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We wish you a Koorie Krismas



NOTHING says 'Krismas' like Koorie Klaus, and the Black man in the red suit paid a visit to Federation Square in Melbourne to kick off the festive season Koorie style.

Presented by the Koorie Heritage Trust, a Very Koorie Krismas in Fed Square on December 1 included weaving workshops, live music from Amos Roach, Brett Lee and dance from the Indigenous Hip Hop Projects along with a gum leaf performance by Uncle Herb Patten.

A special Koorie Krismas Market showcased art, craft and design from the Victorian Indigenous community, including jewellery, hand woven baskets, artwork, clothes and native bush products.

Koorie Klaus is joined by two of the members of the Indigenous Hip Hop Projects, Billy Parker and Scarlett Frances.
Picture: Tiffany Garvie

Our kids matter



FIRST Nations children's organisations are warning that unless urgent action is taken, the rate of Indigenous children being placed into out of home care is set to triple over the next 20 years. And that's with Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander kids already 10 times more likely than other children to be removed from their families.

The Family Matters campaign released their report last month and points to a number of drivers of over-representation of Indigenous children in the child protection system, including poverty, family violence

and intergenerational trauma.

Family Matters is an Indigenous-led campaign to eliminate the over-representation of First Nations children in out of home care within a generation.

Family Matters chair Natalie Lewis, a Kamillaroi woman, said while progress was being made, we are still facing a crisis of

child protection intervention across the country.

"The answers lie in healing and supporting our families and communities to provide safe and loving care for children," she said.

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MY FAMILY

Noby Clay (Pimlico/Queensland)

I have five sisters, five brothers. I am the the third born of 11. I have six children of my own and family is such a big part of my life.

My grandfather on one side was from Mount Isa and my grandmother from Old Mapoon on Western Cape York Peninsula.

They were sent to Palm Island at a young age.

My father is former champion boxer David Sarago and my mum Sandra Clay, now deceased, was a member of a big Palm Island family.

My mum was a well known artist on Palm and other relatives Alf Clay, Fred Clay and my uncles are well known boxers.

Another grandfather, George Breckenridge, was also a very good boxer.

I am aged 35, was born in Townsville, and moved to Palm Island as a young girl and attended St Michael's Catholic School and Bwgcolman State from grades one to six.

When we moved to Townsville after that I went to Heatley Primary School in Grade seven.

After that I went to Shalom Christian College for Grade eight and then Heatley High.

Following other family members, I started boxing when I was 17.

Even though I am only small I had lots of boxing



Noby Clay on Palm Island with baby daughter Mahalia and son Lesley jnr.

bouts often against heavier female opponents and gave it up for a while after my first three babies.

Then I made a comeback and had some more fights before retiring in 2009. Palm Island boxing

trainer Ray Dennis was a big influence on my life then and always tried to keep me training and off the smokes and alcohol.

My brothers and sisters live in Townsville, Brisbane, Hervey Bay and at Mount Isa and we try and meet whenever we can.

I also keep in contact with them on Facebook and other social media.

Some years ago I used to do paintings and I am thinking of taking that up again.

When I lived on Palm Island we used to go fishing and camping and if I had a boat would get into that again.

Recently I went back over to Palm Island for the Spring Fair and that is where your photographer snapped my photo.

I was overjoyed to catch up with many family and friends and watch all of the wonderful local dance groups.

My baby Mahalia, who is aged two, started dancing along and that made me feel so good.

It was also good to see and spend time with my four eldest babies who I don't see a lot because they live on Palm with their dad.

I can't complain about life at the moment and I am very happy and proud to be Aboriginal and of our culture.

— As told to ALF WILSON

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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



The kids from Allukmo at Dance Rites. Full story and more pictures, page 30-32. Picture: Anna Kucera

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Two Islands reveals Hobart's history

By JILLIAN MUNDY



MORE than a dozen Aboriginal voices and a little bit of Aboriginal culture and

history are now a permanent fixture in Hobart's ultra-colonial Franklin Square.

Launched last week, the *Two Islands* public art installation has three components – a scaled hull of navigator Sir John Franklin's boat, the HMS Erebus, a full scale Tasmanian Aboriginal stringy bark canoe crafted from stainless steel rods which sits inside it and doubles as a park bench, and a motion triggered 'soundscape', which predominantly plays interviews with Tasmanian Aboriginal people reflecting on Franklin Square.

Several of the voices call for either the removal of the statues of white colonialist men that share the square or interpretation that reveals their nasty deeds inflicted upon Aboriginal people.

It is the first large scale public art piece in Hobart that references Aboriginal people, culture or history. It sits very close to what was the original shoreline of the Derwent River.

Tasmanian Aboriginal man Tony Brown, who was the first Aboriginal curator of



Rodney Gibbins, Harley Jac Mansell, Tony Brown, Sean Mansell and Sinsa Mansell on the reed canoe fabricated from stainless steel pipe and containing voices of their community – part of the *Two Islands* public art installation which was launched in Hobart last week.

Indigenous Cultures at the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery and a leader in the revival of bark canoe making, worked with artist Nigel Helyer, to design the canoe and engage people to share their reflections for the soundscape.

The launch was bitter sweet – there were Aboriginal dancers and a smoking ceremony – probably the first time since invasion that the

aroma of burning eucalypt had filled the air, other than during times of wild fires, and the voices in the soundscape are sad reflections.

Mr Brown said the installation has not changed his opinion of Franklin Square because of the statues.

He did say it was one of the best projects he has been involved in though.

"It's not so much about the canoe itself, but the fact that

the Hobart City Council has finally recognised Tasmanian Aboriginal culture in the form of it being the first Aboriginal art project in Hobart city," he told the *Koori Mail*.

Mr Brown believes with new Lord Mayor Independent Anna Reynolds and Deputy Greens member Helen Burnett that public art in Hobart might continue in that direction.

He said there is talk of

developing interpretation about 'that fella over there' pointing to the life size statue of William Crowther in the corner of Franklin Square.

The plinth it stands on acknowledges Crowther as being 'sometime Premier of Tasmania'.

What it fails to mention is Crowther's macabre mutilation of William Lanney (aka King Billy), who at the time was purported be the last Tasmanian Aboriginal man.

To Tasmanian Aboriginal people the Crowther name is synonymous with body snatching and grave robbing – his grandson went on to rob the graves of Tasmanian Aboriginal people buried at Oyster Cove.

Crowther Snr was even struck off the medical register at the time for bringing disgrace to the profession.

The plinth mentions none of this – many of the voices in the new soundscape do.

There are also comments on another man memorialised with a grand statue in the middle of the square's water fountain and now also the with the boat hull – Sir John Franklin.

The plinth that his likeness stands upon acknowledges him as a great navigator and former governor of the 'colony'.

It fails to mention that Franklin and his wife 'adopted' Aboriginal girl

Mathinna, in 1841, when she was about six; they removed her from her family and culture, then abandoned her two years later. She died, reportedly from drowning, at around 16 and is believed to have been buried at Oyster Cove, her remains most likely robbed by Crowther Jnr.

Neither are there words acknowledging the Muwinina who once lived on the land that 'Franklin Square' is on – they all died and were killed as a result of invasion, the black war and colonial policies of genocide.

The voices of Buck Brown, Teangi Brown, Tony Brown, Richard Flanagan, Rodney Gibbins, David Gough, Hank Horton, Greg Lehman, Brendan Lennard, Jillian Mundy, Theresa Sainty and music group muka nawnta (Jodi Haines, Theresa Sainty, Kartanya Maynard, Merinda Sainty, Jude Reid) can all be heard coming from the canoe.

They speak of loss of culture, knowledge and language, attempted genocide, injustice, the story of Mathinna, the crimes of Crowther, revealing Tasmania's often hidden history, the spiritual energy of the country and being moved on or arrested for hanging about in Franklin Square – in recent decades the square was a well known meeting place for Aboriginal people, street kids and parkies.

Help our kids in care now



ABORIGINAL and Torres Strait Islander children are now more than 10 times more likely than other kids to be

removed from their families.

And, according to the Family Matters report released last month, that rate is projected to triple in the next 20 years if urgent action is not taken.

Family Matters is an Indigenous-led campaign to eliminate the over-representation of First Nations children in out of home care. It is supported by more than 150 Indigenous and other organisations and managed by SNAICC – National Voice for our Children.

The report found that less than half of Indigenous children are placed with Indigenous carers, following a steep decline over the past 10 years.

The Family Matters Report 2018 points to a number of drivers of over-representation of Indigenous children in the child protection system, including poverty, family violence and intergenerational trauma.

It was found that 25% of people accessing homelessness services were Indigenous, and of those, one in four was a child under the age of 10.

In 2016-17, emotional abuse, which can include exposure to



Family Matters chair Natalie Lewis.

family violence, was the most common child protection concern for Indigenous children.

Direct descendants of the Stolen Generations are 30% more likely to have poor mental health than other Indigenous people.

Family Matters chair Natalie Lewis, a Kamillaroi woman, said the trends in policy and legislative reform towards adoption were of great concern and will disproportionately impact Indigenous children.

Ms Lewis said governments are only investing 17% of child protection funding in support services for children and their families, and the majority of child protection funding (83%) is spent on child protection services and out-of-home care – reacting to problems once they've already occurred.

"But, the pace of investment

and action in prevention and early intervention is slow," she said. "Efforts to address broader community and social issues that contribute to risk for our children across areas such as housing, justice, violence and poverty, remain vastly inadequate and lack coordination. This year's Family Matters Report puts a spotlight on primary prevention measures in the early years of children's lives – the years that matter most to changing the storyline for our families."

The report made nine key recommendations, including development of national culturally-appropriate strategies and targets to reduce the number of Indigenous children in care; investing in community-controlled organisations and early intervention; addressing family violence and stopping the move towards adoption.

The Family Matters Report 2018 also highlights the importance of Indigenous decision-making in child protection.

So far only Victoria and Queensland have a statewide program to support Aboriginal families to participate in child protection decisions.

The same two states have agreed on a comprehensive strategy to improve outcomes for children that is overseen by Indigenous representatives.



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Sydney's ritual calls to Country



SYDNEY'S New Year's Eve celebrations will see an age-old Aboriginal tradition of Calling Country that will welcome 2019 as the International Year of Indigenous languages.

Calling Country is a ritual that will welcome all to Gadigal land. The ceremony will feature a series of animated projections, including water, birds, fish and plants beamed onto the Sydney Harbour Bridge pylons.

The display will end with the words 'welcome' and 'always will be' in Gadigal language.

Sydney New Year's Eve creative director Rhoda Roberts said the cultural protocol "has been updated for the 21st century".

"UNESCO has named 2019 the International Year of Indigenous languages, so I think it is fitting that we end our new-look Welcome in words of the Gadigal that we can all embrace," she said.

"Calling Country is all about inclusion and bringing people together.

"We are drawing Welcome to Country into the future and inviting all to a deeper embrace of First Nations cultures and traditions.

"Calling Country is how Aboriginal people relate to country and how they are connected to every living thing, whether it's a rock, tree, water or the ancestors who are always with us.

"It is all about inclusion, and affording everyone this opportunity to join this cultural tradition.

"To call country keeps a tradition alive, to respect our mother and most importantly to remind us of the rare bounty country gifts us all."

Ms Roberts drew on mythologies and images of land, sea, sky, water and travelling through country to reflect the traditional and contemporary connections to Sydney Harbour.

"We are lucky enough to celebrate the dawning of a new year around this beautiful harbour that so many of us use for transport, for food and to swim in. It gives us joy and keeps us connected," she said.

Calling Country will also be part of the live ABC New Year's Eve broadcast and outdoor concert at the Sydney Opera House, with a Welcome in language by Joel Davison accompanied by a musical performance led by Ngiyampaa man Eric Avery.

Joel's grandfather, Gadigal Elder Ray Davison, will perform the



traditional Welcome to Country and Smoking ceremony on board the Tribal Warrior as it floats across Sydney Harbour from 7.30pm.

The five-minute Calling Country display starts at 9.08pm on New Year's Eve.

Pictured: One of the images from the Calling Country ceremony.



Rhoda Roberts.

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Fines are not the answer

Burney says Abbott's approach to education fines is wrong



FEDERAL Shadow Human Services Minister Linda Burney gave Special Envoy on Indigenous Affairs Tony Abbott a lesson about Indigenous education in Parliament last week.

Former prime minister Mr Abbott – whose government cut \$500 million from Indigenous affairs and school funding by \$30 billion in 2014 – recommended harsher implementation of fines on Aboriginal parents whose children don't go to school.

"Most jurisdictions are once more ready to impose fines on consistently delinquent parents and guardians, but fines are often ineffective when jail is the only mechanism for making people pay," he told Parliament.

"Hence my final recommendation is that all debts to government, including on-the-spot fines—and not just those to the Commonwealth—should be deductible from welfare payments."

Mr Abbott has been visiting some remote Aboriginal communities and thanked them for welcoming him.

"Borroloola didn't," Ms Burney pointed out, referencing the fact

that the remote Northern Territory community forced Mr Abbott out of Borroloola on his first trip as special envoy.

Ms Burney said there was no point having a punitive approach to Aboriginal education and the participation rates of Aboriginal students and acknowledged Mr Abbott's 'passion and his commitment'.

"But of course, on this issue, as on many issues, the two of us do not see eye to eye, and we do not agree with all that he asserts in his statement, and it remains unclear what role the envoy for Indigenous affairs actually entails," she said.

"Top-down does not work. When are we going to learn? Ask the question: what about the system? Punitive approaches of docking welfare payments are not going to transfer automatically into children going to school."

Mr Abbott also recommended boosting pay and conditions for teachers in remote areas, including waiving university debts, to improve the quality of Indigenous education.

Mr Abbott encouraged schools to engage more closely with housing authorities and police.

The proposals are contained in his first report as the government's special envoy on Indigenous affairs, which he presented to federal parliament last week.

Ms Burney said, while measures to retain teachers in remote communities were welcome, Mr Abbott was taking the wrong approach.

"I do believe that special literacy and numeracy training as well as cultural training is important, but I don't think that we should conflate education with debit cards," she said.

"I don't think we should conflate education with some of the direct instruction methods that the member has spoken about. Curriculum development, pedagogy, what's delivered and how it's delivered to First Nations children in remote communities are not a one-size cookie-cutter model.

"It needs to be designed with the community, it needs to be designed for the community and it needs to be very much an individual thing."

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Victorian man Abraham Saylor, middle, with Calvin Stanley, left, and Suzanne Saylor.



Emelda Davis, left, with Celuia Mabo, the youngest daughter of Dr Bonita Mabo.



Joel Mabo with Layecharla Mabo, 7, and Amare Mabo, 5.



From left, Mayors Alf Lacey (Palm Island), Vonda Malone (Torres Shire Council) and Eddie Newman (Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council).

A celebration of the life of Bonita Mabo

By ALF WILSON



ERNESTINE 'Bonita' Mabo was a small woman who became a giant of Australia's Indigenous land rights and reconciliation movements.

Dr Mabo was remembered as the mother of native title as well as a loving mother and grandmother at her state funeral last Thursday.

She was a mighty role model, and the reason her grandchildren can walk proud as black people in Australia, mourners said.

The renowned Indigenous rights campaigner died aged 75, just days after being awarded an Honorary Doctor of Letters from James Cook University in recognition of her work in Indigenous education.

She was granted a state funeral following her death as a mark of the impact she had on the nation.

Dr Mabo famously worked with her late husband Eddie Koiki Mabo to help establish the Native Title Act.

The change did away with the concept of "terra nullius", which had been the legal justification for forcing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from their land.

Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk told the Townsville funeral service that Dr Mabo was an "unlikely giant".

"I say 'unlikely' because Bonita Mabo was not imposing, not physically," Ms Palaszczuk said.

"And yet this slight woman from Ingham would change the course of history.

"Bonita's story is powerful. It'll be told and retold as a beacon to generations to follow her lead.

"She empowered her people to speak from the heart and stand up for what they believed in.

"Dr Mabo was a history maker in her own right long before the High Court's landmark native title ruling, which forever and rightfully changed our nation, and long after.

"Her gentle compassion and courage, and her unwavering conviction to stand up for justice without hesitation, will continue to inspire us all."

Dr Mabo was a Malanbarra woman, born near Ingham, with South Sea Islander ancestry and family ties to Vanuatu.



The coffin being carried to the hearse by pall bearers after an emotional service.



Gail Mabo, a daughter of the late Dr Bonita Mabo, with Federal Aboriginal Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion.



William Mabo, a grandson of Bonita and Eddie Mabo, and didgeridoo.

She married Eddie in 1959, and the couple had 10 children, with Indigenous education becoming one of her lifelong passions.

Dr Mabo co-founded Australia's first Indigenous community school, the Black Community School in Townsville, after becoming fed up with her children not learning their own history and cultures.

Her sister Aunty Roslind White delivered the eulogy, while her grandson Kaleb Cohen read a letter to his "Norni" saying he didn't

come to say goodbye, but "thank you".

"You are the reason I can walk with my chest out and my head held high. You are the reason I feel proud to be a black man in this country," he said.

In 2013, Dr Mabo was awarded an Officer of the Order of Australia for distinguished service to the indigenous community.

In recent years she had been fighting for South Sea Islanders to be recognised as a separate ethnic



The coffin about to enter the service.

group in their own right, and was an honorary patron of the Australian South Sea Islanders Alliance.

Mourners included family and friends, Federal Indigenous Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion, WA Senator Pat Dodson, former Australian Governor General and Queensland Governor Dame Quentin Bryce, and mayors from Indigenous Shires Alf Lacey (Palm Island), Vonda Malone (Torres Shire Council) and Eddie Newman (Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council).

Before the coffin was carried into the service Alfred Smallwood

and Dr Mabo's grandson William Mabo (on didgeridoo) conducted a smoking ceremony.

Pastor Tony Hallo from Townsville Worship Centre read the opening prayer and the mourners were welcomed to country by former NAIDOC person of the year Dr Gracelyn Smallwood, who gave a moving tribute to Dr Mabo.

Dr Mabo was also recognised for her commitment to the history of her South Sea Islander forebears, taken from their homes in Vanuatu to work as slaves in Queensland.

Mourners were asked to donate to Diabetes Queensland instead of sending flowers. — With AAP



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Precious lives remembered



Vita Angelina Glorrianna Wazanna Thaiday



THOUSANDS of people gathered at Cairns cemetery on December 1, including a large number of people from the Torres Strait Islands, to remember eight children who tragically lost their lives in Cairns in 2014.

Cultural protocols dictate that the four boys and four girls, aged between two and 14 years old, be collectively referred to as 'Keriba Omasker' meaning 'Our Children' in

an Erub Island dialect of the Torres Strait Islander language of Meriam Mir, a language of the children's heritage.

Those who attended, including Cook MP Cynthia Lui, Torres Shire Council Mayor Vonda Malone and Yarrabah Mayor Ross Andrews, united for a ceremony that featured song, traditional dance and a display of colour and vitality for the lives passed and the unveiling of their headstones.

Gabriel Bani of Thursday Island said the ceremony was an

important cultural event.

"The Tombstone Unveiling is the unwrapping of the cloth-swathed headstone of the grave, taking place any time after months from the funeral of the loved one," he said. "This unique tradition, which is now an integral part of the Torres Strait culture, was introduced and adapted from the South Sea Islander practice, after the 'coming of the light' landing of the missionaries in the 1800s."

The Tombstone Opening is an emotional ceremony but a

celebratory tradition to unveil the headstone that permanently represents the respectful memory of a loved one. The process has nothing to do with exhumation, but refers to the traditional practice that involves the decorated headstone being finally unveiled in a cultural ceremony for family and community to see for the first time.

Note: the pictures of Keriba Omasker were provided by the family, along with their names, and are published with their blessing and permission.



Tombstones ready for unveiling.



Family arriving in tribal colours of the Peidu Clan.



Family unveiling tombstone.



Saibai dance troupe celebrating the opening. Pictures by WAYNE QUILLIAM, courtesy NITV

Warwick's *Sweet Country* is the best



ABORIGINAL stories told through local film and television productions have been recognised at the 60th AACTA and AFI Awards, with *Sweet Country* taking out six awards in total and the top prize for Best Film.

Warwick Thornton won Best Direction for the film, which he shot in just 22 days using mostly locals from Alice Springs, while starring actor Hamilton Morris took out Best Lead Actor.

Taking aim at the political climate in Australia Thornton wore a blue ribbon at the Sydney ceremony in support of the children detained on Manus Island and Nauru.

"Justice isn't served until we grow up as a country," Thornton said during his acceptance speech.

"My family have been looking after boat people for 200 years, why are we doing this again 'Why is society being so childish?'"

Thornton has also appeared in a campaign along with other Australian artists, including Jimmy Barnes, Rebecca Gibney, Bryan Brown and Sam Neill in support of refugees on Manus Island and Nauru.

"I've made two films in my life and they've been 10 years apart," Thornton said during his acceptance speech.

His other award-winning film *Samson and Delilah* followed two fourteen-year-old Aboriginal children in an isolated community in Australia.

Television series *Mystery Road* took out three awards including best drama series and best supporting actor Deborah Mailman.

Mystery Road star Aaron Pedersen said



The cast of *Sweet Country* with director Warwick Thornton, centre, pose for a photograph after winning the award for Best Film at the AACTA Awards at The Star, in Sydney. Picture: AAP Image

he was pleased the industry was slowly embracing a wider variety of roles.

"People should just be storytellers and that's how they should be treated and cast, it shouldn't matter what you look like," he said. "It's good to see roles that reflect a diverse range of people."

Sweet Country has been making waves

around the world, winning awards at international film festivals in Venice and Toronto. At the AACTA Industry Luncheon earlier in the week before the awards ceremony Warwick Thornton picked up three gongs for Best Cinematography, Editing and Screenplay.

Sweet Country tells the story of an

Aboriginal man in 1920s central Australia who is forced to flee after killing a white man in self defence. The luncheon hosted by two-time AFI and AACTA Award-winning actress Kat Stewart and comedian Nazeem Hussein was held at the Star in Sydney ahead of the 8th AACTA Awards ceremony last Wednesday evening.

Design our voice together

Report calls for government to work with us to create an Indigenous voice to parliament



THE Federal Government should work with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to design an indigenous voice to parliament, a bipartisan report has recommended.

Committee co-chairs Labor senator Pat Dodson and Liberal MP Julian Leaser presented their report last month, with the Government told to look at legislative, executive and constitutional options to establish a voice once the design is settled.

"The key point of this report is that the voice should become a

reality, that it will be co-designed with government by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples right across the nation," they wrote.

The inquiry was into the proposal for an Indigenous voice enshrined in the constitution, which came out of the 2017 Uluru Statement from the Heart.

The detail of the voice should be finalised in the term of the next parliament, the report recommended. The committee also called on the government to support the process of truth-telling about Indigenous history.

That could include the

involvement of local organisations and communities, libraries, historical societies and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander associations.

Truth-telling projects should include both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and descendants of settlers, the committee found.

"A fuller understanding of our history including the relationship between black and white Australia will lead to a more reconciled nation," Senator Dodson and Mr Leaser wrote.

A national resting place for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander remains should be

established in Canberra as a place of commemoration, healing and reflection.

The Greens argue the design of the Voice does not need to be finalised before a referendum on the concept of constitutional recognition.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner June Oscar and former commissioners Mick Gooda, Professor Tom Calma, Dr William Jonas and Emeritus Professor Mick Dodson met recently to discuss the Joint Select Committee's final report on constitutional recognition.

"We support the Committee's recommendations for an intensive

country-wide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-led co-design process to consider the national, regional and local elements of a Voice to Parliament," they said.

"In-line with international human rights standards, it is critical that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have the opportunity to discuss what these elements might look like, how they might work, and what functions they might perform.

"We have consistently called for greater control over our destinies. As First Nations people, we have a right to self-determination, and to be at the decision-making table on all issues that affect us. — With AAP



Submissions are invited from organisations interested in working with UrbanGrowth NSW Development Corporation to realise the potential of the Parramatta North Heritage Core.

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Fellowship frees artist to explore world of boxing and circus arts



WIRADJURI artist Karla Dickens has been awarded one of three \$80,000

Copyright Agency

Cultural Fund fellowships, to help her produce new work.

Ms Dickens won the fund's inaugural Fellowship for a Visual Artist, which she will use to create a multimedia installation celebrating the lives of Indigenous boxers and circus performers.

She said the exhibition will travel from her home of Lismore, NSW, to Dubbo, NSW, then on to Melbourne.

"I know there's a few local Elders, like Uncle Digby Moran, who used to box, my daughter's grandfather used to be a boxer," Ms Dickens told the *Koori Mail*.

"I'm looking to connect with them and get their stories. I'm not sure exactly what I'll be doing in terms of the art yet but it will all inform the research.

"The information I've been able to find out so far has been scattered but to speak to some of the Elders or families of people who used to box would really help put it together.

"I'm also looking at an Indigenous acrobat who grew up in Lismore. He was one of seven kids and the whole family was in the circus.



Karla Dickens. Picture: Mick Richards

"His name was Cornelius Sullivan and he was known as the wizard of the wire. I just want to celebrate these legends."

Ms Dickens said she was drawn to the ideas of boxing and the circus because she had been focused on dark subjects for a while and needed

a change.

"I've been focused on quite dark subjects like domestic violence, sexual assault and trauma for quite some time," she said. "I've looked at some really hard stuff so I wanted to focus on something lighter now. When you talk to the Elders about their boxing days they stand up tall

and proud, it's a great memory for them.

"I need some of that positivity in my work now. I figured what could be more jolly than the circus."

Ms Dickens said it's important that the Copyright Agency has created the Fellowship for Visual Artists

because it acknowledges that there are different ways of telling stories.

"It's important to have fellowships for writers, of course, but I've always seen myself as a storyteller and by opening the fellowships up to visual artists they've opened up the scope of what a storyteller is," she said.

"Our mob have been telling stories in different ways for a very very long time. It's amazing to have a different way of telling stories acknowledged."

Ms Dickens said when she heard that she'd received the fellowship she was 'mindblown'.

"I've been applying for a lot of grants and fellowships to get some new projects out," she said.

"I felt like in the time I'd been writing grant applications I could have gone to university and got a PhD.

"Support for artists is tight. There's less and less support out there and the competition gets more and more fierce.

"When I was told I'd won this fellowship I didn't believe them, I had to get the woman on the phone to say it a few times.

"Then I cried. Sometimes I feel like the ancestors are behind me and supporting me to tell the stories I'm telling, and this was one of those times."

NLC waives permits



A DECISION on whether Aboriginal groups will close massive stretches of the Top End coast to fishers or require permits and licences has been delayed for at least six months and possibly longer.

The Northern Land Council was negotiating last week, but could not reach an agreement with the Northern Territory Government and fishing industry groups on how to apply the ownership of marine waters.

The High Court's landmark 2008 *Blue Mud Bay* ruling found that, where Aboriginal

people owned land, they also could claim ownership of fishing rights and access to tidal waters overlying that land.

The NLC announced late on Tuesday it had agreed to waive permits for fishers until the end of next June and possibly to June 2020, meaning recreational anglers can continue fishing in Aboriginal waters.

The High Court decision affected more than 80%, or 6000km, of the NT's coastline.

Commercial crabbers and barramundi fishers with government licences would have to renegotiate with the NLC, which is understood to have previously demanded

control over most of those and threatened to cut off access to the waters.

Indigenous people want to control access and be involved in fisheries management and the fishing industry, with the hope it will bring business and employment to remote communities.

A relatively new Indigenous oyster farm is operating on South Goulburn Island in the NT.

Department of Primary Industries fisheries executive director Ian Curnow said if and when a permit system is introduced, it would not affect the majority of recreational fishers.

However, it could adversely affect charter operators in certain areas, such as the Roper and Finnis rivers.

NT Primary Industry and Aboriginal Affairs Minister Ken Vowles has offered the NLC \$10 million for a voluntary buyback of fishing licences so the money could be used for sea ranger groups and to support Indigenous involvement in the industry.

Interim NLC chief executive Rick Fletcher said the offer has been accepted but negotiations are continuing to ensure Aboriginal people's rights are respected and they benefit. — AAP

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Top End Wedding goes to Sundance



Miranda Tapsell's dream has come true – her movie *Top End Wedding* has been accepted to the Sundance Film Festival in America.

"As a co-writer, producer and actor in this film, it's been a labour of love for me and having the opportunity to showcase the Northern Territory to an international audience, through a different lens, at such a prestigious festival, makes this such a rewarding experience," she said. "I'm so proud of this film and the people that were part of it."

Six Australian feature films will screen at the largest independent film festival in the United States – more Ozzie films than the record set in 1997 of five features.

The films to make their world premieres at the Utah-based festival this year will be *Animals*, *I Am Mother*, *Judy and Punch*, *Little Monsters* and *Top End Wedding*.

The Nightingale, which is set in Tasmania and features Aboriginal cast members, will make its North American premiere, after taking home the Special Jury Prize at this year's Venice Film Festival.



Miranda Tapsell is a co-writer, producer and actor in *Top End Wedding*.

Scrap public drunk laws

Coroner calls for changes to be made to crime laws after woman's death in custody



THE death of an Aboriginal woman after being in police custody has led a Victorian coroner to call for the crime of public drunkenness to be scrapped.

Coroner Caitlin English intends recommending to the Attorney-General that the law be changed.

"I am planning on making a recommendation as part of my recommendations and findings to abolish the crime of public drunkenness," she told a hearing in Melbourne last week.

Tanya Day, 55, was in police custody prior to her December

2017 death after being picked up for being intoxicated in regional Victoria.

The grandmother boarded a bus in Echuca before getting on a train in Bendigo headed to Melbourne to see her daughter on December 5.

CCTV footage shows her "slightly unsteady on her feet" at the station and, while on the train, she was unable to produce a valid ticket.

The inspector reported she became "unruly" and police were called to take a "drunk person from the train" when it stopped at Castlemaine.

Officers woke her, she walked

off unaided and was co-operative, counsel assisting the coroner, Catherine Fitzgerald, said.

But police decided to take her into custody for four hours to "sober up".

Her family was under the impression she would be left in the cell until she sobered up and police would put her back on the train to Melbourne.

Instead, Ms Day hit her head five times, even rolling off the bench in custody.

She also suffered a "dark-shaped oval bruise".

"It is likely she suffered a traumatic head injury whilst in custody and it has ultimately

resulted in the brain haemorrhage causing death," Ms Fitzgerald said.

Evidence showed Ms Day was not checked every 30 minutes with a verbal response sought, as per police guidelines.

When police saw her about 8pm, emergency services were called and she was taken to Bendigo Hospital and later St Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne.

She was found to have alcohol in her system.

Ahead of the hearing, Ms Day's daughter Belinda Stevens called for the abolition of public drunkenness as a crime, as recommended by the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths

in Custody in 1991.

Victoria and Queensland are the only states not to have adopted the change.

"If we can change the system that continues to victimise Aboriginal people, then maybe her death will not be in vain," Ms Stevens said.

Ms Day's family member Harrison Day also died after being in police custody for public drunkenness, with his case heard at the 1991 commission. Ms Day's case was adjourned until March 19, with an inquest expected mid-July. Her family is being represented by the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service. – AAP

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Concern over Trust finances



SERIOUS allegations have been made surrounding a Western Australian Aboriginal charitable trust that administers millions of dollars of mining royalties earmarked for relieving poverty, sickness, distress, misfortune and destitution.

WA Attorney General John Quigley last year launched an inquiry into the Njamal People's Trust to investigate claims that the disbursement of funds and management were not in line with the trust deed, and the

680-plus page report was tabled in parliament last week.

Inquirer Alan Sefton combed over the trust in detail and identified several areas of concern, including transactions involving motor vehicles, related companies and projects, and the remuneration of directors.

He gave a raft of recommendations to reform the current legislation governing charitable trusts, including amending the act empowering the Supreme Court to remove a trustee when it is satisfied that there has been misconduct or mismanagement.

Mr Quigley said further very serious allegations regarding "people apparently acting in relation to the trust" had been brought to his attention after he received the report, and had been referred to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

"I have been concerned for some time that some of the communities which these charitable trusts were designed to assist are still disadvantaged," Mr Quigley said. "In some cases, it is difficult to see how the funds are being used to improve outcomes

for our indigenous communities."

The inquiry was sparked by complaints in 2016 and 2017 by Sharon Westerman, who was removed from the board of Njamal Mining, which is wholly owned by the trust, amid allegations of mismanagement.

She has taken legal action against the company in the Supreme Court.

Separately, she is fighting five charges of stealing as a servant and is next due to face Perth Magistrates Court on February 11.

Due to legal matters, the inquiry did not make specific findings in this regard. – AAP



Call for applications for appointment to the ACT/TAS/VIC Regional Board of the Psychology Board of Australia

The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme regulates more than 700,000 registered health practitioners and over 160,000 registered students across 16 health professions. It also accredits over 740 approved programs of study delivered by over 330 education providers.

The Psychology Board of Australia's primary role is to protect the public particularly through setting standards, codes and guidelines to guide the practice of psychology. The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) manages the registration and notification handling processes for health practitioners and students across Australia.

Applications are now sought from psychologists from Victoria for **one practitioner member vacancy** on the ACT/TAS/VIC Regional Board of the Psychology Board of Australia.

To be eligible for appointment as a practitioner member, you must hold current registration as a psychologist. It is expected that all applicants practise or reside in Victoria.

The National Scheme has a commitment to increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' leadership and voices. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply, as are people from rural or regional areas in Australia.

Appointments are made by the Minister for Health in each jurisdiction under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory. Appointments can be for up to three years, with eligibility for reappointment.

More information about the roles, eligibility requirements and the application process can be found in the information guide and application form available from AHPRA's page:

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Please note: If you are an employee or contractor for AHPRA, you are NOT eligible for this position.

Applications close: **5.00pm, Friday 11 January 2019.**

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Call for applications for appointment to the State and Territory Boards of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia

The National Registration and Accreditation Scheme regulates more than 700,000 registered health practitioners and over 160,000 registered students across 16 health professions. It also accredits over 740 approved programs of study delivered by over 330 education providers.

The Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia's primary role is to protect the public particularly through setting standards, codes and guidelines to guide nursing and midwifery practice. The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) manages the registration and notification handling processes for registered health practitioners and students.

The NMBA's State and Territory Boards are delegated functions to make registration and notification decisions about nurses and midwives.

Applications are now sought from registered nurses, enrolled nurses, midwives and community members to fill multiple **practitioner member, community member and chair vacancies** arising in the following jurisdictions:

- **New South Wales – 1 practitioner member and chair**
- **Queensland – 1 practitioner member and 1 community member**
- **Tasmania – 1 practitioner member and chair**
- **Victoria – 4 practitioner members and chair**

To be eligible for appointment as a practitioner member, you must hold current registration as a nurse and/or midwife. It is expected that applicants practise and reside in the State in which they are applying for appointment. To be eligible for appointment as a community member, it is expected that applicants reside in the State in which they are applying for appointment.

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Outside the box



WHEN the *Blak Box* appears in Blacktown, don't be surprised to see that it's actually white.

Blak Box is an architecturally-designed sound pavilion by Aboriginal architect Kevin O'Brien and is one of the feature works of the 2019 Sydney Festival.

It's based on the Aboriginal concept of 'deep listening' and the work remembers the past and provides a collective vision for the future. *Blak Box* draws on a century of life experiences and brings the personal stories of Aboriginal elders to today's generation.

In the installation, senior Darug Elders Uncle Wes Marne, 94, and Auntie Edna Watson, 80, are interviewed by teenagers Savarna Russell and Shaun Millwood.

Blak Box has been created by Urban Theatre Projects and builds on the success of the *Blak Box* installation at Barangaroo earlier this year.

In its new program *Four Winds*, *Blak Box* explores the urgent need for sharing of stories from older to younger Aboriginal people – both of whose voices can go unheard in the national conversation.

"The young people say in a time of digital communication and 21st century lifestyles, it's become harder and harder for them to access the stories from Elders or experience returning to country," Mr O'Brien said.

"This artwork provides a rare space for that cultural sharing, and passing of stories from Aboriginal Elders to younger Aboriginal and other people. It is, they say, a vital translation of cultural knowledge from one generation to the next.

"Uncle Wes and Auntie Edna have lived and worked on Darug



Blak Box creative team architect Kevin O'Brien, curator Daniel Browning and lighting designer Karen Norris.

Picture: Joshua Morris

country for most of their lives.

"This is a moving look at their lives, including moments of triumph and hardships from life on the fringe camps of Sydney to visits by welfare officials, as well as their extraordinary efforts to support the next generation. Together they create a moving dialogue bridging the generation divide.

"The speakers believe all Australians can benefit from the wisdom of Aboriginal Elders and that this listening experience resonates further when the audience comes together on country to listen to stories from that country."

Kevin O'Brien's works have featured at the Venice Architecture Biennale and he is globally renowned for his designs which draw on Aboriginal concepts of space. The pavilion also won a recent DESIGN Now award. The artwork is accompanied by a special sound track by famed song woman Emma Donovan with Darug words gifted by Auntie Edna.

Blak Box runs from January 9 until February 2.

Planned tourism precinct will showcase a wealth of culture



MURUJUGA National Park in Western Australia is on its way to having an interactive tourism precinct where visitors learn about Aboriginal land and culture in the Pilbara.

The tourism precinct venue is planned for the area around Conzinc Bay – and will include a Living Knowledge Centre, café, gallery and campground, as well as supporting infrastructure such as a jetty and day-use facilities.

Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) has appointed RPS Group to undertake a comprehensive flora and fauna survey of the area.

The \$32 million project will feature the creation of a state-of-the-art interpretive centre to showcase the cultural richness and natural diversity of the area, which is home to an estimated one million rock engravings dating back tens of thousands of years.

MAC chief executive Peter Jeffries said the commencement of the survey would be a step forward in turning the Burrup into an international tourist attraction.

“The Living Knowledge Centre is a game-changing opportunity for local Aboriginal people that will celebrate our special cultural and natural environment and raise the



Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) chief executive Peter Jeffries with MAC rangers.

bar for tourism across the region,” he said.

“This is a once-in-a-lifetime project that will see great benefits for Aboriginal people including a boost to local employment, the creation of an unprecedented tourism attraction and celebration

of the unique landscape and traditional culture.

“The Living Knowledge Centre will enable the traditional owners of the land to share local Aboriginal culture such as art, language and dreamtime stories in meaningful interactions

with visitors.

“We hope that one day, the precinct will be at the heart of a World Heritage Listed area, with the bid for heritage listing already underway.”

The MAC board signed off last month on the agreement to

engage RPS Group, with the flora and fauna surveys due to start in March, following the wet season.

RPS Group business director Jeremy Fitzpatrick recently travelled to Conzinc Bay with MAC representatives to see the area.

“As a pre-cursor to the environmental surveys we will undertake across this heritage-listed peninsula our team has taken part in cultural awareness training to build our understanding of the region’s incredible rock art, culturally significant sites and unique flora and fauna,” Mr Fitzpatrick said.

The State Government has committed \$8 million to the project, along with annual funding of \$1 million for the ongoing joint management of the National Park.

The City of Karratha has committed \$3.5 million and will also construct the access road.

Woodside Energy has also indicated it will provide \$4 million funding for the project.

The announcement comes after the launch of the region’s first rock art tours, which began in September. The 90 minute walking tours at Deep Gorge are run by MAC rangers, who conduct a welcome to country, explain the meaning of the rock art and answer questions about Aboriginal culture.

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SA syngas opponents all fired up



OPPOSITION to commercial synthesis gas – or ‘syngas’ – production by Leigh Creek Energy in South

Australia has been heating up.

Adnyamathanha Traditional Lands Association (ATLA) chief executive Vince Coulthard said Leigh Creek Energy has not been able to produce syngas at a commercial level in the Telford Basin at Leigh Creek and has announced they need to “reignite” the coal.

Dangerous

“This is further proof that this is dangerous,” Mr Coulthard said. “We want this project stopped now.”

Leigh Creek Energy has been investigating the production of synthesis gas from its pre-commercial demonstration site at the Leigh Creek coalfields in SA’s north.

Also called underground coal gasification, the syngas production process involves pumping air and water into an underground coal seam and then heating the coal with an initiation device to start a chemical reaction and create gas.

This process differs from the coal seam gas extraction method of hydraulic fracturing or “fracking”, which involves injecting water and additives under pressure into the rock formation to fracture the rock to allow gas to escape.

“We are totally opposed to this project as we believe it is unsafe,” Mr Coulthard said.

“Now Leigh Creek Energy have been given permission to use fuel to reignite the coal.”

Mr Coulthard said many people living locally are worried they will be poisoned the same way people were poisoned at Chinchilla in Queensland.

“Now with this new process we are even more worried for Adnyamathanha people living at Copley and Leigh Creek,” he said.

“This is our country and we don’t want it poisoned, we want it left alone.”

“Leigh Creek is a very special place to us and we want it healed not damaged further.”

Mr Coulthard also said that in court, Leigh Creek Energy said they could use reports from a similar site in the Arkaringa Basin for the project in the Telford Basin.

Problems

“Now they are saying they are having problems because every situation is unique,” he said.

“They also said that they had completed their drilling work for the project and did not contemplate any further drilling work.”

“We were told this would be a three month trial and this was safe – now without consultation they have halted the process for four weeks to reignite the coal.”

“We were told it would be all over in three months but they keep moving the goal posts and the government is allowing them to do so. Enough is enough, we call upon the Premier and the Minister to stop this toxic project in our land now.”

Triscilla Roberts and Laura Egan wearing Magpie Goose designs.



Magpie Goose fashions to feature at Woodford



THIS year’s Woodford Folk Festival will launch a special collaboration between the Jinibara people and fashion label Magpie Goose.

The Jinibara people are the traditional custodians of the Woodford festival site in South East Queensland.

Magpie Goose, based in the Northern Territory, is a fashion label that collaborates with Indigenous artists to hand screen-print designs onto linens and cotton.

These prints are then manufactured into clothing in Sydney.

Co-founders Maggie McGowan and Laura Egan said they were invited by Woodford

festival to collaborate with the Jinibara people, so sat down with Uncle Noel Blair and Jason Murphy.

“We are really excited to be launching four prints featuring artwork from Noel and Jason,” they said.

“Noel’s designs are really quirky and fun – featuring the animals and symbols found on Jinibara country; carved wooden clapsticks and some of the cheeky slang colloquialisms that Noel often carves onto his pieces.”

“Jason’s work is a powerful piece about identity, titled Yellow fella – a dysfunctional self portrait.

“It’s so exciting to provide a platform for these stories to be shared. It’s wearable art.

“The designs are hand

screenprinted onto beautiful light Belgian linen, then handmade into simple, classic clothing styles that are really just a canvas for the stories the prints tell.

“We also have a special range of silk scarves featuring Jinibara designs, which look incredible.”

Woodford Folk Festival’s 2018/19 program will bring together music, art, circus, cabaret, yoga, dance, comedy and ceremony from December 27 to January 1.

More than 400 acts, over 25 venues will perform to an audience of 125,000 over the five-day festival.

Those acts include Electric Fields, Nattali Rize, Emily Wurramurra, Dan Sultan, William Barton and Stiff Gins.



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NOMINATIONS FOR THE NATIONAL HERITAGE LIST

The Australian Government Minister for the Environment, the Hon Melissa Price MP, invites nominations for places for inclusion in the National Heritage List. The closing date (cut-off date) for nominations for the 2019/20 assessment period is **13 February 2019**. A place can be included in the National Heritage List if it is in Australia’s jurisdiction and the Minister is satisfied that the place has *outstanding heritage value* to the nation.

For a nomination form and guide visit:

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The Regional Centre for Culture 2018 program is drawing to a close.

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Dja Dja Wurrung, Taungurung and other Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander peoples and First Nation peoples living in the RCC area, local government, visual artists, performers, writers, musicians, technicians, filmmakers, photographers, festival organisers, publishers, market stall holders, bands, schoolchildren, teachers, gymnasts, galleries, museums, community organisations, venues, volunteers and of course, audiences and participants.



The Regional Centre for Culture program is a Victorian Government initiative

There's *Something Wild* about these bushfoods

By PETER ARGENT



KAKADU plums picked by Aboriginal women from Wadeye are now being used to flavour yoghurt thanks to an innovative partnership.

Enterprising Indigenous bushfood company Something Wild Australia has partnered with Fleurieu Milk Company, an independent dairy from the foothills of the Fleurieu Peninsula in South Australia, and, with the support of the Indigenous Land Corporation, has developed a new yoghurt featuring Kakadu plum.

A fourth component in this collaboration is the Aboriginal women from Wadeye community, in the Northern Territory about 2500km South West of Darwin.

Known to be the world's richest source of vitamin C, the Kakadu plum is picked at the beginning of the dry season before the cooler months in the Northern Territory, and used for medicinal purposes, to protect a



From left to right, Catherine Parmbuk, Anna Karui, Daniel Motlop, Stephanie Berida, Margaret Perdjert and Danyle Pearce.

person's immune system. Something Wild general manager Daniel Motlop, a Larrakia man and former AFL champion, said Kadadu

plums are unique to Northern Australia. "People in the Northern Territory have been eating Kakadu plums for thousands of

years," he said at the launch of the new yoghurt at the Port Adelaide Football Club facility on November 15, with ladies from the Wadeye community in attendance.

"We're very excited about the new product we've created, and we're glad to have the opportunity to work with the women from Wadeye community to secure a sustainable way to supply the fruit."

The women from the Palngun Wurnangat Aboriginal Corporation harvest the fruit annually.

"My parents had passed down their cultural knowledge of the plums," chairperson Margaret Perdjert said.

"We call it 'mi mirrarl'; it's like a medicine, it's good for colds.

"We harvest the fruit around Easter time, some we pick and others we have to get the young fellas to shake the trees so they fall down from the top.

"Then we bring them back to the women's centre at Wadeye and sort and weigh them."

Indigenous Land Corporation chair Eddie Fry

said there is a strategic focus on niche Indigenous products such as bushfoods to provide Aboriginal people with the opportunity to develop sustainable land based businesses.

"This collaboration between Wadeye Aboriginal Community, Something Wild Australia, and Fleurieu Milk Company is a great example of how Aboriginal communities can combine their landholdings with their ecological knowledge and commercialise them to create products, uniquely from the Indigenous estate," he said.

A strategic initiative bringing the Wadeye community together with eight other Aboriginal harvesting enterprises to form the Northern Australia Aboriginal Kakadu Plum Alliance (NAAKPA) will ensure sustainability for production.

Something Wild Australia and Fleurieu Milk Company will produce three more yoghurt flavours, Muntrie, Davidson Plum and Quandong, which are expected to be launched early in the New Year.

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Effective life-changing program for men is ten



A VICTORIAN program designed to keep Aboriginal men out of the prison system has celebrated its tenth anniversary.

The *Wulunggo Ngalu Learning Place* program takes place at a residential facility on 65 hectares at Yarram, near Gippsland.

It allows Aboriginal men serving community correction orders to connect with their culture while taking part in activities to address their offending.

While living at Wulunggo Ngalu for periods of three to six months, the men experience Welcome to Country and smoking ceremonies, cooking, dancing, storytelling and visits from Elders.

They are also engaged in employment, vocational education, life skills programs and community work, including maintaining the property and providing assistance in the local area.

Since its inception in 2008, 519 men have taken part in the diversion program.

General manager Shaun Braybrook said he had seen countless lives transformed.

"While we are a correctional facility that helps men to complete their orders, we also stand for



Wulunggo Ngalu Koori support worker Craig Morris is presented with a 10 year service award by general manager Shaun Braybrook. Craig and Shaun are among five staff members who have worked at Wulunggo Ngalu since it was established in 2008.

growing men strong in their culture and strong in their identity," he said.

"The men who come through here are so proud of this place and once they've reclaimed their culture and identity it stems into the rest of their lives and empowers them to move on.

"The real growth you see is when fellas go home and become

better fathers, impart what they've learned on those around them and continue to address issues around things like substance abuse and family violence.

"People often come back to visit, and you see the changes in a lot of different ways. It's in their appearance and the way they walk tall and proud; it's in their language

and how they communicate with people, and it's in their ability to share their story with others."

To celebrate the anniversary, the centre held a special event for participants, staff, service providers and supporters.

It featured a smoking ceremony, dance circle and performances, moving talks from former

participants and a lunch of ground-cooked crocodile, emu and kangaroo sausages.

"Just as it takes a village to raise a child, it takes a tribe to support a man through a cultural journey of change, and this was our tribe," Mr Braybrook said.

Staff and participants also hosted a community open day to thank Gippsland locals for their support.

Mr Braybrook said engagement with the broader community – including running dance and cultural workshops at local schools – was both therapeutic and confidence-boosting for the men.

"Overwhelmingly the experience of sharing their culture and having others be interested and engaged with it is unbelievable for the fellas' healing and their journey," he said.

"People in the community have been so supportive of us, and its great knowing that we're a place they feel proud of and can hang their hats on."

The *Wulunggo Ngalu learning place* is a key initiative of the Victorian Aboriginal Justice Agreement, a partnership between the Victorian Government and the Aboriginal community aimed at reducing the over-representation of Indigenous people in the prison system.

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A NEW digital platform for sporting clubs across Australia has been launched to encourage more respectful, safe and successful sporting environments.

Created by the Victorian Women's Trust (VWT) in partnership with Nirodah, an organisation specialising in community education for violence prevention, *Club Respect* provides sporting club members with online resources to maintain a positive culture.

Club Respect advocate and *Marngrook Footy Show* presenter Shelley Ware said the program is about working on a grassroots level with sporting groups.

"It's about helping to change the culture of the club and supporting them through that process," the Wirangu and Yunkunypjapjara woman told the *Koori Mail*.

"If someone's not happy with the culture at their club they can get in contact. *Club Respect* will support them in making some of those changes."

Ms Ware said sporting clubs can have a massive impact on changing the level of respect in the community.

"There seems to be a lack of respect in the general community now," she said.

"Our basic respect for each other seems to have fallen through and sport is a good way of getting it back."

"If we're teaching respect on the

sporting field maybe people will go 'This is what it can be like'.

"Everyone takes their kids to sports, sporting clubs come into contact with a huge part of the community all the time and it's time we harnessed that."

Ms Ware said that the sporting clubs that have already been using *Club Respect* have noticed a massive change in their club culture.

"Kids and their parents say that it's helped the clubs be more respectful," she said.

"Talking to coaches, players and spectators from the clubs that are already using the program, it's remarkable to hear what a difference it's made."

For more information visit www.clubrespect.org

Heritage Act 1977

Notice of intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register

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

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

St Peter's Anglican Church Group, Windsor Road, Richmond

Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by 5 February 2019. Enquiries to Mary Ann Hamilton on (02) 9873 8565 or Maryann.hamilton@environment.nsw.gov.au

Ivanhoe Park (including Manly Oval) Cultural Landscape, Sydney Road, Manly

Written submissions on this listing are invited from any interested person by 5 February 2019. Enquiries to David Hoffman on (02) 9873 8582 or david.hoffman@environment.nsw.gov.au

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

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

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Indigenous Medical Scholarship 2019

Applications are now being sought for the 2019 Australian Medical Association (AMA) Indigenous Medical Scholarship. Applicants must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander background.

Applicants must be currently enrolled full-time at an Australian medical school and at least in their first year of medicine. Preference will be given to applicants who do not already hold any other scholarship or bursary.

The Scholarship will be awarded on the recommendation of a selection panel appointed by the AMA. The value of the Scholarship for 2019 will be \$10,000 per annum. This amount will be paid in a lump sum for each year of study.

The duration of the Scholarship will be for the full course of a medical degree, however this is subject to review.

Applications close 31 January 2019.

To receive further information on how to apply, please contact Sandra Riley, Administration Officer, AMA on (02) 6270 5400 or email indigenousscholarship@ama.com.au. An application package can be also downloaded from the AMA website www.ama.com.au/indigenous-medical-scholarship-2019.

The Indigenous Peoples' Medical Scholarship Trust Fund was established in 1994 with a contribution from the Australian Government. In 2016, the Trust Fund became The AMA Indigenous Medical Scholarship Foundation. The Foundation is administered by AMA Pty Ltd.

The AMA would like to acknowledge the contributions of the following donors: Reuben Pelerman Benevolent Foundation; the late Beryl Jamieson's wishes for donations towards the Indigenous Medical Scholarship; Deakin University; The Anna Wearne Fund and B B & A Miller Fund, sub-funds of the Australian Communities Foundation.

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Land Council chief sacked by exec



Joe Morrison.



THE Northern Territory's Northern Land Council's chief executive Joe Morrison has been sacked amid deep divisions within the organisation.

Mr Morrison had recently resigned citing "personal reasons" in what was presented as an amiable parting after nearly five years at the NLC.

He was not due to leave until the end of next March but eight of the council's nine-

member executive voted to terminate his employment after a meeting (with one absentee).

The organisation's reputation has been affected by personal conflicts, divisions and a scandal involving Mr Morrison's relationship with an executive assistant, even though he's married. The council's deputy chairman John Christophersen said the decision was to allow for a quicker transition to an "environment with a new CEO" rather than wait until March.

"We are in a difficult

situation at the moment, we are trying to deal with a number of issues and maintain the integrity of the Northern Land Council," he said.

"More importantly we are making sure our people in the bush have a properly functioning organisation, that's what we're trying to do."

Comment was sought from Mr Morrison, who will be paid out until the end of March 2019.

When he quit a fortnight ago Mr Morrison said it was for "personal reasons and that it was time to explore other

opportunities".

"He has enjoyed his time at the NLC and says he has achieved many of the commitments he gave to the late Mr Wunungmurra who was chairman when he was recruited," an NLC statement said. "The NLC is a fundamentally important institution for Aboriginal people of the Top End and he leaves the NLC in a better position to deal with the challenges faced by Traditional Owners than when he joined in 2014." – AAP

NT seafood sector to get a boost



THE seafood sector will receive a financial boost from the NT Government to develop economic opportunities and increase involvement of Aboriginal Territorians in the sector. The \$10 million package will help create jobs and support work

with the Northern Land Council and other fishing stakeholders, such as the NT Seafood Council and the Amateur Fishing Association of the NT, to review the management of the NT's coastal fisheries.

Primary Industry and Resources Minister Ken Vowles said the government respects the legal right of traditional owners to manage access to their intertidal country following the High Court Blue Mud Bay decision, and NLC has indicated it will introduce a permit system next year (see story, page 8). Two thirds of recreational fishing activity in the NT occurs in waters that are not affected by the Blue Mud Bay ruling, including Darwin Harbour, Bynoe Harbour, Shoal Bay, Kakadu and Shady Camp. Of the remaining third, 75% of fishing falls under existing permit-free agreements negotiated with the NT Government, such as Daly River and Nhulunbuy.

Artists needed for makers' studio



NORTHERN Rivers Performing Arts (NORPA) is calling for Expressions of Interest from artists to take part in a new Indigenous Makers' Studio. The initiative supports emerging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists who have a

strong desire to enhance their performance practise and will be led by experienced Indigenous Artists and NORPA Associate Artists. The Indigenous Makers' Studio was made possible through Create NSW and has been designed to elevate and enhance the skill set of the next generation of young, Indigenous storytellers and performers. For details, visit norpa.org.au

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment – Invitation to Register an Interest

Artefact Heritage on behalf of Iglu Ptd Ltd is undertaking an Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment of the property known as 80-88 Regent Street, Redfern in advance of proposed redevelopment. Contact details for the proponent are Iglu Ptd Ltd c/Timothy Farrell, Project Director via email: tfarrell@iglu.com.au

The project is being assessed as a State Significant Development under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The purpose of community consultation is to assist the Director-General of the Department of Planning and Environment in the determination of the project.

The proponent therefore seeks to consult with all Aboriginal groups or individuals who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places in the Redfern area.

Interested parties should register in writing, providing their name, address, email, phone number and information on their connection to the area.

Please register your interest in the project by 7 January 2019 by contacting:

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Nick Danks, from Telstra, Michael Long and, from left, Renaisha Wilfred, Shantia Lansen and Kieffin Mardi.



IT was all smiles at Michael Long Learning and Leadership Centre (MLLLC) when two 4WD vehicles were presented by Telstra for use by the staff and students and wider community.

The two seven seat Toyota Prados were given as part of a three-year partnership to help support the education activities of the MLLLC.

Former footballer Michael Long said MLLC currently works in eight communities and surrounding regions across the NT, providing a unique sporting

and education program for Indigenous students from remote areas in the Territory.

"The centre delivers programs that inspire and engage communities and promote education through the power of football," he said. "Football is the vehicle that makes the difference to individuals and community life. These programs also deliver frontline services, education, health, employment, social acceptance and provide a safe and healthy lifestyle for all Territorians to enjoy."

"These new vehicles will help us deliver these programs and will allow us to divert money previously used for vehicles into

providing additional services and experiences for the students. We are very grateful for Telstra's support and look forward to continuing to work with them into the future."

The Michael Long Learning and Leadership Centre provides a program to improve student leadership and engagement in education through a 15-week community-based program and one-week leadership camp at the Centre.

The Centre has accommodation facilities for up to 64 people, a state of the art gym and pool/recovery centre, education spaces and corporate facilities for functions and events.

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Federal Human Services Minister Michael Keenan encouraged prospective students to apply early.

"The recent addition of online claiming services is making it easier and faster to lodge a claim," he said.

"We know that preparing to study can be a stressful time, so we are working hard to modernise all of our payments to ensure Indigenous students have the best possible opportunity to get the most out of their university study or apprenticeship program."

"The online system allows students to update any of their details online once they are in receipt of ABSTUDY, saving them a trip to a service centre or a phone call to the Department, especially if they live in a remote community."

Indigenous apprentices can claim ABSTUDY allowance online through their myGov account.

Indigenous students can claim now by calling 1800 132 317.

For more information about ABSTUDY visit humanservices.gov.au/ABSTUDY.

Human Services are RAP ready



The Commonwealth Department of Human Services has celebrated the launch of its national Reconciliation Action Plan 2018-2022.

Indigenous and Remote Servicing Branch national manager Lauren Callinan said the plan outlines the department's commitment to improving opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff and clients.

"A huge achievement is that we've increased the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff from 3.1% to 5.2% since our last RAP," she said.

"This includes 645 staff employed through our Indigenous Apprenticeships Program. We're also proud to say the department is spending \$24 million on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses."

The Department of Human Services was the first Federal Government agency to have its own RAP after partnering with Reconciliation Australia.

"Our RAP is ambitious, positive and meaningful, and it will guide us on our reconciliation journey for the next four years," Ms Callinan said.

Reconciliation Australia chief executive Karen Mundine said all Australians have a part to play in the reconciliation journey.

"Government agencies occupy a particularly critical sphere of influence," she said. "The decisions they make and the way they operate have a profound impact on all Australians."

"This means that you have a great opportunity and responsibility to advance national reconciliation."

"By raising the bar of your RAP ambitions, the department is setting an example as a leader in reconciliation," Ms Mundine said



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The Medical Board of Australia's primary role is to protect the public by registering suitably qualified and competent medical practitioners, dealing with notifications about medical practitioners and by developing registration standards, codes and guidelines to guide medical practitioners. The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) works in partnership with the Board.

The following positions have arisen on the State and Territory Boards of the Medical Board of Australia:

- **Australian Capital Territory – 1 community member and 2 practitioner members**
- **Northern Territory – 2 community members and 2 practitioner members**
- **Queensland – 1 community member, 1 practitioner member**
- **South Australia – 3 community members, 4 practitioner members and Chair**
- **Tasmania – 1 community member, and**
- **Victoria – 1 practitioner member and Chair**

To be eligible for appointment as a practitioner member, you must hold current registration as a medical practitioner. It is expected that applicants practise or reside in the State or Territory in which they are applying for appointment. To be eligible for appointment as a community member, it is expected that applicants reside in the State or Territory in which they are applying for appointment.

The National Scheme has a commitment to increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples' leadership and voices. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply, as are people from rural or regional areas in Australia.

Appointments are made by the Minister for Health in each jurisdiction under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law, as in force in each state and territory. Appointments can be for up to three years, with eligibility for reappointment.

More information about the roles, eligibility requirements and the application process can be found in the information guide and application form available from AHPRA's page:

<http://www.ahpra.gov.au/National-Boards/Statutory-Appointments.aspx>

For enquiries, please contact statutoryappointments@ahpra.gov.au

Please note: If you are an employee or contractor for AHPRA, you are NOT eligible for these positions.

Applications close: 5.00pm, Friday 11 January 2019.

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Office of Environment and Heritage

Applications invited for appointment to Wild Horse Community Advisory Panel for Kosciuszko National Park

Applications are now open for membership of the Wild Horse Community Advisory Panel.

The Panel is being established under the *Kosciuszko Wild Horse Heritage Act 2018* (the Act).

The Panel will provide advice to the Minister for the Environment on matters relating to the identification of the heritage value and management of sustainable wild horse populations within parts of Kosciuszko National Park. The Panel will also provide advice to the Office of Environment and Heritage on the preparation of a draft wild horse heritage management plan.

The Panel will comprise at least six but no more than eight members who meet the composition requirements and qualifications in Schedule 1 of the Act. The Panel must include at least one Aboriginal person, one representative of the community from the locality around Kosciuszko National Park and other persons who have expertise and experience in one or more of the following: recreational planning and management (including horse riding), horse or other animal welfare management, alpine tourism planning and management, or community involvement in conservation.

Applications invited for appointment to Wild Horse Scientific Advisory Panel for Kosciuszko National Park

Applications are now open for membership of the Wild Horse Scientific Advisory Panel.

The Panel will provide rigorous scientific and technical advice to the Office of Environment and Heritage to inform preparation of a draft wild horse heritage management plan for Kosciuszko National Park to be prepared under the *Kosciuszko Wild Horse Heritage Act 2018*.

Nominations are invited from persons with expertise and skills in one or more of the following areas:

- cultural heritage assessment and management
- animal welfare and veterinary science
- animal population survey, modelling and statistical analysis
- horse ecology (including demography, reproduction and behaviour) and/or horse population control techniques
- vertebrate pest species management, including assessment of impacts to natural and cultural values
- biology and ecology of the flora and fauna of the Australian Alps / Kosciuszko National Park and associated alpine, sub alpine and montane ecosystems

The size of the Panel will be determined based on the range of expertise received in nominations. If additional scientific expertise is required, further appointments may be made.

Panel appointments will initially be for 12 months.

Applications close: Close of business Friday 21 December 2018.

Contact: For further information on the panels and how to apply, please go to:

<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NPWS/AdvisoryCommittees.htm>

Enquiries to npws.wildhorses@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Wendy Dalton, centre, with Joy Stepto and Auntie Millie Ingram at the NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards.

Wendy's work wins an award

By KEIRA JENKINS



WENDY Dalton has become the first Indigenous woman to be named the NSW Volunteer of the Year, picking up the 2018 award for her

work supporting young people and advocacy for women fighting breast cancer.

The Awards were held by the Centre for Volunteering in Sydney last month, recognising the work of volunteers across the state.

Ms Dalton is from Brewarrina in far western NSW but has lived in Grafton on the NSW north coast for almost 19 years.

She said when she heard her name called as the winner she felt numb.

"There were so many contestants in my category that had volunteered so much of their time and raised so much money for charity," Ms Dalton told the *Koori Mail*.

"They'd done such amazing work. I couldn't believe I'd topped the category and won the award."

Ms Dalton works with the Department of Education and has been based at South Grafton High School for a number of years.

But outside of work she makes sure her students have the opportunity to pursue their interests in sport, dance and art, driving young footballers to Queensland for competitions, training and mentoring young dancers, and leading art classes in local community centres.

Ms Dalton said her job doesn't stop at the end of the work day.

"I'll be at the supermarket or

the shops, after hours or on a weekend and be approached by parents and young people," she said.

"I get texts and calls from families. I'll always support our youth any way I can."

For Ms Dalton these are important things she does to support her community and to help the next generation be proud of who they are and achieve their goals.

She said she believes

supporting young people helps the whole community gain strength.

"I think it all stems from my mum who nurtured so many children when I was growing up," she said.

"Seeing the difference it made to so many kids that my mum always had a bed and a feed for them if they

needed it, I think that instilled those caring attributes in me.

"But I never thought I'd go from living in a place with a dirt floor to winning a big NSW award like this."

Ms Dalton said she is also a strong advocate for women fighting breast cancer, especially Indigenous women.

"As a breast cancer survivor myself I believe it's so important to get the message out there about early detection," she said.

"I'm always advocating in my community here in Grafton and when I go home to Brewarrina about getting checked up and seeing your doctor to catch any cancer early.

"I truly believe that I beat cancer because I stayed positive and focused and I want to help other women do the same."

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Call-out for baby Jesus

By ALF WILSON



ORGANISERS of the unique *Stable on the Strand* Christmas event are seeking a family of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to play the characters of Joseph, Mary and the baby Jesus.

More than 40,000 people are likely to attend the 17th *Stable on the Strand* to be held from December 18 to 22 at Townsville's Strand Park.

International Indigenous gospel artist Pat Morgan, who has family connections to Palm Island, will again be one of the stars.

Visitors will include locals and others from as far away as the Torres Strait, Cape York, Cairns, Mackay, Mount Isa and even Brisbane.

Many Palm Islanders traditionally travel to Townsville for the popular event, which celebrates Christmas.

Organising committee member Richard Hosking said the 2018 event will again feature actors playing Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus in full costume.

"We would love to hear from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander couples with a baby aged up to about three months as we would really love to have someone to play the Jesus, Joseph and Mary characters during the event," he said.

It is an alcohol and drug free family event which presents the Christmas story of the birth of Jesus in its own unique way using storytelling, acting, festivity, song and fun.

Visitors during the five nights will be invited into the Town of Bethlehem where they will experience the sights, sounds and



Edward Seaton with the Three Wise Men at a previous *Stable*.



Nativity scene from a previous *Stable on the Strand*.



Gospel singer Pat Morgan will be one of the star entertainers.

'smells' of Bethlehem 2000 years ago as they engage with the Christmas Story characters (shepherds and their sheep, wise men and their camels, King Herod and his Roman soldiers).

They can view the nativity scene – Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus at The Stable.

There will also be entertainment for all ages and interactive activities for children.

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Danny Eastwood's view



A YARN WITH...



Picture: Jillian Mundy/
Oxfam Australia.

Erica Smits

Gamilaroi woman from Walgett, NSW living on the NSW central coast.

Favourite bush tucker?
Anything with lemon myrtle.

Favourite other food?
Sunday roast.

Favourite drink?
Smoothies.

Favourite music?
I listen to whatever is on the radio.

Favourite sport?
NRL but I used to play netball when I was younger too.

Favourite read?
Harry Potter.

Favourite holiday destination?
Hamilton Island.

What are you watching on TV?
The Good Doctor.

Favourite movie?
Anything Marvel.

What do you like in life?
Spending time with my family. My husband and my kids are my whole world.

What don't you like in life?
The cold weather.

Who would you most like to meet?
Charlie Perkins.

Who would you invite for a night around the campfire?
Nova Peris, Cathy Freeman, pretty much just a bunch of Indigenous women to have a good yarn with.

Who inspires you?
My aunts and my mum and dad inspire me the most.

What would you do to better the situation for Indigenous people?
Ensure we have our voices heard in Parliament. Whether that's designated seats in Parliament or backing the Uluru Statement we need to ensure we have a proper say.

Quote



"Curriculum development, pedagogy, what's delivered and how it's delivered to First Nations children in remote communities are not a one-size cookie-cutter model. It needs to be designed with the community, it needs to be designed for the community and it needs to be very much an individual thing."

Federal Shadow Human Services Minister Linda Burney gives Special Envoy on Indigenous Affairs Tony Abbott a lesson about Indigenous education.

● See Page 4

Unquote

We're proud of sharing stories

Reading through our Year in Review spread (page 33 to 36), it's difficult to argue with the conclusion that the rights of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are under attack.

And under attack by government.

From First Nations children to First Nations leaders to First Nations prisoners, organisations, and beyond, 2018 has seen governments attempt to violate human rights.

But it's equally obvious that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have stood strong in opposition – as they always have for the more than 200 years since Invasion.

From the Federal Government's arrogant and dishonest dismissal of a First Nations Voice to Parliament, to the NSW Government's change to adoption laws, to the numerous deaths in custody, the appointment of Tony Abbott as 'Special Envoy on Indigenous Affairs', the discriminatory CDP work for the dole scheme, the funding of non-Indigenous organisations from the Indigenous Advisory Strategy and the plan to refresh the Close the Gap



OUR SAY

strategy without bothering to seek input from First Nations peak bodies – the list is long and disturbing.

But the fortitude, patience, solidarity and resistance of our mob is a source of pride.

As was the outpouring of support for this year's inspiring NAIDOC theme, Because of her, we can!

In this paper we try to provide a space for all First Nations voices and stories – the tough stuff, the great stuff, the stuff of everyday lives and community.

You mob keep telling us what's going on and we'll keep printing it.

Look after one another over the holiday season.

This is our last edition for the year – so we'll see you in 2019. Have a good one!

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'Enough is enough'



Bucko grew up in a small, mostly Aboriginal town in the central west of Queensland. And he grew up with what all too often goes with that – abuse, violence, drugs, alcohol, neglect and isolation – but, against all the odds, he's never been to jail. We can't tell you his name because he currently holds a position, trying to help youth, with a Queensland Government department. He suspects he won't be keeping it for long (and doesn't, in fact, want to). His primary concern is the numbers of suicides after his peers come out of jail. This is what he has to say...

I'm only 26. I just turned 26.

I never had a good life, I had a pretty shitty life, you know. Contemplating suicide and shit at an age of probably school age, around eight, nine, 10, not normal for any kid. I got caught up in the underground, dealing drugs, sold, and had my first taste of weed at the age of 10ish.

I don't wish that for any kid.

The reason being, for why I'm doing this, a few years back I was contemplating suicide, you know. I was literally laying in the dirt at the stables. And, I was lying there, hoping somebody would come along, cry and cry, and nobody.

And I realised, as the hours passed on, that no one was coming. And I knew that was the tipping point right there.

Either I do it, or I get up and be the change that I want to see in this world. So, because I had no attention from any families, I never spoke to my family before I even got into this situation.

While I was doing this thing there was a lot of pressure and I thought, 'I need to get up, I need to get up,' because if I didn't get up and say, 'enough's enough', who was going to?

Straight after that event, after I said 'OK, I'm going to get up, enough's enough, I need to be the change that I want to see in this world,' I spoke to a certain family member.

It wasn't the best thing. They didn't recognise it. Yet again crying.

After that I went and connected with my brothers, they were smoking and drinking. They recognised right away, recognised what my family couldn't see.

They said, 'Enough's enough, you need to get up, you've got the support here'.

It wasn't much of a support, but it was enough to give me that boost up, to say you're stronger than that.

It really enabled me to be who I am and still continue to be. I realised too that people get into these different roles.

They change, as I said before, they change.

And I never really wanted to be that type of person, where it can also restrict you on how much stuff you can put forward as a community traditional man too.

I'm not a traditional man, I've never been through any ceremonies, but what I'm saying is 'Let's get together, come together, and start creating these things'.

Working off the frame of our culture, and hopefully writing it into a new culture, utilising a lot of modern technology and all that stuff.

Because is it not also our duty of care, as Indigenous young people, Indigenous communities, to care for everybody? I've got white brothers, I've got white sisters, this is not just a black issue.

Connection is very, very important. I've got one other brother there that's also been through drug usage and all that stuff, in the big city.

Then got his act cleaned up and now he's working.

And the brother, he tells me, that



The author is calling on communities to work together to address the issues surrounding youth suicide, particularly for Indigenous people recently released from detention.

basically what he's gotta deal with every day, is that he's frightened to be the bad him every day.

I found that connecting with a lot of brothers like him helped me to flourish a bit more.

So, what I wanted to mention today was a concern that about young brothers under the age of 30 who are getting out of prison and completing suicide.

In the past year there's been anywhere between four to six young men.

Now, I don't pay tax dollars for fellows to come out of prison and contemplate that, you know?

They've obviously broken laws, there's a reason why they're in there, but every single one of them is isolated and disconnected from family – they can only take so much.

A lot of these fellas are coming out and saying there's no ongoing support put in place. It's very draining in a way because my community people and my people on the ground level, out on the streets, are coming to me and talking to me as a direct voice into the service.

Why aren't they going to those services themselves? Why isn't there a safe space, or a system there that streamlines the support to the appropriate services?

One of the things I think is sad is that we've got some of our Elders making the decisions for us as the youth, and the next generations' future. When, most of our issues as the youth and as the next generation, have stemmed from the generation before.

It's not putting them down, it's just highlighting and saying, 'OK, what do we need to implement in this stage, or change in this, or what didn't work that we can be aware of?', so we're not going back and wasting our efforts and energy.

The Elders need to be walking beside us, and helping light our

fire sticks.

One of the things that also impacts on us is that intergenerational trauma.

I think it's time we call for an intergenerational trauma forum being delivered to communities.

There's all this money going out for closing the gap, but what gaps are they closing when they aren't consolidating what's in the best interest for us in the future?

As a potential leader, it's very, very, very frustrating. Realistically being a leader is not my goal yet, there's all the brothers and all the uncles, in front of me.

Duty of care

And that's supposed to be their role – their duty of care is to my generation.

But, I've found there's a breakdown. I'm not putting them down, I'm still willing to walk beside them, but we also need to be bigger in what we do outside of that life, because services can only shine their light to a certain area.

We've got diverse Indigenous people, working in recognised roles, but they are not the same as some of the target group they are working with.

With us, in the regional remote area, we still feel it hard, we still feel like we're towing a long line of chain, and all the anger and stuff like that.

Some of these people are working in these roles, also move up the ladder and forget their pathways as well.

Some of them also, get in these roles that are just too frightened to even challenge the opinion of services, and the misperceptions, because again, without our issue they ain't got no paycheck.

So we need the community to recognise how strong our voices are. We as community need to stop, really need to stop, putting

our faith into these people because our voices are very strong and very powerful.

We need to voice what types of support and what level of engagement we want from services. There needs to be flexibility around programmes, culturally appropriate programmes that really highlight and incorporate our cultural ways.

For example: a counselling session should be, say for some of the lines I'm getting for getting out of prison, maybe one of the programs they go to the cemetery.

Now why can't we do that?

Grief and loss are one of the biggest things that we feel in community.

Grief and loss is something that also, you know, extends onto the DV, you didn't know this, you didn't know that. They feel: this person doesn't understand my issues and stuff like that.

You weren't really connected, and yeah well actually I was, you just didn't know, and then it's causing frictions there, but it's also causing family frictions again, even deeper.

Relationships break down because of fear. You think, 'I don't wanna connect with this one, because I'm going to be gone soon'.

We've realised too, that kids towards that age of 13, 14, 15 stop talking to their fathers and they start connecting more with their uncles, their big brothers. Reason being is because the system is weakening, and it's already broken up people, but it's weakening us again and again.

Whenever you can see a weak man, you can always expect a weak family life not so far behind.

The father is like the head of the snake, he leads the family forward.

The mother is like the glue that keeps the whole body together.

She's like the one that also

makes the pathway even more clear, the directions we're going in, you know? We need to be highlighting the importance of our kinship system.

What is kinship?

Story telling again, music, dance and art, we need to be incorporating a lot of that into our stuff and into service delivery.

Actually going to the prison and develop a group within the prison, that also keeps a good contact with a group outside the prison that also has the direct voices to the services, because that's the type of accountability that we need.

How do they know that they're doing good here?

They may say, physically show because they moved us from A to B, it shows them that they're doing good jobs, but realistically, they haven't given us the tools or the skills to proceed even further on their own powers and be the masters of their own destinies.

Everyone wonders why young people don't 'step up'. I went to a community gathering a couple a weeks ago that was in relation to our young brothers and sisters breaking in and stealing cars.

I've been there.

But there are no sustainable pathways, there was nothing set up to last.

As a youth, you know, you want better like I said I went to this meeting, trying to put forward concerns, as a direct voice from the younger people side of things.

When I went to this meeting the Elder said: 'eh, eh Elder speaking here, man'. So me being me, with the respect to my Elders, I let him speak.

But you know that's the cultural aspect that also restricts us from having our own voices heard too.

Because everyone walks their own journey, and I think we need to respect the young people's journey as well too.

Even though, they may not be mature enough. Even though, they might be, there's other things impacting on that, we still need to walk beside them, because it's the sustainable future that we're fighting for.

I'm also talking about government processes. The red tape also restricts us.

But also, again, our cultural people need to stand up and say, 'enough is enough'.

We need to work together towards fixing this big picture and we all have the same picture that we want to walk towards, but the reality is we all need to play our part to make that picture a reality.

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



Alex Smith, Edmond Stevens and Brayden Davey explaining to the judges how the robot was made and why.



Alex Smith and Edmond Stevens getting the robot ready for the first competition.

Kids share cultures in STEM partnership

By TASH GILLESPIE



A PARTNERSHIP between a tiny remote community school and a Perth high school has seen the students work together to build a robot and solve a problem astronauts might face in space.

The culture and science exchange between Tjuntjuntjara Remote Community School, 700km north-east of Kalgoorlie and Cecil Andrews Senior High School saw the remote school selected as one of 40 teams throughout Western Australia to compete in the *First LEGO League State Finals*, held at Curtin University in Perth.

The *First LEGO League* is part of the STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) project for young people aged 9-16, working in teams of up to 10.

The teams are required to build a robot using a LEGO MINDSTORM kit that they program to autonomously complete a series of missions on a specialised arena and to score as many points as possible.

Principal Charlie Klein, from the Tjuntjuntjara Remote Community School, explains how the two schools worked together.

"Our story is about two-way science, where students and a teacher from Cecil Andrews come out to Tjuntjuntjara, on Spinifex country, and we go down to Cecil Andrews," he said. "They come onto country and learn traditional science and knowledge of the environment and then we go down to Perth and go to their STEM centre."

"While science is the focus, it's more about the relationship between Cecil Andrews and Tjuntjuntjara, and Noongar kids and Spinifex kids mixing together, but also, non-Aboriginal kids. Two schools working together."

"There is also all this other learning that goes on, exchange of friendships, learning together, that's the real core of what we do, the



Back row, left to right, Albert Koh, Brayden Davey, Chashoni Thomas, Billy Felton, Yolanda Godfrey and John Townley. Front row, left to right, Elijah Davies, Alex Smith, Edmond Stevens, Sweeney Brown and Rosina Thomas.



Left to right, Billy Felton, Elijah Davies, Rosina Thomas, Sweeney Brown, Chashoni Thomas, Alex Smith, Brayden Davey and Edmond Stevens (front).

LEGO is a bonus!"

Throughout the LEGO project, teams learn more about the science behind the 'challenge theme'. The teams identify a real world problem related to the theme, research the issues behind it, and propose a solution.

The competitors this year had to solve one of the problems astronauts would face when going into space.

The team from Tjuntjuntjara

chose to combat homesickness and access to food, by suggesting astronauts take with them traditional foods from the astronaut's homelands. For example, if the astronauts were from Tjuntjuntjara then they would freeze-dry foods such as honey ants and kangaroo, so they could feel at home while in space, as well as have food.

The students from Tjuntjuntjara have enjoyed their time with the

students from Cecil Andrews, having them on country, showing them their culture but also going to Perth and working together as a team to build the LEGO robots.

"I like the robot stuff, building the LEGO, and we get to control the robots and do activities. I like the science part of it because I want to be an Engineer and go to Uni," 15 year-old Rosina Thomas said.

Another student Edmond Stevens said he liked building the

LEGO and visiting Perth.

"I've been to Perth four times this year and last time we came to the robot competition at Secret Harbour we won a trophy," he said.

"I also like working with the kids from my school and Cecil Andrews. When they come up (students from Cecil Andrews) we go with the old people and learn about spears, and telling stories, spending time on country and going hunting out bush, it's fun."



Rosina Thomas, 15.



Edmond Stevens.



Alex Smith from Cecil Andrews High School and Edmond Stevens with the robot.



Proud and thankful

As we approach Christmas and the New Year, I reflect on the many things I am thankful for.

I am proud and thankful that, just as we have for 65,000 years or more, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people continue to step up and be leaders.

We know the best people to change our health for the better are our people.

Every day, across our nation, our First Australians are taking responsibility and showing their pride in themselves, their families and their heritage — pride in the oldest continuous culture on Earth, and the traditions that kept us



Minister Ken Wyatt.

healthy from the very beginning.

We are showing our families, and especially our children, the importance of our culture and how it shapes and protects us. I

am proud of our women. Because of them, we can — they are the strength of our families and communities.

This year we have made good progress in supporting better health for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, with our approach firmly grounded in respect for culture and history. Better First Nations health overall is critical but special work continues on six fronts: Rheumatic Heart Disease, renal disease, sexually transmitted infections and blood borne viruses, eye health, ear health and growing our First Nations health workforce.

Four national roadmaps

are underway, to guide campaigns to reduce RHD, kidney failure, vision problems and hearing loss.

I am particularly proud that First Nations health is now a standing priority for the COAG Council of Health Ministers and the Indigenous Health Minister is invited to participate in council meetings. The COAG health council is also fast-tracking a national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health and Medical Workforce Plan.

This year we have made real gains, delivering more First Nations doctors, nurses and health workers and building cultural safety and respect across the

entire health system.

As we celebrate Christmas and see in the New Year, I look forward to re-doubling our efforts to find new and better ways of doing things, continuing to work with families, communities, health care organisations and all levels of government, to improve the health and wellbeing of our people. We have proven incredibly resilient, and we'll continue that tradition of resilience and respect for our country and for all Australians next year, and into the future.

Ken Wyatt
Federal Indigenous Health Minister

POETRY

Love Runs Deeper

Love Runs Deeper than the Mind
Where hearts ache & ache hearts weep,
Where loves awake & sadness sleep,
When lovers come & lovers go,
Our state of mind is the only thing left to know.

In life we are drawn to find that connection
This is where lust can sometimes lead us in the wrong direction;
Miss interpretation of the word love can overwhelm the admirer,
Love is a want also a need and when I truly understand myself
Could you love me as much as I love you.

Where hearts ache & ache hearts weep,
Where loves awake & sadness sleep,
When lovers come & lovers go,
Will our love stand the test of time or will we be left behind
With our state or mind.

Greg Papertalk

fear

i don't know why
i was so afraid

at the bus stop
each morning
it felt was as if
i were meeting
students i'd known
my entire life
for the first time
each
& every day

as if
each day
was the first day
of school

i'd like to know
what kind of God
would create
a fear like that

& inflict it upon
a teenage boy

Barry Cooper
Orient Point, NSW

Show us more of our warriors

First of all congratulations on such an outstanding contribution to our deadly community.

I'm a Wiradjuri man from Dubbo, and have been in gaol for a number of years and your content of 100% Koori news brings a smile and whets my appetite for positive news coming from all over our lucky land.

I'm writing in the hope that I can suggest a very relevant idea. I'm 48 and only know of warriors who made a stand in the 70s. Most Australians and especially Koori youth have limited knowledge and understanding of the commitment by our forefathers who were murdered in the Frontier Wars.

These stories would give our youth more leaders to explore and write a history with the truth of our great warriors Pemulway and Windradyne, who resisted colonisation. I need more information to counter the fiction I learned in school about our great Island.

I would suggest a regular feature article on such people before we lose our stories of the

real history. It would be great to see historic achievers in areas as diverse as resistance, sport, politics, musical and academic achievers.

I hope my letter gives you something to think over. I know the young people who I deal with in here need positive mentors and I believe we need to hear the stories of real warriors who fought for our blood. That would give young people doing it a bit tough something to grab onto and help them realise that gaol is not a rite of passage, and if we stay out we can achieve our goals.

I believe it would be great for us to help hold our heads up and strive for better. This is just my opinion, I would love a reply on my request. Thank you so much. I'm so proud of our *Koori Mail* and you all do a wonderful job.

Thanks for giving us inside the walls of our gaols something to look forward to.

DH, NSW
— Dear DH, that's a great idea and we'll see what we can do — Ed

Can we afford not to batten down the hatches in Australia?

Australia continually provides help in the way of support programs worth millions of dollars to other countries but can we really afford it?

The Federal Governments recently spent millions of dollars on the My Health Record database, but hospitals are receiving cuts all over the country. It's beneficial to the public to have all our medical files in one system as politicians are stating but I don't recall being asked if I wanted to join. It's a case of too many loose ends or not enough answers!

Australian governments are trying to privatise our assets, selling all our possessions in our country. It is similar to people living in a house who don't want to budget, they take their equipment to cash converters. Each visit they have to pay interest to get the items back, eventually realising if they sold the item they would receive extra money. Then all they have left is the house.

Our politicians are not

budgeting correctly, they seem to be on a spending spree. They haven't provided enough incentive for business people to stay in our country, so they left, taking with them employment opportunities.

The 'trickledown effect' is not happening in Australia and our government knows this. We, as a nation, have no sustainability unless we batten down the hatches, live within our means and on a tight budget.

Relying on any Centrelink payments of any kind is foolish.

The representative is no longer working for the people, they are lining their own pockets and have been doing so for quite some time. There is no need to blame others for this catastrophe, it's us Australians who are at fault; we failed to monitor them. Corruption at the highest level, they have shattered bridges of trust and nobody is going to jail, why?

Jane Nutley
Miles, Qld

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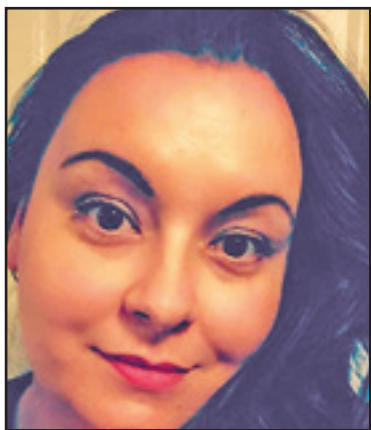
Special Envoy no better than the 'Protector'

I went through high school during the Howard years. As I sat in my class reading articles on his abysmal policies, I remember thinking that it would be my generation that would revolutionise politics in Australia. I knew he treated 'other' as less than and I knew I fit into that category and I naively thought that my generation would ensure that we would not slip into conservative politics where human beings did not matter again.

Here I am as an adult and I cannot help but feel overwhelming guilt for what my elders are being forced to bear witness to, what they are re-living with each media spectacle as the Envoy visits another community and gives speeches about schooling.

Our elders know, but mainstream Australia does not. When non-Indigenous people discuss the history of this country and the destruction waged upon our communities, they speak in the abstract, as if it is so long ago that they cannot conceptualise the consequences of it in any real way. They fail to see that the overt violence and political policies that destroyed families were within the lifetimes of our current living elders and fail to understand the resistance to current policies of intervention and child removal because they do not see the correlation – or continuation – of the past and present.

When Tony Abbott was appointed Special Envoy on Indigenous Affairs, my mind immediately drew parallels between the 'Protectors' of yesterday and the 'Envoy' of today. Both were tasked to have our best



Natalie Cromb

interests in mind, but when the lens that looks at us is of white colonial privilege – we are right to fear the outcome.

The Aboriginal Protection Boards were responsible for the welfare of Aboriginal children and the Envoy is focused on "getting Indigenous young people into school". Neither of these seem to malign our interests, but experience tells us how a policy intent is there to mask the reality.

The Protection Board oversaw the removal of children – mandated it in fact – who were stripped of their family connection, taken from their country and subjected to the 'education' deemed necessary by the colonial powers because in their eyes, the best interests of the Aboriginal children were to learn how to be white. They were taught shame and to learn how to be useful to the people 'helping' them.

Not dissimilar to the Protector, the Envoy thinks his 'passion'

equates to helping. Throughout his political career he has declared his love for Aboriginal people and his passion to 'better' our circumstances but each and every time he has discussed a policy being rolled out, he demonstrated that he is of the same mindset as the 'Protectors' of yesterday.

He examines us under the lens of his privilege and assumes that our lives will be bettered if they were what he considered to be a good life – that of dutiful cogs in the capitalist machine. He and his cohort believe that they know best, that our betterment is tied only to education and employment, that assimilation is going to work this time because they are 'passionate' about us.

The Abbott/Turnbull/Morrison government, like every government before it, has systematically adopted policies that sustain a rhetoric that demonises Indigenous people as neglectful, abusive, incompetent and drug dependent. This discourse also pervades media depictions, which often present Indigenous communities as places of squalor, violence and disorder.

With each new government comes a new policy that is designed to destroy our resistance to this assimilation but it has enough cuddly words used in the intent to convince mainstream Australia that it is for our own good. The trauma that has been embedded in us is not from one event many years ago, it is from over 230 years of violence, decimation of land and connection to it, destruction of our language and attempted cultural genocide

through systematic child removals – all of which was mandated by the 'authorities' of the relevant time period and many of the policies of yesterday are recycled and used today.

Many of our elders remember the Aborigines Welfare Board, which was a continuation of the Protection Board, so they understand the political subterfuge under the guise of protection. Their stories have lessons and those lessons tell us what happens when the government intervenes in our communities; they take our kids. Their stories have lessons on what happens when our kids are taken; they experience harm while in care.

It is difficult to enunciate a loss as profound as identity and culture and to lose both is an insurmountable loss. To suffer this loss and experience abuse while in 'care' is a devastation of personhood. This loss and trauma is a direct consequence of policies enacted by governments since federation and we continue to see policies of paternalism in which the government considers they are better equipped to care for our children than we are which is exactly what will continue to happen, at an accelerated rate under the watch of this Envoy. The devastation is not fully conceptualised by mainstream Australia while they continue to believe that we are bad parents that need governmental intervention.

The government needs to address the root cause of the majority of child removals – poverty. Once this is addressed and families are provided with the

resources to care for their families, the number of removals will dramatically decline, particularly if communities are allowed to flourish. Rather than demonising Indigenous parents, the government needs to take reparative action for the detriment caused for over 230 years and understand the extent to which dispossession is the direct cause of the poverty that continues to be experienced by a significant portion of our people. Indigenous parents are not the problem. Paternal policies and intervention are the issues.

This country is in desperate need of an awakening and it is always the most confusing notion to me that there are so many ignorant and insular people in this country who are so convinced of their own superiority that they think stripping children away from their families is the answer, that removing them from their kinship structures will somehow better their lives. Assimilation does not work and will never work, until the government removes this hidden (not so well) policy intent from their policies, we will not see policies that have true regard to the essence of our culture, our personhood and our communities.

We will continue to resist and to fight, with each group of young ones able to vote, we hope our cries of resistance are heard and gain traction so that elders can experience hope for our future and feel as though their decades of staunch resistance was for something – us.

● Gamilaraay woman Natalie Cromb is a writer and advocate.

Kids need their culture

Child protection intervention in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families across the country is at crisis point. Women are telling me it's like another stolen generation and as I travel across Australia hearing their stories, it certainly does feel that way.

As the 2018 Family Matters report reveals, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children make up just over 36% of all children living in out-of-home care across the country. Our children are 10.1 times more likely to be taken away from their families than other Australian children.

It really is hard to believe these figures, 10 years after the national Apology to the Stolen Generations.

Disturbingly, if we fail to change the course, it's predicted that the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out-of-home care will more than triple over the next 20 years.

This is a national tragedy. The Family Matters report, by SNAICC – National Voice for our Children, the University of Melbourne and Griffith University includes recommendations to turn the tide on these figures.



June Oscar

Firstly, it calls for a national comprehensive Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Strategy.

Over the past year, I have been travelling with my team at the Australian Human Rights Commission as part of the Wiyi Yani U Thangani, (Women's Voices) project.

We have listened to more than 2000 women and girls in urban and remote locations and the issue of child protection has consistently been raised.

Women are sharing their heartache and worries about the huge numbers of our children being taken away from their families and placed in out of home care.

They've shared their fears about families being broken apart and about not knowing

where their children are.

One of their greatest fears is about children being disconnected from their culture and country.

The figures show that they have every right to be worried, as fewer than half of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children removed from their families have been placed with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander carers.

We need to find ways that children can stay connected to their culture, identity and community, rather than being taken away and cut off from the important things that may be able to provide their strength and identity throughout their lives.

The system as it is right now, is disempowering our women and families, and it is stopping us from engaging and delivering solutions.

Children deserve to grow up in safe, happy and healthy homes. But we need to support and strengthen families and communities to make sure that happens.

As recommended in the Family Matters report, we need increased investment in evidence based and culturally supportive prevention and early intervention services.

The report finds that most funding is used to react to

problems, rather than solve them.

In 2016-17, only 17 per cent of overall child protection funding was invested in support services for children and their families, while 83 per cent was invested in child protection services.

As the report highlights, several states have implemented some positive measures.

Victoria and Queensland have set up Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander led bodies for oversight of reform agendas that have been designed with significant participation of our communities.

Culturally safe

They have also increased investment in community-controlled organisations to deliver culturally safe service responses.

In the Northern Territory, as a result of Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children, a range of commitments have been made. And in Western Australia, there's new funding for community-controlled early intervention.

I am however, deeply concerned about recent changes to the *Children and*

Young Persons (Care and Protection) Amendment Bill in NSW.

The changes are likely to have a significant impact on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, who are severely over-represented in the care and protection system.

We must not repeat the mistakes of the past.

We know that past policies of removal of both Aboriginal and other children from their families have had devastating long-term effects.

The Bringing them Home report in 1997 recommended that adoption should be an option of last resort. This and other inquiries have also emphasised the importance of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Placement Principle.

This recognises the importance of enhancing and maintaining the connections of children to their family, community and culture, as well as the vital role of families and communities participating in decisions about the safety and wellbeing of children.

At next month's Council of Australian Government's meeting, state and territory leaders are expected to consider the Refreshed

Closing the Gap Strategy.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander leaders have consistently called for new targets to address the over-representation in out-of-home care and to improve early developmental outcomes for children.

As co-chair of the Close the Gap campaign, I am hoping a new target is included in the Refreshed Strategy and I urge COAG leaders to seriously consider this important report and its recommendations.

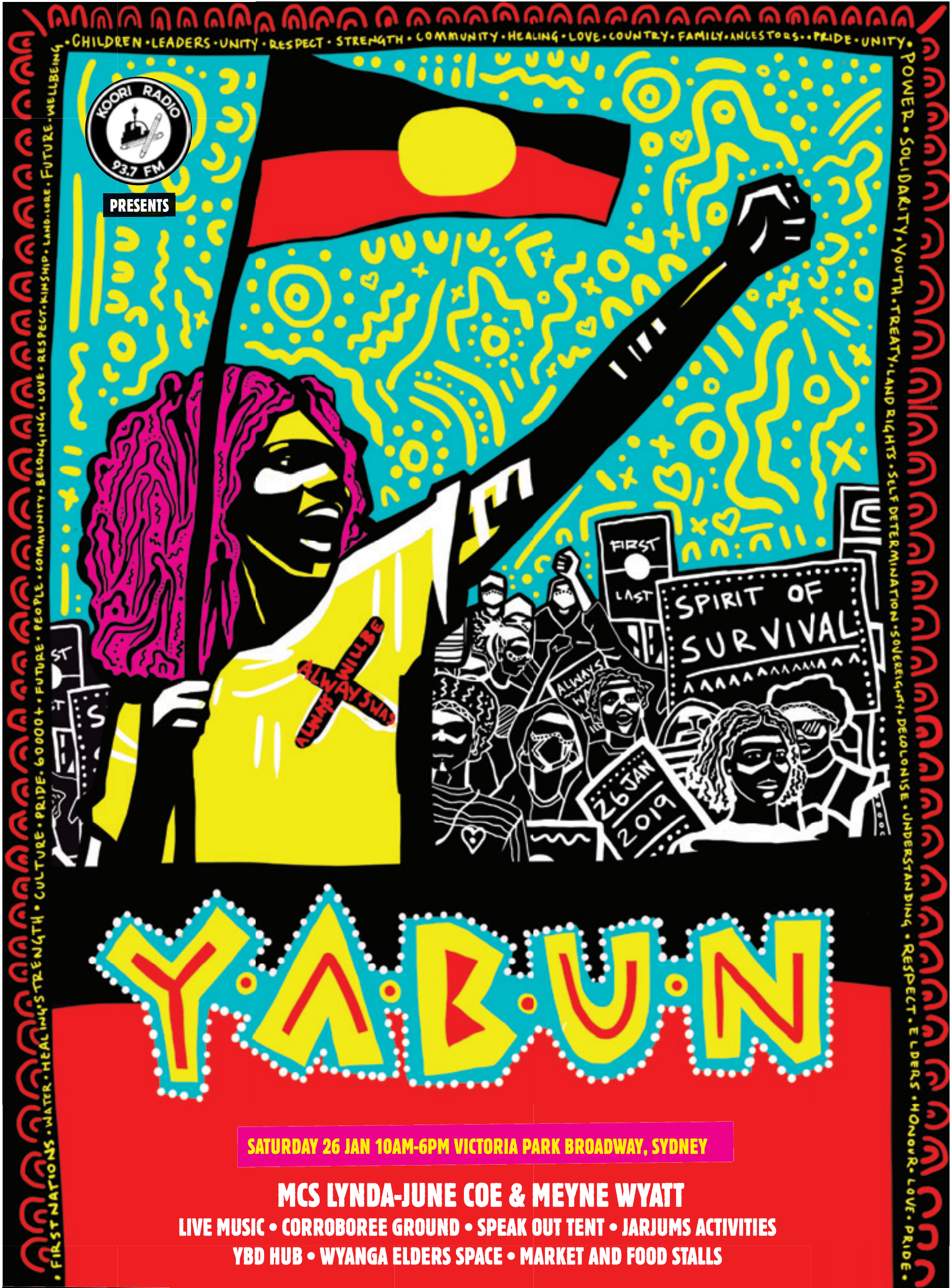
It is vital that peak body organisations like SNAICC are genuinely involved in designing, delivering and evaluating child protection policies and services.

They are in the best position to understand Indigenous communities and the strategies needed to protect our children as well as build capacity within families.

To dramatically reverse the rate of children in out of home care, we need to be part of the solutions.

We must do this together. It is simple, nothing about us, no decisions to be made that affect us, without us.

● June Oscar is the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner.



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Another year has passed

So, here we are having got through another year together. For me personally it's a time for reflection, allowing myself to accept my failings, celebrate my successes and build towards becoming a better person for next year. As I get older, I find that internal obstacles become more difficult to overcome than external ones.

What that means is that I am blessed that work and education has meant that I no longer struggle with things like education or financial problems holding me back, but this only reveals my true demons laying deep inside of me. Just the other day following a meeting at a private school where I am considering sending my two youngest boys, I went for a drive to Inala, an Aboriginal public housing stronghold in Meanjin (Brisbane).

I reflected on the blessings I have received in my life that allowed me the opportunity to consider this school and looked back to where I had come from and how far my journey had taken me. I ended up at the caravan park on Boundary



Woolombi Waters

Rd... this was the first home for my eldest son after being born.

We were teenage parents, I was living with my Mother-in-law, her partner and her other children. There were also cousins and nieces. All up there were 12 of us living in this caravan, the first home my son ever knew. It was an oven, you couldn't sleep past 7:30am in the morning because of the heat, none of which I saw as a problem. We were Blackfella's. I played footy for the Inala open side, had an addiction hiding my pain, and mob loved me.

Years later I sat in my car weeping, such were the consequences of my ignorance on those I loved

the most. Much has changed over that last 30yrs and the pain I have caused so many loved ones feels at times like it can never be healed... but at least now I take responsibility.

Responsibility isn't going back through time... we would all go back and fix our mistakes if we could, but there is no time machine so instead you carry some burdens that lift as you get older. And blaming circumstances, no matter how difficult does not help anyone, particularly our children.

There was a time when I justified my inaction because "everyone smokes yarndi" or simply "we Blackfella's" and anyone who wanted better was "uptown" not "grass root" or "real, proppa Blackfella's" ... all of which were nothing but excuses. I just didn't want to face reality or take responsibility and was living in a drug induced haze.

Even now I found myself in situations where I politely leave as the alcohol flows and someone suddenly pulls out the bowl and scissors to chop up only to be told that "I am not Black enough" or

have "forgotten where I come from" or "think that "I am better" all of which is not true.

I love being Kamilaroi. I speak and write in my own language and have made a significant contribution to our mob's language revival and represent every day who we are. This does not mean that I have to display the same behaviours I carried 30yrs ago. I no longer associate substance abuse, neglect and dysfunction as requirements that determine my identity.

This does not mean I judge those who find themselves in the same circumstance or displaying the same values I carried through my youth and adolescence into my adult hood. It just means that for me personally things that once satisfied my needs no longer hold me ransom. I have given myself permission to be free. Free from the trauma I once carried. Free from the labels that once defined me, and yes, free from the behaviours of my past. My healing process, in contrast to my trauma, was gentle and slow. Imagine the soft

closing of a door, rather than slamming it shut!

The hardest thing to do is reveal the naked soul of hurt you carry to the world. The drugs help, however, in letting go of the drugs and stopping the self-medication you start a process of healing, growth, strength, and powerful inspiration in taking responsibility... though hard at first, it becomes easier over time.

Letting go of my defences giving up the sedation and becoming vulnerable to my inner fears began to feel good. I didn't realize how much energy it took to carry my shield around with me and though my walls kept bad stuff out, it also kept good stuff from coming in. Protecting my hurt was important, but not at the expense of those who really love me.

Grief does not seem to be by choice. I am not sure whether or not grief has any real value, but I do know that when you lose everything that matters to you it hurts. This world we live in will break your heart. It will never really go away, and therefore you need to think about how to manage

it rather than overcome it.

Grief might be, in some ways, the long enduring feeling of love; the internal work we all need to do in nurturing the strength of character needed to heal pain. I have learned that hurt people need grief and we are hurt people. What we don't need is drugs and alcohol hiding our pain. That just makes it worse.

I spent so much of my teens and twenties feeling numb. Now, I choose to live a life of relevance. I'm letting go of the thoughts that do not make me stronger. It is important to remember that it is not our fault or your responsibility. The abuser is the only person responsible for our hurt so let it go and let them carry their own burden and allow yourself to be free.

Once you choose hope, anything is possible. Just to be Aboriginal means you have to possess great knowledge and skills within just to be living. Such is our history. So make the most of these and be kind to yourself always. You are worth it, and so am I.

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Make a child smile by donating toys



HELP put a smile on a child's face this Christmas and donate new toys to Aboriginal Housing Victoria (AHV). AHV is collecting new toys to distribute to tenants and families most in need, so that their children will have a present this Christmas. Christmas can be a difficult time for many families, struggling to pay bills on top of

the extra expense of buying food and gifts at Christmas time. In 2017, AHV distributed toys to more than 600 children; this year they are hoping to provide presents to even more children with help from the community. "The generosity shown by the community over the past three years has been overwhelming," AHV chief executive Darren Smith said. "The donations made by local community members, schools

and businesses helps to alleviate some of the additional stresses faced by many of AHV's tenants." AHV are collecting donations of new, unwrapped presents for children aged up to 18 years at their Melbourne office, and will allocate and distribute the gifts to families across metropolitan Melbourne and regional Victoria. You can drop-off toys at 125-127 Scotchmer Street, North Fitzroy, Victoria, Monday to Friday, 8.30am – 4.30pm.



Has your federal electoral division changed?

As a result of recent redistributions of federal electoral divisions in Victoria, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania and the ACT, you may be voting in a different electoral division at the next federal election:

State or territory	What has changed
Victoria	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Victoria now has 38 federal electoral divisions.• A new federal electoral division, the Division of Fraser, has been created in the cities of Brimbank and Maribyrnong. The electoral division is named in honour of the Rt Hon. John Malcom Fraser AC CH (1930–2015).• Boundary changes to 36 of Victoria's federal electoral divisions means that some electors are now in a different electoral division.• The former Division of Batman is now the Division of Cooper, in honour of William Cooper (1861–1941), a Yorta Yorta man.• The former Division of Melbourne Ports is now the Division of Macnamara, in honour of Dame Annie Jean Macnamara DBE (1899–1968).• The former Division of McMillan is now the Division of Monash, in honour of Sir John Monash CB(M) KCB(M) GCMG (1865–1931).• The former Division of Murray is now the Division of Nicholls, in honour of Sir Douglas Ralph Nicholls MBE(C) OBE(C) KCVO (1906–88), a Yorta Yorta, Baraparapa, Dja Dja Wurrung, Jupagalk and Wergaia man, and Lady Gladys Nicholls (1906–81), a Baraparapa and Dja Dja Wurrung woman.
Queensland	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boundary changes to 18 of Queensland's 30 federal electoral divisions means that some electors are now in a different electoral division.
South Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• South Australia now has 10 federal electoral divisions.• The former Division of Port Adelaide has been abolished.• Boundary changes to all of South Australia's federal electoral divisions means that some electors are now in a different electoral division.• The former Division of Wakefield is now the Division of Spence, in honour of Catherine Helen Spence (1825–1910).
Tasmania	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Boundary changes to all of Tasmania's five federal electoral divisions means that some electors are now in a different electoral division.• The former Division of Denison is now the Division of Clark, in honour of Andrew Inglis Clark (1848–1907).
ACT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The ACT now has three federal electoral divisions.• The Division of Bean is named in honour of Charles Edwin Woodrow Bean (1879–1968).• The creation of a third electoral division, and changes to the ACT's previous electoral division boundary, means that some electors are now in a different electoral division.

Where can I find out more?

Further information about these redistributions can be found at:

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- www.aec.gov.au/tas-redistribution
- www.aec.gov.au/act-redistribution

Maps and descriptions of federal electoral divisions are available at www.aec.gov.au/profiles

Do I need to change my federal electoral division?

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How do I find out if my federal electoral division has changed?

You can check your enrolment online at www.aec.gov.au/check For privacy reasons, your electoral enrolment will only be confirmed if the details you enter are an exact match to your details on the electoral roll.

You can also check which federal electoral division your suburb or locality is located in at www.aec.gov.au/electorate Alternatively, you can contact the AEC on 13 23 26 or find your local AEC office details at www.aec.gov.au/contact

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Heal the world together



Kwobah Djookin teaching the Elders and delegates from other countries traditional dance.

Maori delegates perform the Haka at the opening ceremony.

Pictures by TASH GILLESPIE



THE first step in suicide prevention is a recovery and healing process for community.

This was one of the recommendations made by delegates at the recent National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention Conference, and that will be presented to government.

Conference patron and keynote speaker Tom Calma said suicide prevention strategies and initiatives are best addressed by those most affected.

"Our story is not just about Australia but a global one as the evidence shows that other countries' Indigenous suicide rates are similar to ours – about twice that to the mainstream population," he said.

"Recovery from colonisation is our globally shared agenda and by meeting and discussing the issues, challenges and potential solutions we know we will learn of what's succeeded globally."

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention conference, and the World Indigenous Suicide Prevention conferences – both held in Perth – were attended by more than 500 delegates from across Australia and the world.

The conferences brought



Haka for Life and Corroboree for Life.

together Indigenous community members from across the globe with policy makers, to share experiences and collaborate on solutions that work in suicide prevention. Both conferences were designed to allow Indigenous people the ability to own and direct discussions.

Keynote speakers included Professor Pat Dudgeon, Professor Tom Calma, Helen Milroy and Pat Turner. Several keynote panel discussions were held over three days focussing on the topics of

setting the scene, emerging issues, community based solutions, going forward, and partnerships and collaborations.

An evening workshop on the final day featured a discussion for Indigenous LGBTIQ people about experiences and perceived gaps in service delivery, with a focus on designing better outcomes for social and emotional wellbeing.

Professor Pat Dudgeon said there was a big focus on youth and the LGBTIQ community.

"We are honoured to provide

this opportunity for people from those groups to come to a safe cultural space, share their knowledge, and listen to others," she said.

A running conference theme was the importance of cultural connection to social and emotional wellbeing, as well as the importance of preventive and culturally aware support when it comes to supporting people who are at risk, particularly those who may have recently experienced the loss of a person close to them

through suicide.

"This was a unique gathering featuring inclusive, safe and robust discussion, it was deeply encouraging to see the range of experiences shared as well as the strong spirit of collaboration and partnership formed over the three days to address the debilitating and far-reaching issue of disproportionate rates of suicide being experienced by Indigenous communities both at home and abroad," Prof Dudgeon said.

The gathering featured Indigenous leaders from across community, including Federal Indigenous Health Minister Ken Wyatt, Mental Health Commission officials and the Canadian High Commissioner. Four Noongar Elders were conference ambassadors, and were joined by Elders from other countries, including New Zealand, the USA and Canada.

Talking sessions and workshops included discussion on topics such as community based solutions, the importance of community partnerships, lived experience, data sovereignty, LGBTIQ + SB, youth, the role of cultural practices and healing and recovery.

The conferences were hosted by the Centre of Best Practice Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Suicide Prevention, Poche Centre for Indigenous Health and UWA.



Elders Roma Winmar, Liz Hayden and Jim Hayden leading delegates through the smoking ceremony.



Delegates enjoying the Wellness room.

suicide prevention conferences

Aunty Roma Winmar being acknowledged by a Maori delegate at the opening ceremony.



Roma Winmar presenting the stone to Carla Cochrane.



Haka for Life and Corroboree for Life performing together.



Delegates going through the smoking ceremony.



Kwobah Djookin dance group.



Uncle Ted Wilkes and Steven Oliver the kangaroo.



Lesley-Ann Bernard and Sharon Kenney.



Ken Wyatt opening the conference.



Carla Cochrane and Leona Star presenting the blanket to Elders Ted Wilkes, Roma Winmar and Liz Hayden.



Chief Clayton Logan performing traditional dance.



Dimitrius Soki, Jocelyn Jones and Derek Nannup Jnr.



Derek Nannup.



Dancers share the knowledge



Jumbaal Dreaming.
Picture: Anna Kucera



TRADITIONAL dancers from Thursday Island to Tasmania flocked to Sydney to present their welcome and farewell dances at Dance Rites – the annual competition held at the Sydney Opera House Forecourt.

Over two days, the competition brought together 14 dance troupes from all over Australia in a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island dance and culture. An expert judging panel of Juanita Duncan, Libby Collins, Matthew Doyle and Waangenga Blanco assessed groups not only on the technical aspects of their performance but also their engagement with language, skin-markings and traditional instruments.

Nunukul Yuggera (Nation: Nunukul, Yuggera, Yugumbir) were the overall winners of the Dance Rites competition, receiving \$20,000.

Meuram Murray Island Dance

Group were runners up receiving \$5000).

Buuja Buuja Butterfly (Wiradjuri) won the best wildcard dance and received \$3000.

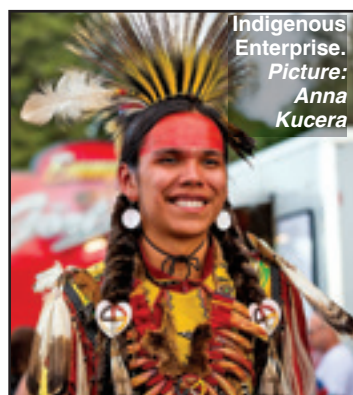
Djirri Djirri (Kulin) won the rites of passage award, receiving \$4000. This award celebrates the communication of cultural knowledge from one generation to the next.

Competing groups were joined by Dance Rites 2017's overall and wildcard winners, plus professional groups Muggera from Queensland and Te Rua Mauri from New Zealand. Indigenous Enterprise, a group of First Nations dancers from North America also performed an exhibition dance, sharing their traditional regalia and dance with audiences.

Saturday evening concluded with a performance from electro-pop duo Electric Fields, and Sunday's performances included singer-songwriter Anishinaabe, Leonard Sumner from Canada, accompanied by Julian Bel-Bachir, the drummer for OKA.

Sydney Opera House First Nations programming head Rhoda Roberts said the weekend had been "truly special".

"As one of the troupes said over the weekend, First Nations dance practice is our museum, our library, our school," she said. "At a time when so much cultural knowledge is at risk of being lost, dance is an important way to keep lore alive, to pass it down from one generation to the next and from one community to another."



Indigenous Enterprise.
Picture: Anna Kucera



Pakana Kanaplila. Picture: Prudence Upton



Kulgoodah. Picture: Prudence Upton



Ngaran Ngaran.
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Jumbaal Dreaming.
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Buuja Buuja Butterfly.
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Dance Rites finalists.
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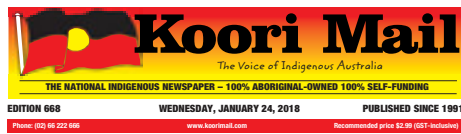
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Still in danger

SNAICC's chilling warning in the wake of child sex abuse royal commission report

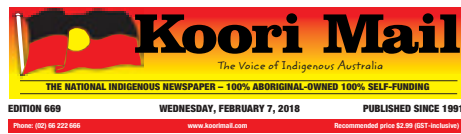
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Mob stands tall together

Edition 667 – January 10: After the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse released its final report, SNAICC warned that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in out-of-home care are still in danger.

The Koorie Heritage Trust celebrated their Christmas with a 'K' for the third year, in Melbourne.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cricket players were preparing for the National Indigenous Cricket Championships.

Body builder Barry Lawler had won a world title in Nicosia, Cyprus.

Indigenous rugby league players were preparing for the 2018 Festival of Indigenous Rugby League, a week-long celebration in Sydney.

Edition 668 – January 24: Amnesty International Indigenous rights manager Tammy Solonec condemned Banksia Hill Youth Detention in Western Australia, saying detainees have been strip-searched, fed through a grill and constantly handcuffed when they're outside their cells.

The B-town Warriors, from Bourke, NSW, released their fifth and final song, *My Generation*, as part of a Desert Pea Media initiative.

Two Aboriginal cricketers – D'Arcy Short and Ashleigh Gardner – held the records for the highest individual scores in the history of cricket's Big Bash League. Northern Territorian Short blasted 122 not out off 69 balls and Sydneysider Gardner opened the



The Sydney Sixers' Ashleigh Gardner celebrates with Angela Reakes after dismissing Jess Cameron of the Melbourne Renegades during the Women's Big Bash League (WBBL) match at Kardinia Park, Geelong, on January 3, 2018. Picture: Getty

Women's competition with 114 off just 52 balls.

24-year-old Hockeyroos star Brooke Peris was gearing up for the women's hockey at the Commonwealth Games, but was keeping the 2020 Tokyo Olympics in her sights.

Sydney's Festival of Indigenous Rugby League was preparing for its second year, replacing the annual All Stars game with a

week-long event, celebrating rugby league.

Edition 669 – February 7: A series of treaty workshops in Sydney, run by the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples and the Indigenous Peoples Organisation, culminated in a march from Redfern to Hyde Park. Congress co-chair Jackie Huggins said the Federal Government's dismissal of Indigenous

people's calls for treaty sparked increased enthusiasm in the process.

The workshops were held to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's demands did not fall out of public consciousness.

Despite Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's insistence that only a minority of Australians want the date of Australia Day to be changed, tens of thousands of people turned out to join protests all over the country on January 26.

Arnhem Land rapper Danzel Baker, better known as Baker Boy, announced that he would be opening the stage for international hip hop stars 50 Cent and Dizzee Rascal on their Australian tours.

Six young Aboriginal men paddled 70km from the Gold Coast to Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island) in small wooden dugout canoes, and documented the journey, which they called a 'life-changing adventure'.

Cricketer D'Arcy Short was chosen to play T20 for Australia and scooped up by the Rajasthan Royals to play in the world's richest cricket tournament, the Indian Premier League.

Another cricket star, Ash Gardener, lent her voice to the January 26 debate, calling for Australia Day to be changed and suggesting January 1 as an alternative.

The National Indigenous Cricket Championships and Imparja Cup were in full swing, with about 700 players converging on Alice Springs for the week-long tournament.

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Weaver makes national art award finals

WEAVER and sculptor Niningka Lewis is one of the finalists in the Telstra National Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Art Awards 2018. One of the artworks (top) featuring a group of people in traditional dress, and another (bottom) featuring a group of people in traditional dress.

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Cop car hits teen

Pintupi artist wins major landscape prize

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Mutton bird traditional harvest season

By ALAN WINDY

On May 30, a number of mutton birds were seen on the coast of Western Australia, marking the start of the traditional harvest season.

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Treaty year

Treaty year

The year 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the signing of the 1917-18 Hume and Murrumbidgee River Waters Agreement, a landmark treaty between the Australian Government and the Indigenous people of the region.

Edition 670 – February 21: The foundations for treaty were laid down in South Australia after the Buthera Agreement was signed. The agreement included strategies around issues including youth justice, housing, domestic violence, health, child protection, education and cultural studies.

In Queensland, Torres Strait Islander MP Cynthia Lui called for more to be done about climate change in her emotional maiden speech to the State Parliament.

Indigenous sport had a 'monster weekend' with the Festival of Indigenous Rugby League in Sydney, and the National Indigenous Cricket Championship and Imparja Cup in Alice Springs.

The Festival of Indigenous Rugby League replaced the annual All Stars game for this year, featuring an interstate challenge as well as matched between Indigenous Australian men's and women's teams against New Zealand Maori sides. Meanwhile in Alice Springs, NSW cricket teams were the stars at NICC, with both the NSW men's and women's teams taking out the top prizes.

Alice Springs also secured hosting rights to the National Indigenous Cricket Championships and the Imparja Cup through to 2021. The deal between Cricket Australia, Cricket Northern Territory and the Northern Territory Government was announced at the NICC awards night.

D'Arcy Short helped set a T20 Tri Series International Cricket Match record in beating New Zealand at Eden Park, Auckland, scoring 76 from 44 balls.

Edition 671 – March 7: The annual Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras in Sydney saw record crowds turn out for the 40 year anniversary. The First Nations float led the parade for the 5th year in a row.

Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull was slammed by the United Nations again – this time for the encroachments on the right to freedom of assembly, gagging clauses in funding agreements and the failure of the Government to recognise Indigenous people's rights.

The Commonwealth Games team was named with four Indigenous athletes – Taliqua Clancy, Benn Harradine,



Daphne Puntjina with the Central Australian Aboriginal Women's Choir – who sing Lutheran hymns in their own language and whose story has been told in the movie *The Songkeepers*.

Clay Waterman, and Rebecca Smith – confirmed for the Gold Coast event.

Olympian Josh Ross was chasing a record third Stawell Gift title, a 120m foot race, in Stawell Victoria.

The Torres Strait's Island of Origin Rugby League carnival was saved by Queensland Rugby League, after looking like being cancelled for 2018 when organisers Badu Island's Kulipyam Sports and Youth announced they would not be running the competition.

Edition 672 – March 21: There was outcry from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people after mainstream media, in particular Channel 7's *Sunrise*, commentary on the removal of Indigenous children, which were labelled simplistic, divisive and destructive.

The stories of remote Alinytjara Wilirara region of South Australia were on display at Tandanya National Aboriginal Cultural Institute through paintings, sculpture, video and photography in the exhibition *Adelaide Meets the Bush*.

Teenager Courtney Hodder made her mark during the Super W rugby opening round in Melbourne, scoring six tries for the Western Force.

Rugby league player Andrew Fifita had a hard decision to make with the State of Origin and Tonga's mid-year test against Samoa clashing, with NSW rugby league encouraging him to play for the Blues in the annual State of Origin against Queensland.

Eyes were on volleyball player Taliqua Clancy ahead of the Commonwealth Games, who was set to make a splash at the Gold Coast games.

Edition 673 – April 4: A report by the Australian Law Reform Commission found that First Nations people are 12.5 times more likely to be imprisoned than other Australians. The Pathways to Justice report recommended substantive changes to the justice system in order to address the over-representation of Indigenous people in prison.

Arawakwal dancers welcomed hundreds of visitors to the BluesFest in Byron Bay, northern NSW over the Easter long weekend during the festival's opening ceremony.

The Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Rugby League Carnival organisers revealed that the competition would move north – to Townsville Sports Reserve – for the first time.

Wild weather caused by

Cyclone Marcus meant the Northern Territory Football League's AFL grand final between the Southern District Crocs and Darwin Buffaloes was postponed, but when the players did finally take to the field, the Crocs snatched victory in a nail-biter of a match.

Edition 674 – April 18: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people participated in and protested the Commonwealth – or Stolenwealth – Games on the Gold Coast. Over the two-week event some Indigenous people were honoured and awarded with medals and some were arrested and vilified by the mainstream media.

Our 18-page education feature focused on bringing stories of Indigenous education success from across the country.

One such story was Yamatji man Milarli Taylor's trip to Finland as part of his Bachelor of Arts at the University of Canberra.

All-Indigenous men's and women's cricket teams were announced to tour the UK, commemorating the 1868 Aboriginal cricket team, which was the first sporting team from Australia to tour internationally.

Rising light heavyweight Damien Hooper scored a ninth-

round TKO over fellow Indigenous boxer Renold Quinlan at the World Boxing Organisations International Light Heavyweight titles.

Edition 675 – May 2: Weaver and sculptor Niningka Lewis featured on the front page as one of the finalists in the Telstra National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Art Awards.

In a report by the Inspector of Custodial Services, a number of human rights violations were revealed at Banksia Hill detention centre in Western Australia, including that children as young as 10 had been subjected to strip-searches.

Women from Central Australia, and the German hymns they sing in their Aboriginal languages were featured in a new film, *The Songkeepers*.

Three days of Deadly Dance n' Didge commemorated Palm Island's centenary, with locals sharing stories and dancers breaking the Guinness World Record for the largest corroboree.

BMX cyclist Tahlia Marsh was making a name for herself after recently competing in the Oceania BMX titles in Bunbury, Western Australia.

The Australian Indigenous Football Championships were being planned to increase soccer's appeal to the Indigenous community.

Edition 676 – May 16: First Nations people in Western Australia were reeling after video footage emerged showing an Aboriginal teenager being hit by an unmarked police car in Perth.

Aboriginal artists won big with Yukultji Napangati, a Pintupi artist, being awarded the \$50,000 Wynne Prize for best landscape, Yankunytjatjara artist Kaylene Whiskey winning the \$40,000 Sulman Prize for best genre painting, and Western Aranda man Vincent Namatjira receiving the highly commended award in the Archibald portrait prize.

NSW was set to surpass Queensland as the team with the greatest representation of Indigenous players in the state of origin.

The Indigenous Marathon Foundation (IMF) featured in a documentary about the Boston Marathon, with IMF founder Robert de Castella and Indigenous marathoners getting ample screen time.

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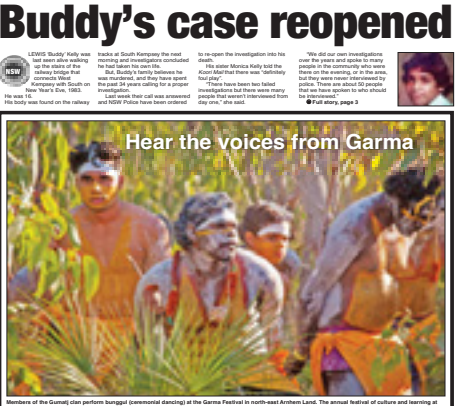
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Edition 677 – May 30:
Supporters of the Uluru Statement from the Heart door-knocked Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull's Wentworth electorate, calling for constitutional change.

The Statement was signed one year ago by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representatives from across Australia. It proposes a constitutionally enshrined First Nations representative body to the Parliament as well as a Makarrata – truth-telling – process.

The annual mutton bird season began on the islands, north-east of Tasmania, with the birds being sold for their meat and oil over a four week period.

Health worker Zibeon Fielding – with the support of the Indigenous Marathon Foundation – completed his ultra-marathon, raising money for Purple House Western Desert Dialysis to allow patients in the APY Lands to access treatment on country.

Edition 678 – June 13: On the first day of the Barunga Festival in the Northern Territory, a pledge was signed by the NT government to begin treaty talks with the four Aboriginal Land Councils in the Territory. NT Chief Minister Michael Gunner said the Memorandum of Understanding signalled the beginning of a new course for the Territory.

Both the NRL and AFL celebrated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander football players with their annual Indigenous rounds. The AFL's annual Dreamtime at the G event was preceded by the Long Walk from Federation Square in Melbourne to the MCG, inspired by former Essendon player Michael Long's 2004 walk to Canberra.

Indigenous cricketers were pushing for their culture to be celebrated during a stretch of the Big Bash League.

Rhonin Henry-Micale and Summer Simon claimed the open Men and Women's titles, respectively, at the Australian Indigenous Surfing Titles at Bells Beach on Victoria's Surf Coast.

Edition 679 – June 27: Aboriginal AFL legend Nicky Winmar had his iconic stance – lifting his St Kilda jumper, pointing to his chest – immortalised in the form of a bronze statue. But as the statue neared completion, it was unclear where it should be placed – Mr Winmar envisaged the statue at Optus Stadium in Perth, St Kilda Football Club chief

Koori Mail
photographer Jillian Mundy won the Best Photography Award at the 2018 First Nations Media Awards for her series on commercial mutton bird harvesting in Tasmania, which appeared in edition 677. In this photo, Tanya Maynard is scalding a bird in the process of preparing the meat for consumption.



executive Matt Finnis wanted it at their headquarters in suburban Melbourne, and AFL boss Gillon McLachlan said it might end up at Etihad Stadium in Melbourne.

Victoria's Parliament passed historic treaty legislation through both houses, moving the state closer to treaty with its First Nations people.

Ash Barty was preparing for Wimbledon, defeating Johanna Konta at the final of the Nottingham Open, in a three-set thriller (6-3 3-6 6-4).

The Blues won the first ever women's NSW-Queensland State of Origin match 16-10 at North Sydney oval. Indigenous players Taleena Simon, Nakia Davis-Welsh, Lavina O'Mealey, Rebecca Riley and Rebecca Young played for NSW, while Rhiannon Revell-Blair and Tallisha Harden represented Queensland.

Edition 680 – July 11: NAIDOC Week was fast approaching, with events in the days and weeks leading up to NAIDOC taking place across the country. Around 700 people marched through Melbourne as part of NAIDOC celebrations there.

The Koori Mail investigated the death in custody of a 19-year-old boy in Western Australia's Derby prison, speaking to his mother Marlene.

Cyril Rioli shocked AFL fans with his retirement from the Hawthorn Hawks, but coach Alastair Clarkson was not surprised by the announcement.

Super Netball had its first Indigenous round, with all eight teams wearing Indigenous-themed dresses, coinciding with the beginning of NAIDOC Week.

Tarni Stepto was named as one of the Australian pitchers at the Women's Softball World Championship.

Edition 681 – July 25: Celebrations were held all over the country for NAIDOC Week, honouring the strength of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women with the theme 'Because of her, we can!' Two influential women - Pat Anderson and June Oscar - took out the top honours at the National NAIDOC Awards in Sydney.

The inquest into the death of David Dungay Junior, who died at the Long Bay jail mental health facility in 2015, began in Sydney.

South Australian football clubs West Adelaide and Central District opted out of the South Australian National Football League's Indigenous round, with one club's chief executive citing 'financial considerations'.

Indigenous AFL great and social justice advocate Michael Long was honoured with a bronze statue at the entrance to The

Hangar, at the Essendon Football Club's headquarters.

Edition 682 - August 8: The Garma Festival opened in north-east Arnhem Land with a powerful speech from Yolngu leader Galarrwuy Yunupingu who called for the Federal Government to face up to the fact that colonisation of Australia was wrong, and more needs to be done to hand land back to Traditional owners. Some of the other hot topics were a permanent parliamentary voice for Indigenous people and the Federal Government's rejection of the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

The NSW Police re-opened their investigation into the death of Lewis 'Buddy' Kelly, finally answering calls from his family who believe he was murdered, despite the initial investigation concluding he had taken his own life.

Matildas goalkeeper Lydia Williams was looking on the bright side after Australia came in second at the Tournament of Nations, although unbeaten and with the best defensive record, conceding just two goals.

With the Arthur Beetson Murri Rugby League Carnival fast approaching, it was announced that rugby league greats Matt Bowen, Colin Scott, Sam Backo and Vern and Frank Daisy would officially open the big event in Townsville, Queensland.

Edition 683 – August 22: Yolngu musicians the late Dr G Yunupingu and rapper Baker Boy were the major winners at the National Indigenous Music Awards. The late TE Lewis was also acknowledged with a presentation from Skinnyfish Music's Michael Hohnen.

The Healing Foundation called for an urgent overhaul of services for the Stolen Generations following a report detailing an alarming level of social and economic disadvantage.

Healing Foundation chair Steve Larkin said the Federal Government needs to rethink policies about the Stolen Generations and tackle the impacts of intergenerational trauma.

Zibeon Fielding was named the face of the Indigenous Marathon Foundation's Warrior Run for 2018.

The NRL locked in its eighth Indigenous All Stars rugby league match for February 2019.

Edition 684 – September 5: New Prime Minister Scott Morrison offered former prime minister Tony Abbott a position as special envoy on Indigenous Affairs, causing outrage from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people from around the country.

A ceremony in the central desert region marked the 90th anniversary of the Conniston Massacre, with the theme Time to Tell the Truth.

With the end of the NRL and AFL seasons came a crop of retirements from Indigenous players including Jonathan Thurtson, Sam Thaiday, Michael Johnson, Cyril Rioli Danyle Pearce, Curtly Hampton, Lindsay Thomas and Koby Stevens.

Cricketer Courtney Hagen led her side with a 'Desert Blaze of Glory' after smashing a massive six to win the NT Women's T20 Strike League title.

Edition 685 – September 19: A memorial was held for two boys who drowned in Western Australia, after jumping into the Swan River to avoid police, who were pursuing them.

Yothu Yindi and the Treaty Project graced the front page of the Koori Mail, as we asked, "How many generations need to sing Treaty until the Federal Government finally act?"

Rugby league teams across NSW were preparing for the 48th NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival in Dubbo.

2018 – The Year in Review



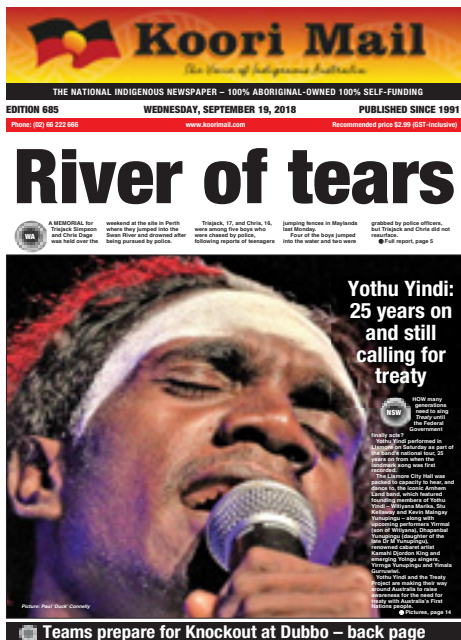
Bring them home

AUS The hearing of the Federal Government's plan to bring home the children of the Stolen Generations is a landmark moment in the history of the nation. It is a moment that has been long overdue, and it is a moment that has the potential to bring healing to a nation that has suffered for so long. The plan, which was announced in 2015, was to bring home the children of the Stolen Generations, who were taken from their families and placed in government-run institutions. The plan was a landmark moment in the history of the nation, and it was a moment that has been long overdue. It is a moment that has the potential to bring healing to a nation that has suffered for so long.



We don't need Abbott

AUS We need our own voices to be heard. The Australian people have a right to be heard, and they have a right to be heard in their own words. The Australian people have a right to be heard, and they have a right to be heard in their own words. The Australian people have a right to be heard, and they have a right to be heard in their own words. The Australian people have a right to be heard, and they have a right to be heard in their own words.



Edition 686 – October 3: The Newcastle All Blacks snatched a thrilling win at the 48th NSW Aboriginal Rugby League Knockout Carnival in Dubbo. The All Blacks scored the title after beating La Perouse 19-18.

Meanwhile, in the red centre, six men and six women making up the 2018 Indigenous Marathon Project, completed a 30 kilometre desert run through Alice Springs. Eleven of these runners won a place at the New York City Marathon in November.

Tony Abbott's new role as 'special envoy' to Aboriginal Australia did not start well.

The former prime minister was forced out of Borroloola, NT, after facing heated criticism from parents, educators and Elders during his first visit to the community.

The community said they were angered by Abbott's hypocrisy, cutting millions from community-based services while he was prime minister and his vision for assimilation through education and punitive policies linking attendance rates to welfare.

Edition 687 – October 17: The Federal Government was considering even more punitive measures to its already harsh work-for-the-dole program that targets Aboriginal people in remote areas, despite evidence that 6000 people have gone 'missing' from the scheme.

Eastern Arrente metal band Southeast Desert Metal released a new single, *Rainmaker*, ahead of the release of their second album.



At the 2018 Indigenous Governance Awards, Warlpiri Education and Training Trust (WETT) took out Category B (for non-incorporated organisations). Pictured at the awards night are (centre) Kirsty-Anne Martin, Fiona Gibson and Cynthia Wheeler from WETT with Peter Corbett and Derek Walker.

The Wenlock River Stallions won the grand final at the Arthur Beetson Foundation Queensland Murri Rugby League Carnival in Townsville after defeating the Stallions 26-10 while the Emu Girls from Rockhampton won the women's division title against, 18-8, against the Flora Sandilands Memorial team.

16-year-old Dante Rodrigues returned home from the kickboxing world championship debut in Italy with a silver medal.

Anthony Mundine confirmed a November 30 fight against ex-world champion Jeff Horn at Lang Park, vowing to expose Horn as 'hype'.

Edition 688 – October 31: Indigenous legal groups slammed the Government over the review into the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody. The legal organisations said the review is inadequate and fails to address the issues surrounding Indigenous incarceration.

Kamilaroi queen Lasey Dunaman won Miss First Nation, Australia's national First Nations drag queen competition.

Basketball star Leilani Mitchell was preparing for another season of Women's National Basketball League, this time with the Canberra Capitals. And the Apunipima Australian Indigenous

Basketball Stars sealed their fourth consecutive Trans-Tasman title in New Zealand. But team head coach Joel Khalu said this was just the beginning of the preparations for the next goal – next year's World Indigenous Basketball Championships.

Edition 689 – November 14: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups were fuming after money from the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) was given to cattlemen's and fishing lobby groups in the Northern Territory. Federal Aboriginal Affairs Minister Nigel Scullion told a Senate Estimates hearing the the

NT seafood council had received \$150,000, the NT Amateur Fisherman's Association \$170,000 and the NT Cattlemen's Association \$165,000 from the IAS.

Western Australian Sonia Kurrara was one of a number of artists commissioned to create new work for Mangkaja Arts Resource Agency that focus on station stories from artists' personal and collective memories. Other commissioned artists included Tommy Ngarraja, John Prince Siddon, Johnny Nargoodah, and Mervyn Street.

Tennis player Ashleigh Barty was ranked number 15 in the world after winning the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai, China.

Edition 690 – November 28: The Institute for Urban Indigenous Health from Brisbane and Nyamba Buru Yawuru from Broome were announced joint winners at the 2018 Indigenous Governance Awards.

First Nations Organisations wrote to the Coalition of Australian Governments (COAG) asking to be involved in the refresh of the Closing the Gap strategy.

Seven Aboriginal AFL football talents – Izak Rankine, Taryn Thomas, Ian Hill, Jarrod Cameron, Irving Mosquito, Robbie Young, Tobin Cox, Toby Bedford, Nathan Kreuger and Shane McAdam – made the sport's main draft.

Indigenous jockeys rode the first three placed horses in the beach horse race that 'stops Cape York Peninsula' in far north Queensland, held on the same day as the Melbourne Cup.



First Nations people cop harsh penalties

AUS ScoMo: Hold my beer. The ScoMo government has announced a new policy that will see First Nations people in remote areas face harsh penalties for not attending school. The policy, which was announced in 2015, was to see First Nations people in remote areas face harsh penalties for not attending school. The policy, which was announced in 2015, was to see First Nations people in remote areas face harsh penalties for not attending school.



It's a whitewash

AUS Indigenous legal organisations slam government over deaths in custody report. The Australian Legal Community has slammed the government's report on deaths in custody, saying it is a whitewash. The report, which was released in 2015, was a whitewash. The report, which was released in 2015, was a whitewash.



Desert, river, sea: Portraits of the Kimberley

AUS Ash Barty prepares for Australian Open, back page. The Australian Open is just around the corner, and Ash Barty is ready to take on the world. The Australian Open is just around the corner, and Ash Barty is ready to take on the world.



Governance awards attract high standard

AUS See who made the AFL 'super draft', back page. The AFL 'super draft' is a landmark moment in the history of the sport. It is a moment that has the potential to bring healing to a nation that has suffered for so long.

Lisa dreams of a brighter future of working together

By KEIRA JENKINS



YULUDARLA
Karulbo
(Dreaming
Together
for a
Brighter
Future) is a

social enterprise,
founded and owned by
two Aboriginal women.

Jagera woman Auntie
Norma Boyd, from
Brisbane, and
Gumbaynggirr woman
Lisa Rapley, from the
NSW mid-north coast,
met at a conference and
realised they both had a
passion for promoting
culture in the workplace.

So together they
started Yuludarla
Karulbo, which provides
interactive cultural
capability training
workshops for
businesses and
workshops in schools to
teach kids about
Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander cultures.

Ms Rapley said they
also work with young
people and connect
them to Elders so they
can deliver workshops
to fellow students.

"The young people
we've worked with say
the skills they have
learned have helped
with their confidence,"
she told the *Koori Mail*.

"From the feedback
we get a lot of young
people saying they feel
like they're more
confident because their
culture is being
appreciated.

"We've had some
really great outcomes
with the kids we work
with."

For Ms Rapley the
business idea came
from a visit to remote
central Australian
communities and
dissatisfaction in her
day job.

"I was working at IBA

(Indigenous Business
Australia) and was
starting to think what I
was doing wasn't for
me," she said.

"When I visited
central Australia I met
kids that were so
confident and
connected to culture.
It's not the same in the
city.

"When I met Auntie
Norma I thought this
was a chance to have a
positive impact. We see
a lack of cultural
capability in a lot of
workplaces.

"Most of the time I
don't think that's from a
lack of trying, a lot of
people just don't know
where to start."

Since January 2017,
about 4000 people have
gone through Yuludarla
Karulbo's workshops,
and Ms Rapley was last
year's Foundation for
Young Australians
Young Social Pioneers

program winner.

But she said the best
thing about running a
business is seeing the
good that's being
achieved.

"We're a social
enterprise but we're
self-sustaining and
don't rely on
Government funding,"
she said.

"It's great to see that
you can contribute to
the greater good while
also making a living
out of what you're
doing."

Lisa Rapley.
Picture: Jillian Mundy/
Oxfam Australia

New tourism needed

Businesses called to provide new commercial visitor experiences in Kaarta Koomba



KINGS Park and
Botanic Garden in
Western Australia is
inviting local
businesses
employing, owned or
run by Aboriginal people,
to provide a range of new
commercial visitor experiences in
the park.

WA Environment Minister
Stephen Dawson said Kings Park,
known as Kaarta Koomba, is a
very significant place for the
Whadjuk Noongar people, with rich
Aboriginal history, connection to

country and cultural stories to
share.

"We hope to attract a range of
operators who will offer a variety of
experiences that celebrate this
unique and fascinating part of WA
culture," he said. "Ideas include
walking tours, storytelling, dance,
art making or bush tucker
experiences."

According to recent Tourism WA
data, 78% of visitors to Western
Australia seek an Aboriginal
cultural experience. Interest from
the local community to gain a
greater understanding of Noongar

culture is also increasing.

WA Tourism Minister Paul
Papalia said the Government was
working on developing Aboriginal
tourism businesses.

"With the majority of Aboriginal
tourism businesses currently
located outside the Perth
metropolitan area, this Kings Park
initiative presents a great
opportunity to expand offerings in
the city," he said.

Expressions of interest are
open until January 14 for the
initiative, which was prompted by
demands from domestic and

international visitors looking for
authentic Aboriginal cultural
experiences.

Individual site meetings with the
Kings Park team are available for
people interested in applying or
obtaining more information. A site
meeting can be arranged by
contacting the team on (08) 9480
3600.

Information on how to apply is
available at dbca.wa.gov.au/eoi

Support for new or emerging
Aboriginal businesses who wish to
develop their businesses and
submit an expression of interest is

available from organisations such
as WAITOC (Western Australian
Indigenous Tourism Operators
Council), the Small Business
Development Corporation and
through businesses registered on
the Aboriginal Business Directory
WA. All applications will be
independently assessed by a panel
of experts. This project is part of a
broader plan by the Department of
Biodiversity, Conservation and
Attractions to encourage authentic
cultural experiences and
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Danielle helps guide others



Family has been the one constant throughout Danielle Armour's testing path through higher education.

In the beginning it was her inspiration. As she took her first steps in study, family was a distraction.

And now, as an Australian Catholic University (ACU) lecturer, Dr Armour still draws on family as she guides waves of students along their own journey.

"I never thought when I first started studying that I'd end up with a PhD," the Melbourne-based School of Education lecturer said. "When the position was offered to me I had to Google what a PhD was. I truly didn't know."

"It's amazing what opportunities can open up."

Tertiary study seemed as distant as a city skyline when Dr Armour was growing up in Kingscliff and Tweed Heads on the northern New South Wales coast. She was a descendant, on her paternal grandmother's side, of the Kamilaroi people from northwest New South Wales.

None of her relatives at the

time of her schooling were university-educated, and nor were any of her friends. With the nearest university hours away, jobs in retail or agriculture were the focus among her peers.

Parenthood, however, changed her perspective. Having had two children before her 21st birthday, Dr Armour wanted to set an example.

"I wanted to go to uni to show them what's possible and how education can help them move forward in life," she said.

A qualification in education caught the eye of Dr Armour, who at the time worked fulltime as an Indigenous teacher assistant. She commenced a Diploma in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education at ACU, through Yalbalinga, in the Away from Base course.

Away From Base programs enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to study online combined with short, intensive residential blocks during the semester. With ongoing backing from her employer, and AFB tutors, Dr Armour progressed to a Bachelor of Education, followed by a Master of Education (Research).

"I used to put the kids to bed

at 7pm, then work on assignments after that," she said.

"They were three and six when I started. My husband would do his best to distract them, but kids just know when their mum's sitting down. They turn it on."

Dr Armour taught in regional Australia for several years before being offered a position on an ACU longitudinal research program.

"It (a PhD) sounded a bit daunting and it was the most challenging thing I've done. But it was so rewarding," she said.

"My grandmother passed away 12 months into it. But the last thing she said to me was make sure you get 'that PhD thing' done."

Although Melbourne is now home, Dr Armour's research addresses various educational issues in remote Indigenous communities.

Dr Armour is one of seventy-five (75) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who graduated from ACU in 2018. This includes 53 students with Bachelor Degrees, two students conferred with Doctorates and 10 students who were awarded their Masters.



Dr Danielle Armour.



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Art and love keep Craig on track



THE decision to study was never an easy one for Craig Barry. A proud

Aboriginal man, Craig found school challenging.

"I've always been a nervous person, study wasn't my thing – even school was hard," he said.

"It was difficult for me to do something like this but since I made the leap, I've had more support."

A certified mechanical engineer, Craig is now studying a Certificate III in Cabinet Making (Furniture) at TAFE NSW Newcastle.

For his efforts, he was recently awarded an Indigenous Encouragement Award by the Hunter TAFE Foundation at a presentation day at TAFE NSW Kurri Kurri Campus. It recognises TAFE NSW students who are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and consistently apply themselves to achieving their career goals. They must also demonstrate

commitment and involvement in their community.

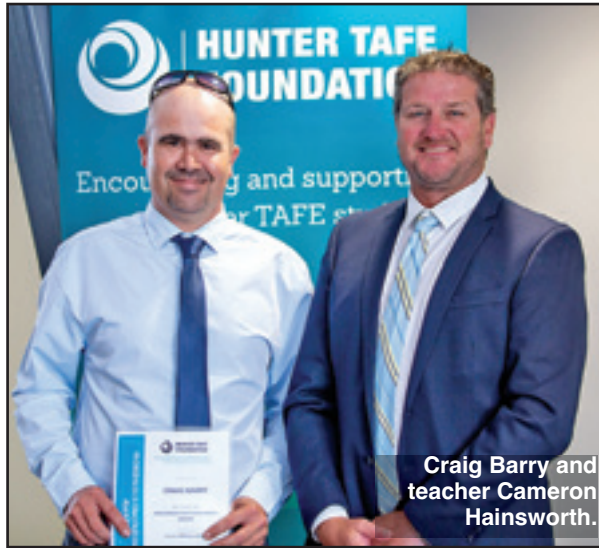
"Everyone told me to go for it because I'm always looking after younger people and supporting my family and friends," Craig said. "I have younger kids who look up to me now and they want to do the same sort of thing."

"I've got two years to go and I'm hoping to then train to become a TAFE NSW teacher or start my own business and hire Indigenous people."

Craig is planning to use his prize money to buy some tools to help him forge a new career.

"I've got a huge sense of achievement now," he said. "I know I can go forth and pursue my dreams. I am pretty happy with my achievements."

Joseph Formosa was also a proud recipient of the Indigenous Encouragement Award. Joseph has just 3% of his sight and the challenges he faces are multiplied by the fact he is also deaf. Joseph has



Craig Barry and teacher Cameron Hainsworth.

Usher Syndrome Type 1. It's a genetic disorder characterised by hearing loss or deafness due to abnormalities of the inner ear and progressive vision loss.

A passionate artist, Joseph is studying the Certificate III in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Arts at TAFE NSW's Hunter Street, Newcastle Campus.

"I took the course because I want to study my family history and background," Joseph said. "I'm very interested in painting and the history of Indigenous art."

Joseph is passionate about painting sea creatures because he feels a similarity in the way they cope living at sea, essentially alone in the world.



Joseph with Nathan, his assistance dog, Lea and Tony Formosa.

"It's just like how I face the world everyday with my limited sight," he said.

Joseph's teachers said they're amazed by his capacity to work in art mediums with his limited vision and say it's obvious

he's skilled at his work.

"My goal is to finish my Certificate III and go onto University to continue my studies," Joseph said.

"It's not an easy life, but it's a good one with art and loving parents."

Research moves on



WITH the theme of Research for the 21st century, the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait

Islander Studies (AIATSIS) will bring its 2019 National Indigenous Research Conference to the Queensland University of Technology (QUT).

AIATSIS chief executive Craig Ritchie said AIATSIS' role as a national forum for dialogue on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, stories, histories and cultures is exemplified through this conference.

"AIATSIS occupies a unique space at the intersection between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, the government, academy, and the cultural sector," he said.

"Through this conference we will bring people together to focus on developing Indigenous researchers and Indigenous research, foster collaboration and reset the standards for good research. The conference will also tackle the institutional transformations that will be required to ensure robust Indigenous research for the next 100 years."

The conference will be held at QUT's Gardens Point campus in Brisbane from July 2-4 and will build on themes of impact and engagement to explore the interweaving strands of the transformative capability of research and the transformation of Indigenous research for the 21st century.

The conference will draw together researchers, policymakers, cultural and collecting institutions, the



AIATSIS CEO Craig Ritchie.

corporate sector, and Indigenous organisations and communities to consider the capacity of the research sector to meet the needs of Indigenous policy and community into the future.

QUT vice-chancellor Professor Margaret Sheil said the university was looking forward to welcoming delegates to the research conference in early July.

"QUT is a leader in Indigenous research and our Indigenous Research and Engagement Unit works to advance QUT's broad Indigenous research agenda," she said. "The unit also supports the university's higher degree by research students. We have more than 700 Indigenous students studying at QUT, who are supported by our Oodgeroo Unit."

The conference has built a reputation for quality discussion and examination of issues, and attracts up to 500 delegates.

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Clever career ready to develop overseas



ACTOR Rob Collins, who played Waruu West in the ABC TV series *Cleverman*, is one of three Australian actors now heading overseas to develop his career.

Along with Sam West and Harriet Gillies, Rob has been awarded a fellowship from the 2018 Gloria Payten and Gloria Dawn Foundation. The awards allow existing performing arts practitioners who have trained at a performing arts school to develop their work overseas and return to Australia to share their experiences.

Rob Collins, a NIDA graduate, said he will use the fellowship to travel to Los Angeles to build on his extensive Australian experience.

"This is a tremendous career development opportunity for me to use the fellowship to travel to Los Angeles and gain insights into the American film industry," he said. "I strive to forge meaningful links to industry for Indigenous actors through networks I have established, and seek out opportunities to share my knowledge."

Collins is also well known to Australian TV audiences in *The Wrong Girl* on Network 10 for which he won 2017 Best New Talent at the TV Week Logie Awards. He has also appeared in feature films *Top End Wedding* and *Angel of Mine* and starred in Sydney Theatre Company's *Midsummer Night's Dream*, and as Mufasa in Disney's musical *The Lion King* Australian national tour.



Rob Collins as Waruu West talking to Uncle Jimmy (Jack Charles) in *Cleverman*. Picture: Lisa Tomasetti courtesy of Goalpost Pictures & Pukeko Pictures Production



Little Bird's Day by Johnny Warrkatja Malibirr.

You can illustrate a children's book



YOUR chance to illustrate a book is here.

Australia's leading Indigenous publisher, Magabala Books, is offering an Indigenous artist or emerging illustrator the opportunity to illustrate a children's picture book by multi award-winning author Bruce Pascoe.

Entries are now open for the Kestin Indigenous Illustrator Award, of which the winner will receive \$10,000, a professional mentorship and the opportunity to illustrate Pascoe's first foray into writing children's picture books.

Established in 2017, the Kestin Indigenous Illustrator Award is a national biennial award that seeks to identify new talent in the art of children's picture book illustration. Judges for the award are celebrated illustrators Bronwyn Bancroft, Ann James and Magabala publisher Rachel Bin Salleh.

Pascoe said he is excited to be involved and support the creative development of emerging Indigenous creators.

"I love to see new people

coming into the business of writing and illustration, and it's a thrill to see new people telling old stories," he said. "I'm proud that my story will create an opportunity for someone to learn about illustration and to find their voice as a visual storyteller."

The 2019 award builds on the success of the inaugural Kestin Illustrator Award, won by Gapuwiyak artist Johnny Warrkatja Malibirr, whose winning illustrations feature in the forthcoming publication *Little Bird's Day* by renowned author and illustrator Sally Morgan.

Magabala publisher Rachel Bin Salleh said judges for the 2017 award were overwhelmed by the quality and diversity of entries received from around Australia.

"It confirmed for us that there are talented Indigenous artists out there who have the interest and potential to become illustrators with the right support," she said. "We are excited to see what talent this second round will reveal."

Application details for Award can be found on the Magabala Books website. Applications close on February 28.



WIRADJURI/
Kamiloroi woman Bianca Beetson has won a special award at the 2018 IMAGinE awards for the exhibition *Myall Creek and beyond*.

The inaugural award for a NSW Aboriginal curator was in recognition of work on an outstanding exhibition in the museum and gallery sector, and was presented by the Aboriginal Culture, Heritage & Arts Association (ACHAA).

Ms Beetson is a guest curator at the New England Regional Art Museum (NERAM). NERAM, along with the Friends of Myall Creek Memorial, Armidale Aboriginal Keeping Place and University of New England produced a program of exhibitions, public programs and a symposium that explored the history and on-going impact of the 1838 massacre of Aboriginal people at Myall Creek.

Bianca Beetson was engaged as a guest curator to develop the curatorial direction of the NERAM exhibition.

In this role she was responsible for selecting artists to participate in research residencies at the Memorial and surrounding region, and produce new works responding to the history and site.

According to Ms Beetson's exhibition catalogue essay "The title, *Myall Creek and beyond*,



New England Regional Art Museum director Rachael Parsons accepts the ACHAA award for Excellence by an Aboriginal Curator on behalf of winner Bianca Beetson.

refers to a very specific place, whilst the word beyond could be interpreted as meaning to forget or move on.

However, in the case of this exhibition, beyond means deepening and expanding the conversation.

The artists selected for this exhibition were chosen for their ability to create work which does exactly this: deepen the conversation."

The ACHAA Committee and judging panel were impressed with the outstanding quality of all five nominees for the ACHAA Award for Excellence by an Aboriginal Curator.

The other nominees were Muruwari/Ngemba woman

Donna Biles-Fernando for *HUNTER RED: Re(A)d Earth*, Lake Macquarie City Art Gallery; Gamilaroi woman Cherie Johnson for *Transmission*, The Lock Up; Wailwan woman Laura McBride for *Gadi*, Australian Museum; and Wiradjuri woman Emily McDaniel for *Measured Response*, National Art School.

The Australian Museum won the award in the Exhibitions Projects category for *Gadi*, curated by Laura McBride.

Developed in partnership with local Aboriginal Elders and communities, *Gadi* showcased the rich culture and history of the Country now known as Sydney City and featured 8000 archaeological pieces.

Carmen shows our skin



Four flesh-coloured paint skins hang alongside each other in solidarity – from fairest to darkest. They imitate the various skin colours of Indigenous Australia today, post-Stolen Generations, and are the work of Kaytetye, Anmatyerre and Southern Arrente artist Carmen Glynn-Braun.

Carmen's work explores Indigenous women's experiences with the Assimilation Policy, an Australian policy designed to obliterate Indigenous bloodlines entirely by removing children from their families and ultimately 'breeding out' skin colour over generations.

The work, called *Untitled 2018*, has won the Sydney-based artist the 2018 TWT Excellence Prize and was selected from more than 200 graduating students presenting work in the University of NSW Art & Design's ANNUAL 18 Graduate Exhibition.

Carmen said she was "ecstatic to receive the TWT Excellence Prize".

"Especially given I am graduating amongst many brilliant artists," she said. "I feel incredibly humbled and full of hope that our (Indigenous communities') very important stories have not only been well received but embraced. I hope my practice can remain a positive platform to preserve and honour Indigenous life experiences."

The works are coloured with make-up foundation and consider how countless Indigenous women lost their children under the act and stand as evidence of the continued survival and resilience of Aboriginal people.

Carmen's prize of \$5,000 was awarded by TWT Property.

Established in 2017, the annual TWT Excellence Prize is awarded to the top graduating artist presenting work in the ANNUAL 18. The exhibition is free to the public and open until December 8.

Carmen Glynn-Braun with *Untitled 2018*.



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Healing Our Spirit looks at trauma



AUSTRALIA has a lot to learn about tackling disadvantage for Indigenous people, according to Healing Foundation chair Steve Larkin. The Healing Foundation and Sydney University hosted the Healing Our Spirit Worldwide conference at Darling Harbour last month.

More than 1000 First Nations people from around the world gathered at the conference to discuss what Indigenous peoples are doing to address the spread of trauma across communities and generations.

"We may be the oldest living culture in the world, but our recovery from the harmful impacts of colonisation is far less advanced than many other First Nations peoples," Professor Larkin said in his opening address.

"Trauma for our people is not well understood or accepted in Australia and as a result, our policy and strategies to address alarming levels of poor health, poverty and wellbeing in some Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, is

lagging behind the rest of the world.

"It's a timely opportunity to focus on healing solutions, following the recent release of an Australian Institute of Health and Welfare report that shows the Stolen Generations and their descendants are experiencing higher levels of adversity against most health and welfare measures, compared to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

"This is a direct result of intergenerational trauma.

"By talking about our successes, we will highlight the benefits of investing more in Indigenous-led healing programs, which build on our cultural wisdom and traditions.

"It's obvious that the current policy response isn't working in Australia, and that we need to overhaul the way we spend taxpayer dollars to give Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people the opportunities they deserve."

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner June Oscar gave the closing keynote address on human rights before a live concert featuring Yothu Yindi.



Yothu Yindi perform at the closing ceremony of Healing Our Spirit Worldwide. Picture: Sabine Kacha



GP Synergy Diploma in Practice Management graduates.

Best practice is their show



ANITA Dwyer, a practice manager at Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service, has just graduated from a Diploma in Practice Management for Aboriginal Medical Services.

She's one of 18 practice managers from Aboriginal Medical Services across NSW and ACT to graduate from the nationally recognised unique course.

"Since starting the diploma, the skills and knowledge I've gained have helped me not only grow as a practice manager but become more confident as a person," Ms Dwyer said. "I hope that I can better support my Aboriginal Medical Service in sustaining and increasing services that are needed in my community.

"I've also made some really good friends and contacts from

other AMSs that I am in touch with for support and guidance when needed."

The course was developed by general practice training organisation GP Synergy in collaboration with TAFE Digital.

GP Synergy chief executive John Oldfield said the diploma was first delivered in 2015, as a vehicle to improve healthcare service delivery for local Aboriginal communities through practice manager upskilling.

"The course is also helping AMSs increase opportunities for doctors training to be GPs to undertake Aboriginal health training in a community-controlled setting," Mr Oldfield said.

"The diploma plays an important role in our commitment to supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health professionals to help close the gap between health outcomes for

Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians."

Wellington Aboriginal Corporation Health Service's executive manager operations Melissa Mills supported Ms Dwyer in completing the course this year.

"The diploma allows participants to gain relevant and practical skills that are based on best-practice models for practice management in AMSs," Ms Mills said. "The participants also undertake the course with people in similar positions and are able to share and gain knowledge from their peers."

2018 graduates included staff from Aboriginal community controlled health services in Wagga Wagga, Moree, Ballina, Batemans Bay, Port Macquarie, Forster, Taree and Broken Hill.

Their achievement was recognised at a graduation ceremony in Sydney recently.

Danila Dilba wins employment award



DANILA Dilba Health Service – an Aboriginal community-controlled organisation serving the Biluru people in the Yilli Rreung (greater Darwin) region of the Northern Territory – has won a prestigious award at the Australian Human Resources Institute (AHRI) awards ceremony.

The primary health care service took home the AHRI Stan Grant Indigenous Employment award, which recognises excellence in Indigenous employment initiatives and programs in the workplace.

This award celebrates the success of Danila Dilba's Indigenous employment and career pathways initiative, which began in 2017 as part of their strategy around talent management, engagement and learning, and career development.

This initiative helped the organisation to achieve 50% Indigenous employment overall. Indigenous staff make up 60% of their executive leadership team, with five management positions being filled by Indigenous staff in 2017-18 alone.

Danila Dilba's chief executive Olga Havnen said the aim is to maintain Danila Dilba as an employer of choice, and to ensure continuing leadership by a well-qualified, skilled Indigenous management team.

Senior executive officer of workforce strategy and planning Sulal Mathai said their initiative involved setting up traineeships, mentoring for emerging leaders and introducing new positions such as safety and community liaison officers – which gives them more opportunities to bring Indigenous staff onboard.

Another key part of their



Danila Dilba Health Service's Sulal Mathai and Stephenie Reeves accepting the award.

Indigenous employment program is their participation in the Australian Nurse Family Partnership Program (ANFPP).

"The ANFPP is a new home-visiting, social-support service for first time mums who are having an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander baby," Mr Mathai said.

"All members of our ANFPP team are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander women and Danila Dilba is the only team in Australia to have an all Indigenous visiting team."

Last year Danila Dilba received an Indigenous workforce grant from the Northern Territory Government, which Mathai said is "the first of its kind".

This allowed them to introduce their career pathways project, formal mentoring program for Indigenous future leaders, and an online learning platform for all health professionals.

"All of our staff have contributed to this outstanding result to achieve a dynamic health service that respects Aboriginal cultures, is committed to world's best practice and has a passion to make a difference to the well-being of Aboriginal people," Mr Mathai said.



Deadly Dan with some of his smoke-free fans.

Deadly Dan shares message



DEADLY Dan is an Aboriginal smoke free superhero. His motto is "You smoke you choke!"

and he flies around country teaching the mob about the importance of making healthy choices and staying smoke free.

Deadly Dan is particularly popular among the community in the North and West of Melbourne and is often seen at many events hosted and supported by the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service (VAHS).

Last week Deadly Dan won an award at the 2018 Vic Health Awards for the category 'Preventing Tobacco Use'.

The award recognised the strength of having a place-based and culturally-relevant superhero to combat tobacco use in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander populations.

Deadly Dan, as a resource, includes a costume (including



The Victorian Aboriginal Health Service Deadly Dan team at the Victorian Health Awards.

a possum skin cloak as a cape), a book, a film and an education suite matched to the Victorian education curriculum. Many Indigenous parents have said that they believe Deadly

Dan is a positive role model for their children. A past evaluation has also shown that a number of families have made their homes smoke free and attempted to quit smoking

as a result of their children being exposed to Deadly Dan's health messages and powers. To find out more about Deadly Dan visit www.vahs.org.au/deadly-dan/

Aged care home to be delivered



A LOCAL aged care home for First Nations people in and around Nhulunbuy is closer to being realised. The Federal Government is now providing \$549,000

to secure a sublease of land for construction of the unique project and families and community members have been closely involved in selecting the most appropriate location for the new facility.

The home will accommodate 32 people, with room for further expansion, and will be designed in close consultation with the community to be comfortable and culturally safe for older First Australians from across East Arnhem Land.

This aged care home will deliver much-needed aged care, tailored to local requirements and aims to improve and sustain the lives of local Elders.

The project will also support local employment during construction and empower people through training and up to a dozen long-term jobs to help staff the facility.

The Nhulunbuy project is supported by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care (NATSIFC) Program, which funds organisations to provide culturally appropriate aged care so people can remain close to their homes and communities.

Funding through this program ensures that buildings and the management of facilities are appropriate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural activities, customs, ceremonies and family visits.

It's estimated that more than 1000 people are receiving aged care through the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program.

An additional 900 places will be made available, with the government providing \$105.7 million to expand the NATSIFC Program over the next four years.

Indigenous people aged 50 years or over are eligible for Commonwealth subsidised aged care services.

Australian Hearing offers Indigenous scholarships



SCHOLARSHIPS are now on offer for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander graduates interested in audiology. The Australian Hearing scholarships hope to attract more students to a profession that helps people with ear and hearing problems – a significant health issue for Indigenous Australians who experience these problems at a higher rate than the general population.

Yidinji woman Ann Cross is an audiologist and outreach advisor with Australian Hearing and is one of fewer than five Aboriginal audiologists working in Australia. She is hoping the scholarship will raise the profile of audiology as a vital and rewarding career and attract more

Indigenous graduates to the profession.

"There are only a handful of Aboriginal audiologists nationwide, and we need to change that," Ann said.

"Aboriginal audiologists are well placed to help Indigenous people hear better and they are strongly needed to help close the gap in Indigenous Australian ear health. Research tells us that consulting a health professional of the same ethnicity improves the client's involvement in decision-making, outcomes and satisfaction."

The scholarships are open to Indigenous graduates who hold a bachelor degree from any discipline and who are accepted into Audiology.

Scholarship winners will also have the opportunity to travel to a remote community as part of an Australian Hearing outreach

visit. The trip is valued up to \$3000.

The Master of Audiology scholarships are each valued at \$15,000 over a two-year study period. The scholarships are offered at Macquarie University NSW, University of Queensland and Flinders University in South Australia.

Candidates can apply for a scholarship apply through one of the participating universities. The next application deadline is January 4, for Flinders University.

Australian Hearing is now working with more universities to establish more scholarships, which will increase the number from three to six.

Australian Hearing managing director Kim Terrell said hearing loss and middle ear disease has lasting health, social and wellbeing implications.

"Australian Hearing's specialist audiologists travel to more than 240 communities as part of an outreach program to deliver rehabilitative services to under-served areas of the country," he said. "Over the past five years, the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adults over the age of 50 seeking hearing help services through Australian Hearing increased on average 13.6 per cent annually. In the 2017-18 financial year, the organisation assisted more than 10,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and adults."

"Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children are significantly more likely to have ear or hearing problems than other Australians, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics."

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.

Victoria

Until February 24: *Koorie Art Show.* Open-entry exhibition of art works of emerging to senior Koorie and Victorian artists. Details: koorieheritagetrust.com.au

Until April 22: *Cleverman: The Exhibition.* The exhibition explores the making of Cleverman, including props, costumes and make-up from the series. Exploring First Nations storytelling, language and creativity. Held at ACMI, Federation Square, Melbourne from 10am-5pm Daily. Details: acmi.net.au/events/cleverman/

NSW-ACT

Ongoing: ACE Community College Aboriginal Driver Training. Held at ACE Community College, 59 Magellan Street, Lismore. Details: 02 6622 1903

Ongoing: Lismore women's and men's healing groups. Held at rekindling the Spirit, Lismore Monday and Wednesday, 11am to 2pm. Details: 02 6622 5534.

Until December 14: Call out to Aboriginal artists, schools and community groups. North Coast Primary Health Network (NCPHN) is developing a Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) and is calling for locally produced Indigenous artworks to feature in the publication. Applicants must live between Tweed Heads and Port Macquarie and respond to the theme of Reconciliation and Health. All artworks need to be received online. Details/Upload: ncphn.org.au/art-for-reconciliation

Until December 14: *Deadly Women of Redfern.* An exhibition from Auntie Barbara McGrady to mark the 16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Girls. Held at the Mudjin-Gal Aboriginal Women's Centre, 233 Abercrombie Street, Chippendale. Details: nice.org.au

Until December 19: *Nganampa walytjarara walytjararaku Christmas pukulpa (Our Family Christmas).* A Group show to celebrate the festive season. Held at the Apy Art Centre Collective, 45 Burton St, Darlinghurst. Details: apygallery.com

Until December 22: Betty Bundamurra's debut solo exhibition *Wandjina's Assistant.* She depicts her region's flora and fauna, in paintings and works on paper – as well as their associated Dreaming stories. Held at the Coeee Art Gallery, 31 Lamrock Ave, Bondi. Details cooeeart.com.au

December 15: *Kanalaritja: An Unbroken String.* Shell stringing is a celebration of culture and a symbol of identity – the unbroken string that connects the Tasmanian Aboriginal community to Ancestors, culture and Country. Opening at Grafton Regional Gallery from 4-4:30pm. Details: eventbrite.com.au/e/official-opening-tickets-52889284273

December 16: Blak Markets Christmas Festival. Celebrate its fifth birthday on Bare Island at La Perouse. From 10am-4pm. Details: blackmarkets.com/collections/workshops

Ford Fairlane painted in Warlpiri designs.



Bush mechanics bring ingenious solutions to National Museum



A 1962 EJ Holden station wagon, with its roof removed and used as a makeshift trailer, and a Ford Fairlane, painted in traditional Warlpiri designs and traded for pearl shells, are two of the star objects of a free exhibition based on the popular Australian television series *Bush Mechanics*.

Bush Mechanics: The Exhibition is a showcase of the ingenuity of outback mechanics, whose clever resourcefulness can turn branches, spinifex and sand into tools and spare parts to get cars back on the road.

Developed by the National Motor Museum in South Australia, in collaboration with the Warlpiri community and PAW Media who produced the series, the exhibition is a light-hearted exploration of the importance of the car to life in the outback which has travelled the country since April 2017.

Senior Indigenous Curator



A scene from the filming of *Bush Mechanics* for TV.

Margo Neale said the National Museum deeply engages with Indigenous ways of knowing, and the bush mechanics' ingenious solutions to broken down cars defy western systems of thought and attest to the importance of mobility at any cost.

"Mobility has always been

important for Aboriginal people who are always on the move for family, ceremony, hunting and gathering. New ways for old practices," Ms Neale said.

The 1962 EJ Holden from the first episode perfectly encapsulates the spirit of the show. Its roof famously caved in while transporting band

equipment but this setback was resolved by hacking the roof off and attaching it to the back of the car as a makeshift trailer. The National Museum acquired it in 2003 from Francis Jupurrula Kelly, the owner of the car and the co-director of the television series.

The quirky four-part series followed five young Warlpiri men as they travel through remote outback Australia in vehicles in various states of roadworthiness, encountering a variety of mechanical problems. Stuck in the middle of the desert with no tools or spare parts, each break down required a certain inventive bush resourcefulness to fix. The show first went to air in the early 2000s on ABC TV and reached over three million viewers.

The exhibition is rich in original footage from the series and interactive experiences. Visitors can also admire clay figurines from the *Bush Mechanics* claymation.

The exhibition runs until February 24.

December 20: First Nations Concert Series at Sydney Opera House with DOBBY, Tasman Keith & MC Hau Latukefu. Cost applies. Details: sydneyoperahouse.com/events/whats-on.filter.First%20Nations.html

December 31: Sydney's iconic New Year's eve celebrations will see an age-old Aboriginal tradition of Calling Country that will welcome the International Year of Indigenous languages in 2019. Details: sydneynewyearseve.com

January 11: *The Ropes: Amrita Hepi X Adrian Piper.* Exhibition of commissioned and large-scale projections of video work. At Cement Fondu, 36 Gosbell Street, Paddington. Details: cementfondu.org/

January 14: Court of the Worpulla (Eagle Stars). Conversations about setting up Tribal Courts. Inviting all Indigenous organisations, leaders and Elders. Held at Lismore Regional Library. Contact/Details: Yalla 0478 744 772.

January 26: YABUN. Yabun Festival is the largest one day gathering and recognition of Indigenous cultures in Australia, on the traditional lands of the Gadigal people in Sydney. Details: yabun.org.au

February 27-28: National Aboriginal Wellbeing Conference. Exploring the opportunities mainstream services have to apply culturally inclusive practices for Aboriginal peoples and families. At Opal Cove, Coffs Harbour. Details: aboriginalwellbeingconference.com

Queensland

Ongoing: *The Albert Namatjira Story,* a display featuring early works by Albert Namatjira. At Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, daily from 10am-5pm. Free. Details: www.qagoma.qld.com.au

Ongoing: *Skylore: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Astronomy.* A permanent exhibition held at Brisbane Planetarium, Mt Coot-tha. Free and daily.

Western Australia

Until February 15: Nominations are now open for the Western Australian of the Year Awards, with the search on the extraordinary Aboriginal Western Australians from across the state. To nominate, visit: waday.com

February 9: *Desert River: Portraits of the Kimberley.* Exhibition by Daniel Walbidi to launch AGWA's 2019 program. Held at the Art Gallery of WA. Details: artgallery.wa.gov.au

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April 9-11: Join the conversation about remote dialysis, community-led healthcare and keeping culture strong. At Purple House, Alice Springs. Details: shareatale@purplehouse.org.au

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Black Theatre is new city job support hub



TRIBAL Warrior and the Aboriginal Employment strategy have both moved into the former Black Theatre on Cope Street in Redfern.

The two Aboriginal companies held an opening ceremony for their new premises last month.

The Aboriginal Employment Strategy (AES) is a national Aboriginal recruitment and group training company that empowers Indigenous people through brokering employment opportunities. The organisation supports candidates to have successful careers by providing mentoring, coaching, training and specialist support.

The Tribal Warrior Aboriginal Corporation celebrated its 20th anniversary this year. What began as a small maritime training organisation has grown into a thriving Indigenous tourism and cultural education company.

Tribal Warrior still runs training programs, enabling Indigenous people to earn maritime qualifications, and also plays an important role in supporting the local Redfern community with its mentoring programs *Clean Slate Without Prejudice* and *Never Going Back*.

AES chief executive Kristy Masella said having the two organisations in the one building would provide a meeting place.

"Moving our main office to the Black Theatre building in Redfern is about being part of an Aboriginal community where we can have regular, informal conversations about working together to do more great things for the communities we serve," she said.



Uncle Max Eulo smokes Shane Phillips at the opening of the new Tribal Warrior and Aboriginal Employment Strategy offices.

"The move is about empowerment of our mob, leveraging off each other's strengths. I also see our collaboration as a celebration of Aboriginal success, and our desire for self-determination."

Tribal Warrior chief executive Shane Phillips said the move would provide an opportunity for AES and Tribal Warrior to collaborate.

"The move will bring all our team together in one location and strengthen what we have been building in the community and organisation over the last 20 years," he said.

"Community is all about family, real values and strength. The co-location will give us a vehicle to share the resources

and have the impact we want to have.

"I actually grew up in this building as a young kid, my parents ran a soup kitchen in the Youth Club located there as well.

"It was all about empowerment. How can we sustain ourselves and that's one of the reasons we said to ourselves 'Let's do it this way'."

Ms Masella said the two organisations were looking forward to working together.

"The services and programs we both run truly complement each other, but we are also keen to look at new ways we can work in partnership and we are excited about what we will achieve together for our communities," she said.



Tribal Warrior and Aboriginal Employment Strategy chief executives Shane Phillips and Kristy Masella.

Picture: Andrew Rosenfeldt

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Consultation in accordance with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements (ACHCRs) for Proponents (2010) is required for this project as outlined in the State Significant Precinct requirements issued by the Department of Planning and Environment in May 2017.

Urbis would like to hear from local Aboriginal people who would be interested in being consulted on this project. Specifically, those who hold knowledge relevant to understanding the cultural significance of Aboriginal objects and places in accordance with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010.

Consultation in accordance with the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements (ACHCRs) for Proponents* (2010) is therefore required for this project.

Aboriginal people who wish to be consulted for this assessment are invited to register an expression of interest by **Friday 28 December 2018**

by phone (1800 244 863

e-mail (engament@urbis.com.au)

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Applications should include a

1) Cover letter (no more than one page)

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Applications should be submitted by 4pm Wednesday 9 December.



Yarpa
NSW Indigenous Business
and Employment Hub

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council has been selected to design and deliver the Yarpa NSW Indigenous Business and Employment Hub (Yarpa Hub) to become a leading support for Indigenous businesses, entrepreneurs and job seekers. The Yarpa Hub, the first of its kind under the Prime Minister's Indigenous Business Sector Strategy, is now looking for highly motivated Indigenous applicants who are passionate about fostering social and economic opportunities for the NSW Aboriginal community. The following positions are available:

- **Employment Support Officer:** support and advise Indigenous job seekers on the support options available within, and through, the Yarpa Hub.
- **Communications and Engagement Officer:** responsible for coordinating key communications to improve the profile of the Yarpa Hub and NSWALC more broadly.
- **Administration Assistant:** works closely with the Yarpa Hub Director in contributing to the coordination, facilitation and support of the activities of the Yarpa Hub.

These position is an identified position and is open to Aboriginal applicants only.

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Applications close **Monday 17 December 2018 at 9:00am**. Candidates that are shortlisted will be notified in early 2019.



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Senior Officer Grade C

Salary Range: \$100,462 - \$108,140 (PN: 41889)

Child and Youth Protection Services (CYPS) are seeking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to undertake the role of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Training and Development Officer. The Senior Officer Grade C, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Training and Development Officer Role is responsible for the delivery of a cohesive and structured approach to the design, development and delivery of the CYPS Cultural Development Program and other CYPS training programs and projects relevant to the Our Booris, Our Way Review. The Our Booris, Our Way review is focussing on systemic improvements to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children grow up safe, strong and connected in their families and communities. The Review seeks to understand the reasons for children and young people entering care and to then develop strategies to reduce the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people entering care; improve their experience and outcomes while in care; and where appropriate, exit children from care. The Training and Development Officer is responsible for delivering tools and information packages that embed organisation policy into practice. The role will provide strong leadership and implement improvement strategies to enable CYPS to continue to grow capability to meet statutory obligations and deliver on our strategy of creating a continuum of care for our clients.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Relevant tertiary qualifications and/or experience in Adult Training and Development; experience in preparation and delivery of online and face to face training modules; Expertise in the advanced use of business software applications including Excel, Word and PowerPoint are essential. Relevant tertiary qualifications and experience in project management, change management or related discipline are desirable. Prior to commencing this role, a current registration issued under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* is required.

Note: This is a temporary position available for six months with possibility of extension of less than 12 months. This is a designated position in accordance with s42, *Discrimination Act 1991* and is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander heritage is considered essential and therefore a Confirmation of Aboriginality may be requested. An order of merit will be established from this selection process and may be used to fill future identical vacancies over the next 12 months. Selection may be based on application and referee reports only.

How to Apply: All applications, including Application Coversheet, your written response to Selection Criteria and Curriculum Vitae must be submitted to Shared Services.

Contact Officer: Julie Crane (02) 6205 0408 julie.crane@act.gov.au

For further information, please visit www.jobs.act.gov.au

Applications Close: 17 December 2018

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**COURT SUPPORT SERVICE
ADVANCED KOORI CASE MANAGER
AND KOORI CASE MANAGER**

*Based at the Melbourne Magistrates' Court
2 Full Time, Ongoing positions*

The Magistrates' Court of Victoria is seeking two highly motivated and enthusiastic Koori case managers to be part of this exciting time of growth and change as we expand the Court Integrated Services Program (CISP) at Melbourne Magistrates' Court.

Advanced Koori Case Manager (MC1924)

The Advanced Koori Case Manager provides case management to people with complex needs who are on bail or summons. This position has a particular focus on working with clients who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander. A key part of this role will also be to provide coaching and mentoring to case managers in providing a culturally responsive and competent service to clients who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.

This is an Aboriginal Identified Position; Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

Koori Case Manager (MC0209)

This is an Aboriginal Designated Position, classified under 'special measures' of section 12 of the Equal Opportunity Act 2010. Only Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are eligible to apply.

The Koori Case Manager is an integral member of the CSS team, delivering high quality case management to Koori clients with complex needs who are involved with the court system.

In both roles, you will be responsible for establishing strong, respectful and effective relationships with local Aboriginal communities.

To be successful in these roles you will possess the following:

- Case management experience in assessing and engaging clients with complex needs
- Sound knowledge of Victorian Aboriginal culture and society
- Demonstrated ability to build collaborative relationships with internal and external stakeholders
- Strong team player with effective communication skills and a flexible approach.

In return, you will be provided with ongoing professional development opportunities and be part of a court-based team committed to supporting people on bail to make changes in their lives.

For further information on this position and to submit your application, please visit careers.vic.gov.au by 20 December 2018

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Aboriginal Identified Professional Legal Placement

- 2 x Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Identified placements
- Package up to \$80K (pro-rata)
- Talent Pool
- Various Locations and Legal Practice Areas

We are looking for two bright, hardworking law graduates who are about to embark on their Practical Legal Training to join our Professional Legal Placement Program working in either our Criminal, Family or Civil Law Divisions.

Closing Date: You may apply for this advertisement at any time up to 29 March 2019.

Enquiries: Scott Hawkins on (02) 9219 5109 or Sheena Cabe on (02) 9213 5258.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00006N0X.

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Aboriginal Mental Health Clinician, Registered Nurse, Psychologist, Aboriginal Health Worker, Welfare Officer, Occupational Therapist, Social Worker (Level 1/2)

Department: Sydney Local Health District
Temporary Full-Time up to Jan 2020 in the Aboriginal Mental Health Unit based at Camperdown
Enquiries: Rachael Mulley on (02) 9515 9000

Aboriginality/Torres Strait Islander is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised under section 14(d) of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977*.

Closing Date: 11 January 2019

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ81669.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Take your community services' career to the next level in 2019 with an interesting role within a dynamic and growing organisation.

Rekindling the Spirit has a range of excellent opportunities available for interested candidates who are passionate about improving the health and wellbeing of the Aboriginal community in the Lismore Local Government Area:

- **Integrated Team Care – Aboriginal Outreach Worker/s**
- **Group Therapy (Burubi Men's Group) Workers**
- **Youth Worker (Part Time)**
- **Administration Assistant (Casual)**
- **Aboriginal Health Worker at Jullums Aboriginal Medical Service (subject to funding)**

Each position has selection criteria specific to the role that all applicants need to address individually with examples of how the selection criteria has been demonstrated in previous work environments.

A number of roles in direct service delivery are identified positions, with Aboriginality being an essential requirement.

Additional Requirements

- Class C drivers licence
- Federal Police Check
- Working with Children Check

Closing date: 3.30 pm Monday 1 January 2019

Phone Enquiries: Georgina Cohen 02 6622 1117

Information Packages:
hr@rekindlingthespirit.org.au



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**Children, Youth and Families
Child and Youth Protection Services
Practice and Performance**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Practice Leader Officer

Senior Officer Grade C

Salary Range: \$100,462 - \$108,140 (PN: 41888)

Child and Youth Protection Services (CYPS) are seeking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to undertake the role of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Practice Leader Officer. The Senior Officer Grade C, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Practice Leader is an enabling role that operates at both a strategic and operational level to assist improve the cultural proficiency of CYPS Staff. The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Practice Leader will have a key role in supporting the embedding of the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Placement Principles into CYPS Practice and contributing to the ongoing implementation of recommendations relevant to the Our Booris, Our Way Review. The Our Booris, Our Way review is focussing on systemic improvements to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children grow up safe, strong and connected in their families and communities. The Review seeks to understand the reasons for children and young people entering care and to then develop strategies to reduce the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people entering care; improve their experience and outcomes while in care; and where appropriate, exit children from care. The role allows for the identification of best practice and opportunities for improvement in practice and policy across CYPS. The Practice Leader is expected to use that information to continuously improve staff development, including mentoring operational staff. Practice Leaders are also responsible for staff induction and a broad range of staff development opportunities as well as making recommendations to others in relation to policy, practice or team management.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Current driver's licence is essential. Relevant tertiary qualifications e.g. in Social Work, Psychology, Social Welfare, Social Science or related discipline; five years' experience in Human Services fields; qualifications in adult learning and development e.g. Certificate IV in Training and Assessment are desirable. Prior to commencing this role, a current registration issued under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* is required.

Note: This is a temporary position available for six months with possibility of extension of less than 12 months. This is a designated position in accordance with s42, *Discrimination Act 1991* and is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. An order of merit will be established from this selection process and may be used to fill future identical vacancies over the next 12 months. Selection may be based on application and referee reports only.

How to Apply: All applications, including Application Coversheet, your written response to Selection Criteria and Curriculum Vitae must be submitted to Shared Services.

Contact Officer: Julie Crane (02) 6205 0408 julie.crane@act.gov.au

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Applications Close: 17 December 2018

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CREATE CHANGE

UQ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Traineeship Program (Diploma of Business)

The University of Queensland (UQ) is offering a great opportunity to combine work and diploma level study with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Traineeship Program.

UQ is proud to be offering trainees the opportunity to take the first step in their career through this 12 month traineeship program that provides trainees with the opportunity to complete a Diploma of Business while working at UQ. Trainee roles will be hosted across a number of various work areas of the University. The Diploma qualifies you for entry into many of UQ's degree-level programs, and the traineeship experience can result in enduring employment at UQ. Trainees can also apply for UQ roles that are only offered to internal candidates, for the duration of their traineeship.

The role As a trainee, your duties will look to reflect the requirements of a Diploma in Business and may include but are not limited to providing administrative support to business areas; working with data and systems, including Microsoft packages and internal UQ systems/databases; organising/scheduling meetings and other appointments; basic word processing and formatting of correspondence; reception duties and responding to staff and student enquiries; basic administrative and housekeeping tasks (for example, restocking printers, coordinating catering for events); and other tasks as directed by supervisor. Some roles will provide the opportunity to rotate through other areas of administrative work in larger University departments.

The person Ideally you will possess some previous work experience; great communication skills; enthusiasm, with a strong desire to learn and develop; an eye for detail; and the ability to work well with others.

Remuneration This is a 12 month full-time, fixed-term appointment at HEW Level 1. The salary will be in the range of \$49,267 - \$51,067 p.a., plus employer superannuation contributions of up to 9.5%. You will enjoy great working conditions including 4 weeks leave per year; time allocated to complete your diploma study and a supportive team environment to help you to succeed.

Enquiries To discuss this role or for help in applying please contact the Indigenous Employment Coordinator, Deb Palmer, telephone (07) 3365 2913 or email indigenous_employment@uq.edu.au.

Applications close 11 January 2019

Job No. 505400

Visit uq.edu.au/uqjobs for more career opportunities and to obtain a copy of the position description and application process. The University of Queensland values diversity and inclusion.

This is an identified position as it is an occupational requirement that the occupant must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent in accordance with Section 105 of the Queensland Anti-Discrimination Act 1991.

CRICOS Provider Number 00025B



Media Officer – Public Relations Officer Level 2

- NSW Police Force
- Aboriginal Targeted Role
- Media Unit – Public Affairs Branch
- Ongoing Full-Time

To be eligible to apply for this role you **MUST** identify as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander.

The **Media Officer** is responsible for developing, delivering and managing a range of media related activities, including responses to media enquiries, attending crime scenes and other incidents, preparation of media releases, ministerial announcements, media campaigns and media issue management. This role will have occasional liaison with Ministerial Officers to deliver effective and relevant media services in a manner that reflects organisational priorities and upholds and promotes the reputation of the NSW Police Force.

For further assistance in completing your application please contact the **Aboriginal Employment Team** on (02) 8835 9021 or via email: hraboriginal@police.nsw.gov.au

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Applications Close: Sunday 13 January 2019

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact
Tess Salmon – Manager on (02) 8263 6500.

For the targeted questions, a downloadable role description, and information package and to apply, please go to *I Work for NSW* (<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au>) and search for Requisition Number 00006P53.

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Aboriginal Education and Engagement Officer SEO 1 (ETS)

- Temporary full-time appointment up to three (3) years from entry on duty
- Position number and location: 174154 – Tamworth

Total remuneration package valued to: \$138,528 pa. (salary \$115,429 to \$124,969 pa, including employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading).

Providing high level support and advice to schools, educational services teams and key stakeholders in the implementation of strategies relating to Aboriginal education and engagement.

Please address the selection criteria in relation to the **Statement of Duties** for the position in your application. Please note that it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online. No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

This is a child-related role. If you are the successful applicant you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit <http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check>.

In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's National Criminal Records Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Note: Permanent teachers taking up non-school based temporary appointments, the right of return to their substantive position has been extended to up to 3 years.

The Educational Services Division Executive Group has agreed on a transitional arrangement for the recruitment of the Non-School Based Teaching Service (NSBTS) classifications of Senior Education Officer 1 and Senior Education Officer 2 (SEO1/SEO2), pending the outcome of the Educational Services review.

Applicants should refer to the transitional arrangements for further information.

Notes: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines.

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Applications Close: 9 January 2019

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Belinda French (02) 6755 5057.

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 174154



Aboriginal Water Officer (Cultural Flows)

Work with First Nations in the Murray-Darling river system to undertake ground-breaking research and drive policy innovation in water management

The Murray Lower Darling Rivers Indigenous Nations (MLDRIN) is a 100% Aboriginal owned, not for profit, research and advocacy organization. We strive to secure a future where First Nations own and manage water on Country, enhancing social, environmental, cultural and economic outcomes.

We're looking for an enthusiastic and enquiring Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person to lead implementation of ground-breaking research tools with our member Nations. You'll work on Country, building partnerships and undertaking research with Traditional Owners. You'll help create cultural management plans for waterways and develop policy that advances Indigenous water rights. You'll work as part of a small, committed team lead by representatives from Aboriginal Nations.

You should apply for this position if:

- You're an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person
- You have experience in water

management or other Natural Resource Management fields

- You're passionate about advancing Aboriginal rights to land and water
- You're confident writing reports, facilitating workshops and working independently

For a detailed position description please visit: www.mldr.org.au/what-we-do/first-nations-water-project-officer/

Position details

Open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only.

- Full-time, 38 hrs per week, three year contract
- Salary: \$82,000 pa plus superannuation and on costs
- Work vehicle provided
- Based in Melbourne VIC, with flexible work and travel options

Please send applications that address all selection criteria and including a cover letter and resume to:

Email: executiveofficer.mldr@gmail.com

Post: MLDRIN, Post Office Box 5005, Brunswick North VIC 3056.

Due date: COB Friday 11th January 2019

KOORI EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS



Project Support Officer & Senior Project Coordinator – Koori Youth Justice Taskforce

- Two full time, fixed term (18 month) opportunities – Parkville Youth Justice Precinct
- Become a member of the department's Aboriginal Employee Network
- Annual access to NAIDOC, ceremonial and cultural leave

The Koori Youth Justice Taskforce (Taskforce) has been established in response to the *Youth Justice Review and Strategy: meeting needs and reducing offending report*. The main objectives of the Taskforce are to:

- inform and improve the safety, education, health and wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal children and young people currently in youth justice
- inform future planning and research to identify and address the causes of overrepresentation of Aboriginal children and young people in youth justice
- identify existing barriers to the achievement of positive outcomes for Aboriginal children and young people in youth justice.

Two positions are currently available for a Senior Project Coordinator & Project Support Officer to support the work of the Taskforce.

The Senior Project Coordinator (VPS5 - \$95,275 - \$115,276) is responsible for facilitating regional inputs, liaising with stakeholders & supporting internal communications. To be successful in this role you will have experience leading and managing key projects.

The Project Support Officer (VPS4 - \$82,574 - \$93,689) is responsible for providing high level assistance to the Senior Project Coordinator. This includes case preparation and presentations, liaising with stakeholders, as well as data collection and analysis. To be successful in this role, you will have experience in project record keeping and minute taking.

To be successful in these roles, you will have demonstrated:

- knowledge and understanding of the Victorian Aboriginal Community, both society and culture and the issues impacting on it
- ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with members of the Victorian Aboriginal community

For more detailed information about each position and to apply online, please visit youthjusticejobs.vic.gov.au by 19 December 2018

These are Aboriginal identified positions. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply.

For more information, contact the Aboriginal Employment Team on (03) 8684 1751 or at aboriginal.employment@justice.vic.gov.au

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Valuing Diversity



Aboriginal Renal Health Worker Griffith Base Hospital

Department: Murrumbidgee Local Health District

Who are we?

The Griffith Base Hospital is a 119 bed facility with 100 hospital care beds and 10 maternity beds. Each year we support approximately 19,500 emergency presentations, 2,500 operations and 600 births. The Griffith Renal Unit was built in 2004, with seven chairs and plans to expand the unit to 10 chairs in progress.

What is the role?

The Aboriginal Renal Health Worker plays a vital role in supporting and monitoring the journey and access of the Aboriginal renal patients through the hospital and health systems.

This role provides emotional, practical, social and welfare support for Aboriginal patients and communities.

This exciting and interesting role is a permanent part time opportunity working two days per week.

What are we looking for?

- Must be of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander descent
- TAFE or other qualifications in an appropriate health or welfare related discipline and/ or extensive relevant experience in these fields
- Demonstrated knowledge and understanding of current Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander health priorities and ability to effectively and sensitively liaise and communicate with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and communities.

What can we offer you?

- A rewarding, permanent part time position where you can really make a significant contribution within community
- Lots of support and mentorship
- Competitive salary and packaging provisions with great work life balance.

**Applications close:
23 December 2018**

To find out more information please visit <https://jobs.health.nsw.gov.au/mlhd> and enter **Aboriginal Renal Health Worker** or email Karen at Karen.nelson2@health.nsw.gov.au

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DEPARTMENT FOR CHILD PROTECTION

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TEMPORARY ROLE (12 MONTH CONTRACT)

VAC NO: 332901

OP\$5 (\$75,544 - \$80,884 PER ANNUM)

Duties:

The Lands Based Worker is accountable to the Supervisor for:

- Leading community-based child safety initiatives, within the large geographical remote Aboriginal land areas across Far North Far West Region
- Providing holistic assessments of families with high and complex needs and contributing to the implementation of Solution Based Casework, by ensuring case practice is family-owned
- Facilitating referral links for families to improve their access to services and community networks

Special Conditions:

There are special conditions attached to this role, please refer to the Role Description to find out more

People of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent and/or those who have a disability are strongly encouraged to apply.

For further information about the role and to submit your application please visit:
www.childprotection.sa.gov.au/work-with-us

Enquiries: Kirsty Lawrence, Ph: (08) 8626 2444,
Email: Kirsty.Lawrence@sa.gov.au

Applications close: 11pm Wednesday 19 December 2018



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Skylight Programs deliver a range of recovery oriented community mental health services by working alongside people experiencing mental illness, family and friends who care for them, and the broader general South Australian community.

Community Development Coordinator

1.0 FTE Fixed Contract to 30 June 2019

SACS Level 5,
with generous salary packaging and remote allowance

Final remuneration package to be negotiated Based on APY Lands with accommodation in Ernabella provided through partnership and consultation with Anangu the Community Development Coordinator will coordinate, deliver and evaluate Family Mental Health Support Services to children, adults and families within APY Lands communities. The Coordinator will work together as part of

a team to support ongoing development and delivery of services with a strength based and community development model. The successful applicant will have a highly developed ability to be flexible and adaptable in a dynamic setting, to work both autonomously and in small teams, and also meet the skills, knowledge and experience outlined in the Selection Criteria, including:

- Demonstrated experience in leading and supporting a team to achieve program aims
- Demonstrated capacity to undertake projects to meet social and emotional wellbeing outcomes for children, young people and/or families
- Experience in effective consultation processes and ability to establish and maintain beneficial agency partnerships, networks and effective working relationships with key stakeholders
- Demonstrated experience in working in support settings within Indigenous communities

Skylight is seeking applicants with relevant tertiary qualifications and/or experience. A current Drivers

License is essential.

Enquiries to Jessamin:
jessamin@skylight.org.au or
ph 8378 4100

A Job Description is available on our website www.skylight.org.au

To be considered, please address each of the Selection Criteria on the Job Description.

**Applications to
recruitment@skylight.org.au by 5pm
Monday 31st December 2018**



Senior Advisor, Aboriginal Engagement Officer



Health
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Services

- Fixed Term Position until 21/11/2019 – Full time (76.0 hours per fortnight)
- Salary:- VPS5.1:- \$95,275 - \$105,275 + Superannuation
VPS5.2:- \$105,277 - \$115,276 + Superannuation
- Location:- DHHS Office 25 Ringwood Street Ringwood

This position supports the department's holistic approach to working within the department and with Aboriginal communities to improve health, wellbeing and employment outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the Outer Eastern Melbourne Area.

The role provides critical cultural links with Aboriginal communities and the department to:

- Promote local stakeholder and community relationships to build partnerships that enhance wellbeing outcomes for Aboriginal Victorians
- Support initiatives that improve access to culturally responsive service provision for all Aboriginal Victorians
- Provide Aboriginal cultural advice and guidance

The role supports the implementation of the Area Aboriginal Governance Committee and Area action plan as well as assist with divisional objectives of the Aboriginal Outcomes and Engagement Unit.

The role actively works in collaboration with the other three Area Senior Aboriginal Engagement Officers, the Manager of Aboriginal Outcomes and Engagement and other internal stakeholders in implementing departmental policy and ensuring that local needs are taken into account in policy and program development.

Are you

- An Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person with skills and experience in engaging with communities to achieve outcomes?
- Committed to improving the health and wellbeing of Aboriginal children, young people, families and communities?
- Able to negotiate, communicate and build relationships with a diverse range of stakeholders?
- Capable of leading and inspiring change?
- Able to work in complexity and support the department to deliver innovative and culturally responsive services?

For further information on the position description and the selection criteria visit;
www.careers.vic.gov.au or contact **Helen Riddell** phone **03 9843 6262**

Job Reference number: **DHHS/EED/483976**

Applications close: **Sunday 23rd December 2018**

For more information about the Department of Health and Human Services visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au To apply online and for other DHHS and Victorian Government job opportunities please visit www.careers.vic.gov.au

Police Checks form part of the Department of Health and Human Services recruitment process.

The department promotes diversity and equal opportunity in employment and is committed to a more diverse workforce.

If you are an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander applicant, or if you have a disability, and require advice and support with the recruitment process, please contact our Diversity Unit on DiversityInclusion@dhhs.vic.gov.au

The department is committed to the safety of its clients. The department takes a zero tolerance approach to abuse, including child abuse and abuse of people with disability.

Departmental employees are required to comply with all legal requirements including the Child Safe Standards to keep children safe from harm and abuse.

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Field Officer (Aboriginal)

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- Field Officer Grade 3-4
- Vacancy Ref: 00006K31
- Ongoing, Full-Time

Primary Purpose of the role: Undertakes construction, maintenance and improvements to park assets within NPWS parks and reserves, maintains heritage buildings and structures. Undertakes pest, weed and fire management activities including those in remote areas. Operates and maintains plant and equipment. Responds to visitor enquiries and may undertake compliance activities. Contributes to ensuring OEH obligations and aims are met through the enhancement and preservation of the natural and cultural heritage values of parks. Performs works programs and conducts inspections of potential safety hazards to ensure that the public has access to appropriately maintained and safe recreational facilities.

This position will serve the Mt Grenfell lands. These lands are managed by the Mount Grenfell Board of management as part 4A lands and under lease conditions with the Office of Environment and Heritage, this Field Officer (Aboriginal Identified) position is to be held by Ngiyampaa Wangaaypuwan person.

Total Remuneration package: \$71,948. Package includes salary (\$60,945 - \$64,906), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

**Applications Close: Wednesday,
19 December 2018 (11.59pm)**

If you would like to discuss this opportunity further contact Tony Pearson 0428 101 714.

**Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to
iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 00006K31.**

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Intensive Therapeutic Care (ITC) Youth Workers

Permanent part-time and casual opportunities are available
in Blacktown, Western Sydney and Lismore, Northern NSW



- Do you have a passion for working with young people with high and complex needs?
- Do you want to be a role model for young people recovering from trauma?
- Do you want to be challenged and rewarded every day?
- Are you looking for a supportive and committed team?

Become part of a dynamic team and join MacKillop in our commitment to providing high quality services and positive outcomes for young people and their families as we implement Intensive Therapeutic Care (ITC) Services across NSW.

The ITC services will provide proactive therapeutic care and have a strong focus on recovery from trauma providing an alternative to long term residential care with a broader range of placement options for children and young people to achieve positive outcomes in education, mental and physical health including permanency in their lives.

Working collaboratively with the multidisciplinary ITC team including Caseworkers, Therapeutic Specialists, House Managers this role will provide therapeutic care to support young people to heal from trauma and achieve their full potential whilst contributing to the transition of services from the former residential care system to the new ITC service model.

If you have youth work experience and a desire to achieve positive outcomes for young people and their families, this could be the opportunity for you. You will be a confident communicator and passionate to see young people flourish.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are strongly encouraged to apply and although a qualification is desirable your experience and willingness to participate in ongoing training will be considered.

Benefits on offer

- There are both casual and substantial permanent part time opportunities available.
- Base hourly rates commence at \$29.46 per hour with casual loadings and shift allowances applicable depending on the position you are appointed to
- A comprehensive orientation program and ongoing training and career development opportunities
- Employee Assistance Program to support your wellbeing

To Apply

Please forward your resume, a completed application form and your cover letter addressing the selection criteria in the position description to nswrecruitment@mackillop.org.au
Copies of the position description and application form can be downloaded from our website at <https://www.mackillop.org.au/careers/positions-available> by 28 December 2018.

Please apply ASAP as we will be reviewing applications and interviewing during the advertising period.

For more information, please contact nswrecruitment@mackillop.org.au



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Children, Youth and Families Child and Youth Protection Services Practice and Performance

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy Officer

Senior Officer Grade C

Salary Range: \$100,462 - \$108,140 (PN: 41887)

Child and Youth Protection Services (CYPS) are seeking Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to undertake the role of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy Officer. The Senior Officer Grade C, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy Officer is focussed on supporting the operation and continuous improvement of CYPS through the development and implementation of policies and practice guidance for staff. The position will be responsible for reviewing and consolidation of policies and practice guides with a cultural lens and ensuring the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Placement Principles are embedded in practice. The position will also support the implementation of any further policy related recommendations relevant to the Our Booris, Our Way Review. The Our Booris, Our Way review is focussing on systemic improvements to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children grow up safe, strong and connected in their families and communities. The Review seeks to understand the reasons for children and young people entering care and to then develop strategies to reduce the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people entering care; improve their experience and outcomes while in care; and where appropriate, exit children from care.

Eligibility/Other Requirements: Current driver's licence is essential. Relevant tertiary qualifications e.g. in Social Work, Psychology, Social Welfare, Social Science or related discipline and Project Management or related discipline are desirable. Prior to commencing in this role, a current registration issued under the *Working with Vulnerable People (Background Checking) Act 2011* may be required.

Note: This is a temporary position available for six months with possibility of extension of less than 12 months. This is a designated position in accordance with s42, *Discrimination Act 1991* and is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander heritage is considered essential and therefore a Confirmation of Aboriginality may be requested. An order of merit will be established from this selection process and may be used to fill future identical vacancies over the next 12 months. Selection may be based on application and referee reports only.

How to Apply: All applications, including Application Coversheet, your written response to Selection Criteria and Curriculum Vitae must be submitted to Shared Services.

Contact Officer: Julie Crane (02) 6205 0408 julie.crane@act.gov.au

For further information, please visit www.jobs.act.gov.au

Applications Close: 17 December 2018

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Field Force TELEPHONE INTERVIEWER

ORIMA Research is Australia's leading provider of research services to the Australian public sector. We are currently setting up our telephone interviewing team to be based in our **Melbourne office** (St Kilda Road).

This team will conduct telephone interviews with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander individuals around the

country. This will involve late afternoon and evening work, with shifts usually from 4pm to 8pm.

While the position is casual, stand out performers will be employed on an ongoing ad hoc basis across a number of projects.

Role

- Casual positions available in our Melbourne head office
- Flexible hours
- Commencing immediately
- Pay rate of \$29.70 per hour

Responsibilities

- Undergo basic research process training, including telephone interviewing techniques
- Undergo training to effectively conduct interviews using appropriate IT systems/software
- Effectively conduct telephone interviews
- Provide administrative support for the telephone interviews conducted (receive, handle and dispatch interview material) if required
- Ensure quality control for each telephone interview (check that each interview meets quality requirements)
- Work closely with the supervisor during the project
- Interact with the people over the phone in a highly professional manner

Requirements*

- Prior experience preferable (but not essential as extensive training will be provided)
- Ability to work effectively and comfortably over the phone, particularly with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander individuals
- Confident, organised, reliable and outstanding interpersonal and communication (written and oral) skills
- Able to meet deadlines and work independently or within a team.

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

If you feel you meet these requirements, please apply by submitting an up to date resume as well as a cover letter addressing each of the four requirements listed above* to Damien Loizou Damien.Loizou@orima.com at ORIMA Research. If you have any queries regarding this role, please call Damien on 03 9526 9000 or 1800 654 585.

ORIMA Research undertakes to treat your personal data in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

ORIMA pays respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples past and present, their culture and traditions and acknowledges their continuing connection to land, sea and community.



Broken Hill Aboriginal Land Council The Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Exciting Management Role with Great Benefits!!!

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The CEO performs statutory functions in accordance with the provisions of the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (ALRA), being responsible for reporting to the board and managing/overseeing the day to day operation and administration of the Broken Hill Local Aboriginal Land Council (BHLALC) in line with the BHLALC Community Land & Business Plan and in accordance with best practice. You will develop strong relationships with new and existing partners to ensure continuation of BHLALC programs including the Ability Links NSW and the BHLALC Social Housing Programs, whilst identifying and delivering new program opportunities.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Essential

- To have an understanding of the ALRA and to be able to demonstrate the ability to manage the legislative and reporting requirements of a Local Aboriginal Land Council under the ALRA;
- Experience operating in a senior management position in a complex not for profit organisation with a board of management;
- Ability to manage, lead and develop staff;
- Ability to work under pressure, prioritise tasks, and meet deadlines;
- Organisational and management experience to effectively lead, direct and manage the BHLALC including the ability to prepare and or facilitate management meetings;
- Knowledge and/or appreciation of the cultural, social and economic needs of Aboriginal people;
- Knowledge and understanding of the issues that affect Aboriginal communities, societies and cultures in NSW;
- A sound understanding of Equal Employment Opportunity & Work Health and Safety requirements; and
- Current NSW Working with Children Check

Desirable

- NSW Driver's License
- Social Housing management experience or knowledge;
- Demonstrated proficiency in spreadsheets, databases & Microsoft Office Suite of products

Applications close Thursday, 31st January 2019 at 5.00pm Applications are required to be submitted by email.

To be considered for this role applications must be submitted directly to the Chairperson Mr. Jarred Menz at chairperson.bhlaic@inet.net.au by the closing date and must include: a covering letter, a separate attachment outlining your experience against the selection criteria and a current resume, including the names and contact numbers of two recent work related referees.

Applicants who do not address the essential and desirable criteria will not be considered for shortlisting.

For further information or to obtain a copy of the position description, please email your request to chairperson.bhlaic@inet.net.au



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Program Lead Facilitator

Talking About Tobacco Use (TATU) @ the NCIE

This job is for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person with experience in community engagement or health promotion. You have strong communication skills and experience in managing relationships with a variety of stakeholders.

You will develop and deliver workshops that inspire Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and encourage healthy lifestyle choices.

This full-time position is based at the NCIE in Redfern.

Full position description at ncie.org.au/jobs

More info: Jaimi-Leigh Faulkner: JL.Faulkner@ncie.org.au

Applications close Wednesday 2 January 2019



Director, Aboriginal Health Strategy

Department: Western Sydney LHD
Classification: Health Manager Level 5
Location: Westmead Hospital Employment
Status: Permanent Full-Time
Email: WSLHD-OfficeOfTheCE@health.nsw.gov.au

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**Closing Date:
17 December 2018**

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ81431

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Project Officer – Identified

- **Clerk Grade 5/6**
- **Temporary Full-time Role up to: 18 August 2020**
- **Position number and location: 194746 – Oxford Street, Darlinghurst**

Total remuneration package: \$102,011 Package includes salary (\$83,403 – \$92,026), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Early Childhood Education Directorate:

Located with the Department of Education (DoE), the Early Childhood Education (ECE) Directorate has an annual budget of over \$400 million, administering several programs and funding streams designed to meet the goals of the National Partnership Agreements on Universal Access to Early Childhood Education and the National Quality Agenda, with a focus on improved participation of children from Aboriginal and low income backgrounds.

As a regulatory authority under the national regulatory arrangements for early childhood education and care, the Directorate regulates approximately 5,500 services across the state. For services regulated under the National Quality Framework, this includes a process of assessment and quality rating by regional staff against the seven quality areas that make up the National Quality Standards.

The Aboriginal Services team develops and implements programs to improve the quality of education being provided to Aboriginal children and supports the sector to positively engage with Aboriginal families and communities. The team currently has a number of programs that are currently being implemented and are also looking at potential future projects.

About the role

The role undertakes a range of project research, analysis, reporting, implementation and administrative activities to support the development and delivery of projects aligned to Directorate priorities.

The role will oversee the development, implementation and management of programs that provide support to Aboriginal children, communities and services

Talent Pool

A recruitment pool may be created through this recruitment process. A recruitment pool is a group of applicants who have been assessed and identified as suitable for this role or similar roles, and who may be considered for a range of similar roles, including temporary, term or ongoing roles, over the next 12 months.

How to apply

The NSW Department of Education is committed to a diverse and inclusive workforce as an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer. We encourage diverse applicants from a range of backgrounds to apply for roles in the department.

To apply for this role, please submit an application online and attach a cover letter (max. 2 pages) and your resume (max. 5 pages) in either Word or PDF format. Please address **any pre-screening questions and any essential requirements**. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the **role description** and demonstrate how you meet the essential requirements in your answer. Please develop your response with this in mind.

Notes: The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Applicants for this position must be of Aboriginal descent, identify as being Aboriginal and be accepted in the community as such. Applicants who have not previously identified for the purposes of employment with the Department are required to provide a Confirmation of Aboriginality from a recognised incorporated Aboriginal Community organisation endorsed with common seal and a certified statutory declaration as defined in the **NSW Department of Education Confirmation of Aboriginality Guidelines**.

This is a child-related role. If you are the successful candidate you will be required to obtain a Working with Children Check (WWCC) Clearance number as a condition of employment (if you do not already have this). For more information, visit <http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/working-with-children/working-with-children-check>.

In addition, your employment may be subject to the Department's Nationally Coordinated Criminal History Check to determine your suitability for employment.

Pre-Screening Questions:

1. What experiences have you had in working with Aboriginal communities and/or people. **(300 word maximum)**
2. Can you explain when you managed a successful project and/or program that involved working with a range of key stakeholders. **(300 word maximum)**

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality.

Applications Close: 20 December 2018

For enquiries about this role, contact Nat Heath, Assistant Manager Aboriginal Services, Early Childhood Education Department of Education, at (02) 9266 8215 or by email to Nat.Heath@det.nsw.edu.au

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and search Job Reference Number 194746

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Education
and Training

Koorie Education Coordinator

Department of Education and Training

North West Victoria Region, Bendigo

VPS - \$95,275 - \$115,276

2 Years Fixed Term until 11/12/2020

Job Summary

This position plays a key role in the coordination and provision of support to the regional Koorie Education Workforce and multi-disciplinary Area teams within the North-Western Victoria Region.

The occupant of the position will have a high level understanding of the current education and early childhood development reform agenda, particularly as it relates to Koorie children, young people and the broader Koorie community.

The Koorie Education Coordinator will be an active member of the multidisciplinary Area Service Support Team and is required to develop strong relationships with the regional Manager, Koorie Education; schools, early years; service providers, central and local consultative groups, other community and government agencies and stakeholders.

This role is identified as available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only. Confirmation of the Indigenous status of applicants may be requested.

Position Details

This position plays a key role in the coordination and provision of support to the regional Koorie Education Workforce and multi-disciplinary area teams within the North-Western Victoria Region. The occupant of the position will have a high level understanding of the current education and early childhood development reform agenda, particularly as it relates to Koorie children, young people and the broader Koorie community. The Koorie Education Coordinator will be an active member of the multidisciplinary Loddon-Campaspe Area Service Support Team and is required to develop strong relationships with the regional Manager, Koorie Education; schools, early years service providers, central and local consultative groups, other community and government agencies and stakeholders.

This role is identified as available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander applicants only. Confirmation of the Indigenous status of applicants may be requested.

For more details regarding this position please see position descriptions.

Department of Education and Training is committed to diversity. The Department places considerable effort and resources into responding to the needs of staff with a disability. People from disadvantaged groups are encouraged to apply for this position. Information about the Department of Education and Training's operations and employment conditions can be obtained from the following websites: www.education.vic.gov.au and www.education.vic.gov.au/hrweb/Pages/default.aspx.

Applications close 16 December 2018



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Senior Project Officer, Policy & Strategy (NCARA) – Aboriginal Affairs

- Identified role for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders only
- Clerk Grade 9/10
- Temporary up to 6 January 2020
- Position number and location: 211475 – Mascot

Total remuneration package: \$131,979 Package includes salary (\$108,044 – \$119,061), employer's contribution to superannuation and annual leave loading.

Aboriginal Affairs works with Aboriginal communities to promote social, economic and cultural well-being through opportunity, choice, healing, responsibility and empowerment. We implement OCHRE (Opportunity, Choice, Healing, Responsibility and Empowerment), the NSW Government's community focused plan for Aboriginal affairs, establish partnerships for economic development, support effective Aboriginal governance and strengthen cultural identity and language.

About the role

Local Decision Making is a lead initiative under OCHRE (Opportunity, Choice, Healing, Responsibility and Empowerment) the NSW Government's Plan for Aboriginal Affairs.

The Local Decision Making Policy & Strategy team within the Community Partnerships Directorate is responsible for co- designing and managing the implementation of the strategic agenda for Local Decision Making and is focused on formalising the structures and processes needed to change the way government operates and to provide scope for Aboriginal communities' to legitimately exercise their self-determination.

The Senior Project Officer, Local Decision Making Policy & Strategy will work as a part of a team to:

- Oversee and coordinate the delivery of the Local Decision Making Implementation Plan across government and in partnership with our key stakeholders, including Aboriginal regional alliances (governance bodies).
- Invest in and strengthen program governance, including the Strategic Implementation Group and the NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Regional Alliances (NCARA), to share practice and build capability across government and Aboriginal regional alliances.
- Build understanding and knowledge of Local Decision Making and its benefits to community and government through a refresh of communications and policies.
- Strengthen the Local Decision Making framework and Accord negotiation process.
- Build evidence and share good practice to inform future planning and implementation.

To be successful in this role you will have experience in policy development and project management. You will have strong stakeholder engagement skills and will demonstrate cultural proficiency in engaging with Aboriginal people and communities. You will be able to communicate effectively, be highly organised and able to manage competing priorities in order to deliver outcomes.

You will work closely with the Chairpersons of Aboriginal Regional Alliances to support their operation as an independent forum that broadly represents Aboriginal communities and to enable regional alliances to advance their priorities in an open, honest and informed environment.

Talent Pool

A talent pool may be created through this recruitment process. A talent pool is a group of candidates who have undergone an assessment process and have been identified suitable for this role or similar roles. The talent pool will be valid for a period of 12 months. Being part of a talent pool means that you may be considered for ongoing, temporary or term employment for a range of similar roles. This offers exciting opportunities for you to gain a wide range of experiences to build your public service career.

How to apply

If you are interested in this role please apply online and include, a covering letter (maximum of 2 pages) and your resume (maximum 5 pages) in either Word or PDF format which clearly details how your capabilities, knowledge and experience can contribute to the success of the Directorate. Please also include the name and contact details of two referees. Please address any pre-screening questions and any essential requirements. We are looking for you to demonstrate your competence in the focus capabilities as outlined in the role description in your answer, so please develop your response with this in mind.

Note: it is a requirement that all candidates submit their applications online.

No paper based, email based or late applications will be accepted.

Note: Aboriginality is a genuine occupational qualification and is authorised by Section 14 of the *Anti-Discrimination Act, 1977*.

Pre-screening questions:

1. As the Senior Project Officer, Local Decision Making Policy and Strategy (NCARA) you will be required to coordinate and administer NCARA meetings. Please describe how you would apply cultural protocols to create and maintain a culturally safe environment whilst attending to meeting logistics. (300 words maximum)
2. As the Senior Project Officer, Local Decision Making Policy and Strategy (NCARA) you will be required to work independently to support the functions of NSW Coalition of Aboriginal Regional Alliances. Provide an example of a project you have managed and overseen. Outline the steps you took to plan, develop and implement the project. (300 words maximum)

Essential Requirements:

- Aboriginality.
- Demonstrated ability to communicate sensitively and effectively with, and understand issues impacting on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
- Current NSW Drivers Licence.

The selection process will include a range of assessment techniques to assist in determining your suitability for the role.

Applications Close: 9 January 2019

For enquiries about this role, contact Belinda Cormack (02) 8362 6645 or by email belinda.cormack@aboriginalaffairs.nsw.gov.au

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to iworkfor.nsw.gov.au and refer to the following keyword 211475.

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TransGrid

The Snowy 2.0 pumped hydro and generation project

Notice and registration of Aboriginal interests

TransGrid are proposing to construct two new 330kV double-circuit transmission lines from the connection site with the proposed Snowy 2.0 cable yard to a new 330/500kV substation west of Talbingo Reservoir. The proposal would also include a transmission line connection between the substation and the existing Line 64 in Bago State Forest. TransGrid propose to establish and upgrade access tracks and roads to the new substation and transmission line structures as required, and construct ancillary activities including; brake and winch sites, crane pads, helicopter landing pad, site compounds and equipment laydown areas.

TransGrid is seeking registrations of interest from Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the work area. The purpose of consultation with Aboriginal people is to assist TransGrid to prepare advice to assist the Director General of the Office of Environment and Heritage in considering and determining the application.

TransGrid and our consultant, Jacobs, are inviting registrations of interest in the consultation process for the project from Aboriginal persons or groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places at or between:

- Maragle, Nurenmerenmong, Yarangobily and Cabramurra

You can register in writing (email or letter) to:

Clare Leever
Jacobs Engineering Group
177 Pacific Highway
North Sydney NSW 2060
Telephone: 02 9032 1815
Email: clare.leever@jacobs.com

**Registrations must be received by close of business
18 January 2016.**



ABORIGINAL AND/OR TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING WORKER

Karralika Programs Inc. is a not-for-profit organisation providing an extensive range of specialist alcohol and other drug services to the Australian Capital Territory community and surrounding New South Wales regions for the last 40 years. Our residential, community and educational programs are in both the community and the Canberra prison.

We are looking for two part-time Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to work with our Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander men, women and children to enhance connectedness to culture, community and history, supporting recovery and healing from alcohol and other drug issues. The positions would work across all our program sites in the ACT.

These are designated positions in accordance with s42, Discrimination Act 1991 and is only open to Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander heritage is considered essential and therefore a Confirmation of Aboriginality may be requested.

Qualifications and/or experience in the health or community sectors is preferred, as is experience working with people recovering from alcohol and other drug issues.

Karralika Programs Inc. offers generous remuneration packages, including PBI fringe benefits-free threshold salary packaging.

An Expression of Interest (EOI) explaining your suitability in this role and working for Karralika Programs, this should include your skills and knowledge that align with the functions in the role description. Please ensure you read the position description to fully understand the role requirements.

This EOI requires a CV to be submitted and three professional referees to jobs@karralika.org.au by **5pm 28 December, 2018**.

Please note: There is no selection criteria for this position.

For further information, please contact Anna McKenry at anna.m@karralika.org.au or Mellissa Doran at Mellissa.d@karralika.org.au or phone (02) 6185 1300.



Koori Mail

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Can you tell a story?

The *Koori Mail* is looking for an entry-level journalist to work in our Lismore office, on Bundjalung Country.

This exciting opportunity would suit a school-leaver, someone with their uni degree or someone looking for a change of career.

If you're interested, simply write a story and email it to editor@koorimail.com

It can be about anything - yourself, your family, an interview with a community member or anything that interests you.

This is an identified position for an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person only.

You will need a valid driver's licence.

Applications must include contact details and a resume.



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TEACHER, TRAINER OR YOUTH WORKER

The Gympie Flexible Learning Centre in Gympie, Queensland, is looking for a Teacher or TAE Trainer who specialises in Workshop/Manual Arts.

This is a Full Time, Continuing position commencing Term 1, 2019.

Applications close **COB Monday 24 December 2018** and are to be emailed to MMRecruitment@youthplus.edu.au

Applications must adhere to the application process and selection criteria guidelines outlined on our website at <http://www.youthplus.edu.au/employment-opportunities-gympie-teachertae/>.

Please contact Duncan Inglis, the Head of Campus, at:
Duncan.Inglis@youthplus.edu.au or on 0448 335 497 for further information.



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Cultural Heritage and Land Management Trainee

Job Number 496696

Work Type 2 Year Fixed Term Contract

Location Lake Victoria NSW

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For a position description and to apply go to <http://careers.sawater.com.au> or Fax on 08 70033805

Please upload or Fax a copy of your application by no later than 16 December 2018.



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Heritage Council of NSW

Revitalised NSW Heritage Grants program now open for 2019-21

Do you have a project that **celebrates** Aboriginal cultural heritage?
Need a plan of management for an item nominated or gazetted as an **Aboriginal Place**?
Need funding to do works under your plan of management?
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Grants are now available under three categories:

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Grants - Funding Available: variable up to \$70,000 per project
To improve knowledge of, conserve and celebrate Aboriginal cultural heritage.

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To support conservation and activation of items on the State Heritage Register.

Community Heritage Grants - Funding Available: variable up to \$50,000 per project
Provides a range of grants including for community engagement projects to celebrate and participate in heritage.

Grants are available for individuals, groups, local government and organisations.

Do you want to know if you're eligible for a grant?

Go to www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/heritage/grants-and-funding
or contact the Heritage Grants Team on 9873 8577 or 131 555 (via the environment line).

A dedicated Champion Team has been put together to answer any questions, big or small.
Their details are in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Grants Guidelines available on the website.

Applications close at midday (12 noon) on Friday 8 February 2019



Field Force FACE-TO-FACE INTERVIEWER

ORIMA Research is Australia's leading provider of research services to the Australian public sector. We are currently expanding our face-to-face interviewing team around Australia and require motivated individuals able to work confidently within their local community, particularly with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander individuals.

While the position is casual, stand out performers will be employed on an ongoing ad hoc basis across a number of projects to be implemented within their local communities.

Role

- Casual positions available in capital cities, regional and remote areas across Australia
- Flexible hours
- Commencing immediately
- Pay rate of \$30.29 per hour (plus reimbursement of expenses) for training and briefing
- Pay rate per job will be allocated depending on the nature of the project, either an interview rate (\$35-\$50) or a per hour rate (\$30.29)

Responsibilities

- Undergo basic research process training, including face-to-face and telephone interviewing techniques
- Undergo training to effectively conduct interviews using a tablet and appropriate IT systems/software
- Recruit people from local communities with whom to conduct face-to-face interviews
- Effectively conduct face-to-face interviews, including with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders
- Provide administrative support for the face-to-face interviews conducted (receive, handle and dispatch interview material) if required
- Ensure quality control for each face-to-face interview (check that each interview meets quality requirements)
- Work closely with the project co-ordinator during the project
- Interact with the local community in a highly professional manner

Requirements*

- Prior experience preferable (but not essential as extensive training will be provided)
- Ability to work effectively and comfortably with members of the local community, particularly with Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander individuals
- Confident, organised, reliable and outstanding interpersonal and communication (written and oral) skills
- Able to meet deadlines and work independently or within a team.
- Self-motivated with a positive attitude

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

If you feel you meet these requirements, please apply by submitting an up to date resume as well as a cover letter addressing each of the five requirements listed above* to Damien Loizou Damien.Loizou@orima.com at ORIMA Research by **7 January 2019**. If you have any queries regarding this role, please call Damien on 03 9526 9000 or 1800 883 345.

ORIMA Research undertakes to treat your personal data in accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth).

ORIMA pays respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples past and present, their culture and traditions and acknowledges their continuing connection to land, sea and community.



Aboriginal Health Education Officer

Department: Western Sydney LHD

Classification: Aboriginal Health Worker

Location: Blacktown Mount Druitt Hospital

Employment Status: Temporary Full-Time

Enquiries: Belinda Cashman

Email: Belinda.Cashman@health.nsw.gov.au

Closing Date:
20 December 2018

Applications must be lodged electronically. Please go to healthnswgov.referrals.selectminds.com and search Job Reference Number REQ80199

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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
20/908	POZ MINERALS LIMITED	542452	129.67HA	22km SE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 34' S Long: 118° 4' E	CUE SHIRE
25/541-I	SERENDIPITY RESOURCES PTY LTD RIVERSGOLD (AUSTRALIA) PTY LTD	531685	68.41HA	59km NE'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 30° 59' S Long: 122° 9' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
30/491	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	541347	190.49HA	48km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 40' S Long: 120° 34' E	MENZIES SHIRE
30/491	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	541348	9.52HA	48km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 40' S Long: 120° 34' E	MENZIES SHIRE
30/491	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	541353	925.41HA	48km W'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 43' S Long: 120° 35' E	MENZIES SHIRE
77/2199-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543318	24.66HA	99km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 59' S Long: 119° 5' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2199-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543319	23.74HA	99km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 59' S Long: 119° 5' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2295-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543320	9.00HA	105km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 1' S Long: 119° 7' E	MENZIES SHIRE, YILGARN SHIRE
77/2298-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543321	71.14HA	104km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 58' S Long: 119° 7' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2298-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543322	83.39HA	104km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 56' S Long: 119° 6' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2298-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543323	167.75HA	104km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 29° 37' S Long: 119° 6' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2421-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543324	160.13HA	95km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 2' S Long: 119° 7' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2421-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543325	10.00HA	95km NW'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 2' S Long: 119° 7' E	YILGARN SHIRE
77/2422-I	MINING PROJECTS MANAGEMENT GROUP PTY LTD	543326	30.01HA	86km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 4' S Long: 119° 15' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of amalgamation applications which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals.

Notification day: 12 December 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 **12 March 2019**. 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. 12 April 2019**), 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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WATERNSW
MURRUMBIDGEE REGULATED RIVER
WATER SOURCE

An application for an amended USE approval has been received from **KEYES AG HOLDINGS PTY LTD** for additional irrigation on 1/710132 and 2/605744, Parish Uroly, County Boyd. Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 156, LEETON NSW 2705 or email to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A015740)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.
Tracie Scarfone, Acting Water Regulation Manager South.
BLZ156728

WATER NSW
LACHLAN FOLD BELT GROUNDWATER
SOURCE

An application for a NEW WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **TERRY McCONNELL & LORRAINE CATHERINE McCONNELL** for 1 NEW BORE (5 litres per second) on Lot 16 DP 753226 and LANDS TO BE IRRIGATED on Lots 11,12 & 13 DP 753226 Parish of Caloma, County of Gordon. Objections to the granting of the approval must be forwarded to WaterNSW, PO Box 1018, DUBBO NSW 2830 or customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A015724)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.
Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.
BLZ156559

WATERNSW
HUNTER REGULATED RIVER ALLUVIAL
WATER SOURCE

An application to amend a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL 20CA207903 (currently authorised for stock, domestic & irrigation purposes) has been received by **ROSEBROOK SAND AND GRAVEL PTY LTD** to add a 65 litres/sec capacity pump on Lot 12 DP 1027580 for the purpose of industrial.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to PO Box 2157 Dangar NSW 2309 or email to customer.helpdesk@waternsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection. (A015677)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.
Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.
BLZ155881



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	20/947	SAW, Hong - Jim	3BL	38km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 6' S Long: 118° 1' E	CUE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	28/2753	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	122BL	146km E'ly of Kambalda	Lat: 31° 9' S Long: 123° 12' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2756	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	38BL	168km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 47' S Long: 123° 29' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	28/2758	FMG RESOURCES PTY LTD	6BL	171km W'ly of Rawlinna	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 123° 27' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	29/1028	KALGOORLIE NICKEL PTY LTD	5BL	46km S'ly of Menzies	Lat: 30° 4' S Long: 121° 13' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/1034	CLEAN POWER RESOURCES PTY LTD	70BL	61km W'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 42' S Long: 120° 44' E	LEONORA SHIRE, MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	29/1045	KALGOORLIE NICKEL PTY LTD	14BL	16km SE'ly of Menzies	Lat: 29° 48' S Long: 121° 7' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Exploration Licence	37/1356	NTM GOLD LIMITED	36BL	63km NE'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 22' S Long: 121° 37' E	LAVERTON SHIRE, LEONORA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5210	LMTD PILBARA PTY LTD	37BL	82km NE'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 27' S Long: 120° 45' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5329	GRANT'S HILL GOLD PTY LTD	50BL	76km E'ly of Marble Bar	Lat: 21° 13' S Long: 120° 28' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	45/5332	PILBARA MINERALS LIMITED	3BL	79km SE'ly of Port Hedland	Lat: 20° 57' S Long: 118° 54' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	46/1285	FIRST AU LIMITED	5BL	27km NW'ly of Nullagine	Lat: 21° 43' S Long: 119° 55' E	EAST PILBARA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	51/1906	BLACK RAVEN MINING PTY LTD	70BL	63km W'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 23' S Long: 117° 54' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Exploration Licence	57/1103	VENUS METALS CORPORATION LIMITED	37BL	68km S'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 34' S Long: 119° 5' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	69/3531	GRIFFIN, Adrian Christopher	8BL	152km NE'ly of Cocklebidy	Lat: 30° 56' S Long: 127° 2' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Exploration Licence	70/5161	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	15BL	19km W'ly of Northampton	Lat: 28° 22' S Long: 114° 26' E	NORTHAMPTON SHIRE
Exploration Licence	70/5199	INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE SERVICES PTY LTD	9BL	18km SW'ly of Mullewa	Lat: 28° 36' S Long: 115° 20' E	GERALDTON CITY
Exploration Licence	70/5221	GIANNI, Peter Romeo	19BL	22km SE'ly of Dongara	Lat: 29° 22' S Long: 115° 6' E	IRWIN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	74/639	ACH MINERALS PTY LTD	8BL	11km SE'ly of Ravensthorpe	Lat: 33° 38' S Long: 120° 9' E	RAVENSTHORPE SHIRE
Exploration Licence	77/2560	ABROSSIMOV, Andrei Valerievich	1BL	57km NE'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 22' S Long: 119° 49' E	YILGARN SHIRE
Exploration Licence	80/5285	BUXTON RESOURCES LTD	14BL	145km SW'ly of Kununurra	Lat: 16° 56' S Long: 128° 7' E	WYNDHAM-EAST KIMBERLEY SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6102	FOCUS OPERATIONS PTY LTD	124.10HA	6km S'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 0' S Long: 121° 8' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6176-8	FOCUS MINERALS LTD	539.32HA	18km SW'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 31° 4' S Long: 121° 2' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6332	FOCUS OPERATIONS PTY LTD	4.55HA	1km S'ly of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 121° 10' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	15/6333	FOCUS OPERATIONS PTY LTD	6.36HA	2km S'Ely of Coolgardie	Lat: 30° 57' S Long: 121° 10' E	COOLGARDIE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	25/2547 & 25/2549-50	TASEX GEOLOGICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	496.87HA	18km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 42' S Long: 121° 38' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	25/2563-6	MINERAL & GOLD RESOURCES OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	607.97HA	37km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 45' S Long: 121° 51' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	26/4306	BELLAMEL MINING PTY LTD	142.33HA	12km S'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 51' S Long: 121° 26' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2359-60 & 27/2363-4	ZINFANDEL EXPLORATION PTY LTD	688.31HA	34km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 27' S Long: 121° 36' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	27/2391	EVOLUTION MINING (MUNGARI) PTY LTD	165.57HA	15km N'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 37' S Long: 121° 31' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Prospecting Licence	37/9204-6	MAGNETIC RESOURCES NL	484.44HA	17km E'ly of Leonora	Lat: 28° 53' S Long: 121° 30' E	LEONORA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	39/5880	MONUMENT EXPLORATION PTY LTD	121.30HA	40km SW'ly of Laverton	Lat: 28° 50' S Long: 122° 4' E	LAVERTON SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	40/1484-S	CHITTLEBOROUGH, Graham John	9.40HA	41km S'ly of Leonora	Lat: 29° 13' S Long: 121° 28' E	MENZIES SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3087	LEAHY, MURRAY IAN	88.35HA	57km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 27° 6' S Long: 118° 35' E	CUE SHIRE, MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	51/3091	WILLIAMS, John Dennis	64.31HA	28km S'ly of Meekatharra	Lat: 26° 50' S Long: 118° 26' E	MEEKATHARRA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1442	SANDSTONE OPERATIONS PTY LTD	52.10HA	18km SW'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 28° 5' S Long: 119° 9' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1455-6	GATEWAY MINING LIMITED	380.78HA	85km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 14' S Long: 119° 28' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE, WILUNA SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1457	GATEWAY MINING LIMITED	6.15HA	72km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 21' S Long: 119° 26' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1458 & 57/1460	GATEWAY MINING LIMITED	333.26HA	68km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 23' S Long: 119° 26' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1459	GATEWAY MINING LIMITED	20.92HA	65km N'ly of Sandstone	Lat: 27° 24' S Long: 119° 27' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	57/1461	GATEWAY MINING LIMITED	40.67HA	72km N'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 21' S Long: 119° 26' E	SANDSTONE SHIRE
Prospecting Licence	77/4510	MALATESTA, Nathan Kim	190.49HA	81km N'ly of Koolyanobbing	Lat: 30° 6' S Long: 119° 16' E	YILGARN SHIRE

Nature of the act: Grant of prospecting licences which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term of 4 years from date of grant. Grant of Special Prospecting Licences, which authorises the applicant to prospect for minerals for a term up to 4 years from the date of grant. Grant of exploration licences, which authorises the applicant to explore for minerals for a term of 5 years from the date of grant.

Notification day: 12 December 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 **12 March 2019**. 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. 12 April 2019**), 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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NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

Lower Murrumbidgee Groundwater Sources 2003

Lower Murrumbidgee Deep Groundwater Source

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **WATER ADMINISTRATION MINISTERIAL CORPORATION** for 1 new bore (Industrial) to be located on Lot 7 DP 761149, Parish of Pollen, County of Caira (Ref: A015077). Objections to the granting of approval(s) must be registered in writing to Natural Resources Access Regulator, Suite 5b, Albury NSW 2640 within 28 days of the date of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and must specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries please call 0449 149 535, Callum Lanagan-Jonas, Compliance Officer.

BLZ155981

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

PATERSON REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an amended WATER SUPPLY WORK AND WATER USE APPROVAL has been received from **COAL & ALLIED PTY LTD** for a pump upgrade (2 new pumps with total capacity 200 l/s on Lot 10 DP 740183, Parish of Ravensworth, County of Durham for the purpose of mining. (A015672)

Objections to the amendment of this approval must be registered in writing to Natural Resources Access Regulator, PO Box 2213, DANGAR NSW 2309, within 28 days of this publication. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of the objection. Any queries should be directed to (02) 9842 8743, Estelle Avery, Senior Water Regulation Officer.

BLZ155996

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

Beardy River Water Source

An application for proposed WATER SUPPLY WORKS has been received from **TARONGA MINES PTY LTD** for 2 earth fill dams on Lot 2 DP 1008294, Parish of Strathbogie North, County of Gough (Ref: A014870).

Objections to the granting of the approval must be registered in writing to Natural Resources Access Regulator, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name, address and specification of the grounds of the objection. Any queries please call (02) 6841 7423, Alister Middleton, Water Regulation Officer.

BLZ156164

WATERSNSW GUNNEDAH OXLEY BASIN MDB GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a new WATER SUPPLY WORKS has been received from **GUNNEDAH QUARRY PRODUCTS PTY LTD** for one bore on Lot 22 DP1216060, Parish of Melville, County of Pottinger. (A15651)

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 1251, Tamworth NSW 2340 or email to customer.helpdesk@watersnw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name, address and specify the grounds of objection.

Any queries please phone 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

BLZ156053

WATERSNSW UPPER HUNTER RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application to amend a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL 20CA210091 has been received from **MAXWELL JAMES and PAULA RUTH HAYNE** to add a parcel of land, Lot 212 DP 1154848 to his existing approval for Irrigation purposes.

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to PO Box 2157 Dangar NSW 2309 or email to customer.helpdesk@watersnw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of the objection. (A015491)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

BLZ156025

WATERSNSW

An application for a **USE APPROVAL** has been received from **PAUL GERARD O'SULLIVAN and PHYLLIS MARY O'SULLIVAN** for irrigation of 53 hectares (tea trees) Lot 222 DP755742, Parish of Tomki, County of Rous (entitlement is to be purchased and extraction will be via existing approved works). 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@watersnw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A015515)

Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above.

Tracey Lawson, Manager Water Regulation North.

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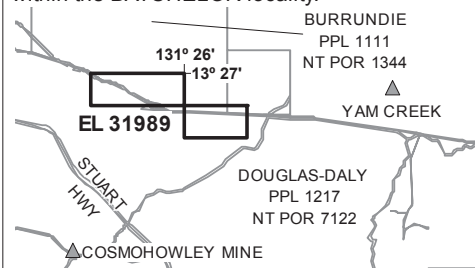
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

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.

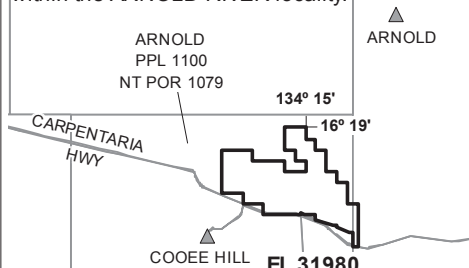
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 31989 sought by NT MINING OPERATIONS PTY LTD, ACN 136 525 990 over an area of 5 Blocks (17 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the BATCHELOR locality.



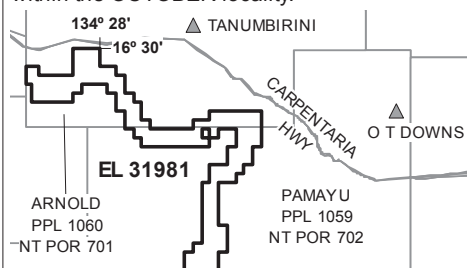
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Exploration Licence 31980 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 68 Blocks (218 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ARNOLD RIVER locality.



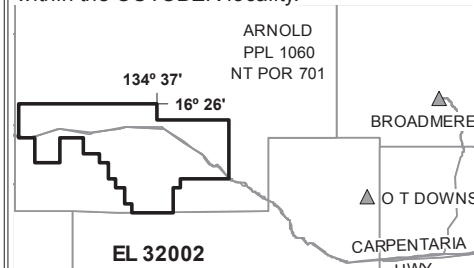
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Exploration Licence 31981 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 129 Blocks (422 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OCTOBER locality.



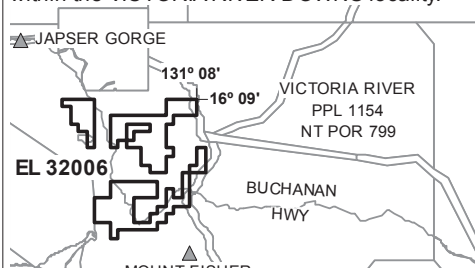
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Exploration Licence 32002 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 202 Blocks (666 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OCTOBER locality.



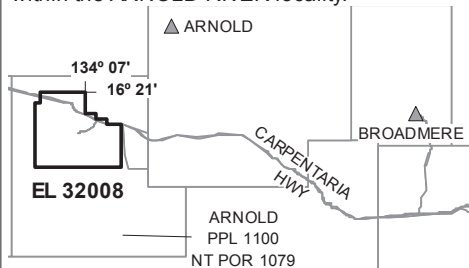
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Exploration Licence 32006 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 104 Blocks (343 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the VICTORIA RIVER DOWNS locality.



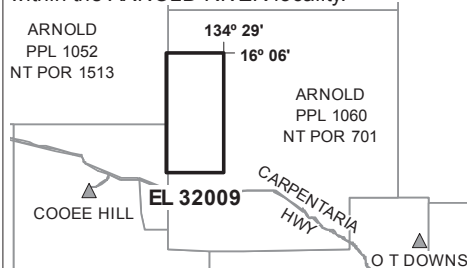
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Exploration Licence 32008 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 200 Blocks (660 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ARNOLD RIVER locality.



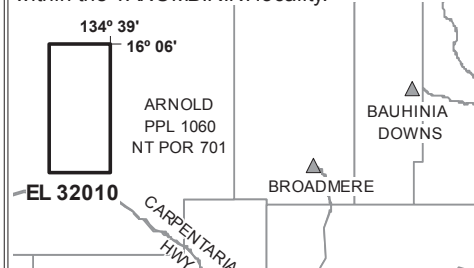
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Exploration Licence 32009 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 200 Blocks (660 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ARNOLD RIVER locality.



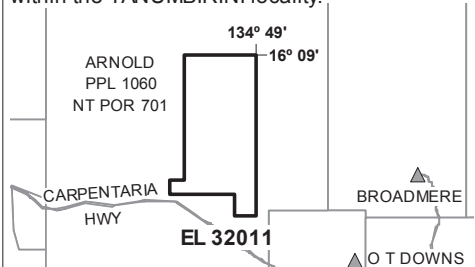
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Exploration Licence 32010 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 200 Blocks (660 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TANUMBIRINI locality.



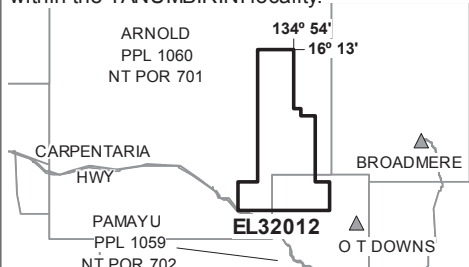
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Exploration Licence 32011 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 203 Blocks (670 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TANUMBIRINI locality.



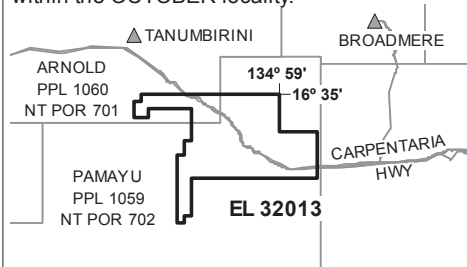
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Exploration Licence 32012 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 170 Blocks (561 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the TANUMBIRINI locality.



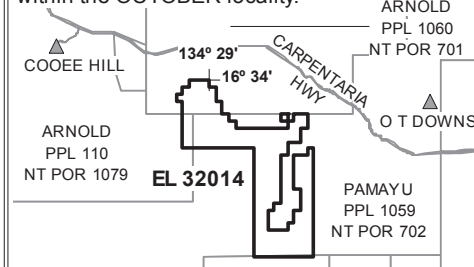
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Exploration Licence 32013 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 198 Blocks (652 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OCTOBER locality.



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Exploration Licence 32014 sought by PENNANT RESOURCES PTY LTD, ACN 150 501 492 over an area of 209 Blocks (688 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the OCTOBER locality.



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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 Centrepont 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.

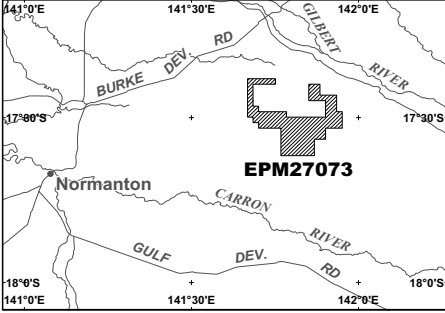
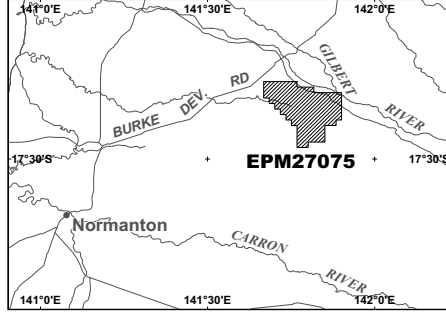
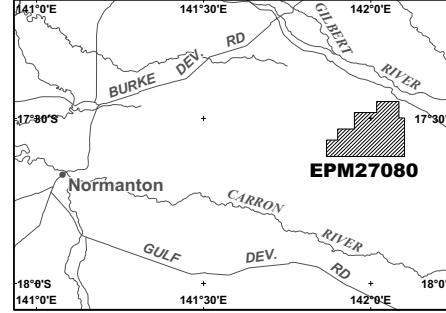
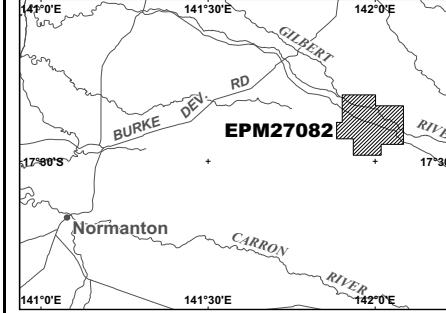
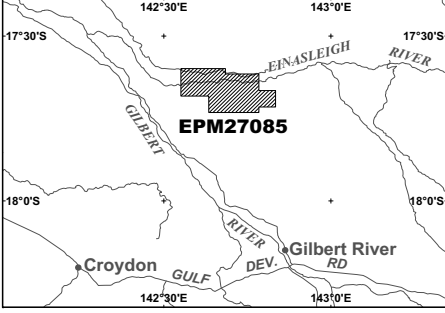
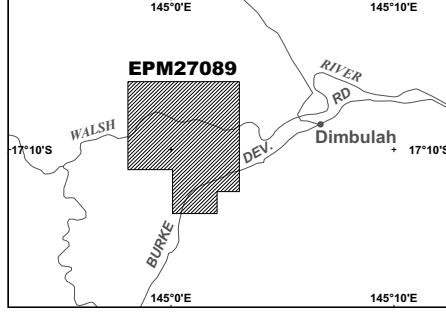
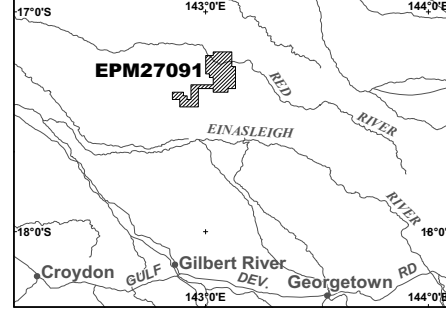
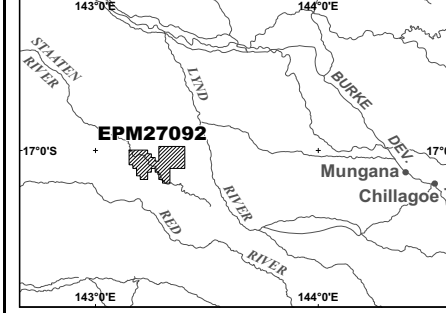
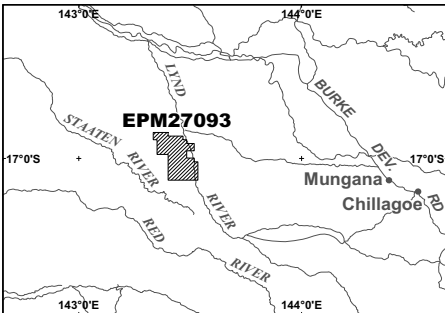
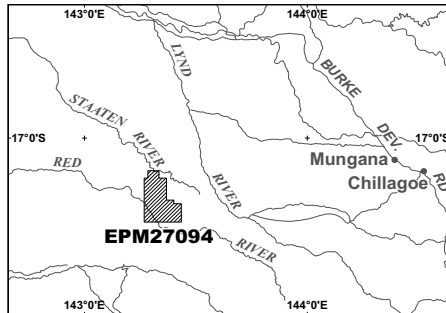
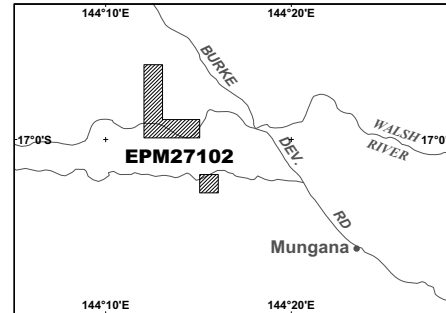
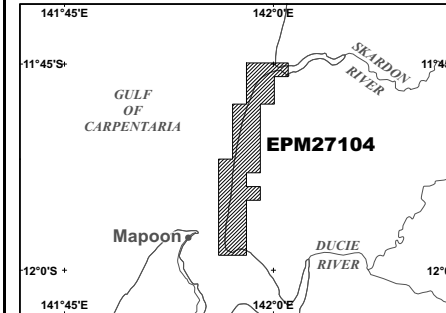
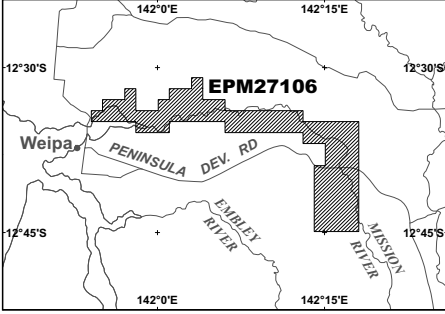
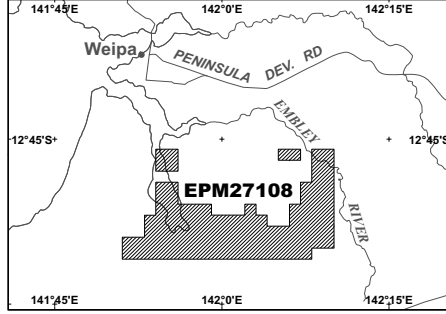
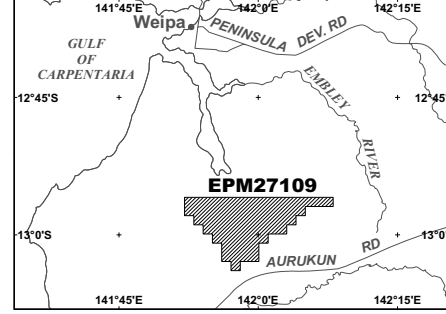
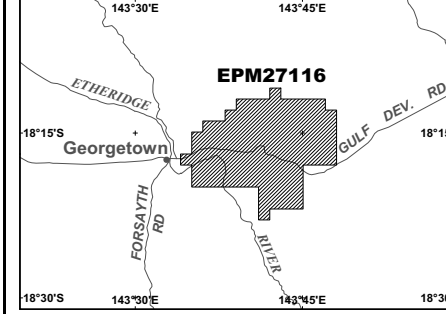
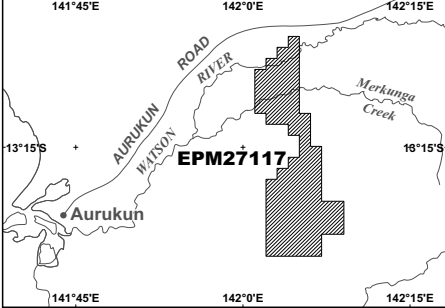
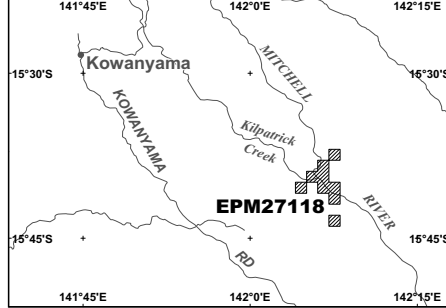
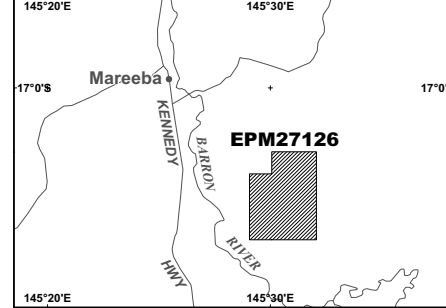
Expedited Procedure: The Northern Territory Government considers that the acts are acts attracting the expedited procedure as defined in section 237 of the *Native Title Act*. The exploration licences referred to in this notice may be granted unless an objection is made by a native title party to the 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: 12 December 2018

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION PERMITS FOR MINERALS

NATIVE TITLE ACT 1993 (CTH) SECTION 29

The Queensland Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, PO Box 15216, City East, Queensland, 4002, hereby gives notice in accordance with section 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of the proposed grants of Exploration Permits for Minerals as shown below under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld).

<p>Exploration Permit 27073 sought by Yappar Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 925, over an area of 99 sub-blocks (323 km²), centred approximately 80 km East North East of Normanton, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council and Croydon Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27075 sought by Yappar Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 925, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (327 km²), centred approximately 83 km North East of Normanton, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council and Croydon Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27080 sought by Yappar Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 925, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (327 km²), centred approximately 100 km East of Normanton, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council and Croydon Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27082 sought by Yappar Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 925, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (327 km²), centred approximately 100 km East North East of Normanton, in the localities of the Carpentaria Shire Council and Croydon Shire Council.</p> 
<p>Exploration Permit 27085 sought by Lynd Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 498, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (326 km²), centred approximately 56 km North North West of Gilbert River, in the localities of the Etheridge Shire Council and Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27089 sought by Mother Lode Pty Ltd, ACN 617 796 111, over an area of 25 sub-blocks (82 km²), centred approximately 10 km West of Dimbulah, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27091 sought by Lynd Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 498, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (326 km²), centred approximately 95 km North of Gilbert River, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27092 sought by Lynd Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 498, over an area of 96 sub-blocks (314 km²), centred approximately 115 km West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 
<p>Exploration Permit 27093 sought by Lynd Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 498, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (327 km²), centred approximately 105km West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27094 sought by Lynd Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 610 450 498, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (327 km²), centred approximately 110km West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27102 sought by Bacchus Resources Pty Ltd, ACN 606 340 872, over an area of 7 sub-blocks (23 km²), centred approximately 20km North West of Mungana, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27104 sought by RTA Weipa Pty Ltd, ACN 137 266 285, over an area of 31 sub-blocks (104 km²), centred approximately 13km North East of Mapoon, in the locality of the Cook Shire Council.</p> 
<p>Exploration Permit 27106 sought by AMMM Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 629 712 974, over an area of 83 sub-blocks (277 km²), centred approximately 25 km East of Weipa, in the localities of the Aurukun Shire Council, Cook Shire Council and Napranum Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27108 sought by AMMM Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 629 712 974, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (334 km²), centred approximately 30 km South East of Weipa, in the localities of the Aurukun Shire Council, Cook Shire Council and Napranum Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27109 sought by AMMM Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 629 712 974, over an area of 64 sub-blocks (213 km²), centred approximately 42 km South East of Weipa, in the localities of the Aurukun Shire Council and Cook Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27116 sought by AMMM Gold Pty Ltd, ACN 629 712 956, over an area of 100 sub-blocks (325 km²), centred approximately 15 km East of Georgetown, in the locality of the Etheridge Shire Council.</p> 
<p>Exploration Permit 27117 sought by AMMM Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 629 712 974, over an area of 79 sub-blocks (263 km²), centred approximately 38 km East North East of Aurukun, in the localities of the Aurukun Shire Council and Cook Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27118 sought by AMMM Bauxite Pty Ltd, ACN 629 712 974, over an area of 9 sub-blocks (30 km²), centred approximately 44 km South East of Kowanyama, in the locality of the Carpentaria Shire Council.</p> 	<p>Exploration Permit 27126 sought by Francis William Collins, over an area of 11 sub-blocks (36 km²), centred approximately 13 km South East of Mareeba, in the locality of the Mareeba Shire Council.</p> 	

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 5, June 2018.

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 grant may be obtained from Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy, Mineral Assessment Hub, Level 9 Verde Tower, 445 Flinders Street, Townsville, Queensland, 4810. Telephone: (07) 4447 9230.

Notification Day: 02 January 2019

WATERNSW

MURRUMBIDGEE REGULATED RIVER WATER SOURCE

An application for an existing WATER SUPPLY WORKS approval has been received from **MARK ANTHONY GORDON and JODI ANN GORDON** for a 65mm centrifugal pump on Yanco Creek, 104//1174046, Parish Yarrabee, County Mitchell for domestic and stock purposes. Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 156, LEETON NSW 2705 or email to customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address and specify the grounds of objection. (A013265) Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above. Tracie Scarfone, Acting Water Regulation Manager South.

BLZ156079

WATER NSW

LOWER MURRAY GROUNDWATER SOURCE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS APPROVAL has been received from: **MR NEVILLE KYDD AND MRS IDA KYDD** for a bore on Lot 2 DP 834708, Parish Wollamai, County Townsend for Irrigation purposes. Objections to granting of this Approval must be registered in writing to Water NSW, PO Box 453, Deniliquin NSW 2710 or email to customer.helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au within 28 days of the date of this notice.

The objection must include your name, address and specify the grounds of objection. (A015599) Any queries please call 1300 662 077 or email the above. Tracie Scarfone, Acting Manager Water Regulation South.

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WATERNSW

HAWKESBURY AND LOWER NEPEAN RIVERS WATER SOURCE

THERESA PARK WEIR MANAGEMENT ZONE

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **MEHMET MEHMET and TRACEY JANE MEHMET** for a 50 mm pump on Lot 1 DP259716, Parish of Cook, County Cumberland for irrigation purposes. (A015793)

Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or Customer.Helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. Any queries should be directed to 1300 662 077 or the above email. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

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Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of South Australia

Notification day: 26 December 2018



National
Native Title
Tribunal

This is an application by a native title claim group which is asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that the group holds native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 5, Roma Mitchell Commonwealth Law Courts Building, 3 Angas Street, Adelaide, SA, 5000 **on or before 25 March 2019**. After **25 March 2019**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Walka Wani Oodnadatta #2

Federal Court File No: SAD220/2018

Date filed: 14 September 2018

Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has **not accepted** this application for registration. Although this application has not been registered, the Federal Court may still refer the application for mediation and/or make a determination in relation to it.

Description: The application area is about 124 sq km and is generally located within 12 km of the township of Oodnadatta.

Link to map: <https://bit.ly/2Nir9uV>

Relevant LGA: Pastoral Unincorporated Area

For assistance and further information about this application, call Dianne Drake on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

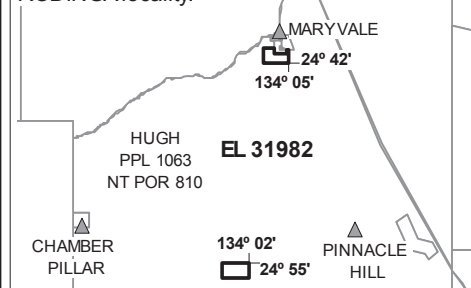
NOTICE OF PROPOSED GRANT OF EXPLORATION LICENCES

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.

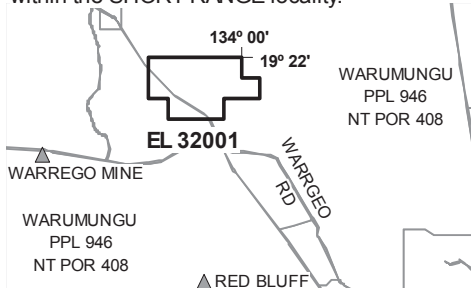
Applications to which this notice applies:

Exploration Licence 31982 sought by CHANDLER PT PTY LTD, ACN 627 920 370 over an area of 4 Blocks (12 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the RODINGA locality.



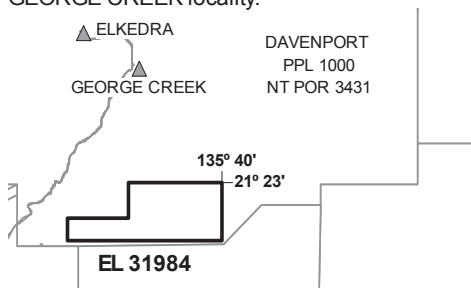
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Exploration Licence 32001 sought by EVOLUTION TENNANT CREEK PTY LTD, ACN 169 920 745 over an area of 14 Blocks (46 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SHORT RANGE locality.



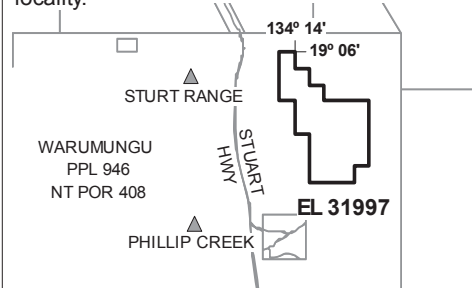
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Exploration Licence 31984 sought by MAGNET EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 623 568 918 over an area of 57 Blocks (183 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the GEORGE CREEK locality.



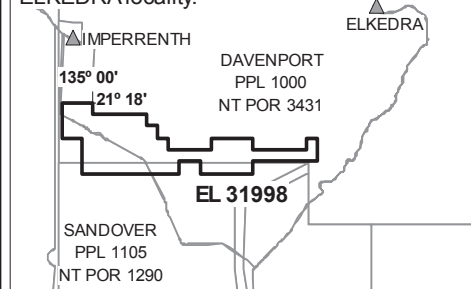
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Exploration Licence 31997 sought by MAGNET EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 623 568 918 over an area of 27 Blocks (88 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the FLYNN locality.



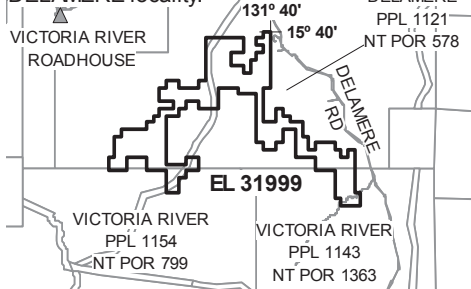
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Exploration Licence 31998 sought by MAGNET EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 623 568 918 over an area of 69 Blocks (221 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the ELKEDRA locality.



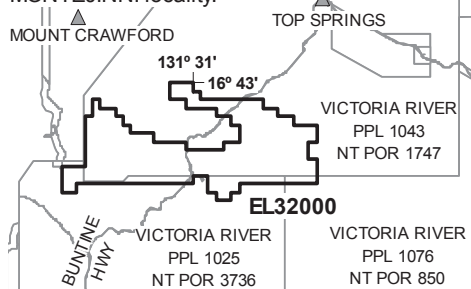
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Exploration Licence 31999 sought by MAGNET EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 623 568 918 over an area of 221 Blocks (731 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the DELAMERE locality.



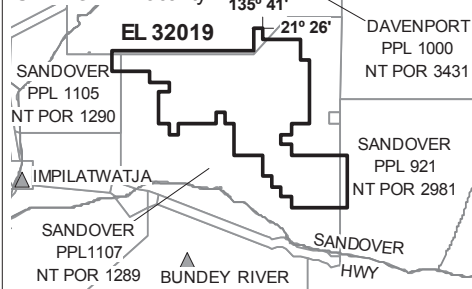
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Exploration Licence 32000 sought by MAGNET EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 623 568 918 over an area of 232 Blocks (763 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the MONTEJINNI locality.



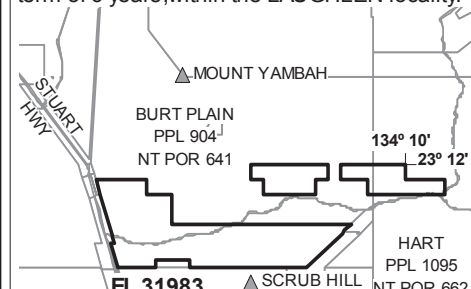
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Exploration Licence 32019 sought by MAGNET EXPLORATION PTY LTD, ACN 623 568 918 over an area of 183 Blocks (585 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the SANDOVER locality.



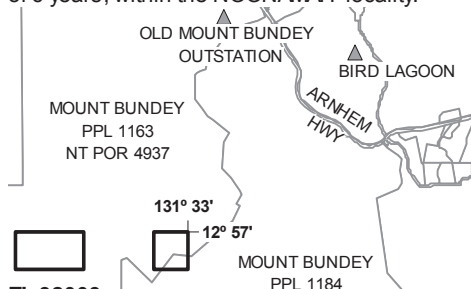
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Exploration Licence 31983 sought by PAUL RICHARD MATSON., over an area of 91 Blocks (265 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the LAUGHLEN locality.



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Exploration Licence 32003 sought by PRIMARY MINERALS NL, ACN 153 582 962 over an area of 3 Blocks (11 km²) depicted below for a term of 6 years, within the NOONAMAH locality.



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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 Centrepont 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: 12 December 2018

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Queensland

Notification day: 26 December 2018

This is an application by a native title claim group which is asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that the group holds native title in the area described below.

A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, PO Box 13084, George Street, Brisbane QLD 4003 on or before 25 March 2019. After 25 March 2019, the Federal Court’s permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Waanyi People #2
Federal Court File No: QUD747/2018
Date filed: 17 October 2018
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration.
Description: The application area consists of two parts with a total combined area of about 442 sq km approximately 19 km north west of Doomadgee in the vicinities of Nicholson River and Cliffdale Creek.
Link to map: <https://bit.ly/2OIIVhh>
Relevant LGA: Burke Shire Council and Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council.

For assistance and further information about this application, call Maree Otto on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

Notice of an application for determination of native title in the state of Western Australia

Notification day: 26 December 2018

This is an application by a native title claim group which is asking the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) to determine that the group holds native title in the area described below.


A person who wants to become a party to this application must write to the Registrar of the Federal Court, GPO Box A30, Perth, WA, 6837 on or before 25 March 2019. After 25 March 2019, the Federal Court’s permission to become a party is required.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area. If a person with native title rights and interests does not become a party to this application, there may be no other opportunity for the Federal Court, in making its determination, to take into account those native title rights and interests in relation to the area concerned.



Application name: Dennis Forrest & Ors on behalf of the Nangaanya-ku native title claim group and State of Western Australia (Nangaanya-ku)
Federal Court File No: WAD460/2018
Date filed: 9 October 2018
Registration test status: The Native Title Registrar has *accepted* this application for registration
Description: The application area covers about 48,697 sq km approximately 90 km east of Laverton
Link to map: <https://bit.ly/2PCOM33>
Relevant LGA: Shire of Laverton and Shire of Menzies

For assistance and further information about this application, call Allan Palmer on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.



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	20/547	WESTERN MINING PTY LTD	26.40HA	6km NE'ly of Cue	Lat: 27° 24' S Long: 117° 55' E	CUE SHIRE
Mining Lease	24/980	EVOLUTION MINING (PHOENIX) PTY LIMITED	7.36HA	67km NW'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 18' S Long: 120° 59' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	27/501	BRIMSTONE RESOURCES LTD	71.30HA	48km NE'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 30' S Long: 121° 52' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/392	KALNORTH GOLD MINES LIMITED	15.33HA	74km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 31' S Long: 122° 11' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/393	KALNORTH GOLD MINES LIMITED	192.01HA	79km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 33' S Long: 122° 15' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	28/394	KALNORTH GOLD MINES LIMITED	199.39HA	76km E'ly of Kalgoorlie	Lat: 30° 29' S Long: 122° 12' E	KALGOORLIE-BOULDER CITY
Mining Lease	70/1384	GREAT SOUTHERN GYPSUM LIMITED	436.32HA	11km W'ly of Lake Grace	Lat: 33° 8' S Long: 118° 21' E	LAKE GRACE 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: 12 December 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 **12 March 2019**. 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. 12 April 2019**), 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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Canberra Capitals celebrate culture



THE University of Canberra Capitals have announced that Round 10 of the WNBL Season will be the club’s inaugural Indigenous Round.

On Sunday, December 16, the UC Capitals will wear an Indigenous uniform based on the University of Canberra’s Indigenous design treatment developed earlier this year from a collaboration with the UC Office of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Leadership and Strategy and Aboriginal artists.

The decision comes from the UC Capitals efforts to align with its major partner, the University of Canberra, in terms of their commitment to leading Australia’s Universities in equity, diversity, inclusion and access.

As part of this commitment, the University of Canberra will contribute – through education, research, and other activities – to the advancement of reconciliation, and to the building of just, prosperous and sustainable communities which are respectful of our local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander heritage.

Director of Sport and former UC Capitals coach, Carrie Graf, said that this is an important step in using the Capitals platform as a sporting club to recognise and highlight past and present Indigenous athletes.

“Like all former UC Capitals athletes, this group have a real sense of the platform that they play on and the privilege it is to represent Canberra on a national stage through sport. They can use that platform to speak about issues that are



important to them, the club and the University,” said Graf.

With two Indigenous players currently representing the Capitals, Leilani Mitchell and Abby Cubillo, the UC Capitals are endeavouring to acknowledge and celebrate the Indigenous contribution to the club, the WNBL and basketball more broadly.

Mitchell said that she has always been in touch with her roots despite being born and raised in the US, recalling that her mother always had Indigenous artwork and symbols in their home.

“As professional athletes, we are role models and people of all genders and races look up to us. It’s not just about putting on the jersey for show – we’re actually getting out to the community which I think is very important,” said Mitchell.

As well as the team wearing Indigenous-designed uniforms, the UC Capitals will endeavour to engage the local Indigenous community through activations such as a jersey auction in which all proceeds will be given to an Indigenous NGO as well as a skills clinic with an Indigenous basketball team.

NATURAL RESOURCES ACCESS REGULATOR

Orange Basalt Groundwater Source

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORK APPROVAL has been received from **HealthShare Linen Services Orange** for a new bore on Lot 151 DP 750401, Parish of Orange, County of Bathurst for industrial purposes (Ref: A015521). Objections to the granting of the approval must be registered in writing to Natural Resources Access Regulator, PO Box 717, DUBBO NSW 2830 within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name, address and specification of the grounds of the objection. Any queries please call (02) 6841 7408, Owen Meng, Water Regulation Officer.

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SYDNEY BASIN NEPEAN GROUNDWATER SOURCE (Management Zone 1)

An application for a WATER SUPPLY WORKS AND USE APPROVAL has been received from **EDWARDS PENSION FUND PTY LTD and PAUL D EDWARDS PTY LIMITED** for two (2) bores on Lot 1 DP867173, Parish of Murrumbidgee, County of Camden for irrigation on both Lot 1 DP867173 and Lot 152 DP 751284. Objections to the granting of this approval must be registered in writing to WaterNSW, PO Box 398, Parramatta NSW 2124 or Customer.Helpdesk@watersnsw.com.au within 28 days of this notice. The objection must include your name and address to specify the grounds of objection. (A015826)
Any queries should be directed to 1300 662 077 or the above email. Salim Vhora, Manager Dealings, Verification and Water Regulation Coastal.

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All-Stars jerseys revealed



Laura Pitt, Indigenous men's jersey designer, Cody Walker, KARI representative Cain Slater, Caitlan Moran, and Elenore Binge, designer of the Indigenous women's jerseys.



Indigenous women's player representative Caitlin Moran
Maori Kiwis women's player Raecene McGregor.



Indigenous men's player Cody Walker with Maori Kiwis men's player Elijah Taylor.



THE NRL Harvey Norman All-Stars men's and women's jerseys have been revealed, with four unique designs emblazoned across each jersey.

Cody Walker and Caitlin Moran joined Elijah Taylor and Raecene McGregor to reveal the jerseys, which will proudly be displayed when the teams take to the field on 15 February at AAMI Park in Melbourne.

NRL Senior Manager of Indigenous Strategy, Mark Deweerd said the jerseys had been meticulously designed by

artists from local communities in Australia and New Zealand.

"The All Stars matches provide a fantastic opportunity to learn about and celebrate cultures amongst Indigenous and non-Indigenous players and fans," Mr Deweerd said.

Striking designs

"Each of the artists has delivered striking designs and I know that every player wearing one of the four jerseys will do so with pride, knowing they are representing their family and heritage."

The 2019 Indigenous All Stars men's and women's

jerseys are sponsored by the KARI Foundation, an Aboriginal run organisation delivering programs and initiatives to build strength in Aboriginal community, families and services.

KARI Chief Executive, Casey Ralph said it was clear that an incredible amount of time and effort had gone into the designs of all four jerseys and was proud to be a partner of the Indigenous jerseys.

The NRL Harvey Norman All-Stars matches will be played on Friday 15 February at AAMI Park in Melbourne. To purchase tickets, head to www.nrl.com/tickets

Notice of non-claimant applications for determination of native title in the state of New South Wales

Notification day: 26 December 2018

These applications are 'non-claimant' applications, being applications made by persons to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) who are not claiming native title themselves but are seeking a determination that native title does not exist in relation to the area described. The applicants have a non-native title interest in the area, set out in their application(s) as described in the notices below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (the Act) there can be only one determination of native title for a particular area.

PLEASE NOTE: A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in any of these areas may wish to file a native title claimant application prior to 25 March 2019. Unless there is a relevant native title claim (as defined in section 24FE of the Act) over the area on or before **25 March 2019**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**. The Tribunal may be able to assist people wishing to make a relevant native title claim.

A person who claims native title rights and interests may also seek to become a party to the non-claimant application in order for those rights and interests to be taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Other than filing a native title claim in response to the non-claimant application, this may represent the only opportunity to have those rights and interests in relation to the area considered. Any person who wants to become a party to any of these non-claimant applications must write to the **Registrar of the Federal Court, Level 17 Law Courts Building, Queens Square, Sydney NSW 2000 on or before 25 March 2019**. After **25 March 2019**, the Federal Court's permission to become a party is required.



Applicant's name: Gateway Lifestyle Investments Holdings Pty Limited

Federal Court File No: NSD1912/2018

Non-native title interest: Licence No. RI592692 for the purpose of Site Investigation.

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area consists of four parts and is described as Lots 238, 247, 248 and 251 in DP 753204 and Part Lot 7325 in DP 1156724, having a combined area of about 0.45 hectares located in the vicinity of Anna Bay.

Link to map: <https://bit.ly/2yAXKqZ>

Relevant LGA: Port Stephens Council



Applicant's name: Matthew Charles Allen and Fiona Joy Fulton-Allen

Federal Court File No: NSD1954/2018

Non-native title interest: Licence No. 522278 for the purpose of Access.

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area covers 2281 sq m and is described as Lot 104 in DP1040981 located south of Khandallah Road, 204 m east of Princes Highway and 418 m north west of the Towamba River in Kiah, NSW.

Link to map: <https://bit.ly/2Prn7p9>

Relevant LGA: Bega Valley Shire Council



Applicant's name: Worimi Local Aboriginal Land Council

Federal Court File No: NSD1970/2018

Non-native title interest: The applicant is the holder of an estate in fee simple pursuant to s 36(9) of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* (NSW).

Order sought by Applicant: The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist.

Description: The application area covers approx. 0.6 sq km and is described as Lot 227 in DP1097995 located approx. 3 km south east of Williamstown abutting the Worimi State Conservation Area.

Link to map: <https://bit.ly/2RzVEie>

Relevant LGA: Port Stephens Council

For assistance and further information about these applications, call Sylvia Jagtman on freecall 1800 640 501 or visit www.nntt.gov.au.

Back to back medals for Barty

By PETER ARGENT



ON Monday night, November 26 the Australia tennis community came together to celebrate the Newcombe Medal, the national Tennis Awards at Crown Palladium in Melbourne.

Indigenous women's champion Ashleigh Barty (Qld) and Alex de Minaur (NSW) were announced as joint winners of this prestigious Medal for 2018.

In what has been a stellar year for Australian tennis, Barty secured her second consecutive Newcombe Medal.

Barty is still in the early stages of her blossoming career, although she turned professional in her early teens back in 2010.

She is currently the top-ranked Australian in both women's singles and doubles.

Barty and De Minaur shared Australian tennis' highest honour, had their medals presented by tennis legend, winner of 25 Grand Slam titles and a stellar Davis Cup career, John Newcombe, at this

annual awards ceremony.

For Barty, it was another outstanding year on the international circuit, which saw her achieve career high rankings in both singles and doubles.

The 22-year-old is currently one of only two women ranked inside the world's top 20 in both disciplines.

Barty won her first Grand Slam at the US Open in doubles and finished the year on a high, winning the Women's Tennis Association (WTA) Elite Trophy Final in singles in Zhuhai.

Barty has won three singles titles and nine doubles titles on the WTA Tour, including her biggest win, this year's US Open doubles with partner CoCo Vandeweghe.

Barty heaped praise on her coach Craig Tyzzer for her performances

"It's been another phenomenal year, in particular led by Tyz (Craig Tyzzer), my coach," Barty said.

"He's the most phenomenal person.

"And he's not only improved my game on the court but he's



Ashleigh Barty with her second Newcombe medal.

helped me become a better person.

"And I really wouldn't be able to do that without his support.

"We've had some amazing additions to my team this year, and every single person sitting at my table has influenced me in different ways throughout my life

and career.

"It truly is amazing to be standing up here again.

"I'm very grateful and very thankful to be in the position to be able to play the sport that I love, to do this as a job and to enjoy every single moment.

Barty also complimented the

person she shared the Newcombe Medal with.

"Alex has had one of the most incredible years I've ever seen. He thoroughly deserves the award as well. "What he's been able to achieve this year has put tennis in a very good place on the men's side.

"Maybe we will play doubles one day."

Behind the legendary Evonne Goolagong-Cawley, Barty is comfortably the second best indigenous tennis player in this country's history.

Over the next decade Barty has the opportunity to rival Goolagong-Cawley as the best player in the history of women's Australian tennis.

We will be watching the ride with much anticipation!

It also must be remembered that Barty is a dual professional sportswoman, having played a season of Women's Big Bash Cricket and Women's National Cricket League for the Brisbane Heat and the Queensland Fire.

Barty will be ranked at Number 15 for the 2019 Australian Open in Melbourne during January.

Skipjacks to take on Cherbourg in new year

By ALF WILSON



SKIPJACKS club players from Palm Island will travel to Cherbourg for a rugby league match between the two Aboriginal communities on January 12.

Palm Island celebrated its 100th year birthday this year and rugby league is the major sport on the north Queensland Aboriginal Shire.

The Skipjacks Club is one of the oldest on Palm Island and was formed more than 80 years ago.

The match was scheduled for December 5 but was postponed.

"We had to change the dates to 12th of January and we're hoping to play two games on the day and they will be for a couple of memorial shields," Skipjacks manager Alex Morgan said.

Many Skipjacks have family connections at Cherbourg and the Palm players have been training hard in preparation for the clash.

One of the most determined in training has been veteran Raoul Miller who will be a role model for the younger players.

"We will be taking a lot of

young fellows down there," coach Fred Bulsey said. They will include Clarence Nugent, Robbie Snyder, Fred's sons Isaac and Fred jnr. Isaac Bulsey has started pre season training in Townsville with the Blackhawks under 20 team which will contest the Statewide Intrust Super Cup comp.

For the past 11 years Skipjacks have played an annual match against the Australian Army Thunder for the prestigious Bill Coolburra Memorial Shield.

The late Mr Coolburra was a former Australian Army man who served with distinction in the Vietnam War as a member of the "Tunnel Rats".

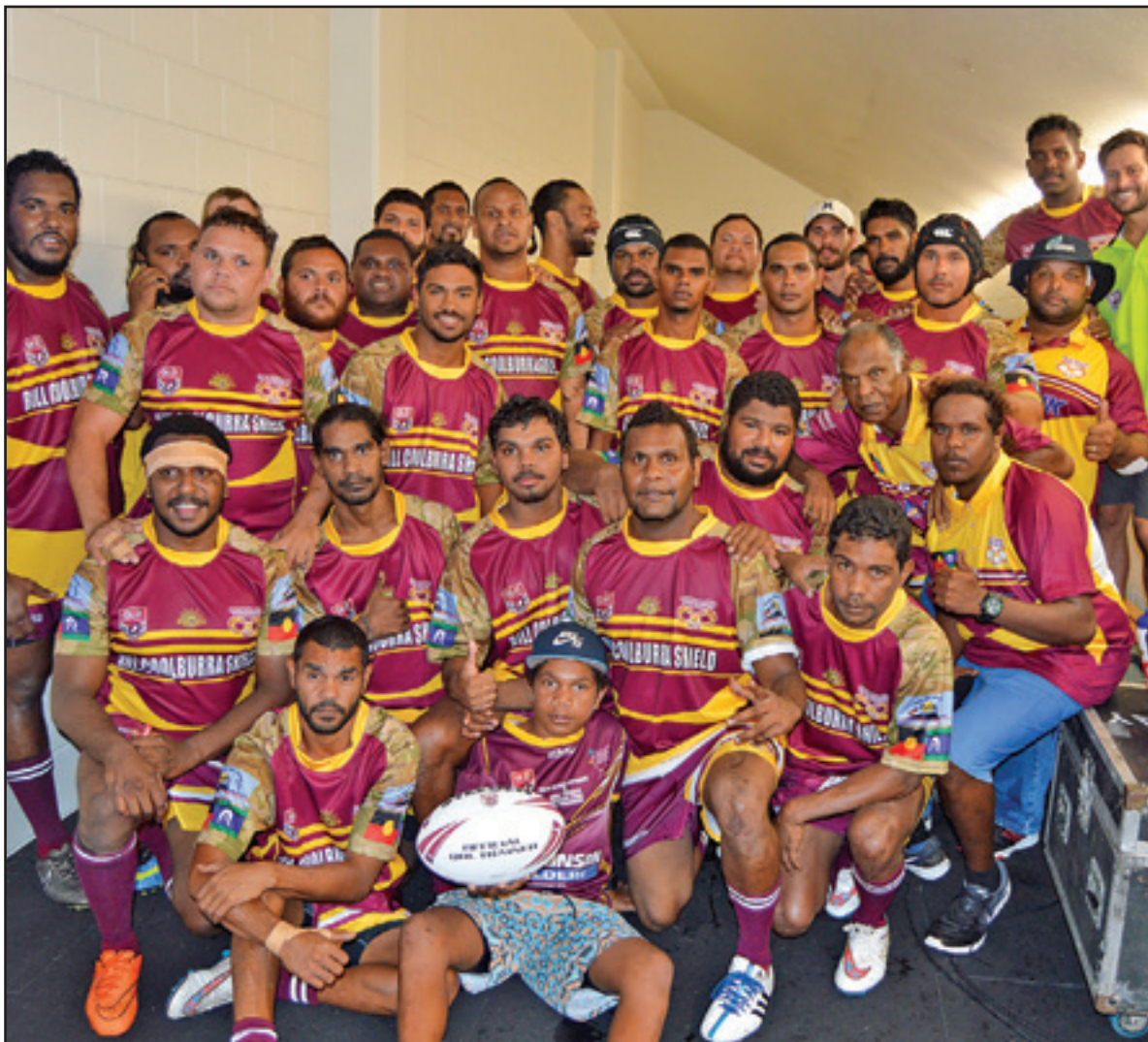
Mr Coolburra was also the biggest Skipjacks supporter.

The lads will be looking to finish the year on a winning note but will face a tough task against Cherbourg which will enjoy huge home support.

Palm Island didn't have a domestic rugby league competition in 2018 with many players lining up for clubs in the Townsville and District comp.

But moves are underway to have such a comp in 2019.

Fred snr he was looking to organize a Palm team to compete at next year's Dan Ropeyarn carnival at Bamaga.



The Skipjacks team that will take on Cherbourg on January 12.

WA girls embraced by netball community

By CHRIS PIKE



THE tremendous work the Shooting Stars program is doing throughout Western Australia with young Indigenous girls through netball has continued with a recent week-long trip for primary school aged youngsters.

The Shooting Stars program, in conjunction with Netball WA and Glass Jar Australia, continues to grow from strength to strength with it using netball to help encourage greater engagement and attendance at school of Indigenous girls throughout the vast expanses of WA's remote regions.

It's similar to programs that have been in place for sometime helping boys with the help of football highlighted by the Kicking Goals program between the Swan Districts and West Coast Eagles football clubs with the support of BHP.

But this is a program focused on the girls using netball as its vehicle and continues to do some outstanding and ground-breaking work in some of the most remote and isolated communities on the planet.

The Shooting Stars program is set up in eight sites throughout WA and future leaders from each of those communities, in Years 6 and 7 at primary school, recently took part in quite an adventure.

The students who have been identified as future leaders on the back of their commitment to taking part in their local program, enjoyed making the pilgrimage to the Kimberly region with the trip including West Coast Fever netball captain Courtney Bruce.

The Kimberly regional manager of Shooting Stars Helen Ockerby headed up the party



Young girls from Western Australia taking part in the Shooting Stars program.

who took part in the trip and continues to take great pride in the opportunities the program is providing that the girls involved otherwise might never get to experience.

"A lot of our girls come from the desert regions and they don't often get to see the salt water," Ockerby said.

"It's important to me to showcase my culture to keep it alive and if I can do that with other kids, then at least they're walking away with other experiences.

"On top of that, they are also

learning and appreciating an awareness of the different cultures throughout Australia."

One such student who got to experience a whole new world was Narrogin local Dakota Bolton-Black.

She has recently been appointed to the student council at Narrogin Senior High School and embraced everything about the trip to the Kimberly from it being her first trip away from home to spending time with an Australian Diamonds netball star like Bruce.

"This is my first excursion and

quite far away from my home. It's a really good opportunity and having all the Shooting Stars sisters along with us helps us to feel a bit more comfortable," Dakota said.

"It's very different and you never really go over to someone else's country. So having that opportunity to do that is such a great chance to open up your eyes.

"I have built some wonderful relationships with these girls and the coordinators of the program. Even having Courtney there was great and she taught us all to

have a voice in anything we say and to speak louder."

The Shooting Stars program now engages more than 350 students across eight delivery sites, with an average attendance improvement of 18 per cent across the board, while 60 per cent of participants maintain an average attendance rate of 80 per cent or above.

The program is attempting to increase school attendance rates for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander girls living in WA's remote communities and regional towns to above 80 per cent.

Mitchell's basketball journey continues with the Capitals



By PETER ARGENT

OF both American and Australian aboriginal heritage, Leilani Mitchell is one of the most experienced basketballers currently on the Australian Women's circuit.

This 2018-19 season she is now at her fourth Women's National Basketball League (WNBL) franchise and along with her commitments to the Canberra Capitals, she completed a season in Turkey in May and played for the Phoenix Mercury in the WNBA before the beginning of the 2018-19 Australian season.

Now 33, the 165cm guard, who can play both the point and shooting roles, Mitchell has previously played with Dandenong Rangers, Sydney Flames and Adelaide Lightning, starting her WNBL career back in the summer of 2013-14.

She is three-time WNBL "All-star" and Grand Final "Most Valuable Player" in 2016-17 with the Flames.

Mitchell, who was a Rio Olympian, has an eye on the Tokyo Olympic Games in 2020, although she was forced out of the 2018 World Cup side through injury.

She had previously played in the 2014 World Cup back in 2014 in Australian colours, when they finished with a Bronze medal.

An Australian-American basketball professional, she was originally collected by the Phoenix Mercury in the American Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA).

She was drafted at number #25 overall by the Mercury, a decade ago in the 2008 WNBA Draft, but played her first hoops at the very top level of the game with the New York Liberty.

She first played with Mercury in 2015 and is currently back at that franchise.

Mitchell was born and grew up in the

United States and went through the American College basketball system, playing her Freshman, Sophomore and Junior years at the University of Idaho, before transferring across to the University of Utah for her senior season.

The Canberra Capitals, who have been starved of major round success since 2011 had recruited a WNBL championship-winner guard on a one-year deal.

The Capitals have hoping to boost their hopes of ending a long finals drought, believing Mitchell's addition to their roster will help their chances of a play-off bid. After eight rounds, despite a couple of successive losses the Canberra Capitals are currently third on the ladder.

Mitchell is engaged to another WNBL basketballer and model Mikaela Dombkins, on July 24, 2018, the couple welcomed their first child, a son Kash Maxwell.



Leilani Mitchell is one of two Indigenous players in the University of Canberra lineup. The other is Abby Cubillo.



Jesse Ramien dives for a try.

The rise of Ramien

The Newcastle Knights signing of David Klemmer has captured the attention of fans but it could be emerging centre Jesse Ramien who could provide the most excitement for the home town crowd next season.

There's already the belief among many that he is ready to represent NSW in State of Origin next year.

Danny Buderus, a Knights legend who wore the No.9 jumper, coached Ramien in the pathways teams for NSW and predicts a big future for him in 2019.

"Jesse Ramien has just scratched the surface," Buderus said.

"He had a breakout year this year and I'm really looking forward to seeing the potency on that right edge, and playing around Kalyn Ponga.

"It's really exciting for Knights fans because he's young and very aggressive in the way he plays so he's in for a really good year."

Long touted as an NRL star in the making, Jesse's form in the 2017 Holden Cup saw him rewarded with a first-grade debut for the Cronulla Sharks in Round 26 last season.

A strong, bullocking type, Ramien's speed and strength also saw him selected in the 2017 NSW Under-20s side, a team that went on to defeat the Maroons 30-16 before Origin Game One.

Learning under the guidance of Buderus, Ramien believes he's gained a greater understanding of what it takes to be a top-flight star.

"Bedsy' and Matt King, they taught us heaps, not just about footy and training but also about a lot of the lessons he learned when playing in the NRL and in Origin," Ramien said.

"They shared with us the 'spirit' of the Origin game, the way it's played... coming from someone like those guys, with what they've achieved in the game, it really sunk in. Throw 'Freddy' (Fittler) in that mix too, he's been great in developing my game as well," Jesse continued.

He has only played one full season of NRL but Newcastle Knights recruit Jesse shares the belief of others and is aiming to make his NSW Origin debut in 2019.

After tasting first-grade briefly in 2017, Jesse was a revelation at right centre for the Cronulla Sharks this year with his natural power and agility.

The 21-year-old scored 10 tries from 20 matches and earned Cronulla's Rookie of the Year award.

Jesse's stellar performances were recognised with selection in NSW coach Brad Fittler's Emerging Blues squad.

He played for the Prime Ministers' XIII team against Papua New Guinea in October and isn't hiding the fact he craves more representative honours.

"I like to set myself a few personal goals at the start of the year. I have a few and to play Origin is one of them," Ramien said.

"I think I need to play consistent footy week in, week out to get there.

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"If I can perform at club level and show that I'm ready for the step up, I think that'll handle itself."

But if Jesse is to play for the Blues in his favoured centre role, it will mean unseating either Latrell Mitchell or James Roberts – no small task given the pair was instrumental in NSW's series win in 2018.

It's a reality Ramien is well aware of.

"Latrell and Jimmy Roberts, they're sort of killing it at the moment."

It is no secret the attraction of being able to live back on the Central Coast to be closer to his young daughter LaSharn was a huge factor in Ramien's decision to link with the Knights.

But he is equally attracted to the quality of the team he will be joining.

Ramien will form part of a stacked Newcastle backline with the likes of Kalyn Ponga, Connor Watson and Mitchell Pearce.

The Coonamble Bears junior is confident that playing alongside such talent will strengthen his game.

"Seeing what KP and Pearcey can do, as well as Connor, I'm real keen to play for them," Jesse said.

"It was a big reason I signed with the club, with players like Pearcey and KP. "I think they can take my game to the next level and help me progress as a player.

"There's going to be a bit of expectation with the new signings we have, but as a playing group we're just worried about what we're doing," he continued.

"We don't really go too much out of our circle and worry about what other people are writing.

"We sort of just stick to ourselves and [we'll] try and prepare for the year ahead as best as we can."

Coach Nathan Brown is preparing to play Ramien alongside right-wing specialist Shaun Kenny-Dowall next season.

Jesse hasn't been disappointed since starting pre-season training.

"I'm loving it around the club," he said. "All the boys have been very welcoming as well as the staff.

"What Browny is building here, he has signed a lot of good people.

"I just thought that as I young player, that's something I want to be a part of and something I thought I could contribute to.

"Seeing what KP and Pearcey can do as well as Connor – I'm just real keen to play with them. I'm excited to even train with them."

He said being around Ponga at training has been an eye-opener.

"He has surprised me massively," he said. "We all see KP play and know what he can do but to actually be training with him, it's unbelievable.

The stuff he can do, we all know he is a freak but to see it in person, it's amazing what he can do with the ball."

Ponga showed that youth is not a barrier to performing at Origin level.

Perhaps 2019 will be the year for Jesse to rise



Matthew Parker is ready to work extra hard now he has been drafted into the AFL.

Parker earns AFL chance

By CHRIS PIKE



WEST Australian Football League (WAFL) club South Fremantle always expected another mature-age draftee in 2018 to follow Tim Kelly into the AFL in 2019, but it was

somewhat of a surprise when that ended up being exciting forward Matthew Parker.

Kelly played 93 WAFL senior matches at South Fremantle to bang down the door for an opportunity in the AFL which he grabbed with both hands in 2018 at Geelong where he played every game, became a mainstay of the midfield and was second in the best and fairest voting at the Cats.

That performance by Kelly showed that something South Fremantle in developing talent readymade for the AFL must be right and it was Marlon Pickett who looked set to become the next cab off the rank.

Pickett produced a brilliant season in the midfield in 2018 filling the role left vacant by Kelly and he won the club's fairest and best award. But it was somewhat of a surprise when he wasn't picked up by an AFL club in last year's national and rookie drafts.

However, another mature-aged Indigenous star from South Fremantle was and that was Parker who was picked by St Kilda at selection No. 49 in what has been a rapid rise.

Only two years ago the now 22-year-old was playing C-Grade Amateurs in Perth but he arrived at South Fremantle in 2017, broke into the league team late in the season and has never looked back.

He certainly credits Kelly for helping show him what was possible and he still thinks there might be another chance in the future for Pickett.

"He (Kelly) rings me up all the time and tells me that I should keep striving for greatness. He's paved the way for me and for most mature agers back in WA. He's always contacting me and he's a great role model and inspiration," Parker said.

"I did think he (Pickett) would be and should be drafted, but that's on him now and

he's got to work on a few things and do a couple of things. But I certainly think he's a good enough player to get a chance. He's been great at helping me out over the last couple of years and he's put all the hard work in."

Parker was hopeful yet unsure if he would end up being drafted this year. That's why he wasn't focusing too much on the draft selections instead casually taking a shower at home after a long day at work when his name was called out by the Saints.

But it now gives him the chance to realise his dream.

"I was at home having a shower. I walked out of the shower and found out I got picked. I had been working on laying gas pipes and digging holes which did the body alright, and paid the bills," he said.

"It's always been a dream for me and probably all footballers really to play AFL footy. Now that I'm here I just have to work extra hard and see how I go."

It was back during his 2016 amateurs season when the light bulb went off for Parker that he was capable of much better with his football.

He set his sights on making it in the WAFL which he's done with 27 games and 39 goals at league level, but he always felt he could go to the AFL level too so that's what he aimed for.

"I was down at the Melville Rams playing amateurs and just running around having a kick without taking it too seriously," Parker said.

"And then it just got into my head that I might be pretty good so I should give it a go at a higher level. I wanted to take my talents somewhere else and now look where we are.

"I think I was sitting at home one day and thought to myself where am I going to be in 10 years and I worked out that I didn't want to be this person.

"I wanted to make a name for myself and wanted other people to look up to me, and to be an inspiration for people. But my most inspiration comes from my partner and little boy. They have taken me to new heights and I can see different things in life now."



Jake Neade has signed with reigning premier North Adelaide.

SANFL snags speedsters

By PETER ARGENT

FRESH out of the Port Adelaide AFL program, two aboriginal speedsters are marquee recruits for the SANFL.



Northern Territory talented small forward Jake Neade has signed with reigning premier North Adelaide and journeyman Dom Barry collected by their Grand Final opponent, the top team through the minor round,

Norwood.

Jake Neade signing on at Prospect for 2019, after featuring in 66 AFL games and kicking 55 goals for the Power since his debut back in 2013.

Neade will add some invaluable goal kicking prowess inside forward 50 at Prospect next year, after the loss of Robbie Young, who was secured by St Kilda.

The 24-year-old – who has also played 51 SANFL games and kicked 63 goals – has the pace and x-factor to be a potent force in the South Australian state league competition.

Just 174cm and 74kg, Neade comes from the remote town of Elliott, which has a population of about 350 people, almost halfway between Darwin and Alice Springs on the Stuart Highway.

This classy indigenous forward is settled in Adelaide, where he has been based on Port Adelaide's senior list for the past six years.

North Adelaide development coach Jacob Surjan, who played a role in nurturing Neade while working at Alberton, said he was excited to secure his services.

"We are rapt to have Jake at our football club, as senior coach Josh Carr and myself have a strong relationship with him," Surjan explained.

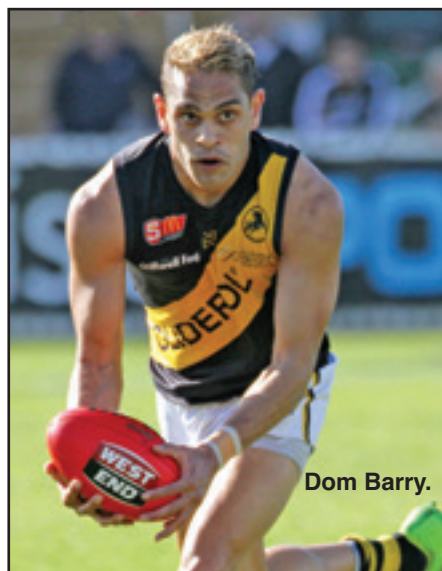
"Jake will bring toughness, pressure and creativity to our group, which will complement what we already have in place."

Neade compliments North's star-studded tall power forwards including the premiership group of Lewis Hender, Alex Barns, Mitch Harvey and Keenan Ramsey.

Norwood has signed off former Port Power midfielder Dom Barry and his cousin, former Southern District's midfielder Dylan Barry.

Both Barry's will head to the Parade after Norwood and the duo agreed to terms for the next two campaigns (2019-2020 seasons).

Dom will cross over from Port Adelaide where he spent the 2018 season, played five AFL games in 2018 along with 11 games for the Magpies averaging just over



Dom Barry.

20 disposals.

Barry's ability to break the lines and use the ball well will complement the Redlegs forward line, in particular speedy forwards, fellow aboriginal talent Anthony Wilson and Ed Smart.

Dylan Barry is a 20-year-old Northern Territorian, hailing from Alice Springs, and played for Southern Districts in the Northern Territory Football League.

Dylan Barry also played in the Central Australian Football League (CAFL) for Rovers and had a strong 2018 campaign kicking 29 goals in 13 games to help his side win the 2018 premiership by 19 points.

Norwood coach Jarrod Cotton explained that his club was in a bit of a holding pattern before the AFL Draft because Matthew Nunn and Mitchell Greg were seen as serious candidates to be collected and confirmed his club hadn't done a lot wrong before SANFL Grand Final day, 2018.

"When we got the opportunity to speak to Dom, we were keen to get him on board because he has those line-breaking attributes," Cotton explained.

"He adds real versatility, with the ability to also play forward along with midfield roles.

"Dom explosive pace will be a true attribute for us.

"As a bonus his cousin Dylan has also committed to Norwood as well.

"He's a little bit more inside than Dom, but also has the capacity to go forward.

"Dylan just needs to get SANFL fit and I'm confident he can make a real impact.

"We did some background research on Dom and found when he was a junior, he also played across half forward at Under 18 level."



Irving Mosquito will line up with Essendon.

Buzz about Mozzie

His background and his name might have captured the attention of some in the media but it's the remarkable talent of Essendon draft recruit Irving Mosquito that sets him apart.

Irving also has that winning smile that captures people's hearts but behind that there is a quiet confidence in his own ability and, just as importantly, his own identity that also shines through.

Irving was one of the surprises of the recent AFL Draft with Essendon 'stealing' him from Hawthorn who has nominated Irving as one of their Next Generation Academy picks.

From the start the boy they have dubbed the Halls Creek "Mozzie" created his own buzz which Gippsland Power talent manager Peter Francis believed was well and truly justified.

Francis said you "won't find a better kid" than Mosquito, who barely knew English when he moved more than 4500km from his small Kimberley town as a 12-year-old to a cold Gippsland to chase his dream of becoming an AFL footballer.

Irving admitted he was "pretty scared" about making the move at first, but he has since thrived at school and on the footy field.

"For me coming down here was pretty big, especially for a 12-year-old, I was pretty scared," he said.

Francis, who has overseen Mosquito's development for the past four years, couldn't speak highly enough of Irving.

"He's been in our program for four years, from under-15s all the way through to under-18s TAC Cup level," he said.

"He's a brilliant young man, he's always got a massive smile on his face at training."

Mosquito, who has drawn comparisons to four-time Hawthorn premiership livewire Cyril Rioli, was seen as potentially filling his idol Rioli's shoes for the second time in his life after the retired Hawk gifted him a pair of his boots when they trained together during the pre-season.

As the fourth Halls Creek product on an AFL list next season, joining Sam Petrevski-Seton (Carlton), Cedric Cox (Brisbane Lions) and Shane McAdam, who joined Adelaide during October's trade period, he continues a remarkable story of achievement for the town of 3269 people.

Irving is well aware of the buzz surrounding his highly anticipated move into AFL ranks. The 18-year-old draftee has already drawn comparisons not only to Rioli but also Bombers speedster Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti because of his blend of pace, creativity and goal sense.

But Irving is determined to be his own man when he lines up in red and black next season.

"I just play like myself, just Irving Mosquito," he said. "I don't idolise anyone, I just play like myself."

Mosquito moved to Gippsland as a 12-year-old from his home in Halls Creek to chase his football dream.

It came a complete surprise to most that he has ended up at the Bombers after the Hawks had invested so much in Irving's development.

When Hawthorn passed on the opportunity to recruit Irving Mosquito,

Essendon's head recruiter Adrian Dodoro pumped his fist. The so-called Cyril Rioli clone had landed at the Bombers.

Upon arriving at the Bombers' Tullamarine base for the first time on Monday, Mosquito seized a moment to take in his new surroundings and spent time gazing at a statue of club legend Michael Long.

Soon he felt right at home at a club renowned for nurturing indigenous talent.

"Moving away from WA was pretty big, but now I'm used to it," he said.

Irving was joined for his first day at Essendon by fellow Gippsland Power player Noah Gown (pick 60), Brayden Ham (72) and rookie draft selection Tom Jok (eight).

But Hawthorn's footy boss Graham Wright has explained the reason Hawthorn passed up on the opportunity to draft Mosquito.

"It's always difficult because we've had him a part of what we're doing here for a couple of years, Wright explained.

"But in any academy or father-son bidding, they need to sit in a talent order and it's all about where they're bid and how many players you may have in front of them.

"We had too many players that we rated ahead of him, so to match the bid would've potentially affected our pick for next year and potentially would've forced that pick into the mid-30s.

"We decided beforehand that if he was bid on there we wouldn't match the bid so we wish him well. He's got a fair bit to do development wise, but I'm sure Essendon will look after him.

"From our perspective we need to take the emotion out of it and make a business decision."

The Bombers forced Hawthorn's hand when they bid on Mosquito with Pick 38. And while the club has been quick to play down the forward's potential, Dodoro was ecstatic to land his man.

"He's an exciting talent," Dodoro said.

"I don't want to talk him up too much. He's going to take a bit of time, and we know that.

"He'll do Year 12 next year so there's no expectations as to what he'll do next year, but I think in the future we'll have a pretty exciting player on our hands."

The West Australian will inject even more pace into an Essendon attack that already includes Orazio Fantasia, Jake Stringer, Devon Smith and Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti, who also played for the Gippsland Power after moving from the Tiwi Islands to Drouin as a teenager, before the Bombers recruited him in 2015.

So, the Bombers get another really talented indigenous player in what has been a rich relationship that goes back to the special relationship between Kevin Sheedy and Michael Long.

It's a proud story that continues with the likes of Anthony McDonald-Tipungwuti and now they have another young prodigy from Halls Creek. There's a real buzz about Irving Mosquito.

Until Next Time... Keep Dreaming!

Magic's Moments



With MICHAEL O'LOUGHLIN

Jawai bounces back



Nate Jawai is roaring to go now he's back in the Boomers squad. Getty Images.

By CHRIS PIKE



BASKETBALL star Nate Jawai has put in a power of work to get to some of the best shape and form of his life and he was rewarded with a national call up with the big man seeing no reason why he can't continue to shoot for more with the Australian team.

It had been a challenging couple of years for Jawai after he won his first NBL championship with the Perth Wildcats back in 2016.

He returned closer to home in Far North Queensland coming back to play with the Cairns Taipans where his NBL journey started a decade ago. But a string of shoulder, knee and foot complaints meant it was a frustrating two seasons for the former NBA big man.

Jawai put in some thinking when he was sitting out the latter part of the 2017-18 season with the Taipans and decided he wasn't content to just let his career drift away, and that he had plenty more yet to give.

The now 32-year-old knuckled down to put in a power of work this past off-season and with his body healthy, he got in tremendous shape and he remains in some of the best condition he's been in his entire career.

The results have been evident back out on the NBL court as well with Jawai playing impressive basketball with a Taipans team that is sitting on the bottom of the table.

Jawai has impressed all and sundry with both his conditioning and form so far this season and that was rewarded during the last international window where the Australian Boomers secured their place at next year's Basketball World Cup in China.

The Boomers won well in Melbourne against both Iran and Qatar to secure their spot in the tournament and Jawai not only received a call up to play in both matches, but he did so well that there's every reason to suggest more national duties are in his future.

Jawai is no stranger to

representing the Boomers and he did go to the 2014 World Cup to play for Australia, but after the challenges of the past two years, there was no guarantee he would receive another chance.

However, Jawai earned the opportunity and made sure he embraced everything about being back around the national team.

"It was nice and enjoyable to get amongst the group," Jawai said.

"It's a new group of guys than I'm used to with the Boomers but it was good, it was fun. It's a different type of basketball and in international basketball the referees are different which I might have liked better, but it was great and I enjoyed it.

"I'm happy any time I get a call up whether it's qualifying or World Champs or whatever. It's always a proud moment and on the flight back I spent time reflecting on it and it's been a while since I've been in the national team.

"It was special and even now I feel excited and happy now that I got the call up, and went down and got to experience that."

Jawai isn't content with just that one experience back with the Australian team either.

While there will be limited spots for NBL players in the World Cup squad given the international stars Australia will have, including Joe Ingles, Ben Simmons, Aron Baynes, Matthew Dellavedova, Ryan Broekhoff and company from the NBA, Jawai will leave no stone unturned giving himself a chance.

"I would never give up on anything but I might be a little late to the party here. I'm not going to give up on it but I still have a lot of work to do. It's my goal, though, to be able to make that team," Jawai said.

"It's going to be tough with a lot of great NBA talent that has to come back to get into the national. I know it will be tough but I'm not ruling it out and I'm going to give it my best crack.

"Whenever you play for the national team you always try your hardest and it's enjoyable. When the time comes again hopefully I can go out there and perform."

Hagen hopes to share her passion for cricket



WHEN Bundaberg-born Courtney Hagen started her role as Cricket Australia's Indigenous Engagement Specialist last month, she committed herself to ensuring all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders received "endless opportunities" to play the country's national sport.

The 23-year-old, who took out the batting award at last summer's National Indigenous Cricket Championships after starring for Queensland, said at a time when D'Arcy Short, Jake Weatherald, Dan Christian and Ashleigh Gardiner are dominating the Big Bash, it was crucial to remove any barriers making it difficult for children throughout Australia to fulfil their goals and potential.

"With Indigenous affairs and

Indigenous people, it's very hard to put everyone under the one umbrella," said Ms Hagen from Cricket Australia's HQ in Melbourne. "[The barriers] depend on remoteness, family responsibilities, socio-economics, clubs being culturally responsive and what Cricket Australia looks like in its regard to Indigenous cricket.

"I don't think there's many [barriers], but it is a matter of identifying them and making it easier for everyone. It could be something as simple as infrastructure; some remote communities don't even have a cricket pitch, and we're working on changing that.

"I really like to celebrate the successes we've enjoyed so far, and I want to build opportunities that are endless. I want cricket to be the sport of choice for all



Courtney Hagen is Cricket Australia's new Indigenous Engagement Specialist.

Indigenous people – from the elite level to grass roots.

"I want to visit the communities

that I worked in and grew up in, and see kids playing cricket at lunchtime and after school. That's where I'd like for a lot of my work to have an influence . . . I also want that passion for cricket to grow so we also have genuine [Indigenous] fans of cricket."

Ms Hagen, who is a descendant of the Butchulla people, the indigenous people of K'gari (Fraser Island), has been inspired to make even greater inroads for Cricket Australia into the indigenous community by the spirit of the famed Aboriginal team which toured England 150 years ago. The team played 47 matches during their six months in Britain, and Ms Hagen is proud of the legacy players such as Johnny Mullagh left.

"It's important for kids to hear their story, and of the many challenges they faced and how

great they were," she said of the first Australian team to tour the UK. "The 1868 team were our first pioneers; our first cricketers . . . they were at Lord's and had some incredible cricketers.

"So, Indigenous people have been playing cricket for a long time, and it didn't stop with the 1868 team. I want to see more indigenous players in high performance programs and, as I mentioned, I want to provide players with as many opportunities as we can."

Ms Hagen is, herself, a great role model. Apart from graduating from ACU in Brisbane, where she juggled tutoring Indigenous students, playing in the Queensland State League Basketball competition, studying, and holding down a job, she also worked in remote regions of the Northern Territory.

Short taking big steps in the longer form



D'Arcy Short hard at work in the nets.

By PETER ARGENT



HAVING already proved himself as an accomplished Twenty20 and 50 over one-day cricketer, primarily as a batsman, but across all three disciplines of the game, D'Arcy Short is now looking to consolidate in the longer forms of our summer passion of 'leather and willow'.

As is proving to be a more consistent pathway in the modern era, Short made his first class debut for Western Australia against Tasmania in November, 2016. This was after playing his initial "short form" cricket match back in November, 2011.

At this point of his career he has played more times for his country in T20 and one-day cricket than he has in the first-class arena.

So far Short has played 18 T20 matches in Australian colours and four One-Day Internationals in

green and gold.

In his initial first-class match he batted in the middle order, but he has proven at all forms of the game that he is a top order batsman who can take the game away from the opposition at any level.

This has been confirmed by his player of the tournament award in the 2017-18 Big Bash season and his cavalier 257 in a one-day domestic game earlier this summer.

With his 74 from 91 balls, opening the batting against the Indians for a Cricket Australia XI, at the famous Sydney Cricket Ground, which included 11 boundaries against an accomplished world class Indian bowling attack which included Mohammed Shami, Umesh Yadav, Ishant Sharma, Ravi Ashwin and Ravindra Jadeja, Short proved that he has the capacity to be a quality long form cricketer.

He was involved in an opening partnership of 114 with Max Bryant and this was the basis for the

team's big total of 544.

Also an outstanding fieldsman and a developing left-arm chinaman bowler, Short took 1/42 from 11 overs in the first innings against India and in their second innings was one of the two wicket takers, as the game meandered to a draw, finishing with 1/34 off six overs.

You only have to look back through recent cricket history to see how Dave Warner started his national cricket career to suggest that Short is taking the same trajectory.

The secret for D'Arcy Short now is to find more consistency in his game to get opportunities at the highest level and wear the "baggy green" for Australia as a test cricketer.

He has played cricket for the Rajasthan Royals in the Indian Premier League and the St Lucia Stars in the Caribbean Premier League as well. Currently 28, Short still has up to a decade of top class cricket in front of him.

Hawks embrace culture

By CHRIS PIKE



THE Illawarra Hawks have always been a National Basketball League (NBL) club at the forefront of embracing the community and that's set to continue ahead of the club's first ever Indigenous-themed game against the Sydney Kings.

The Hawks might not have the huge stadium, fan bases, resources or money as some of the league's powerhouse clubs like the Kings, Melbourne United, New Zealand Breakers or Perth Wildcats, but they remain a strong part of the Illawarra community.

They are the only foundation club left in the league, having been involved in the NBL from that inaugural 1979 season, and they continue to break new ground ahead of their Indigenous clash at the WIN Entertainment Centre against their New South Wales rivals, the Kings.

The game will take place in Wollongong on Sunday December 16 and be broadcast nationally on free-to-air television and the inclusion of the celebration of the Indigenous culture has been a long work in progress by the Hawks.

It is a project that has been worked on between the Hawks and the Illawarra-based Aboriginal Medical Service with the initial plan being one to help encourage Indigenous children in the region to receive help with their health and education.

However, it ended up evolving into becoming a celebration of culture and inspiration for Indigenous youth with an eye to inspiring them to invest in themselves to have the confidence to strive to achieve



Illawarra Hawks team members sporting their Indigenous jerseys.

their goals, no matter what their journey entails.

The game against the Kings will feature plenty to celebrate and commemorate Indigenous culture including the Hawks team wearing specially designed jerseys featuring Aboriginal art for the first time.

The whole initiative has been on the back of work done by former Hawks player Tyson Demos who also played in the NBL for the Gold Coast Blaze as part of his career.

He might not be playing in the NBL and the league might currently only feature Nate Jawai as an Indigenous player, but Demos has recently taken on the

role as Indigenous Program Ambassador for the Hawks.

This concept is on the back of the work he's done and the Hawks have made available for sale the Indigenous jerseys for the public - with the option of having a No. 1, 2 or 67 on them.

The No. 1 is in recognition of it being the club's first Indigenous jersey, the No. 2 acknowledging the number that Demos wore during his career at the Hawks and the No. 67 referencing the 1967 referendum to amend the Australian constitution to acknowledge Aboriginal people.

Current players' singlets will also be available with all

proceeds going back into the Hawks' work done with the local Indigenous community.

As for the design itself, it features an interpretation from Aboriginal artist Glen Sutherland's 'Life's Journey' painting with the final artwork completed by University of Wollongong and current Hawks work placement student, Harry Pitt.

In the build-up to the game on December 16, the Hawks took part in a traditional smoking ceremony performed by the Aboriginal Medical Services team and local Indigenous elders.

Todd Blanchfield is in his first

season with the Hawks as a regular member of the Australian Boomers team and he's proud of the club's initiative.

"I think this partnership that the Hawks have formed is something that's really special," Blanchfield said.

AJ Ogilvy is now a stalwart of the Hawks and the impressive centre hopes it's the start of more involvement in the Indigenous culture for the NBL.

"A few of the other codes have already jumped on board and we are a little bit behind but I think this is a good first step for us to do it," Ogilvy said.

"Hopefully a few other clubs soon join us."

Thunder beat Hurricanes to take Indigenous T20 cup



Tyran Liddiard and Julie Muir.



SYDNEY Thunder's Indigenous XI sides have won a five-game series against the Hobart Hurricanes' Indigenous XI and Pathways XI to retain the Indigenous XI T20 Cup.

Taking place in Tasmania from 29-30 November, the series was reduced to best of five games after the first game of the women's fixture was cancelled due to extenuating circumstances.

Mikayla Hinkley, who has played for both the Sydney Thunder and Perth Scorchers in the WBBL, starred with the bat and ball, scoring 52* in the first game and picking up 3-6 in the second game.

Men's captain Tyran Liddiard bounced back from two disappointing innings (0 and 14) to smash 69* and lift his team to the winning total of 2-175 in the series decider.

"It's an amazing feeling. We didn't have the greatest of days yesterday but we came out strong today and pulled through. It's a pretty proud feeling to be able to bring the trophy back to Sydney," said Liddiard after the final game.

"Yesterday personally I didn't do very well but today I scored 69 and batted through the 20 (overs). It might not seem like much but I knew that my role was to bat the 20 so we had someone set for the innings.

"We're all here playing for Sydney and our mobs and our family so I'm very happy to be able to take the trophy back after a few tough days of cricket."

The tour to Tasmania also featured a traditional smoking ceremony at Tiagarra Aboriginal Cultural Centre.

Last season Thunder's Indigenous side, which are proudly supported by Homestar Finance, beat the Hurricanes in a three-game series in Orange and also recorded a six-wicket victory over Kenya Under 19's.



Hannah Darlington.

Game 1 (Men) – Hurricanes 8/125 (Dellow 4/20) def Thunder 5/124 (Smith 48)
Game 2 (Women) – Thunder 2/110 (Hinkley 52*) def Hurricanes 6/107 (Coulson 2/12)
Game 3 (Men) – Hurricanes 2/137 (Davis 1/21) def Thunder 7/134 (Fenning 41)
Game 4 (Women) – Thunder 10/123 (Astley 22) def Hurricanes 10/83 (Hinkley 3/6)
Game 5 (Men) – Thunder 2/175 (Liddiard 69*) def Hurricanes 8/155 (Steadman 2/27)



Sydney Thunder Men's Indigenous Side: Tyran Liddiard (C) Biripi; Adam Burton Kamilaroi; Rohan Davis Kamilaroi; Nathaniel Jones Eora; Yarran Fair-Townsend Kamilaroi/Biripi; Raymond Steadman Worimi Ngemba; Brendan Smith Dunghutti; Daniel Dellow Wiradjuri; James Whiting Wiradjuri; Luke Jones Eora; Ryan Fenning Wiradjuri; Aaron Kelly-Parsons Dunghutti; Marty Jeffrey Wiradjuri



Sydney Thunder Women's Indigenous Side: Hannah Darlington (C) Kamilaroi; Julie Muir Wiradjuri; Dharmini Chauhan Wiradjuri; Anika Learoyd Gumbaynggir; Jemma Astley Wannarua; Zoe Fleming Kamilaroi; Naomi Woods Kamilaroi; Taylor Ling Plangermaireener; Christina Coulson Unknown; Mikayla Hinkley Kunja; Roxsanne Van-Veen Gundungurra; Dimity Parton Wiradjuri/Yuwaalaraay; Madison Greenhalgh Biripi.

Ladies to line up for Garbutt Bombers



By ALF WILSON

A SIDE consisting of many players of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent looks set to compete for the first time in the 2019 Townsville Australian Rules ladies competition.

The Garbutt men's senior team last competed in the comp back in 1989.

Garbutt Magpies Bombers had junior sides during the 2018 season in the under nine, 11, 13, 15 and 17 grades and well as the girls under 16 division.

Club President Nicole Ross told the *Koori Mail* that many players were keen to be part of the side.

"Our club has land near the Castle Hill PCYC in Townsville and this will be a family based club," she said.

In 2020 Nicole said Garbutt Magpies would seek to enter a team in the men's TAFL competition of which they had once been a genuine powerhouse.

From 1956 through until 1989 the Garbutt Magpies Sporting Club was an important part of the Garbutt suburb community in Townsville.

Many of the players and officials were descendants of Anastashia Ross (nee Kanak) of Darnley descent and Manny Ross from Palm Island.

Many of the founding players and officials of the club had come to Townsville from the Torres Strait after World War II for employment opportunities.

The majority lived in the Garbutt suburb of Townsville.

Family club

It was more than just a sporting club and was like a second family to the local Indigenous kids who played AFL, rugby league, basketball, vigoro, cricket and softball.

The coaches and other adults were genuine mentors and role models to these kids, but unfortunately this sense of community connectedness doesn't exist as much today.

So past Garbutt Magpies

players have been heavily involved in a mentoring program called Boys To Men.

This has proven itself to be a wonderful way for elders to re-connect with local kids and teach some important life lessons—all whilst enjoying a good old game of footy.

The Garbutt Magpies men last competed in the Townsville AFL competition in the eighties.

The club won TAFL premierships in 1961, 62, 64, 65, 66 and in 1982 when coached by Jim Macdonald.

Garbutt Magpies also had many quality Aboriginal players and also some non Indigenous footballers.

Some of the champion players included Wally Tallis (father of former NRL star Gorden Tallis), brothers Ricco and Russell Butler, Cowboy Ross, Zac Sam, David Nogar, David Smallwood, Francis Tapim, and the late Harry Akee, Noel Ross and Porky Ross.

Michael Horope of PNG descent had been a star ruckman.



The Garbutt Bombers side which competed in the Townsville girls under 16 AFL comp last season.

Offers roll in for two code whiz

By ALF WILSON



STAR Indigenous rugby league and Australian Rules footballer Daniel Mooka of Mabuiag and NPA descent has been

swamped with offers for next season from both codes after being the subject of stories in the *Koori Mail*.

That publicity may have ensured that the 24-year-old Daniel came under the notice of talent scouts but it was ability in the rival codes of football that had clubs hot on his trail for the 2019 season.

Daniel booted 112 goals for premiers Pyramid Power in the 2018 Cairns and District reserve grade Australian Rules competition.

Spearhead Mooka booted seven goals when Pyramid Power 12-12-84 defeated Port Douglas 10-7-67 in the decider at Cazaly's Oval on September 22 and was named man of the match.

Soon after Daniel played a major role for Skytrans Wenlock River Stallions which won the men's grand final of the Arthur Beetson Foundation Murri Knockout rugby league carnival.

The blockbusting second rower made plenty of metres up the centre of the ruck and scored a try and kicked two goals when his team beat Mackay Stallions 26-10 in the decider.

That was Queensland's biggest

Allblacks carnival and was contested by 25 men's teams and 10 women's.

To top off a great season Daniel lined up for Alau Eagles at the Dan Ropeyarn Carnival in Bamaga after that and was named player of the carnival.

Injinoo Crocs defeated Alau Eagles in a semi final and went on to beat Bamaga Roos in the decider.

Daniel said from Cairns that the *Koori Mail* stories and others in the Torres News paper certainly created lots of interest in him.

Several Queensland Intrust Super Cup sides including the Mackay Cutters had wanted to sign him.

"But I have signed with the Innisfail Leprechauns for the 2019 Cairns District Rugby League competition and they are getting me a job and accommodation.

"Also I'll be playing for Cairns City Lions in the Cairns AFL and hope to kick some goals for them," he said.

Daniel said he has descendants from Mabuiag Island also on the NPA.

I asked Daniel which of the two codes is his favourite and he didn't take long to answer.

"Rugby league for sure. I started as a junior with Cairns Brothers in 2001 and played Aussie Rules when aged 16 for the North Cairns Tigers," he said.

Versatile Daniel has played for Western Lions in the 2018 Townsville and District Rugby League competition.



Daniel Mooka has signed with the Innisfail Leprechauns for the 2019 Cairns District Rugby League competition and will be playing for Cairns City Lions in the Cairns AFL.



Jeff Horn took just 96 seconds to knock down Anthony Mundine. BELOW: Mundine considers what went wrong at the press conference after the bout. Pictures AAP



Choc topped

But he's still The Man to his fans



ANTHONY 'The Man' Mundine's stellar boxing career took decades to build but just 96 seconds to end.

Barely had the Suncorp stadium audience had a chance to chug another Bundy Rum when Jeff Horn unleashed a powerful shot to the body which rocked his 43-year-old opponent.

A few jabs followed before a Horn left hook sent Mundine crashing to the canvas, much to the delight of the parochial Queensland audience.

It was an inglorious ending to a boxing career that has spanned 25 years, and included 57 fights for 48 wins and nine losses.

And despite the trash-talk that led up to the bout, Mundine was gracious - even humble - in defeat.

"All the trash I talked, in the end it's an entertainment business and I've got to try and get bums on seats," he said in the post fight interview.

"Obviously a lot of people don't like it, so you're going to get detractors and lovers, supporters. It's part of the game and I'm glad I've really united something for these guys to earn some big dollars."

'All the trash I talked, in the end it's an entertainment business and I've got to try and get bums on seats'

He also said that Jeff Horn - 13 years his junior - was the man to take the sport of boxing forward, and ruled out ever stepping into the ring again.

"I'm 43 - I'm not 23 - you know what I mean," Mundine said after the devastating loss.

"If I was bit younger, bit fresher, maybe things might have been better

but that's the way it goes man."

Pre-fight Mundine had hinted his career may continue if he beat Horn and opened the door to further big pay-days.

But no amount of money is going to get him back in the ring now, he says.

"Nah man, I'm done," he said. "That's life man. You can't cry over it, it's meant to be and we've got to move on."

And while the stadium crowd responded with boos, the reaction among his diehard fans on social media was much more forgiving.

"Brilliant career and achievements", wrote one, while another said "Time to go out and keep that passion burning to inspire those kids out in community that anything is possible."

As to the future Mundine says he'll continue to campaign against injustice and to use his legacy and story to "uplift and help people" as well as spend some well-earned time with his children.

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