

SCHADS Level 3, \$53,862.64 - \$57,783.96 per annum (pro-rata) + superannuation. This is an entry level position.

This position(s) is based in Sydney and can be part time or full time.

Applications for this role close at 12pm Friday 6 April.

GetUp is building a creative team to smash the internet and bring a new way of consuming media to progressive Australia. We want wicked, smart and funny people with a couple of hard skills to help us dream big and communicate bigger through excellent video content and graphic design.

Are you sharp, politically savvy, think creatively AND know how to design shit hot graphics? APPLY.

Or are you sharp, politically savvy, think creatively AND know how to make shit hot videos? APPLY.

Do you maybe have neither of those hard skills but are still interested and want to make the case why we need you on board? Read more, then... APPLY.

Here's a little more about you:

You are a capable communicator. You take the piss. You're funny. But you also give a shit, and get mad when you see injustice. You're appalled by an out-of-touch political class and you want to take that rage and you boil it down into pithy, acerbic content. You love smashing evil corporations and anyone perpetrating injustice.

You get the Internet. You know about Twitter influencers, and Youtube partners, and Facebook's trending topics. You're familiar with Adobe Suite or Final Cut Pro or whatever software you pirated when younger. You can compose a shot. Or cut footage. Or build an image. Or write a script.

Maybe you went to university. Maybe you didn't. Maybe you're a writer, or a comedian, or a filmmaker, or an artist. Maybe you'd just like to be. But through words, and images, and audio, and video, and thoughts, and feelings – you would like to change the world for the better.

We're building a smart team that can experiment and take risks, and that cares deeply about communicating to empower ordinary people. It's a team of big talent and big dreams.

And if you are curious about this job, or curious about this organisation, or just curious, you should apply.

Videographer:

You can shoot and edit excellent video products. You love the internet and are excited by ways to optimise content. You're a creative, innovative and collaborative worker. You're the kind of person who can pick great content when you see it and can handle attention to detail across a number of different issue areas on any given day. Whether it's the Adobe Suite or Final Cut you use hotkeys in your sleep.

The videographer will:

- Film and edit exceptional video content for campaign emails, the website, social media and campaign collateral
- Draft scripts to effectively convey GetUps message across all campaign teams
- Support GetUp campaigners in putting together creative content for use online -- particularly • Facebook videos and Facebook live posts
- Pitch creative video content ideas, particularly for use on social media
- Develop new ways for GetUp to incorporate creative content into campaigns and our social media
- Coordinate a schedule of video content to be posted throughout the week.

Designer:

You have the ability to visualise and design graphic solutions for complex campaign content. You're a creative thinker who can contribute concepts and pitch exciting content and work with real skill in Photoshop, Illustrator and InDesign. You can pick great content when they see it, help style a passable graphic product into a brilliant one, and can handle attention to detail across a number of different issue areas on any given day. If you have skills in Premiere Pro, After Effects, or web design (HTML and CSS) that's a plus.

The designer will:

- Design exceptional creative content for campaign emails, the website, social media and campaign collateral
- Design and implement digital advertising campaigns to increase visibility of GetUp campaign
- Produce creative advertising content for print - such as billboards, booklets, flyers
- Support GetUp campaigners in putting together creative content for use online -- particularly Facebook images and Facebook posts
- Pitch creative content ideas, particularly for use on social media
- Develop new ways for GetUp to incorporate creative content into campaigns and our social media
- Bonus for: Video FX or digital advertising skills

Hard skills in either graphic design or videography essential.

Please apply by 12pm Friday 6 April.

Apply alone or with your funniest friends - there might be one job, might be four.

Join one of Australia's most innovative mental health services

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Rehabilitation and Support Worker (CRSW)

Based in Yarraville

This position is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander applicants

This role involves working within the Aboriginal/Torres Strait community to:

- Work with people to identify their needs and set goals
- Help people to participate in recreation activities and the cultural life of the community
- Support the transition to the NDIS

For more information and to apply, visit www.neaminational.org.au/careers

Applications close Sunday 15th April 2018 and interviews will take place on Tuesday 24th April 2018.



Mental Health Clinician

Department: Nepean Blue Mountains LHD

Lithgow Community Mental Health Centre

Mental Health Clinician

Permanent Full-Time

Salary: \$61,090.67 - \$88,627 pa

Enquiries: Valerie De Britt, 0408 018 657

**Closing Dates:
15 April 2018**

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to nswhealth.erecruit.com.au and search Job Reference Number 429681

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Aboriginal Population Health Trainee

Department: Hunter New England Local Health District
HNE Population Health, Wallsend, Taree or
Tamworth Campus

Enquiries: Karen Gillham,
Karen.Gillham@hnehealth.nsw.gov.au

This is an identified Aboriginal Position. Applicants must be of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under Section 14d of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

**Closing Date:
15 April 2018**

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Numbers REQ26541.

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Joint Investigation Response Team (2 positions available)

Department: Hunter New England Local Health District

Location: Armidale and Tamworth

REQ IDs: REQ29587 - Armidale | REQ29004 - Tamworth

Looking for an opportunity to further develop your clinical leadership skills to make a lasting, positive impact to a diverse and regional community?

Closing Date: 18 April 2018

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Numbers above.

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Indigenous Women's Youth Service Brisbane

CO-ORDINATOR

Applicants must identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

Position description and selection criteria are available by contacting (07) 3391 2815 after 10.00am Monday, 9th April, 2018.

Please address selection criteria in application. Address confidential to the Secretary.

Applications close: 5.00pm 23rd April, 2018



Aboriginal Health Worker Drug Health Services

Department: South Western Sydney Local Health District
Perm F/T Campbelltown Hospital, SWSLHD

Salary: \$51,608 - \$76,009 pa

Enquiries: Wanda Brabender (02) 4634 4177

Reference Numner: REQ30791

Senior Aboriginal Project Officer (Knockout Challenge)

Department: South Western Sydney Local Health District
Temp F/T at Liverpool Hospital, SWSLHD

Salary: \$2074.70 - \$2365.16 pw

Enquiries: Dr Kate Reid (02) 8738 7234

Reference Number: REQ31347

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977

Stepping Up aims to assist Aboriginal job applicants by providing information about applying for roles in NSW Health organisations. For more information, please visit: www.steppingup.health.nsw.gov.au

**Closing Date:
3 April 2018**

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Numbers above.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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NEW SOUTH WALES ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL

Manager Media & Communications

Aboriginal Identified
Parramatta Location

Salary Range \$136,375 plus 9.5% super and other benefits

The opportunity

The Manager Media and Communications primary role is to heighten and improve the profile of the NSWALC and the Land Rights Network, work to increase the membership of Local Aboriginal Land Councils, facilitate and promote good communication between NSWALC and LALCs, effectively communicate NSWALC's goals, priorities and Strategic Plan, and facilitate and foster good relationships with the media, external stakeholders including Government and the broader public.

To be successful in the role, the Manager Media and Communications you will need to have

- Aboriginality - this is an identified position under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.
- Demonstrated leadership, interpersonal, influencing, negotiation and people management skills.
- Demonstrated application of successful marketing and brand management strategies; and online media and marketing strategies, including a refined knowledge of social/ new media.
- High-level understanding of the media and political environments of NSW and of Commonwealth politics.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills and implementation of best practice media policies and practices.
- Demonstrated background in publishing and journalism together with a wide contact base of industry professionals.
- Demonstrated management skills within a highly political multi-media environment.
- Integrity and commitment to Ethical Practice, Equity, Diversity and Workplace Health and Safety.

About us

As the State's peak representative body in Aboriginal Affairs, the NSWALC aims to protect the interests and further the aspirations of its members and the broader Aboriginal community. NSWALC is a not for profit organisation. More information about NSWALC can be found at www.alc.org.au

To apply for this position

Please obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Role Description and Success Profile by email: recruitment@alc.org.au or on (02) 9689 4420. Applications close 5.00 p.m. Monday 23 April 2018 and can be forwarded to recruitment@alc.org.au

Job Status: Ongoing (Permanent)

Aboriginality - this is an identified position under Section 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) (Identified Position)

The Purfleet Taree Local Aboriginal Land Council (PTLALC) is seeking applications from experienced and motivated people interested in undertaking the role of CEO.

Applicants must obtain a copy of the recruitment package containing the Position Description and Selection Criteria. Applicants are required to meet and address the selection criteria.

This position will be 5 days per week (35 hours). Remuneration up to \$74k neg (plus superannuation, salary sacrifice options, private use of vehicle), depending on skills, qualifications and experience.

To obtain a recruitment package contact the Contact Officer, Rowan Lisson on 02 6659 1213 or via email rowan.lisson@alc.org.au

Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply.

Applications marked "Confidential" and posted to:
Contact Officer
Rowan Lisson
PO Box 1912
Coffs Harbour, NSW 2428

Applications close: Midnight, 20th April, 2018



Cadet Journalist (Caroline Jones Scholarship)

This vacancy is open only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants, reflecting our commitment to the ABC's Reconciliation Action Plan, ABC Equity and Diversity Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity (Commonwealth Authorities) Act 1987.

- **Ultimo Location**
- **From \$52K plus choice of 15.4% super**

Ignite your media career at Australia's independent national broadcaster and bring your enthusiasm for news and current affairs. You will receive on the job training and mentoring to develop your skills in the media industry.

The Caroline Jones Scholarship is set up to mark the extraordinary work of one of the ABC's finest journalists and broadcasters. It aims to provide the opportunity for a passionate and talented Indigenous person who is aspiring to be a journalist. The successful candidate will be able to explore the art of multiplatform storytelling for ABC news and current affairs programs, bringing with them a wealth of experiences and different perspectives

For a full job description and application form visit

abc.net.au/careers



Relationships Australia Canberra & Region (RACR) is seeking applicants for the following position:

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Team Leader for Dhunlung Yarra Service

Canberra Office
Full Time/ Ongoing
\$82,306.25 to \$85,992.84 plus superannuation and PBI tax benefit.

Relationships Australia is a leading provider of relationship support services for individuals, families and communities. We are a community-based, not-for-profit Australian organisation with no religious affiliations. The Dhunlung Yarra Unit is a dedicated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander therapeutic service staffed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander professionals.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Team Leader of Dhunlung Yarra (DY) Service is a full time, ongoing position based in Deakin, ACT. Reporting to the Program Manager for Early Intervention Services, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander DY Team Leader is expected to lead the DY team and support clinical practice, service promotion, community engagement and provide operational support to the RACR programs and Dhunlung Yarra service.

Position description with selection criteria is available at www.racr.relationships.org.au/about-us/employment

To apply send your resume with contact details of two work related referees and a cover letter highlighting the strengths you can bring to the role in line with the selection criteria to careers@racr.relationships.org.au.

Enquiries to Early Intervention Services Manager at Deakin office on 02 6122 7100 or careers@racr.relationships.org.au

Closing date: 5pm Monday 23 April 2018



HART Services has positions available for people who want to make a difference.

ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT

Aboriginal Engagement Program and Client Care Services
Permanent part-time, SCHADS Level 3
48 hours per fortnight

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

CLIENT ASSISTANTS & BUS DRIVER/CLIENT ASSISTANTS

Group Services – Shopping and Social Buses
Casual, SCHADS Level 3

To Apply, you must obtain an **Application Package** from recruitment@hartservices.org.au or phone (02) 6628 8572.

For further information, see our employment page at www.hartservices.org.au

Applications close 5pm, Friday 20 April 2018.



Manager, Aboriginal Programs

Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person who is committed to leading positive change for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Correctional System?

GEO Group Australia

We are the country's leading provider of outsourced correctional services, operating in NSW, QLD and VIC. GEO aims to deliver better corrections and create safer communities. We focus on providing a continuum of care and integration of services.

Ravenhall Correctional Centre

Ravenhall Correctional Centre is a medium security men's prison which opened in November 2017 in Victoria. Ravenhall will redefine the role of the modern prison. It's unique design and service model provides an unprecedented emphasis on offender rehabilitation and reintegration.

For more information about our organisation and Ravenhall Correctional Centre, visit our website at www.geogroup.com.au

For the full version, including the Position Description please visit our website <http://geogroup.applynow.net.au>.

Applications close Friday 20th April 2018.

Make a real difference – Apply Now!



RECEPTIONIST

This role is office based and is full time (9am - 5pm Mon-Fri). Office is located in the heart of Frankston. The role is within an Aboriginal organisation and Aboriginal people are encouraged to apply. Experience with Aboriginal communities is highly regarded. We are looking for a receptionist who works well within the team, can support staff and can demonstrate relevant experience to get the job done. Applicants must be friendly and energetic, and love being the first point of contact for an organization.

Full time Administration Assistant – Level 4 (Clerks Private Sector Award 2010 [MA000002])
Salary \$40,000 - \$59,000 depending on experience and skills

Position Description

Under the direction of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO):

- Answer and direct all incoming phone calls and email correspondence
- Assist with queries from customers and other stakeholders
- Greet guests and visitors. Be the first point of contact for internal and external stakeholders
- Set up meeting room for meetings
- Tidy and maintain the meeting room and kitchen
- Purchase milk and consumables for the office
- Collect, open, sort and distribute incoming correspondence
- Maintain office supplies and monitor equipment
- Organise office and equipment repairs
- Prepare and photocopy correspondence and documents
- Prepare and distribute membership mail-outs
- Accept additional administrative tasks as requested by Chief Executive Officer or Cultural Heritage Manager
- Deal with highly sensitive and confidential information

Skills, knowledge and experience

- A sound understanding of Microsoft Word and Excel.
- Minimum 3 years experience in similar position
- Excellent accuracy, attention to detail and organisational skills
- Confident team player
- Effective time management skills
- Exceptional communication skills
- Current computer skills
- Operation of standard office equipment
- Clerical and administrative procedures and systems such as filing and record keeping
- Principles of Basic Office Management

Key Competencies

- Communication skills both oral and written
- Planning and organisation
- Problem assessment and problem solving
- Information gathering and information monitoring
- Attention to detail and accuracy
- Adaptability
- Client and customer service orientation
- Teamwork
- Ability to prioritize, multitask and meet deadlines
- Ability to work unsupervised
- Maintain confidentiality

Applications close 5:00pm on Wednesday 18 April.

To apply please send CV and contact details to manager@bunuronglc.org.au



Research and Evaluation Coordinator

- **Canberra Location**
- **Ongoing Full time position**

Would you like the opportunity to contribute to a dynamic Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation and its sustainability?

Are you passionate about closing the gap on Indigenous disadvantage?

If your answers are yes, then ICV has the opportunity for you!

ICV facilitates community and human development projects with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities. We support Indigenous Australians to harness opportunities available to them and overcome social and economic disadvantage through community development and capacity building projects. Reconciliation that occurs through our volunteering initiatives is also an important outcome of our work.

A rare and exciting opportunity has become available to build and promote the evidence base of ICV, drawing on ICV's bespoke monitoring and evaluation system.

Primary Objectives:

- To implement and develop ICV's Research and Engagement Strategy.
- Quality assurance of the community development database and ensuring effective feedback loops for program improvement are maintained.
- Ensure effective and efficient administrative support of the General Manager Impact and Strategy.
- Engage effectively with and provide support to other business units within ICV.

The successful candidate will require:

- Strong administration and project management experience including the ability to prioritise conflicting needs.
- Demonstrated research and monitoring and evaluation skills. A university degree is preferred but not mandatory.
- Demonstrated high level writing ability and attention to detail.
- Experience with preparing communications including submissions, reporting and print and media communications.
- Experience working within a team and ability to build strong relationships with staff, management and stakeholders.

For a full position description and selection criteria or further information please email Daryl Phillips

dphillips@humanresourcescentre.com.au or by calling 0424 705635. You can also visit www.icv.com.au for more information.

Applications must include a statement addressing the selection criteria and should be sent to dphillips@humanresourcescentre.com.au by 5pm Friday 13 April 2018.

ICV aims to be an employer of choice for Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.

Indigenous Australians, culturally and linguistically diverse Australians are encouraged to apply.

KOORI EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS

Senior Project Officer

- **Manage the Koori youth justice program**
- **Full time, ongoing opportunity based in Parkville**
- **Salary range \$93,867 – \$113,572 plus superannuation**

Based in Parkville, you will monitor and evaluate program outcomes and report policy issues and outline progress, achievements and analysis through written reports and Ministerial briefs, providing authoritative advice to internal and external stakeholders. This role requires dynamic and innovative project management, including undertaking the appropriate research, analysis and implementation of projects geared towards supporting priorities of the Koori youth justice program.

To be successful in this role, you will have demonstrated:

- knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Koori Community, both society and culture and the issues impacting on it
- ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with members of the Victorian Koori community
- experience and working knowledge government legislation, priorities and directions, including a good understanding of youth services, youth justice and community based programs would be desirable.

A qualification or experience in fields related to community programs, youth justice policy, community engagement and partnerships, program support, youth work, community services or health would be desirable.

This is an Aboriginal identified position; Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For more information, contact the Koori Employment Team on (03) 8684 1751 or at koori.employment@justice.vic.gov.au

To apply online, please visit youthjusticejobs.vic.gov.au by Sunday, 15 April 2018.

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Senior Project Officer

AFL SportsReady are currently seeking a passionate and motivated person to join our team as our new Senior Project Officer (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Programs). Based in Melbourne.

Please note, only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply for this position. This action constitutes a special measure under section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010 (Vic).

This is an exciting opportunity to join a positive, supportive and flexible organisation, in a key role within the company:

- Around 20% of AFL SR's workforce identifies as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander;
- Base salary between \$75,000 - \$83,000 per annum (starting salary commensurate with experience);
- +9.5% superannuation;
- 5 weeks total leave per year (4 weeks annual and 1 week gratis), and leave loading of 17.5% of base salary;
- 2 days of cultural leave per year, study leave and volunteering leave;
- Support for professional development, and opportunity to undertake and achieve accredited training/ certifications as part within our RTO - 'SportsReady Education';
- iPhone and iPad allowances;
- Located at Abbotsford, Melbourne, surrounded by parks, cafes and walking trails.

Additional information about the position can be found on our website.

HOW TO APPLY Applications for this position will close on **Sunday 22nd of April**.

To be considered for the position, applications should be addressed to Jade Colgan and Simon Jackson and include:

- a two page or less cover letter which outlines why you are interested in the role and addresses the key selection criteria; and
- a current version of your CV/ Resume.

For further information about the role and conditions, please contact **Jade Colgan** on (03) 8413 3533 or jade.colgan@aflsportsready.com.au.

Please submit applications to recruitment@aflsportsready.com.au



Administration Officer

Department: Hunter New England Local Health District
Outpatient Service, John Hunter Hospital
Enquires: Sarah Gilbertson, (02) 4922 3970
Reference Number: REQ30175
Closing Date: 11 April 2018

This is a targeted Aboriginal Position. Preference will be given to applicants of Aboriginal descent. Exemption is claimed under S21 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*

Service Manager – Rural New Street Adolescent Service

Department: Hunter New England Local Health District
Tamworth
Enquires: Maree Bacigalupo,
(02) 6763 7403 or (02) 6767 8680
Reference Number: REQ32442
Closing Date: 23 April 2018

Closing Dates: As Above

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnsw.gov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Numbers as above.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

BLZ139380



Aboriginal Transition and Post Release Case Worker

Do you have a good understanding of the issues affecting Aboriginal men leaving prison?

Do you have strong case management and networking skills?

Do you want to work within a team of Aboriginal Programs staff?

GEO Group Australia

We are the country's leading provider of outsourced correctional services, operating in NSW, QLD and VIC. GEO aims to deliver better corrections and create safer communities. We focus on providing a continuum of care and integration of services.

Ravenhall Correctional Centre

Ravenhall Correctional Centre is a medium security men's prison which opened in November 2017 in Victoria. Ravenhall will redefine the role of the modern prison. It's unique design and service model provides an unprecedented emphasis on offender rehabilitation and reintegration.

For more information about our organisation and Ravenhall Correctional Centre, visit our website at www.geogroup.com.au

For the full version, including the Position Description please visit our website <http://geogroup.applynow.net.au>.

Applications close Friday 20th April 2018.

Make a real difference – Apply Now!



General Administrative Support Officer

- NSW Police Force
- Aboriginal Targeted Role
- Burwood Police Area Command, Burwood
- Clerk Grade 1/2, Ongoing Full-Time
- *I Work for NSW* Requisition No.000061CM

Salary Package: \$73,970. **Salary:** \$61,658 – \$67,031. Package includes annual salary, employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Job Description:

The General Administrative Support Officer provides the delivery of efficient and effective general administration, clerical support, and receptionist services with a focus on quality services to commands/business units.

Job Notes:

To be eligible to apply for this role, applicants **must** identify as Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

This position operates under the non-continuous shift award with rostering undertaken in accordance with Flexible Rostering Guidelines. The position will generally be rostered to perform work in business hours on weekdays and may be rostered to perform afternoon shifts and weekend shifts on the front counter.

For further assistance with completing your application or for information regarding National Police Checks and Security Clearance, **please contact the Aboriginal Employment Programs Unit on (02) 8835 6257** or via email hraboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

BLZ139442

Applications Close: Sunday 15 April 2018

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Bronwyn Tuza – Executive Officer on (02) 9745 8503.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Requisition Number 000061CM

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MANAGER Fulltime

TAIHS Youth Shelter

The role of Manager has overall responsibility for the day to day operation of service delivery, supporting optimal care and service provision, together with equitable access for all clients. You are required to build and strengthen service partnerships both internally and externally, while supporting continuity of care across the service continuum to meet and/or exceed the individualised needs of clients.

As the Manager you are required to operate with the highest level of integrity, accountability and professionalism and work towards ensuring the efficiency and effectiveness of program and service delivery and support continuous improvement through encouraging innovation and best practice.

- Develop and maintain effective collaborative partnerships and relationships with key external stakeholders, in particular Department of Housing, other government agencies, and service providers working with youth
- Ensure establishment and implementation of effective Client Case Management Plan, Quality Management Practices, Client Referrals, Assessments, Case Management and Transition Planning and post accommodation support practices are current

Mandatory Requirements

- Qualification/s relevant to the field of Program Management 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 experience/positive engagement when working with persons of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander backgrounds and an understanding cultural competency
- Proven skill and experience 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

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/may be required
- Travel across the region will be required

Contact HR as applications lodged **without the required documentation** will not be deemed complete.

Email: recruitment@taihs.net.au

Phone: (07) 4431 1415

ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY

Applications Close: 5pm Monday, 30 April 2018



MANAGER Fulltime

TAIHS SUPPORTED BAIL ACCOMMODATION SERVICE (SBAS)

The Supported Bail Accommodation Service (SBAS) will provide a home-like environment for young service users, which will include structured and unstructured programs and activities. The service will work closely with Youth Justice who will lead case worker and all young people bailed to the SBAS will be on the Conditional Bail Program. The practice framework focuses on the importance of building relationships as being foundational in supporting the social and emotional wellbeing needs of the client in a practical and culturally responsive manner.

The role of Manager has overall responsibility for the day to day operation of the service, including the provision of leadership in relation to all aspects of program management and service delivery, supporting optimal care, together with equitable access for all clients.

This role also involves building and strengthening service partnerships both internally and externally, while supporting continuity of care through a model of care that responds to the physical, social, emotional, cultural and spiritual needs of clients and with a view to meeting and/or exceeding those individual needs.

Mandatory Requirements

- Qualification/s relevant to the field of Program Management 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 experience/positive engagement when working with persons of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander backgrounds and an understanding cultural competency
- Proven skill and experience 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

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/may be required
- Travel across the region will be required

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ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER APPLICANTS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY

Applications Close: 5pm Monday, 30 April 2018



Inclusion Professional IA Kingston

- 2 x full time fixed term contracts available until end of June 2019
- Flexible work hours available
- Cheltenham location

This is an opportunity for early childhood trained teachers or Diploma qualified educators who have a passion for working in inclusion to join KU as an Inclusion Professional. On a contract basis until June 2019 within our Kingston Inclusion Hub that cover areas like Kingston, Bayside and Glenira,

As the Inclusion Professional your aim is to support educators in federally

funded education and care services to increase their capacity and capability to embed inclusive practices within their service. You will identify strengths, capacity and capability of educators to ensure that support provided is tailored to educator and ECEC service needs.

You will work to promote a clear understanding of inclusion, which focuses on all children being seen as capable and contributing in their environment.

To find out more and to apply visit ku.com.au or email careers@ku.com.au

Children's Services Officer, Western and Northern Metropolitan Areas
Quality Assessment and Regulation Division/ Department of Education and Training
2 x Vacancies Available

An exciting opportunity exists for a highly motivated team player with strong interpersonal skills and demonstrated experience working within a regulatory environment. The successful applicant will be proficient in the use of Microsoft Office and have experience with the use of database applications.

The positions provide assistance and support to authorised officers in the management of complaint and incident notifications. These positions support visits and investigations, compliance and assessment and rating work as part of the core functions of the regulatory authority.

The positions will work collaboratively across other QARD regional areas. The positions will involve travel which may involve overnight stays.

The positions are full time, fixed term at the VPSG3 Level, based in Footscray.

Salary Range: \$65,713 - \$79,790 + Super

For more information and application procedures, please visit the following website: <https://careers.vic.gov.au>

Applications close **Monday 23 April 2018**.



Aboriginal Health Worker
New Directions Mothers and Babies Program

Department: Western Sydney Local Health District
Classification: Aboriginal Health Worker
Location: Mount Druitt - Community Health Centre
Employment Status: Temporary Part-Time
(Up to 30 June 2019)
Hours Per Week: 32
Enquiries: Graeme Pringle
Email: Graeme.Pringle@health.nsw.gov.au

Being female and Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are genuine occupational qualifications for this position as described under Sections 31 and 14 (d) of the Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977 (NSW).

Closing Date:
12 April 2018

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnsw.gov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Numbers REQ32158.

NSW Health Service: employer of choice

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Human Resources Advisor

- Full-time or Part-time negotiable
- Remuneration dependant on experience & excellent salary packaging benefits
- Opportunity to influence the AMS

We are seeking a HR Advisor with experience working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees. You must have a positive outlook, strong communication skills and a thorough knowledge of HR and WH&S policies to be successful in this role. The role involves a significant degree of autonomy and will oversee all aspects of the Employee life-cycle.

Enrolled or Registered Nurse

We are seeking an Enrolled/Registered Nurse who has experience in providing primary health and emergency nursing care with expertise in routine observations, wound management, ECG recording, pathology collection and immunisation. Demonstrated ability to conduct health assessments and formulate care plans with GPs is essential

These are targeted roles, preference will be given to Aboriginal applicants.

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioner (AHPRA Registered)

We are currently seeking an AHPRA registered health worker to join the AMS to provide a high level of patient care. To be successful in this role you will need to work collaboratively with all units of the AMS and other health care workers to actively engage our clients to provide services that will improve the social, emotional and cultural well-being of our community.

This is an identified position & exemption is claimed under 14d of the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977.

For further information and to obtain a position description please contact Recruitment at the AMS via email at recruitment@amsredfern.org.au or telephone (02) 9319 5823.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY – LANDS & WATER
PADDYS FLAT-UPPER CLARENCE WATER SOURCE CLARENCE RIVER

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from **DELANEY CIVIL PTY LTD**, contractor to Roads and Maritime Services, for a 75mm centrifugal pump on Lot 3 DP 1229435, Parish of Timbarra, County of Drake for Industrial (road construction and dust suppression) purposes (Ref: A012279).

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to Lands & Water, Locked Bag 10, Grafton NSW 2460 within 28 days of publication of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries please call 02 6641 6592, Nicole Power, Water Regulation Officer. BLZ138620

WATERSNSW
LACHLAN FOLD BELT MDB GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for an NEW COMBINED WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **LAWRENCE DAVID RANSON** for one bore to be located on Lot 208 of DP 755805, Parish of Yetholme, County of Roxburgh, for the purpose of irrigation on Lot 2 of DP 130475, Lot 21 of DP 1118252 & Lot 208 of DP 755805. (A012698).

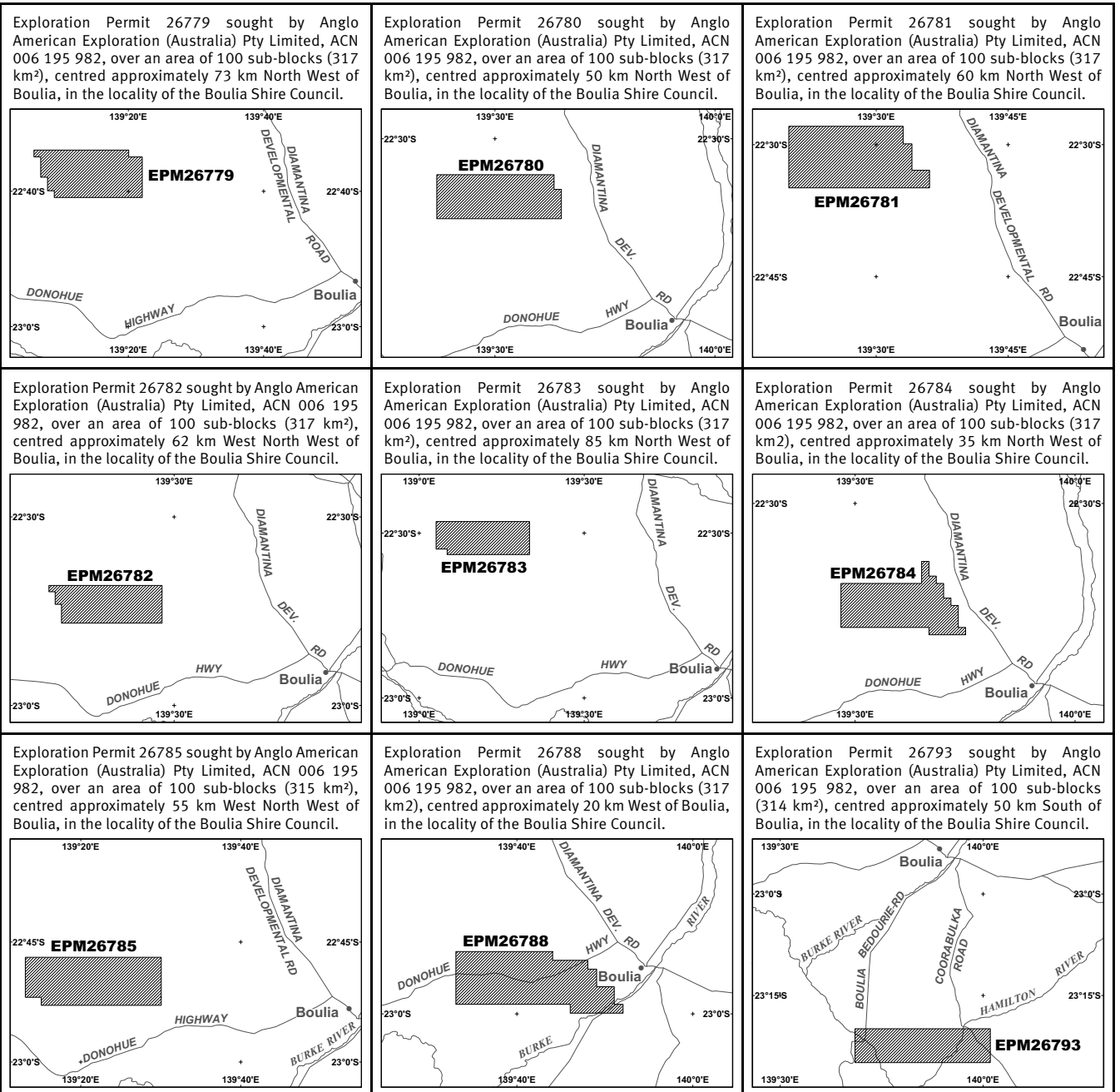
Objections to the granting of the above approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 1018, DUBBO NSW 2830 or email to customer.helpdesk@watersnsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email to the above. Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

BLZ138968

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, 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 as shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).



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.

Native Title Parties: Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) any person who is a "native title party" is entitled to certain rights in relation to the proposed grant of Exploration Permits. Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth), persons have until three (3) months after Notification Day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to this notice. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application may be directed to the Federal Court, Brisbane Registry, Level 6, Commonwealth Law Courts, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3248 1100 or Email: qldreg@fedcourt.gov.au

Expedited Procedure: The State of Queensland considers the grant of each Exploration Permit to which this notice applies is an act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Each individual Exploration Permit may be granted unless, within a period of four (4) months after the Notification Day a native title party lodges an objection in respect of the individual Exploration Permit with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of that Exploration Permit is a future act attracting the Expedited Procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 119 North Quay, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3307 5000 or 1800 640 501.

Further Information: Further Information about the proposed grants may be obtained from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, Level 4, 1 William Street, Brisbane, Queensland, 4000. Telephone: (07) 3199 8085, nativetitleservices@dnrme.qld.gov.au.

Notification Day: 25 April 2018



Queensland Government

WATERSW LOWER MURRUMBIDGE GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WORK APPROVAL has been received from **DAVID DAVIES** for a bore on Lot 89 DP 756763, for irrigation purposes (Waradgery/Killendoo).

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@watersw.com.au

within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A012829)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracie Scarfone, Manager Water Regulation South.

BLZ139306

WATERSW RICHMOND COASTAL SANDS GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **LINWEN PTY LTD** for a bore on Lot 21 DP1214949 for irrigation use on Lot 21 DP1214949 (potted plants 6ha).

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@watersw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A012776)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

BLZ139044

WATER NSW COMBOYNBE BASALT GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application to amend a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **SUSAN JANELLE WILLIAMS AND ROSS CLINTON WILLIAMS** for a bore on Lot 1, DP 1038187, Parish Walibree, County Macquarie, for irrigation and farming purposes. Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, Locked Bag 10, Grafton NSW 2460 or by email to customer.helpdesk@watersw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection. (A012823)

Any queries, please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

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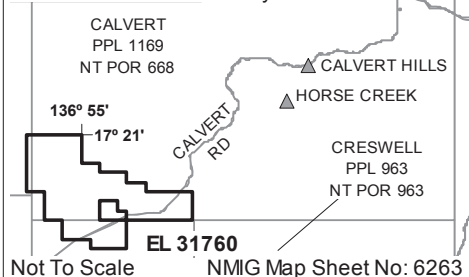
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

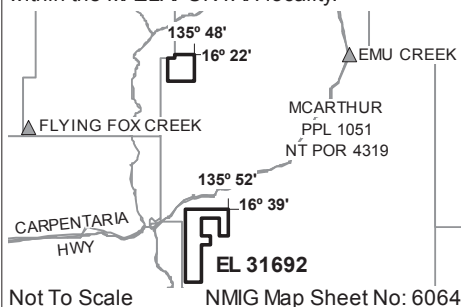
The Honourable Kenneth Edward Vowles MLA, the Northern Territory Minister for Primary Industry and Resources, C/- Department of Primary Industry and Resources, GPO Box 4550 DARWIN NT 0801, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) of his intent to do an act, namely to grant the following exploration licence applications.

Applications to which this notice applies:

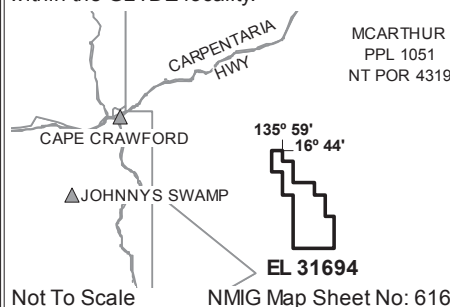
Exploration Licence 31760 sought by CAMERON MINING PTY LTD, ACN 125 683 221 and RUMMAGER PTY LTD, ACN 157 971 741 over an area of 111 Blocks (364 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SURPRISE CREEK locality.



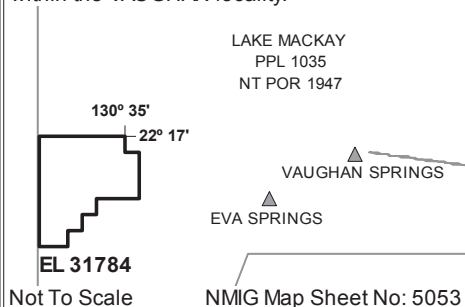
Exploration Licence 31692 sought by CERBERUS RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 615 192 535 over an area of 31 Blocks (102 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MALLAPUNYAH locality.



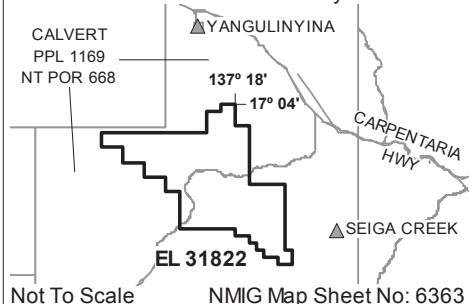
Exploration Licence 31694 sought by CERBERUS RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 615 192 535 over an area of 25 Blocks (83 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the GLYDE locality.



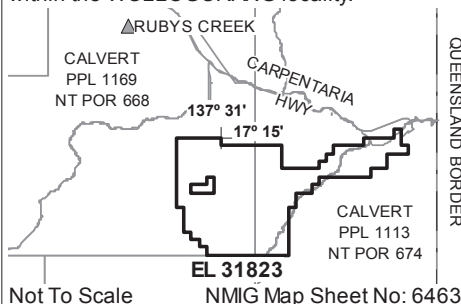
Exploration Licence 31784 sought by CERBERUS RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 615 192 535 over an area of 36 Blocks (115 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VAUGHAN locality.



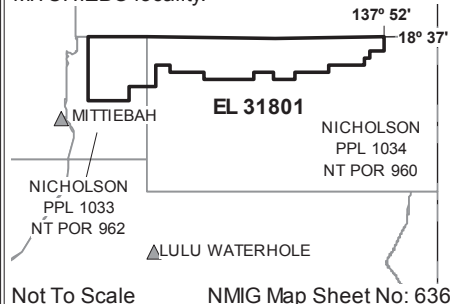
Exploration Licence 31822 sought by MANGROVE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 612 043 240 over an area of 250 Blocks (820 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the CALVERT HILLS locality.



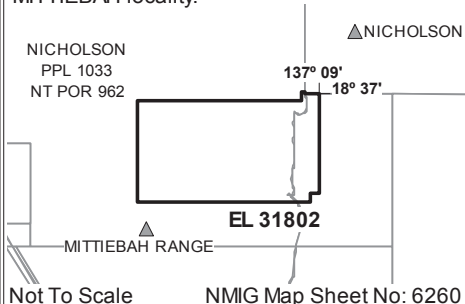
Exploration Licence 31823 sought by MANGROVE RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 612 043 240 over an area of 250 Blocks (820 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the WOLLOGORANG locality.



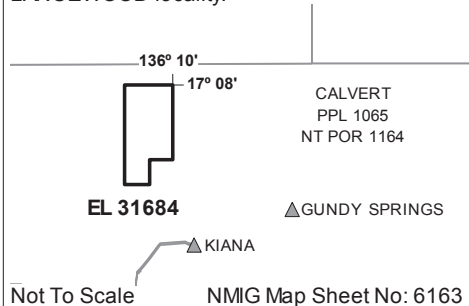
Exploration Licence 31801 sought by MMG EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 119 136 659 over an area of 242 Blocks (753 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MITCHIEBO locality.



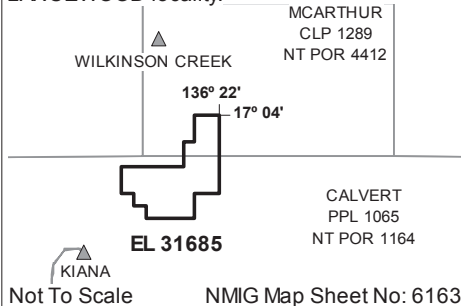
Exploration Licence 31802 sought by MMG EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 119 136 659 over an area of 232 Blocks (754 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MITTIEBAH locality.



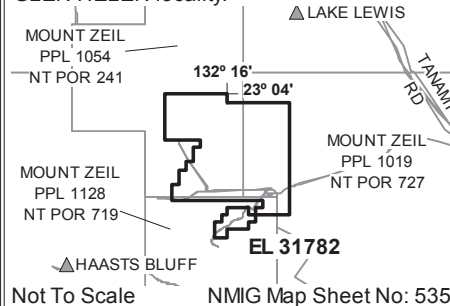
Exploration Licence 31684 sought by SCRIVEN EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 006 264 615 over an area of 7 Blocks (23 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.



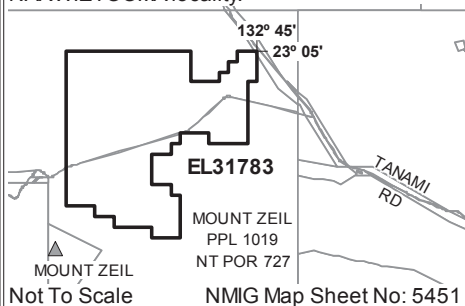
Exploration Licence 31685 sought by SCRIVEN EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 006 264 615 over an area of 35 Blocks (115 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LANCEWOOD locality.



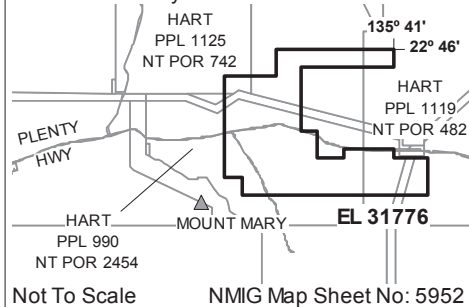
Exploration Licence 31782 sought by SCRIVEN EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 006 264 615 over an area of 245 Blocks (774 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the GLEN HELEN locality.



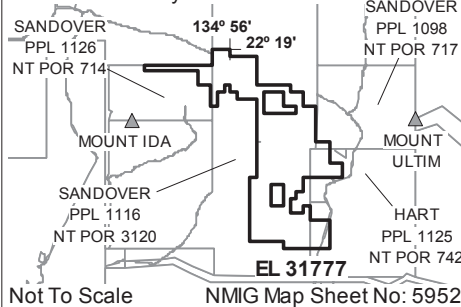
Exploration Licence 31783 sought by SCRIVEN EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 006 264 615 over an area of 239 Blocks (755 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NARWIETOOMA locality.



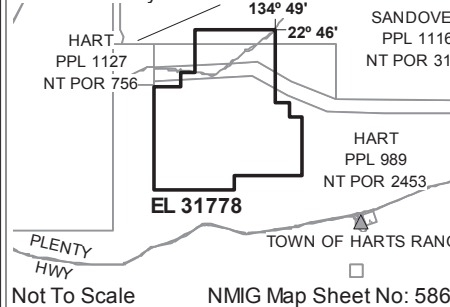
Exploration Licence 31776 sought by XAVIER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 623 262 304 over an area of 216 Blocks (684 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



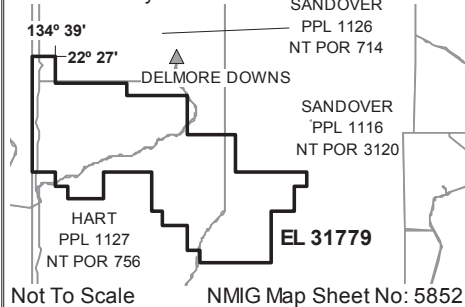
Exploration Licence 31777 sought by XAVIER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 623 262 304 over an area of 250 Blocks (784 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DNEIPER locality.



Exploration Licence 31778 sought by XAVIER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 623 262 304 over an area of 94 Blocks (298 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DELNY locality.



Exploration Licence 31779 sought by XAVIER RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 623 262 304 over an area of 175 Blocks (555 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DELNY locality.



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: 4 April 2018



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	04/2451	BARACUS PTY LTD	142BL	98km NW'ly of Fitzroy Crossing	Lat: 17° 25' S Long: 125° 6' E	DERBY-WEST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2291	TERRAIN MINERALS LTD	33BL	135km N'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 27° 19' S Long: 115° 31' E	MURCHISON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	09/2294	HAMERSLEY METALS PTY LTD	52BL	118km SW'ly of Paraburdoo	Lat: 24° 10' S Long: 117° 13' E	UPPER GASCOYNE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/935	POWELL, Gary Raymond	8BL	57km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 26° 56' S Long: 117° 44' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	20/936	POWELL, Gary Raymond	2BL	56km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 26° 57' S Long: 117° 40' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	25/569	ALLIANCE (SA) PTY LTD	4BL	64km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 46' S Long: 122° 8' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	37/1328	TYRANNA RESOURCES LIMITED	10BL	51km SE'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 12' S Long: 121° 6' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3295-6	KALIUM LAKES POTASH PTY LTD	287BL	174km N'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 26° 25' S Long: 122° 51' E	WILUNA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3298	K2O MINERALS PTY LTD	33BL	172km SE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 43' S Long: 124° 26' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3299-3300	K2O MINERALS PTY LTD	135BL	43km S'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 28° 22' S Long: 122° 47' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	38/3305	GARDNER MINING PTY LTD	33BL	135km NE'ly of Cosmo Newberry Mission	Lat: 27° 3' S Long: 123° 46' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
		ODIN RESOURCES PTY LTD				
Exploration Licence	39/2067	MATLOCK GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	83BL	140km NW'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 1' S Long: 124° 22' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/4968	CV EXTRACTIVES PTY LTD	3BL	110km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 36' S Long: 118° 47' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/5071	ABEH PTY LTD	6BL	76km SW'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 119° 5' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE, PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	45/5102	LMTD PTY LTD	9BL	70km SE'ly of Shay Gap	Lat: 21° 0' S Long: 120° 33' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5116	HAMERSLEY METALS PTY LTD	8BL	99km W'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 57' S Long: 119° 9' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5129	MAJEKA MINERALS PTY LTD	11BL	33km S'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 28' S Long: 119° 43' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1239	CARAWINE RESOURCES LIMITED	24BL	98km SW'ly of Telfer	Lat: 22° 3' S Long: 121° 21' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	47/3427-I	AMCI (IO) PTY LTD	18BL	44km SW'ly of Dampier	Lat: 20° 58' S Long: 116° 27' E	KARRATHA CITY
		AQUILA STEEL PTY LTD				
Exploration Licence	47/3542-I	AQUILA STEEL PTY LTD	21BL	23km S'ly of Dampier	Lat: 20° 51' S Long: 116° 38' E	KARRATHA CITY
		AMCI (IO) PTY LTD				
Exploration Licence	47/3802	SAYONA LITHIUM PTY LTD	26BL	107km S'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 21° 14' S Long: 118° 20' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	47/3918	BLUE RIBBON MINES PTY LTD	3BL	67km SW'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 48' S Long: 118° 13' E	PORT HEDLAND TOWN
Exploration Licence	53/1985	ANDREW DRUMMOND & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD	62BL	48km E'ly of Wiluna	Lat: 26° 37' S Long: 121° 19' E	WILUNA SHIRE
		ASKINS, Paul Winston				
Exploration Licence	57/1082	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	1BL	78km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 17' S Long: 119° 24' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2519	FLEET STREET HOLDINGS PTY LTD	26BL	21km S'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 31° 0' S Long: 119° 31' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5126	PATHFINDER EXPLORATION PTY LTD	13BL	3km NW'ly of Halls Creek	Lat: 18° 12' S Long: 127° 39' E	HALLS CREEK SHIRE
		NORVALE PTY LTD				
Prospecting Licence	25/2493	CASCADE RESOURCES PTY LTD	172.42HA	34km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 3' S Long: 121° 59' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	36/1877	AGNEW GOLD MINING COMPANY PTY LIMITED	0.23HA	21km SW'ly of Leinster	Lat: 28° 1' S Long: 120° 31' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9113	MAZZA, Felicity	170.85HA	41km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 54' S Long: 121° 45' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9115-6	MALATESTA, Nathan	317.88HA	39km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 55' S Long: 121° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	37/9117	MALATESTA, Nathan	162.85HA	38km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 121° 43' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5895	STRACHAN, Jamie Webster	197.23HA	42km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 52' S Long: 121° 45' E	LEONORA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 4 April 2018

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **4 July 2018**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100.

Expedited procedure: The State of Western Australia considers that these acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure. Each licence may be granted unless, within the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 4 August 2018**), a native title party lodges an objection with the National Native Title Tribunal against the inclusion of the statement that the State considers the grant of the licence is an act attracting the expedited procedure. Enquiries in relation to lodging an objection should be directed to the National Native Title Tribunal, Level 5, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth, or GPO Box 9973, Perth, WA 6848, telephone (08) 9425 1000.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518. * - 1 Graticular Block = 2.8 km²
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NOTICE INITIATING NEGOTIATIONS WITH NATIVE TITLE PARTIES *MINING ACT 1971 (SA) SECTION 63M*

TAKE NOTICE that FMG Resources Pty Ltd of Level 5, City Central, Tower 2, 121 King William Street, Adelaide (***the Proponent***), registered holder of Exploration Licences 6088, 6106, 6108 and 6130 and applicant of Exploration Licence Application 2017/00239, proposes to carry out mining operations of an exploratory nature on the following lands located in the State of South Australia:

1. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 50 km southwest of Port Augusta, referred to as **Mount Whyalla Area** and which is bounded as follows:

AREA A

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°38'S and longitude 137°26'E, then east to longitude 137°28'E, south to latitude 32°51'S, west to longitude 137°25'E, north to latitude 32°44'S, east to longitude 137°26'E, and north to the point of commencement,

AREA B

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°51'S and longitude 137°28'E, then east to longitude 137°31'E, south to latitude 32°55'S, west to longitude 137°28'E, and north to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 130 square kilometres),

being the land which is subject to Exploration Licence 6088; and

2. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 30 km south of Port Augusta, referred to as **Cultana Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°40'S and the boundary of Section 269 Hundred of Gillen closest to longitude 137°42'E, then east along the parallel of latitude to a line parallel to and 800 metres inland from high water mark, then commencing southerly along said line to latitude 32°55'S, then west to the boundary of Allotment 20 Deposited Plan 17664, then commencing northwesterly along said boundary to the boundary of Allotment 22 Deposited Plan 17665, then commencing northerly along said boundary to the boundary of Section 125 Hundred of Jenkins, then commencing southwesterly along said boundary to the boundary of Allotment 55 Deposited Plan 84887, then commencing northeasterly along said boundary to the boundary of Allotment 408 Deposited Plan 47644, then commencing northwesterly along said boundary to the point of commencement, but excluding all areas within 800 metres of Upper Spencer Gulf Marine Park,

(AREA: approximately 321 square kilometres),

being the land which is subject to Exploration Licence 6106; and

3. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 30 km south of Port Augusta, referred to as **Cultana Area** and which is bounded as follows:

AREA A

Commencing at the corner of the boundary of Allotment 408 Deposited Plan 47644 closest to latitude 32°32'15.53"S longitude 137°41'08.25"E, then commencing northeasterly along said boundary to a line parallel to and 800 metres inland from high water mark, then beginning southerly along said parallel line to latitude 32°40'S, then west to the boundary of

Allotment 408 Deposited Plan 47644, then beginning northeasterly along said boundary to the boundary of Section 11 Hundred of Gillen, then beginning northeasterly along said boundary to the boundary of Section 10 Hundred of Gillen, then beginning northeasterly along said boundary to the point of commencement,

AREA B

Commencing at a point being the intersection of the boundary of Allotment 20 Deposited Plan 17664 and latitude 32°55'S closest to longitude 137°38'33.34"E, then east to a line parallel to and 800 metres inland from high water mark, then beginning southerly along said parallel line to its intersection with the boundary of Allotment 20 Deposited Plan 17664 closest to longitude 137°41'03.53"E, then beginning northwesterly along said boundary to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 152 square kilometres),

being the land which is subject to Exploration Licence 6108; and

4. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 30 km west of Port Augusta, referred to as **Lincoln Gap Area** and which is bounded as follows:

AREA A

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°30'S and longitude 137°18'E, then east to longitude 137°23'E, south to latitude 32°32'S, east to longitude 137°24'E, south to latitude 32°36'S, east to longitude 137°25'E, south to latitude 32°38'S, east to longitude 137°26'E, south to latitude 32°39'S, west to longitude 137°23'E, north to latitude 32°36'S, west to longitude 137°18'E, and north to the point of commencement,

AREA B

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°33'S and longitude 137°36'E, then east to the boundary of Allotment 408 Deposited Plan 47644 (Cultana Training Area), then commencing southwesterly along said boundary to the boundary of Allotment 55 Deposited Plan 84887, then commencing westerly along said boundary to the boundary of Section 269 Hundred of Gillen, then commencing westerly along said boundary to the boundary of Allotment A Road Plan 8248, then commencing northerly along the said boundary to the boundary of Section 269 Hundred of Gillen (Cultana Training Area), then commencing northerly along said boundary to latitude 32°38'S, then west to longitude 137°36'E, and north to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 184 square kilometres),

being the land which is subject to Exploration Licence 6130; and

5. The land located in the State of South Australia, approximately 50 km southwest of Port Augusta, referred to as **Cultana Area** and which is bounded as follows:

Commencing at a point being the intersection of latitude 32°39'S and longitude 137°23'E, then east to longitude 137°26'E, south to latitude 32°44'S, west to longitude 137°25'E, south to latitude 32°58'S, west to longitude 137°24'E, south to the boundary of the Cultana Training Area (Expansion Area 2014), then commencing westerly along said boundary to longitude 137°12'E, then north to latitude 32°57'S,

west to the boundary of Cultana Training Area (Expansion Area 2014), then commencing northerly along said boundary to longitude 137°23'E, and south to the point of commencement,

(AREA: approximately 854 square kilometres),

being the land which is subject to Exploration Licence Application 2017/00239; and

all the within latitudes and longitudes being geodetic and expressed in terms of the Australian Geodetic Datum as defined on p. 4984 of Commonwealth Gazette number 84 dated October 6, 1966 (AGD66).

The general nature of the proposed mining operations that are to be carried out on the Land is:

Exploratory operations to determine the geology of the Land and presence of mineralisation. Without limiting that general description, those operations may include: reconnaissance; gridding; mapping; aerial and handheld photography; airborne and ground magnetic, electromagnetic, radiometric, seismic, gravity and electrical surveying; soil and other geochemical sampling; water sampling; hydrological studies; hydrogeology surveys; shallow trenching; limited clearing for access and drilling; drilling (including diamond core drilling and other methods); downhole-probing, sampling and radiometric testing of drill core/cuttings; environmental monitoring work (including baseline work, flora/fauna surveys, geotechnical surveys) and establishment of temporary camp/storage sites and access tracks as may be necessary.

The proposed activities are (or will be) authorised by the following exploration authorities under the *Mining Act 1971 (SA)*:

Exploration Licences 6088, 6106, 6108 and 6130 and the exploration licence to be granted pursuant to Exploration Licence Application 2017/00239 (including any extension, replacement, renewal, regrant or subsequent exploration licence granted for or other dealings with Exploration Licences 6088, 6106, 6108 and 6130 and the exploration licence to be granted pursuant to Exploration Licence Application 2017/00239, and any other exploration authority or interest in any exploration authority for the whole or any part of the Land).

The Proponent seeks to negotiate a native title mining agreement under Part 9B of the *Mining Act 1971 (SA)*.

TAKE NOTICE that if, two (2) months after this notice is given as required by the *Mining Act 1971 (SA)*, there are no persons registered under the law of the State or the Commonwealth as the holders of, or claimants to, native title in the Land, the **Proponent** (or its successor or assign) may apply *ex parte* to the Environment, Resources and Development Court for a summary determination authorising entry to the Land for the purpose of carrying out mining operations on the Land, and the conduct of mining operations on the Land.

Any person who holds or may hold native title in the Land who requires further information regarding this notice is invited to contact the Proponent at:

FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD
c/- FINLAYSONS
81 Flinders Street, Adelaide SA 5000
Telephone: (08) 8235 7400
Facsimile: (08) 8232 2944
Contact: Mr Andrew Dyda

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NOTICE TO GRANT AMALGAMATION APPLICATIONS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The State of Western Australia HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, C/- Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004 may grant the following amalgamation applications under the *Mining Act 1978*:

Exploration No.	Applicant	Amalg No	Area	Locality	Centroid	Shire
15/1410	MAINCOAST PTY LTD	523906	23.58HA	17km NW'ly of Widgiemooltha	Lat: 31° 19' S Long: 121° 26' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
15/1495	MCCLAREN, Kym Anthony	523922	20.73HA	26km W'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 18' S Long: 121° 25' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
	MANSEN, James Karl					
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525624	3.01HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 0' S Long: 119° 7' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525625	2.14HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525626	0.93HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525627	0.63HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525628	4.87HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 119° 9' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525629	2.49HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2211	TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING PTY LTD	525630	1.05HA	12km S'ly of Bullfinch	Lat: 31° 1' S Long: 119° 8' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 4 April 2018

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 **4 July 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. 4 August 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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AUSTRALIAN Football League (AFL) club Hawthorn has extended its commitment to growing women's sport with the announcement that the Monash Storm Netball Club will be rebranded as The Hawks in the Victorian Netball League (VNL) competition.

The partnership between will see Hawthorn become naming rights partner of 'The Hawks' and assist the club in providing young netballers with access to elite talent pathways.

The VNL is the premier netball competition in Victoria and a pathway for elite netballers to reach the Super Netball League.

The Hawks will have three teams competing in the competition – an under-19s, division 1 and championship side.

The Hawks will also work with Netball Victoria to support the Eastern Zone Academy Program as well as delivering initiatives in the Gippsland and Eastern Victorian regions that align with Hawthorn's current football Next Generation Academy zones.

Hawthorn CEO Justin Reeves said he was excited by the addition of a new community partnership being added to the club's growing Hawthorn family and for the opportunity to grow the game and participation at a grassroots level.

"We are more than just a football club at Hawthorn and this partnership is an opportunity to venture into a new community sporting code and display our commitment to women's sport," Reeves said.

Taylor fined for trip in opening match



GOLD Coast star Ashley Taylor has been handed a maximum \$1500 fine for tripping in the March 25 National Rugby League (NRL) blowout loss to St George Illawarra.

Taylor escaped a suspension but was hit with a grade-one tripping charge as one of five citings to come out of the clash in Toowoomba.

Titans skipper Ryan James was charged for dangerous contact but avoided a ban. – AAP

Notice of an application to register an area agreement on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

Notification day: 11 April 2018



National Native Title Tribunal



NI2018/001 Western Bundjalung Settlement ILUA
State of NSW
Description of the agreement area:
The agreement covers about 5,773 square kilometres and is located northwest of Grafton and west of Casino.
Link to map: <http://bit.ly/2F7NSd6>
Relevant LGA: Clarence Valley, Kyogle and Richmond Valley Councils and the Glen Innes Severn and Tenterfield Shire Councils.

The agreement contains the following statements:
[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]
8.1 For the purposes of section 24EBA(1)(a)(i) of the NTA *[Native Title Act]* and regulation 7(5) (d) of the *ILUA Regulations [Native Title (Indigenous Land Use Agreement) Regulations 1999]*, all Future Acts (other than Intermediate Period Acts) that were done in relation to land or waters in the Agreement Area after 1 January 1994 and before the Execution Date, are valid, to the extent that they were done invalidly because of the existence of Native Title.

8.2 All Future Acts done in relation to land and waters in the Agreement Area on and after the Execution Date and before the Registration Date are valid, to the extent that they are done invalidly because of the existence of Native Title, provided that they are done in accordance with the procedures set out in this Agreement or in the *NTA*.

17.3 Without limiting the rights of the Native Title Parties set out in Schedule E, the Parties consent to the doing of a Future Act that is in a class covered by Schedule E, which shall be valid, provided the procedures in Schedule E have been complied with. *[Schedule E refers to categories of future acts including Emergency Acts, Acts of Remediation, Future Acts under a Reservation, Permissible Renewals, Low Level Future Acts requiring Notice in writing and Consultation, Low Level Future Acts requiring No Notice, and Low Level Future Acts requiring Notice in writing. An edited copy of Schedule E (which includes more information about these acts) can be obtained from the National Native Title Tribunal. Please contact the Practice Leader for the ILUA on the details below.]*

17.5 Nothing in Schedule E affects the RNTBC's *[the registered native title body corporate's]* right to negotiate under Subdivision P of Division 3 of Part 2 of the *NTA*.

Parties to the agreement and their contact addresses:
Tim Torrens, David Mundine, Kathy Malera-Bandjolan, Bronwyn Bancroft, Leonard Gordon, David Walker, Terrence Robinson, Andrew Donnelly, Gary Brown & Graeme Walker on behalf of the Western Bundjalung People; Ngulingah Jugun (Our Country) Aboriginal Corporation
c/- Principal Solicitor, NTSCORP
PO Box 2105
Strawberry Hills NSW 2012

Attorney-General of New South Wales; Minister for Lands and Forestry; Minister for Primary Industries; Minister for the Environment; Chief Executive of the Office of Environment and Heritage; Chief Executive Officer of the Forestry Corporation of NSW
c/- Crown Solicitor's Office
GPO BOX 25
Sydney NSW 2000

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 NTSCORP, the representative body for the area. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the area covered by the ILUA may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of this agreement if they think that the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of this agreement (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the area covered by the agreement) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the application to register the ILUA has not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Sydney, NSW, 2000** by **11 July 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 Dianne Drake on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au

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Kaiwalagal Rugby League now Zenadth Kes

By ALF WILSON



Rooster Cup.

The competition was formerly known as the Kaiwalagal Rugby League (KRL).

Mulga Tigers will be attempting to win their fourth premiership in a row and the other teams will be Suburbs, Torres Eels,

Pioneer Knights as well as the return of Roosters and Wahmere.

Badu side Mulga Tigers won the 2017 final, beating arch rivals Suburbs 24-22.

Played before a large crowd last September 9 at Thursday Island's Ken Brown Memorial Oval, the decider went into extra time after scores were deadlocked 22-all at fulltime.

In the 2016 final, Mulga Tigers beat Suburbs 22-20.

It looks like being the best season for some years and Suburbs will field a strong team hoping to return to premiership glory from a few years back.

Women will play tag football.

Men's and women's games will start on April 14 with juniors starting on April 21.

It looks like being one of the most successful years for rugby league in the Torres Strait and Northern Peninsula Area (NPA).

The 2018 Island of Origin will be held on Badu Island from July 27-29 while the popular Zenadth Kes will be held on Thursday Island from October 12-14.

Last year, strong Badu Island side Mulga, which included NRL star Brenko Lee and former South Sydney and Parramatta Eels back Chris Sandow, won the final of

the Zenadth Kes carnival, beating Saibai Stags 20-10.

The NPA Cup (Dan Ropeyarn Memorial) is scheduled to be played at Bamaga from October 26-28.

Players from the Torres Strait and NPA will also have a pathway to representative honours.

In June, teams from the Torres Strait, Northern Cape, Southern Cape, Palm Island and NPA will meet in Cairns to battle it out at the Remote Area Rugby League Far North Queensland Challenge.

After that carnival, a Northern United side will be picked to meet Queensland Outback.

Fifita 'too big' to be niggled



CRONULLA rugby league firebrand Andrew Fifita may have unwittingly placed a target

on his head, declaring he's too big and tough to be niggled in the National Rugby League (NRL).

A gentle giant off the field, Fifita virtually dared Melbourne players to bait him in last Friday night's blockbuster when he made his provocative claim a few days earlier.

"I don't get niggled. I feel I'm a bit big to be niggled, to be honest," Fifita said before the Sharks' latest sequel to their 2016 grand final triumph over the Storm.

"I'm 126 kilos, it's a bit hard to niggle and push around me.

"I'm the big bopper on the field and I embrace my body, so it's about loving yourself and I just go out there to have fun."

One of the most controversial and colourful personalities in rugby league, Fifita suspects he's a little misunderstood at times.

"I don't know how to niggle. (Former teammate) Mick Ennis did. I just had his back when he did," the State of Origin and Test enforcer said.

Despite his stunning assertion, Fifita knows there's



Andrew Fifita

little love lost between the Sharks and the Storm, and was bracing for another torrid encounter.

Last year's 11-2 win over the Storm in Melbourne was one of the most intense matches of the season.

Fifita said he was determined to help Shane Flanagan's side rebuild their fortress at Shark Park.

The 2016 premiers won only five of 12 matches at home last year before losing their home shire derby this season in round two. —AAP

Rioli considered retirement



HAWTHORN star Cyril Rioli briefly contemplated retirement from the AFL after his father suffered a

near-fatal heart attack last year.

His father, also named Cyril, suffered the heart attack just before last year's AFL grand final.

The 28-year-old four-time premiership player has spoken candidly about the family health scare, saying it rocked him to his core.

The Hawks gave Rioli extended time off in November to be with his family in the Northern Territory.

One of the Hawks' most important players, he only returned to full training about six weeks ago. He played well in his side's defeat of Collingwood in round one.

But Rioli is just glad his father is

making a good recovery.

"It shook me up quite a bit ... he was classed (as) dead," he said.

"I wanted to spend as much time as I could with him in the off-season. He's made a good recovery."

Rioli was asked if his Dad's health scare made him think about his AFL career.

"A lot of things were going through my head — to get the phone call, that he'd had a heart attack ... they weren't too sure if he was going to make it," he said.

"That was one of the things — if I can keep my Dad and get rid of all the accolades I've had, I definitely would have, without a doubt. It made me appreciate life a lot more and it (that perspective) was something I really needed."

Rioli trained as best he could while he was on leave. —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
Mining Lease	28/390	KALNORTH GOLD MINES LIMITED	24.19HA	75km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	39/1129	DACIAN GOLD LIMITED	770.72HA	32km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 49' S Long: 122° 9' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Mining Lease	46/533	CHICHESTER METALS PTY LTD	4969.27HA	70km S'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 30' S Long: 120° 3' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Mining Lease	46/534	CHICHESTER METALS PTY LTD	524.77HA	61km SW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 22° 21' S Long: 119° 48' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of mining leases, which authorises the applicant to mine for minerals for a term of 21 years from notification of grant and a right of renewal for 21 years.

Notification day: 4 April 2018

Native title parties: Under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*, persons have until 3 months after the notification day to take certain steps to become native title parties in relation to applications. The 3 month period closes on **4 July 2018**. Any person who is, or becomes a native title party, is entitled to the negotiation and/or procedural rights provided in Part 2 Division 3 Subdivision P of *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*. Enquiries in relation to filing a native title determination application to become a native title party should be directed to the Federal Court of Australia, 1 Victoria Avenue, Perth WA 6000, telephone (08) 9268 7100. The mining tenements may be granted if, by the end of the period of 4 months after the notification day (**i.e. 4 August 2018**), there is no native title party under section 30 of the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)* in relation to the area of the mining tenements.

For further information about the act (including extracts of plans showing the boundaries of the applications), contact the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, 100 Plain Street, East Perth WA 6004, or telephone (08) 9222 3518.

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Notice of applications for determination of native title in the state of Queensland Notification day: 18 April 2018



National
Native Title
Tribunal

These are applications by native title claim groups which are asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that they hold native title in the areas described below.

A person who wants to become a party to any of these applications must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street Post Shop, BRISBANE, QLD, 4003 on or before **17 July 2018**. After **17 July 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 any of these applications, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determinations, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the areas concerned.



Application name: Terrence Taylor on behalf of the Ganalidda People (Konka Claim) and State of Queensland

Federal Court File No: QUD659/2017

Date filed: 24 November 2017

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **accepted** this application for registration.

Description: The application covers about 2273 sq km of land centred approx. 85 km north-west of Burketown.

Link to map: <http://bit.ly/2tgEILX>

Relevant LGA: Burke Shire Council.



Application name: Terrence Taylor on behalf of the Ganalidda People (Pendine Claim) and State of Queensland

Federal Court File No: QUD660/2017

Date filed: 24 November 2017

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **accepted** this application for registration.

Description: The application area covers about 1270 sq km of land in the vicinity of Nicholson River, approx. 6 km east of Doomadgee.

Link to map: <http://bit.ly/2FWiKA5>

Relevant LGA: Burke Shire Council.

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Tracey Jefferies on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

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Winning ugly sometimes the best way: Harbrow



JARROD Harbrow says finding a way to win ugly will do wonders for a Gold Coast Australian Football League (AFL) side trying to believe in itself.

The Suns defender was among the side's best in torrential Cairns conditions against North Melbourne on the sodden Cazalys Stadium surface he

grew up playing on.

Gold Coast finished 7.13 (55) to 5.9 (39) winners on March 25, having started the final term up by just one point.

Harbrow said the hard-earned win was important for the side's confidence after two pre-season victories had shown them what they were capable of.

"It's pretty special; it was important that we took our pre-season

form and the trust that we'd built over the pre-season into round one," he told Fox Sports afterwards.

"It's good to get that belief and I think that builds confidence."

The foundation Sun wasn't at his usual run and gun best, instead playing within himself to suit the conditions.

He kicked all 21 times he had the ball as the Suns ground out a win in coach Stuart Dew's first game in charge.

"It was not the night for that type of stuff, important to not be too fancy," Harbrow said.

"It's all about territory and basics; not a lot of run and dash, just stay safe and do the little things."

Harbrow said Dew's calming influence at the break helped the side steady in the final term.

Dew said spending plenty of time training in what was a wet Gold Coast pre-season helped.

"We've had a bit of it lately, so they weren't scared to get dirty," he said.

"We did at times go away from wet weather footy as well and I thought that's when we let them into it."

The Suns play their first 10 games away from their Metricon Stadium home ground due to the Commonwealth Games, making the Cairns win especially crucial.

— AAP Jarrod Harbrow



Ryder early-season AFL injury casualty



PORT Adelaide ruckman Paddy Ryder is among several big names facing extended spells on the sidelines after a bruising Australian Football League (AFL) opening round.

Scans have revealed Ryder suffered Achilles tendonitis during Port's 50-point victory over Fremantle on Saturday, March 24.

Assistant coach Matthew Nicks told FiveAA radio that Ryder would miss four to six weeks.

Arguably Port's most important player, Ryder has a history of Achilles injuries and will be difficult to replace for a side which lost Jackson Trengove and Matthew Lobbe during the off-season.

The 30-year-old was in a moon boot at the club's Alberton headquarters two days after the AFL opener. — AAP

Women's final goes down to the wire



ALTHOUGH void of any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women in this season's grand final, year two of the AFL Women's (AFLW) ended with a bang — a pulsating season-decider and a six-point margin.

The Western Bulldogs rode their luck to come out victors over the luckless Brisbane Lions at the grand final played at Princes Park in Melbourne. It was the Bulldogs' first flag and Brisbane's second grand final defeat after losing to Adelaide last year.

The grand final on March 24 ended the second year of the AFLW, which has quickly gained a foothold in most key areas of how a sport, or league, should be measured; chief among them burns on seats and eyeballs on screens. — Darren Moncrieff

Notice of applications to register area agreements on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements State of New South Wales Notification day: 11 April 2018



National Native Title Tribunal



NI2018/002 Barkandji Appin Station ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement covers approx. 318 sq km comprising of 3 lots, being Lot 2211 on DP764218, Lot 4769 on DP767984, and Lot 355 on DP761037, centred about 20km east of Menindee.

Link to map: <http://bit.ly/2CqwwqA>

Relevant LGA: Central Darling Shire Council



NI2018/003 Barkandji Weinteriga and Yobel Station ILUA

Description of the agreement area:

The agreement covers approx. 360 sq km comprising of 3 lots, being Lot 3445 on DP765734, Lot 4143 on DP766648 and Lot 3728 on DP766141, located directly south and approx. 65km south-west of Wilcannia.

Link to map: <http://bit.ly/2osXJAj>

Relevant LGA: Central Darling Shire Council

Parties to both agreements and their contact addresses:

William Charles Bates, Murray Butcher, Derek Hardman, Cyril James Hunter, Mary-Ann Marton, Maureen O'Donnell and Jennifer Jones (formerly Whyman) on behalf of the native title claim group in Federal Court proceedings NSD6084 of 1998 (Barkandji Claim); and Barkandji Native Title Group Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC

c/- NTSCORP Limited

PO Box 2105

Strawberry Hills NSW 2012

The Honourable Paul Toole, MP, the Minister for Lands and Forestry

c/- Crown Solicitor's Office

GPO Box 25

Sydney NSW 2001

Menindee Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) [NI2018/002] and

Wilcannia Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC) [NI2018/003]

c/- Chalk & Behrendt Lawyers & Consultants

Level 9, Currency House

23 Hunter Street

Sydney NSW 2000

The agreements contain the following statements:

[Explanatory notes in brackets inserted by the National Native Title Tribunal]

7.1 (a) This clause 7 applies if at any time before or after a Relevant Determination takes effect:

(i) [Menindee LALC (NI2018/002) / Wilcannia LALC (NI2018/003)] is legally entitled to make a Relevant Application to Purchase,

(ii) [Menindee LALC (NI2018/002) / Wilcannia LALC (NI2018/003)] makes a Relevant Application to Purchase, and

(iii) the Minister, in the exercise of the Minister's discretion, proposes to take Relevant Actions.

(b) For abundant clarity:

(i) nothing in paragraph (a)(iii) in any way obliges the Minister to take Relevant Actions, and

(ii) nothing in this Deed obliges the State generally, including the Minister, to take any particular action with respect to a Relevant Application to Purchase.

7.2 The Native Title Group irrevocably consents to the Minister taking the Relevant Actions.

7.5 Nothing in this clause 7 amounts to an admission by any Party that the Relevant Actions, if taken, affect native title.

'ILUA Area' means Appin. [NI2018/002]

'ILUA Area' means Weinteriga and Yobel. [NI2018/003]

'Minister' means the Minister administering the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* (NSW) (being the Minister for Lands and Forestry)

'Relevant Actions' means the grant of a Relevant Application to Purchase or the sale of the whole or part of the ILUA Area to [Menindee LALC (NI2018/002) / Wilcannia LALC (NI2018/003)] pursuant to the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* (NSW) or other Act.

'Relevant Application to Purchase' means an application by [Menindee LALC (NI2018/002) / Wilcannia LALC (NI2018/003)] under the *Crown Land Management Act 2016* (NSW) or other Act to purchase the whole or part of the ILUA Area.

'Relevant Determination' means a determination of native title in relation to the ILUA Area (whether or not it is also made in relation to other areas).

Objections to the registration of an ILUA where the application for registration has been certified:

These two applications for registration of indigenous land use agreements (ILUAs) have been certified by NTSCORP Limited, the representative body for the area concerned. The area covered by each agreement is shown in the respective maps. Any person claiming to hold native title to any part of the areas covered by any of the agreements may object in writing within the notice period to the registration of the agreements if they think that the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified. If you wish to object to the registration of any of the agreements (and you hold or claim to hold native title in any part of the areas covered by the agreements) you may only object for one reason: in your view, the applications to register the ILUAs have not been properly certified, as stated in section 203BE(5)(a) and (b) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth). You must make this objection in writing and send it to the **Native Title Registrar, National Native Title Tribunal, GPO Box 9973, Sydney, NSW, 2000** by **11 July 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 agreements are not available from the National Native Title Tribunal. For assistance and further information about these applications, call Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



Pietsch in Hong Kong 7s



WITH the Commonwealth Games starting today, leading players were not considered for selection in the Australian team for the World Series Hong Kong Sevens rugby tournament on April 6 and 7. Indigenous player Dylan Pietsch, with eight caps for the Australian Sevens, is one

of the most experienced players in the squad for Hong Kong.

Another Indigenous player, Harrison Goddard, from the Randwick club, is a standby player for the Hong Kong tournament.

Australia has seven new faces for Hong Kong with coach Andy Friend's side focused on the Commonwealth Games on

the Gold Coast the following weekend.

Australia are in Pool B alongside Spain, Canada and Kenya, who finished second in the most recent World Series event in Vancouver.

"We set the Commonwealth Games as a key tournament at the start of the season so Hong Kong will be a great opportunity for some of our younger players to get

some World Series experience," Friend said.

Australia is fourth on the World Series standings as they sit eight points off New Zealand in third with four events left to play.

The Commonwealth Games squad remained in camp in Sydney before heading up to the Gold Coast prior to competition today.

NOTICE OF BANDJALANG PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE HOLDERS MEETING PROPOSED INDIGENOUS LAND USE AGREEMENT (ILUA)



Date and Time: Thursday, 26 April 2018
9:30am arrival
10:00am start - 5:00pm
Friday, 27 April 2018
9:30am - 12:00pm
Place: Woodburn Evans Head
RSL Club,
11-13 McDonald PI,
Evans Head, NSW

NTSCORP Limited, the native title service provider for NSW, is convening a meeting to consult with Bandjalang native title holders and obtain their consent to an Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) in accordance with the *Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)*.

The NSW Department of Industry, Lands (**Department of Lands**) is proposing to enter into an ILUA with the Bandjalang Aboriginal Corporation Prescribed Body Corporate RNTBC (**Bandjalang RNTBC**) as trustee of the Bandjalang People's native title under the Approved Determinations of Native Title made by the Federal Court of Australia on 2 December 2013 (the Bandjalang People #1 and Bandjalang People #2 native title determinations).

Please note this meeting has been rescheduled from the originally advertised dates of 14-15 March 2018 due to cultural reasons.

AREA OF PROPOSED ILUA

The proposed agreement covers the Bandjalang People #1 and Bandjalang People #2 native title determination area, where native title is determined to exist, as indicated in the map below, and has an area of about 677 sq km. It is located between Casino in the north, Grafton in the south and Evans Head in the east.



PURPOSE OF THE PROPOSED ILUA:

The Department of Lands has identified that a number of licences granted by the Department terminated following the Bandjalang People #1 and Bandjalang People #2 determinations made on 2 December 2013.

These licences terminated automatically as a result of a clause in the licences. The purpose of this ILUA is to

- 1 allow the Department of Lands to re-grant certain of these licences on an interim basis, for a period of up to five years;
- 2 Validate the use and occupation of the lands by the former licence holders from the date that the licences were terminated to the date that they are re-issued;

- 3 Establish an alternative future act regime covering some classes of future acts within the agreement area.

The agreement is intended to operate for an interim period of five years. Within this five-year period the Department is committed to negotiating an ongoing agreement with Bandjalang RNTBC for the re-granting of these licences.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

All persons who hold native title in the area covered by the proposed ILUA are invited to attend the meeting to authorise the proposed ILUA:

In accordance with the Federal Court of Australia's determinations of native title in Bandjalang People #1 and Bandjalang People #2, native title in the area covered by the ILUA is held by the Bandjalang People who are:

(a) the biological descendants of King Harry, Jack Wilson, Susannah mother of Frank Jock Jnr, Michael "Mundoon" Wilson, George James, Eliza Breckenridge, Jack Breckenridge, Frank Jock Jnr, Ada Jock, Gibson Robinson, Grace Bond; and

(b) persons adopted or incorporated into the families of those persons (and the biological descendants of any such adopted or incorporated persons) and who identify as and are accepted as Bandjalang People in accordance with Bandjalang traditional laws and customs.

AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING:

- 4 Discuss the background and the purpose of the proposed ILUA and consult with Bandjalang native title holders.
- 5 Confirm the decision-making process for giving consent to the making of an ILUA
- 6 Consider whether the native title holders consent to the proposed ILUA

Please contact NTSCORP to confirm your attendance by **Thursday, 19 April 2018**. Mileage assistance and accommodation will also be available to persons attending the meeting in accordance with NTSCORP Limited's policies. **Please note that accommodation, where required, will only be provided based on completed meeting registration forms received or confirmed details by telephone.**

Bandjalang native title holders who wish to obtain additional information about the proposed ILUA prior to the meeting should contact NTSCORP.

ALL ENQUIRIES SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO NTSCORP ON 1800 111 844 or (02) 9310 3188 or FAX (02) 9310 4177.

BANDJALANG PEOPLE NATIVE TITLE CLAIM GROUP AUTHORISATION MEETING: NEW NATIVE TITLE APPLICATION AND AMENDMENT TO COMBINE WITH BANDJALANG #3 APPLICATION



Date and Time: Friday, 27 April 2018
12:30pm arrival
1:00pm start - 3:00pm
Place: Woodburn Evans Head
RSL Club,
11-13 McDonald PI,
Evans Head, NSW

Note: A meeting of Bandjalang People common law holders to consider and provide consent to a proposed Indigenous land use agreement is being held on Thursday 26 and Friday 27 April 2018 at the same venue. This meeting is being held immediately following that ILUA Meeting.

NTSCORP Limited, the native title service provider for NSW, provides assistance to the **Bandjalang People**, and is convening a meeting for all Bandjalang People and any other Aboriginal people who assert native title rights and interests in the three parcels of land depicted in the map below, being areas of land and waters in and around Evans Head, New Italy and Bungawalbin.

Who should attend?

(a) the biological descendants of King Harry, Jack Wilson, Susannah mother of Frank Jock Jnr, Michael "Mundoon" Wilson, George James, Eliza Breckenridge, Jack Breckenridge, Frank Jock Jnr, Ada Jock, Gibson Robinson, Grace Bond; and

(b) persons adopted or incorporated into the families of those persons (and the biological descendants of any such adopted or incorporated persons) and who identify as and are accepted as Bandjalang People in accordance with Bandjalang traditional laws and customs.

AND

Any other Aboriginal person who asserts native title rights and interests in the proposed claim area.

Map of the Proposed Claim Area

The native title claim area is Lot 544 DP 48550, Lot 130 DP 755609 and a parcel of land abutting Lot 209 DP 755603. The location of these lands are marked in the map below.



The AGENDA for the meeting is:

- 1 Discuss the background on this proposed new claim and review native title law and processes;
- 2 Decision making process of the claimant group;
- 3 Consider and authorise a native title application over the area described above;
- 4 Authorise the Applicant to make the proposed native title determination application;
- 5 Consider any conditions to be imposed on the powers of the Applicant.
- 6 Consider and confirm NTSCORP Limited as the legal representative for the native title claim.
- 7 Consider and instruct NTSCORP Limited to seek orders that any new claim

authorised at this meeting be combined with the Bandjalang People #3 Claim (NSD426/2016)

- 8 Update on progress of the Bandjalang People #3 Claim and to give instructions on the next steps;
- 9 Any other matters raised by the claim group.

Confirming your attendance

Please confirm your attendance at this meeting by contacting NTSCORP on the numbers listed below by no later than 23 April 2018, so that all relevant arrangements can be made.

Our details are: Freecall 1800 111 844 or (02) 9310 3188
Post: P.O. Box 2105, Strawberry Hills NSW 2012
Fax: (02) 9310 4177
Email: CFC@ntscorp.com.au

Mileage assistance and accommodation may be available to persons attending this meeting in accordance with NTSCORP's meeting assistance policies. If you require accommodation, **you will need to provide NTSCORP with a completed meeting registration form, or telephone NTSCORP with confirmed details, by no later than Monday 23 April 2018.**

Please note if you do not contact NTSCORP by **Monday 23 April 2018** to confirm your request for travel and accommodation assistance, NTSCORP **cannot** guarantee we will be able to assist with travel and accommodation arrangements – although you would still be more than welcome to attend the meeting.

Should you have any queries or simply require further information, please do not hesitate to contact: **Annika Rotumah – Senior Community Facilitator or Sandy Chalmers – Senior Solicitor on Freecall: 1800 111 844 ph: (02) 9310 3188.**

Tigers embrace culture



SHARP-EYED fans will see Australian Football League (AFL) club Richmond

recognise and pay respects to the traditional owners of the land it plays and competes on.

The club's six Aboriginal players feature in a acknowledgement to country video that is being played before each Richmond home game at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG).

The Tigers play 10 of its 22 games at the home of football this season.

Yarra Park, the land on which the Richmond Football Club and the iconic MCG is located on, is traditional country for the Wurundjeri people.

It was a gathering place for thousands of years, and continues to be a place to play, sing, dance and celebrate Australia's modern identity.

The players in this piece speak in local Woiworing language, and in doing so, strengthen their own identity and connection with the traditional owners of the land on which they work and play.

Richmond's connection to Indigenous culture and community features in the video with vision of Richmond's war cry dance and other cultural elements of the Dreamtime.

The club and Richmond's Indigenous Centre, the Korin Gamadji Institute (KGI), sought cultural support from Wurundjeri Elder Aunty Joy Murphy and advice from Mandy Nicholson, from Djirri Djirri Cultural Services, to teach the players the language and pronunciation of the wording.

Ms Nicholson has played a significant role at the KGI to facilitate a revival of traditional dance with the hundreds of young people in its programming.

KGI director Aaron Clark said



The Melbourne Cricket Ground – home of the Richmond Tigers.

the gesture of welcoming people to country had been a part of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures for thousands of years.

“Traditionally, welcoming people to country was a way to give permission to other Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander groups to move through your land, and wish them safe passage and protection

during their journey,” Clark said. “In our acknowledgement, our Indigenous players and the football club are welcoming fans to our great game, acknowledging the traditional land that we’re standing on, and also deepening the connection between football fans and our Indigenous people. “We see this content as a natural extension of our

commitment to reconciliation and ability to connect people to a sense of place within Melbourne, the Yarra River (Birrungmarr). “We celebrate our Indigenous culture in football during the Sir Doug Nicholls Round, but we view this acknowledgement as an opportunity to recognise and celebrate with our fans at every Richmond home game.”

Clark said the cultural programming offered at the KGI was emulated in the different features of the video. “Part of the KGI's programming is to strengthen cultural connection through language, land and storytelling with our participants, and we've utilised that in our video storytelling with the players,” said Clark.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Study Registration of Interest

Everick Heritage Consultants Pty Ltd (ABN 78 102 206 682) is seeking to consult with interested Aboriginal persons in preparation for the proposed New England Highway Heavy Vehicle Bypass at Tenterfield, NSW. The study area consists of the Following Lots;

Lot 599 DP704008 & Lot 4 DP1037068	Lot 2 DP631827	Lot 1 DP1111666 & Lot 3 DP1120166 & Lot 77 DP1111652	Lot 138 DP5223
Lot 3 DP1037068 & Lot 2 DP591606	Lot 1 DP927303 & Lot 7 DP65122	Lot 12 DP911211 & Lot 1 DP135481 & Lot 4 DP807800	Lot 4 Sec 39 DP2768 & Lot A DP362709
Lot 7307 DP1133082 & Lot 7319 DP1141018	Lot 80 DP751540	Lot 287 DP751540	Lot 5 DP222655
Lot 1 DP1110672	Lot 6 DP1084888	Lot 1 DP868480	Lot 1 DP794804
Lot 1 DP610444 & Lot 2 DP610444	Lot 1 DP519252 & Lot 2 DP519252	Lot 1 DP724950 & Lot B DP370935	Lot 1 DP197261
Lot 3 DP855057 & Lot 2 DP810280	Lot 1 DP1038092	Lot 1 Sec 38 DP2768	Lot 77 DP1111652
Lot 1 DP812479	Lot 3 DP744570	Lot 2 Sec 38 DP2768	Lot 286 DP751540
Lot 1 DP631827	Lot 4 DP1010396	Lot 3 Sec 38 DP2768 & Lot 4 Sec 38 DP2768	Lot 302 DP751540

Consultation will be undertaken in preparation for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit application.

What do you need to do?

Aboriginal persons who hold cultural knowledge of the region are invited to register their interest in writing with:

Everick Heritage Consultants
PO Box 200
COFFS HARBOUR NSW 2450
or t.hill@everick.com.au

When must registration be received?

Registration must be received by **Thursday 19 April 2018**.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Study Registration of Interest

Everick Heritage Consultants Pty Ltd (ABN 78 102 206 682) is seeking to consult with interested Aboriginal persons in preparation for the proposed upgrade of the New England Highway at Bolivia Hill, NSW. The study area consists of the following properties.

LOT	CERT OF TITLE	TENURE	PROPOSED USE
107 DP1233113	66 DP751498	Crown Land	New road corridor
108 DP1233113	7001 DP1065779	Crown Land	New road corridor
106 DP1233113	7307 DP1145068	Crown Land	New road corridor
109 DP1233113	7015 DP1065779	Crown Land	New road corridor
13 DP853518	Same	Freehold	New road corridor and auxiliary site
41 DP751498	Same	Freehold	Proposed borrow pit
13 DP853518	Same	Freehold	Upgrading an access track to access borrow pit

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It's footy season again



AFTER enduring a cricket season that ended in

a farce, sports fans are savouring the return of the winter football codes – most notably the Australian Football League (AFL) and the National Rugby League (NRL).

The *Koori Mail's* Peter Argent was at the Adelaide Oval for the AFL season opener between Port Adelaide and the Fremantle Dockers.

The Power won 16.14 (110) to 9.6 (60).

Here are some images from that game.



● Above left: Port Adelaide's Steve Motlop.

● Above right: Port Adelaide's Chad Wingard.

● Left: Docker Brandon Matera celebrates with Brad Hill.

● Right: Sam Powell-Pepper celebrates.

● Below left: Brandon Matera celebrates with Fremantle teammate Nathan Wilson.

● Below: Docker Michael Walters.



New-look Foley Shield

By ALF WILSON



REPRESENTATIVE sides from Cairns, Townsville and Mackay as well as the three Queensland Super Cup teams from those cities will contest a revamped Foley Shield rugby league competition this year.

Once a blue ribbon event on the North Queensland rugby league calendar, the Foley Shield began in 1948.

It featured champion footballers such as Vern Daisy, Gene Miles, Colin Scott, Kerry Boustead and scores more.

Daisy and his brother Frank were champion players for Mount Isa, which dominated the competition for some years.

The competition was discontinued four year ago due to high costs.

It was reintroduced in 2017 between the eventual winners Townsville and District Blackhawks, MacKay Cutters and Cairns Northern Pride.

QRL Northern Division manager Scott Nosworthy said the three Super Cup clubs based in North Queensland, namely the Cairns Northern Pride, the Townsville and District Blackhawks and the Mackay Cutters had agreed to participate once again in the Foley Shield as a three-tiered competition that involved the under-18, under-20 and A grade teams of the three Super Cup clubs.

"As an addition this year, there will also be A-grade teams from the Townsville, Cairns and Mackay competitions participating in the Foley Shield. They will play a round-robin carnival on the weekend of May 5 and 6 in Townsville, which will also double as a North Queensland Marlins selection trial,"

Nosworthy said.

He said that points for the winners of all games would determine the Foley Shield winners for 2018.

"All the points from all the games mentioned in Super Cup 20s and 18s will count plus the three games on the May long weekend where the A-grade teams play each other in the Marlins selection trials," Nosworthy said.

Footnote: Players from the Thursday Island-based Zenadth Kes Rugby League and Cape Cluster competition will still have a path to representative honours.

The Torres Strait Stingers, Northern Cape, Southern Cape and Palm Island will compete in the Remote Area Rugby League (RARL) FNQ Challenge at Cairns in late June.

From that, the best players will be picked for a Northern United side to meet Queensland Outback.



Vern Daisy, one of the best ever Foley Shield players. Picture: Alf Wilson

Skipjacks take on Army

By ALF WILSON



IT will be showdown time on April 28 at Townsville's Willows Sports Complex when Palm Island Skipjacks and Australian Army Thunder clash for the 11th time in the prestigious Bill Coolburra Memorial Shield.

What makes this the juiciest match of all 10 so far is that the two sides have each won five times.

This clash will be a curtain raiser to the North Queensland Cowboys versus Canberra Raiders National Rugby League (NRL) match.

Last year, Skipjacks defeated Australian Army Thunder 26-20 at the Cowboys' home ground. Army won the 2016 match on

Palm Island 36-24.

In 2015 in Townsville, a much bigger and fitter Army side beat Skipjacks 44-18.

The late Palm Aboriginal Elder Bill Coolburra served in the Australian Army for many years and was an avid Skipjacks supporter, a club that is more than 80 years old.

Coolburra served as a regular soldier in the Royal Australian Engineers after

enlisting in 1964.

His overseas service included Borneo, Malaya and Vietnam, serving as a member of 1 Field Squadron and also 3 Field Troop.

He saw action in Vietnam as a tunnel rat in the infamous Hobo Woods while attached as an engineer to the 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (1 RAR) and the 6th Battalion, RAR, in 1965 and 1966. It was

while serving in the Army that he received the nickname 'Kookaburra'.

He loved the Army and served 16 years, but he also loved his rugby league, and his favourite Palm Island team, the Skipjacks.

It was his wish that the Army and Palm Island play an annual game that would forge closer ties between the Army and the Indigenous community.



The Palm Island Skipjacks team that won last year's clash with Australian Army to make it five-all in the annual clash that's been running for 10 years.

Simon's race against clock

By CHRIS PIKE



WHILE one national sporting team is in disgrace, the Matildas continue to represent

Australia with pride as they prepare for the upcoming Asian Cup campaign with Lydia Williams to be in goals and Kyah Simon racing to be fit.

The Matildas finalised preparations for the Asian Cup with a 5-0 victory over Thailand in Perth as the Australian women's football team heads to Jordan in top form.

The Asian Cup begins on the morning of April 8 for the Matildas against South Korea before group matches against Vietnam and Japan.

The Matildas are the top-ranked team at the tournament and with the top five teams qualifying for the 2019 World Cup in France, they will be expected to go well and to book their place at least for that tournament.

Williams is certain to remain a key part of the Matildas team throughout the Asian Cup as

the goalkeeper.

The 29-year-old has now played for Australia on 65 occasions and remains one of the very best goalkeepers in the world.

Williams is also coming off another championship victory in the W-League with Melbourne City.

Meanwhile, Simon has also been included in the Australian squad for the Asian Cup despite having had a hamstring injury that kept her out of the recent Algarve Cup where the Matildas finished fourth following a loss to Portugal.

She also missed the 5-0 victory Australia had over Thailand in Perth, but is working hard and progressing well to try and prove her fitness to ensure she is available for selection at some stage during the Asian Cup.

Simon has now played 78 games and scored 22 goals for the Matildas, and she too was part of that successful Melbourne City team in the W-League before suffering her hamstring injury during the grand final victory against Sydney FC.

Simon is yet to play since, but is confident of being fit to take part in the Asian Cup.

Looking beyond that, she will play at a new club in the National Women's Soccer League in the United States, having signed with the Houston Dash for the 2018 season.

She had previously played in the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) with the Boston Breakers and now will join Houston following the conclusion of Australia's Asian Cup campaign in Jordan.

Simon is looking forward to seeing Australia perform well at the tournament, and the added motivation and lessons learned from the loss to Portugal at the Algarve Cup will hold them in good stead.

"It came at a good time to challenge us and to build our resilience. It has provoked the hunger because it is very easy in sport to become a little complacent," Simon said.

"Sometimes you get more out of a loss than a win in terms of having things to work on and build on from it. As an athlete, you want to be winning all the time, but the big picture for us is the Asian Cup so we had a good wake-up call in preparation for that."



Matildas Kyah Simon, left, and Lydia Williams.

Back on AFL stage

By CHRIS PIKE



JARROD Garlett was prepared to give up on an Australian Football League (AFL) career to help take care of his sick brother, which

made it extra special when he marked his return, this time with Carlton, to open the 2018 season with that same brother there to cheer him on.

Garlett was initially taken at selection No. 15 by the Gold Coast Suns in the 2014 AFL Draft and went on to play 17 games over the next two seasons, looking on track to build himself a strong career in the big time.

But family came first. His brother was dealing with some serious health concerns and Garlett just couldn't bring himself to remain living over the other side of the country while that was happening.

Walked away

So when Gold Coast couldn't come to terms with West Coast or Fremantle on a trade to allow the contracted Garlett to return home, he walked away from his AFL career to help take care of his ailing sibling.

He did end up playing in the West Australian Football League (WAFL) with his original club South Fremantle in 2017 as part of a team that ended up reaching the preliminary final.

He had impressed enough when AFL clubs were considering giving him another go, and with his brother's condition improving, Garlett was ready to come back into the AFL.

That ended up seeing Carlton pick him at No. 78 in the 2017 AFL Draft

and, in round one of the 2018 season, he was there playing for the Blues in front of more than 90,000 fans at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) against Richmond.

Not only that, but Garlett played one of the best AFL games of his 18-match career, kicking two early goals and finishing with 17 possessions and six marks.

For Garlett, it was a special occasion to get back out to play an AFL game again and to show that he could deliver at that level.

"It was amazing," he said.

"Not many people can get that second chance to go back out there. To step out in front of 90,000 or so people, you can't really explain the feeling," Garlett said.

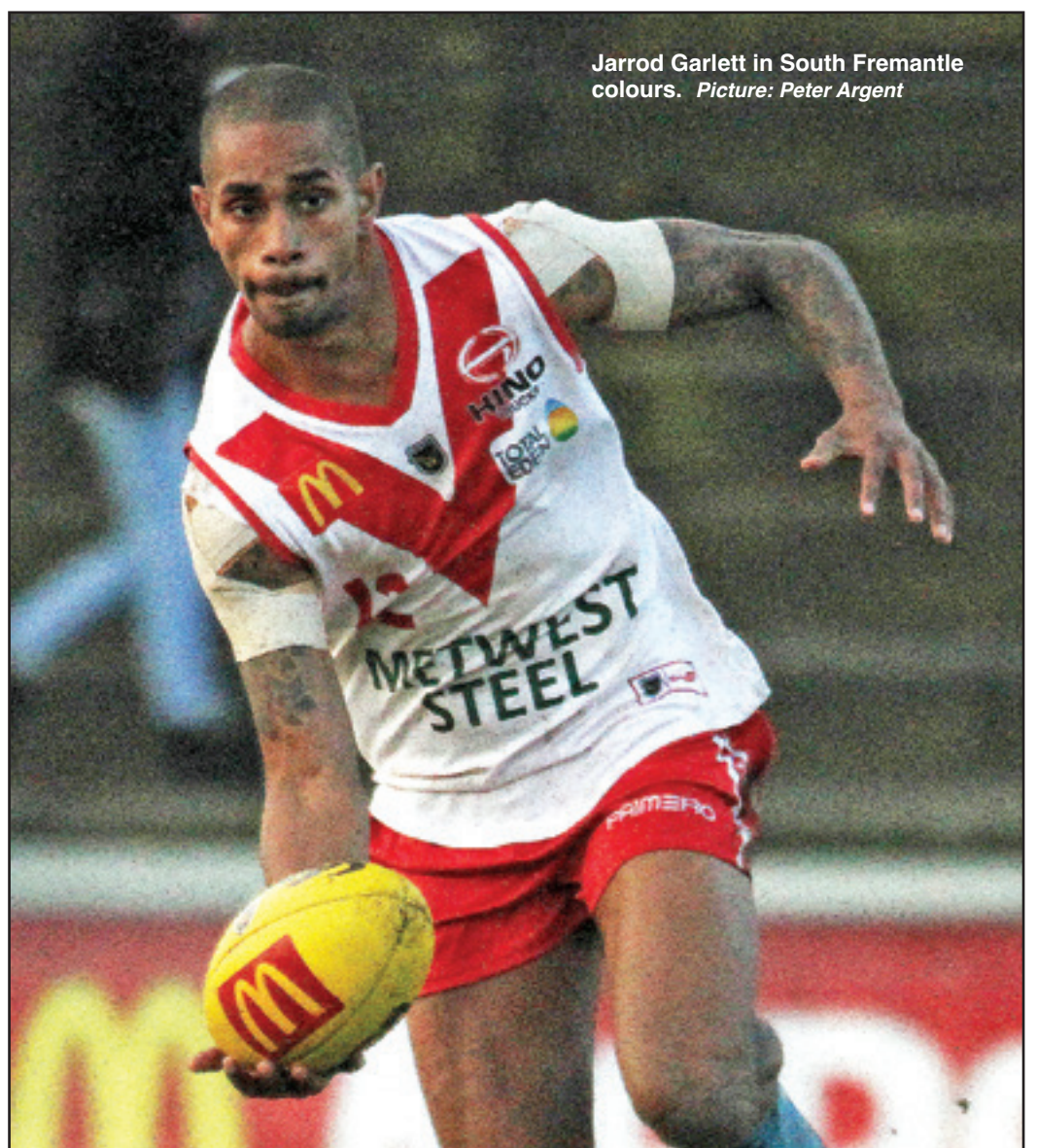
"It's the biggest crowd I've played in front of and it was all about giving back to my family and making them proud.

"That was something I really took in and it had a big impact on my game and makes me feel a lot better. I feel a lot more settled without home sickness or anything like that. I'm feeling good."

Having his family there, including his partner and young son, was extra special for Garlett, but nothing beat the presence of his brother, who was well enough to make the trip to Melbourne and cheer him on at the MCG.

"My partner was here, a couple of my in-laws, my aunty and my brother was too," Garlett said.

"My brother was the one who was really crook so for him to fly over and watch my first game, it was good to have him come down. He was pretty much the reason I left in the first place so it was good to have him here for my first game back."



Jarrod Garlett in South Fremantle colours. Picture: Peter Argent

Recipe for success

RUGBY LEAGUE



With PRESTON CAMPBELL

It is hard to believe that Latrell Mitchell is still only 20 years of age.

I wrote during the off-season that Latrell may have benefited from all the focus on the signings of Cooper Cronk and James Tedesco at the Sydney Roosters.

But a player of Latrell's talent cannot remain in the shadows for too long and he has obviously put in the necessary hard work across the off-season.

He has obviously pleased coach Trent Robinson, who normally does not want to put any additional pressure on a developing Latrell by making too much public comment.

But it is rare for a player so young to reach the 50-game mark, as Latrell did in the recent match against the Knights, and his form deserves praise.

Origin contender

So positive has his start for the season been that many have him pencilled in to make his State of Origin debut this season.

The centre recently re-signed until the end of the 2020 season with the Tricolours and Robinson beams when speaking about the rising star.

"We talked about it this morning, how a lot of people look at it as talent, but not many see how much training he does and how hard he works," Robinson said before the Knights clash.

"That's how you play 50 games at 20 years old and we've seen improvement in that as well.

"He's not finished; he's not relying on what he's done already. It's a big occasion and I'm pretty interested to see the 50 to 100 as well.

"It's good that he's re-signed and he's talked positively about this place being his home."

Robinson credited the club's family values as a big reason why Mitchell chose to stay even after James Tedesco was signed



Latrell Mitchell in action against the Brisbane Broncos last September. Picture: Getty

in the off-season to play fullback – a role Mitchell used to thrive in.

"I'm pretty excited that Latrell has hit 50 and it's a credit to him and his family but also to the club and his development," Robinson said.

Dangerous

"He's dangerous when the game is on the line for opposition teams. It's been between 18 and 20 years old where the work ethic has kicked in. He's one of the last to leave the training field every day; something people wouldn't assume about Latrell Mitchell.

"We set up a training style here which is about effort and work, which I imagine most teams do, but mostly about knowing how to train hard.

"But Latrell has done that on his own. He's always been one of the last to leave since he began training with us."

Latrell also revealed that the birth of his daughter Inala last year has forced him to grow up, and was part of a decision to overhaul his diet in a bid to cement his place in the Roosters' first-grade side and push his case for an Origin debut for NSW.

He's traded chips, lollies and soft drinks for salad, lean meat and water, but it's a sacrifice that is already paying off.

Difference

"I wasn't good on that stuff for the first couple of years of playing footy but it makes a massive difference to performance," Mitchell said.

"Cutting out the sugar and junk stuff, I've just shredded it.

"Eating more vegetables and leafy greens took it off me in a few weeks. All that dead weight. I turned a bit into muscle, not too much muscle, but enough to get me by."

"I'd have pasta or something the night before training or a game but now I feel like that bloats me more than leafy vegetables and eggs or chops.

"I'll have a cheat day here and there and then rip in again."

The physical changes in his body are noticeable.

And while those physical changes are pleasing, it's his performance on the training paddock that has given Mitchell with the most joy.

"I've improved massively this year. Lifting pretty good, but I focus more on the field stuff running around," he said.

"I'm enjoying the hard stuff on the field."

The more settled his life is away from the field, with his partner and eight-month-old daughter moving from his home town of Taree to Maroubra, the more Mitchell has realised there's more to life than rugby league.

"It's changed me a lot as a person," Mitchell said.

"It's a massive responsibility I take on and I'm loving every minute of it. I've moved the missus and the little one down. It makes things a lot easier coming home and seeing her face light up.

Motivation

"It's been a massive motivation for me this year."

To all the young kids out there dreaming of playing in the NRL, Mitchell has provided a recipe for success.

You need to have talent, but talent alone is not enough.

Hard work is the first step. Include a good diet as the next step.

And finally, a settled life off the field – whether that be school, study, work or family life.

Mix them all together and success may come your way – just like it has for Mitchell.

After 1302 days, Barry returns

By PETER ARGENT



AFTER a break of 1302 days, Dom Barry has returned to the Australian Football League (AFL).

That would have to rank with the longest separations from the game in AFL history.

Barry last played for the Melbourne Demons on August 30, 2014.

After being recruited by Port Adelaide Power, he made his return in the Power's black, white and teal on Saturday, March 24 in Port Adelaide's 50-point victory over Fremantle in the AFL 2018 season opener.

Barry was conspicuous throughout with his pace and ability to find the ball.

He finished with 22 disposals and was considered a strong contributor in the victory.

His possession count was five better than his previous best effort – 17 touches for Melbourne against Hawthorn in round 20, 2014.

The 179cm, 78kg Barry, now 24, was initially a Greater Western Sydney (GWS) Giants recruit as part of their zone recruiting.

He was on-traded to Melbourne as a part of the Jesse Hogan deal during the 2012 trade period.

At the end of the 2013 season, Barry represented Australia in the 2013 International Rules series against Ireland, despite not having played an AFL game.

After a promising start at the completion of the 2014 AFL season, after five senior games for the Demons, Barry wasn't sure if the football lifestyle was the right cultural fit for him.

He decided to head back to the APY Lands to be involved in his cultural ceremonies.

"I put my culture first – I went home and did that," Barry told Adelaide radio during the 2018 pre-season.

"I felt a lot more settled after I had gone through it.

"I felt at peace with who I was.

Motivation

"It gave me the extra motivation to give AFL footy another crack."

During his time back in the APY Lands, in the far west of South Australia, Barry became an influential figure in his community.

His jobs included mentoring young children, driving the school bus, and tutoring students.

"I was driving the school bus every morning, and in the afternoon I ran after-school programs to try to keep the kids engaged," Barry said.

"I found that there was a real need to have good role models in the community.

"It was a great experience to be part of a culture that is so strong; and for me to continue that is the least I could do for my culture – it has certainly grown my passion for teaching."

His ability to connect with the students of his cultural homeland inspired Barry to undertake a Bachelor of Teaching at university.

"I am one year into my teaching degree," Barry said. It will allow me to go back to my community after footy and teach the students.

"It is something that I'm really excited about."

With Glenelg in the SANFL in 2017, Barry proved he still had the capacity as a player.

He was also a talented tennis player as a junior.

Port Adelaide collected Barry, their fifth selection in last year's National Draft, giving the talented left-footer a second chance at AFL level.

Barry has taken it with both hands.

"It's been amazing (at Port Adelaide)," he said.

"I went to school with Jake Neade, he is one of my best mates, so it's been great to link up with him again.

"(Ken Hinkley) has been amazing. His interpersonal skills are incredible. He has been so welcoming."

Considered by many just an outside chance and a draft gamble, Barry has beaten the odds and returned to the top echelon of the code.



Dom Barry back playing AFL – 1302 days after his last game. His says going back to his homeland APY Lands in remote South Australia gave him the motivation to have another crack at the highest level of Australian football. Picture: Peter Argent

AFL boss pledges to save Tassie football



AUSTRALIAN Football League (AFL) chief Gillon McLachlan has reaffirmed his pledge to save

football in Tasmania, but he wants some help doing it.

McLachlan met with key stakeholders in the local leagues and the Tasmanian Government last month.

There is a strong sense among local fans the AFL is ignoring the grassroots football state at the expense of northern expansion, and projects such as AFLX.

This season's Tasmanian State League will feature no teams from the north-west region after Burnie and Devonport opted out.

"We've got a view about how we should be over the coming weeks but the reality is that we're committed to doing whatever it takes down there," McLachlan told a sports show panel.

"And it's not all on us. I can provide as much money as you want, but there's a two-way street here because there are structural challenges in Tasmania.

"I'm not trying to avoid our share of responsibility, but there is stuff that exists in Tasmania and there is stuff that we can be doing better or investing more in.

"We'll get to the right ground because we can't solve all of the issues down there, but we can make sure that we're doing everything we can to deal with as many issues as we can."

McLachlan dismissed the notion that neglect from league headquarters – over the past two years at least – was at the root of the problems the code faced in Tasmania.

The AFL has boosted the amount of funds allocated to the sport over the past two years but McLachlan promised more money would be forthcoming if required.

"We had about 50 or 60% increase in investment down there and the numbers are encouraging, but it will take some time to catch up to where we need to be," he said. – AAP



Gillon McLachlan



Lance Franklin after scoring a goal during the round one AFL match against the West Coast Eagles at the new Perth Stadium on March 25. Franklin opened the 2018 AFL season with a bang, booting eight goals. Picture: Getty

That's just the beginning

Magic's Moments



With **MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN**

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THE opening of Western Australia's new stadium needed a West Aussie to set the game alight.

And it got one, but unfortunately for all the Eagles fans, it was Buddy Franklin who was the star on the night.

His stunning eight-goal performance was enough to suggest that he may be the first player in recent times to reach a 'ton' of goals for the season.

Buddy is the last player to achieve the milestone in an AFL home and away season. That was 10 years ago and this helped his team – Hawthorn – claim a premiership.

This year there is hope he'll do it again – in different colours.

Since making the move to Sydney before the 2014 season, Franklin has continued to show why he's one of the most entertaining players in the game.

He appears set for a massive 2018.

In his four years in the red and white, Franklin has won two Coleman Medals, earned All Australian honours three times and been the team's leading goalkicker every year.

With the loss of Kurt Tippett, the Swans forward line will be relying even more on Franklin and with that comes increased opportunities.

A clearly fit Lance Franklin terrorised the Eagles for the first three quarters in the Swans' 29-point win over West Coast – 18.7 (115) to 13.8 (86).

Highlight

The prolific Sydney forward's contested marking against the usually reliable Eagles defenders was a highlight – and he showed plenty of pace.

Franklin – who has won the Coleman Medal four times, most recently last year – booted three goals in the opening term: two in each of the second and third quarters and one in the last.

He finished with 21 disposals and nine marks.

If every team lets him sit one-on-one in attack this season like the Eagles did for most of the game, he will kick 100 goals.

Former Swans captain

Jarrad McVeigh says he's never seen Buddy play as well as he did against the Eagles in Perth and declared his eight-goal performance his finest in red and white.

"That's the best game I've seen him play for the club," McVeigh said.

"It was an unbelievable game. The goals were fantastic, but his ability to make a contest against two or three opponents, especially in the last quarter, and his chasing and work rate, was right up there.

Up with the best

"It's right up there with one of the best all-round performances I've seen from anybody."

His goals fill the highlight reels, but McVeigh says they are just the tip of the iceberg and it's Franklin's work rate that is his driving force.

Statistics showed his work off the ball was as impressive as it was with it in his hands.

McVeigh believes the Swans star should be recognised for the labour which creates the opportunities to shine.

"For a big key forward to keep fighting through two or more defenders – there is no secret to why he's such a great player," McVeigh said.

"He just keeps on fighting and I'm glad he's on my team."

Franklin turned 31 in January and should be starting to show signs of wear and tear, but there are none to be seen.

He hasn't missed a game since 2015.

"He certainly doesn't look like he's declining at all,"

McVeigh said.

"It's only one game, but we're all seeing the same thing.

"Even though he had those three operations at the end of the year, he had a great pre-season. He kept himself as fit as I've seen him through boxing and other workouts.

"He certainly didn't want to get behind in what he was doing and when the matches come around, he's in his element.

"He rarely plays a bad game."

Even AFL CEO Gillon McLachlan declared the Swans should extend his contract beyond its current nine-year term, which expires in 2022.

"Having seen the way he played on Sunday, they should extend him," McLachlan said.

"We are lucky to have a player like Lance Franklin playing our game. He's a physical specimen like I haven't seen.

"Andrew Ireland and Andrew Pridham would be smiling now and look like they're on the right side of the deal.

"To see someone with his speed and size is rare in international sport and we're lucky to have him."

While the world of cricket is in all sorts of pain, the Swans have a player who has a ton in his sights.

I believe Buddy could be ready to deliver on the major reason the Swans invested so heavily in him.

And that is to bring another flag to Sydney!

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Arafura Games coming back to Darwin



FOUR more countries have signed up for the Arafura Games, which the Northern

Territory Labor Government is bringing back in 2019.

Arafura Games Minister Ken Vowles said the Federated States of Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Solomon Islands and Tuvalu were the latest additions to the growing list of countries that had signed up to take part.

"More than 12 months out from the Arafura Games returning, we now have eight countries who will be sending athletes and support crews to the Territory," Mr Vowles said.

"The latest four join Indonesia, Vietnam, the Philippines and Timor-Leste."

The Arafura Games, which were scrapped by the previous CLP government, will return from April 27 to May 4, 2019.

"We're really starting to see things take off now, with more countries coming on board," Mr Vowles said.

"Good sporting connections are closely linked to trade opportunities, so the relationships we build now through bringing back the Arafura Games will support our economy into the future."

Mr Vowles used the announcement of four more countries to urge Territorians to sign up as volunteers for the Games.

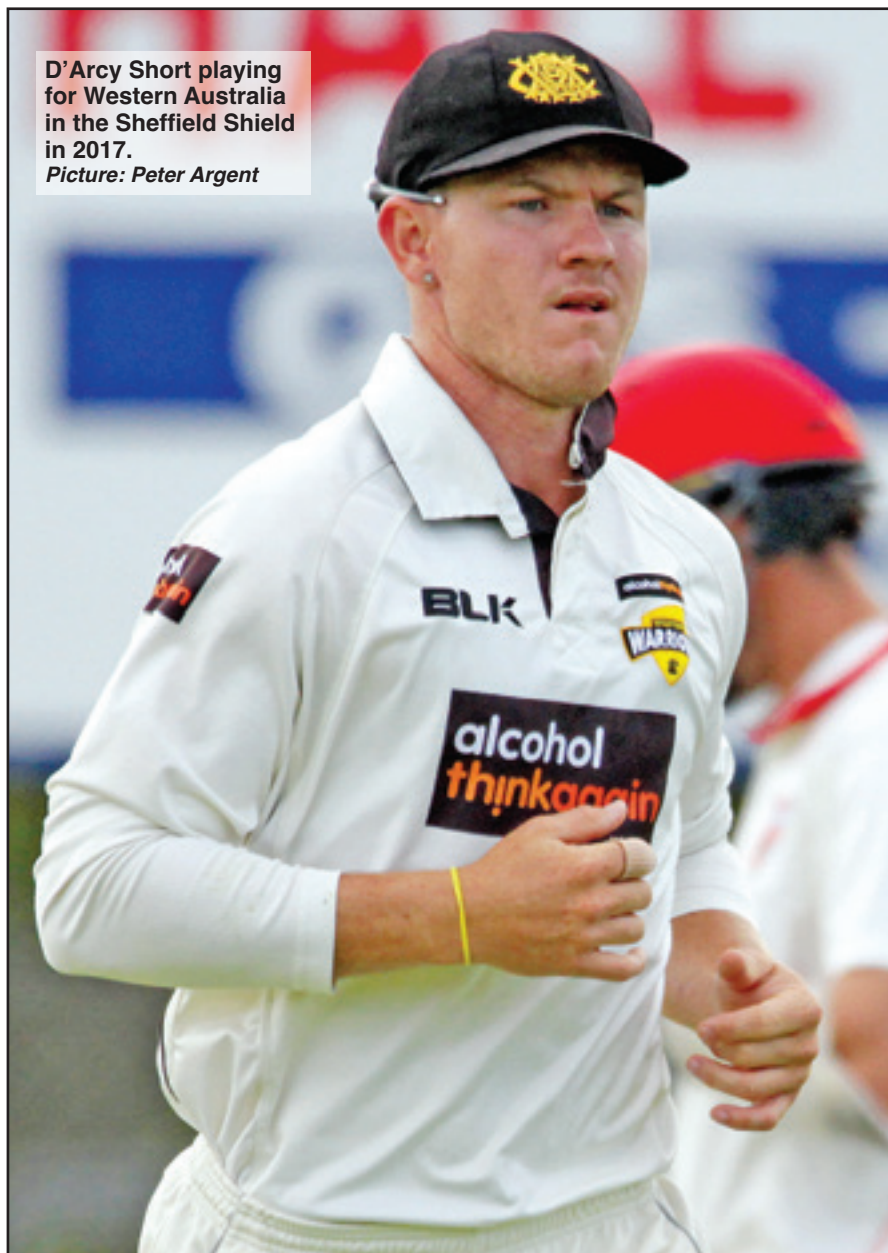
"The Arafura Games are an opportunity to grow community participation through volunteering, either at the Games themselves or through your sport of choice," he said.

"We have more than 100 people signed up already and want to see hundreds more."



Northern Territory Arafura Games Minister Ken Vowles.

Short's season ends on a high



D'Arcy Short playing for Western Australia in the Sheffield Shield in 2017.
Picture: Peter Argent



D'ARCY Short's stellar season in cricket has finished on a high note, with the native Northern Territorian being named the Lord's Taverners Indigenous Cricketer of the Year.

Mitakoodi man Short, 27, made his T20 international debut this summer for Australia following a sensational Big Bash League (BBL) season for the Hobart Hurricanes.

He was named Player of the Tournament with a tournament-record 572 runs and a new tournament high score of 122. He also scored his maiden One-Day Cup century for Western Australia earlier in the summer.

Short also played Sheffield Shield cricket for Western Australia after moving there several seasons ago from the Northern Territory.

Since his rapid rise in Australian cricket, Short has been snapped up by the Rajasthan Royals to play in the rich Indian Premier League (IPL) and the 2018 Caribbean Premier League (CPL), where he will turn out for the St Lucia Stars.

The left-hand opening batsman and left-arm orthodox spinner played for the Northern Territory at senior and junior level before trying his luck in the west.

He was born in Katherine in the Northern Territory.

Victorian fast bowler Chris Tremain was named the 2017-18 Sheffield Shield Player of the Year.

This season's state award winners were announced ahead of the Australian domestic season final between Queensland and Tasmania at Allan Border Field in Brisbane last month.

Short picked up another award in Hobart last Thursday night.

At Cricket Tasmania's awards night, he was named the state's BBL Player of the Year after his stellar year with the Hobart Hurricanes, which catapulted him into the Australian T20 side.

Hayne NFL adventure ignorant – Williams



FORMER Seattle Seahawk Jesse Williams has slammed Jarryd Hayne's National Football League (NFL) foray as ignorant, suggesting he

only broke into the world's biggest sporting league because of his notoriety.

Williams became the first Australian to earn a Super Bowl ring as part of the Seahawks' 2013 roster, despite not playing a game because of injury.

The defensive tackle, nicknamed 'The Monstar', had his career ended in 2016 because of a long string of injuries as well as a battle with cancer, before returning to his native Queensland.

He said the attention received by cross-code star Hayne was poorly received by his fellow Australians in the NFL at the time.

"The story that was coming along and the way the media portrayed it, was like he was the only Australian over there, when there were probably five or six who were doing quite well," Williams told Fox Sports' *League Life*.

"I think the way everything was handled probably wasn't the best and I think the magnitude of how the NFL is run and what it takes to play is not seen by a lot of people – from a HR side to being a representative of the team and yourself, to having to learn the plays.

"I played eight years and then three years in the NFL and still I had to go in and learn every day. I had to be on top of the ball every day."

Hayne quit the NRL in late 2014 to pursue his 'dream' of playing in the NFL before signing with the San Francisco 49ers.

He made a swift transition to the NFL, making his debut in September 2015 before 'retiring' in May 2016 after just eight appearances.

Williams played four years of college football, including winning back-to-back national championships with Alabama, before being drafted by the Seahawks.

Asked if it was ignorance for Hayne to think he could so easily jump from the NRL to the NFL, Williams said: "I think so."

"I think without a bit of the notoriety or using the media to get in there, it would have been very tough athletically to bounce through there," he said.

"I try to tell people who want to go from Australia to the US, when I went over, I was leading the way somewhat, even though there were a few people before me – there was a next wave." – AAP



Jesse Williams in 2012.

Racism rears again



THE National Rugby League (NRL) is investigating allegations a match official was also the victim of a

homophobic slur as part of its inquiry into the racial abuse levelled at Greg Inglis at Penrith on March 17.

Inglis spoke for the first time about the matter on March 21, labelling any racism in society as 'appalling' as the NRL continued to try and hunt down the offender.

It can also be revealed that the NRL's investigation has extended into looking at alleged homophobic remarks directed at match officials after the game.

"The integrity unit has already begun looking at those allegations as part of the current investigation," a spokesman for the NRL said.

NRL officials have started poring over evidence following a meeting with the club and police on March 20.

Included were witness accounts from security guards, fans sitting around the tunnel and footage of the players and officials leaving the ground after Penrith's 18-14 win over South Sydney.

Penrith supremo Phil Gould also confirmed that the club was taking action and handing long suspensions to a number of patrons following their own investigation.

It's understood there have been a number of conflicting reports from those in the vicinity of the tunnel, complicating the matter further.

Inglis declined to speak specifically about the matter when asked at the March 22 State of Origin ticket launch in Queensland, but hit out at anyone who thought it acceptable to use racist terms in Australia.

"Without a doubt, I think racism in Australian society is appalling. That's it, full stop. It has to stop," he said.

The NRL community has moved to support Inglis in the past week.

NRL chief executive Todd Greenberg threatened to throw the book at any offender earlier, with the most likely punishment being an indefinite ban.

Rabbitohs teammates said their star captain had remained in good spirits despite the alleged remarks, which Inglis claimed earlier in the week included him being called a 'black dog'.

Inglis' State of Origin coach Kevin Walters, who confirmed the centre would return to his team this year, also called for a life ban for the offender.

"We've got a guy who does so much for the Indigenous community and Australia, and people come up with that sort of nonsense," Walters said.

"It's just not acceptable... It shouldn't be tolerated.

"Surely, it's just unacceptable that sort of behaviour in any sport, let alone rugby league." – AAP



Ashleigh Barty

Barty's Fed Cup dedication is recognised



ASHLEIGH Barty's dedication to representing her country has been

acknowledged with her nomination for a Fed Cup Heart Award.

Since her fully-fledged return to tennis in mid-2016, Barty hasn't missed a Fed Cup tie.

The young Aussie has risen in the rankings and become the team's leading player; most recently she won both her singles rubbers plus doubles with Casey Dellacqua to help Australia to a 3-2 victory over Ukraine in Canberra.

Just weeks out from Australia's World Group Play-off tie against the Netherlands in Wollongong, Barty's efforts have been recognised through a Fed Cup Heart Award nomination.

The award honours players who have represented their country with distinction, shown exceptional courage on court and demonstrated outstanding commitment to their team during Fed Cup play.

Barty was nominated by the Heart Award panel featuring ITF president David Haggerty, plus several former players and members of the tennis media.

The Queenslander has built a sparkling 6-1 record in seven rubbers across singles and doubles since her comeback to tennis.

She was also a part of Australia's team during ties in 2013 and 2014.

Meanwhile, Wollongong

will host Australia's Fed Cup World Group Play-off against the Netherlands from April 21-22 and Barty is certain to take part.

The tie will be played indoors on a purpose-built hard court at the Wollongong Entertainment Centre when the event returns to NSW for the first time since 2003.

Australian Fed Cup captain Alicia Molik has fond memories of Wollongong, having played in two ties there against the Netherlands in 2002 and Colombia in 2003.

"We're excited to play another Fed Cup tie at home. I had success in Wollongong as a player and I really hope the girls can channel this when we take on the Netherlands next month," Molik said.

Important

"This all-important tie marks a chance for Australia to return to the top tier in women's tennis for the first time since 2015.

"We expect the Netherlands to field a strong team. Our girls will have had plenty of match practice on hard court after the current US swing and will be ready to compete."

The tie will mark the 11th meeting between Australia and the Netherlands.

Australia leads the head-to-head between the two nations 8-2.

The last time Australia played the Netherlands was in 2015 in 's-Hertogenbosch where they lost 4-1.

Team nominations will be announced 10 days out from the tie. – *With tennis.com.au*

Jada loves dual roles



GOAL-KEEPING in soccer can be a thankless task

sometimes – your team wins, and it's all about the flashy strikers; your team loses, and it's "Oh my God, how many goals did the goalie let in?"

Mostly, however, there's a certain level of respect for the shot-stoppers who can literally 'save the day' for their team.

For Jada Whyman, commanding space in the penalty area and yelling at her teammates to swatting annoying shots away from goal, is something she actually cherishes, and which she's becoming very good at.

The 18-year-old from Wagga Wagga, in country NSW, is one of two custodians at W-League club Western Sydney Wanderers and has just completed her third season with the red and black.

Whyman played 11 of the Wanderers' 12 games this season.

It wasn't a great season for the club, however, with the Wanderers finishing eighth in the nine-team league.

Save rate

But on a personal front, Whyman's 'save rate' in the 2017-18 season stood at 68.35%, meaning that she saved, blocked and stopped almost two-thirds of all strikes on goal this season.

That, and a whole lot more on the park. Off the park, Whyman is being recognised for her community work.

She was named as the inaugural recipient of the role model award by Football Federation Australia (FFA) at the Female Football Week National Awards recently. The award recognised Whyman's excellence on and off the pitch with her ambassadorial role for the club, particularly her mentoring of aspiring Indigenous footballers.

"I did more than 30 community clinics and appearances and did a lot down in Wagga for my club – I like to think it had a positive impact for the kids, and hopefully them seeing me play in the W-League was a good example to follow," she said.

Thirty community visits is a pretty fair effort by anyone's standards and Whyman said she was more than happy to do so.



Jada Whyman



Gardner batting against India in the third T20 game at the Vadodara International Cricket Stadium on March 19.



Gardner celebrates a wicket for Australia in the third T20 international against India at Vadodara on March 19.

Gardner shines in India



Ash Gardner hits out in the T20 Tri-Series match against England in Mumbai on March 23.



AUSTRALIA won a place in the final of cricket's Tri-Series international T20s in India after beating England and India last week.

The Australians sealed their place in the final with an easy win over England last Wednesday after beating India two days earlier.

Australia had lost their first encounter with England on March 23.

England won that match by eight wickets, but last Wednesday Australia turned the tables and beat England by eight wickets.

Indigenous star Ashleigh Gardner was not required to bat on Wednesday as Australia reached 2-97 in reply to England's 96 all out.

In England's innings, Gardner took 1-4 from her one over.

Against India two days earlier, Gardner scored 17 (10 deliveries) as Australia posted 5-186, then held India to 5-150 at Brabourne Stadium, Mumbai.

Gardner took 1-24 (2 overs) in India's innings.

Against England in the March 23 match, Gardner scored a quickfire 28 as Australia reached 8-149.

England surpassed that total with eight wickets to spare.

In the opening match of the tri-series on March 22, Australia claimed a six-wicket win against India in Mumbai.

Chasing India's 5-152, Australia lost opener Alyssa Healy (4) early, but a quickfire 15 from Gardner got her side back on track and Australia won with 11 balls to spare.

Gardner finished with 2-22 in India's innings.

The tri-series final was to be played last Saturday in Mumbai.

Earlier, Australia claimed a 3-0 series whitewash against India after defeating the hosts by 97 runs in the final one-day international in Baroda.

Chasing Australia's 7-332, India made a fast start, reaching 0-101 before two wickets in as many balls to Gardner (3-40) halted the home side's momentum.

An explosive 35 from Gardner and 34 off just 19 balls from Beth Mooney helped push Australia's total past the 300-mark.

The win also meant Australia reclaimed the number one ICC ranking, which takes into account matches played across all three formats.

Brendan Doggett claims another five-wicket haul



BRENDAN Doggett collected his second five-wicket haul in an innings in his short first-class cricket career in the Sheffield Shield final between Queensland and Tasmania in Brisbane last week.

Queensland won the prized shield after beating Tasmania outright in a match seriously interrupted by the weather.

Queensland only needed a draw to win the Shield.

Weather played a big part in the final at Allan Border Field.

Batting first, Tasmania scored a healthy 477.

But Doggett finished with 5-101 to add to his 12 wickets in just his first three Shield matches for Queensland.

No play was possible on day one due to a

soaked outfield before Queensland plundered 516 in reply to Tasmania's 477.

Queensland finished 1-128 in their second innings in the final session last Tuesday after Tasmania, needing an outright to claim the title, were forced to declare at 1-166 after a rain delay further hampered their cause. The Bulls scored at nearly six an over to win.

Rockhampton-born Doggett, 23, became a Big Bash League (BBL) rarity when he claimed five wickets in his four overs (5-35) for the Brisbane Heat against the Perth Scorchers last season. — AAP

● **Right: Queenslander Brendan Doggett celebrates the wicket of Tasmanian Matthew Wade during day three of the Sheffield Shield final at Allan Border Field, Brisbane, on March 25. He has since been named the Queensland Sheffield Shield player of the year. Picture: Getty**





Jubilant Tikilaru Dockers players and supporters after their TIFL grand final win.

Winners on debut



Tuyu Buffaloes' Wayne Pilakui works hard to evade his Tikilaru Dockers opponent in the 2017-18 Tiwi Islands Football League (TIFL) grand final.



THE Tikilaru Dockers have, in their very first season, done what their AFL namesakes – the Fremantle Dockers – have yet to do in 23 seasons.

Tikilaru completed an amazing debut season in the Tiwi Islands Football League (TIFL) after winning the 2017-18 premiership over Tuyu Buffaloes at Wurrumiyanga Oval, Bathurst Island, on March 25.

The Dockers won their way through to the season-decider from fourth position on the ladder.

In the big game, in hot conditions under a clear blue sky, and in true Tiwi footy fashion, the purple warriors bucked the run of play and withstood a dramatic late fourth-quarter push from the Tuyu Buffaloes to win by seven points – 8.3 (51) to 6.8 (44).

Tuyu looked likely to add to their premiership tally with veteran Wayne Pilakui willing his team to a grandstand finish, but the Double Blues couldn't shake off the persistent Dockers.

The ever-so-skilful Paddy Heenan (Tikilaru) was superb in a sweeping role, with his pinpoint delivery to teammates in the clear releasing his side from the congestion.

A last-gasp final-minute surge saw Tikilaru snatch a one-point lead before adding another goal with seconds remaining to the ultimate delirium of their players, coaches and supporters.

Heenan was deservedly awarded the Brother John Pye Award as the best player in the final.

The game was played a week late after cyclone Marcus blew through the Top End, causing havoc on what normally is the Northern Territory's biggest weekend in sport.

– Darren Moncrieff

Grand final thriller

By PETER ARGENT

NTFL climax went down to the wire



IT took three attempts to stage it, but in the end the Southern Districts Crocs prevailed narrowly over a gallant Darwin Buffaloes in the Northern Territory Football League (NTFL) grand final at Marrara Oval, Darwin.

The big match was twice postponed because of cyclone Marcos that was menacing the Top End.

The dramatic conclusion went down to the wire, with Buffaloes forward Darren Shillabeer missing a shot from 50 metres in the final seconds. The ball went out of bounds on the full and the Crocs scraped home 13.8 (86) to 13.7 (85).

The grand final was to be played on Saturday, March 17. With cyclone Marcos approaching, officials moved the game to the following day.

But Marcos remained a force and it was decided to hold the grand final on the following Wednesday.

Minor premiers Southern Districts, who had to win their way through to the grand final after defeating the Nightcliff Tigers in the preliminary final, had a strong start, kicking seven goals to one in the opening term.

Matt Campbell's Buffaloes dragged themselves back into the contest in the second quarter and from this point, it became a dogfight.

When Shillabeer missed his shot at goal with just seconds remaining, the siren sounded and the Southern Crocs jumped in jubilation.

"It was a pretty dramatic grand final on many counts," victorious Crocs coach Shannon Rusca told the *Koori Mail*.

"It was pretty brutal in the coach's box as well.

"We started well and then in



Will Farrer celebrates a goal for the Crocs.

the second quarter there was a significant momentum shift which we had to try to manage.

"During the last quarter, we got out to the 13-point lead and tried to ensure we kept the dynamics.

"From about the 18-minute mark, we left the players on field

to play it out.

"My last message to players was to lock on to your opponents.

"It proved to be an absolute nail-biter.

"The two postponements of the game were pretty tough.

"After the second one on Sunday, I got the guys together and we spoke about having a strong mind and focusing on the job at hand.

"When we knew there was a Wednesday start, we had a run on the Monday going through exactly the same process two days out from the game as we'd done all year."

Rusca was impressed with Michael Bowden's run and ball carrying ability across half back, giving the team plenty of drive, while team leader up forward Will Farrer, with four goals, led from the front.

Former Essendon footballer and fly-in player Leroy Jetta kicked three goals and there were contributors all over the ground.

"Mark Jamar was our best in ruck," Rusca said.

"To get seven of our 13 goals from Will (Farrer) and Leroy

(Jetta) up forward was impressive.

"Richard Tambling did a hamstring in the second quarter but we asked him to continue playing a role on the field and he used his voice and experience to help this victory."

For Tambling, it was his first premiership at any level since under-14 days at the Crocs, and a highlight of a long and decorated career.

Coach Rusca now has the distinction of being involved in all three Southern Districts Crocs Premier League titles.

He was the baby of the 1997-98 side, then captain of the 2006-07 premiership in the northern summer, where he also won the Nicholls Medal as the best player in the competition.

It was a bitter pill for the Darwin Buffaloes to swallow after having to wait 18 days between their second semifinal win and the grand final.

Co-captain Jarrod Stokes collected the prestigious Chaney Medal for best on ground in a losing side while playing coach Matt Campbell was outstanding as well.



The Buffaloes during pre-match formalities.



The Crocs' Leroy Jetta fends off an opponent.



Jarrod Stokes had an outstanding game for the losers. He won the Chaney Medal for best on ground. Pictures: AFL NT Media



The Crocs' Richard Tambling runs on to the field. He was injured in the second quarter and while he literally became a croc, he continued to direct traffic and have an impact on the game.



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Third time lucky for Top End Crocs



Grand finals have a habit of being something special and the Northern Territory Football League 2017-18 climax was just that. It took three attempts to stage it because of cyclone Marcus. When the Southern Districts Crocs and Darwin Buffaloes finally made it onto the field at Darwin's Marrara Oval, they produced a nail-biter. The Buffaloes could have snatched victory in the dying seconds, but missed a shot at goal and the Crocs scraped home 13.8 (86) to 13.7 (85). The Crocs were justifiably jubilant after their win, with coach Shannon Rusca, front left, and captain Will Farrer, front centre, leading the celebrations. *Picture: NTFL Media* ● More on the NTFL grand final – see page 63 ● Tiwi grand final – see page 62

Murris on the move

Showpiece Qld rugby league carnival off to Townsville

By ALF WILSON



THE Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Rugby League Carnival will march north for the first time later this year.

The *Koori Mail* can reveal that Townsville's Bindal Sharks, together with the Townsville Aboriginal and Islanders Health Service (TAIHS), will present the 2018 Murri Rugby

League Carnival from October 3-7.

It will be the first time the Murri carnival will be played outside south-east Queensland since its inception in 2011.

The five-day event will be held at the sprawling Townsville Sports Reserve and will host outstanding men's, women's and youth teams.

Talks are also underway for the event to be televised nationally on pay TV.

The move north represents a coup for the Far North Queensland Murri and rugby

league communities.

Bindal Sharks CEO Jenny Pryor said her organisation was supremely happy to be in a position to present the carnival.

"My management team is over the moon that we have been offered the opportunity to have the carnival here in Townsville," she said.

The Bindal Sharks are no strangers to organising rugby league carnivals – they have been running the Bindal All Blacks carnival for 31 years.

Since it began in 2011, the Murri carnival has established itself as Queensland's premier Indigenous rugby league carnival.

It was first held at Mudgeeraba on the Gold Coast and in 2012 moved to Ipswich, where it enjoyed increased community support.

In 2014, the Arthur Beetson Foundation moved the event to Redcliffe, which saw a further increase in participation.

These days it attracts up to 30,000 fans.

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